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AID ASSISTANCE: A toll-free number for getting answers to financial aid questions will be available to students this month. By dialing 1-800-574-4AID, students can get current information on financial aid and in the process get the word out to local representatives. **Page 2.**

RAPE PREVENTION: Date Rape Prevention week is Sept. 18-22. Selected events will occur in the University Center lobby to raise awareness of Date Rape.

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LOFTY GOAL: After scoring a goal against University of Alabama-Huntsville, Northern Kentucky University forward Chad Scott is two goals away from setting the school's career record. Todd Gruenwald holds the record with 40 goals.

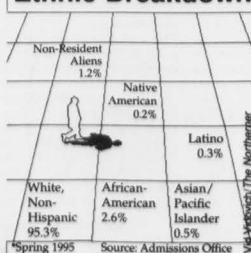
Flashback

Sept 1, 1982



*An inter-change to connect the university to I-471 and I-275 was scheduled to be completed by the fall of 1983. The price tag of the project was \$22 million. There was a need for 139 concrete cylinders to build a bridge as part of the plan. These cylinders were designed to keep houses and trees from slipping down the hillside. *Northern Kentucky University's second president, A.D. Albright, said he planned to spend the first year of his retirement either in Belgium or as a lecturer in England.

NKU Enrollment Ethnic Breakdown



NKU 'Can't Give You Better Services'

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Northern Kentucky University's President praises students for making due with limited state funding and for dealing with financial adversity.

Boothe said he thinks students "are very patient" in the face of inadequate funding for higher education.

"You're spending more money (for tuition), and I can't give you better

services," Boothe said.

Students and parents have shouldered more of the cost of a college education at public schools in Kentucky because of decreases in funding and financial aid, a group of students told a legislative panel.

The students' group said the state should help students more.

"The question is, are we receiving a great education for what we're paying?" asked

Renita Edwards, president of the Student Government Association at the University of Louisville.

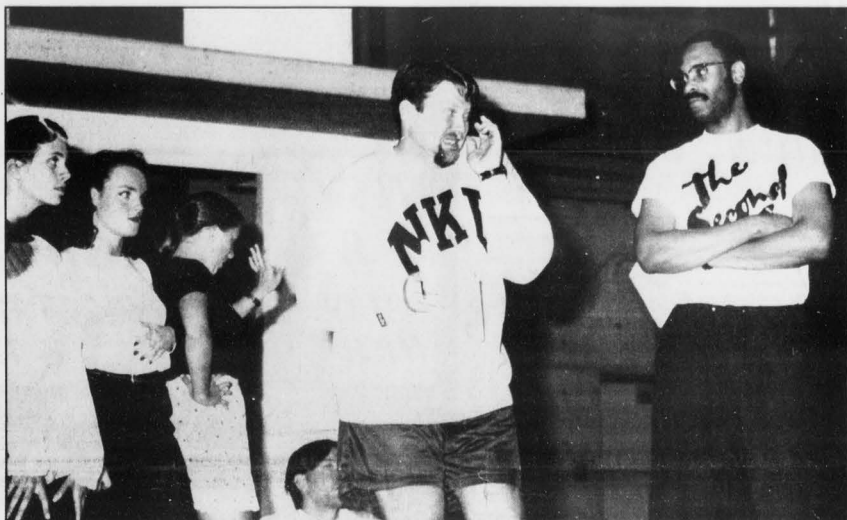
Kentucky had the largest decrease in education funding per college student over the last 10 years, Joe Marks, associate director of the Southern Regional Education Board, told the state Task Force on Higher Education on Wednesday.

Meanwhile, enrollment at Kentucky's

public colleges grew by 31 percent, compared with the 24 percent average enrollment gain in Southern states.

Edwards said some students in one of her classes are falling behind because they can't afford to buy a textbook. She was challenged on the point by Sen. Charlie Borders, R-Russell, who asked whether such students might shell out \$50 to go to a rock concert,

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Heather Scheibelhut, The Northerner

ETTU...Chris Boggs at center, senior theater major and his fellow students prepare for the Jim Dale and Frank Dunlap play "Scalping," directed by Ken Jones. "Scalping" is scheduled to debut at NKU Nov. 30.



TAKE FIVE: Helen Luther prepares for the new play "Scalping" Luther, a theater major took part in NKU's Summer Dinner Theatre this year.

Jones' Play Sees First Auditions

NKU Productions Get Big Demand For Few Roles

By Angela Vaughn
Staff Writer

This week NKU's theater department will hold rehearsals for the fall season.

Many students have already auditioned for the few coveted roles, and in the coming weeks many more will be auditioning for other plays.

Senior theater major Laurie Obermeyer said these auditions are torturous but, like many other theater majors, she is required to audition for every NKU play.

"Between 60 to 70 people usually audition for only five to 12 roles," said Ken Jones, Associate professor of theater.

Jones began auditions last week for his upcoming play, "Scalping." He will decide who gets cast in his play.

"Directors audition their own plays, but most of the time the theater faculty shows up," he said. "If it's a musical, the musical director also helps decide, but it's up to the director as to who gets the part."

Directors look for different characteristics in actors depending on the

1995-96 Theater Season

*"A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," Sept. 28-Oct. 1, Oct. 3-8
*The Time at the End of This Time, Oct. 19-22, Oct. 24-29
*Scalping, November 30-Dec. 3, Dec. 5-10
*Hay Fever, Feb. 15-18, 20-25
*Conquest of My Brother, March 21-24, March 26-31
*The Pajama Game, April 18-21, April 13-28

play they're casting, Jones said. In his auditions he is looking for people who can juggle and do acrobatics.

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Science Building Top SGA Goal For School Year

By Gina Holt
Staff Report

SGA President Jamie Ramsey wants a new science building for the university and he is willing to work for it.

"We are in desperate need of a new building," he said. "It is my understanding that (the one we have now) isn't that safe and it's outdated."

The new building is a priority, but not the only goal for this year's SGA.

"We want to get everyone involved," said sophomore Patrick Carpenter. "I want more senators to come to the functions, to show up to the meetings and do their part."

Their part this year will include the annual blood

drive, student book exchange and AIDS Awareness Week.

"I think this year we have a very diverse group of people and a lot of new faces with a lot of great ideas," Ramsey said. "I feel that this puts us in a very good position to get things done for the school and the students. We are looking forward to doing it."

Over the summer, Ramsey met with Governor Brereton Jones to discuss the state of higher education and what students leaders could do to help improve it.

"The governor encouraged us to be as vocal and as encouraging as we possibly

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Touche



Terry Renaker/Northerner

NKU students junior Lenny Kuntz and sophomore Dave Davies fight it out not in a duel of swords but a duel of umbrellas on the university's plaza last week.

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Hotline Outlet To Express Distaste With Cuts

Hotline Helps Students'; Parents' Concerns About Financial Aid Reach Congress With 1-800 Number

By Diana Schlake
News Editor

Last spring, Young Democrats of Northern Kentucky University coordinated a rally on NKU's campus to protest financial aid cuts.

There have been financial aid cuts this year, but some changes have come about as a direct result from the rally and protests.

The Alliance to Save Student Aid has announced that its 800 number will be free beginning in mid-September.

"It is important that Congress understand the massive support for student aid in our country, not only on our campuses but in each and every home," said Kevin Boyer, the national director.

By dialing 1-800-574-4AID, and entering the zip code, the caller will be connected to the representative of that district.

"The last time the 800 number was free (instead of requiring a credit card and a \$3.85 charge), student aid supporters were able to generate (and track) 10,000 calls to Congress in one 30-day period," Boyer said.

"This is a chance not only for students to reach their member of Congress, but to reach the correct member of Congress... the person who represents them."

Financial Aid is a large part of NKU, said Robert Sprague, director of financial aid.

"Forty-five percent of the students receive financial aid," Sprague said.

The elimination of student aid would hinder the enrollment of lower income students and others

receiving financial aid, said Norleen Pomerantz, acting vice president of student affairs.

"The purpose of the toll-free number is to get the current information out to students," she said.

Financial aid legislation has been moving in and out of Congress and is uncertain about current legislation, she said.

Boyer wants NKU students and NKU's Student Government Association to get involved to ensure that progress is made on the financial aid front.

"Set up phone banks, ask your

parents to use the number to contact their member of Congress," he said.

Money is tight, Boyer said.

The more Congress learns about the needs of college students, the more they are likely to take action, he said.

"The free 800 number is made possible because of contributions from the stronger higher education associations in Washington, D.C.," he said. "Importantly, the nation's student organizations are not contributing funds to this number."

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Student Groups Rally; Support United Way

By Diana Schlake
News Editor

Student representatives from various organizations gathered in the University Center Ballroom to coordinate the United Way Campaign that kicked off last week.

"We need to try to get students involved in the giving process," said Pammy Taylor, director of student activities.

As WNTV, the campus television station, filmed the meeting, students and United Way board members discussed ideas to make this year's campaign goal of \$2,500 a reality.

"The money is dispensed to so many organizations around the community," Taylor said. "We are all touched by this whether we realize it or not."

Last year, the big money makers were a basketball marathon, netting over \$1,000, and a golf outing making \$440.

"Ten student organizations all did their own thing, and the total amount was \$2,440," said Mike Pelgen, a United Way Board Member.

Ideas for this year's campaign include a United Way Fair Day, a collection of pennies called "Penny Wars," a flea market and an administration/professor dunking booth.

"We thought the fair day idea would be fun instead of just asking for or giving money," Pelgen said.

The money United Way raises goes toward many organizations in need of funds.

"The money can be directed towards the area of their choice," Taylor said. "United Way spon-

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-Mike Pelgen

sors environmental awareness and other needy organizations.

The fair idea can generate money and organization awareness.

"It's a way to let other people know about your organization while at the same time helping out a charity and having fun," Pelgen said.

There is still time to get involved and make a difference, Taylor said.

"The student committee will meet to discuss dates for the fair," she said. "We don't want to restrict anyone to the fair idea. We're open to other suggestions."

The United Way campaign for the students will continue through mid-November. The faculty and staff campaign is Sept. 27.

"We have a community here that cares," Taylor said. "I know students are assessed to death, but this is a worthwhile cause. Students really care, they just need an outreach, and this could be just what they needed."

For information, to get involved or to contribute, call Pammy Taylor in Student Activities at 572-6514.

Stylin' On Stage



Students of all ages took their turn on the catwalk to model Northern Kentucky University apparel during the NKU Bookstore Fashion Show in the University Center last Wednesday.

Bumpy Commute Continues On I-275

By Jennifer Wilson
Staff Writer

Detour signs and arrows warn drivers that the three lanes of Interstate 275 West is being cut down to two.

What are NKU students to do? There are orange barrels every-

where reminding all who depend on I-275 that they are in for a bumpy ride.

This causes an inconvenience of having to allow extra time to get to school, said Kim Douba, a senior biology major.

"It's hard when you have an 8 o'clock class and you have to leave at 7 o'clock when I used to have to leave at 7:30 and had no problem getting there on time," Douba said.

However, I-275 is not the only highway where students run into problems.

There are other highways also under construction. Roads that lead to I-275, such as KY 16, KY

17, and US 27 are also being worked on, causing further delays. "I haven't been caught on 275, but because of the exits on Taylor Mill, I've sat for 20 minutes," senior Tara Lytle said.

Students aren't just concerned about time, but also worry about the safety of the construction zone.

"If an accident happens right in front of you, there's nowhere for you to go," Lytle said.

Kelly Secriest said she wondered why construction isn't done bit by bit at a time.

"I wish they would explain why they do three miles of the road instead of a half a mile at a time,"

"If an accident happens right in front of you, there's nowhere for you to go."

-Tara Lytle

sophomore Kelly Secriest said. With construction to be continued for quite some time, there isn't a definite answer for what a student is to do about the detours, and the barrels.

Ohio Proves Lucrative For Candidate Dole

Senator Phil Gramm Second In Race For State Dollars

WASHINGTON (AP) — George Voinovich picked early, declaring a 1996 presidential favorite before most hopefuls had announced their intentions. Now the Ohio governor is delivering for Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole.

In the first half of this year, the Dole campaign got more than \$660,000 from wealthy and politically connected Ohioans. That's two-thirds of Ohio money given to all presidential hopefuls, a computer analysis of can-

didate contributions showed.

"In Ohio, the governor is the 800-pound gorilla and the 800-pound gorilla happens to be Bob Dole's campaign chairman," said Tom Whatman, the state Republican Party's executive director. "I think he's got a lot of his friends on board."

More of Dole's Ohio money came from Cuyahoga County — Voinovich's political home base — than anywhere else, even though the Cincinnati and Columbus areas traditionally are

more Republican.

The analysis of contributions given in increments of \$200 or more found that the Dole campaign's early 1995 fund-raisers yielded more than \$241,000 from Cuyahoga County. Dole received about half that much, around \$120,000, from Franklin County and less a third, about \$69,000, from Hamilton County donors.

The campaign of Texas Sen. Phil

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Where students come from?

The top five states:

Vid Vidovich/The Northerner

Kentucky	8965
Ohio	2465
Indiana	300
Florida	12
New York	11

Source: Office of Institutional research

SGA: Ramsey Promotes Open Door, Will Work With President's Office

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can be," Ramsey said.

SGA's goals this year are to be a voice for the students, to be able to relate the students' opinions and concerns to the administration and to get it accomplished if it is feasible, Ramsey said.

"We have an open door. I welcome anyone's input on anything and no problem or suggestion is too small that we won't look into it," Ramsey said.

For this school year, Ramsey is working closely with NKU President Leon Boothe and the administration to have the university become more in tune with the needs and problems of the students.

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-Jamie Ramsey

problem) ourselves we will point you in the right direction," Ramsey said.

The men and women of SGA have already begun their action. They have started raising funds for the United Way Campaign.

"We had a golf outing and probably raised about \$500," Ramsey said. "It's a good start."

FUNDING: Funding Falls 17 Percent Per Student In Ten Years

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but she said his question reflected "a common misconception" about students' spending habits.

Heather Hennel, the vice president of the University of Kentucky's Student Government Association, said it will take her six years to earn an education degree in part because the university's meager course schedule forces her to take required courses in successive semesters, rather than simultaneously.

Marks, the education board's associate director of data services, told the

task force that funds for each full-time student at Kentucky's public colleges rose only 6 percent over the decade, the smallest increase in the region. But he said funding for the state's colleges fell by 17 percent per student over the same period, the sharpest decline in the region.

David Porter, chairman of the Kentucky Council on Higher Education's Finance Committee, predicted recently that in 1996-97 undergraduate tuition rates for Kentucky residents will increase by \$10 a semester at the state's community colleges and by \$30 a semester at its

universities. The predicted rates range from \$500 at community colleges to \$1,170 at universities with doctoral programs.

UK President Charles Wethington, a task force member, said, "However you cut it, Kentucky has gotten itself in a less competitive position in terms of funding higher education."

The task force, which is composed primarily of legislators and the eight state university presidents, is conducting monthly hearings about the state higher education system. It is expected to make a report in December.

"However you cut it, Kentucky has gotten itself in a less competitive position in terms of funding higher education."

-UK President Charles Wethington

Wethington said he thought the education board's figures would help the colleges' efforts to get a 7 percent funding increase during the next legislative session.

DONOR: Browns Owner Major Republican Spender In Ohio

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County donors.

The campaign of Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, who also wants to be the Republican presidential nominee, has been a distant No. 2 in Ohio fund raising.

G1995 fund raising was about what the team had expected. "You're looking at a Voynovich phenomenon," said William Batchelder, a state representative

and one of Gramm's chief backers in Ohio. "I think, frankly, that Bob Dole would not be raising that much money here if it were up to just he himself."

Gramm was in Ohio last month, raising money and insisting that the Voynovich factor gave Dole a boost but not a lock on Ohio. Gramm's best showing in the state was in Hamilton County, where donors gave his campaign nearly

\$30,000 before July 1. Despite the Voynovich boost, three states gave more to the Dole campaign than did Ohio; two states gave more to Lugar; and Gramm's totals showed 13 other states were more generous.

Ohio's totals would have been lower if not for dozens of bet-hedgers who gave to two or more campaigns. Twenty-one of the Ohioans who

gave the maximum \$1,000 to Dole also gave \$1,000 to one or more of Dole's competitors.

Akron businessman David Brennan and Cleveland Browns owner Art Modell gave maximum donations to three competing camps.

Both gave to Dole and Alexander; Brennan also gave \$1,000 to Gramm, and Modell, \$1,000 to Specter.

Cooter's

Mondays: Industrial Night

Tuesdays: Backbeat

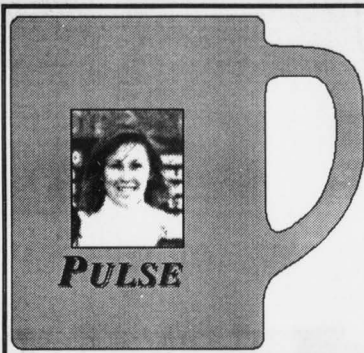
Wednesdays: College Night

Thursdays: Backbeat 2

Friday-Saturday: Open until 4 a.m.

Sundays: Disco Inferno

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THEATER:
Unique Ideas
Often Land Parts
For Contenders

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Students try different things during auditions to make an impact on the director, he said.

"Sometimes you need a gimmick," said senior musical theater major Spring Pillow said. "I know a girl who wore a really long wig to her audition, and during the audition she tore it off her head."

The best thing you can do is to go to the audition prepared and show confidence, she said.

"You're basically stereotyped by the type of roles you've played before anyway," she said.

Even though students dread auditions, they realize that the value of the experience and the chance to be cast in one of NKU's plays is worth the discomfort of auditions, she said.

"College theater is a wonderful experience," she said. "It's hard work, but there are a lot of excellent directors. It's a lot of fun."

Some students said they enjoy being involved in theater in ways other than acting.

"I just love theater," Obermeyer said. "I enjoy acting, directing and technical aspects."

The reason she chose theater as her major was because of the impact it has on people's lives, she said.

NKU's theater department performs six plays during the school year and three in the summer.

There are also opportunities for students to act in student-casted shows. Every Friday, someone in the theater department performs what they've been working on.

These performances range from monologues to one act plays. Students take responsibility for these presentations by casting and directing them.

There is plenty to be involved in if you're a theater major, and auditions become something of a way of life.

"I just tell myself that it's going to get easier, and someday I'll be used to it, but I never am," she said.

First Official Stop NKU For New Commissioner

Staff Report

Education Awareness Week is upon Northern Kentucky University, and so is the new Commonwealth's Commissioner of Education, Wilmer Cody.

Education Awareness Week features demonstrations and exhibits illustrating current teaching methods and culminates Friday with a banquet featuring Cody.

Cody, who began his duties on Monday, will meet key dignitaries and members of the sponsoring communities.

It will be his first public appearance in the since starting the job.

Education Awareness Week will be held throughout the area. NKU and Thomas More College will be especially prominent places where the demonstrations and exhibits are held.

TKR Cable will feature Paul Gaston, NKU's provost Thursday for a discussion of educational topics.

"The exhibits and programs on both our campuses will give people the opportunity to see relationships among many aspects of the education reform effort," said Linda Sheffield, a professor of education at NKU.

Sheffield is coordinating NKU's participation.

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Wednesday Sept. 19 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. University Center Ballroom

Thursday Sept. 21 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. University Center Ballroom

Friday Sept. 22 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. University Center Ballroom

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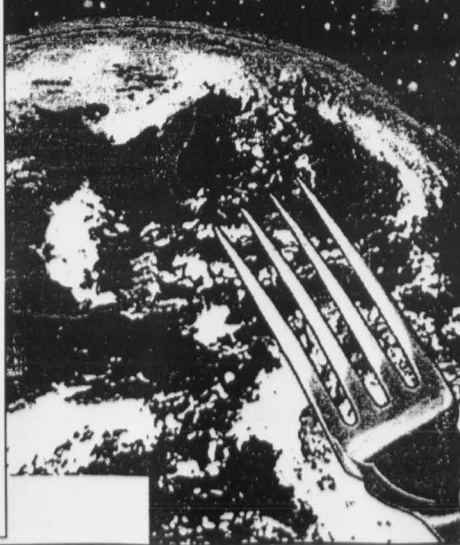
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Rude University Employees Ruin Student's Days

Attitude check. That's what some of the employees of Northern Kentucky University need.

In President Leon Boothe's university address, he equated students as being customers. In that case, we can equate the faculty and staff of NKU as sales people. And if a salesperson is rude to the customers, how long is that employee employed?

Across NKU's campus there are people in almost every department who are consistently down right rude to the students whose tuition helps pay their salaries.

In an age where even computers — a machine — have become friendly, we wonder why it is so difficult for human beings to be friendly. More specifically, we are puzzled why a handful of the faculty and staff at NKU have rude and condescending attitudes.

We're not trying to pick on the majority of the employees at NKU who seem to be helpful and polite, only those who seem to have nothing better to do than harass students. You know who you are.

NKU is a bureaucracy with all the failings of any inefficient and bloated institution. And as with any other bureaucracy, NKU is going to attract its fair share of rude people. The problem is that it seems like lurking around every corner and office cubicle there is a person who hates dealing with people.

Are these the kind of people we want serving NKU's 'customers'?

Maybe it's not the fault of these people. Maybe they were born to be rude — genetically coded with a vulgarly rude chromosome.

It's up to the administrators and supervisors to screen these people out before they ever get hired and to discipline them when they are observed being rude and unsympathetic to students.

All a student ever wants is to be treated like a real person, not a number or statistic. A little compassion needs to be offered to NKU's students who get tossed from one office on campus to another when they need help.

It's frustrating for students who think everything they need is in order, then find out they have the wrong form or need someone halfway across campus to sign something. Then, to top it off, somebody employed by the university has the audacity to be rude to the already frustrated student.

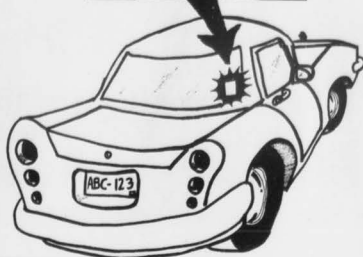
In the end, not all the employees at NKU are cold and condescending to the students, but it's the few who are that make the biggest impression on us.

NKU's Office of Parking Services tells students where to stick it.

*Actual Sign in the Administrative Center

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I paid my 36 bucks and still can't find a space



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Fulfill Potential, Be Number One



Jason Hall
Executive Editor

down the road people will know who we were and not just know what our names were.

So many times people with unbelievable potential allow themselves to wither away because they don't have the motivation to fulfill that potential. Sure, we can say everyone is important, but how many

A couple semesters ago, one of my professor said genealogy (researching one's family tree) has gained respect in the history community. Perhaps thanks may be given to Alex Haley for his epoch "Roots."

I have recently been researching my own family tree and I find that although I have the names and dates of several generations of my ancestors, I don't really know a whole lot.

So what if I know my great-great-great-grandfather's name was Hezekiah Hall. A name doesn't mean anything if we don't know something about the person behind the name.

We've all heard the old saying that 100 years from now it will not matter how much money we had in the bank, etc. Are we to be totally forgotten with only our names recorded in census books?

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I don't know how many times I have heard of people going through mid-life crisis, wondering if their life meant anything, or if they will be remembered.

We shouldn't wait until we're 45 or so to worry about these things. We should worry today, while we are still young and still have time to be somebody.

We should try to be the best in whatever we do. That will be a gift to posterity. If we're number one, we will be remembered as number one. And if we are not, but we tried our best, we will be remembered for that.

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No Mountain Big Enough For Roller

By Brian Steffen
Sports Editor

Very early in Alison Roller's life she was taught to never give up. Today she lives by those same principles.

Roller, a senior marketing major with a double minor in Spanish and business administration, plays tennis for Northern Kentucky University.

She plays with a great deal of passion and that has allowed her to be successful on the court as well as off, she said.

Born and raised in Perrysburg, Ohio, a suburb of Toledo, Roller has been playing tennis since she was seven.

"The country club was my babysitter," Roller said.

It wasn't until after her sophomore year in high school that she realized she could play tennis collegiately.

"It was told that I would have a better shot to play tennis in college more than basketball," Roller said.

Roller originally expected to attend Bowling Green University, but two weeks before she signed her national letter of intent she decided it would be more of a challenge to go further away.

That's when she made NKU her decision, a decision she doesn't regret.

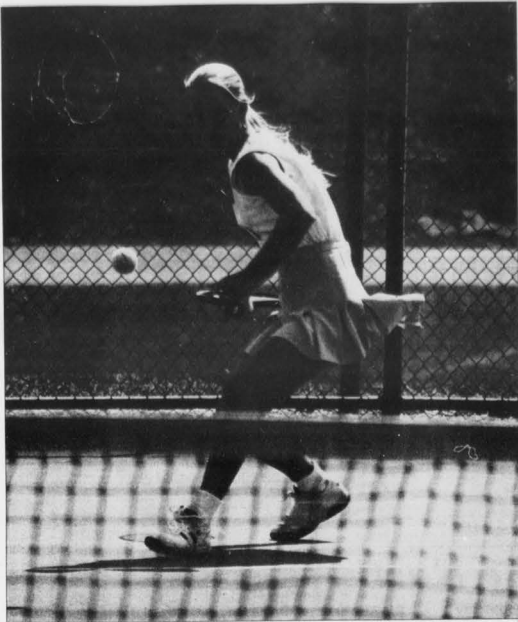
"I feel NKU is a great learning institution," she said. "The professors and athletic department have done an excellent job."

After graduation, Roller plans on traveling to Spain.

"I'm going to look for a self-stimulating and comfortable career," she said. "If that doesn't work out then I'm going to go to graduate school."

It doesn't matter to Roller as long as it is something she wants to be doing, she said. Roller straggled her freshman season. As a sophomore Roller started to win a few matches.

By the time she was a junior, Roller's confidence and maturity had started to blossom. By seasons end she took over No. 1



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ATLAS: Much of the tennis team's success rests on senior Alison Roller's shoulders.

singles from Laura Harry.

She finished the season with six wins and only two losses.

"She's very confident and quick with good court sense," NKU tennis coach, Tracy Barton said. "She hits the ball hard with pretty good consistency. She's definitely the leader."

This year Roller feels there is much more pressure on her, but she looks forward to her final year. Yet she still gets nervous about the upcoming season, Roller said.

Not only a successful tennis player, Roller is also challenging herself to finish tops in her class.

"Alison is very outgoing," said Rob Hardin, former NKU tennis coach. "She's

very competitive not just athletically, but the classroom. She's a little on the perfectionist side. She expects to be good at everything she does."

Roller lives a busy life outside of college as well. Almost every weekend she works at a Willie's Sports Cafe in Covington plus she teaches aerobics, tennis and tutors students.

Her biggest pet peeve is NKU students who don't even know there is a women's tennis team.

For someone who is so critical of herself, Roller is quick not to judge others.

"I always look for the good in somebody," Roller said. "I treat people like I like to be treated."

New Tennis Coach Stresses Improvement

By Brian Steffen
Sports Editor

First year head women's tennis coach Tracy Barton inherits a team that finished in the lower half of the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

Barton has four returning players to help improve from last season along with two transfers and two freshmen.

The lone senior is Alison Roller who took over number one singles last season from Laura Harry. Roller finished 1994 with six wins and two losses. This season she is expected to be the team leader.

"Alison is a strong singles and doubles player," Barton said. "She's very confident — a leader and aggressive player."

Barton has set team goals for the upcoming season.

"We want to be better than last year," she said. "We'd like to finish in the top couple. We want to bring our doubles up to a more stronger level. Most of all, we just want to go out and have fun."

NKU's only shot at winning the GLVC is if the doubles team has a great season and the first singles player wins consistently, Barton said.

There are four juniors on the team; Angie Geraci, Natalie Giuggio, Andrea Lampe and Beth Kahmann.

"When Angie is on the top of her

game she could beat anyone," Barton said. "She's got good footwork and good strokes. She's an excellent singles and doubles player."

"Natalie will prove to be a great asset to the team. She's a steady singles player and an even better doubles player."

"Andrea has improved since last spring. Her experience will help a great deal. She is always there. She's a hard worker who can fill in whenever we need her."

"Beth is sort of a pleasant surprise to us. She is very consistent and has experience. She will play doubles and singles, which is very important to our line up."

The only sophomore is Karen Messmer.

"Karen is extremely consistent," Barton said. "She's a human backboard. Anything you hit to Karen she will hit it back. She is someone we can rely on."

The two freshmen are Joy Turner and Jenny Wagner.

"Joy is only a freshman, but does not play like one," Barton said. "She is a hard hitter and will help in both singles and doubles."

"Jenny is also a freshman. She is quick and has good volleys and solid ground strokes. She's a good doubles player."

Norse Volleyball Brief:

Lewin Inches Her Way To Recordbooks

Kerry Lewin, senior NKU volleyball outside hitter, is just 21 service aces short of breaking the all-time NCAA division II record after picking up 10 aces during the Norse's two matches on Saturday.

Lewin tallied two aces during a 10-15, 15-6, 15-10, 15-3 loss to Northwood, but she later recorded eight aces against Saginaw Valley State as NKU posted a 15-4, 15-12, 15-6 win. Lewin now has 445 career aces.

Lewin, a graduate of Notre Dame Academy, also had eight aces, 23 kills and 17 digs against Ferris State during NKU's

15-12, 5-15, 15-5, 15-6 win on Friday.

Senior Colleen Kaufman picked up 14 kills against Ferris State, and freshman setter Molly Donovan recorded 42 assists.

Donovan, a freshman from Notre Dame Academy who led the Pandas to the 1994 state championship in Kentucky, also picked up 41 assists versus Northwood on Saturday and 30 against Saginaw Valley State.

The Norse are now 4-3 and will play at Quincy Illinois and southern Illinois-Edwardsville this Saturday and Sunday.

Norse Golf Brief:

Norse Golf Rides Success To Indy

Northern Kentucky University's golf team played in two invitational last week in preparation for Wednesday's crucial tournament at Indianapolis University.

Last Wednesday in the Kentucky State University Invitational, senior golfer Tom Walters led his team to a second place finish behind conference foe Bellarmine.

Walters shot rounds of 35 and 36 to take first place by one stroke over Bellarmine's Jay Applegate.

NKU fell just two strokes behind Bellarmine.

NKU seniors, Mark Welage and Neil Currie both shot 2-over par

74s to finish in the top ten.

On Friday in the University of Dayton Golf Invitational, NKU finished fifth in a tournament laced with Division I schools.

Walters again led NKU after he shot 73. Junior Brandon Reis shot 74.

NKU team score of 298 fell 16 strokes short of tournament winner Xavier University's 282.

Wednesday, NKU plays an important tournament in Indianapolis. NKU will compete against Great Lakes Valley Conference rivals Indianapolis, Bellarmine, and Southern Indiana.

NKU Ready For New Rivalry

By Pat McEntee
Staff Writer

The Northern Kentucky University volleyball team will face two of the three new teams in the Great Lakes Valley Conference this weekend.

The Norse will face Quincy University, Saturday at noon, and Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, Sunday at 1 p.m.

Both of these teams are in their first year of competition in the GLVC. The third new team is University of Wisconsin-Parkside.

SIU-Edwardsville is fielding its first volleyball team this year, but have already defeated Northwood (Mich.) in four sets. Northwood was ranked fourth in the Great Lakes Region in the preseason.

They have built their first-year team around several transfers, said NKU head coach Mary Biernmann. They also have four six-footers on the team.

The Norse are a little more

familiar with Quincy.

The two teams played last season in a non-conference game. NKU won a tough, five-game match 15-11, 8-15, 15-8, 13-15, and 15-11.

It was a hard fought win which created a rivalry between the two teams that will surely continue as they play in the conference, Biernmann said.

The Norse are coming off of a season in which they posted their best record ever at 30-3. They narrowly missed going to the national tournament when they lost in the finals of the GLVC tournament.

With several young players at key positions, it is hard to guess how they will respond. It is too early to tell how far this year's team will go, because they have such young players, Biernmann said.

The new conference teams will undoubtedly bring new competition to the GLVC.

The three teams will strengthen the conference as well because they are quality teams, Biernmann said.

By Brian Steffen
Sports Editor

Joshua Togba Roberts plays soccer for Northern Kentucky University.

And he does it well. He has been named All-Great Lakes Valley Conference and All-Mideast the past two years along with being named by his team as the most improved and most valuable offensive player.

As a freshman, Roberts scored a total of 13 goals and eight assists in only 18 games. In his sophomore year, teams began to key on Roberts. His numbers dropped to six goals and five assists in 21 games, but it didn't prevent him from having an impact in the GLVC.

Most people recognize Joshua Togba as simply J.T.

His name Togba means African Warrior while Joshua is a biblical name.

"I got that from my mom's strong Irish Catholic side," Roberts said.

Roberts, the only African-American on the soccer team, understands how racism works and he despises it. But instead of pushing his anger on someone else, he bottles this negative energy and creates positive energy.

"There's no room for ignorance in today's society," Roberts said referring to racism. "Nine times out of ten I'll just walk away. I just grow from it. That doesn't mean I'm not mad, but I take that anger and channel it in a positive way and learn from it and become stronger."

When name calling and insults are directed at Roberts on the soccer field, it doesn't deflect the love he has for the game.

"I take it for what it is," he said. "It's a game. What happens on the field I leave it on the field, or at least I try."

"Soccer's been a big part of my life. Since I could walk I've been playing. My dad played soccer professionally."



Jeff McCurry/The Northern

Having peace within himself, J.T. Roberts knows the road to prosperity is to reach his goals.

Born in Cincinnati, Roberts graduated from Princeton High School in 1993. He came to NKU to continue his education and play soccer.

"Through soccer I've been able to go to NKU at a relative cheap price," he said. "So whatever I can get out of it that's what I want to do."

Roberts' father, who played profes-

sional soccer for San Diego and Cincinnati in the mid-70s, was the key influence to Roberts' success as a soccer player.

The biggest lesson taught to Roberts by his parents was to respect people no matter what.

"I look up to my parents," Roberts said. "I've seen how they raised me

and I've turned out fine. I know by living by their actions is the right way."

Roberts wants to someday teach in high schools and coach soccer while owning a restaurant, he said.

"Because that is what is going to make me happy, as long as I'm happy that's all that is important," he said.

NORSE Athletics Schedule

HOME GAMES IN GRAY	Thursday Sept. 14	Friday 15	Saturday 16	Sunday 17	Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20
Volleyball			at Quincy Noon	at SU- Edwardsville 1 p.m.			Indianapolis 7 p.m.
Soccer			at IPFW Noon	at St. Joseph's 3 p.m.			
Cross Country		at Wright State Invitational					
Womens Tennis	IPFW 3:30 p.m.		Lewis St. Joseph's 8 a.m.			Bellarmine 4 p.m.	
Golf	Wednesday Sept. 13 at Univ. of Indianapolis						

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Soccer Sunday

Norse Second Half Smothers Chargers

By Brian Steffen
Sports Editor

Three goals in the second half pushed Northern Kentucky University Soccer team to a 4-3 home victory over the University of Alabama-Huntsville on a bright, Sunday afternoon.

The win marked the 150th victory for NKU.

Injured junior Marty Tucker delivered an assist to senior Chad Scott that started the second half surge as junior J.T. Roberts and freshmen Steve Fries followed with three unanswered



Marty Tucker

goals to start the second half. The three goals broke the 1-1 halftime deadlock. UAH followed with two goals from Licoln Ziyenge, but that wasn't enough as the Norse prevailed.

With the goal, Scott remains only two shy from breaking the NKU record of 40 goals held by Todd Gruenwald.

NKU freshmen goalie Casey Seibert stopped seven of UAH's 10 shots.

Roberts, who scored his first goal of the season, felt the defense won the game for NKU.

"Their forwards and midfielders were quick, but our defense held strong," Roberts said.

The win adds more confidence to the Norse as they enter the Great Lakes Valley Conference schedule. "We are starting to feel comfort-

able that we can play with anybody in our region," NKU head coach John Toeppen said. "It's very important for our team to keep its confidence."

J.T. Roberts played an exceptional game, Toeppen said.

"He controlled the ball a lot, he found the opening and made some key plays," he said.

NKU was without starters senior Kevin Dooley and junior Paul Hiltenebeil due to injuries, yet the bench allowed the Norse to not miss their absence.

"Our bench is the deepest we have ever had," Toeppen said. "This game is good preparation for our conference."

"I think this team is hungry to win. I'm not saying we're not going to lose some games, but if we do, it won't be because of effort."

Soccer Saturday

Crazy Game Ends After Bornhoffer Penalty Kick Scores

By John Kirtly
Staff Writer

Following an impressive opening two matches in the Northern Kentucky University men's soccer tournament, John Toeppen's Norse improved to 2-0-1 with a thrilling 3-2 victory over Charleston on Saturday.

The contest started inauspiciously enough, as Charleston took an early one goal lead on senior Nik Craig's goal 11:50 into the game, assisted by Zack Oyler. Two minutes later, Norse senior striker Chad Scott knotted the score at one with his second goal of the young season, this one of the unassist-

ed variety.

Charleston continued to wreak havoc on the Norse as they regained their one goal lead on a penalty kick by senior Eddie Reichter at the 19:20 mark. The Norse bounced back



Chad Scott

and tied the game at two just before the half on a Brian Weiler goal with eight minutes before the break.

The second half was a grueling

standstill until the last minute. Both teams were playing extremely aggressive defense that led to six penalty cards and a full share of minor altercations between players. The Norse ended all suspense when sophomore Steve Bornhoffer was tripped in the penalty box and scored his second goal of the season on a penalty kick with 49 seconds left on the clock, to give NKU their second victory of the year.

"I thought we played hard," said Toeppen of his team's efforts, "but we did make some mental mistakes on defense. They should've never have had those two goals."

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Norse Cross Country Brief:

Eight Runners Finish In Top Ten

Northern Kentucky University men's and women's cross country teams both finished second in the Bellarmine Invitational on Saturday.

Senior runner Brian Flaherty won the eight-kilometer race with a time of 27:27.

NKU men's team had four runners finish in the top ten, but fell short of winning as Bellarmine won 32-40.

Sophomore Nick Kleiner ran 28:28 and finished sixth, junior Jim Cole's 28:29 placed seventh, and sophomore Brad Dunlevy's 28:35 ran eighth.

Coming off a knee injury, senior Bridget Bailey finished second running a 20:52 in the five-kilometer course.

Four others also ran in the top ten. Freshman Alicia Hammack ran third with a 21:08, freshman Tricia Miller's 21:34 took fourth, and finishing tenth was freshman Becky Young in 22:26.

NKU's women also lost to Bellarmine, 37-52.

Friday, NKU travels to Dayton, Ohio to compete in the Wright State Invitational.

Norse Tennis Brief:

IPFW Wimps Out On Norse Tennis

Northern Kentucky University women's tennis team traveled to Louisville to play in the Bellarmine Tennis Tournament on Saturday morning.

The Norse split a pair of matches, beating Indiana-Purdue at Fort Wayne 8-1, and losing to Indianapolis 7-2. IPFW had to forfeit five matches which led

NKU to the easy victory.

No. 1 NKU singles player Alison Roller won her only singles match easily, 6-2, 6-2.

NKU will host IPFW again on Thursday at the NKU tennis courts. On Saturday morning NKU will welcome Lewis University and Saint Joseph's in a doubleheader at home.

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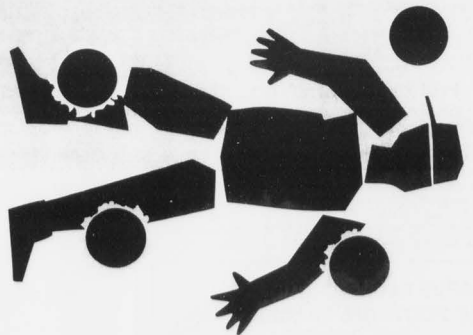
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Program Gives International Students New Home

Designed To Help Students Cope With Living, Studying In America

By Elizabeth Peeno
Staff Writer

Imagine a student sent to study on another planet.

He lives among the students of the new planet's university, attending class with them, eating with them, and socializing with these natives, most of whom are about his age.

He builds friendships with them and they share information about their culture and home life with him. Still, his mental image of what this life must be like is unclear because he has never experienced it himself.

This scenario resembles the experience of many of NKU's international students. They are unfamiliar with American culture beyond their university experiences and wish to experience it first hand.

A new program offered by the Office of International Student Affairs will give international students that chance very soon.

The International Friendship Program is inviting NKU faculty and staff and international students to fill out applications and be paired on the basis of common interests and availability.

Faculty and staff may also submit a preference for which native country they would like their international friends to be from.

The host will invite the student to his or her home once a month, or more often, for dinner. Occasionally, the host may take the student to baseball games, shopping, or on another outings that are of interest to both of them. The student

will also be invited to attend American holidays with the host and his or her family.

The idea for this program grew out of a similar program offered by the Cincinnati Center of International Friendship.

James Tenney, Assistant Coordinator of International Student Affairs at NKU, said creating a localized NKU service will make the program more inviting for both students and hosts.

"The program helps the students so they don't feel so nervous," Tenney said. "And some administrators are worried about working with the International Students in classes. This program should help with that also."

The students were introduced to the program at this year's International Student Orientation.

The response so far has been good. Out of 15 new International Students, five or six have already turned in applications,

Tenney said. Keiko Koyano, an NKU sophomore computer science major, recently applied

to the International Friendship Program. Originally from Tokyo, Japan, Keiko has been living in the United States for about six years and has participated in other hosting programs in San Diego and Oregon.

She enjoys having hosts so that she has something to do on weekends and holidays, she said. "It's like having a family close by," she said. "What I see each day is more school life. It's good to



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INTERNATIONAL CHIT-CHAT: International students, faculty, and staff participate in International Coffee Hour last Wednesday in the University Center TV Lounge, held by the Office of International Student Affairs to help international students meet each other and share their experiences of living in a new country. The International Friendship Program, another program to help NKU's international students cope, is being put together by James Tenney, assistant coordinator of International Student Affairs.

have hosts just to talk with, and it helps me practice my English."

Though the program is directed mainly at new International Students and NKU faculty and staff, anyone interested is encouraged to

apply.

In the future, if there is a great interest shown by American students, the program will be broadened to encourage them to become hosts.

This may be a necessary step, since the number of International Students is on the rise. International student enrollment has steadily increased from 70 in 1990 to more than 170 this year.

There is no deadline for application to the International Friendship Program.

For more information, students should contact James Tenney at 572-5177.

A Legend Rocks Annies

By David Vidovich
Graphic Artist

The Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame may have opened to a concert of geriatric has-beens singing their golden oldies and embarrassing themselves on national television with bad toupees and false teeth, but they had nothing on Annies Riverside Saloon last week when another legend played to a packed Cincinnati audience.

Ace Frehley, far from geriatric, was looking only a little worse for wear from his not one, but two near fatal car accidents in the 1980s.

Clad in black leather pants and a black sleeveless T-shirt, Frehley led the band through his 25-year catalog of hits.

Reaching back into the 1970s, the band played favorites from Frehley's early days as the "Space Ace" with the legendary rock band Kiss.

"Cold Gin," "Making Love," "Parasite," and "Back in the New York Groove," complete with flashing guitar were rendered with spirit by the New York native.

Lead guitarist Ritchie Scarlett dedicated a solo to Lou Gehrig and the passing of his consecutive games played baseball record to Cal Ripken that night.

Along with Scarlett, backing

Frehley on his tour were Karl Cochran on bass and Steve Warner on drums.

Frehley dedicated the next song, "Foxey Lady," to heavy metal originator Jimi Hendrix.

Frehley then broke into crowd favorite "Detroit Rock City," and a banner went up in the pit.

Waving in front of the stage, the banner pictured Frehley and the rest of the original Kiss lineup in their full makeup and regalia.

The mosh pit stayed relatively quiet through the evening as bouncers flanking the stage kept a watchful eye on the surprisingly eclectic crowd.

Frehley played a new one, "Sister," from his upcoming CD to be released next year.

"Sister" was straight ahead rock 'n' roll, true to form of the original Kiss lineup, not the hairspray, lipstick and nail polish that later versions of Kiss and other glam rock bands mistook for musicianship in the late 1980s.

Hosting the evening's concert was WEIN's Wildman Walker. He appeared along with opening band Naked Truth.

Broken Image, featuring NKU students Ryan Kiefer and Jeff Bowling, plays Annies Riverside Saloon on Sept. 23 and 24.

NKU Grad Policing Crowds, Meeting Stars As Riverbend Security

By Wes Akers
Staff Writer

Vented frustrations can sometimes lead to violence at rock concerts. That's where Ed Meyer steps in.

Meyer is the director of security at Riverbend and a 1993 graduate of NKU.

"We try to have a hands off approach to security," he said. "Our goal is to make fans feel comfortable and wanting to come back."

Two hours before showtime, he rounds up all ushers and security personnel and goes over the night's game plan.

"Everybody who's doing gate searches — no bottles, no umbrellas, no cameras and no recording devices," he says to the staff.

He then divides the group into smaller groups and sends them out to different areas of the facility.

During the show, he paces the grounds, listening through his earpiece and talking to leaders from each group by walkie-talkie, making sure everything is running smoothly.

"I like to keep things team-oriented," he said. "I want everyone to feel like they are playing an important part in the production of a show."

When the crowd starts to get a little wild and certain situations arise, Meyer makes sure they are handled in a cordial manner.

"When fans start to mosh we don't try to police it, we just try to contain it," he said. "As long as nobody is getting hurt we let them have their fun."

He recalled a couple years ago during "Lollipop," when Pearl Jam's Eddie Vedder jumped off stage and ran through the pavilion. He climbed up a tower and dove into the crowd.

"We just followed behind him and let him do his thing and be with his fans," Meyer said. "It's my opinion a bad security is one that brings out a muscle image."

Meyer recalls Bette Midler doing her sound check with her hair in rollers and a mud-mask on her face.

Meyer has seen Lyle Lovett, David Crosby and Steven Stills go out cruising before their shows on their motorcycles.

"Jimmy Buffett has a six-seat golf cart that he loads up with people and then cruises by and waves at his fans who are lined up outside the gates waiting to get in," Meyer said.

He has seen performer's egos clash when other band members get the better dressing rooms.

Of all the performances he has seen at Riverbend, comedian Red Skelton was by far the greatest, he said.

He explained how Skelton had to get around in a wheel-chair off stage and, while on stage, did his act with the support of heavy leg braces.

"For about two hours he had the whole crowd in stitches and yet I don't think many of them realized what great physical pain he was suffering," Meyer said.

The Eagles concert last May was probably the best rock show they ever had, Meyer said.

30,000 fans attended their back-to-back shows.

The fans can thank Ed Meyer for the "peaceful, easy feeling" they had while attending the show.



NEXT HALL-OF-FAMER?: Guitar legend Ace Frehley took fans on a tour of his personal hard rock history last Wednesday at Annie's Riverside Saloon, in support of his new U.S. tour.

Seminars Offer Fun, Informative Lunch Lectures

10 Speakers Lined Up To Deliver Speeches On Various Topics On Wednesdays

By Jackie Conley
Staff Writer

For the next 10 weeks, NKU faculty, staff and students will have something more to do during lunch than just eat.

Beginning Sept. 13, there will be lunch seminars every Wednesday in the faculty/staff lounge in the University Center. The lectures will be delivered by NKU faculty or staff members and will cover everything from Australia to weaving.

The (seminars) are a weekly get-together allowing faculty and

staff to share information and ideas," said Jeffrey Williams, coordinator of the lectures. "It is an attempt to bridge the growing gap between departments and branches of the university. That is hard to do when an institution is growing as fast as (NKU)."

This fall, there are 10 speakers lined up to deliver speeches on various topics.

"There are six (people) who are reporting on overseas experiences they've had," Williams said. "Our professors get around a lot and they come back with some fascinating stories and often slides. It gives us

some unique insight to some of these places in the world that we would otherwise know little about; Australia, Latin America, Iran and others."

Williams stressed the point that the lunch seminars are the longest running programs in the university which have never required a budget.

"This (lecture series) has been going on since 1978, and it has never had a budget," Williams said. "It is totally a volunteer effort on everybody's part."

"It is successful as far as those who have attended are concerned

and has never required a committee or a budget. It almost runs itself."

The Wednesday lunch seminars are informal and are open to all of the university, not just faculty and staff.

"We occasionally have a student in attendance, but the time frame often conflicts with student's schedules," Williams said. "We often have a space problem. Sometimes people end up standing, but it is mainly, but not limited to, faculty and staff."

The seminars begin at noon on Wednesdays until Nov. 15.

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Cincinnati, Covington, Newport Offer Students Outlet For Music

By Diana Schlake
News Editor

It's Friday afternoon and the familiar confusion and anticipation about the weekend is returning to haunt.

But, what is there to do on campus during the weekend?

Not a whole lot. This is where the cities of Cincinnati, Covington and Newport come in handy.

These three cities have eclectic opportunities for anyone... with an added bonus - inexpensiveness.

Sure, Riverbend is fun, as the acts playing are current and cool. But paying \$35-50 per ticket for a concert is not cool.

Try something off the beaten path, a little left of center, and save a wad of dough.

In Newport, York Street International Cafe is presenting the "New Voices Series," which runs through October. This series will introduce four critically acclaimed new artists in the New Folk movement. Each of the shows will showcase the talents of Lucy Kaplansky, Ellis Paul, Dar Williams and the Nields.

"The purpose of the 'New Voices Series' is to introduce area audiences to the richness and variety of what is fast becoming one of the most talked about movements of the public airwaves - adult, acoustic-oriented rock," said John Madden of Magnus Productions.

Lucy Kaplansky (Sept. 16) was, at one time, part of a Folk duo that featured her and Shawn Colvin.

Ellis Paul (Sept. 22) has won

numerous awards such as the coveted Kerrville New Folk Competition Award, placing him in the same company as Lyle Lovett and Nancy Griffith.

Dar Williams (Oct. 14) has been featured in *Billboard* magazine and has played in front of the Indigo Girls at the Newport Folk Festival.

Also featured at the Newport Folk Festival was the Nields (Oct. 21). They have a loyal following who go by the name of "Nield-heads."

Concerts begin at 9 p.m. with admission ranging from \$8 to \$10. Driving across the bridge into Porkopolis, Oktoberfest Zinzinnati (Sept. 16-17) is always a crowd pleaser.

"Oktoberfest can be defined in three words or less... beer and brats," said Tonya White of the Downtown Council, the people who started the German tradition and have continued it for 19 years.

"We draw around 500,000 people over Saturday and Sunday," she said.

The 1995 Oktoberfest-Zinzinnati will run from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 16, and from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 17, along five blocks of Fifth Street, including Fountain Square in Downtown Cincinnati. The admission is free. Food and beer prices range from \$1.75 to \$5.00.

There will be free entertainment the entire weekend.

At 6 p.m. on Saturday, the famous San Diego Chicken will lead the World's Largest Chicken Dance from the Westin Hotel skywalk.

"We hold the record for the World's Largest Chicken Dance in

the history of mankind," said Ray Buse, the marketing director for the Downtown Council. "The Romans never held a larger dance."

If a dancing farm bird and bratwurst with sauerkraut doesn't titillate your fun bone, drive a little further north to Bogart's.

Alternative and new age acts crowd onto the stage each night with admission between \$10 and \$15.

"Upcoming featured acts include Letters to Cleo and the Back Doors," said Steve Orr, general manager of Bogart's. "All ages are welcome, and an ID is needed at the front door if beer is to be consumed."

Traveling closer towards campus, Annie's on Kellogg Avenue in Cincinnati brings in national acts such as Ace Frehley and Vince Neil, as well as cover bands.

Admission is between \$10 and \$15. 18-year-olds and older are welcome.

On the homefront, Musicfest is lurking in the grassy bowl. Sept. 20 is the date when Durango and the Websters will entertain the students of NKU.

"Durango is contemporary country," said Mary Chestnut, Activities Programming Board coordinator. "We decided to try country this year since we had R&B and Alternative last year."

Musicfest is put on by APB. Student organizations have booths selling refreshments and food.

If interested in upcoming concerts at Bogart's, call the concert line at 281-8400. Annie's concert line is 321-0220.

'Flesh' Gives Music Embarrassing Image

By Dan Adams
Staff Writer

FLESH *

Just when we thought that glamour rock was finally laid to rest... If I can suppress my gagging long enough, maybe I can utter my opinion of this band (if it's not blatantly obvious already).

Apparently, Flesh rummaged through the music industry's defecation pile to accumulate the elements with which to form a group. Their music will conjure images of men who eloquently display their manicures and hairspray and employ scantily-clad women to frolic in their videos amidst explosions and fire.

Flesh presents thought-provoking (that's sarcasm) lyrics and wailing guitars which were

no doubt assembled from old Warrant tunes.

Favorite tracks include "Don't Know Love," "Who Can Love You," "I Miss My Baby," and "SEXXX".

Do you detect a trend here? Perhaps you thought that pathetic topic would not be dragged up again in such a manner?

Wrong again. "SEXXX?" What a creative and witty title for a song. Now we know what these boys do in their spare time.

You have to give them credit; they've continued to play in a genre of music that spawned such excellent bands as Poison. It's a shame they're not well played anymore.

I applaud Flesh's brilliant debut effort. My dog was in dire need of a new chew toy anyhow.

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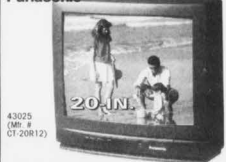
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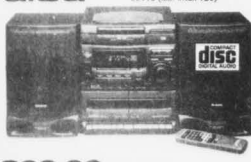
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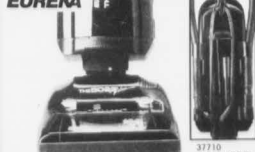
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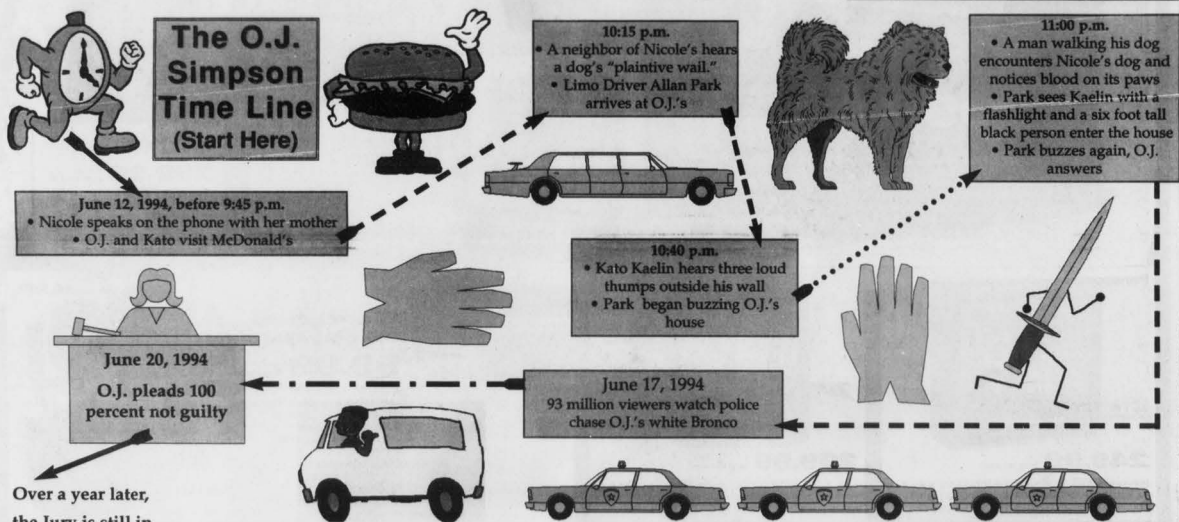
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OUR FASCINATION WITH O.J.



Over a year later,
the jury is still in



Dorothy Johnston
Pulse Editor

Crank up your VCRs, the show is almost over.

No more Marcia, no more Johnny. O.J. junkies everywhere are already forming self-help groups. Others will go cold turkey.

TV docudramas are waiting in the wings to appease withdrawal symptoms. For hard-core addicts, however, only the real thing will do. Tri-state area lives have been rescheduled to Pacific Coast time—9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. That's noon to 8 p.m. Kentucky time. We've been bombarded by reruns in the middle of the night, newscasts, talk shows and breaking bulletins.

It's hard to believe in this year of our Lord and O.J. 1995, that some people actually prefer their regular programs.

"I watch the last 10 minutes of the trial before Jerry Springer comes on," freshman Jamie Jones said. "It's a bunch of malarkey. Lawyers are making a lot of money. Don't they have enough evidence to convict him?"

The plot has thickened so many times it's almost impossible to swallow. Fuhrman the fashion plate has dissolved into Fuhrman the futile. Christopher Dardin and Johnny Cochran have taken turns zapping verbal spitballs across the courtroom. Movie stars and maids have told tales and shed tears to further embellish the drama.

One wonders why the dog hasn't taken the stand.

Judge Ito has played school master, scout leader, best friend, worst enemy and master of

ceremonies.

"It's a spectator sport," sophomore Felicia Shields said. "People watch it to see who scored points that day. That's why I don't try to watch. It's not fun. It's an entrepreneur thing."

"I don't think O.J. did it. Maybe he knew about it, but he didn't do it. The jury is not going to say he's guilty."

"Rivalries between Marcia and Johnny Cochran, and between Dardin and Cochran have made everybody forget about Nicole."

The drum roll announcing "ladies and gentlemen of the jury" is on our heels. Those people who write notes, kick each other, squawk and squabble will probably leave their sequestered quarters with sweet dreams of mansions and movie deals. There appears to be a dollar involved for every member of this production.

That's not true for KTLA and Warner Brothers, said Jeffery Martin, program director for Channel 25.

KTLA is the Los Angeles station responsible for sending trial coverage to Channel 25 in Cincinnati.

"KTLA signed on for the ride and they've

lost millions in ad dollars," Martin said. "They can't run their regular schedules. They want the trial to be over as soon as possible."

It's too controversial for advertisers to risk spending the money, said William Sittason, an advertising professor at NKU. "Besides that, they can't break into the programming with ads like a football game. I wouldn't do it."

"It's a joke. The whole thing's a joke. They might as well convict Mark Fuhrman of murder and put O.J. on the police force. That's where it's at. You buy justice in this country. That's all there is to it."

Channel 25 has already reverted to its regular pretrial programming.

"Judge Ito said that he would force the trial to a conclusion by the end of September," Martin said. "We had no way of knowing exactly when it was going to end, so we're just preempting our regular programming for now."

Running 'gavel to gavel' coverage of the trial has been extremely popular, Martin said.

"It's been beyond my wildest belief," he said. "On the days the trial ends early, the phone rings off the hook. People are asking why it isn't on."

Radio has also gotten its two cents (or dollars) in. ABC radio network has a syndicated program called Prime Time O.J., a combination of call-in questions and legal analysis.

The program is aired in major metropolitan areas like Chicago, Miami and Atlanta and has been very popular, said Darri Parks, operations manager for 550 WCKY.

Money has been a primary issue in every facet of the "trial of the century." The public is upset that Simpson has millions of dollars to spend on defense, said Chase Law professor Sharlene Lassiter. "But it's stupid," she said. "The government has access to proving anything. They've gone up against a defense that's as good as it gets. The prosecution is at its best when the defense is weaker—that is, has less money. I'm disappointed in the prosecution."

The prosecution's job is to prove guilt beyond reasonable doubt. To succeed, they must be on the offensive. But they have acted defensively and have no compelling evidence, Lassiter said. "The job of the defense is to poke holes into theories put forth by the prosecution, and they have been successful in shooting the time-line (necessary to prove O.J. could have killed his ex-wife) to bits. The prosecution is still waiting for a confession, Lassiter said."

"They really think he is going to confess," Lassiter said. "Judge Ito is clearly pro-prosecution. He has made some very questionable rulings favoring the government."

"He had a racist view of the Fuhrman tapes. He apparently thinks only people who don't hear racial slurs can think rationally."

"Clark will have to say something blatant—that Mark Fuhrman is the most reprehensible man alive," said Steven Weiss, chair of the department of communications. "She will have to do a stunning job in explaining the difficulties."

"But there is an incredible amount of phys-

ical evidence. I see no evidence of his innocence."

Mark Fuhrman, a Dudley Do-Right turned Snidely Whiplash, is a villain who is politically correct to hate.

Fuhrman has admitted to planting evidence in prior cases, Lassiter said.

"I wouldn't doubt it (that he planted the glove)," she said. "It's done every day. It doesn't take a lot of time."

"I believe Fuhrman became a policeman, because he is a hater," Weiss said. "Not the other way around. Not all people can become policemen."

Because of the twist in 'plot' following the Fuhrman tapes, viewers who dropped out during the DNA hearings have a renewed interest.

"I stopped watching it in April," said Spring Pillow, a musical theater major. "It's all a bunch of hubbub. I watch it now and again. At first it was kind of fun, but it's gotten ridiculous. I got bored because it became too cliché, too superstar."

"How many defense attorneys can the man have? I think it's going to get thrown out of court."

Everyone has an opinion. Some are a little more creative than others.

"I think Nicole's lesbian lover did it," said Nikki Hyden, a political science major. "Men aren't that devious. Men are stupid. It could have been an obsessed lady who paid to have it done."

"Women are more unhappy at the end of a relationship because they are more emotional. Men aren't emotional."

Whatever the outcome, we will live with it. For the true O.J. junkie, that might be tough.

We know that reality separates the O.J. trial from from TV dramas, right?

Marcia the Magnificent and Go-for-the-Jugular Johnny aren't manufactured by Hollywood scriptwriters.

At least not entirely.

The percentage of Americans believing O.J. Simpson is innocent has not risen after nearly two months of defense testimony, according to a Harris poll taken after the Fuhrman tapes were played in court.

	When The Defense Began Its Case JULY	After The Fuhrman Tapes SEPTEMBER
GUILTY	55%	57%
INNOCENT	24%	24%

1,005 people sampled, +/- 3 percentage points
Source: Associated Press