Russian dancers transform dance program by leaps and bounds.

Alevei Kremney

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## Dr. King's memory endures ampus

### Homecoming pep rally

The NKU Pep Band, Dance Team and Cheerleaders will help get the basketball teams and fans fired up for Saturday's game. Don't miss a jousting contest, the "Yell Like Hell" comest, the Yell Like Hell' competition, announcement of the winners of the Prince and Princess, banner, and Most Spirited Person contests. The rally is 7 p.m. Thursday in Albright Health Center.

### Tailgate party

Hallgate party freek, University Housing, and other departments and groups are sponsoring this event from 3-5 pm. before Saturday's games. There will be hot dogs, coffee, hot chocolate, soft drinks, and S' mores by the Dance Team. KISS 107 will broadcast from the site, Parking Lef A, in front of Albright Health Center.

### N'kue Lip Sync

sync your way to a

Homecoming Spirit stick. Jan.
16 at 7 p.m. in the UC ballroom.

### Log on

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### Course drop

Jan. 16 is the last day to drop a course without a grade appearing on a student's transcript for the first eight week session. It is also the last day to drop a course with a 50 percent adjustment of tuition.

### No classes

No classes on Jan. 21, Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

### **Praying for Rain**

Ensemble Theatre of Cincinnati presents the regional premiere of "Praying for Rain" by Robert Lewis Vaughpan and directed by D. Lynn Meyers. The show is on Jan. 17 and it starts at 8 p.m. For more information call (513) 421-3555 by Jan. 16.

### TV open house

WNTV, NKU's campus television station, is hosting an open house on Jan.17. It will be from 1 p.m until 6 p.m. There will also be an open production that evening starting at 6 p.m. in Landrum room 309. For more information call (859) 572-5623.

## 'Undoing racism' goal: train leaders

By Rick Amburgey

The fourth annual Undoing Racism workshop, sponsored by Students Together Against Racism, will be presented Feb 22-24 in Norse Commons.

The goal of the two-and-a-half-day workshop is to prepare current and aspiring professionals for leadership in the commu , said Cheryl Nunez, director Affirmative Action and Multicultural Affairs

The seminar will be presented by The People's Institute for by The People's Institute for Survival and Beyond. Members of the People's Institute include NKU professors Dr. Michael Washington and Dr. Yasue Kuwahara, both of whom were part of last year's undoing racism orkshop. STAR member DJ Carter said

the workshop has been the same design, layout and curriculum but this year he expects it to address last April's riots in

"This analysis is key to all parties involved because it offers hope that you can do something out racism and political struc-

about racism and political struc-tures," he said.

Nunez said this workshop is different from other diversity training seminars. "I hesitate to compare it to anything else," she

Carter has attended all three previous workshops and plans to

attend again this year.

"Every time I discover something else. The training seems to

- The dream lives on -



## Events highlight local civil rights history

Two events scheduled at Northern Kentucky University to celebrate Martin Luther King day will explore the history of the civil rights move-ment in Kentucky and highlight a local civil

rights leader.

The first event, which takes place Jan. 17, brings local civil rights leader and pastor of the New Prospect Baptist Church, Rev. Damon Lynch on campus for an address in Greaves Concert Hall at 12:15 p.m. The speech will cover non-violent strategies for instituting change. Lynch said he hopes it makes an impression on ung adults in attendance.

"I want them to take away a sense of responsi-bility and a commitment to the improvement of the condition of society," Lynch said.

On Martin Luther King Day, Jan. 21, a docu-nentary produced by the Kentucky Oral History Commission titled "Living the Story: The Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky" will premiere in the Otto Budig Theater in the University Center lobby. The documentary will also show in public

'I want them to take away a sense of responsibility and a commitment to the improvement of the condition of society.

### - Rev. Damon Lynch

on public television station KET. A discussion will follow the one-hour program, which covers the history of the civil rights movement in Kentucky.
Cheryl Nunez, director of the Office of

tive Action, said the documentary brings to light many lesser-known activists in the civil rights movement.

"What this documentary tries to do is to hold up the everyday people in our backyards who dedicated their lives and confronted injustice," Nunez said. "They were factors in the move-

The documentary took four years to make. Over 175 people who experienced the civil rights movement were interviewed, of which 15 appear

The idea to document Kentucky's struggle for The local to document Returners y strugger, civil rights came from desire to show young people what living in a segregated society was like, said Betsy Brinson, executive producer of the film. First-hand accounts of the civil rights movement are the best way for young people to

learn about history, she said.

"We conducted focus groups of high school students to see how we should approach the film," Brinson said. "What many of them ended

up saying was that they didn't want to see any up saying was that they didn't want to see any more historians talking." Brinson said she and co-producers Arthur Rouse and Joan Brannon interviewed people from all over the state, including a 102-year-old

western Kentucky resident who is the grand-daughter of a former slave and Civil War veteran. One of the messages Brinson said she hopes to vey through the work is that young people are ignited and sustain the civil rights move

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### Freedom issues addressed in online newsletter

By Susan Bartels

where an idea is discussed and then... voila! It comes together just when the subject matter becomes the talk of a nation.
"The Freedom Chronicle", a

marterly online newsletter published by the Institute for Freedom

of Sept. 11 when questions regard-ing civil liberties and freedom were on the mind of every

The idea for the newsletter was tossed around for a year by IFS and became a reality in November

"The whole idea about the newsletter is to provide a forum where people could talk generally

Prince Brown, director of IFS. "Whatever ideas are applicable and whatever ideas make sense in the ntext of the theme of freedom.

The inaugural issue addressed the anti-terrorist bill recently signed by President Bush. Editorials were written by Jerald W. Richards, chair of the department of Sociology, Philosophy and Anthropology at NKU, and Romona Brockett, protor of the publication.

"People are just really excited to read it," said Brockett. "We've had responses from the NAACP in Washington D.C. and lawyers in California and New York."

Brockett, along with Mona Hall, roject manager and associate edi-

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## Parking violators towed at their own expense

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ing violation on Northern Kentucky University's campus may result in your car being towed. director

Jeff Butler. Department of Public Safety, said cars will be eligible for towing after dent accumulates three unpaid parking citations

Cars will only be towed when 10 days has elapsed since the issuance of the third citation, he said. Butler said this program would resume after a grace period, ending two weeks after the first day of

The policy, established by the

ansportation Advisory ommittee, is designed to ensure adequate parking availability and fair enforcement of parking regula-

Butler. There is a tow warning in NKU's parking regulations.
"We just started a more stringent

ment of the regulations,

Last semester 43 cars were towed. "We towed two in August, four in September, 18 in October, 19 in November, none in December," he called the Scofflaw List, is provided to DPS officers and cadets. Butler said they couldn't notify students that their car is being towed because they find the cars parked.

"Persons usually learn their vehi cle has been impounded when they find it missing," he said.

Students can find out if their car has been towed by calling DPS.

According to Butler, the number

of parking citations has declined each month since September. Butler said there were 2,397 parking citations issued in September, 2,123 in October, 1,101 in November and 184 in December.

"I feel the November and December declines are in part due to

December declines are in part due to the tow policy." Butler said. Katie Herschede, SGA president, said students parking in places where parking is not permitted -such as areas designated for walking and turning around - creates dangerus situations and decreases visibil

Herschede said she hopes people who arrive on campus and cannot find a close parking spot will park in

a less desirable area.
"Usually, you can find some-where on campus [to park]," she



IAN 11 2002-Friday-09:13am

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le was broken intoand several items were taken. Report Number issued, and Report written on 1/11/2002, after necessary information on the missing items were pro rided to the investigating Officer.

JAN 9 2002-Wednesday-09:26pm Location: DORMS/NORSE HALL FIRST FLOOR - HARASSMENT-525.080-HarassingCommunic Females advised that they are receiving several harassing/obscene

Number of theft reports on

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IAN 7 2002-Monday-03:29pm ocation: FINE ARTS BUILDING SECOND FLOOR - MEDICAL RESPONSE-Squad RESPONSE-Squad
Male subject experiencing Chest
Pains and Difficulty Breathing.
The University Nurse and the
Central Campbell County Squad
responded. Responding Officer
administered oxygen prior to the
university Nurse assumed care upon her

arrival. The subject was transported

Central Campbell Squad for further

JAN 7 2002-Monday-12:13pm : DORMS-COMMC Location: DORMS-COMMON-WEALTH HALL - FIRST FLOOR - CRIMINAI, MISCHIEF Male subject advised that subjects unknown, on last date, poured spaghetti sauce on his bed and bed-ding items. N.K.U. Residential Life personnel were notified and responded. Incident remains open and under investigation

JAN 7 2002-Monday-09:26am

PARKING LOT C Location: PARKING LOT C -MEDICAL RESPONSE-No Squad Male subject slipped and fell on the ice at the listed location. Subject ice at the listed location. Subject complained of pain in his left leg. The subject was offered and refuse medical attention from the D.P.S. Officer or from ambulance pe nel. Case clo

JAN 5 2002-Saturday-07:25pm Location: DORMS/KENTUCKY HALL/CUMBERLAND/C-WING-FIRST FLOOR - WEAPON Knife found at the listed location The knife during a room check. was booked into the D.P.S.

## Rising theft on campus is costing the university

By Scott Wartman Executive Edito

Theft on campus in 2001 increased 28 percent from the previous year, costing Northern Kentucky University and its students a total of \$63,000

Of the \$63,000, \$46,000 was car pus property, most of which hasn't been recovered, said Jeff Butler, director of the Department of Public Safety. Thieves hit the department of Information Technology hardest last year.

Three of the department's 35 Three of the department's 35 "smart" classrooms around campus had expensive equipment stolen from them, including overhead pro-jectors valued at \$5,000 each, said Butler. Smart classrooms contain technologically advanced equip

ment like central processing units and rear projection screens. Col. Jeff Martin, assistant director of DPS who is investigating the thefts, said the classroom thefts were most likely related.

"All those type of thefts have been similar," Martin said. "It is high-

tech equipment that has a small n

Because the stolen goods are unusual and not practical for home use, Martin said tracing it on the underground market will be diffi-cult. Both IT and DPS declined to release a list of the specific items stolen from the room

IT responded to the thefts by

the rooms, said Bert Brown, Associate Director of Information Technology. Brown declined to elaborate on all of the precautions taken, but said some of the equip ment has been physically fastened to the room, and technicians check the rooms for missing items daily.

Securing all the equipment ipus is a daunting task, Brown

"One of the largest problems ampus is that we can't monitor it ll," Brown said.

Other items stolen from NKU

include a trailer used by a concrete company working on campus, a set of furniture from a lounge in Chase Law School and a conference table

from Albright Health Center.

In an effort to curb further stealing. Butler urged faculty and students to keep close tabs on their

belongings.
"We want to get the word out for ople to becor their property and be more alert, Butler said.

Butler used the example of a student leaving a laptop computer on the seat of her convertible to illus-trate what not to do.

Decals in cars became a comtarget of thieves last year, said Butler, with 21 stolen. In addition, 22 decals were found to be forgeries.

Unlocked car doors resulted in many thefts. One victim, freshman Radio/Television major Adam

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theft, i.e. theft by unlawful taking, theft by deception, burglary, etc.

Source: Department of Public

in October 2001 only to find his compact discs and radar detector missing. He said there was no sign of forced entry on the car, and said it was proceible, by 150 the car. was possible he left the door

unlocked.

"Jisst got into the door and everything was missing." Holzman said.
To address security issues, Vice
President of Administrative Affairs
Mike Baker is assembling a task
force of faculty, physical plant
workers and DPS officers. Baker
said he also wants the help of students in catching theft on camp He is hopeful with the help of oth ey will be able to track the who stole the equipment from IT.

"There are a lot of people on this campus, and someone has to see something," Baker said. "If everybody keeps their eyes and ears open someone will tip us. We will catch the thief.

### Russian couple pirouette their way across the Ohio River

By Rick Amburgey

Two of the newest additions to Northern Kentucky University's full

Northern Kentucky University's full time faculty are Anna Reznik and Alexei Kremnev. The Russian copule, formerly principal dancers at the Cincinnati Ballet Company, will be teaching dance classes beginning this semes-ter.

They are teaching two cla Their partner class consists of two male and two female students and their classical dance class consists of seven students. Kremnev said their classes will give students individual

Joe Conger, chair of the theater department, said room 116 in the Fine Arts building, which is now a storage room, should be made into a ance studio by the end of the emester or early summer.

Conger said the future of the pro-

gram is dependent on how success-ful it is. He added, however,that he doesn't immediately see a dance major available on campus.

"Right now, we're not sure we're headed in that direction," he said. Conger believes it will start with 3-5 students who will major in theater with emphasis in dance

"I think it will start slowly," he Conger believes that Reznik and

dents. He added the department feels "very lucky" that Reznik and Kremnev were interested in NKU. "We've been asking for an energy

boost in dance for a long time," he said. Conger said the dance program at NKU will be much more diverse than programs such as the College Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati.

UC requires dance majors to take 12 quarters of dance, including one and a half hours of ballet technique.

and a half hours of ballet technique, according to Debbie Reynolds, sec-retary of UC's dance division. Ballet will be a part of NKU's dance offerings, but NKU's program will not be as ballet-based as the one



ace instructors Alexei Kremnev and Anna Reznik came to NKU from the cinnati Ballet Company

at UC. NKU dance class offerings at UC. NKU dance class offerings will also include show dancing. In addition to teaching collegelevel classes at NKU. Reznik and Kremnev will begin teaching prep classes for younger students. Kremnev says they are planning to start these classes Mar. 1 and will lacent students areas five and older.

accept students ages five and older said there will be five levels

He said there will be five levels based on age. In addition, there will be two levels of education within each age group. Kremnev said the reason for this is to accommodate the experience level of each individ-

Kremney said there are already students from different cities that want to participate in this program.

There will only be a few classes offered in March, but more are

cheduled for the Summer Institute Charges for the prep classes have not yet been set, but they will be competitive with fees established in the world of dance.

According to Conger, flyers and brochures are being created that will be distributed within the next two or

## Online class evaluations given test run; debut still uncertain

By Cheryl Ritchie

to design and implement an online system for conducting student course evaluations at Northern Kentucky University.

Kenucky University
The Learning System Advisory
Committee and the Subcommittee of
Professional Concerns are investi-gating different software to purchase
or the option to develop software
here at the university.
Pilot studies are being completed
by a small group of volunteer faculty members. The first one started
last summer, and a more broad study

last summer, and a more broad study

should take place during 2002-2003.

Michele Roszmann-Millican, faculty member of the college of education, said most of the faculty

The faculty/course evaluation forms will consist of three sections and approximately six questions.

The first section would cover questions about the university, the sec-

ond section, specific departments and the third section would focus on the particular course. Roszmann-Millican said some faculty members do have concerns with the online system. Some of these concerns include when profes-sors would see the evaluations, and if the online form would be recorded the same way as the current method, or would it have a different data-

anonymous. The professors will not know who completed the form and also they will not see them until

final grades are turned in. Students would have to identify themselves in unique way. Ray McNeil, chair of professional

concerns subcommittee, said the reason for not having students iden-tify themselves is "to get a true sam-

pling."

If the online evaluations do

If the online evaluations do become university-wide, the current in-class evaluations would be eliminated, McNeil said. He also noted they are still early in the process. Evaluations would still take place a week or two before the end of the semester. Being able to complete the forms online presents a greater opportunity for students to participate in evaluations.

pate in evaluations.
"I'm looking forward to it,"
Roszmann-Millican said.



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## Council offers students a chance to be heard

By Jason Ellis

The Student Government Association has created the Student Advisory Council to allow for input from every aspect of student life on

The council but dent organizations to get their opinions out and offer had the council last them a chance to be heard. It will meet on semester it certainly

the last Thursday of every month during the semes-ter and will be made up of two members from each registered stu-

vided. The SAC is replacing the President's Round Table, which was the same type of meeting, although

it only met once per semester.

The SAC is needed because of the ack of communication between student organizations. Katie Herschede, president of the SGA said the council is going to address a

The SAC will be a forum for getting information to every member of every organization. It will also be a way for the student organizations to share ideas, especially successes they have experienced. We are going to see how things form on campus the NKU campus. to see how things form on campus

The council will be a way for stuand we will integrate that into the

program said Herschede, "The way 'If we would have ferent theme to it. Sept 11 is a great example of this," said Herschede. "If we would have had would have focused

of every month
during the semeter and will be
made up of two when the strong the council last semester and will be
made up of two when the strong the council last semester it certainly would 
have focused on unity."

The SGA is hoping that more collaborative projects come out of this.

Each meeting will feature a guest
speaker and dinner will also be provided. The SAC is replacing the
"Instead of having four canned food
"Instead of having four canned food

drives in the same month, we can have one big canned food drive."

Herschede sees the biggest challenge as getting every student organization to have its two delegates at

the meeting. "I really hope that it comes to the point where it is the norm to be sending your people,"



## Math and science get boost from grant to address shortage of teachers, low grades

By Tiffany Lewis

Sen. Mitch McConnell has secured \$1.5 million granership entitled "UZPMAST".
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between Northern Kentucky
University and the University of streated-to-thing to the desired and research and education in both of aid research and education in both of aid research and education in both of the desired and math.

"It be divided lower than in other professions. Schmidt said.

Schmidt said.

"most people who secured \$1.5 million on grant for a part-

The mines will be divided by the control of the con Research Center

As a partnership, these two pro-grams will address the shortages of professional mathematics and science educators, and low achieve"A decreasing percentage of stu-dents are going into the study of

mathematics and science in col-lege," explained Phillip Schmidt, CINSAM director. "So the number

One reason many students do not achieve in science and math could be because not enough is expected

In Kentucky, for example, high

take three courses in mathematics. availability of funding Schmidt said unless this includes Algebra II, most students are not "NKU plans to use its half of the funding for science equipment and

ready for math at the college level. CINSAM was established as the Program of Distinction at NKU by the Council on Post-Secondary

The mission of CINSAM is to enhance the teaching, learning, and applying of science and mathematics at NKU and in the schools of the NKU President James Votruba

Northern Kentucky region.

The program offers scholarships for students in the disciplines of biological science, chemistry, computer science, mathematics, physics, geology, or elementary education with area of concentration in science sing. The number of scholar

program development for primary, middle, and secondary school out reach, teacher education, and under

graduate research opportunities.

The University of Louisville will focus the other half of the funds on

said. "Senator McConnell understands the importance of teaching at the intersection of the sciences and has pulled through at a critical time to help NKU with our quest to build CINSAM as our national program of distinction. Our future depends on

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## **Student carries** Olympic torch

By Cheryl Ritchie

On Dec. 18 at 8:20 in the morning Terri Goshorn, Northern Kentucky University speech comor, carried the Olympia

orch, made of chrome, copper and glass, a third of a mile on Victory Parkway from East Mc. Millian St. to Yale St. in Cincinnati. Torch carriers each had a support

runner to follow along side of them runner to follow along side of them in case they were to fall or feel light headed. The support runner would run along side of three runners at different times. The Olympic torch run started in Florida and passed through Ohio twice. It came through Cincinnati and also Cleveland on Naw Yore, Day. New Year's Day.

there were 4,000 nominees to the Olympic torch, but only were chosen to carry it in the tri-

state area. Goshorn was one of the chosen. She was nominated because of her ability to learn and overcome some difficult obstacles in her life. Goshorn's husband nominated her online with only 100 words. Goshorn said, "Determination is

Gosborn said, "Determination is the key to success."

The most enlightening part of her experience, she said, wasn't only meeting a diverse group of people, but meeting people from different backgrounds, disabilities and nationalities.

Gosborn said, "Northern has

been a foundation of my success been a foundation of my success. She attributes some of her success to Student Support Services, Dale Adams and Steven Boyd.Goshom considers it a privilege to be able carry the torch, saying it was an erwhelming experience.
She offers the following advice to

"Follow your heart, never give up and keep your faith," Goshorn said.Also Tracy Blake, a



Joe Ruh/Contribu

Goshern walks alongside her support runner Katie,14, as the torch passed through Cincinnati last month.

1995 graduate of NKU, was selected as an official torchbearer for the Northern Virginia region and carried the torch on Dec. 21. This particular

specifically at the Pentagon. For more information on the Olympic relay lake2002.com Do you or som

Do you or someone you know have a very interestingly decorated dorm room? If so, the Northerner wants to start a new section and you can help. Contact Cheryl Ritchie, Features Editor, at \$72-5260 or email ritchiee@enku.edu. A pieture will be taken of the room and a brief story written about it. A new dorm room will be featured in the Northerner seek back.

## Fun things to do with a little money

By James Proffitt

It's the start of the Spring semes-ter, and after Christmas, you may be a little tight on money. However, that doesn't mean that you should that doesn't mean that you should not still be able to go out and have fun. So just to help out those who are new to the area, or who may have forgotten about a few of the things this area offers, here is a brief list of affordable ways to kill a night. Free Movie Rentals: Onn't for-get that most libraries offer free

get that most libraries offer free movie rentals.

The most convenient one to reach from here is the Cold Springs branch of the Campbell County Library, which is only a five minute drive from NKU.

They have a large selection, and again, they are free. The library in

downtown Cincinnati, on Race St., has even more movies to choose from. These libraries have many of your old favorites as well as some

new releases.
And while you're there, pick up a couple of cds to listen to.
Awakenings Coffee House:
Once a month at the Awakenings Coffee House, one NKU student and one NKU faculty member do a poetry reading for the Awakenings crowd.

There is no charge to get in, no charge to stay, and for the price of a cup of coffee or a Coke, you'll fit right in with everyone else there.

Fine Arts: I'm not going to list all of them here, but almost every single fine arts organization in the Cincinnati area offers student discounts, whether you are into plays, the symphony or museums. Most of these places are trying very hard to attract a college crowd, therefore, the discounts they give are usually pretty large. Though a play may still run you about \$15\$, that is certainly much better than paying the normal price (which can be as much as \$600.) Newport On the Levee: If you

Newport On the Levee: If you haven't been to check this out yet, then go as soon as you can. Whether you want to go to a movie, get ice you want to go to a movie, get ice-cream, have a fancy dinner, grab some pizza, do some reading, spend time shopping, or even check out the aquarium, the Levee offers these things, plus more. For first timers, I highly recommend checking out the Cold Stone Creamery ice-cream par-lor or a movie. Their theater may be the best for miles, and it offers stu-dent discounts on evening shows.

Movie Theaters: Though the Levee is only a ten to fifteen minute

drive, the Great Escape Theater is even closer.

It can be found off the Wilder exit, is brand new, and like the Levee, offers good student discounts

Levee, offers good student discounts on evening shows. The closest place for second-run movies is Danbarry Theater off the Turfway Rd. exit. Shows are only \$1.50 on Tuesdays and \$2.50 the rest of the week.

### Wheel of chance could give student royal status as queen

By James Proffitt

Every year, the world famous Kentucky Derby holds a contest involving over one-hundred young women to select its yearly Derby Queen. This year, Northern Kentucky University senior Kristin Stoner is one of five finalists eligible for the honor.

Stoner, an elementary educa major, is one of the women from 23 different colleges that applied for the honor. After initial interviews, the field was narrowed to 26. From the field was inarowed to 20. From there, the five finalists were announced on live television. According to Stoner, all 26 girls were on stage when the winners

were announced.
The five finalists are referred to as the "Derby Princesses." Each princess receives two \$500 scholarships, a wardrobe for appearances (provided by Lazarus, Casual Corner and Ann Taylor's Loft of Oxmoor Mall), and a tiara from Markles Lewelers.

placed on different spots of a chance wheel. The wheel is spun, and who-ever it stops on is selected as the

"I was definitely surprised to be picked as one of the five," Stoner said. "I'm definitely excited, and the scholarship money is coming right on time. Plus, who wouldn't want a free wardrobe?"

er is also excited about the mities that come with being a

Derby Princess. Among these are two television appearances, which she has already made on local Louisville stations, a photo shoot and an appearance with the other four princesses on NBC's Today Show. Stoner is also heavily involved on campus here at NKU. She works in admissions, is the vice-She works in admissions, is the vice-president of Delta Sigma Theta, serves as president of Black Women's Organization and is a member of the Order of Omega Honor's Society.



Meet the 2002 Kentucky Derby Festival Court! From the left: Beth Coppock, Jessica Moore, Kristin Stoner, Caryn Willian, Bethany Moore

### Did you hear the one about...

By James Proffitt

stant Features Editor

You'd think by the time we left junior high, most people would have given up the he-said she-said gossiy motion. When we got to high school, we found out we were wrong. Many had, though clearly not everyone. When we got to colege, you'd think that even more people would have abandoned the gossip drill, simply because of how annoying it is. Unfortunately, again, for some people that didn't happen. some people that didn't happen ally it doesn't seem to be too

Lately though, that hasn't been the case. Everywhere I turn on cam-pus, someone is talking about some-one else in a very unflattering light. Not only that, but many of the things being said aren't even true. So, in being said aren't even true. So, in order to use my journalistic power to do something positive, I am going to take this opportunity to dispel some of the biggest rumors going around

who always wears these really cool t-shirts. - Okay, first of all, I know this dude. I've known him for almost 2 whole months now, because he sat behind me before. because he sal behind me before. Granted, we don't talk very much, but when we do, there's like a bond or something. You know? Anyway, I asked him straight up; I said Pude, are you cheating on your girlfriend with that one chick?" And he was like "Feed, I would tell you if I was. And no, I'm not." (by the way, he calls me Fred because he doesn't know my real name, and I've just never bothered to correct him. Isn't that funny?)

That one professor who carries a briefcase will let students turn in homework late if you have a really good excuse. This is probably the most ridiculous rumor the bunch, because, it's like, I've had his professor, okay.

And the teacher won't let you turn in late homework. The other week I was like "I like crashed my car and some lunk and J peally did That one professor who carries

car and some junk, and I really did do my homework, but it was eaten by my contest winning pet hamster,

who was also in the crash and his pet, Mr. Joey, the cat." (Remember, details are the key to a great lie). However, that person didn't even care. The professor just said "I don't take late homework." What a geekburger!

The one guy that's always chill-ing out by the lake is like totally stressed out about this test grade he got back. - Not true. Not even

talkin' 'bout it.

These are only a few of the rumors going around NKU right

But this just goes to show you, don't believe everything you hear. I know that these are all really really interesting trinkets of information, but still, resist the urge to pursuing

them.

Because if you do get caught up in rumors, before you know it, you'll be that person who always cats in the cafeteria that is going to sell a car just to have enough money to hire a lawyer. You're hiring a lawyer, of course, because you're suing the dollar store for selling you a fifty cent candy bar...or at least that's what people will say.





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## Juvenille crime... who's responsible?

By James Proffitt
Assistant Features Editor

Is a person responsible for his or her own actions? In cases of juve-nile crime, this often seems to be the

When dealing with adults, aside from successful pleas of insanity, the answer to this question is an undeni-

However, when dealing

However, when dealing with minors, this question becomes far more complicated.
How much are minors influenced by others? How many of their decisions are independently made? Are they responsible for their own conduct? Do others, such as parents, share responsibility?
The issue has been debated for heaven and were and were made and the conductive to the

However, the debates have been narrow and one-sided, because they all were debated under the same

false assumption.

For years, juvenile crime has been debated under the premise that

In truth it is not had at all. As many of today's brightest young minds will tell you, juvenile crime is a good thing.

With day-care, video games, tele-vision, and the Internet, children nowadays can practically baby-si et children

This can make some parents their children are staying out

As long as their kids are not cau ing trouble, they may feel that their kids are doing fine, and that there is no need to interfere with their lives. Many experts feel that a lack of

attention given to kids is a bigger problem than crime. "Juvenile crime is a good thing, because it gives many kids the attention from their parents and society are so desperately lacking," mental health major Lorie McQueary

"It can also help to keep kids out of trouble

If they're in detention centers,

what harm can they possibly do?

And once they make one mistake and learn from it, maybe they won't

make more in the future."

Business management major
Nick McIver said that juvenile crime is a must-have in American society

"It's very good for our nation's economy," Melver said. "It creates a certain amount of mystique about

our great nation, and therefore, increases tourism."

Tim Ferguson, an expert in self defense, concurs with McIver's

"It's great for karate teachers," Ferguson claimed. "It keeps the dorky kids on their toes, and there-

If some kids are worried about getting beat up, they'll seek some kind of help. I think it's not only good, but it's a necessity."

Juvenile crime is not only good for our economy, and our country's great citizens, but as McIver said, it escribbutes to our notion, individual.

ontributes to our nation's individu ality.

In short, it's a great s

In short, it's a great source of national pride.
Lori Therens, a proud citizen of our great nation, is another supporter of juvenile crime.
"Juvenile crime is as American as apple pie," said Thernes. "It's so simple, and so much fun. You need a handful of kids to do things like play baschall, or play baschall, lor all kids live in neithborthoods. Not all kids live in neighborhoods filled with other kids, and therefore can't play team games. Crime is something you can do by yourself. You don't have to worry about hav-

You don't have to worry about hav-ing enough participants.

If you ask me, committing crimes is the real national pastime."
Aside from being good for the economy, good for our nation's small business associations (such as karate schools), and advocating patriotism, there are still more bene-fits.

As already pointed out, crime can be a great deal of fun for a child. "Crime, simply stated, can be a good time," McIver said. "What's more fun than spray painting your girlfriend's name on a bridge? It's not only fun, but very romantic. don't even see why spray painting public property is considered such a

It gives kids a chance to expre selves, which is something they often don't have enough opportuni ties to do."
"Also, breaking into a locked facility is not an easy thing to do,"

McIver continued. "Sometimes, yo

"Sometimes, you have to really use your imagination to do that successfully. This encourages children to think outside the box. It's a good to think outside the box. It's a good life lesson, and once again, there are financial benefits. Children are not allowed to legally work at most places until they are fifteen or sixteen years old. There are very few chances for kids this age to come across money, and to start saving for the fowers.

What other choices do kids have but to steal cars and knock off con venient stores? It helps their finan cial situation, it forces them to get creative, and it is an out and out good time. It's a beautiful combina-

From now on, instead of looking on juvenile crime, maybe we should be thanking our lucky stars that such a thing exists.

It helps us in more ways than we

### Concrete Jungle





### River Run gives students on-campus easy access to many waterfront attractions

By Rick Amburgey

The new TANK bus route "River Run" does much more than give stu-dents an added convenience, it takes college life at NKU to a whole new

Once upon a time, a student liv-ing on campus without a car had ing on campus without a car had great limitations on places they could easily go on weekends and places they could work at. This semester, all of that changed. This new bus service, which runs Thursday, Friday and

Saturday nights, give students in th position a number of options. Now, students don't have to mi

out on the great offerings at Newport on the Levee, Covington Landing, the Waterfront, and Main Village.

The service provides a lot r The service provides a lot more than a way to get to and from local bars and clubs. These areas feature many great places to shop and great places to eat. Some of the food offerings include cultural treats like the Beale Street Cafe and favorites such as TGI Fridays, just to name a couple

Newport on the Levee also offers

a piace for students to go and watch movies. Although the purpose of the bus is not to provide students with a "ticket to get drunk", it does provide a nice alternative to those of legal drinking age who wish to drink. It makes it easier for students to drink and still comply with NKU's no alcohol nolice.

alcohol policy.

Also, it allows the student to be Also, it allows the student to be responsible and encourages them to make safe drinking choices. It's true that other TANK routes take you to these same areas, but this service understands that students are not ready to be home by 10:00 or 11:00, about the time the last bus runs

TANK route would have to transfer buses and it would take more than an hour to reach a destination. The River Run makes the trip in about 30

The River Run is not specific to dorm students. Even people who don't attend NKU can take advan-

I highly recommend taking the River Run. Its a quick and fun way to be able to experience some of the finer points of Northern Kentucky

## Letters the Editor

Send letters to the Editor to The Northerner, University Center 209 or by email to northerner@nku.edu. Letters must be igned to be printed.

### Student cries out for more parking

I recently heard that there are approximately 13,000 students or pus this ser nester. I also recently almost heard the metal on my car's front end being crushed as a fellow student's car almost collided with nine in a mad dash to a parking spot

campus. Having been a student here at NKU for two years, this is my o mplaint about the University. And am not alone in my cry. I have seen nany cars illegally parked on the no where else they could park, other

than that parking lot out between the tennis courts and campus housing. If they parked there, there's a good chance they will be late for class because this lot is far away from most buildings in which classes are held. Then they are in a dileman of sorts: either be late for class or be in debt twenty bucks due to a parking violation. College students can't afford either solution. I have a solution to suggest: more parking solution to suggest: more parking

Andrea Grigsby, Sophom

## North Poll

"Do you think Martin Luther King's dream of equality has been realized?"



Robena Richie Junior, Elementry Educaction

I think it has been realized, but has not been fulfilled. Prejudice will never be solved

Jennifer Reiss

No. I feel that the governme indirectly goes to certain extents to oppress the black prople of the





Phillip Webster Senior, Theater

> Yeah, in a sense. Defin world he lived in was different We have made progress, but we have a ways to go



## Death of the New World Order shows U.S. vunerability

OSU Daily Barometer (Oregon

(U-WIRE) CORVALLIS, Ore. Before it was a bunch of wrestlers, the New World Order was a concept brought to us by the first President Bush after the fall of communism Bush after the fall of communism.

In this new world, the United States would use its status as the only remaining superpower to become the guardian of freedom. In places like Kuwait, Bosnia and Somalia, the American military used to defend abused people from some portry brutal dictators and watfords. pretty brutal dictators and warlords

The New World Order is useful to examine because it is relevant to our war today.

by the United Nations and its previ-ous colonial rulers. Its early democ-racy fell with the assassination of its president. A General Siad Barre established himself as the new dicta-

in a military coup in 1969. As ost dictators, he was general with most dictators, he was generally self serving and had many enmies. Somalis still carried with them
their old tribal identities, and as such
they were socially divided into
clans, who often fought amongst
themselves, united in their dislike of
Barre and overthrew the government
once again in 1990. This reminds me
to the contract of the contra of Afghanistan's Northern Alliance. It too is a fragile coalition, known for infighting and racial division, only united by its mutual dislike of

In Somalia after the overthrow of Barre, the clans again turned on each other. A drought in the early nineties compounded by an intense civil war brought about the humanitarian dis-aster that we saw on TV in the United States. There were images of children with distended bellies rawling around in the dirt because they were too weak to stand. The Americans, being the sympathetic

protectors of the New World Order, resolved to help. We sent food and medicines through relief agencies The problem was that the warlords, as they came to be known, would steal the supplies and sell them to finance their wars. So we sent American troops in to guard the sup plies. This helped the Somalis great ly. A steady supply of aid was reach ing many of its intended recipients.

ing many of its intended recipients.

However, the warlords would still steal and raid opportunistically.

Some American sent out a bold expedition of Army Rangers and Delta Force commandos to heli-drop Delta Force commandos to heli-drop into the city and arrest all the people in the building. Then a ground con-you was to extract everyone to a nearby U.S military base. The oper-ation went severely wrong. The Somalis ambusthed the Americans and inflicted heavy casualties. One dead Ranger was taken and paraded through the streets. The scene of a dead white American dragged

African wasteland played on our evening news. That is the scene that ended the New World Order. After that, there was a quick withdrawal of American troops from Somalia. President Clinton has since called it the deepest regret he has about his term in office. The relevance today is what Osama bin Laden and other

I don't know what is going to happen next in the war against ter-rorism. Attacking Afghanistan was the easy part.

Soon, however, international sup-port will wane, and other terrorist-

port will wane, and other terrorist-harboring opponents like Iraq and Somalia are much tougher. I do know that all the dictators and ter-rorists of the world know of only one way to defeat the will of the people of the United States. That is to continue to put our fellow citizens in body bags

## **SPORTS**

## Cottrell breaks 22 year old career scoring record

By Bruce A. Reller, Jr.

NCAA Division II Bulletin Player of the Year. Division II All-American. Most Valuable player of the NCAA Final Four.

Those are just some of the awards and honors Northern

Kentucky University women's bas-ketball senior Michelle Cottrell has received during her basketball

Now she can add something else: NKU women's basketball all-time career leading, scorer. Cottrell achieved the feat on Dec. 21 in the championship game of annual Community l Classic at Regents Hall. NKU's Reco

She scored her 1,884th point with She scored her J.884th point with seven minutes left of the Norse women's game against Delta State, breaking Peggy Vincent's record of J.883 which stood for 22 years. "It was a special moment," NKU head coach Nancy Winstel said. "I don't think she's truly aware of it, but when she finishes her career, she will merceint it." Il be critists for will appreciate it. I'll be curious to

22 years."

Cottrell said she was happy to break the scoring record on her home court because that was how she planned for it to happen. "I wanted all of my family to see me acceptably during tournament do it, especially during tournament time. That was important for me. The next game was in Michigan and it wouldn't have been as special."

Cottrell said that someone told her a while back that she had a chance to break the record, and she has been aware of it ever since. "I have always had it in the back of my

Also, Cottrell broke the record of years back and can easily be placed in the same category as Vincent.

years back and call cashy to place in the same category as Vincent.

"I played with Peggy. She was a great player. It's been an honor to coach Michelle," Winstel said. "I

Cottrell is right up there."
Cottrell agrees with her coach's comments. "Coach said on ICN-6 that I was the best player she has ever coached at NKU. I guess I can be placed in the same category as Peggy Vincent."

Getting point number 2,000 is the

next feat Cottrell will be aiming at next. She is less than 50 points away from that accomplishment. "After breaking it, she wants to get as many as she can," Winstel said. "If it helps us win, that is good. "She deserves all the accolades she can get."Cottrell said that breaking the all time secring record was the the all-time scoring record was the most special. However, she said that she never scored 2,000 points in high school. "That is a nice achieve-

Even with all the awards she has stacked up over her playing career, Cottrell couldn't have done any of it without the help of her teammates, because she has always been a team

The first and foremost thing, wants her team to be successful. She wants to win, and it's a team thing. She does what she can to help the team out," Winstel said.

Winstel went on to say that Cottrell has had a phenomenal and a story book career and that she has helped put NKU on the map.

"Cottrell is an integral part of the achievements the team has put together. You have to give a great

Cottrell said that her coach has helped her develop into the player she is today. "She has always had confidence in me. She gave me an

opportunity to be a starter as a fresh-man. She has helped me a lot." Winstel added, "We have always had great centers, and Cott has been one of the greatest. I am a post perimeter oriented coach. We're a half court team, and we take the ball inside. Michelle has been the cream of the crop. She has made me a bet-ter coach."

ter coach."

But Cottrell doesn't feel she is done yet. She still plans on accomplishing more things on the court before her career at NKU is over. "This year, we want to go as far as we can. I want to be an All-American. I will try my best. There

Cottrell might even be able to help the Norse win another NCAA Division II National Championship for her ball club and for the school She's definitely been down that road before."You can't stop talking about Michelle. She's easy to talk about,"



The all-time scoring mark stood for 22-years before

## Upcoming basketball schedule

**NEED SOME MONEY?** 

Jan. 19 vs. Bellarmine College 7:45 p.m. Jan. 24 at Southern Indiana 8:30 p.m. Jan. 26 at Missouri-St. Louis 4:15 p.m. Jan. 31 vs. SIU Edwardsville 7:45 p.m. Feb. 2 vs. Lewis 3:15 p.m.

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## Women Norse find home court advantage welcoming

By Bruce A. Reller, Jr.

University women's basketbail team got back to its home roots for the first time in three weeks. The home atmosphere proved helpful as the Norse won their third game in a row, defeating the University of Wisconsin-Parkside 82-67 Thursday at Regents Hall.

was nice to get a win at "NKU head coach Nancy winstel said. "We came in and got after it and the adrenaline gave us the advantage. We went about our business and we were motivated."

NKU junior Amy Mobley added,
'This was a really good win. We lost
to Ferris State on the road and then got two big wins. This was a great

the night among both teams as she came up with a career-high 22 points, shooting 9 for 11 from the field. She was glad to come back and play in front of her home crowd It gave her more confidence when she stepped out on the court. "I was kind of nervous before the

As for the game, the Rangers kept it fairly close throughout the first half with the Norse. Wisconsin-Parkside began the game with a 7-4 lead, and after an 11-1 NKU run, giving them an eight-point lead, the Rangers cut the lead to two points with six minutes left in the half.

The Norse eventually went of 19-9 run to take a 12-point lead at the half. NKU led 39-27 at the break as the team shot 52 percent from the field (14 for 27). Wisconsin-Parkside shot only 38 percent in the

'We're playing better than were playing," Winstel said. "The new players are contributing. We're playing some people and getting a little more depth. Also, our top six are more consistent. Despite the close contest in the

rst half, NKU did not give in. The Norse went on an early 15-6 run to begin the second half, stretching their lead to 21 points. That was all NKU needed as the team never looked back in cruising to the victo-

improving."
The Norse won the game

The Norse won the gane with the help of senior Michelle Cottrell, who recorded her 44th career double-double, scoring 14 points and grabbing 12 rebounds.
Also, junior Kristin Polosky scored 12 points and senior Daniel Schubeler scored 10 points on 5 for 9 shooting. Michele Pickering led the way for the Rangers with 20 points and Sammy Kromm added 14 points.

11-2 on the year, including a perfect 8-0 in the Great Lakes Valley

Conference.
With a tough conference so ule coming up, including games with Bellarmine College, University of Southern Indiana and Lewis University, a fast start in the GLVC is usually always a blessing.
"We knew we can do it," Mobley

said. "We just have to play our best and work hard. We just do what we need to do."

NCAA Division II poll, are now 72-7 in conference games over the last

## Athlete of the week

## Amy Mobley



University's Amy Mobley, the 5-11 junior forward from Harrison, OH, is the Northerner Female Athlete of Mobley has been tremen

dous for the women's basket ball team the past week, put-ting up huge numbers to help the Norse stay unbeaten in the Great Lakes Valley Conference and rem

ranked No. 3 in the NCAA Division II poll. Mobley scored a career-high 22 points in the 82-67 victory over the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, Jan. 10. She also added four rebounds, five assists, and two steals as all-time against Wisconsin-

Saturday, Mobley recorded a double-double in the win over Saint Joseph's College, 97-80. She scored 14 points, grabbed 12 rebounds, had eight assists, and blocked four eight assists, and blocked shots as the Norse impro their record to 12-2 overall



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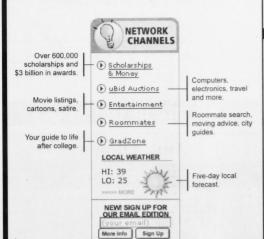
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## LIGHTER SIDE

### Civil Rights History

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"One person can make a differ-ence," Brinson said. "These people took advantage of opportunity. They learned how to lobby the legislature and bring about change." Lynch said the stories of how peo-ole dealt with invisities in the past are

ple dealt with injustice in the past are predictal with injustice in the past are particularly relevant today and need to continue to be told.

"The civil rights movement should never be forgotten, the gains

never forgotten and what still needs to be accomplished never forgotten," Lynch said. "It is important, because

Both events are open to the public and free of charge. The viewing of "Living the Story: The Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky" on Jan. 21 begins at 8 p.m.. While registration isn't required, Nunez said it is encouraged for the documentary viewing to get an idea of how many property to proceed to a report. To nesister for the ewing call (859) 572-6047.

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Senior accounting student Stephen Howard places his vote for Homecoming Court in the University Center lobby. The announced at half time of the men's basketball game on Saturday.

### **Undoing racism**

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progress with you," Carter said.

This is the second year that there has been no charge for students staff, or faculty to attend because NKU contributes money. STAR also uses some of their student orga-nizational funds to help cover the

cost of the workshop.

cost of the workshop.

Nunez said she hopes faculty will
encourage their students to attend.
"I really feel from my professional perspective that [the workshop] ves as a wonderful co-curricula ent for several courses,"

Nunez added they are getting calls

veryday from people who want to ttend this year's workshop. "People who have attended in the ast have signed up to come back," she said.

Attendance at the workshop is usually limited to about 50, but as many as 60 have attended in past

ate everyone," she said.

Nunez said she has heard only ositive comments about past work-

One reason we continue to do it se it is so well received," she aid the Undoing Racism workshop s really valued by the campus com-

"Our Undoing Racism worksh

might be the best thing we do on this campus," she said.

The workshop is open to both NKU and community members. inyone wanting to attend should all Nunez's office at 572-6388.

### Newsletter

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tor, and J. Michael Thompson, pro-fessor of political science, were responsible for getting the site and publication started.

The second issue, due to be published on Feb. 1, will cover issues of religion in the context of freedom.

Brockett said Mary Northington

of the Northern Kentucky African American Heritage Task Force will be submitting an article along with two to three other people yet to be

Brockett said the theme of religion and freedom is apropos in light of the upcoming Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. "Issues of non-violence and promotion of peace, that's what he was about as a minister," said Brockett. "I think that was the mission of freedom at that time.

Although responses to the articles cannot yet be made on the Web site, Brown said people can respond by email to the IFS at email to the freestudies.nku.edu

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