

Powell not indicted on rape charge

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On April 14, a Campbell County grand jury decided not to indict Michael Powell, the 20-year-old Northern Kentucky University student who was charged with and arrested for rape Feb. 24.

Powell made an uncommon decision to go before the grand jury without the benefit of an attorney to answer questions from the jurors and a prosecuting attorney.

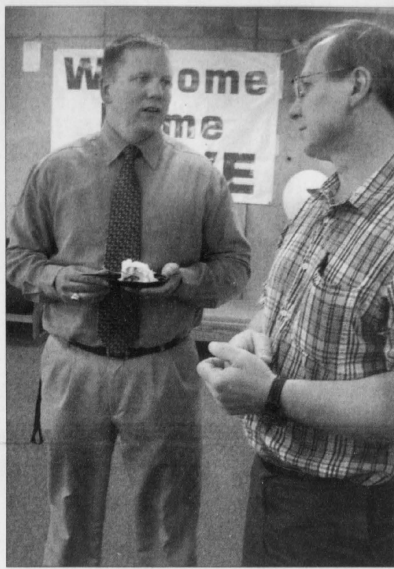
Grand juries meet in secret, and their reasoning are not made public. However, Burr Travis, Powell's criminal attorney, said he believes the grand

jury did not indict Powell because they were able to see his physical stature and determine that he would not have been able to commit the crime.

According to a police report, Powell pinned the woman to his dorm room bed and raped her.

Meanwhile, Powell is still suspended from university housing and is living with a friend, Tom Goeke, Powell's civil attorney, said he has not yet set up a disciplinary hearing with the Dean of Students to determine whether Powell can move back into his dorm.

Goeke said he is still looking for ways to get Powell back on campus and expects to do so before the end of the semester.



TOP: Photo contributed by Steve Tribble. ABOVE: Ashley Thomas | Assistant Photo Editor
TOP: Tribble serves in the U.S. Army National Reserves 415th Engineer Command in Iraq. ABOVE: Tribble enjoys cake at a welcome home party in the University Center April 14.

Tribble 'back to routine'

Director of Campus Recreation returns home after year in Iraq

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Wake up. Go to the office to do design work. Visit project sites. Go to lunch. Go back to work. Go home for the evening.

This is a typical schedule for someone reconstructing roads and buildings. Only in this case, work is in Camp Taji, located north of Baghdad, Iraq, and home is in an Iraqi air force base that had been bombed 12 years earlier.

"It was pretty mundane, except for the occasional mortar or rocket coming in," said Capt. Steve Tribble, director of recreation at Northern Kentucky University.

Tribble spent a year working to reconstruct, renovate, modernize and maintain the former air base where he was living in Iraq, he said.

Although Tribble has been in the U.S. Army Reserves since the time he enlisted in 1992, he received a phone call in January of 2004 from his regional director to inform him he would be in the next team to be deployed to Iraq.

"The phone rang one Sunday morning when we were just kind of hanging out at the house and it was the Colonel. I started saying, 'yes sir, no sir,' so (my wife) knew who I was talking to. By the time I hung up the phone she was already crying," Tribble said.

The phone call wasn't a surprise, he said. A lot of engineering teams had already been sent overseas. Each team consisted of seven people, either from the same unit or people from different units who had never been deployed. Once a warning call is given, it could be a week or up to a year before actual deployment, he said.

Tribble was deployed with Facility Engineer Team #9 (416th Engineer Command).

"Part of me was apprehensive," Tribble said. He quoted Gen. George Patton Jr., "No bastard ever won a war by dying for his country. He won it by making the other poor dumb bastard die for his country."

"That's not a goal of mine," Tribble said, referring to the quote, "but it's good to train for these things and be able to put those skills to use."

After accepting his deployment, Tribble began to see the situation optimistically. He wanted to

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Perry's team sweeps race

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In an unprecedented Student Government Association election, Jen Perry and Sheena Dunn won the presidential and executive vice presidential races through a write-in campaign.

Perry and Dunn, who were originally running unopposed, were removed from the ballot three days before the election, after the election commission determined their packet was incomplete.

Perry encountered some competition at the last minute, when Sen. James Pollitt started a write-in campaign the day of the election.

"I knew that (Pollitt) was a very respected person and that he would be a competitive opponent," said Perry, who currently serves as the vice president of public relations. "He gave us a run for our money."

520 students, less than four percent of the student

body, cast votes in this year's spring election, compared to the 1,579 students who voted in the 2004 spring election.

SGA President Andy Hixson said the drastic decrease in voter turnout was largely due to less controversy in this year's election.

Current Vice President of Student Involvement Jesiah Brock and Sens. Camille Perry and Brandon Kiehl, all members of Perry's slate, won the other three executive board positions.

"That's very impressive," Perry said. "We'll be a united force."

Dunn said she is excited about her victory and upcoming term with Perry.

"We're going to make Student Government a part of every student's life again instead of just being a joke," Dunn said.



Perry

Donations keep future ensured

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No new student union, no Bank of Kentucky Bank, no lake renovation — at least, not without Northern Kentucky University's fundraising group, University Development.

Debra Reed, the vice president of University Development, believes that the fundraising was a key part of getting those projects off the ground. "As a university that has been so under-

funded, we knew that we couldn't count on the state to fund this," she said.

Five years ago, NKU used to net approximately \$1 million a year in fundraising. At the end of this month, the fundraising for the year will be at \$9.6 million according to Don Gohardt, the assistant vice president for University Development.

"We should close the year out at a little over \$10 million," Reed said. NKU has other ideas in mind to keep the success coming.

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SGA spring 2005 election results:

PRESIDENT:	EXECUTIVE VP:	VP OF ADMINISTRATION:
JEN PERRY* 167	SHEENA DUNN 145	BRANDON KIEHL 353
VIC PRESIDENT: 124	TRAVIS EVANS* 73	GLENDA EVANS* 34
VP OF PUBLIC RELATIONS:	VP OF STUDENT INVOLVEMENT:	
CAMILLE PERRY 266	JESIAH BROCK 290	
MIKE MYERS 151	TJ JACKSON 131	

* Write-in candidate



KRI Campus

After taking the name Pope Benedict XVI, German Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger greets the crowd in St. Peter's Square.

Cardinals choose German as next pope

By TOM HUNDLEY AND
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VATICAN CITY — Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, a doctrinal conservative who emerged as a pivotal figure in the days following Pope John Paul II's death, was elected pope on April 19.

The German prelate, who turned 78 on April 16, will be the Roman Catholic's 264th successor to St. Peter. He will be known as Pope Benedict XVI.

Although the announcement was greeted with delicious cheers by the multitudes gathered in St. Peter's Square, the choice is certain to be a controversial one.

"Dear brothers and sisters, after the great pope John Paul II, the cardinals have elected me — a simple, humble worker in the vine-

yard of the Lord," he told the faithful from the balcony of St. Peter's Basilica.

"The fact that the Lord can work and act even with insufficient means consoles me, and above all I entrust myself to your prayers," said Ratzinger, who appeared smiling and serene.

As head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Ratzinger served as Pope John Paul II's theological enforcer. Many who know him personally describe him as shy and reserved, but his strict enforcement of John Paul II's conservative views and his harsh silencing of several prominent theologians established his reputation as a somewhat divisive figure.

As successor to the immensely popular John Paul, whose 26-year papacy combined bold political strokes, an epic global pilgrimage

and a death that provoked mourning worldwide, he faces a daunting task.

But the election of Ratzinger came surprisingly quickly.

When smoke began to curl from the Sistine Chapel's chimney a few minutes before 6 p.m. Rome time, confusion reigned. Some in the crowd thought it was white; others were sure it was black. Italian television declared it white and so did the Vatican switchboard, but Vatican Radio said black.

The bells of St. Peter's Basilica were supposed to clarify the matter. But at precisely 6 p.m., the bells began tolling the hour, adding to the confusion. Finally, when the bells started to toll at a few minutes after the hour, it was clear that a new pope had been elected.

An air horn sounded. Flags

waved and songs in different languages were lifted toward the balcony where the new pope would appear.

After two inconclusive ballots that morning, and one the evening before, Ratzinger was elected in the conclave's afternoon session on what would have been either the fourth or fifth ballot.

A total of 77 votes — the support of two-thirds of the 115 cardinal electors — were needed.

In the minutes after it became clear that there was a new pope, the faithful in St. Peter's Square, and millions watching on television around the world, still did not know the identity of the new pope. All eyes turned to the balcony of St. Peter's and the curtain drew that would open to reveal the cardinals' choice.

Cardinal Jorge Arturo Medina
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University Development Fund Raising 7/1/2004 - 2/24/2005	
Steely Library=	\$7,877
Campus Priority Fund=	\$82,025
Athletics=	\$231,294
College of Education=	\$26,771
College of Business=	\$70,537
College of Arts and Sciences=	\$62,931
Chase College of Law=	\$355,246
College of Professional Studies=	\$184,598
WNKU=	\$32,874
Campus General Initiatives=	\$7,671,914
Total= \$8,826,147	

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according to Reed.

Soon, the group is planning on assigning a fundraiser to each college and having the dean of that college work directly with the fundraiser to make their financial needs known. "A number of people have already been hired and priorities established," she said.

Gorbandt attributes much of the success of the different fundraising campaigns to NKU President, James Votruba. "It's amazing...the private support is a reflection of the leadership," he said. "Votruba definitely gets involved. He's very hands-on."

Gorbandt said that it is typical for the president of any university to meet with donors who are willing to give \$100,000 or more. "It's a component of his ruling and responsibilities, but not all," he said.

Another reason for the success of the fundraising success is the improved image of NKU, according to Gorbandt. "I think a lot of it is that the university is perceived in a different way," he said. "We supply the work force in the community and turn out graduates that people want to hire."

Gorbandt knows that students have questioned the tuition raise when it seems like so much is being built on campus. "They think (the work) is done with state dollars," he said. "That's why we always try to have a sign or a plaque out saying that this was done with donor dollars."

Reed agrees. "People just don't have a sense of where the money comes from," she said. "The private donations have really made a difference here."

Senior Prospect Researcher Beth DeVanter tries to find prospective donors and see if they have any inclinations to donate to the university. She looks for donors in various ways. "The development officers give me names, I go through the obituaries, and I read articles about new companies," she said. "I provide the support (University Development) needs to get it going."

DeVanter also cited Votruba as a big reason for the fundraising success. "The major donors see him as the driving force," she said. "He has a plan and he follows through with it. I'm a strong believer in Dr. Votruba and what he's doing for this university."

The money that is collected through fundraising goes wherever the donor wants it to go. They can choose a specific college, NKU athletics, Steely Library, WNKU or to let the university decide which financial need to use it for.

The following reports were filed with the Northern Kentucky University Police Department between April 12 and April 18.

Tuesday, April 12

10:26 a.m. Textbook reported stolen from the Business Education Psychology building, under investigation.

11:42 a.m. Several items reported missing from departmental inventory in the University Center.

1:23 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Kenton Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation for speeding.

3:03 p.m. Textbook reported stolen from Steely Library, under investigation.

4:16 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle being operated with expired registration plates on Campbell Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation for having an expired registration.

4:31 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle being operated with expired registration plates on Kenton Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation for having an expired registration, and for no insurance.

9:41 p.m. Complainant reported that while driving on campus she was followed by a known male. Officers responded and spoke with both parties. The subject was advised to stay away from the complainant. Complainant was instructed on the procedure for filing a restraining order. No charges were filed.

10:07 p.m. The owner of a reserved parking space in lot U requested that an illegally parked vehicle be towed from the space.

Wednesday, April 13

7:41 a.m. Officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Nunn Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation

for speeding.

4:50 p.m. Cell phone reported stolen from the Fine Arts building, under investigation.

6:51 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Nunn Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky State Citation for Speeding.

7:08 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Nunn Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation for speeding.

8:01 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Nunn Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation for speeding and for having no insurance.

8:47 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Nunn Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation for speeding.

9:34 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed on Nunn Drive. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation for speeding.

Thursday, April 14

2:06 a.m. A fire alarm was received from Norse Hall. Upon investigation, it was determined that the alarm was caused by subject's unknown activating a fire alarm pull station at this location, under investigation.

8:50 a.m. University owned computer reported missing from departmental inventory in the Administration Center.

10:23 a.m. Subject reported that her vehicle was struck by another vehicle at the listed location. Subject stated that the incident occurred at approximately 10:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

12:12 p.m. Purse reported stolen

from Steely Library.

2:53 p.m. Cell phone reported stolen from the Fine Arts building, under investigation.

3:02 p.m. Several items reported missing from departmental inventory in Landrum.

3:29 p.m. Cash and credit cards reported stolen from the Albright Health Center, under investigation.

3:57 p.m. University-owned computer and projector reported stolen from Landrum, under investigation.

4:30 p.m. Wallet reported stolen from the Albright Health Center, under investigation.

5:40 p.m. A minor non-injury accident involving two vehicles occurred in lot Q. Both vehicles remained in service.

Friday, April 15

7:10 a.m. Apple iPod reported stolen from Steely Library. Following an investigation, it was determined that the item had not been stolen and that the report was unfounded.

7:47 a.m. A minor non-injury accident involving two vehicles occurred at the University Drive parking garage. Both vehicles remained in service.

8:05 a.m. Complainant stated that he observed a subject place an item in the exhaust pipe of a vehicle parked in lot M, under investigation.

10:57 a.m. A minor non-injury accident involving two vehicles occurred in lot E. Both vehicles remained in service.

11:40 a.m. Officer requested that a vehicle be towed at University and Kenton Drives. Officer advised that the vehicle was observed, earlier this date on the side of the road. Officer believes

that the vehicle may have been abandoned.

12:37 p.m. Parking pass reported stolen while parked in lot F, under investigation.

Saturday, April 16

6:35 p.m. Subject reported damage to a university-owned vehicle that occurred at Nunn Drive.

Sunday, April 17

No reports.

Monday, April 18

10:34 a.m. Subject reported that subject(s) unknown had removed a reserved parking sign from Norse Commons. Subject stated that the sign was last seen on April 15.

12:05 p.m. A minor non-injury accident occurred at Nunn and University Drives. Both vehicles remained in service.

2:20 p.m. Items reported stolen from the vehicle while parked at lot Q, under investigation.

2:49 p.m. Officer observed a vehicle being operated with expired registration plates in lot E. The driver was issued a Kentucky state citation for having an expired registration.

5:44 p.m. Parking pass reported lost. Subject could not advise where or when the permit was lost. Subject was referred to the Parking Office for a replacement.

6:16 p.m. Several items for a computer game system reported stolen from the listed location, under investigation.

11:12 p.m. Subject reported seeing smoke and possible fire at Norse Commons. Upon arrival, officers found that no alarms were activated and people were still in the building. It was determined that a refrigerator was sparking as a result of an electrical short.

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Susan (left) with NKU alumnus Elizabeth Sandfloss D.V.M and their furry friend, Sophie.

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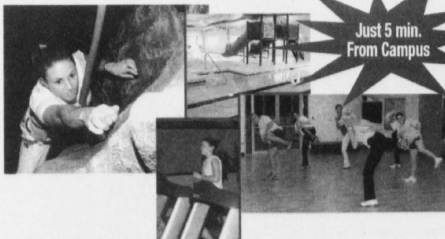
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see not only his own unit, but also the other unit's tanks and helicopters and see how they operate during wartime procedures.

"I was kind of excited. It wore off pretty quick once I got there, but I was excited that I could go and be involved with something I thought was pretty important," Tribble said.

His family shared in his excitement - for the most part. His wife Marsha had to not only assume the roles of her husband at their home, but also with their two children.

Their son, Taylor, 13, "is not quite so emotionally outward," Tribble said. "He tends to keep his emotions in. I think (the deployment) was always a concern to him."

Their 10-year-old daughter, Megan, was a little different. "She's a little daddy's woman. She's been a wreck," Tribble said.

After saying his goodbyes, Tribble arrived in Iraq in March 2004.

"It's a little bit of a shock when you first get there because you don't know what to expect," he said.

Before actually arriving to Iraq, Tribble had to go through a lot of different bases.

"It's a whole process. It's a pain in the butt," he said. Initially, Tribble was deployed out of Chicago where he obtained equipment. He then went to his assignment station in Missouri where he went through a brief session to refresh his training. Tribble and the rest of his team then traveled eight

hours to an airfield, only to spend 16 more on an airplane to Kuwait, he said.

"(My nerves) in Kuwait were fine because nothing was really happening," Tribble said.

After spending a week in Kuwait for further training and equipment gathering, Tribble traveled to Camp Victory located in Baghdad, Iraq.

"It's pretty amazing because once you get there, everything is going 100 mph in 100 different directions," Tribble said.

Since 150,000 troops were leaving as an equal amount arrived, Tribble's team was shipped 15 miles north to Camp Taji, where he stayed for the remainder of his time in Iraq.

Although their mission changed during the course of the year, their primary function was to reconstruct and design buildings of the dilapidated base.

During this time, Tribble had the responsibility of naming several of the smaller side roads.

"It was just by chance. I'm not really sure how I got the assignment. Every camp has a mayor, and our mayor wanted to use college mascots," he said.

Tribble decided that it was only fitting to name one of the roads after NKU.

"It was just a perfect match," he said of Norse Avenue. "It actually worked out great. I was naming all the small roads and they weren't (built) yet...and

somehow Bulldogs Avenue, which is the one the mayor named...got deleted and Norse got named that road."

"Norse Avenue is like the second most used road on the post when it should've been just this little side road."

While Tribble was thinking of NKU in Iraq, the school was also thinking of him. Before his departure, he had been planning the renovation of the new fitness center in the Albright Health Center.

"Before he left, he had everything geared up for the new fitness center. Dean of Students Kent Kelson said, 'He's the person who got that off the ground.'"

Kelson is the person who hired Tribble almost three years ago.

"His personality, his youth and exuberance - I could see the potential there, and he had a hunger. He wanted to be a director," Kelson said. By the time Tribble left for Iraq, Kelson said he and his wife "had gotten to be pretty good friends with Steve. It was really more of a social relationship. I considered him one of my good friends."

The new fitness center wasn't the only things that happened while Tribble was away.

"Little things happened," Tribble said. "The garage door broke, the water heater blew up...The neighbors were incredible about helping my wife."

He also wasn't able to attend a sea-

son of football games in which his son was involved.

"(He's) very active in sports, and I always told him to try new sports. I always wanted him to try full-tackle football, and he did last fall when I was gone," he said. "I missed all the games, but my wife taped them. We've been watching some of them."

But Tribble didn't miss Christmas. He and his family opened presents together via Web cam.

"I had ordered some stuff online and had it shipped home," he said.

Not long after Christmas, Tribble came home in March 2005.

Tribble's family, friends and co-workers waited at the airport for his arrival. Approximately 20 people waited at the airport for Tribble's plane to land.

Kelson, one of the many co-workers in attendance, said, "We were on the lowest level, everyone was hugging and two stories above, a well-dressed woman hurried down, she didn't know Steve but saw he was a soldier he welcomed home. She yelled 'thank you, thank you, thank you.'"

The first thing Tribble wanted to do was "of course, hug my family," he said, "and go to Buffalo Wild Wings and have chicken. That was the first thing I wanted to do."

Although he arrived back to the area on a Thursday, he was unable to eat wings until the following Monday at a Hooters.

Since being back, Tribble realized



Photo contributed by Steve Tribble

Tribble said he was excited about seeing tanks in action during wartime.

"Some things that were important to me before I left just aren't important anymore. Things I maybe didn't put a priority on before I left I do now," Tribble said. "It's good to be back to a little bit of routine and little bit of normal."

Pope *Continued from page one*

Estevez, the senior cardinal deacon, appeared first, and at 6:42 p.m. he told the world "habemus papam" - "We have a pope."

He introduced Ratzinger as Benedict XVI.

The initial reaction of the crowd was mixed. Some seemed confused, but others began chanting, "Benedict! Benedict!"

Ratzinger, the first German pope since the 11th century, has not yet explained his choice of name, but the last Pope

Benedict, who reigned from 1914 until 1922, worked to bring peace during World War I.

The election marks the conclusion of the most widely watched change in leadership in the history of the 1.1 billion-member Roman Catholic Church, a dramatic three-week period that began with the April 2 death of John Paul II.

To the surprise of even church leaders, millions of pilgrims streamed into Rome to pay their respects to the late

pope, some waiting in line 10 or even 20 hours to spend a few minutes praying before his body.

A quarter of a million mourners pressed into St. Peter's Square for John Paul II's funeral, while an estimated 2 to 3 million more found other spots in and around Rome to watch on television, an experience they shared with hundreds of millions more around the world.

In the venerable tradition of papal conclaves, the week lead-

ing up to the voting was filled with speculation about campaigns and counter-campaigns, which cardinals were surging and which were fading.

But this conclave was unlike previous gatherings of cardinals in many ways. It was the largest, with 115 electors, and the most international, with 52 nations represented.

And while all but two of the men had been made cardinals by Pope John Paul II, sharing a certain understanding of the church and its teachings, they

brought into the Sistine Chapel a wide array of concerns and points of view.

As the cardinals remained mute, attention turned to the priorities of the church in different parts of the world: issues of economic justice and a crippling priest shortage in Latin America; a drift away from Christian roots in Europe; the priest sex abuse scandal; and technological tangles in North America; a vibrant faith mixing a clashing with other faiths in Africa and Asia.

Then on Monday, the cardinals made their last public appearance, a solemn procession in scarlet from the Vatican's Apostolic Palace into the Sistine Chapel, all shown on live television for the first time.

Then, as the double oak doors swung shut, the focus shifted yet again. This time, all the digital, high-resolution, instantaneous technology of the world media turned to a simple stopevoking pop through the roof of the chapel.

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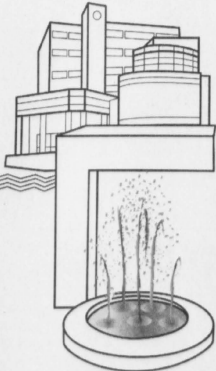
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Student voices matter

In a system where wealth, privilege and power are concentrated in the hands of less than one percent of the population, the true "American Dream" is to join their ranks and to have that job which provides oneself with money, influence and status.

The dream now is the elite, the best of the best, the top of the pyramid. In our struggle to reach the top, we fall to see that there must be a base to support it, that those individuals on whose backs we stand will never, and can never, be allowed to participate equally in our system. For this reason, rules were created which governed who was allowed to "rise" to the upper class and control those below them. Under the premise of "all men created equal," U.S. competitive meritocracy hands control of government, industry and religion, to the best of the best. However, for control to remain in the top one percent where all are "equally" capable, the system of control, lines are drawn between those in power and those who aren't, allowing those in power to pass control only to those they determine will preserve the existing power structure.

For many years, race and gender were used as reasons to keep elite white males in power; now this task has fallen onto socioeconomic status and education. It is education's role to preserve the power structure rather than transform it and to train those who can afford to attain higher education to enforce meritocracy. In a country where we are spoken of as the land of equality and participatory democracy, we write these words to address the power relations in higher education.

We now hold our educational system and educators accountable to live up to the ideals they profess. And we challenge ourselves to make new demands and set new standards in student involvement through participatory citizenry and social justice. We can-

not allow ourselves to be passive, accepting the roles society has determined for us. We will not allow the U.S. system and education to structure our minds and beliefs blindly. We can no longer accept what society has determined for us, but must actively create a new model, a truly participatory democracy.

The roles of the university in the 21st century are to strengthen the success of students by sustaining academic momentum, striving for excellence in academic quality and creating a richly diverse and multicultural environment. Universities will accomplish this by enhancing campus facilities, enriching the student experience and expanding the university's outreach and public engagements.

The faculty and staff are to be learner-centered. The student will be served through a core mission to discover, interpret, apply and transmit knowledge by providing access with the university's outreach and public engagements. Intellectual and creative freedom is encouraged through open expression of ideas that support the academic learning process, and the university must be willing to work collegially and collaboratively toward a common goal.

Unfortunately, adhering to these university values becomes difficult when the power structure within a university community is unbalanced. The university is supposed to be learner-centered, and yet the students—the learners—often have the greatest amount of power or representation on a campus.

At Northern Kentucky University, the faculty has a senate that is served through a core mission to discover, interpret, apply and transmit knowledge by providing access with the university's outreach and public engagements. Intellectual and creative freedom is encouraged through open expression of ideas that support the academic learning process, and the university must be willing to work collegially and collaboratively toward a common goal.

Late-night TV tastes like

College students watch a lot of late night television. It is in our nature. When we are busy doing schoolwork, TV is a nice way to relax and catch up on Cable news. Television, especially, has many choices for the viewer who needs something to fall asleep to.

When you have many choices, you also have many "wrong" choices. This weekend, I was at my house and I found a laundry list of "wrong" choices.

ESPN is a channel that just seems pure. It is sports entertainment at its finest. Unfortunately, in the a.m.

hours, it loses its luster. My roommate and I were sitting back enjoying some adult beverages. We flip on ESPN, and what do we see? "The World Championships of Arm Wrestling." You bet pandemonium ensued.

"This is stupid," I told my roommate. "Who watches this?"

Dustin replied, "I know, change it. Where is the remote?"

The remote was not in view, distance, and as I said earlier, we had been drinking. Needless to say, we watched the entire competition.

"There is no way Gonzalez

can beat Wesley. He is too tough off the start."

"Shut up, you are crazy. He has got that sweet quarter twist move in his back pocket."

Silence.

"Oh my God, we are arguing about an arm wrestling event. We had hit a new low in our lives."

The worst of all late-night television evils has to be Lifetime. Lifetime is a network full of mind-numbing filth. The station should change its name from Lifetime to Waste of Time because that is what it is. Why must every Lifetime original movie involve a mother or daughter getting beat up or kidnapped? Don't these women ever get a puppy, or win the lottery? Apparently, the modern

minority status to feel that this university doesn't provide access to the opportunity to succeed.

When students' voices are not valued and encouraged to be part of the decisions, learner-centered teaching is not possible.

An environment that risks one of dignity and trust is not suitable for innovation or creativity. The community should have the opportunity to engage and contribute to the growth of the university, enhancing our commitment to public engagement.

Now is the time for us as students to take back the rights that we've been denied. We have stated our grievances. The great movement to right these wrongs may begin with the students and be extended by the administration. It is up to you, to us, to show them that we will not roll over, and we will not give up our ideas.

It is up to the students to fight for their own voice. The university administration has been thrown into a state of paralysis by those that pay their bills. We know that those in power are keeping this university up and running, but where would it be if not for one was coming to school, paying a tuition, contributing to the continuity of this academic environment? This is a chance, an opportunity to enact drastic change.

This is in their face now, and it is on your shoulders to see that the movement doesn't die out. Keep things going by shaking the base so that the pyramid may eventually crumble. You are in control of which direction things lead from this point on.

Don't blow it.

Abbey Cunningham, Tom Cunningham, Brad Davis, Dan Kennedy, Becky Kilby, Christina Martinez, Sharon Smith, Jeff Snyder

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Compiled by Sara Trutt

Are you stressed about the end of the semester?



Tabi Bahr
Sophomore, nursing

"No, I'm not. I'm confident I'll do well in the exams."



Jillian Younger
Junior, psychology

"Yes, I have a lot of stress but I haven't been working on all at once."



Daniel Hoffman
Freshman, pre-engineering

"No, not at all. I've pretty much done all my stuff for my classes already."



Brandon Brison
Sophomore, criminal justice

"Yes, because I have too many tests."



Dondra Collins
Sophomore, radio/television

"Yes, I'm stressed out. I'm just trying to get all my work done and where I'm going to stay on campus next semester."



Jackie Muzyka
Sophomore, business

"I'm stressed because for some reason teachers like to pile everything up at the end of semesters."

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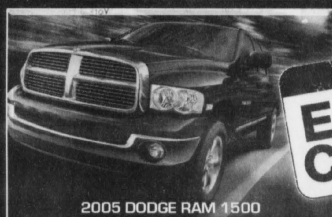
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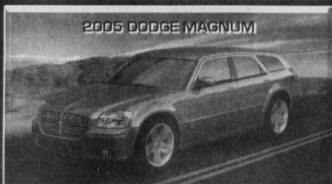
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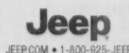
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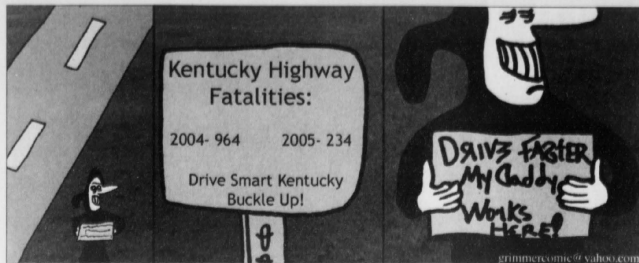


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6 Pokes
10 Baby's bed
14 — firma
15 Bk. of Revelations
16 Uncommon
17 That's all folks!
20 Dem. of the '50s
21 Begley and Wynn
22 Undergoes sudden damage
23 Do cobbling
25 Respond to stimulus

26 AAA suggestion
28 Cohort of Vishnu
and Siva
32 That's all folks!
36 Leading ISP
37 Manila machete
38 Opp. of neg.
39 Cemetery piece
40 "___ Fly Away"
41 That's all folks!
45 Oil-yielding seed
47 Yearned
48 Surrenders by
treaty

66 Future atty's hurdle
67 First name in cosmetics

DOWN

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- 3 Small sifter
- 3 Powdery volcanic
rock
- 4 NYC subway line
- 5 King Arthur's
court
- 6 Unsettles
- 7 Imitator
- 8 Italian bowling
game
- 9 Egyptian beetles
- 10 Ridge on a bone
- 11 Impetuous
- 12 "Dies —"
- 13 Tunisian rulers
- 18 Ancient Greek
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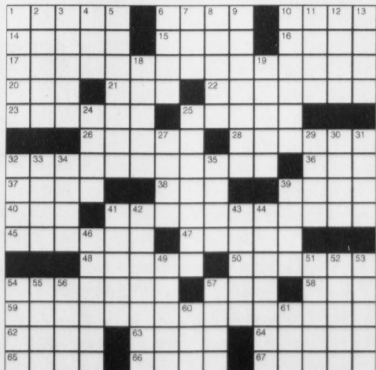
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IN THE STUDIO WITH THE ... PERNICIOUS KNIFS

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Nestled in an ancient industrial area of Cincinnati, Ultrasuede Studios is just how any music fan would imagine a local recording hot spot. There are posters, stickers and flyers from famous rock 'n' roll heroes and local up-and-comers; inside the studio, an exciting band records for its big break.

This particular time, in the studio are the Pernicious Knifs, a band made up of veterans from Cincinnati's music scene, including members from the Gazeilles, Pearlene and Thee Shams. Behind the soundboard sits Cincinnati musical legend John Curley of the Afghan Whigs, an alternative rock band that enjoyed national critical success in the '90s.

Greeted by lead guitarist and Northern Kentucky University freshman Jon Blackburn, I sit down in the studio with the Knifs and a 40-ounce of Weidemann to discuss the band, the album they are recording and the Bengal's shot at the Super Bowl.

We find our way to a comfortable, vintage-looking couch with a view that looks into the recording room where Curley was skillfully manning the soundboard.

Blackburn casually tells me the band has been recording from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. for six straight days. So when I showed up Tuesday night at midnight, they had been in the studio for more than 42 hours. Surprisingly, the mood is relaxed and optimistic, probably due to the producers' friendly, laidback leadership.

With all the rest of the major parts already locked in, the band is putting the finishing touches on their recordings. "This song definitely needs some tambourine," the lead singer of Pearlene, and the Knifs' co-producer Rueben Glaser shouts out.

Bassist Jesse Ebaugh begins laying down some tambourine overdubs while the freshly recorded track blurs over the monitors. The rest of the band, minus drummer Andy Jody, and I listen intently.

Little do I know that, throughout the night, a tambourine will be the most "traditional" rock 'n' roll instrument I will hear. I bear witness to a barrage of instruments that one would not expect from an energetic garage-y band like the Knifs. "We have guitars, bass, piano, 12-string guitar, violin, harmonica, harpsichord, accordion, drums and tambourine," Blackburn says.

After Ebaugh finishes with the tambourine and moves onto the harpsichord, Blackburn does his best to describe the Knifs' eclectic sound.

"I hate describing it," he says. "We have rockers and we've got some poppy stuff. The rockers are kind of in the '60s garage style, but it's more than just that; they are based in that vein, but it's different than Thee Shams and Greenhorne's stuff."

True to the vintage sound, the Knifs' record most of their tracks on "tape."

Blackburn points to an ancient-looking machine huddled in the corner and says, "We recorded on reel-to-reel and then put it on a computer. We actually had to pay more because we had to rent tape for it, but we got a pretty good deal."

The Knifs' love for their songs and music in general is evident in the time I spend with them. Glaser and the band members, casually drinking beer or munching on spicy junk food, sporadically shout suggestions and affirmations during our conversation.

"Aw, he lost it at the end, just punch in at that part." I hear as Ebaugh records on one of the Knifs' otherwise finished tracks.

The band and I lounge in the control room, listening to Ebaugh's performance and discussing the recording process.

Blackburn explains that he hopes the raw and honest sound the Knifs produce live will translate well to CD. "We did everything live," he says. "All the basic instruments and Seth (the lead singer) even sang live."

In fact, the Knifs did about half the songs in one take.

As the night wears on, Ebaugh attempts an accordion part, and I catch up with a member of both Thee Shams and the Knifs, Max Bender. He explains what it is like to record with his older brother Seth and the rest of the band.

"It seems like this experience has been a lot more open and visionary," he says. "There's a lot of freedom."

Max Bender certainly felt the freedom as he was able to record not only guitar parts, but also harmonica, violin and backing vocals.

With I a.m. quickly approaching on the Knifs' last night in the studio, Glaser and Ebaugh add a three-part harmony to Seth Bender's intense vocals on the song "Mondogjet."

It may be the beer or the excitement of being in the studio, but everyone stops their conversations as they record the song. The music coming out of the monitors sounds eerily orig-

inal and undeniably catchy. It is the last performance of the night, and it is definitely worth the wait.

I realize that despite their partying and lax attitude in the control room, the Knifs' performances in the studio are focused, and surprisingly flawless. From what I can tell, the album is shaping up nicely.

Seth Bender speaks about the origins of the Knifs' songs in between drinks of Molson and asides to Curley. He explains that the 11 tracks are a mix of new and old songs.

"It's about half and half," Seth Bender says. "Some of the songs I had before the band."

The next step will be to mix the tracks and start shopping them around to record companies who will release them as an album.

As the band members say their goodbyes and with my 40-ounce nearly empty, Blackburn explains another recording experi-

ence that helped fuel the band's audible energy.

"We brought our shit here on Thursday, checked levels on Friday and actually started to record," he said. "I didn't think we would be recording, and I was really f---ed up; I was out of my mind on beer. I drank over a 12-pack that night. We only did a couple songs. Actually we kept one that we hit in one take, 'Rubbish.' It was the first one we did."

One listen to a rough version of the track and the results are anything but "Rubbish." In fact, the 11 recordings sound smart, crisp and refreshingly fun. As Ebaugh put it, "Brian Wilson ain't got nothing on us."

For an advance listen of the Knifs' stint in Ultrasuede Studio, visit www.myspace.com/perniciousknifs.



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northernlife

Sorority celebrates its anniversary 'in style'

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The "divas" of Delta Sigma Theta celebrated their 10th anniversary last week in style. With an array of programs geared toward community involvement, Delta Sigma Theta set the standard for the next decade of future members.

Delta week started off with a victory at the Third Annual Step Show. With a giant red teddy bear as a backdrop, the Deltas dressed in pajamas and acted like future deltas, portraying them as giddy pre-teens amidst a slumber party. They recognized each of the black Greek fraternities by depicting the personal fraternity strolls.

"Their concept was very creative," junior Camille Perry said.

The Deltas won \$500 for their chapter, a trophy, and bragging rights for the next year. They also won \$50 for the stroll contest.

The Deltas attended a worship service April 10 at Tryd Stone Missionary Baptist Church located in Bond Hill, Ohio. The recently remodeled church is led by Assistant Pastor James Bready.

The April 11 event was a physical and mental health fair in the UC Ballroom. Various companies such as AVOC, State Farm Insurance and the Health, Counseling and Prevention Services provided students with an array of services from blood pressure screenings to hand massages.

On April 12, discussion was the name of the game. During "Brothers and Sisters, Where do you Stand?" the Deltas brought 10 controversial issues for discussion with Northern Kentucky University students. Some of the issues included capital punishment, interracial adoption and euthanasia. The participants had to take a stance and voice their opinion to the group.

"HerStory" was revealed in the April 13 event. The Deltas dressed as notable African-American women and told of their life experiences. They highlighted the significant roles that these women played in society.

"Taste of NKU" was on the menu for April 14. The Deltas provided food from an array of cultures. Foods included chocolate covered ants, sugar cane, taco salad from Mexico, rice pudding, fruit from Africa, pastries from Greece and good old fashioned spaghetti.

Some of the foods were



Photo Contributed by Devan King

Monique Johnson and Rensha Martin collect money during the Delta's social on a cruise April 15.

bought from Jungle Jim's International Market.

"The entire atmosphere was eclectic. It was nice to sample foods from different locations," senior Eric Smith said.

"We came up with the concept last year. Hopefully, one year, we can collaborate with the International Student Union's annual pot luck," said Jhermel Holt, president of NKU's chapter of Delta Sigma Theta.

The April 15 schedule included a barbecue in the UC plaza. They had an assortment of food including hamburgers, hotdogs, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, baked beans, chips, drinks and cake. Many students came to join the festivities and take advantage of the free feast.

That night, the Deltas booked a ride on the midnight steamboat. The Deltas partied on the B&B Riverboat cruise after a hectic week.

"The Deltas put in a lot of hard work into the event and it showed," said junior Tiffany Jones. "The night was festive yet elegant and I am glad they gave us the opportunity to come together."

While the DJ played hip-hop tunes and old-school jams, the Greeks strolled, the non-Greeks watched and all others danced.

"The night was for the grown and sexy and I hope they do it again," said freshman Latoria Jackson.

The week ended with the Crimson and Cream Ball. This formal affair was held at The Madison in Covington. The event served as a night of recognition for the members of

Delta Sigma Theta. The newer members created a presentation to review of the last 10 years of Sigma Zeta chapter. The charter members presented a plaque and a picture to the current members to commemorate their achievements in the chapter.

Aside from the hectic schedule of anniversary week, the chapter's achievement of 10 chapters was the first black Greek sorority chartered on NKU's campus.

On March 11, 1995, ten radical women chartered the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. This chapter was the first black Greek sorority chartered on NKU's campus.

"One of the things that we wanted to make sure we always had was true sisterhood and community service in different facets," charter member Antrice (Sims) Hart said. "We wanted to make sure those were the two foundations that we were striving for."

However, the charter members ran into challenges when trying to establish a chapter on this campus. These problems included the qualifications and the strict requirements from the graduate chapter to ensure an undergraduate chapter's success.

Ruth Ross Keaton was one of the first charter members to attempt to establish a chapter on campus.

"I just knew I wanted to be a Delta, but there wasn't enough interest on campus," Keaton said. "We couldn't start a chapter that was going to die, so we

had to make sure that there were enough interested individuals to carry on the chapter from year to year."

Despite the challenges, the charter members embarked upon a lifelong commitment as members of Delta Sigma Theta and established one of the most active African-American sororities on NKU's campus.

Education is something that our sorority strives for and that is what prompted me to join the organization," charter member Nadine Long said. "Plus, I don't have any biological sisters and now I have nine!"

The charter members initiated academic programs and accomplished many firsts on campus.

Rochelle Starks Brinkley was the first African-American homecoming queen in 1995 and Antrice Hart was one of the first winners of the Black and Gold pageant. They had the highest GPA of all campus organizations. They also started many programs that are still in place at NKU today including Delta Dunk Day and a peer mentor program to help the retention rate of African American students on campus.

Since 1995, Delta Sigma Theta has crossed lines bringing more than 50 members into the sorority. Today, the legacy continues. The charter members all agree that Delta Sigma Theta is a lifetime commitment of sisterhood.

"We are committed. All we ask is for them to respect one another and the sorority and to maintain the legacy here at NKU."

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A group walks to benefit scholarships for female student athletes at the 15th annual walk, held April 16.

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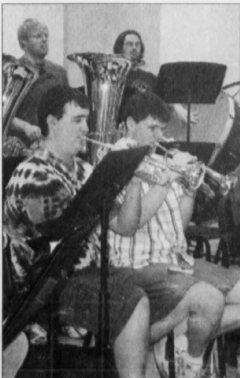
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Concert to honor Bach's birth

Concert Band and Symphonic Winds close series with well-known trumpet soloist



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Alex Caldwell and Jason Taulbee play in the Concert Band.

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Kick back, relax and let the music entertain you. It's time for Northern Kentucky University's Concert Band along with the Symphonic Winds to show you what they have achieved.

The April 21 performance is the last concert for the series of five concerts held this academic year.

This concert will honor the 320th birth year of Bach, Director of NKU Bands, Brant Karrick, said. Musical pieces such as Toccata Fugue in D minor will be performed.

James Recktenwald, a trumpet soloist and member of the Louisville Orchestra, will join the two bands, comprised of approximately 75 NKU students.

Recktenwald will play one musical piece with each band. According to Karrick, the fact that he is playing with them is quite an honor for the members. This concert is expected to have an attendance of approximately 250, and though spectators might find the bands to be very talented and well trained, Karrick said that this concert is not their greatest accomplishment.

"The Kentucky Music Educators Association State In-Service

Conference is really the big story," Karrick said.

The bands were selected to play at the annual conference based on previous concert performances. "We were the only university band selected to play at the conference," Karrick said. "It was truly an honor and a testament to our efforts."

In the future, Karrick said that he plans to continue exposing the bands to higher levels of performance and to continue trying to achieve higher excellence.

"We are continuously improving and making progress," Karrick said. "The Kentucky Music Association State In-Service conference is proof of that."

Karrick expressed his pride for the members of both bands and explained that the Symphonic Winds is comprised mostly of music majors. The Concert Band's members are mostly non-music majors who just love to play music.

"I don't think that a lot of students realize that they can be a part of the bands if they're not music majors, but they are more than welcome to join us," Karrick said. "Some students can even get scholarships for their experience."

The concert is \$5 for general admission and \$3 for faculty, student and staff admission. The concert will begin at 8 p.m. in Greaves Hall. No reservations are required.

artsentertainment

High on Fire album builds metal legacy

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Anyone who knows underground metal knows the band Sleep and its saddening demise.

For that matter, they should already know about former Sleep singer/guitarist Matt Pike's new band, High On Fire, which has logged hundreds of shows and two full-length records on every-thing people thought metal couldn't be.

Now comes album number three, *Blessed Black Wings*.

The song "Devolution" opens this monster of an album with a staggering drum interlude that surrounds your ears for the ambush that is to come.

It explodes into a driving chrod progression, sprinkled with Pike's searing vocals that would probably confuse Lemmy Kilmister (Motorhead) in believing that he is a part of the fold. Gnarlant guitar and solid bass, compliments of former Melvins bassist Joe Preston, are perfect appetizers for the body of the record.

What's evident to this recording is it's clearer than their previous efforts, 2000's *The Art of Self Defense* and 2002's triumphant *Surrounded by Thieves*.

This time around, the band employed the production skills of Steve Albini who was responsible for Nirvana's *In Utero* and multiple Neurosis recordings. High On Fire however, still has their muffled-to-perfection sound. It's just now more decipherable.

"The Face of Oblivion" is ushered in by Des Kensel's Neurosis-on-speed drum stylings with the rickety-boom bombast of Pike's guitar, fusing effortlessly with Preston's bass. The storm is only interrupted to reveal a deep rumble of notes from the hand of Pike.

The band is beginning to build a legacy in underground metal using sound structures rich in tone and form coupled with a devastating sense of rhythm.

The title track is the longest composition on the album. Walls of guitar stand strong around the fierce bass attack of Preston, who brings a new feel to the fold. Through this track, it is evident why both Pike and Preston are

revered as veterans of intelligent rock music. The band's take on thinking-man's metal is stellar, and each listen reveals new layers of the madness.

"To Cross the Bridge" is another epic that almost reaches chunky minutes in length.

Blistering swats of chunky fuzz perfectly served with break-beat drums and gritty screams. What's interesting about High On Fire is no matter how long they stick to a progression, it just sounds more intense as opposed to losing its power. This is due to Kensel's ability to drive a track to its destination with accuracy plus enough energy and soul to please the gods.

Blessed Black Wings is High On Fire's most ambitious effort to date, and it pays off.

The maturation of the band reveals a grace to the grind so nicely orchestrated, you wonder how High On Fire is merely a three-piece. Pike's compositions are thoughtful and aggressive, and with his precise rhythm section, there's no limit to his imagination.

Blessed Black Wings closes with an incredible instrumental



piece called "Sons Of Thunder." Pike's guitar, rich with a phasing effect, skips through the absence on bass and drums. The earthy intro then explodes into a ball-room of distortion. Crunchy guitar sitting on the shoulders of Preston's low-end weapon almost sound as if they are trying to break through the knot of thunderous drums. All sounds culminate into a mass of screeching beauty that disappears back into Pike's phasing guitar.

Few metal bands can reach the level that Pike did with Sleep, but the living-legend frontman of High On Fire has only gotten better with age.



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Three-piece stoner metal band High on Fire further develops its heavy sound on its third album "Blessed Black Wings."

R. Kelly, Jay-Z feud because of a sabotaged tour

By BRIAN KATES
New York Daily News

They billed it as the "Best of Both Worlds": The much-hyped concert tour of R&B legend R. Kelly and rap megastar Jay-Z.

But after a month of missed rehearsals, onstage temper tantrums, canceled concerts, an alleged death threat and an attack that sent Kelly and his bodyguards to the hospital, the tour quickly became the War of the Worlds.

Though only a month long, the war is far from over. Kelly has sued Jay-Z and tour promoter Jeff Sharp, for \$75 million. They are set to go at it May 2.

The tour provides a rare terrestrial look at what happens when two stars collide. Both men dominated their genres and the tour was estimated to pull in at least \$30 million.

In June 2002, just before the two stars issued their first joint album, "The Best of Both Worlds," Kelly was indicted on charges of distributing child

pornography - a videotape purportedly showing him having sex with a 14-year-old girl.

Jay-Z, who was serving three years' probation for stabbing a record producer, distanced himself from Kelly. The album tanked.

By November 2003, the relationship began to thaw. Kelly appeared at Madison Square Garden in a sold-out concert celebrating Jay-Z's short-lived retirement. Soon after, the pair recorded another album together. Its title was auspicious: "Unfinished Business."

Last July, the two agreed to a tour involving 42 concerts in 39 cities. Kelly was to receive 50 percent of the proceeds with Jay-Z taking 40 percent.

But last November, Kelly's Manhattan lawyer, Edward Hayes, filed a lawsuit against Jay-Z and promoter Sharp, charging that the rapper "sabotaged" the tour to "elevate his own status and to retaliate for having to agree to a lesser share of the tour revenues."

Jay-Z's lawyer, Jonathan Davis, scoffed at the suit. "A calculated stunt to deflect public

and media attention from his upcoming felony trial," he called it.

Hayes maintains Kelly got the lion's share because of his "greater star status." Davis contends Jay-Z agreed to the deal only because Kelly complained he "desperately needed money," apparently for his criminal defense.


If Kelly was worried about his indictment, you wouldn't have known it from the opening show in Chicago.

At one point, he flashed a fake e-mail message on a giant

video screen above the stage saying he was "looking for a girl." She "must be down for everything. ... She has to be at least 19!"

In another skit, he simulated sex with dancers in a prison cage. When Chicago reviewers panned the skits, Kelly scrapped them.

Actions such as this and the suits, countersuits and criminal charges will keep lawyers, spin doctors and gossip columnists busy for months.



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Sports Scene

Vick's actions may be costly

A bizarre story happened in the sports world this past week. It was reported that Michael Vick, the star quarterback for the Atlanta Falcons, was trying to use the alias "Ron Mexico" to get test results from a doctor because a woman is suing him, claiming he knowingly infected her with herpes.

The NFL also announced they were going to block orders from Falcons fans wanting to personalize a number seven Falcons jersey with the name "Mexico" on the back. Another story recently happened where a former college professor of New England Patriots' defensive back Randall Gay, wanted to order a Patriots jersey from the NFL's online store with the last name "Gay" on the back of the jersey. The NFL originally said that this would not be allowed, but recently announced that this name will be a word that people can order as a personalized name on the back of a football jersey.

This exemplifies the behavior that some professional athletes are taking on these days. There are some good, modest, professional athletes out there.

However, you're always going to get some bad behavior that comes from some fans. Vick's younger brother is Marcus Vick, the starting quarterback for the Virginia Tech Hokies. University officials suspended him all of last season when he was charged with a misdemeanor for providing alcohol to two underage females.

The Vick boys have definitely had their fair share of trouble with the law. Wouldn't you know that somehow someone found the real Ron Mexico, the alias that Vick was using. Ron Mexico is a blue-collar guy who lives in Michigan and operates an auto parts supplier shop. It has got to be a living hell for this guy. Can you even imagine the phone calls and interview requests he is receiving right now?

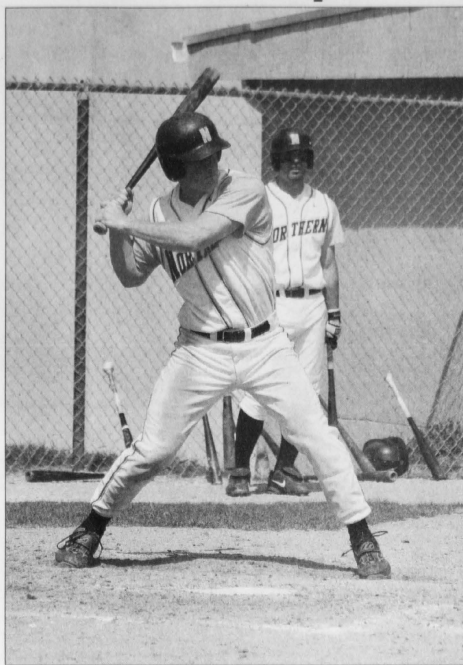
For being the number one sports league in America, the NFL has had some bad athlete behavior in the past couple of years and does a good job of policing this behavior.

From Joe Horn's cell phone touchdown celebration to Randy Moss' "mooning" incident, these players have received their fines and Commissioner Paul Tagliabue has made it public that this type of behavior will not be tolerated. This league has done the best job of using the substance abuse policy rules and used this effectively. It will be interesting to see if and when he brings any fine against Vick, but it is highly unlikely because this is a case of something happening far from the NFL gridiron.

Even though "Mexico" is a banned name, Falcons fans can use the old technique of using masking tape and a Sharpie and making the name "Mexico" appear on the back of a number seven Atlanta Falcons jersey.

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Norse conquer UM-St. Louis



Blue I Photographer

Conor McGeehan's home run helped the Norse defeat the Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen on April 17.

ST. LOUIS — Matt Jones went 3-for-4 with a pair of doubles in the second game April 16 to lead the Northern Kentucky University baseball team to a 9-5 win over Missouri-St. Louis and a sweep of the doubleheader.

Alex Frank added three hits and two runs batted in for NKU, which improved to 19-16 overall, 11-7 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference. The Norse also took over sole possession of third place in the GLVC standings with the sweep.

Kory Loneragan added three runs for the Norse, who scored three times in the fourth inning to snap a 3-3 tie. Conor McGeehan and Matt Wagers each collected three hits for NKU, while starting pitcher Kevin Quick scattered six hits and allowed just two earned runs in eight innings on the mound to pick up the victory.

In the opener, Jones scored two runs and had two RBI as NKU posted an 8-3 win. Josh Moulton was 2-for-3 and scored twice, while Jason Nintrup added two runs.

Moulton sparked a three-run seventh inning with an RBI triple, and he later scored on a Missouri-St. Louis error.

Matt Marksbury upped his record to 4-3 with the complete-game victory. Marksbury allowed just four hits and three runs while striking out four.

Missouri-St. Louis struck for all three of its runs in the bottom of the sixth inning, cutting NKU's lead to 5-3.

Marksbury, however, retired the Rivermen in order in the seventh inning to seal the win. He struck out Mark Sanders to end the game.

In the doubleheader April 17, Conor McGeehan snapped a 3-3 tie with a three-run homer in the eighth inning as the Northern Kentucky University baseball team

defeated Missouri-St. Louis, 7-3, to complete a four-game series sweep of the Rivermen.

McGeehan's three-run blast to left field off Missouri-St. Louis starter Mike Lantry gave NKU a 6-3 lead. The Norse added an insurance run in the top of the ninth to seal the four-game road sweep.

Keith Jackson went 3-for-4 and scored two runs as NKU improved to 21-16 overall, 13-7 in the GLVC. The Norse are in sole possession of third place in the GLVC standings.

Shane Gordon pitched 2 2/3 innings of scoreless relief to record the victory. NKU closer Steve Thomas finished off the Rivermen in the ninth and struck out two batters.

Kory Loneragan had two hits and two stolen bases as NKU sent Missouri-St. Louis (14-19 overall, 6-16 GLVC) to its seventh consecutive loss.

In the opener, Darvill Moeves struck out nine batters as NKU posted a 7-1 victory. Moeves scattered seven hits and walked two in six innings to improve to 4-3 this spring.

Loneragan went 3-for-4 for the Norse, while McGeehan was 2-for-2 with two runs scored and two RBI. NKU broke open a close game in the sixth inning with a four-run outburst. Loneragan had a run-scoring single in the sixth inning as the Norse iced the victory in the first game.

The Norse resume GLVC play at 1 p.m. April 20 when Indianapolis visits the Bill Aker Baseball Complex at Friendship Field for a doubleheader.

NKU will also be at home for a four-game series with Kentucky Wesleyan, beginning with a noon doubleheader April 23.

*Article by Sports Information

Softball team sweeps Bellarmine

Close in on Division II record with 36th win

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Becky Napier went 2-for-3 with five runs batted in as the unbeaten Northern Kentucky University softball team posted an 8-0 win over Bellarmine in the first game of a doubleheader April 16.

NKU completed the sweep with a 2-0 victory in the nightcap. The Norse improved to 36-0 overall, 10-0 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

NKU is now within four victories of tying the longest winning streak in NCAA Division II history. The longest win streak in NCAA Division II history is 40, which was set in 1995 by Kennesaw State.

NKU is just the fifth team in Division II history to win 36 consecutive games.

Krystal Lewallen hurled a five-inning no-hitter in the opener and finished with 10 strikeouts for NKU. It was the second straight no-hit performance for Lewallen, who improved to 19-0 this spring. Earlier in the week, Lewallen tossed a 3-0 no-hitter at Findlay.

The Norse jumped out to a 4-0 lead after one inning and scored four more runs in the second to coast past

Bellarmine. Napier's three-run double highlighted the second inning for NKU, and she also added a two-run single in the first inning.

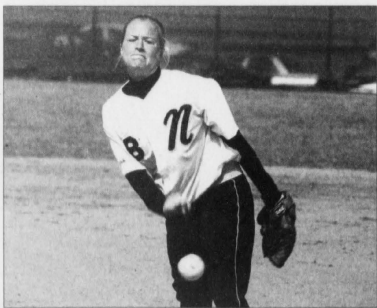
Ricki Rothbauer went 2-for-3 and scored two runs in the opener. Sarah King scored twice and also added an RBI.

In the second game, Emily Breitholtz (13-0) scattered seven hits and picked up the shutout for NKU. Rothbauer's RBI single snapped a scoreless tie in the top of the fifth inning. Rachele Vogelopol went 2-for-3 and scored a run for the Norse.

NKU's Stephanie Leimbach collected singles in both contests to extend her hitting streak to 16 consecutive games.

The Norse are ranked No. 2 nationally in the NCAA Division II poll. NKU is also ranked No. 1 in the latest NCAA Division II Great Lakes Region poll.

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Blue I Photographer

Pitcher Krystal Lewallen pitched a no-hitter against Bellarmine in the first game of the doubleheader April 16.

Students try rafting through program

Campus recreation provides exciting, unique adventures

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On April 1, 15 Northern Kentucky University students embarked on an adventure that they would remember for the rest of their lives.

By participating in NKU's Ace Adventure Program, students were able to travel to New River Gorge in Oak Hill, W.Va., and take part in exciting white water rafting. During the trip, the students were not only exposed to the cold elements, but also wrestled Class III and IV rapids.

Due to extremely high water,

the students' route was changed from New River to Lower Gully, but that couldn't alter the fun and lasting memories that would be created.

"The trip was awesome! It was a great experience actually going through the rapids on a raft," said NKU student Grant Holbrook.

That same enthusiasm was a common theme among all the students who took part in the trip, despite dealing with cold temperatures, rain and even snow.

"When we finished rafting and got back to camp it started snowing, and by the time we went to bed there was already two inches of snow on the

ground," said Carrie Crutcher.

The rafting itself proved to be challenging. With the help of guides, the students traveled down fast and dangerous rapids. One boat completely tipped over, and NKU student Stephanie Steele fell into the water on the very first rapid.

"I was so scared, but my friends and guide pulled me back in," said Steele.

When the students took a break for lunch, the reality of the cold weather set in.

"People's hands were shaking so bad they couldn't even get food into their mouths," said Crutcher.

Some students tried to stay active while eating to avoid

getting cold.

"There was never a worse moment in my life. I could barely hold my sandwich that I was trying to eat," said Holbrook.

The rafting trip was organized by NKU's campus recreation, led by coordinator Jeremy Chipman, who also went on the trip.

"I had a great time and so did the students," said Chipman. "We can't wait to go back."

By signing up to participate in the trip, the students were exposed to the beautiful waterfalls and mountain ranges of West Virginia. It also allowed the students to make new friends and learn great rafting tips from the guides. Many students are already looking for-

ward to the next trip.

"If anyone has thought about (signing up), definitely do it, because you're missing out on a great time," said Steele.

The Outdoor Adventure Program formed last year and has received a great response from students. The program allows students to go on a couple of trips each semester. In January, a group of students traveled to Perfect North Slopes to ski.

Anyone interested in finding out more information about the Outdoor Adventure Program should log on to nku.edu/campus/ or look for promotional fliers all across campus.

hotseat



→ with John Rasp

In this week's Hot Seat, John interviews NKU baseball pitcher Rick Wood. Wood is a senior on this year's baseball team.

John Rasp: Why did you transfer from Kentucky Wesleyan?
Rick Wood: I transferred because it was getting too expensive to go to school down there and since I broke my ankle and couldn't play there was no reason for me to be down there.

JR: Do you think that if you were to but this weekend against Kentucky Wesleyan they would throw at you?

RW: No. Not anymore. Most of the guys I played with are gone. Last year, I probably would have gotten a brush back pitch.

JR: If a guy were to charge the mound on you, what would be your strategy?

RW: Honestly, there is not very many big people in conference so I'm bigger than most hitters I

face. If someone came at me I'd run back at him unless he still had his bat. If he had the bat still, I'd run the other way.

JR: Fact or Fiction: The girls dig pitchers more than they do hitters.

RW: I think girls dig pitchers that throw hard. But, I think hitters have the edge.

JR: Shane Gordon said either Justin Seiter or him was the best hitting pitcher. Do you agree with that?

RW: I'd say that Marksbury is. But, Seiter would be able to hit and so could Shane. I think I could also give those two a run for their money.

JR: Do you think any of the coaches could get a hit off of you?

RW: I think Gullet would like to think he could. I think back in his day he might have been able to. I don't think Asalon could because he has slow hands. Erie might be able to because he hasn't lost too much. I know Bill Black, when he was here, could.

JR: Who is the best dancer on the team?

RW: Shane Gordon. He can cut the rug.

JR: Do you have any superstitions?

RW: Of course, I never touch the foul line except in the first inning when I drag my foot across it. Also, for warm up pitches between innings I always throw a fastball, a curveball and changeup in that order then a throw to second.



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Pitcher Rick Wood currently has a 3-1 record as a starter.

Norse golf team competes at GLVC tournament



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The NKU golf team recently competed in the GLVC Championship in Indiana.

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The Northern Kentucky University men's golf team had a successful week, playing in the Great Lakes Valley Championships April 11-12 and the Regional Invitational in Indiana April 16-17.

The team finished in a tie for second place with Lewis after shooting a combined 301 over three days. Both teams finished behind champion Wisconsin-Parkside. The Norse put on a solid performance, leading after the first two rounds, before shooting a 308 on the third day.

"We played kind of bad (the third day),"

NKU coach Daryl Landrum said. "But that's just the way golf goes. We didn't play as well as we were capable of on the last day."

Sophomore David Shearer was the first Norse golfer since Jim Warken in 2003 to win the GLVC championship.

There was a tie between Shearer and Parkside's Ryan Wink after the final hole, but Shearer won the medal in a playoff.

Shearer shot an NKU record 65 in the second round en route to winning the title.

Shearer has made strides from his freshman season, where he placed sixth at last year's GLVC Championship.

"He shot real well," Landrum said. "He could have had a better score, but he got a few bad breaks that last day."

The Norse had three other golfers break in to

the top-20 at the GLVC Championships. Senior Curtis Phelps and freshman Andrew Jewell finished in a tie for 14th place, shooting 228's over the three rounds. Junior Mark Krahe finished in a tie for 19th place with a 231. Sophomore Jon Ehlen rounded out the top finishers for NKU, finishing with a 239.

The team relied heavily on the leadership of several of those players in the tournament, and throughout the season.

"David, Curtis, Mark, Jon, we have four real good leaders on this team," Landrum said.

The Norse finished third out of 20 teams at the Regional Invitational, lead again by Shearer.

Shearer finished third at the Invitational after shooting 70 and 71 over the first two rounds.

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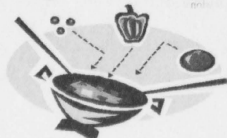
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Contact Sarah Daugherty at daughertys@nku.edu or call 572-6308 to schedule an interview.

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The Wellness Office presents... Speedy Suppers



Learn to fix fast, healthy, family-friendly dinners using 5 ingredients or less! Bring your lunch, your questions, and your friends to this presentation by Katie Smallwood from the Boone County Cooperative Extension.

Tuesday, April 26th in UC 108 from 12 to 1pm. Leave room for sampling! For more information or registration, contact Megan at 572-6668 or email at cermakm1@nku.edu.



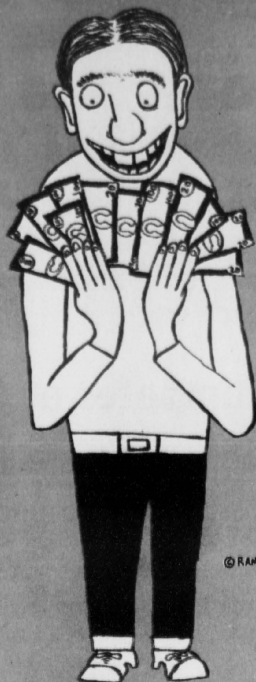
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