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NKU student recovers 800 pound chair

By Rick Amburgey
News Editor

Jenny Miller, an art major at Northern Kentucky University, found a missing chair while attending a party.

Miller first heard about the chair during a presentation in Kevin Booher's art concepts class.

She said that she happened to see the chair at a party in Over-the-Rhine.

"I can't explain the feeling. It was a really weird feeling to find it," Miller said.

She said she felt like she needed to go there and believes that it was meant to be that she found it.

"I never would have gone to a party at 5 o'clock in the morning in Over-the-Rhine. I don't do that sort of thing usually. But I did that night," Miller said.

The 800-pound chair, which is the artwork of local artist Aileen May, had been missing since January. She said that she had been praying to St. Anthony that someone would find the chair, and believes that it was meant to be that Miller attended the party that night.

May said the chair was stolen from in front of her Covington studio last January, while eight inches of snow was on the ground.



Artist Aileen May awards a thank you gift to NKU student Jenny Miller for finding her missing artwork.



Photo Contributed

This 800 pound artwork was stolen from Aileen May's Covington studio last January and recovered by an NKU art major.

May said she didn't think there was any danger of anyone stealing it.

"I said it was so heavy no one would take it," May said.

May said that she thought the chair was in Over-the-Rhine, but she wasn't sure exactly where. She started putting up signs

in Over-the-Rhine.

"I never saw a sign in Over-the-Rhine but I found the chair," Miller said.

Miller said the chair caught her eye and she realized it was May's chair. Miller said she didn't want to draw attention to herself

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International events coming

By Jayme Wichoff
Staff Reporter

The International Student Affairs, with multiple other campus organizations, has sponsored a range of activities to promote international awareness and offer a means to learn about the many cultures represented at Northern Kentucky University.

Friday, ISA is holding International Day from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the University Center plaza. According to ISA it is a celebration of the international aspects on our campus and in our student body. Activities scheduled for this day include: dancing, music, a fashion show and games with prizes.

ISA President Jane Mundi said, "It's a chance for us [international students] to share the things that we

value." This is a day for everyone to tell their story, she said.

In addition to International Day NKU students can participate in "WorldJam 99." This fair, which is independent of NKU, is held in downtown Cincinnati. This is an opportunity to sample the world and stimulate your senses.

If you missed International Coffee Hour, you do have another chance to sip coffee with people from Kenya, Japan, Columbia and many others. This event is something that is sponsored throughout the year. Mark Bogie, from the office of ISA said, "I would love to see more American students take part in this event. People usually feel more free at the coffee hours. You definitely hear more voices."

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Philip Solomon/The Northerner

These students work at the Delta office in the University Center. Their supervisors taught a class on good customer service skills to the faculty and staff of NKU.

Delta educates faculty

By Tara Ewing
Staff Reporter

Delta Airlines gave two workshops that were open to all Northern Kentucky University employees to help improve customer service.

"It is not that we think we have had customer service skills, but just as a pencil needs sharpening every now and then we felt it necessary to sharpen our customer service skills," said Denny Allen, employment manager of personnel resources at NKU.

The workshop was the beginning of a series of seminars for all NKU employees.

The mission statement of the Office of Human Resources is to support NKU by providing programs and services to recruit, reward and retain excellence in staffing. They provide leadership in the development and administration of policies and procedures that meet the needs of prospective employees, current employees, and retirees of the university and adhere to government regulations and professional and ethical standards.

"The Human Resources Department is doing the college a good service. They are giving employees the opportunity to learn or relearn skills to make better service for the students," said Kenny Strainman, service representative of the Registrar.

The workshop with Delta has been a year long in progress, starting last year when Allen went to a seminar at the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport. He said he was very impressed by a similar workshop Delta was holding for their employees.

Although the workshop was geared towards the airline business, Allen thought that it could be effective for any company.

The NKU workshop was held on Sept. 21 and Sept. 22. It was not mandatory for employees, but rather they could attend on a volunteer basis. A total of 96 employees showed up overall. Some of the departments in attendance were: admissions, bursar, registrar, biology and nursing. The majority of staff was from the physical plant.

In June of 1999, Delta Airlines was the only major airline in the top three with fewest complaints, fewest lost baggage and best on-time performance. Presenting for Delta were Eileen Glasgow, Susan Voelker, Darin Simpson and Vernon

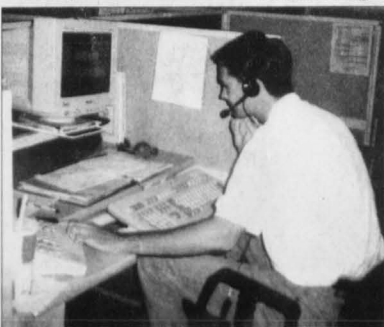
Goodwin, all supervisors from NKU. From the Delta downtown office were Mary Ann Haynes, manager of reservation sales, and Sandy Ross, district manager of reservation sales.

The workshop was started with Ross making the audience feel like they were on an airplane by appropriately marking the exit doors in case of an emergency.

"At the Delta workshop I attended they showed a very humorous video starring Lily Tomlin that I had requested be shown during our seminar," Allen said.

The video, called "The Seven Deadly Sins of Customer Service," pointed out that employees need to respect the customer time because

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Philip Solomon/The Northerner

This student practices the good customer service skills that he learned from Delta's upper staff.

Probation changes

By Laura Hill
Staff Reporter

Changes made to Northern Kentucky University's Academic Standing Policy are going to cause more students to be on probation and suspension, according to Dave Emery, director of the Academic Advising Resource Center.

"Students are going to be held to higher standards than they were before," said Emery.

The 1999-2000 NKU Catalog states that a student with 16 or more quality hours is on academic probation for the next semester if his or her cumulative GPA falls below 2.0.

Last year a student with 16 quality hours would have to get below a 1.75 to be on probation.

"That's kind of scary," said Sarah Fischer, a senior at NKU. "I know many students that would have barely made it with this new policy."

Another new part of the revised policy is the academic warning period, said Emery.

According to the catalog says students with 15 hours or less who earn a GPA of 1.66 to 1.99 will receive an

academic warning.

"Last year a GPA of 1.66 for a student taking 15 hours or less would put them in good standing," Emery said.

A student on probation will be suspended unless:

The student earns a 2.0 GPA or higher for the semester he or she was on probation or, the student meets or exceeds the cumulative GPA standards.

Students on probation may not take part in student activities and are limited to only taking 15 hours, Emery said.

Emery also said this might affect financial aid because some students may not be eligible anymore.

There will be a mailing about the new policy in the next month or so to all students said Emery. He also said students that were on probation last spring have already been made aware.

"It is important that students know about this change because someone could have left last spring with a 1.89 GPA and not been on probation when they left but they will be this year," Emery said.

Professor, local artist team up

By Scott Wartman
Staff Reporter

Local artist Aileen May, along with 15 Northern Kentucky University art students and children from the Lighthouse Youth Services, used mortar, clay, tiles and about 100 hours of work as the ingredients to create a 32-foot-tall mosaic that is to become a permanent fixture downtown.

The mosaic is to commemorate the 30th anniversary of Lighthouse Youth Services, a local charity organization devoted to endeavors such as foster care, group homes, family services and juvenile corrections.

"The children who have worked on the mosaic have really risen to the challenge. It has been wonderful for the kids who have signed the back of the tiles on the mosaic so that when they see it hanging on a wall in years to come, they can know that they were a part of it," May said.

The mosaic is a depiction of a lighthouse, the logo of Lighthouse Inc., that is divided up into five sections, each depicting the five main social services performed by the organization.

The sections were designed by the NKU art students who learned the skill of breaking up the tiles for the mosaic and fitting them back together from bricklayers and Aileen May herself, who also has works that hang in a local soup kitchen and in Carnegie Arts Center.

May said that one of the aspects of mosaic-making that attracted her the most and that was one of the most positive aspects of the Lighthouse mosaic was interaction with people in the process of making the mural.

"There were so many different skill levels involved. Six-year-olds to adults were able to take part in the project," May said.

Lisa Jameson, the NKU art instructor who is one of the main

artists in charge of the project, said that she wanted to get art students working on outside projects.

"My goal was for the art students to get involved in the community and work with the kids. I hope it is the first of many community projects at NKU," Jameson said.

Jameson also said that she thinks that the mural is a great way to tell people about the existence of Lighthouse Youth Centers and how they aid troubled families, give shelter to forlorn children and many other charitable services.

"Unfortunately, what the people won't see when the look at the mural is the collaboration of many people to construct it," Jameson said.

According to May and Jameson, the mosaic should be completed by the end of the month. May said that they are not sure exactly where downtown the mosaic will go, but a spot on Central Parkway has been talked about.

Future Norsewoman



Theatre professor Dennis Davenport's daughter, Lilly, takes a moment to color.

Philip Solomon/The Northern

'Classroom of the future' integrates computers and education

By Scott Wartman
Staff Reporter

This spring, room 204 in the Business, Education and Psychology Center will be transformed into the classroom of the future. The room will become what the School of Education has dubbed a "technology enriched environment" and will be used for education classes.

The idea behind the technology enriched environment is to train both students and faculty on computers and other hi-tech appliances, says Darrell Garber, the School of Education associate dean.

"It isn't a computer lab, but a classroom where we want to fuse technology with regular courses," he said.

What the room will consist of is

still up in the air, said education professor Valeria Amburgey. As of now, the plan is for the room to have 30 desks each equipped with a port to plug in a laptop computer. Instead of chalkboard or eraser board, the room will have a smart board, which is capable of printing out what is written on the board.

There will be state of the art projectors and video equipment, as well as easy access to the Internet for every student in the class and adaptive devices for those with disabilities. Amburgey said the Education Department also hopes to include a closed circuit TV system in the classroom allowing them to communicate with area schools and organizations.

"Technology will become a regular part of class where electronics is as common as a chalkboard," Amburgey said.

The U.S. Department of Education has been trying to get schools and universities up to date on technology and as a result, has funded half of the renovation for Northern Kentucky University with a \$152,000 grant. The Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board and a group called the International Society for Technology in Education has also played a role in prompting NKU to build the technology center by passing a Technology Standard which requires teachers to have proficiency in many forms of media.

The classroom is scheduled to be completed in time for summer courses. Amburgey said that the room will be in a constant state of improvement.

"I hope in five years, this technology will be in all education

classes," Amburgey said, "and that we will be the leaders in turning out new teachers who know how to use technology."

Darrell Garber says that he understands how many students and teachers can fall behind with their computer skills.

"There is so much information at the touch of your fingertips that it is easy for students to get overwhelmed," said Garber.

While there are many instructors who are very competent with computers, Amburgey says there are still many who are not and that there is no majority one way or the other.

"I've seen some teachers hands shake with fear at trying to operate a computer," said Amburgey.

Amburgey said the technology enriched environment will hopefully be able to reduce people's fears.

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Open house for Perkins Programs

By Kelly Sudzina
Executive Editor

There is a department on campus with a new identity.

The building that houses the Perkins Grant Programs at 506 Johns Hill Road used to be known as the ReEntry Center. But the name has changed to reflect the change in focus that offers assistance to anyone who is a Kentucky resident that qualifies as a Perkins eligible student.

"We're grant funded. Our grant qualifications changed. We no longer help only single parents, we now help males and females that qualify under Perkins regulations," said Candace Sellers, program director.

Perkins Grant Programs is a statewide grant funded educational outreach program within the Department of Technology at Northern Kentucky University that

provides preparatory and co-op services to those who qualify. This integrates academic as well as technical skills, giving students the opportunity to broaden their career experience, according to a press release.

It is funded with Carl Perkins monies through the state of Kentucky. The program focuses on encouraging nontraditional careers and helping Perkins students succeed in school.

Students can participate if they are any one of the following: a single parent, enrolled in an associate degree program, preparing for non-traditional employment, a displaced homemaker, economically disadvantaged, receiving Pell grant, disabled, enrolled in a remedial course or if English is their second language.

"It's for students or people in the community that qualify. We also do career workshops," Sellers said.

Some of the free services offered are: career information and help, a student lounge and programming dealing with special topics. They also maintain a resource center that provides informational videos and activities for both traditional and nontraditional careers.

They will have an open house on Oct. 13 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., including a grill-out, and they will give out door prizes, food and information. "It's really open to the whole campus community and the whole community," Sellers said.

"We want to make ourselves more visible to students so they know our services are here," Sellers said. "We'll let them walk through and meet us and see what we're all about."

Regular business hours are 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For additional information, please call: 442-3529 or visit their website at www.nku.edu/~perkins.

Perkins Grant Programs Special Topics Calendar

Oct. 4 & 5	5-7 p.m. Basic Computer Training
Oct. 11 & 12	5-7 p.m. Basic Computer Training
Nov. 1 & 2	5-7 p.m. Self-esteem
Nov. 8 & 9	5-7 p.m. Self-esteem
Jan. 10 & 11	5-7 p.m. Study Skills
Feb. 7 & 8	5-7 p.m. Conflict Resolution
Mar. 6 & 7	5-7 p.m. Career Exploration & Testing
Apr. 3 & 4	5-7 p.m. Tech Careers

Hands-on activities along with the integration of academic and technical skills are a part of each presentation.

ISA EVENT

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Even if you are only there for the free snacks and coffee you are sure to get sucked in," he said.

According to freshman Suharu Ogawa this laid back attitude is not something that is only at coffee hours. She said that the laid back feel around school was the first thing that surprised her about NKU when she came from Japan. Ogawa said, "I'd never seen people laying on grass before. It's just not something that people do there."

To Ogawa International Day is a growth experience. "It's a time to learn something you've never known; to hear something you've never heard," she said.

The ISA office said International Day benefits both American and international students because it offers an opportunity to see the similarities we have.

Fernin Pena, a senior from the Dominican Republic, agreed. "It's most important to show off differences but then to see the similarities," she said.

DELTA: Improving customer service for NKU

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their time makes you money. Also job knowledge was a key factor because if you don't know what you are selling, then you don't have anything at all.

Haynes said, "A first impression only takes seven seconds. We can control what customers think of us by maintaining eye contact and professionalism."

During the workshop the employees were informed of six principles for dealing with upset customers and effective habits of customer service. The audience role-played scenarios of how not to provide service and then they were asked how the problem could have been eliminated.

Glasgow said, "Some statistics to remember are that 68 percent of people leave because they are unhappy with service. Once a customer has a complaint with a company they usually tell eight to 10 people their story. This problem can be eliminated with an on the spot resolution which brings about 95 percent of the customers back."

Stratman said, "I think Delta provided the employees with a lot of good information. The only thing I wish they would have done differently is given us a booklet to refer to. There was a lot of information given and it is great to have reinforcement to relearn skills."

Delta made sure that there was audience participation by giving out Delta bags full of water bottles, pencils, stress balls and bumper stickers to those who volunteered.

"The reason why Delta is here is to emphasize the importance of customer service, to teach you how to respond and anticipate customer needs, the importance of problem resolution, taking ownership of customer problems, how to communicate negative information, least effective habits of customer service," Ross said to the audience.

Beth Norton, supervisor reserve at Delta Airlines, was dressed as the devil and if there were no volunteers she would touch someone with her pitchfork to ensure participation.

At the end of the workshop once everyone had better knowledge of how important customer service is to the university, Norton was appropriately dressed as an angel in a white graduation dress.

"The workshop was very interesting. It is a good idea because a lot of employees may not have worked in customer service before," said Carol Tully, clerk in the Admissions Department.

The workshop ended reminding everyone that they make the difference at NKU. If NKU gives good customer service then it gives the university a good reputation and increases customer loyalty.

The next training session is scheduled for Oct. 12 and Oct. 26 and is called "Recruiting, Interviewing and Selecting Employees." This workshop is being led by the Career Development Center and the Human Resources Department. All information about future workshops can be found at <http://access.nku.edu/hr>.

D.P.S. REPORTS

three occupants inside the car denied that they had been drinking, but gave different answers when asked where they had been. The driver admitted he had been drinking and agreed to take a breath test. The driver failed the breath test and was arrested for D.U.I..

A D.P.S. officer noticed smoke coming from a parked car in the 20-minute parking area at Woodcrest apartments. The Cold Springs Fire Department was dispatched to put out the fire.

D.P.S. responded to the scene of a hit-and-run accident that damaged a light fixture in the Albright Service Drive. Tire tracks from an

unknown vehicle were found in front of the fixture.

A faculty member called D.P.S. to BEP when a magazine labeled with a student's name and address was discovered in an office that is off-limits to students. A report was filed in the event items begin missing from the office.

D.P.S. was dispatched to Norse Hall where a student was experiencing seizures. The officer provided the student with cold packs and a blanket and called Cold Springs rescue personnel to the scene. The student was transported to the hospital.

D.P.S. responded to the intersection of University Drive and Kenton Drive, where a road sign had been run over and damaged. There is no suspect or witness at this time.

CHAIR: Recovered by student

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looking at the chair, but she knew she had found it.

"I left and I got on the Internet just to confirm it," Miller said.

She called May and left a message and also sent her an e-mail.

"I got the message on the answering machine [first]. When she called I knew," May said.

May said she was very pleased to see that Miller understood how disturbing it is for an artist to lose a piece of artwork.

"If that was my artwork, and it had been missing for that long, I'd want to find it," Miller said.

Miller admires May's work for more than one reason.

"I like her work a lot. The whole kids program really caught my eye. I was definitely very intrigued by her. She loves what she does," Miller said.

She wasn't sure if her friends would be mad at her for reporting

finding the chair.

"If my friends got mad at me, they weren't really...my friends," Miller said.

As it turned out, the owners of the apartment in the Guild House were not responsible for taking the chair.

According to Chris Frutkin, owner of the Guild House, the chair was left when some tenants were evicted.

"We had some wild tenants in the space," Frutkin said. "We evicted them. They abandoned a huge pile of stuff." He said the chair was so heavy it is not surprising that they left it behind.

Miller said she had forgotten that there was a \$500 reward for finding the chair. She was happy to see the chair returned to its owner.

"I'm glad I was able to find it for her," Miller said.

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Continued education classes offered

By Sara Hoffman
Staff Reporter

From professional development courses to the basics of aroma therapy, the Northern Kentucky University Community Education Program offers varied learning opportunities at reasonable prices.

"In a short period of time students can upgrade their skills and become more specialized," said Linda Nesbitt, the director of NKU Community Education.

Courses start in October and registration lasts until the first day of the course.

Fees range from \$15 to \$150 depending on the course and instructor.

Courses are non-credit and top-

ics are varied during the semester. Carol Skawinski, project manager for Community Education said, "We are probably the major continuing education provider in Northern Kentucky."

Nesbitt said most students take classes for the joy of learning, while there are some who want to become more marketable for employers.

The ages of students range from 20 to 80 years old, and most students are from the Northern Kentucky and the Greater Cincinnati area.

Topics offered this semester are e-commerce, Internet, programming, database, spreadsheets and stress management.

In addition to professional

classes, personal enrichment classes are offered.

Aroma therapy, writing, painting and film making are included in the agenda this fall.

Students can also sign up for preparatory testing courses on the GRE and the GMAT. Formats vary for selected courses.

Nesbitt said, "Learning makes life more interesting, enriching, for the individual. Lifelong learning programs contribute to a community's quality of life by helping develop a more enlightened and more highly-skilled citizenry."

The program offers technical, online courses as well as seminars on foreign language, certificate courses and grant writing.

NKU Community Education Weekly Calendar of Classes*

Highlights: Week of September 19-25, 1999

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Contact: Carol Skawinski, 606-993-3421; email: skawinski@nku.edu

The following non-credit continuing education courses are scheduled to begin during the week of 9/19-25 with additional for week of 9/12.

* Computer Training and Professional Development Classes**

Please list under "Programs," or other appropriate category

Date/Time	Course	Fee
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Sat. 9/18, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (8/925)	Spanish Lang Essentials & Hispanic Culture & Customs	\$45
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* Personal Enrichment Classes

Please list under "Programs," or other appropriate category

Date/Time	Course	Fee
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Tu, 9/14, 7-9 p.m. (thru 10/5)	PSAT/PLAN Prep Class	\$119
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Tu, 9/14, 7-9 p.m. (thru 10/19)	ACT Test Preparation	\$159
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Tu, 9/14, 7-9 p.m. (thru 10/5)	SAT Test Preparation	\$99
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Sat. 9/18, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Sat thru 11/8)	GRE/GMAT Preparation	\$259
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Wed. 9/22, 7-9 p.m. Seminar	KY Artists: Steve White, Mayeville	\$15
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Wed. 9/23, 7-9 p.m.	Workshop/testing	\$35
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	Great Chefs - Ron Wise, Iron Horse Inn, Cincinnati	\$15
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*For course details, registration information, or a catalog, contact: NKU Community Education Registration, 606-993-3400, or visit our web site at www.nku.edu/~commed/. **Business discounts available for multiple registrations, NKU Chamber members

Ostrich of imagination



Kelly Sudzina/The Northern A student on an NKU photography class field trip takes pictures of ostriches at a farm called "The African Cow."

Foreign conversation heard at NKU

By Tandi DePaz
Staff Reporter

Many would say traveling to a country where a different language is spoken is a great way to become fluent in that language. But what if you do not have the time or the resources to take an international trip. The foreign language conversation hours offered on Northern Kentucky University's campus might be the next best thing.

The NKU literature and language department currently offers conversation hours in three languages: Spanish, French and German.

The Spanish conversation hour, or "La hora de conversacion" takes place every Wednesday at 2 p.m. The French hour is scheduled for Mondays at 2 p.m., and the German hour is Thursdays at 3 p.m. The only exceptions are during university closings such as Thanksgiving break and finals week, when the conversation hours are canceled. All sessions take place in Landrum Academic Center, room 535.

The topics of discussion are not thought of in advance or limited to any one theme. It is up to the participants to decide what they would like to talk about. In the

Spanish sessions, topics range from where the best Mexican restaurants are in Cincinnati, someone's recent trip to a Hispanic country to Spanish music and the upcoming Ricky Martin concert.

Dr. Hilary Landwehr, professor of Spanish and Italian at NKU, said it is a free conversation.

She recommends attending the conversation hour to her students because it is sometimes geared more towards real life issues. Landwehr said, "Classes tend to have more structure and more of a plan."

She said the conversation hour allows for a relaxed speaking atmosphere.

Dr. Irene Encarnacion, a professor of Spanish at NKU, agrees. She said the conversation hour is a great way for people to improve or maintain their speaking abilities.

"I would recommend attending the conversation hour to give the student a chance to listen and practice his or her skills," said Encarnacion.

The students who have attended a conversation hour have found it to be a positive experience.

Elizabeth Brittnier, a senior at NKU, attended the French conversation hour.

"You can practice the language in a

somewhat more natural setting," Brittnier said. Brittnier is currently majoring in French and minoring in Spanish.

Chris Welch is also currently studying Spanish at NKU. He attended the Spanish conversation hour and found it to be worthwhile. "I think that it gives you good practice," said Welch.

The usual turnout for the Spanish hour varies, according to Encarnacion.

"Sometimes we have three or four students and a few faculty members, but other times we've had up to 10 students come," said Encarnacion. "It keeps changing."

"We normally see more beginning and upper level students and less intermediate students," said Landwehr.

Both Landwehr and Encarnacion said part-time professor Alvaro Gonzalez is there every week.

"He arranges his schedule to make sure he can attend the conversation hour," said Landwehr.

"Alvaro is there no matter what," said Encarnacion.

The conversation hours are not limited to students, faculty and staff members. Anyone who would like to practice his or her speaking abilities is invited.

'Plunkett and MacLeane' worth a second look

Jimmy Ferguson
Staff Reporter

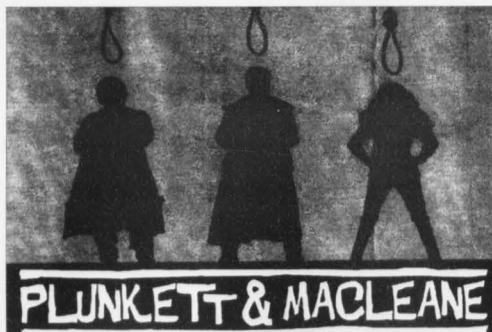
The 18th century meets the 21st century in the film *Plunkett & MacLeane*, featuring Liv Tyler (*Armageddon*). It is a fun, exciting adventure flick with a little comedy.

The movie takes place in London, 1748, where immoral, cruel and vulgar punishments are the norm.

This movie is a rousing adventure about England's most wanted highwaymen who terrorize London's aristocracy and see themselves become legends in their own lifetimes.

Robert Carlyle ("The Full Monty," "Ravenous") plays Plunkett, a jewel thief who runs into MacLeane in the middle of a heist.

Heartthrob Jonny Lee Miller



"Hackers," "Mansfield Park") plays MacLeane, a wanna-be gentleman who spends a lot of time drinking.

These two characters team up to steal from the rich in hopes of fulfilling their individual dreams. Plunkett wants to go to America to

while "upholding the law."

Their first real job together brings them into contact with Lady Rebecca (Liv Tyler), who

MacLeane immediately falls in love with.

Initially Plunkett and MacLeane's partnership is shaky. But because they are both accused of murder, they become life-long friends.

The soundtrack to the movie, which includes some techno/dance music, gives it a 90's touch similar to that of the "Romeo and Juliet" movie soundtrack. The contemporary music paired with the 18th century attire and accents put an interesting twist in the mind when watching the film.

The film is directed by Jake Scott and is his first time directing.

He got rave reviews from people at the theater with comments like, "excellent" and "different and refreshing."

The movie was nothing like I expected it to be and it exceeded all my expectations.

It was one of the more movies I would see more than once.

Campus Calendar

Wednesday, Oct. 6:

- NKU Jazz ensemble: James Brumby conductor
- 8 p.m. Graves Concert Hall
- Career Development: Employment recruiting 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. UC first floor

Thursday, Oct. 7:

- Multicultural Events: Film "My America... Or Honk if You Love Buddha" 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. UC 303
- Film: "Who Killed Vincent Chen" 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. UC 303

Friday, Oct. 8:

- Student anthropology Association: Flint knapping demonstration 2 p.m. LA 204
- Historical talks and music: Cincinnati main library 12 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 11:

- Survivor's Support Group: 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. UC 232

Tuesday, Oct. 12:

- Film: "Who Killed Vincent Chen" 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Norse Commons 117
- Career Development: Employment recruiting 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. UC first floor

Wednesday, Oct. 13:

- Wednesday Lunch Seminar: "NKU's First Alternative Spring Break meeting: Mexico, 1999"

Thursday, Oct. 14:

- Staff Appreciation Day continental breakfast 8:30 a.m. UC television lounge
- The Art of Decay: The Poetry of Poe begins at Barnes and Noble bookstore
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'Mystery, Alaska' team wins three out of four

By Jen Haines
Staff Reporter

"Mystery, Alaska" is a feel-good movie. The emotion was pure and heart-felt. Mystery is a little town in the middle of nowhere Alaska, isolated by glaciers and mountains. The

film focuses on the townspeople and the many issues surrounding them. Although this town has its share of scandal, betrayal and heartache there is one binding force that unites the entire town - the Saturday hockey game. The game is more than a tradition, it is a religion. It is the

only thing that holds this town together. Former Mystery resident (Azaria) writes an article about the Mystery hockey team for "Sports Illustrated" this prompts the National Hockey League to send the New York Rangers to challenge the Mystery team in a nationally broadcast game. When the event turns into one big publicity stunt, the townspeople lose track of what is really important to them.

The cinematography was excellent. The acting was even better. The film stars Russell Crowe, Hank Azaria, Mary McCormack, Lolita Davidovich, Ron Eldard, Colin Meany, Maury Chaykin and Burt Reynolds to name a few.

Memorable and entertaining cameos were made by Mike Myers, Little Richard and hockey great Phil Esposito.

The movie was directed by Jay Roach ("Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery" "The Spy Who Shagged Me") and written and produced by David E. Kelly ("The Practice", "Ally McBeal" and "Picket Fences"). Although the "fake" Rangers made a believable



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The Mystery team suits up in preparation for the big hockey game with the New York Rangers.

attempt at hockey, it would have been cool to see Brian Leetch or Theoren Fleury taking on this amateur hockey team.

All around "Mystery, Alaska" was

just a great movie. It evokes emotion.

By the end of the movie the crowd was even cheering on the Mystery team.

I give "Mystery, Alaska" three out of four stars.



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The Mystery, Alaska hockey team fights the New York Rangers for position on the net.

'Drive Me Crazy' a juvenile success

By Tandi DePaz
Staff Reporter

Teeny-bopper movie heaven is a perfect way to describe the new romantic comedy "Drive Me Crazy."

The movie stars Melissa Joan Hart, of "Sabrina, the Teenage Witch", and newcomer Adrian Grenier, as next-door neighbors with nothing in common. At least that's what they think in the beginning.

The movie contains songs by Briny Spears such as "Crazy", and the Backstreet Boys, including "I Want It That Way." What more could a "drowsy" prepubescent junior-high girl ask for?

Directed by John Schultz, "Drive Me Crazy" tends to stick to the traditional bubble gum formula of many high school movies.

It contains a fun, yet predictable storyline with characters that are sure to evoke images of past high school classmates.

Hart's character, Nicole Maris, is about as school-spirited as one can be.

She's involved in everything, including the committee in charge of planning the Centennial Dance. That becomes the central event of the story.

Grenier's character, Chase Hammond, on the other hand, couldn't be more different.

His idea of a good time is hanging out in coffeehouses and listening to alternative music.

It is not long before their worlds collide.

Even though Nicole and Chase had been neighbors since they were small, their differences kept them from being friends.

Necessity brings them together in a scheme to win back the affection of their respective exs.

However, things do not turn out



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Melissa Joan Hart and Adrian Grenier combine efforts to get their significant others back but find themselves inseparable instead.

exactly as planned.

The tension of the movie mounts until the end where the movie climaxes during the big Centennial Dance.

Laren Farris, a freshman at the University of Cincinnati, found the movie to be enjoyable despite its juvenile aspects.

Farris said, "I really liked the movie. I have to admit that I wasn't expecting it to be that great, but it proved to be fun."

Basically, "Drive Me Crazy" is a light-hearted comedy meant simply to entertain and amuse the audience. With that in mind, the movie is a success.

Even though it is undoubtedly geared toward a younger crowd, it has some comedic moments even college students can enjoy.

While it may not be worthy of an Oscar nomination, it's definitely a movie to see.

However, it might be better to wait for it to come out on video.

Cyber cheating

By Jayme Wichoff
Staff Reporter

Most of us are cheaters in rehab. Almost everyone has let their eyes wonder or given in to the ease of a small, note-filled, cheat-sheet.

Whether your last slip was three years ago on a grammar test that came too early in the morning or three days ago on a trig test, cheating has become more advanced, more high-tech and in some aspects, more conceivable.

High-tech cheating, in the form of paper banks and pre-written essay sites, is likely to become the most misused resource and least traceable cheating instrument.

Any student, with web capabilities, can log-on, for a small fee, to sites that offer pre-written papers, plot summaries and research material.

Paperbanks have been around since seniors sold their old test to juniors and frat brothers reused book reports and research papers.

The new sites, claim to offer professionally written papers, but say that grammar, information and sources are not held as infallible.

Genius Papers offers an entire database of pre-written term-essay papers for a one year fee of \$9.95. The site offers a suggestion that, as college students, your just too busy to do homework.

Another site called Jungle Book claims to be a research page but with a few days notice and \$19.95, they will write a paper for you. The site managers say that the paper is only to be used as an outline while you write your own.

Why have these high-tech paperbanks come in to play so rapidly?

Senior, middle-school education major, Jeff Bond said "Cheating is a problem that is present at any educational institution. With the acces-

sibility of the Internet more and more students are getting pre-written papers and reports."

If the misuse of paperbanks continue professors will have to devise a way to keep students from using them in their classes.

John Alberti, Associate professor in literature and language, has a solution that he uses in his courses. "I try to guard against it through the design of assignments that make plagiarism difficult."

Narrowing the topic for a more specific paper along with requiring students to turn in pieces of research is the battle plan that some professors use.

JoEllen Burkholder, assistant professor in anthropology, promotes a dual positive method that would eliminate the need to cheat while providing additional study sources for students. "No one I knew in college ever stole an exam because most professor put old exams on reserve for student practice," said Burkholder.

She said this method would extinguish the need to try to sneak peeks at the tests and would also serve as an additional resource for studying.

Burkholder said "There will always be the clandestine glance at another student's paper during an exam."

Another site, Schoolbytes, at first appears to be a paperbank database site but is actually a legitimate study resource.

Schoolbytes offers brief Cliff-Notes and outlines of example papers. All the material on this site would require ample work to convert into a usable paper.

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NKU Theatre kicks off millennium season

By Jeffrey B. Williams
Features Editor

The Northern Kentucky University Theatre department opened Thursday Sept. 30, its 1999-2000 year season with "Noises Off" in the Corbett Theatre on campus.

The department's season continues well into the new century featuring five other plays never performed on stage.

"Noises Off" hilariously began when two announcers contradicted one another over the intercom system as to when the play would actu-

ally begin.

"Attention, the play will begin in 10 minutes," said the first announcer.

Less than a minute later, the second announcer said the audience should please take their seats because the play would begin momentarily.

The exchange effectively set the comedic mood for the audience and when the lights went down the laughter prevailed from the spectators.

"Noises Off" is staged in the English country home of the Brent family on a Wednesday afternoon. This house is occupied only by a lowly

housekeeper. Two couples show up at the cottage for separate afternoon rendezvous, not expecting anyone would be at the cottage.

The action and the confusion caused by people missing each other, coming and going on and off the stage through the myriad of doors, and even through one of the windows, keeps this play interesting and moving.

The action is wonderfully interrupted by the director who ignores the audience and tries in vain to get the actors whipped into shape for a fictitious opening night 24 hours into the future.

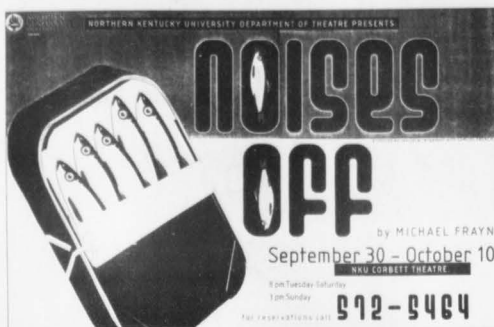
"Noises Off," written by Michael Frayn and directed by Ken Jones, continues until Sunday, Oct. 10, at 3:00 p.m.

"Rashomon," a play written by Fay and Michael Kanin and directed by Samuel Zachary, plays Thursday Oct. 21, through Sunday Oct. 31, as the second play the NKU Theatre department has opted to produce this season.

The rest of the season entails, "The Mystery of Edwin Drood"



which plays from Thursday Dec. 2, through Sunday Dec. 12; "An Enemy of the People" which plays from Thursday Feb. 17, through Sunday Feb. 27; "Falesettos" which plays from Thursday March 30, through Sunday April 9; and "The Royal Family" which plays from Thursday April 20, through Sunday April 30.



'Double Jeopardy' a good old story

By Jeffrey B. Williams
Features Editor

Libby Parsons woke on her new yacht covered in blood. Nick, her husband, was missing and she was holding a knife when the Coast Guard spotted her through the fog standing on the blood-soaked deck. Libby was convicted of murder, spent six years in prison before getting paroled, then went to find her son and her husband who found out she was not dead after all.

That is the plot of "Double Jeopardy," the movie which premiered Wednesday at the Showcase Cinema in Norwood. There is nothing new about this plot. I can name three movies made in the last 10 years with similar story-lines, but that doesn't matter. Watching this movie, I

never once thought about those other movies or the familiarity of the plot.

Ashley Judd is the star of "Double Jeopardy," the newest rendition of this familiar story written by David Weisberg and Douglas S. Cook. Judd



was convincingly directed by Bruce Beresford in this film as the rich wife and mother at the beginning of the film; the innocent, jailhouse spinster in the middle of the film; and the woman scorned, plotting her revenge toward the end of the film.

Judd changed roles like a chameleon, fitting herself remarkably into the different colors of her character's persona. The very fact the audience and I could enjoy a film with such a familiar story-line is a testimony to Judd's performance in this movie.

The audience laughed and oohed on cue and we jumped a little when we were supposed to. This movie was fun and I recommend seeing it.

Three stars for this Leonard Goldberg production.

Steinem helps celebrate NOW

By Tandi DePaz
Staff Reporter

Feminist author and activist Gloria Steinem will be the featured speaker at the 13th anniversary celebration of Cincinnati's local chapter of the National Organization for Women on Oct. 14. The speech begins at 7 p.m. at the Plum Street Temple in Cincinnati. It will be immediately followed by a limited-attendance reception.

Steinem was a co-founder of "Ms." magazine in 1972 and served as one of its editors for 15 years. In 1968 she also helped found "New York" magazine and served as a political consultant. Steinem has written several books including "Revolution from Within: A Book of Self-Esteem and Moving Beyond Words."

Northern Kentucky University communi-

cations professor Yasue Kawahara recommends attending the speech for college age men and women. Kawahara said, "It is always good to hear someone who is nationally and internationally known."

According to the local chapter's newsletter, "Cincinnati NOW is honored and excited to have such an esteemed guest to help us celebrate 30 years of serving women in the Cincinnati area. We look forward to an enlightening evening and hope that all NOW members will be able to take part in the celebration."

The speech is open to the public. The price of admission is \$15 or \$25 at the door.

The tickets for the reception immediately following the speech are priced at \$75 and limited to the first 300 people who buy speech tickets. The price also includes a one-year subscription to "Ms." magazine.

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Sports complex offers more than playing fields

By Jason Crisler
Staff Reporter

The new Town and Country Sports Complex in Wilder, Ky. offers more than is evident from the view seen from I-275.

At first glance the complex might look like just an outdoor soccer field, however the Town and Country Sports Complex offers so much more.

The complex is the home of Northern Kentucky University's men's and women's soccer teams and there will be leagues offered to the public. For a fee, people can form leagues in soccer, basketball, indoor volleyball and sand volleyball. Ryan Schaeffer, director of indoor/outdoor soccer said that the leagues will have an "intramural atmosphere."

The complex boasts five outdoor soccer fields, one of which is truly unique. The four outer fields are grass, but the main field is made of a substance called AstroPlay, according to John Toebben, owner of the complex and coach of the NKU men's soccer team. AstroPlay is similar to Astroturf only safer, he said.

AstroPlay is a synthetic grass that does not cause rug burns as easily as

Astroturf and has approximately two inches of sand underneath the synthetic grass. The sand allows the turf to give and shift as players stop and go to help avoid injuries, Toebben said.

There is a sand volleyball court located outside and there is a driving range being built outside as well, Toebben said.

Inside the complex there is a 107x129 foot, all purpose court made of a plastic-like material. This court doubles as the volleyball and basketball courts. It can be converted from three regulation size volleyball courts to two regulation size basketball courts, Toebben said.

There is an indoor soccer field made with AstroPlay as well, Toebben said.

Located next to the basketball/volleyball courts is a sports bar that is still under construction called Off Sides Bar and Grill.

Jenny Wichmann, General Manager of the complex said the sports bar will have big screen televisions, a full bar and offer food as well. The complex is scheduled to be totally completed by the end of October. The indoor courts and soccer field are scheduled to open Oct. 5.

Toebben said that the total cost of the facility is close to \$5 million dollars.

J.T. Roberts who is the director of indoor sports said that their facilities are very good.

"Excellent...top-notch," he said. Wichmann and Toebben both mentioned plans for the future. Toebben said there are plans in the works for a second sit-down restaurant to be built overlooking the indoor soccer field and basketball/volleyball courts.

He also said they are planning to build a total fitness room with cardiovascular and weight lifting machines.

Wichmann said there is a possibility of flag football leagues. She said that there will be a rehab center with certified physical therapists. The rehab center will not be open to the public but will be used by people and athletes referred there by their doctors to rehab injuries.

Toebben said that he hopes everyone will enjoy the Town and Country Sports Complex. "The complex is for the whole community," he said.

For more information call Town and Country Sports Complex at 442-5800. There are job openings available for many positions as well.



The main soccer field at the Town and Country sports complex offers a different playing surface than other fields. AstroPlay helps players prevent serious injuries.

Jason Crisler/The Northern

Varsity squad hopes to make impression

By Susan Schumacher
Staff Reporter

The ultimate goal for the Northern Kentucky University varsity cheerleading squad is to wipe out the fourth place they received last year in the National Cheerleading Association Competition, and place first according to Mickey Hill, head coach for the NKU varsity cheerleaders.

Hill said, the first step to winning nationals is to get first in a paid bid. A paid bid is when all of the squads entering in the competition send in a videotape of their cheer, dance and stunt routine. After viewing the tapes, the judges will choose three squads that will automatically advance to the finals at the national competition. "Our first goal is to get first in the paid bid and then to finish first at the national competition," Hill said.

Hill said the team, 10 men and 10 women, practices four days a week for approximately two and a half to three hours.

Jamie Stringer, a junior finance major, has been on the team for three years and received a partial scholarship for cheerleading. Stringer said she enjoys cheerleading so much that after she graduates she hopes to work with the National Cheerleading Association. "Cheerleading takes up a lot of time and is a huge commitment," Stringer said.

Mike Goodenough, a senior elementary education major, said the best part about cheerleading is putting people in awe that do not know what it's like to cheer. Goodenough said, "There is no set plateau, it gets harder and harder and it's different every year." Goodenough also said the thing he likes the most about cheerleading is the "lack of appreciation by other athletes." Goodenough has been cheering at NKU for four years. His first year of college he cheered at the University of Kentucky. Goodenough said the main thing he hopes to get out of cheerleading is to place first in the national competition.

Travis Arnold, an undeclared

freshman and one of three freshmen on the squad, said he became a cheerleader because he was watching them practice one day and was asked to do it. Arnold said, "It is something to do, a reason to stay in school and very time consuming." Arnold only had one thing to say about the national competition, "I can't wait to go, it will be awesome."

According to Hill, he knows the team has the capacity to place first in the national competition, but they have a long road of hard work ahead of them. "The teams weakest point right now is their tumbling because only three of 10 guys can tumble, but they are working very hard to learn." Hill said, "The strongest aspect about the squad is I feel like I ask a lot of them and they step up to the plate without complaining, they are fearful and have a great deal of respect."

Hill has been with the team since August and has learned a valuable lesson from working with them. "I had to do learning on what motivates a squad as a whole and each individual member," Hill said.



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RAH RAH RAH: NKU's varsity cheerleading squad hopes to erase the past by finishing better than last year at the national cheerleading competition.



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Young Norse team growing through experience



Jeff McCurry/The Northerner

YOUNG AND RESTLESS: A young Norse team searches for a way to bring wins together.

By Bruce Reller
Assistant Sports Editor

To be a winning team, all of the mechanics of a team must be in working order. In the latest two losses by the Northern Kentucky University men's soccer team, not everything has been put in place for the Norse.

NKU lost to Wisconsin-Parkside 4-1 Saturday and Lewis 1-0 Sunday at the Town and Country Sports. NKU is now 5-4-1 on the season and 2-3-1 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

NKU has lost three games in a row and has only one win in its last five games. One of the reasons for the team's downfall, according to coach John Toebben is that they are not giving 100% out on the field.

"We need to wake up. We need to play 90 minutes," said Toebben. "We need to play our hearts out. We have seven to eight guys play their

heart out, the others don't."

There is plenty of young talent on the soccer team, but problems still exist by some of the young players. "We have too many mental mistakes, because we are a young team," said Toebben.

There is plenty of hope for the Norse this season. The team still thinks they can turn this season around in its attempt to get back on the winning track. For instance, NKU had its opportunities in the game against Lewis University. The Norse had 15 shots on goal in the game but were not able to take advantage of its opportunities.

"Yes, we can turn it around," said sophomore Kevin Crone. "If we play like we did today (Sunday), we can beat anybody in the conference."

For the Norse to start winning again, the team has to want to win, according to coach Toebben. They have to play like they want to win

and realize they have the ability to win ball games.

"We can turn this thing around if we want," said Toebben. "We have to want it more."

Another aspect that the team needs to work on is the lack of communication among the players on the field, according to Crone.

"We need to improve with the communication among the players," he said. "With the ball, there is a lot of things we need to work on."

The NKU men's soccer team has really improved from last season's 6-10 record. The Norse are on a losing streak but have the ability and the talent to turn the season all around. The team won four of its first six games to start the season, so it knows it can win games.

The men's soccer team has to continue to work together as a team and be able to want to win. If all that takes place, NKU can get back on the winning track in no time.



Jeff McCurry/The Northerner
Freshman Tara Bach helps the Norse chase down victories.

Norse Notes

Women's Volleyball:

The NKU women's volleyball team topped it's record to 17-1, 7-0 in the GLVC with weekend wins over the University of Indianapolis and SIU-Edwardsville. Despite the two victories the Norse moved down a notch in the National Poll, from five to six. In other news, senior defender Liz Lamping injured her knee in Friday's win over Indianapolis. Her status is day to day.

Upcoming Games:

Fri. Oct. 8 vs Kentucky Wesleyan
Sat. Oct. 9 vs Southern Indiana
Fri. Oct. 15 vs Northern Michigan

Men and Women's Golf:

The NKU men's golf team suffered it's worst finish in the season in South Haven, Michigan Sept. 26 and 27. This tournament was one of four the NCAA uses to select it's field for the national tournament. The Norse are hoping for a better showing at the upcoming GLVC conference tournament, where the winner receives an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

The NKU women's golf team completed their inaugural year by finishing ninth at the GLVC conference tournament in Plainfield, Indiana Sept. 26 and 27. The Norse were led by sophomore Diana Camacho, who tied for seventh place.

Men and Women's Cross Country:

NKU's men and women cross country teams traveled to Orlando, Fla. on Oct. 2 to run in the Walt Disney World Cross Country Classic.

The men finished ninth out of 22 teams, with a total time of 2:29:38.02 and an average of 29:55.60. The women finished 12th with a total time of 1:49:51 and an average of 21:58.30. Sophomore Heather Hoffman finished 205 with a time of 33:25.16 in the 5,000 meter run.

Women's Tennis:

The Norse begin play Oct. 8-9 in the GLVC conference tournament at Indianapolis.

Wins keep coming for Norse

By Bruce Reller
Assistant Sports Editor

The Northern Kentucky University women's soccer team swept a pair of weekend games against Wisconsin-Parkside 5-0 on Saturday and Lewis 4-0 on Sunday at the Town and Country Sports Complex. NKU now has a record of 12-0 on the season and 6-0 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

With a tough road schedule looming ahead for NKU, the two wins will help the team's morale for next week's games against Southern Indiana and Southern Illinois-Edwardsville. They were the two GLVC teams that made it to the NCAA Division II tournament last season and are tough rivals for the Norse.

"These (wins) were very important," said NKU sophomore Jeanna Martin. "It puts us off to a good start for next weekend. We want to be really competitive next week. It is a big rivalry for us."

"It's a big weekend next week; it's a critical weekend for us," said coach Bob Sheehan. "We lost 1-0 to both teams last season."

Despite losing to Southern Indiana and Southern Illinois-Edwardsville last season, NKU's record reflects defeating both teams while winning the GLVC tournament last year.

If the Norse continue their offensive explosion it has put on during the first half of the season, the team will have no problem putting points on the scoreboard. NKU has scored three or more goals in ten of the first 12 games it has played.

One of the key reasons for the offensive success of the Norse this season is because of sophomore midfielder Tricia Ruark. "She is a key player for the team," said Martin. "She is making up for last year."

After going all of last season without scoring any goals, Ruark has improved by scoring over ten goals already this year. Four goals came in the weekend wins over Wisconsin-Parkside and Lewis.

"She didn't score a goal last year," said Sheehan. "She has been really productive offensively for us this year. She has been scoring out of the midfield."

The Norse believe they should

continue to put up this kind of offensive output. They want to continue to work together as a team on the field. "We want to win but we need to work really hard and not let up and be complacent."

"We need to get the ball across," said NKU freshman Molly Egan. "We need to be organized in the box; we have great forwards who can do that. We have to step up and feed the forwards to help out the offense."

The play of the forwards on the team have been a really big lift offensively for the Norse, according to coach Sheehan.

"The forwards have been one of the keys to our success," he said. "Betsy Moore has been scoring for us all year and Kristen Noakes has scored goals for us."

The Norse have been playing well all season and have all the right fundamentals working for a winning ball club.

With these abilities, NKU has what it takes to put it together and carry out its plan of winning against its conference foes that await them.

The Northerner Athlete of the Week



Photo by Jeff McCurry

Tricia Ruark

Ruark, a sophomore from Cincinnati has exploded over the past week, scoring five goals. In the weekend series against UW-Parkside and Lewis she scored four goals as the Norse bettered their record to 12-0, and they are undefeated in conference play, with 6-0 mark.

National Soccer Poll

TEAM	PTS	PREVIOUS
1. Lynn	150	1
2. Franklin Pierce	143	2
3. Sonoma State	140	3
4. Ashland	132	4
5. Northern Kentucky University	118	5
6. Barry	118	6
7. Presbyterian	117	7
8. Northern Colorado	111	8(1)
9. Merrimack	100	10(1)
10. Cal Poly Pomona	86	12
11. North Dakota State	82	13
12. West Virginia Wesleyan	77	8(1)
13. Catawba	76	NR
14. Slippery Rock	67	15
15. Stonehill	62	19
16. West Florida	54	20(1)
17. Central Oklahoma	49	NR
18. Cal State Bakersfield	46	NR
19. C.W. Post	43	23
20. Belmont Abbey	33	20(1)
21. UMN-Duluth	32	NR
22. Mercyhurst	27	22
23. Incarnate Word	21	NR
24. West Chester	16	NR
25. Southern Connecticut	15	NR



Jeff McCurry/The Northerner

ANOTHER ONE BITES THE DUST: NKU's women's soccer team continues it's path toward glory

Basketball

Men's Leagues:

Monday & Thursday

Entry Deadline: Fri, Oct. 15

Play begins: Thurs. Oct. 21 OR Mon. Oct. 25

Women's League:

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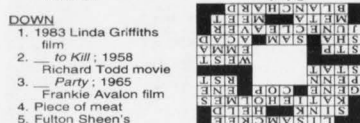
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- ACROSS**
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 - the Bismarck; '60 Dana Wynter film
 - Possessed
 - Dawson's Creek actress (2)
 - Barry, for one
 - Rock; '90 musical-drama series
 - NNW plus 90 degrees
 - William or Sean
 - File drawer, perhaps
 - Immediately, on ER
 - 57th (1985-89)
 - "The Racer's Edge"
 - 1996 Gwyneth Paltrow movie
 - Na Na (1977-81)
 - Profligate role
 - USNA, for one
 - Classic TV mom (2)
 - "... to St. Ives, I..."
 - the Press
 - Cher's portrayal on *Clueless*
- DOWN**
- 1983 Linda Griffiths film
 - to Kill; 1958
 - Party; 1965
 - Frankie Avalon film
 - Piece of meat
 - Fulton Sheen's specialty: abbr.



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- Aries (March 21 - April 20)**
Fixing up your abode helps relieve stress and expends nervous energy at the same time. Grab the paint can and get happy.
- Taurus (April 21 - May 20)**
A fun-loving friend has a terrific idea for a great weekend. Take up a new hobby or enroll in that class you've been thinking about.
- Gemini (May 21 - June 20)**
A lover needs a little extra attention, and you are going to have to make time for him or her. A romantic dinner may help.
- Cancer (June 21 - July 20)**
A disagreement with a loved one has you both feeling blue. Sometimes it's best to agree to disagree and move on.
- Leo (July 21 - Aug. 21)**
A co-worker may be annoying, but you must find a peaceful way to deal with the situation. Keep your career in high gear.
- Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 22)**
An unusual event makes you think twice about making a commitment. A friendly conversation takes an interesting turn.
- Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)**
You need to let your hair down more. Get out and enjoy life. Don't worry so much about what everyone else thinks.
- Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 22)**
Your past efforts on a job may not pay off in the way you had hoped. Use the weekend to catch up on rest.
- Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 20)**
A family member's health may be cause for concern. Keep a level head and know you will weather this troubled time.
- Capricorn (Dec. 21 - Jan. 19)**
A long-distance call comes at just the right moment. Give yourself a break and stop trying to accomplish everything at once.
- Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)**
Something you've wanted for a long time may come to fruition. Family members change their tune and become supportive of your efforts.
- Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)**
An old friend has just the advice you need. Ask for help at work if you need it. Listen to your intuition and follow through.

Born this week:

- Oct. 3 - Neve Campbell
Oct. 4 - Armand Assante
Oct. 5 - Kate Winslet
Oct. 6 - Elisabeth Shue
- Oct. 7 - Yo-Yo Ma
Oct. 8 - Chevy Chase
Oct. 9 - Scott Bakula,
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