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## Construction Loud but Final Outcome Worth the Noise

By Jamie Saunders  
Staff Writer

The sound of jackhammers and drills on the concrete walls of Steely Library have driven more than a few library patrons out the door. However, the finished product will be worth the wait, library officials said.

Construction is expected to be completed by April of 1994, however, the courtyard area and the fifth floor will be finished, said Director of Library Marian Winner.

"It has been very noisy," Winner said. "When jackhammers are drilling through the concrete it is loud."

"They try to work with us and we are constantly trying to keep the faculty and staff concentrating on the outcome."

Employees and students in the library say the noises and other misfortunes that come with construction are difficult but they try to concentrate on the outcome.

Winner said water leaked over the administrative offices.

"When they lifted the roof, they didn't get some areas properly sealed and we had tremendous leaks," Winner said.

Winner said she has used plastic sheets to protect shelves and equipment.

"No matter what happens now, we will have a user friendly library with new technology," Winner said.

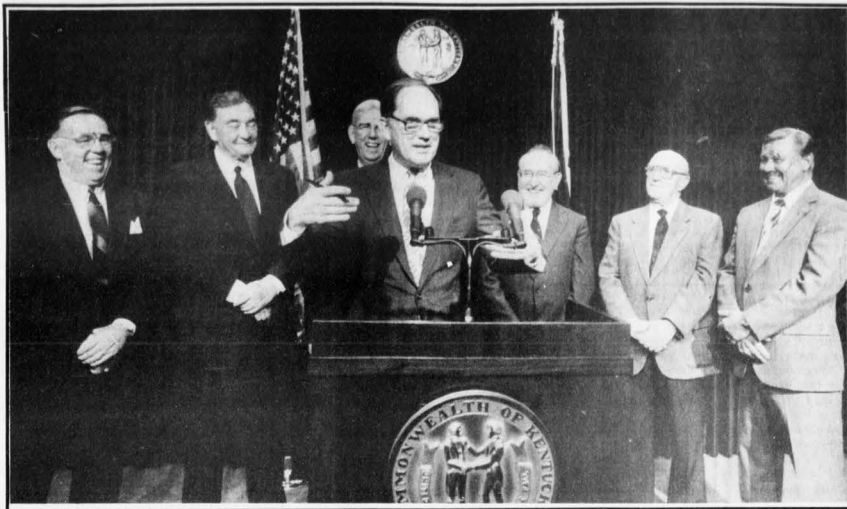
She said she wants more funding for improved technology and a better collection. The technology the library is striving for is large, well-equipped classrooms and more terminals and CD ROMs, she said.

"We are also an important part of the capital gifts campaign," Winner said.

Gifts received through the campaign are separate to the

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## It's Official -Again



Northern Kentucky University officially began the observation of its 25th anniversary with the signing of a proclamation by Gov. Brereton Jones in Frankfort, Friday, March 12. Other NKU dignitaries present were: Ken Lucas, first chair of the Board of Regents; former Kentucky Gov. Louie B. Nunn, who signed the Northern Kentucky State College into existence in 1968; current NKU President Leon Boothe; NKU's first President W. Frank Steely, A.D. Albright, NKU's second president; and William Verst, current chair of the Board of Regents.

## State Puts Education on Chopping Block

By Edwina Meister  
Staff Writer

While NKU is still reeling from the latest 2 percent budget cut, the budget office again has been warned to prepare for yet another 2 percent cut, a possible \$488,000 loss, for the 1993-94 fiscal year.

The funding deficit has brought about a hiring freeze, a delay in equipment purchases and some travel restrictions.

These restrictions affect both the quality and availability of Northern's educational standards, according to NKU

Budget Director Elzie Barker.

"Professors wanting to travel to seminars are losing out on experiences that could enrich their teaching," Barker said.

"Fewer sections of some classes have been offered because we have no means to offer additional sections once the ones offered are filled."

Other universities dealing with less state appropriations are feeling the crunch as well.

Ray Pinner, Morehead State University budget director said he had to delay purchasing computers and other equipment necessary for the classrooms,

and that maintenance and minor building projects had to be showed to the back burner.

"All the units—faculty, staff and students alike—have taken their hits," said Johns Drees, assistant director of news and public information at the University of Louisville. "No part of the university has been spared."

Concerning next year's cuts, Barker said he has no idea of what will be put on the chopping block, though a plan showing what areas can endure financial limitations must be submitted by late April.

The latest cut, which was pulled from the university's budget reserves, was initially presented as an allotment deferral, or tentative cut, in hopes that state tax revenues would rise enough to avoid such an event.

But according to Ron Carson, Deputy Secretary to the Kentucky office for policy management, the state is currently facing a \$69.5 million budgetary shortfall.

"The administration decided we could no longer wait to change this to an actual budget cut. Economic growth is simply

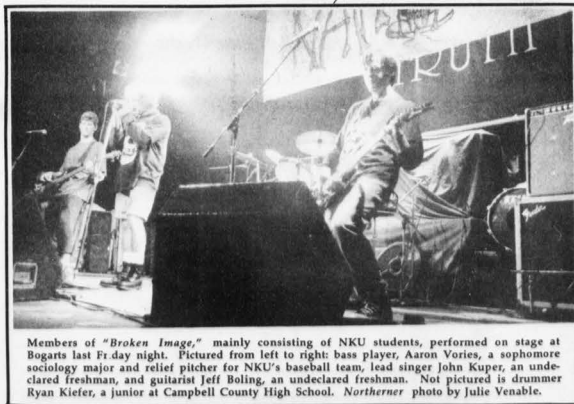
not strong enough to continue to support higher education as it has in the past," Carson said.

Currently, 15 percent of Kentucky's general funds go to higher education.

The allotment deferral was announced in October, only 10 days after more than 1,000 students from Kentucky's eight public universities—including NKU—protested in Frankfort against further budget cuts.

Increasingly, the burden of these cuts has fallen to the student.

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Members of "Broken Image," mainly consisting of NKU students, performed on stage at Bogarts last Friday night. Pictured from left to right: bass player, Aaron Vories, a sophomore sociology major and relief pitcher for NKU's baseball team, lead singer John Kuper, an undeclared freshman, and guitarist Jeff Baling, an undeclared freshman. Not pictured is drummer Ryan Kiefer, a junior at Campbell County High School. Northerner photo by Julie Venable.

## Credit Cards: Friend or Foe?

Some Students Find Credit Cards Useful

By Chris Mayhew  
Staff Writer

Many students find that credit cards are easy to get and use, but aside from the benefits they offer, they also can be abused easily, leaving students up to their ears in debt.

Students are not usually found to be a considerably lower risk, said Bernie Kaiwer, the executive director of consumer credit counseling services.

Actually many credit card companies are "recruiting future customers," he said.

Many cards offer students a card with high interest rates and a low spending limit. There is nothing wrong with

students using those kind of credit cards, Kaiser said.

High interest cards are great for emergencies and add flexibility to many student incomes, he said. Students get into trouble when they buy items that in the past they would have gone without, Kaiser said.

Students also tend to use their cards to buy items like food which are gone when they pay their bill, he added.

"Nothing that is not permanent needs to be there when you pay your bill."

Paul Wells, a junior chemistry major, has both a Visa and Mastercard and said that he uses his cards for

"everything."

Wells also said that he, like many other students, uses his cards to pay for things like tuition, gas and clothes which he may not have the money for at the moment, but will later.

"It's almost like you don't have to pay," said Wells.

Wells said a credit card is quick cash which can pay off a lot of expenses at once and be paid off later.

In contrast, Michelle Schnurr, a junior English major who has a Visa card, said she uses her card sparingly. She said she only charges about \$30-\$50 a month.

Schnurr said that the time

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A personal attack advice can offer students with deafening safety.

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### Norse Defeat Thomas More

NKU's baseball team used a seven run third inning to defeat Thomas More 12-2, last Wednesday.

# News

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library's annual fund.

The wooden box standing tall above the library will be filled with concrete to form the new fifth floor, said Director of Campus Planning Mary Paula Schuh.

"The noise has been a problem at times," Paula Schuh said. "I think people seem to have adjusted."

"We are going through a necessary period of noise and water," said Philip Yannerella, associate professor of the library.

"The worst part are the jackhammers breaking the concrete barriers along the building."

"The plastic is to be safe for the potential new leaks. When they started working on the roof, we cover everything overnight," Yannerella said.

## Cuts from Page 1

Robert Gusk, a student worker at the periodical department, said although the construction has its bad points and he's looking forward to the end result.

"We will have more room and the periodical department may become self-serve," Gusk said. Gusk said he is a construction technology major and he finds it fascinating to see the work after reading about it and seeing it in text books.

Anthropologist major Rob Jenkins said since construction began, he's only entered the library to make photocopies - preferring to study at home away from the construction noise.

"It will be interesting to see what they had done when they get done," Jenkins said.

state appropriations made up 57.5 percent of NKU's operating budget while tuition and fees generated 25.5 percent of the total. Yet in 1992-93, state funding dropped to 40.1 percent while tuition increased to 38.2 percent of the revenue.

The remaining roughly 20 percent of the funding is generated from parking tickets, sporting events, residential village fees, and other miscellaneous charges.

Each state-funded agency and university was asked to sacrifice 2 percent of its budget with exception of two programs, according to Carson.

The two excluded were the state prosecutors' wage budget and the "Seeking Excellence in Education in Kentucky" program. Otherwise known as SEEK, it deals specifically with funding primary and secondary educational programs.

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### Northerner Staff Report

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Quorum International who markets the PAAL and other personal safety products.

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Bruce and another representative, Pamela Pecord, demonstrated the device in a

simulated purse snatching skit.

Pecord attached the PAAL to her purse and held onto the wrist strap. Bruce took the purse and it began screeching, because Pecord still had hold of the strap.

Bruce said the PAAL was ideal for resident students, joggers and women.

The PAAL sells for \$30 and the sports PAAL sells for \$34.

For more information, call Bruce or Pecord at (513) 923-1107.

### Northerner Correction

In the March 10th issue of *The Northerner* an editing mistake was made in the front page story on the research being conducted by NKU sociology professor Robert Lilly.

The mistake read: Some question the validity of Lilly's work.

"The little I know about it, it seems fairly accurate," Prioleau said.

The paragraph should have read: Concerning the validity, Prioleau said, "The little I know about it, it seems fairly accurate."

*The Northerner* apologizes to Lilly and Captain of the U.S. Army ROTC at NKU Michael Prioleau for the mistake.

### Staff Report

Campus police had no suspects as of Thursday in the residence hall rape occurring March 7.

A female NKU student was raped upon returning to her room following a 3 a.m. fire drill.

Additional officers are on patrol in the area according to Director of Public Safety Fred Otto and officers are available to walk students from parking lots to buildings.

He said evidence was sent to the Kentucky crime lab and that the department is still investigating every angle.

Students should keep room doors locked and report any suspicious behavior to DPS, he said.

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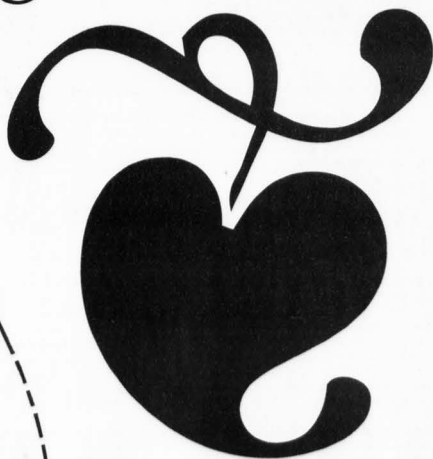
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## Features

### Jazz Ensemble Ready For Chicago; NKU One of Seven Groups Chosen

By Lee McGinley  
Copy Editor

The NKU Jazz Ensemble will perform in front of Disney and Hollywood talent scouts this weekend in Chicago.

The 14 singers and three musicians will make its first trip as a group to the Showcase Collegiate Invitational.

The Intercollegiate Jazz Educators Association (IJEA) selected the ensemble as one of seven jazz groups from around the country to attend.

Although IJEA chose the

NKU group based on an audio tape, the group won't be awarded for their performances at the invitational, said Doug Belland, the ensemble's adviser.

The reasoning for not distributing awards is the association feels it cannot compare talent, Belland said before the ensemble's rehearsal at Greaves Concert Hall last Thursday.

However, the judges will critique the individual groups. They will critique items such as vocal ability, singing as a

group, stage presence and style.

Darci Siber, a sophomore singer with the group, said she feels the weekend will be a learning experience.

"I'm looking forward to hearing all the groups and being around the same people that have same interests as us," she said.

There will be additional ways for the performers to sharpen their skills. Workshops will be set up to learn about auditions, contracts, improvisation and communicating the words of

songs.

There is also a category for solo singing. Freshman

Christian Addison will be representing NKU.

Other singers include Nancy Berger, Lynn Davis, Kelly Fox, Mike Harrison, Jennifer McDanie, Shawn Miller, Thom Roscoe, Lisa Runion, Gary Ruchman, Amy Sanders and Lora Wallace. The singers are accompanied by bassist Todd Leavy, drummer Mike Magley and pianist Bill Branzel.

## Hot Spots

### Friday

- Blue Note—Overdue
- Bogart's—The Back Doors
- Cory's—Them Wild Haws
- Hurricane Surf Club—Theater of Pain
- Kilgore's—The Crunch
- Local 1207—Jim Diamond and Groove Syndicate
- Longworth's—Only Mortals
- Mansion Hill Tavern—Blue Lou and the Accusations
- Mt. Adams Pavalion—Ricky Nye and the Red Hots
- Ripley's—Over The Rhine
- Salamone's—The Websters
- Southgate House—The Accuman and Moth
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### Saturday

- Blue Note—Trilogy
- Bogart's—Chaka Khan, Gerald Albright, Hugh Masekela, Philip Bailey
- Cory's—Ricky Nye and the Red Hots
- Hurricane Surf Club—Theater of Pain
- Kilgore's—The Crunch
- Local 1207—Festival of Fools and Westbound
- Longworth's—Only Mortals
- Mansion Hill Tavern—Eat At Joe's
- Mt. Adams Pavalion—Tom Martin
- Ripley's—Janglers
- Salamone's—Overdue
- Southgate House—BuBu Klan, The Nine, Spiderfoot
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## Letters

## Reader Hopes Letter Was Influenced By Emotion

To the Editor:

It is not often that I have enjoyed a letter-to-the-editor as much as I enjoyed the one by Clinton G. Hewan in the March 3 issue of *The Northerner*. I always appreciate quality self-righteous left-wing hateful commentary. Before continuing I should validate my comments by pointing out that I am not on a level of abject ignorance, which is shown by my ability to include as many shallow insults in the same since as Hewan himself. However, I must acknowledge Hewan's superiority. It takes an intellectual effort far above my abilities to coin a phrase such as "we find people like you crawling out of your holes to leave a trail of a racist slime."

I chide Hewan. Instead of

answering Brady Webster in a manner appropriate to his assumed (and accredited) level of intellectual maturity, he offered up self-aggrandizing sermon and petty attack. I particularly enjoyed the part where he states that "content of character" and "essence of human decency" were aspects of his childhood training. What facets of his character or decency did he express in his letter? Was it implied that Webster's parents weren't human?

I sincerely hope Hewan's letter was more influenced by emotion than intellect. If this wait he has to offer his cause and his students, it will do neither any good. Frankly, they both deserve better.

Jeff Harrington  
 NKU Student

## Group Invites Students To Travel To Washington

To the Editor:

The Alliance of Gays, Lesbians, Bis and Friends would like to extend an invitation and challenge to all persons who believe freedom and equality are the rights of all. This challenge is to attend and support the 1993 March on Washington for Gay, Lesbian and Bi Equal Rights and Liberation on April 25, 1993.

The March, which promises to be the largest march on Washington in U.S. history, was organized to 1) protect the treatment of gays, lesbians and bis in our society 2) demand equal rights for us by passing a federal bills protecting gays,

lesbians and bis, and 3) demonstrate the fact that we are proud of who we are.

An excited group of AGLBF members has already made plans to participate in this history-making event. Accommodations are still available for anyone interested. Information about attending the march or supporting those who are going will be at the AGLBF booth during the Rites of Spring.

Sincerely,

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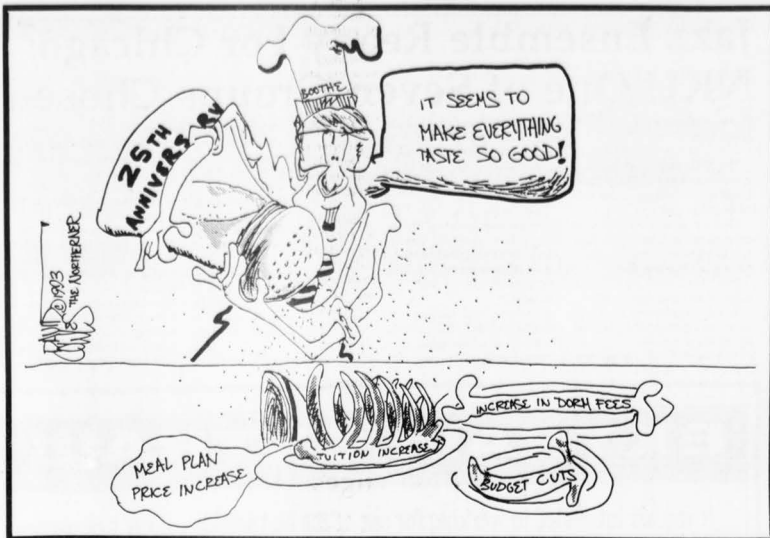
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## Opinion/Letters



## Ritchie Responds To Questions About Racism

To the Editor:

In a recent letter to *The Northerner*, "Racism is Hard to Understand," Kristin Burdett raises several questions concerning racism in the hope that "Someone will take the time to answer." I believe that Ms. Burdett is sincere in her questions, and I will try to answer them honestly and plainly.

African-Americans enjoy a variety of events that celebrate their culture and achievements, and it should first be recognized that white people do, too. Cincinnati hosts three separate Oktoberfests, a Greek festival and a St. Patrick's Day parade, all of which celebrate European culture. What's more, the city of Cincinnati provides extra police protection at these events, so they are all funded, at least in part, by minority taxpayers.

As to the other events, reasonable people must recognize that our society, in both gross and subtle ways, discriminates against women

and minorities. An African-American family is three times more likely to be living in poverty in America, and if that family is headed by a woman, the poverty rate increases, as does the severity of the poverty.

In the face of such difficulties, it is only natural for groups to seek to foster self esteem. One can only hope that someday our society will reach a point where it no longer requires special events and awards for African-Americans.

I use the term "African-American" because that is what most people I know prefer to be called. For many others, the preferred term is negro, black or Afro-American. I think the primary difference is that "African-American" refers to a culture and a shared set of positive values. That is why, white though I am, I use the term "African-American." Under no circumstances, however, will I stoop to the stilted euphemism "persons of color."

I think your questions about

the use of the word "nigger" among African-Americans as opposed to whites is related to your question about why African-American comics "put down" their own culture, while white comics cannot.

The answer can be summed up in the old cliché, "Smile when you say that." African-Americans can feel free to use the word "nigger" because coming from themselves it is free of hatred and oppression. It is only when it comes from others that it is so degrading. As for African-American comedians, remember that Jackie Mason was a big star spoofing Jewish culture long before Damon Wayans was born. Comedians make fun of the culture they know best, and their audiences feel free to laugh because they know there is no hostility attached to the humor.

All kidding aside, NKU tries to teach its students about racism for two simple reasons.

The first is that the purpose of a college education is to broaden a student's cultural horizons. We hope that after

you learn about racism, you will be curious about African-American, Latino or Asian culture. We further hope that you will indulge curiosity and explore the contributions that minority cultures have made to this nation.

The second reason is that so when you graduate, you will be prepared to interact personally and professionally with people of all cultures. This does not require strict obedience to a set of politically correct standards. It does require, however, willingness to listen to and to understand.

I am sorry to have taken so long to answer relatively few questions, and I know that others remain. But when I started teaching nine years ago, my students were wondering about these same issues. I take it as a sign of how little this nation has progressed during the last decade that these questions remain unanswered.

Jeffrey Ritchie  
 Department of Literature and Language

## Reader Argues To Keep Gays Out Of Military

To the Editor:

A few weeks ago, there appeared in *The Northerner* a select number of students who were asked what they thought of gays in the military. The majority said it was OK.

In response to that, I contend that those opposing admitting gays in the military is not a by-product of prejudice or blind tradition. It is a result of the difficulties posed by integrating gays and straights.

Sex is a powerful motivator between straight men and women whether there is a relationship or not. That same power is evident not only between gays but between the same gender to whom they may be attracted. Because sex is so influential in gays and the rest of us, our society has taken measures to help us control our urges by maintaining sensible barriers between potential sex partners.

America is more becoming more and more sensitive to the issue of sexual harassment of women. Should we set this sensitivity aside when it comes to men who are forced to live, work, eat, sleep, shower and perform other private functions along side homosexual men?

Surely it cannot be difficult to understand why a man would prefer not to bunk directly above, below or next to another man who finds him sexually attractive. It is childish to think that any of us leave our sexuality behind when we go about our daily business, let alone our after-hours activities.

A recent poll was taken of military personnel and an overwhelming majority said they did not want gays admitted into the armed forces. The most commonly expressed reason for the opposition was an unwillingness to share facilities and living quarters

with gays. The poll also showed that 81 percent predicted that gay GIs would be selected for the physical violence at the hands of their fellow service members.

The thought of potential violence within the ranks cannot be constructed as the disintegration of morale. General Norman Schwartzkopf has stated that cohesiveness is the most important factor in good and effective fighting unit. Bad morale will not foster that cohesiveness.

Another aspect to be considered is the effect of HIV/AIDS. The military's primary function is to fight and an outgrowth of fighting is blood. In addition to the fear of death by enemy action, our troops will also have to face the worry of the spilled blood from gays that may or may not be infected. Even in peacetime, training exercises produce open wounds on the troops are almost

always in close contact with each other. The careful procedures that protect civilian workers who come into contact with HIV/AIDS are simply not possible under battlefield conditions.

I have stated just a few of the reasons for excluding gays in the military. But the basic difference between civilian life and military life are profound, resulting in two different societies. President Clinton has not had any military experience and I feel has made a serious mistake in not listening to his Armed Forces advisors. If this does go through, our military will survive but it will be weakened. The cost to morale will be real and lasting. America may not be able to afford the high cost.

Donna Hogarth

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

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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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## Tuition Increase Comparison "Irrational"

To the editor:

This letter is in regard to the article written a few weeks ago regarding the tuition increase. I was very disturbed when I read this article.

I am a full-time student as well as a full-time worker. The majority of my spare time is spent doing homework or taking care of my house. In fact, the reason why I have taken so long to respond to the article regarding the tuition increase is due to the reason that I have not had any spare time at all. Although I work full-time, I still do not make enough money to pay for my entire tuition. I am fortunate because my employer helps me out where I come up short. Although I am faced with a tiring lifestyle in catching up with my rest, I do not think I am an exception who feels sorry for herself. The fact is that the majority of NKU

students are commuters who are in the same situation as I am.

The article I am referring to stated that there would be an \$80 increase a semester in tuition. I am very thankful that NKU's tuition is inexpensive compared to other state universities, even with the tuition hike. The point that disturbed me was the comparison of the tuition increase of \$80 to "a typical Friday night out" made the president of NKU, Leon Boothe. If this were Miami University of the University of Kentucky where the student body was primarily made up of residents rather than commuters whose tuition is being paid by either scholarships or parents and whose time is consumed either by studying, partying and maybe some extracurricular activities, maybe then I could understand the comparison.

However, Boothe is not

running a school primarily residents, he is running a school of primarily for commuters. Commuters are people who most likely cannot afford to go to a big state university or whose circumstances and time will not allow them this opportunity. The fact is that a typical Friday night out for a commuter probably includes McDonalds and a rented video from the video store equaling approximately \$15 (and that's with a date).

I think Boothe's comparison is totally irrational and supported by unverified statistics. I think he is a wealthy exception who has the time and the money to spend on a Friday night out. However, if he were to ask his student body, I think his \$80 average would quickly change.

Jenny Eglan

## Reader Says, "I am a fortunate person."

To the editor:

I would like to respond primarily to the request of Kristin Burdett in her letter to the editor (Wednesday, March 10) and secondarily to the other letters concerning the issue of racism. I know none of the writers personally, so I will not discuss myself.

I am a fortunate person. I am white. I am male. I was also born into an economically middle-class family. I am now economically middle-class myself and that does not surprise me. Despite doing some stupid things in my life, society has been kind to me. I look like my father—I look like one of them. I have experienced affirmative action most of my life.

When it comes to economic wealth in the United States, any analysis will show white men as a group are more wealthy than white women as

a group, that white women are more wealthy than black men, and that black men are more wealthy than black women. I was born into the wealthiest group. As I said, I am a fortunate person—fortunate, at least in part, because of my birth.

Issue: Affirmative Action. Most people misunderstand affirmative action when applied to women or minority groups. Most people think that affirmative action is a social or governmental program that gives advantages to women or minority groups in order to compensate for social or governmental negative actions that occurred in the long ago, historical past-give the scholarship or job to an Afro-American today because of his or her grandfather was a slave. This is not the case.

Today—I emphasize today—birth determines to a great extent how much opportunity will be had in life,

Affirmative action attempts to compensate persons today who have experienced negative action in their lives yesterday because they were born female or into a minority group. If there were no negative action nor the effects of negative action in existence today, there would be no need for affirmative action tomorrow.

Some might question whether or not persons born female or into minority groups still experience negative actions. All I know is this: If birth were a lottery (and it is) and if wealth were something to be desired (and it is by me), then I would hope to be lucky—to be born white and male.

Paul Ellis  
Learning Assistance Center

## Student Says Hewan Challenges Others

To the editor:

As a student on this campus trying desperately to get an education, I do not as a rule write, or respond to letters published in *The Northerner*. I am, however, forced to comment on the letters written by Chuck Hollis and Paul Trauth, printed in the March 10 issue of *The Northerner*.

First, Hollis, you accused Hewan of engaging in a personal attack on Brady Webster. Are you serious, Chuck? Did you read and understand Webster's letter of February 17? Has Hewan ever spoken to Webster, does he know Webster? Who began the "personal attack?"

To you Mr. Trauth, you argue that Dr. Hewan's letter has very little substance. Do you engage in meaningful thinking? Do you understand the message in his letter? I fail to see how based on what you have written. For the information of you all, Hollis, Trauth and the rest of the Campus Brown Shirt, Hewan delivered a very powerful message that very few I this racist and class conscious society can feel comfortable with. Dr. Hewan said and I quote, "I was born, nurtured and grew up in an environment and with parents who are human and ought me the essence of human decency."

What a message, even without quoting the rest, how

many of you can truly relate to that quote? Hewan strives to instill the essence of human understanding in his students, no wonder Hollis is scared. Hewan challenges those who would continue to preach and thus perpetuate racial, gender and class hate. It is, therefore, no surprise that Hollis and his kind conveniently ignore the central thesis of Hewan's argument.

LaKa Green

## Remarks Geared Toward Making Students Think

To the editor:

This letter is in part response to Chuck Hollis' letter in the March 10 *Northerner*. I was in one of Hewan's classes with you and I know you were there everyday, but did you listen to all or just part of what he said? In my opinion, he does not shove his ideas down student's throats. He presents ideas that may be unpopular to some people but are true and make intelligent students think critically. An open mind would allow someone to hear his information, process it logically and agree or disagree. I never once heard him say, "agree with me or you're wrong. You speak of his personal attacks but your personal opinion of him is well known and I believe was part of the motivation for your letter."

As for minority scholarships, I agree with Monica Spencer's letter (also in the March 10 issue). Equal rights are granted under the Constitution but are

certainly not practiced. Anyone who thinks that equal opportunities and rights occur for every race in the United States is a fool. Minority scholarships are an attempt to give minorities an opportunity at equal quality education. What's wrong with that? Most white Americans have no problem getting a decent education, why should minorities settle for any less. As a Caucasian woman, I realize that I have not experienced racism first hand, but I am sick and embarrassed at Caucasian men who cry reverse discrimination when they do not get a job or do not get into an exclusive graduate program, like the one at Duke University (claiming: "If I were a minority, I would have probably gotten in.") Think again, you may just not be qualified.

Charissa May

## Reader Doesn't Expect To See "Religious Persecution" At NKU

To the editor:

Let me first point out that I am not a member of the Cincinnati Church of Christ. I would, however, like to respond to all of the negative attention being given the church here at NKU and indeed, all over the tristate area.

Could it be that the members of the church are merely practicing what preach, choosing not to apt for

mediocrity, as many of us do? I mean, along comes a group of people acting differently and saying things which many of us do not understand, and it is immediately looked upon with disdain. We should not give someone a bum rap simply because we disagree with their religious viewpoint. I would not expect to see religious persecution right here on our own campus!

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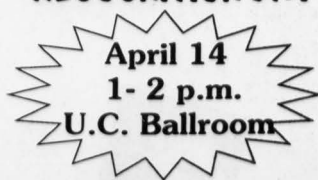
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# Sports

## Norse Make Most Of Opportunities In 12-2 Victory

By Tom Embrey  
Staff Writer

The NKU baseball team used a seven-run third inning to break open a game en route to a 12-2 win over Thomas More College.

"They made some mistakes and gave us extra outs and we were able to take advantage of it and beat them," NKU head coach Bill Aker said.

Freshman shortstop Chris Helfer led off the bottom of the third with a double to left field. Senior outfielder Mike Williams and junior second

baseman Brandon Chestnut both reached on errors, the second scoring Helfer from third.

A pop-out and an intentional walk to senior right fielder Brian Kiepert loaded the bases. A wild pitch and a double by junior designated hitter Brannon Hicks cleared the bases giving the Norse a 5-1 lead.

With two outs and men on first and second junior left fielder Bill Pagan's bloop single to right field plated the Norse's sixth run of the game. Another wild pitch resulted in the

seventh run. Pagan crossed the plate with the Norse's eighth run when Helfer smacked his second double of the inning.

In the top of the fourth inning the Blue Rebels threatened when it loaded the bases with only one out. NKU sophomore right hander Brent Hunt gave up a sacrifice fly to catcher Brian Cottingham, and then struck out the next batter to maintain an 8-2 lead.

"We played solid and didn't give anything away today," Aker said.

"Sometimes we play well for three or four innings and then

we get lost."

In the bottom of the fifth inning the Norse tacked on four more runs to its lead.

Freshman third baseman Aaron Crider drew a lead-off walk, stole second base and reached third when Pagan grounded a single up the middle. Williams followed a sac fly by Helfer with a double down the third base line scoring Pagan. Two walks loaded the bases for Chris Young. He lashed a two-run single to give the Norse a 12-2 lead.

Thomas More went quietly in the final two innings enabling

Hunt to earn his first victory of the season. Hunt allowed two runs on four hits in seven innings of work.

"Brent pitched a good game. We got him a seven run lead and he walked the first two batters in the top of the next inning, but he came on strong to finish the game after that," Aker said.

The Rebels scored its other run on a two-out home run in the second inning by Cottingham.

The Norse tied the game at one in the bottom of the second on an RBI single by Crider. "I felt good. I was comfortable

at the plate. I got a good pitch to hit and I hit it," Crider said. Helfer had two doubles and two RBIs. Young and Hicks each added two RBIs. "We show signs of it, (coming together as a team) but we still have a long way to go," Kiepert said.

The Norse improved to 10-8 and are 1-1 in Great Lakes Valley Conference play.

**Read The Northerner  
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Sports News**

## Not Your Ordinary All-American Team

Sports Editorial  
By Kevin Nichols  
Sports Editor

With the college basketball season almost to an end, I felt it was necessary for me to create my own special team of talented players that you'll be hearing from frequently in future years.

I would like to present to you my own personal All-American team. This team consists of big time players are going to make big time bucks in the National Basketball Association.

Some other All-American teams may be just like mine and

others may be totally different, but these are the guys I like and the guys that I think will make some sort of impact in the NBA.

At point guard I have to select Duke's Bobby Hurley for my floor general. Let's face it, he's a graduating senior and he has been through it all.

Hurley felt the highs of winning two national championships in college and playing against the NBA's Dream Team during the summer, as well as the lows of getting blown out in the national championship game against UNLV in 1990. Hurley finished his career this season

by becoming the NCAA's all-time assist leader, but he couldn't lead his team to a three-peat as he handed his point guard crown to California's freshman sensation Jason Kidd, who led his team to an upset victory over Duke.

Hurley proved that he's got the patience, the passing ability and the perimeter shot to be a good point guard for some NBA team. He's also a pretty good defensive player for his 5'11" frame.

Hurley's not quick or strong enough to be a big time NBA star, but he will be a good back up point guard for some

franchise. Let's hope he makes more of an impact than his Duke counterpart Johnny Dawkins.

To join Hurley in the backcourt I've got to put Memphis States' Anfernee Hardaway. Like I've said earlier this year, this man is going to be the next Magic Johnson.

At 6'7" he can pass, handle the basketball, rebound, play defense and score. The NBA is just trying to have a do it all player.

There's no doubt Hardaway can play point guard, he just needs to work on his three-point shot and lift some weights so he can adjust to the shooting guard and small forward positions. He also played against the NBA Dream Team this past summer and knows what to expect in the future.

In Memphis States' loss to Western Kentucky University, Hardaway just couldn't take

See Team on Page 8

### Sports Briefs

#### Golf

The NKU golf team finished third out of 10 teams at the Centre Golf Invitational held at Danville Country Country Club.

The Norse finished with a team score 314, four strokes behind champion Brescia. Sophomore Bryan Fallis led NKU with a four-over par 76. Junior Luke Jones and freshman Mark Welage shot 79.

#### Tennis

The men's tennis team defeated Southern Indiana 7-2 to earn a victory in its Great Lakes Valley Conference opener.

The team also played

Indianapolis, but that match was suspended after the completion of the singles matches due to bad weather.

NKU freshman Michael Hon won both his singles matches defeating Perry Mann of Indianapolis, 6-2, 6-3 and Skip Trapp of Southern Indiana, 6-0, 6-1. He is now 6-3 overall.

Senior Dave Stahl also won both his matches. He defeated Gregg Wilhelm of Southern Indiana, 7-5, 6-1 and Marc Hamm of Indianapolis, 6-4, 6-0.

The Norse are 3-5 overall and 1-0 in the GLVC. NKU will take the court for a home match against Brescia today at 4 p.m.

#### Softball

The NKU softball team returned from Florida with a 3-10 record. They fell to 3-11-1 when they traveled to Morehead State for a double header. They lost the opening game 4-3 and tied 3-3 in the second game.

The Norse lost its opening two games in Great Lakes Valley Conference play falling to Indianapolis, 9-1 and to Ashland, 10-0 in games that were played in Evansville, Indiana.

The Norse are now 3-13-1 overall and 0-2 in the GLVC. The Norse will be back in action at home tomorrow against Lincoln Memorial (Tenn.).

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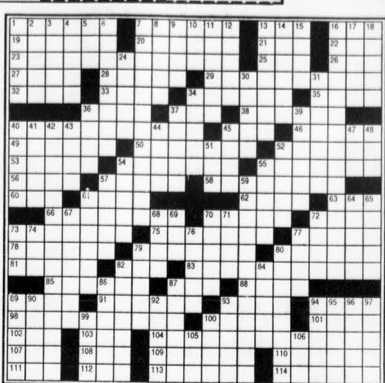
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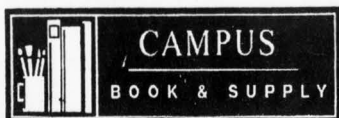
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over the game like most superstar players. If he decides to play one more year of college ball, I think it would benefit him.

He'll get more experience and be able to work on the weaker aspects of his game, but if he decides to leave, it will take a few years for him to become a star.

At the small forward position, I gave a slight edge to Indiana University's Calbert Cheaney. There are just a couple more things he can do better than the University of Kentucky's Jamal Mashburn.

I think Cheaney can handle, pass and shoot the rock a little better than Mashburn. It may be a little bit, but it's enough to make him a better pro player. He's also a graduating senior, which gives him the advantage in the experience department.

Being able to pass and shoot as well as he can will make him a pretty decent off-guard in the NBA. I just don't think Cheaney can rebound as well as Mashburn.

At the power forward position I would have to give Michigan's Chris Webber the draft. At a powerful 6'9", this man is going to be something special in the next level.

He's so strong that he creates baskets for himself. If he gets the ball in the paint, the result

is going to be a dunk. He can rebound, shoot the three-pointer pretty decently and he can pass the basketball effectively off the fastbreak.

I have a feeling Webber is going to turn pro after this year and I think it's a good choice for him. The only flaws I see with Webber are his free throw shooting and the fact that may convince his teammate Jaleen Rose to turn pro with him and let's face it, Rose isn't blooming yet.

At the center position I'll have to give North Carolina's Eric Montross the draft. At 7'0", he's a reliable offensive and defensive player.

He's a junior with a lot of talent. Montross probably won't be a big time scorer in the next level, but he's an underrated defensive player.

You give this guy some extensive weight training this summer and you've got someone who can rebound and block a lot of shots for you.

Some of you may not agree with my picks, so I also have come up with my honorable mention team. You probably have guessed by now that Kidd will be my point guard and if you saw his performance against Duke, you know this pick needs no explanation.

At off-guard I pick Cincinnati's Nick Van Exel. When he's hot, he can hit NBA

three-pointers all night long.

He's also a good ball-handler, as well as a passer and defensive player. Van Exel will learn in the pros that he doesn't have to shoot so much and this will make him a good point guard in the next level.

At the small forward position, Mashburn gets the draft. If you ask me, Cheaney and Mashburn are identical twins on the basketball court as far as skill level.

Mashburn is the better rebounder and will probably be selected higher than Cheaney in the draft. He'll be a small forward in the NBA, but he's got some things he needs to work on before he becomes a star.

Rodney Rodgers of Wake Forest will be my power forward. He's got good shooting range and he runs the floor well.

Along with being a dominant post player and extremely powerful, he has a great work ethic. Look for him to be a high pick in the draft next season, I think he's going to stay for his senior year.

For my center I will take Juwan Howard from Michigan. At 7'0", he's a good low post scorer, an underrated defensive player and an intelligent passer. For any other team he would probably be a star, but for the Michigan fan five, he's just another player.

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