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Kentucky Students Unite to Protest Possible Future Budget Cuts

Amy Stephens
Staff Writer

The threat of further budget cuts to higher education sparked statewide student activism in Kentucky.

A student rally will be staged at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14 at Kentucky State University in Frankfort. The march will take students from KSU to the capitol.

"(The rally is) a way for students to voice their concern for higher education," said Mike Franke, Student Government president.

Student government presidents from the seven state-funded universities voted to rally before the decision is made in Frankfort, possibly as soon as the end of this month.

"It's very important. We stop this now," said Locke Saccone, Student Government vice president.

State budget appropriations for higher education have steadily declined over the years. The 1991-1992 budget was cut by \$31.6 million. The following year, the budget was cut by \$32.2 million.

This year there is a predicted \$185 million revenue shortfall in the Kentucky budget, according to Franke.

"We've been able to absorb the past two cuts, but we can not absorb these (future) cuts," Franke said.

Franke added that student tuition is going up while state appropriation is going down.

"(NKU is) depending on tuition to fund the university," he said.

According to Franke, in 1983, 59.5 percent of NKU's budget came from state appropriation and 25.5 percent came from tuition.

In 1993, 40.1 percent of the budget will come from state ap-

propriation and 38.2 percent will come from tuition.

Tuition as revenue has gone up 50 percent. The statistics were provided by Elzie Barker, NKU director of budget.

Further budget cuts "(will) affect the entire university," Saccone said.

The consequences could include a faculty hiring freeze or the hiring of more part-time teachers instead of full-time, an increase in class size, termination of some programs, and a probable reduction in the quality of education at NKU, Franke added.

Julie Neuroth, Student Association president at Eastern Kentucky University, said, "If students do not want their classes cut, which could result in having to stay in school longer and more debt for them in the long run, and (probably) having their activity fees raised, (they'll rally in Frankfort)."

The rally is open to all students, faculty and staff who care to participate, Franke said.

SG has transportation available to students.

Franke said he would like to see at least 100 NKU students in Frankfort.

He calls on all professors' cooperation in excusing students from classes and rescheduling midterm exams to make the rally a success.

"We need everybody's support, even faculty and staff," Saccone said. "This can make a big difference if we get enough people in Frankfort."

"We're going to try and make this a big event," Franke said.

Several years ago a rally of the same flavor was staged in Frankfort and was judged a success due to a turnout of about 2,000 people, according to Franke.

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Comedian Cary Long performs his comedy routine last Monday in the University Center. Long performs his routines for about 100 colleges a year. Northernner photo by Julie Venable.

Comedian Long Inspires Students

By Julie Venable
Staff Writer

When the monotony of daily life leaves you screaming for change, humor can be a great inspiration.

Comedian Cary Long visited NKU to inspire students with laughter last Monday in the University Center theater.

Long's comedy act cuts through the humdrum of everyday situations students face by showing the humor behind reality.

He covered many aspects of student life from college roommates to the psychological differences between men and women.

Student Bob Mallory said, "he is the greatest comedian I've heard since the doctor announced my birth."

Students relate to Long's comedy because much of his humor is based on insight.

"I know how people think," Long said.

This allows him to talk about subjects that are personally relevant to students lives.

Long has been making people laugh for seven years. He said comedy is his contribution to society. "People like to laugh and I like to make them laugh."

He began in 1985 with Star Search and has since moved from his hometown of Atlanta to Los Angeles to work in comedy clubs.

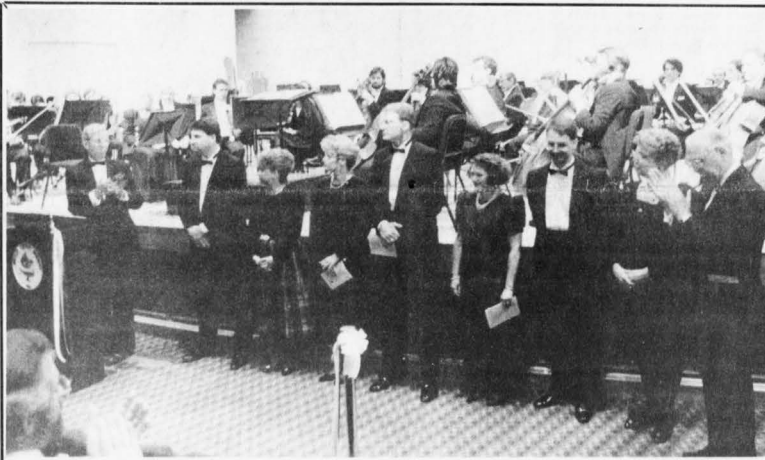
"He is the greatest comedian I've heard since the doctor announced my birth."

NKU Student Bob Mallory, on Cary Long

He is presently the opening act for country singer Clint Black.

Mary Chesnut, NKU student program coordinator, said students on the Programming Board chose Long from a list of comedians.

Long performs his comedy routines for about 100 colleges a year.



President Leon Boothe, left, applauds the Greaves family after announcing their \$3 million donation to NKU. The gift will go toward an endowment for science, technology and law scholarships. The Greaves family also gave \$400,000 toward the construction of the Fine Arts expansion. Part of that expansion was named Greaves Concert Hall in honor of William and Ruth Greaves, who gave their estate to NKU. Photo courtesy of Joe Ruh.



Act Provides Little Additional Grant Money for Students

By Karen McGlone
Staff Writer

Students who had hoped for more grant funding and less loan agreements to attend NKU next year will find little help in Congress' reauthorization of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

The reauthorization bill passed in July, mainly restructures the already existing act, said Robert Sprague, director of NKU's office of Financial Aid.

"It's supposed to provide ad-

ditional funding for students to finance their higher education," he said. "Basically, it just reauthorizes all the programs but provides no money for them."

Some of the changes were as simple as adding 'federal' to all program names. Other changes, like the increase in Pell Grant maximums, have not been instituted or funded, he added.

Pell Grants, the chief federal student grant program at NKU, is money given to low and mid-

dle income students to help pay a portion of tuition and costs. Unlike loans, recipients are not required to repay Pell Grants.

This fiscal year, undergraduate students can receive up to \$2,400 in Pell Grant assistance.

"Next year it looks like the annual maximum amount of Pell Grants is only going to be \$2,300," Sprague said.

According to Sprague, there were 1,689 students at NKU last year who received Pell Grants totaling \$2.6 million. The original allocation for this

year is \$1.6 million based on approximately 800 recipients, he said.

"The allocation is lower than last year because it's based upon a formula that figures out how much we're going to need to begin the year with," Sprague said. "Then quarterly reports are sent in so the allocation can be updated from information in those reports."

Although NKU's maximum Pell Grant amount will be lower next year, Sprague said the \$200 minimum Pell Grant

amount for undergraduate students will be raised to \$400 in fiscal school year 1993-94.

"This is a change that will help some students a lot," he said. "But it's unlikely the change will increase the number of students being served here."

The act proposes to allow state colleges and universities to increase the maximum amount of money students can receive in Pell Grants from this year's \$2,400 maximum amount to a maximum amount of \$3,700

in fiscal school year 1993-94. It would also let institutions increase that \$3,700 maximum amount by \$200 each fiscal year thereafter, up to \$4,500 in 1997-98.

"This has been authorized by Congress, but I don't see it getting past the Appropriations Committee," Sprague said. "There just isn't any federal money to back this type of proposal."

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Car Theft Investigation in Neutral

By Tina Short
News Editor

A 1991 Camaro has been added to a growing list of items stolen this semester from NKU's Highland Heights campus.

The car was stolen while its driver, NKU student Robert King, was attending morning classes. When King walked into parking Lot L, one of the partial gravel lots near the tennis courts, he found his stepfather's \$15,000 car missing.

The Department of Public Safety (DPS) alerted police de-

partments in Boone, Kenton, Campbell, Hamilton and Clermont counties and as of Monday, had received no leads as to the car's whereabouts.

DPS Lt. Don McKenzie said the auto theft was the fourth in his 12 years at the university. The stolen car was at least the 20th theft reported during September.

McKenzie said September normally accounts for the largest number of the year's thefts. This year a rash of car stereo thefts has increased the normal amount.

McKenzie said five car stereo

thefts, which occurred last month, have been curtailed by employing different patrol methods. He said Highland Heights police have several suspects in the thefts.

During the 1991 fiscal year 109 thefts were reported amounting to \$23,000. In 1992 the numbers rose to 127 totaling \$34,000. Three months into the 1993 fiscal year more than \$7,000 in rings and more than \$9,000 in car stereo equipment have been reported stolen.

Thefts have also occurred indoors at NKU, with televi-

sions disappearing from un-

locked offices. McKenzie classified most of these as "opportunistic thefts" in which passerby see an item left unattended and carry it off.

McKenzie said a conflict often exists between academic needs and safety needs. He said while students need access to buildings after hours to complete projects, DPS needs to ensure campus security.

"It'll never be resolved, McKenzie said. "It's one of those issues where there's no right or wrong. It depends on the side of the fence you're on."

Police Reports

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John Frost reported the theft of a parking decal.

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Thomas Roetenberger reported the theft of a parking decal.

Troy Hueser reported the theft of \$140 from a locker in Albright Health Center.

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Danny Bayes reported the theft of a saw, valued at \$125, from the physical plant.

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Robert King reported the theft of an automobile from parking lot L. The vehicle was valued at \$15,000.

Water Damages Woodcrest Apartments

By Scott Cook
Managing Editor

Four units in the new Woodcrest Apartments were flooded last Tuesday when a hot water pipe broke.

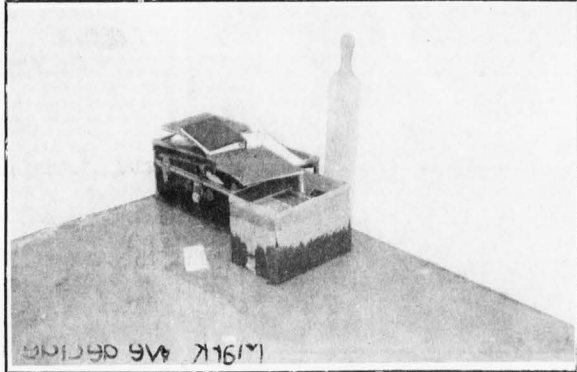
According to Patty Hayden, director of residential life, the flooding occurred when an inadequately soldered pipe broke.

Up to six inches of water filled some of the units, said Nathan Smith whose apartment was flooded in the incident.

An estimate of the damage isn't yet available said Hayden.

"We're just trying to get the students' rooms back in proper condition," she said.

"I haven't worried about cost figures yet," she said.



Several Woodcrest Apartments residents woke up last Tuesday to find their belongings and their carpet soaked after a hot water pipe broke. Photo courtesy of Rocky Saccone.

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News Briefs

Police Looking For NKU Student

The Newport Police Department is looking for an NKU student who performed a good deed on Sept. 24.

A student driving a black Nissan truck used a cellular phone to report an elderly man who had pulled over to the side of the road. The man was having a stroke.

The man's family would like to contact the student to express their gratitude. The student can contact Lt. Jim Kane at 292-3622.

Volunteers Needed For New Group

The Office of Admissions is looking for volunteer students to be part of its new Students Helping Students group. Among other activities, members will accompany student groups during visits to campus and accompany NKU staff to high school and/or college fair visits. Students in the Residential Village can assist by hosting overnight visits by prospective students.

Interested students can call the Office of Admissions at 572-5220 for details.

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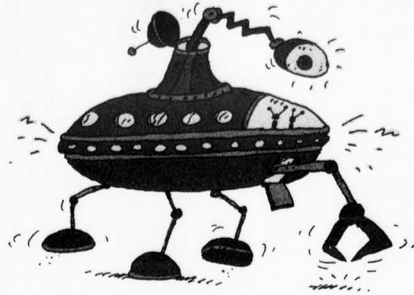
IT'S TIME TO BE HEARD

Join us in Frankfort on
Wednesday, Oct. 14 for the
Student Rally on the Capitol

Buses will be leaving NKU at 11:30 a.m. and students will be marching to the Capitol at 2 p.m.
Transportation will be FREE thanks to Student Government.

All are encouraged to attend to express your disapproval of the possible new budget cuts.

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"You know, it's so ridiculous. If I don't call my parents every Sunday at exactly 5 o'clock, they think I was kidnapped by aliens, or something. Anyway, one Sunday me and Mark, we decide to take-off and check out the city. So we're hanging out and I look at my watch. 5 o'clock. Alright, so my calling card and I head down to the local pool hall. (Which I happen to know has a payphone) And I tell the folks the Martians send their best."

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Editorials**Don't Take It Anymore**

The wounds still have not healed. Now as the new academic year has just begun, more wounds may be opened and these won't heal as fast.

More budget cuts may be on the way. An issue which had higher education scrambling to find the necessary funds just to keep things a float and running last year. Universities may be facing the same situation all over again.

We guess this news really shouldn't be a surprise to those of us who have lived in the Commonwealth for most of our lives.

Promises are made, but in the end the people who benefit are the ones that make large campaign contributions. And let's face it colleges and universities don't make large campaign contributions.

Even though nothing is official yet, this is the time for us, the students, to stand up and let the Governor and every state legislator know that this is enough, we are not going to stand for it.

Students whine and moan about costs on this campus already, but if another cut is handed down from the state, you haven't seen anything yet.

So don't let this chance go by. Tell the state 'hat to cut higher education is to cut your future. Get involved on Monday, Oct. 12, at noon at a rally sponsored by Student Government in the University Center or be a part of those who take their voices straight to the capital building on Wednesday, Oct. 14. SG is leaving at 11 a.m. The rally begins at 2 p.m.

What Could Be Next?

After being used for less than two months, the quality of the work put into new NKU's residential village is beginning to show. And it's not looking good.

Last week, residents in a portion of the Woodcrest Apartments woke up to find their apartments flooded.

Because of someone's inept attempt at soldering a hot water pipe during construction of the complex, it broke.

Luckily, the only damage done was to personal property and not human lives.

If this incident is a reflection of the quality of work put into the entire project, we can only wonder what other surprises are in store for the residents of the new complex.

Let's hope it was only a freak occurrence and not the beginning of a long string of unfortunate events.

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Opinion/Letters**Letters****Cutting Education Is Cutting The Future**

Dear Students,

Across the nation, states are feeling the sting effects of revenue shortfalls and other budgetary problems. Kentucky is no different. For the past several years the state has seen revenue shortages and had to deal with them by making budget cuts. Unfortunately for us, the students, higher education has taken more than its share of those cuts. Now, as the state faces the possibility of another revenue shortfall, higher education's budget could receive a

cut for the third straight year.

The prospect of the Governor cutting higher education's budget is something that should worry anyone that is interested in the future of the Commonwealth. However, as a student, the prospect of another cut terrifies me, and every student at Northern should be that concerned also. The university has been able to absorb much of the last two cuts and deal with them in such a way that the quality of education at NKU has not suffered. This would not be the case if we re-

ceive another cut. The quality of every student's educational experience would be dramatically affected!

Student Government will be sponsoring a student rally on campus on October 12 at Noon in the University Center to voice the concerns of students at NKU about the possibility of these cuts.

Student Government is also co-sponsoring a "Rally for Higher Education" with the seven other state funded universities. The rally will take place in Frankfort on October 14

at 2 p.m. We will be meeting on the plaza in front of the University Center at 11 a.m. and are hoping to take at least 100 students from NKU. If you have any questions please call Student Government at 572-5149. This rally must be a success.

The Governor must see that the students cannot allow him to hurt our future.

Cutting Education is cutting the future.

Michael Franke, President
 Student Government

The State Of Higher Education

By Robert J. Samuelson

You should treat the loud cries now coming from colleges and universities that the last bastion of excellence in American education is being gutted by state budget cuts and mounting costs. Whatever else it is, higher education is not a bastion of excellence. It is shot through with waste, lax academic standards and mediocre teaching and scholarship.

True, the economic pressures - from the Ivy League to state systems - are intense. Last year nearly two-thirds of schools had to make midyear spending cuts to stay within their budgets. It is also true (as university presidents and deans argue) that relieving those pressures merely by raising tuitions and cutting courses will make matters worse. Students will pay more and get less. The university presidents and deans want to be spared from further government budget cuts. Their case is weak.

Higher education is bloated enterprise. Too many professors do little teaching to too many ill-prepared students. Costs can be cut and quality improved without reducing the number of

graduates. Many colleges and universities should shrink. Some should go out of business.

Consider: Except for elite schools, academic standards are low. About 70 percent of freshman at four-year colleges and universities attend their first-choice schools. Roughly 20 percent go to their second choices. Most schools have eagerly boosted enrollments to maximize revenues (tuition and state subsidies). Dropout rates are high. Half or more of freshmen don't get degrees. A recent study of PhD graduates at 10 major universities (including Harvard, Stanford and Yale) also found high drop-out rates for doctoral candidates.

The attrition among undergraduates is particularly surprising because college standards have apparently fallen. One study of seven top schools (including Amherst, Duke and the University of Michigan) found widespread grade inflation. In 1963, half of the students in introductory philosophy courses got a B- or worse. By 1986, only 21 percent did. If elite schools have relaxed standards, the practice is al-

most surely widespread.

Faculty teaching loads have fallen steadily since the 1960s. In major universities, senior faculty members often do less than two hours a day of teaching. Professors are "socialized to publish, teach graduate students and spend as little time teaching (undergraduates) as possible," concludes James Fairweather of Penn State University in a new study. Faculty pay consistently rises as undergraduate teaching loads drop.

Universities have encouraged an almost mindless expansion of graduate degrees. Since 1960, the number of masters' degrees awarded annually has risen more than fourfold to 337,000. Between 1965 and 1989, the annual number of MBAs (masters in business administration) jumped from 7,600 to 73,100.

Our system has strengths. It boasts many top-notch schools and allows almost anyone to go to college. But mediocrity is pervasive. We push as many freshmen as possible through the door, regardless of qualifications. Because bachelors' degrees are so common, we create more graduate degrees of dubious worth. Does anyone believe

the MBA explosion has improved management?

You won't hear much about this from college deans or university presidents. They created this mess and are its biggest beneficiaries. Large enrollments support large faculties. More graduate students liberate tenured faculty from undergraduate teaching to concentrate on writing and research: the source of status. Richard Huber, a former college dean, writes knowingly in a new book ("How Professors Play the Cat Guarding the Cream: Why We're Paying More and Getting Less in Higher Education"): "Presidents, deans and trustees... call for more recognition of good teaching with prizes and salary incentives. The reality is closer to the experience of Harvard University's distinguished paleontologist Stephen Jay Gould: 'To be perfectly honest, though lip service is given to teaching, I have never seriously heard teaching considered in any meeting for promotion... Writing is the currency of prestige and promotion.'"

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Guidelines for Writing Letters to the Editor

Readers are encouraged to submit letters and guest editorials to The Northerner's Opinion pages in person or by mail.

Letters should be 350 words or less, while guest editorials or columns should be 800 words or less. Typewritten, double-spaced material is required for

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Writers must include their name, address, telephone number and classification or affiliation with NKU on all submitted material.

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Writers should address their comments to "Letters to the Editor," The Northerner, Northern Kentucky University, University Center 209, Highland Heights, Ky. 41099.

State from Page 4

About four-fifths of all students attend state-subsidized systems, from community colleges to prestige universities. How governors and state legislatures deal with their budget pressures will be decisive. Private schools will, for better or worse, be influenced by state actions. The states need to do three things.

First, create genuine entrance requirements. Today's low standards tell high school students: You don't have to work hard to go to college. States should change the message by raising tuitions sharply and coupling the increase with generous scholarships based on merit and income. To get scholarships, students would have to pass meaningful entrance exams. Ideally, the scholarships should be available for use at in-state private schools.

All schools would then compete for students on the basis of academic quality and costs. Today's system of general tuition subsidies provides aid to well-to-do families that don't need it or unqualified students who don't deserve it.

Next, states should raise faculty teaching loads, mainly at four-year schools. (Teaching loads at community colleges are already high.) This would cut costs and reemphasize the primacy of teaching at most schools. What we need are teachers who know their fields and communicate enthusiasm to students. Not all professors can be path-breaking scholars. The excessive emphasis on scholarship generates many unread books and mediocre articles in academic journals. "You can't do more of one [research] without less of the other [teaching]," says Fairweather. "People are working hard — it's just where they're working."

Finally, states should eliminate the least useful graduate programs. Journalism (now dubbed "communications"), business and education are the prime candidates. A lot of what they teach can — and should — be learned on the job. If colleges and universities did a better job of teaching undergraduates, there would be less need for graduate degrees.

Our colleges and universities need to provide a better education to deserving students. This may mean smaller enrollments, but given today's attrition rates, the number of graduates need not drop. Higher education could become a bastion of excellence if we only try.

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Senioritis Strikes Early

By Marsha Berry

Senioritis is, of course, that strange malady brought on by all-I-can-think-of-is-graduation anxiety coupled with I-still-have-two-semester-to-go frustration. Sadly, no remedy exists, it will get worse before it gets better, and I won't be cured until May.

But, you see, I've waited 21 years for senioritis, so I thought I'd get an early start. I'm one of those non-traditional students who for a variety of reasons had to postpone getting a college degree until a little later in life.

So now I'm making certain I experience everything I missed by not graduating in 1972 — even senioritis. To say I've worked hard, sacrificed a great deal and will have a memorable graduation celebration would be putting it mildly.

But before time gets away from me, I want to pat a few folks on the back and get a few things off my chest.

First, I want to thank NKU. From the day I requested an application for enrollment to the day I filled out my degree candidacy form, I've received timely sincere service from the university. Oh, sure, I've en-

countered an assistant having a bad day or a line that's been unusually long. But from the lunch cart ladies to the library resource advisers to the saints in the bursar and registrar offices, their helping attitude was always appreciated.

Next, my gratitude goes to my professors. After being out of school for so many years, I'd almost forgotten what it was like to be in a classroom. I was relieved and impressed from the very first day of class to find teachers who made me feel comfortable and included. They were prepared and knowledgeable and always welcomed discussion and questions. I felt that I could approach them with concerns, and I always came away from conferences feeling encouraged and motivated. Kudos to keep it up.

And finally, I'd like to brag on the NKU students. They've been great classmates and friends, accepting me as if I were one of them. We've networked on assignments, shared the latest on which teacher to take for what, and felt the relief of seeing the other's familiar face at the beginning of a rough semester.

The interesting thing is that, except for hip huggers and bell bottoms, they're not unlike those in 1968 — some are exceptionally talented and intelligent, and some do fairly well, some just get by, and some are never happy, always complaining, and wonder why bureaucrats are so inept.

So to all my Northern classmates, I say thank you. For you are what society is like and has been like all these years. All of you represent the kind of people I'll be working with and for. You've given me a chance to refine my skills and get rid of the dross before I begin my career.

Since we're in this together, let's make a pact. Let's choose our paths well, considering the impact we have on society. But whatever our choices, let's make someone else's life better for having known us.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I'm having another attack of senioritis. I need to check my calendar for the next free seminar opportunity at NKU. Let's see, resume writing, interviewing, job search strategies...

After all, we want jobs when we leave here, don't we?

(Marsha Berry is a senior majoring in journalism.)

Customer Satisfaction?

By Scott Cook
Managing Editor

What ever happened to customer satisfaction?

I tried to buy a pair of running shoes Saturday at the Florence Mall, but came away empty handed.

It seems nobody wants to sell me a new pair of shoes.

I tried every shoe store in the mall, but not one single place had the right size in the style I wanted.

Every place couldn't sell me

the shoe I wanted to buy, but they had plenty of shoes in my size in other styles.

And the worst part about it was they tried to get me to buy them.

Hello! Are there any intelligent shoe salesmen out there?

When I ask for a pair of shoes in a certain size that's what I expect to be brought out of the storeroom.

If there aren't any, that's OK, but don't bring another pair and try to sell them to me.

If I had wanted something

else, I would have asked for it.

If you order a beer and the waitress brings milk, do you drink it? No!

The old bait-and-switch might work with some people, but it ain't gonna work with me.

And it's not just the shoe stores at the Florence Mall that don't have what I want. It happens at other stores too.

I tried to buy a pair of pants a couple of weeks ago, but since my waist isn't twice as big as my inseam I couldn't get the pants I wanted either.

It makes sense to me to order more of the most common sizes to satisfy the customer's needs.

Are there any business people out there that can understand this concept?

I guess not.

Until I can find some one to sell me a new pair of shoes, I guess I'll have to keep on wearing my old ones.

That's OK I like them better than a new pair anyway.

SEASONAL MERCHANDISE HANDLERS

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View



The Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra was the first to perform in the newly dedicated Greaves Concert Hall at the black-tie gala held last Wednesday. The concert hall was named for William and Ruth Greaves, whose estate left Northern the beneficiary of a \$3 million gift for science, technology and law students. Photo courtesy of Joe Ruh.

Greaves Concert Hall Dedication

Northern's Gala Event

By Lee McGinley
Staff Writer

It was a star-studded evening filled with music as Northern dedicated its \$7.3 million Fine Arts expansion project last Wednesday.

Those attending the black-tie dedication gasped and rose to their feet in applause when President Leon Boothe announced the largest private donation to NKU in its history.

The estate of the late William and Ruth Greaves made a gift of \$3 million to the university. Carol Reif Ernst, the Greaves' daughter, told the audience her parents were quiet and creative people who wanted to share their talents.

The endowment will be used for scholarships for students majoring in science, technology and law, said

Peter Hollister, vice president for university relations.

The money will be used to pay for tuition, books and other expenses for about 60 students, he said.

The \$3 million wasn't the first gift the Greaves' made to the university. A scholarship in their name is cur-

Following the announcement of the Greaves gift, Boothe welcomed the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra to the stage.

Led by Jesus Lopez-Cobos, the orchestra began the concert by playing *The Star Spangled Banner*.

The audience took part by standing and singing along with the orchestra.

The orchestra then paid tribute to Philip Koplow, NKU's composer-in-residence, by playing his piece, *Cincinnati-A Bicentennial Fanfare*.

Koplow said this was the second time the orchestra performed his piece.

"They did a wonderful job," he said.

Although the symphony was the first to perform in the hall, the hall is designed for music students, said



Northern Kentucky University received a \$3 million donation from the Greaves family at the dedication of the Fine Arts expansion last Wednesday.

rently awarded to outstanding math and science students.

For the state to grant permission for NKU to build the Fine Arts expansion, it had to come up with half of the first year's debt service from a private donation.

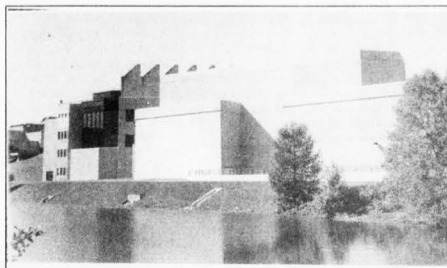
The Greaves family gave that donation, Boothe told the audience.



A view of the Greaves Concert Hall stage. Many acts will be performing on this stage this semester and for the semesters to come thanks to the generosity of the Greaves family.

The photo on the right is a side view of the Greaves Concert Hall. Lake Inferior is shown in the foreground.

Northerner photos by Michael Bunzel.



Gary Johnston, associate professor of music.

"The hall is our teaching classroom. We're going to use it to prepare our students to perform in professional form."

The expansion included not only construction of the 650-seat Greaves Concert Hall, but instructional and practice spaces for the department of music as well.

The project also involved some renovation of the Main Stage Theater and the art gallery.

The Greaves Concert Hall can be accessed by a new stairway connecting it to the plaza.

The first major performance by students in the hall will be a symphonic winds concert.

For Further Information

Scholarships from the Greaves family endowment were first given a year ago, according to Peter Hollister, vice president of university relations and development.

He explained the principal from the endowment pays for the scholarships. About 60 students currently receive this financial assistance.

Students majoring in science, technology or law interested in applying for the scholarship should contact the financial aid office.

Upcoming Events

Free concerts will be offered in the Greaves Concert Hall this semester. All concerts, unless otherwise noted will begin at 8 p.m. For information call 572-5464.

Oct. 15: Symphonic Winds

Oct. 19: Honors Chorus, Chamber Choir and NKU Chorale

Oct. 22: Faculty recital

Nov. 5: Faculty Brass Quintet

Nov. 16: Faculty recital: David L. Dunevant, trombone

Nov. 20: Keyboard Kaleidoscope

Nov. 24: Instrumental and Vocal Jazz ensembles

Dec. 3: Symphonic Winds

Dec. 6: The Magic of Christmas, 3 and 7 p.m. \$4 adults, \$2 students

Dec. 7: Baroque Gala Concert

Dec. 10: Baroque Concerto

Dec. 13: "The Messiah", donation requested



Several prestigious people came out to NKU last Wednesday to dedicate the Fine Arts expansion and listen to the sounds of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra. Standing from left to right are Ross Staus, Co-chair of the NKU Friends of the Fine Arts, Fifth Third Chairman of the Board Clement Buenger, Carol Ernst, daughter of William and Ruth Greaves, NKU Regent William Verst and Judy Gibbons. Photo courtesy of Joe Ruh.

Features

Elemental Justice Investigates Environmental Violators

By Lee McGinley
Staff Writer

A group of students saw the need for environmental change and decided something had to be done.

Last spring, Mike Michalack, Scott Young and other members of the student organization W.A.V.E. decided to establish Elemental Justice at NKU.

Vice President Young said the main goal in being a member of Elemental Justice is to bring awareness to the university.

He wants people to realize that "we as human beings are a

part of nature."

One of these steps in bringing awareness to NKU will be to schedule a lecture by Dennis Banks sometime this fall, Young said.

Michalack, president of the organization, said that Dennis Banks is the founder of the American Indian Movement.

Young's main project, with the help of a subcommittee of the organization, is trying to improve the university's recycling program.

The group wants the university to buy partitioned trash re-

ceptacles in order to lessen the rubbish going to the landfills. They would like to see these installed throughout the campus, but especially back by the dorms, Michalack said.

"What will cutting open a frog help me in one day diagnosing a person with heart disease."

—W.A.V.E. President Mike Michalack

There is a price differentiation between the two types of dumpsters, but Michalack said, "It is so minimal, it's mind boggling."

Another subcommittee of

Elemental Justice hopes to banish mandatory dissection of animals by biology majors. Michalack said members of the group want to know, "What will cutting open a frog help me

in one day diagnosing a person with heart disease?" Michalack said they plan to reform through rationalization.

They will go to a member of

administration with facts supporting their reform and present variables to the situation. He said he realizes that change doesn't happen overnight.

Another goal of Elemental Justice, according to the constitution, written by Michalack, lists encouraging individual spirituality based on ecological awareness.

The third weekend in October, they will focus on the goal when members travel to Rockcastle County for a week-end of camping.

At a typical meeting, there is no hierarchy, Michalack explained. He is just there to see that everyone gets a chance to express their views on a variety of topics.

They meet to discuss various social and environmental topics and to challenge thoughts on whether there is anything they can do to make a difference.

Other Elemental Justice plans include attending a regional conference in Dayton Oct. 23-25 and possibly hosting the national S.E.A.C. conference at NKU in the spring.

Women's Studies Director Ready to Help Students

Mary K. Henry
Staff Writer

Director of the women's studies program is not a new face.

Joanne Henry began her work at NKU in 1985 — in the Learning Assistance Center. She taught composition and developmental reading.

"Women's studies was very important to me as an undergraduate. It helped me turn my grades around and helped me get interested in academic pursuits," Henry said.

"Being a director gives me a



chance to help current students experience the benefits of a women's studies program."

NKU hired her as director in May. In addition to her directorship she now teaches a paired reading and writing

workshop.

"She is easy to talk to and has a good understanding of how to work with students," said senior Angela McFarland.

Henry acts as a spokesperson for the Action Council, a governing body for the program in terms of curriculum. The council consists of 18 faculty members from different departments and colleges.

Her other duties as director include promoting the women's studies program and courses, maintaining current information about gender issues for fac-

ulty and students.

"She has a lifetime of reading in women's issues and women's studies," Fran Zaniello, director of University 101 programs, said.

He said Henry is very hard-working and incredibly conscientious in doing her work.

Henry has her Bachelor of Arts in English from Indiana State University, an Master of Fine Arts in Fiction from Bowling Green State University in Ohio and EDD in Education from the University of Cincinnati.

Japanese Film Topic Not Foreign

"World of Asia" Compares Three Cultures

By Lara Kallmeyer
Features Editor

The NKU Museum of Anthropology presents a film series on Japanese culture.

The "World of Asia" film series is to coincide with the "People of Japan" course being taught this semester.

The series looks at Japanese culture through war, education and religion.

Sharlotte Neely, films coordinator, says the first film, "Preschool in Three Cultures" is fascinating.

The film compares preschools in Japan, China and America.

"There are some interesting surprises, anyone in any level of education would be interested in this film," Neely said.

All of the films are free and can be viewed in LA 110 on Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. and 7 p.m.



Students model the latest college fashions from the University Bookstore. From left are Nadine Hopkins, Michelle Jackson, Angela Gumm, Angela Buchert, Christina Wells and Rocke Saccone. Photo by Blake Bodkin.

Staff Writer Rappels, Lands in ROTC Life

A First Hand Look at Military Training

By Hope Cammareri
Staff Writer

"Northerner Staff Writer Loses Life on Assignment."

I guess I half-expected to be a headliner in this week's issue when I agreed to go rappelling with NKU's Reserve Officer Training Corp.

Fortunately, it was not!

Members of ROTC gathered Saturday at the fire tower in Highland Heights for land navigation exercises and military rappelling.

Rappelling involves climbing down a wall, using a rope that is secured at the top of that wall, and held by a belay person at the bottom.

The belay person has as much control of the rope as the person rappelling. They can stop the person from rappelling or maneuver them downwards.

The cadets assured me that there was almost no way to fall unless both the person rappelling and the belay person let go of the rope.

Since they didn't make me sign a waiver, and I could sue had I been injured, I felt pretty safe.

"The purpose of rappelling is, first of all, to learn military rappelling, and [is] a confidence builder," said Cadet Lt. Col. Ron Dammert, a senior.

"I was pretty nervous," Cadet Shawn Miller said.

"With rappelling you had to trust the man on the ground, and you had to rely

"With rappelling, you had to trust the man on the ground, and you had to rely on him to stop you, if you put yourself in danger."

—Cadet Shawn Miller

on him to stop you, if you put yourself in any danger," Miller said.

There are many challenges involved in rappelling. The first one involves wearing a

Swiss seat made out of rope. The body is securely attached to the body to form a very tight seat.

The Swiss seat holds a metal ring that secures the roped up to climb down with. After wearing the painfully uncomfortable seat for more than five minutes, the first challenge has been met.

After putting on the seat, the cadets first attempt rappelling down the "bunny tower," a one-story building, where they are instructed on maneuvering procedures.

After successfully climbing down the "bunny tower," cadets then go onto the fourth floor of the fire tower.

While most cadets went bravely up to the fourth floor, I chose to rappel down the one-story building again.

Then, trying to make it look like I was considering climbing down the fire tower, I went up there.

Before I could protest, Cadet Ron Dammert attached the rope to me, the sergeant yelled for me to come down, and collapsing under pressure, I climbed down over the 40 foot ledge.

I must admit, dangling up in the air at 40 feet is a lot of fun! It was so much fun in fact, that I went twice.

Having worn the Swiss seat for more than five minutes and having rappelled down the tower twice, I thought I had faced the two biggest challenges of the day.

Then the captain started talking about getting me a uniform and sending me to airborne school.

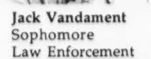
I don't know about that one. Then again, you never know!

People Perspective

If you were president of the university, what would you do or change about NKU?



Kim Hoffman
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Accounting



Jack Vandament
Sophomore
Law Enforcement



Karen Brown
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Al Bollinger
Senior
Psychology



Danielle Caton
Freshman
Business



Dan Finn
Junior
Business

"I wouldn't have closed Lot I during classes, I would have made the dedication on the weekend."

"Put more colorful artwork around campus, maybe more flowers, anything to make campus look less gray."

"The price of the food in the cafeteria and add more parking."

"Definitely more parking, give security something else to do besides give out parking tickets all day and provide better health care to the students."

"Make the campus more personal, make the faculty and staff care about the students more."

"Have more activities, maybe start a football team."

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Dear Dr. Comp.

My Comp teacher used one of my essays as a model in class. She asked for my permission, and I, of course, said okay. What else could I say? At first, I thought she liked my paper. She said my paper was organized and thoughtful—one of the better papers from the class. Then she nailed me. She claimed my ideas were all wrong! She convinced even me. What gives here?

—Hailed Then Nailed

Dear Hailed Then Nailed.

Teachers can teach young writers the difference between correct and incorrect, but they cannot teach them the one thing they all must learn: how to resurrect themselves after the world's crucifixion. You see, Jesus is in every writer and every writer is a Jesus.

Now this resurrection stuff can get a bit tricky, and spiritual tricks can be the trickiest tricks of all. But don't despair. Here's what you do.

Try loving your teacher as you would have your teacher love you. If that doesn't work, go out and buy a computer that has a spell and grammar check that will fool your teacher every time. If that doesn't work, skip a class and then say to your teacher, "Sorry I missed class the other day, but I had to take some time off, you know, to resurrect myself. I didn't miss anything, did I?"

Remember, teachers are simple folk who know not what they do. It is your burden to render unto teachers what belongs to teachers: the ink on the page. Your meaning and salvation remain your own responsibility.

But what do I know? I'm not a for-real doctor. I have a master's degree—not in comp!

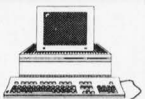
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Sports

Lady Norse Improve Record With Win Over Wilmington

By Kevin Nichols
Sports Editor

NKU's women's volleyball team defeated Division III Wilmington College 15-4, 15-5, 15-5 last Wednesday to improve its record to 9-2.

The game allowed the younger players valuable playing time.

The tempo of the game started slow, but great hustle and hard kills ended the contest.

"We learned against Saint Joseph's and Lewis that we can play and win in our conference," coach Mary Biermann said.

"We missed Heather (Loveless), but we stayed close with Lewis and we hope to see them again later on in the conference."

ference."

Injuries are definitely something the Norse must consider.

Junior setter Shawn Casey didn't play due to a sprained ankle and freshman middle blocker Lovelace to return for another two weeks.

Without Casey, freshman setter Dana Hall took over with 28 assists.

"For my first night I handled things pretty well," she said. "I'm used to playing this position, but I do need to improve."

Hall also had seven digs to help the team defensively.

The Norse had a high overall attack percentage due to the performances of junior outside hitter Teresa Inskeep and

freshman outside hitter Kerry Lewin.

"Peggy (Ziegler), Colleen (Kaufman), Teresa, and Tamara (Ramer) got a lot of kills," Lewin said.

"When we're getting kills like that, it gives the team a high."

Lewin hit 50 percent from the floor and led the team with five service aces.

Sophomore outside hitter Stephanie Carle was second on the team in total attempted attacks, she had 14. Carle said she feels that the competition is getting harder.

"We feel better than we did last year," Carle said. "Other teams don't think they can walk into our gym and beat

us. This year they don't know what to expect."

Lovelace said she is anxiously awaiting to make her return on the floor. Biermann said she feels the team will change once Lovelace returns.

"Losing a natural middle is like a basketball team losing its center," she said. "Heather has been trained at this position all her life."

It didn't take long for our team to get used to Hall playing setter. They look forward to playing Bellarmine in the future.

"Dana did a good job," Carle said. "The team, playing and winning, and being good is what keeps us motivated."



Teresa Inskeep jumps to block a shot against Wilmington. Photo by Blake Bodkin.

NKU Soccer Team Ties Wheeling In Double Overtime



Sophomore Trevor Fugazzi dribbles the ball away from Wheeling's Erin West in NKU's 0-0 tie with the Cardinals last Saturday. Photo by Julie Venable.

By Tom Embrey
Staff Writer

The NKU men's soccer team battled the Wheeling Cardinals to a tight struggle but neither side could find the back of the net. The game ended with neither team scoring.

The Norse opened the game sluggish allowing Wheeling scoring opportunities early.

Twelve minutes into the game junior goalie Job Snyder, was faced with a furious attack, but as he would all day long, he turned aside the Cardinals when he made two diving saves.

The teams battled the rest of the first half without any serious threats.

"The intensity picked up a notch in the second half,"

NKU Coach John Toebben said. The Norse came out with renewed life and were swarming around the Wheeling goal.

One of the best scoring opportunities came when freshman Chad Scott forced the Wheeling goalie out of position when they both raced after a loose ball.

Scott controlled and fed the ball to senior Todd Gruenwald. Unfortunately for Gruenwald, the defense recovered in time to turn away his low line drive headed for the back of the net.

Yacks continually cleared loose balls in front of the net out of harms way and initiated offensive runs by the Norse.

"They were a good team," said senior Tom Drenthall. "But I don't think we played as well as we could have either."

That good team came within an eyelash of sending the Norse home losers. With two minutes left in regulation the Cardinal fired a shot that ricocheted off the cross bar and was cleared out of harms way.

Regulation play ended and the teams headed into two 15 min. overtime periods.

The first overtime was dominated again by NKU, but neither team could score.

As the second overtime wound down the Norse began to press the attack.

"We knew we had to get a goal there at the end (the end of the second overtime), but we couldn't get that goal stuck in," said Todd Gruenwald.

The Norse are back in action Wednesday October 7 at home versus Xavier.

Teaney's Singles Play Leads Women's Tennis In Victory Against Berea

By Sean O'Connor
Staff Writer

NKU women's tennis team, led by junior Terra Teaney's 7-6 (7-3), 6-4 straight set victory, swept past Berea College 9-0 Thursday afternoon.

Teaney, playing No. 1 singles, struggled early before claiming the first set over Berea's Kim Hudson in a tie-break. She settled down after that, placing more of her groundstrokes deep

in the court and employing several well-timed drop shots to take the second set easily.

Afterward, Teaney was unhappy with her performance.

"(Hudson) was getting everything back, so I had to start angling off my shots," she said.

Teaney has been battling a strained thumb and a cold, which she said has been hurting her play.

"After today," she said, "I feel like I really need to work on my forehand and my serves."

In other action, No. 2 singles Laura Harry crushed Berea's Felicia Bishop in little more than a half-hour, 6-0, 6-0.

Tracey and Stacey Stivers each posted singles victories to go with their win as the No. 2 doubles team.

Peggy Whalen and Trish Shude rolled in No. 1 doubles, 6-0, 6-2.

Berea forfeited the remaining three matches due to injuries and academic conflicts.

Sports Briefs

Golf Team Swings into Third

NKU's men's golf team finished third out of 19 teams at the Indianapolis Invitational Prestwick Golf Tournament.

Mark Welage led the Norse by shooting a 77.

The Norse beat six other Great Lakes Valley Conference teams in the tournament.

Cross Country Team Wins Division

NKU's men's Cross Country team won the college division championship at the All-Kentucky championships in Louisville.

Junior Brain Rohne led the Norse by finishing ninth in the 8K race.

The Norse will be at a meet this Saturday in Bloomington, Ind.

Intramural Results

Get Off Me and the Nads were winners in the men's and Co-rec softball leagues.

In singles tennis, Marty Scheper, Todd Pfirman, Wayne Huff, and Sean Lonergan were winners.

In doubles tennis Watson/Cobb, Boulder/Lankford, Pfirman/Groedkye were winners. In Co-rec Huff/Pfhirman were winners.

The athletic department were winners in the faculty and staff softball game.

In University 101's Co-rec volleyball tournament Tequila Slammers, the Procrastinators, Zaniello's Spikers, Legere's Spikers, Court Force, All in the Family, Aker's Spikers, and Winchell's Slammers were winners.

—Compiled by Kevin Nichols

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Cuts from Page 1 — Act from Page 1

Both NKU President Leon Boothe and Bill Lamb, dean of students and acting vice president for student affairs, said they support the rally.

"I'm pleased students realize the threat to higher education as the result of budget cuts," Dr. Boothe said.

He added that he thinks the legislature will heed the physical action by students.

Barker said he also supports the activism.

"I think it's really important that the students as consumers of higher education express their opinions to the elected

representatives of state government," he said.

When students arrive in Frankfort, Saccone said they can expect picket signs reading "Cutting education is cutting the future," perhaps some speakers, hopefully a big crowd and media coverage, and a 20-minute march.

Saccone said a pre-rally will be held Oct. 12 at noon, probably in the University Center lobby.

Students with questions about last minute details can call the SG office at 572-5149.

Sprague said perhaps the most important change in the Pell Grant program is the removal of the limitation of eligibility. Currently a student can only receive Pell Grants for up to five years in college.

When the change takes place July 1, 1993, students who need Pell Grant assistance to attend school, but cannot graduate in five years, will be eligible to receive Pell Grants until obtaining a baccalaureate degree.

Doing away with student aid forms is a proposal being considered in the Pell Grant program but probably will not take

place for a couple of years, Sprague said.

The Higher Education Act also calls for an increase in the maximum family income, he said.

"But this doesn't mean anything. They've raised the eligibility to \$42,000 a year from the present \$30,000, but that's not really used in the calculations any place," he said. "We do look at income, but there are a lot of other factors considered besides family income."

Last year, NKU students took out \$5.1 million in student loans and \$3 million in grants,

Sprague said.

He also said the proposed changes in the act will not likely bring about a balance in the grant and loan programs largely due to the increase in programs maximums for unsubsidized Stafford Loans.

Stafford Loan program maximums, the annual maximum amount a student can borrow, will increase on July 1, 1993, and have a cap of 9 percent.

The annual maximum amount of Stafford Loans for first and second year undergraduate students will increase from \$2,625 to \$3,500, and for juniors and seniors,

from \$4,000 to \$5,500.

Graduate students will also get an increase from \$7,500 to \$8,500, effective Oct. 1, 1993.

"With the change in Stafford Loan program maximums, I don't see grants coming out ahead at all," Sprague said.

"Students have to remember that the secret in all of this is finding money in the federal budget," he said. "Some of these things have not been funded and probably will not be funded, so most students will probably not see the Pell Grant program change much to their advantage."


The rally being organized by Student Government is being held in order to protest possible higher education budget cuts. Kentucky officials are in the process of determining if there will be a shortfall in state tax revenues.

WHAT: A Transylvania University economist has predicted that tax receipts could fall \$185 million below the amount budgeted to be spent between July 1, 1992, and June 30, 1993. Reduced revenues could mean budget cuts for higher education.

WHEN: Over the next several weeks the revenues for the first three months of the fiscal year, ending Sept. 30, will be reviewed. At the end of that time the governor's principle advisors will make recommendations to him as to what needs to be done. A decision could be announced as early as mid-October.

THEN: In November of 1991 Gov. Wallace Wilkinson announced a higher education cut which depleted NKU's budget of \$1.1 million. Three months later Gov. Brereton Jones announced an additional 5 percent cut - a loss of approximately \$1.5 million to the university. As a result of the cuts, class sections were reduced, part-time faculty were not rehired and equipment purchases were frozen.

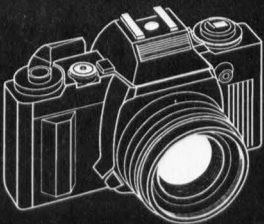
NOW: University officials say they remain optimistic that state funding will remain at its current level. According to NKU's Director of Budget Elzie Barker, "Any reduction in general funding support will almost unavoidably have an effect on academic offerings and could impact students."



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<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, October 7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oktoberfest from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on the UC Plaza. • Fun Flicks from 3-9 p.m. in the Residence Halls. • Volleyball at Dayton, 7 p.m. • Soccer vs. Xavier, 4 p.m. at the Soccer Field. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday, October 8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Programs Open House from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the UC Ballroom. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Friday, October 9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political Science Club sign-up meeting at 1 p.m. in University Center 108. Open to all majors and party affiliations. Call Tony at 598-1592 for information.
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday, October 12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anthropology Club Meeting, noon in Landrum 206. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday, October 13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig Karges, ESP, noon in the UC Theater. • APB Night at the Movies, 7 p.m. in the UC Theater. • International Student Union meeting at 3 p.m. in UC 108. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, October 14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity meeting at 3 p.m. in UC 116. • Health, Counseling and Testing Services informational meeting at noon in UC 303. • WNTV's political talk show at 10:30 a.m. in Landrum 305.

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