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# Follow-up revisits race issues

Issues raised from last month's discussion on race were once again thrown out into the open at a follow-up meeting in Norse



Commons last week. This time, President James Votruba and a cast of top administrators joined the audience. Representatives from seven committees

formed at the previous discussion brough formed at the previous trascussion. Another with them arguments and outlines of what they think the campus needs in order to build racial equality. What was meant to be a two-hour dialogue lasted a half hour longer than planned.

"Wake up," shouted Brandon Hill, a mem-

ber of the Afro-American Studies Major Committee. "The history of the African begins far hefore the first slave was captured." In his presentation, Hill referred to an insufficient amount of African-American courses at Northern Kentucky University in relation to institutions nationwide, such as Yale, Cornell and Duke. He also made more local comparisons. "The University of Clientiant potentially offers 28 courses of African-American Studies," he said. "It's a shame that we must fight to create more diversity on this campus." Hill was followed by speakers from other committees on topics such as classroom sensitivity, none-wife faculty recruitment, unity among organizations, and also topics concerning international students.

among organizations, and also topics concern-ing international students.
"For most of the semesters I have been the only minority as an Asian student in class," said Suharu Ogawa, vice president of International Student Affairs, and member of the Committee on the Inclusion of International Students.

Ogawa described her experience at NKU to be lonely due to a lack of communication. "I don't talk, and nobody talks to me," she said. "However, if I talk, then people look at me as

somewhat of a unique place in terms of diver-sity. "It's kind of an island, of a sort," said Dr. Jonathan Reynolds of the History and Dr. Johannan Reynolds of the History and Geography department, who also spoke on behalf of the committee. An education of the "wider world," he said, is one necessary step to decrease the division between international Other measures suggested by Reynolds included grants and financial aid specifically designed to bring in more international students, and faculty mentor programs to help the transition into American society.

The administrators were given a chance to reply to the broad list of issues addressed by the audience after each committee had made

its points.

Vice President of Academic Affairs and

Provost Rogers Redding said steps are being taken to create multiculturalism among faculty by having affirmative action committee members serve as a liaison to faculty search committees. "I think it will bely in understanding what the prospective faculty member's values are and what their commitment to 
multiculturalism is," he said.
In response to audience members' concern

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President James Votruba watches intently as the Race Dialogue follow-up unfolds before

# Arena funding discussed

By Jason R. Crisler

While the Republican and Democratic Parties bicker in Washington, D.C. over who the new president should be, the two parties have come together at Northern Kentucky University for a common goal.

Northern Kentucky University for a common goal.

On Monday, Nov. 13, Kentucky House Majority Caucus Chairman Jim Callahan (D-Wilder) and Kentucky State Rep. Jon Draud. (R-Crestview Hills) held a press conference discussing plans to obtain funding for an all-purpose special events center at NKU.

"Jon and I have taken this on in a "Jon and I have taken this on in a

bipartisan fashion to do what we feel is the best for the Northern Kentucky region," Callahan said.

There was also a group of local

on hand.
Callahan said that the Kentucky
Speaker of the House, Jody
Richards (D-Bowling Green), will
support the new arena. He said that
the state funding was very impor-

Recently Rep. Jon Draud and I met with Governor Patton to request his support for a Northern Kentucky special events center," Callahan said, "and while he didn't give a firm commitment, he said that if the community, not Northern Kentucky University, the communi-ty would rally behind the center and if a local match can be established he would entertain thoughts of mak-

es would be a major factor.

ing this a part of the 2002 Budget."

Both Callahan and Draud stressed that getting funds from local busi-

Draud said, "The timing is right We do need the cor

get involved."

Draud said he hoped the corpomillion towards the expected \$30-

40 million cost.

Callahan and Draud stressed that the arena isn't just for the use of NKU athletics. "It's important to NKU but for the entire Northern Kentucky community," Callahan said. Draud said he expected the

arena to house 90 to 150 events a year. Callahan said the community could expect to see lectures, con-certs, family and public shows, pro or exhibition sporting events and regional and national tournaments. "Wouldn't it be nice to host the national NCAA basketball title. See Special Events, Page 10

## RETHING, STATE REPERSENTATIVES, JUIL ALBIBHAR BLOWN DEFINITION OF A RESPONSABLE AT NEU. The potential for a new special events center to be located at NEU. The arena would be used for the entire Northern Kentucky area, and could potentially be used to host Olympic events if Cincinnati is awarded the 2012 Summer Olympics. Veterans' sacrifices remembered

Kentucky State Representatives Jim Callahan and Jon Draud discuss

on R. Crisler/The Northerner

By Jenny Plemen

On Friday November 10, Northern Kentucky University's Student Government Association hosted a Veteran's Day Memorial nosted a veteran's Day Memorian Celebration honoring American veterans and the 17 American sailors who were killed in Yemen aboard the U.S.S. Cole. The event took place at NKU's Steely Library Plaza and featured speak-Library Plaza and featured speak-ers Dr. Mark Shanley, Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management at NKU; Thomas Keller, President of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) of Northern Kentucky; and Democrat Congressman Ken

Lucas.

The Veteran's Day Memorial
Celebration began with a brief
history of Veteran's Day narrated
by Governmental Affairs
Committee Chairman Eugene
Norman and continued with an
overview of the U.S.S. Cole
tragedy narrated by SGA Senator
Jorge Marcano.
In his introduction to main

In his introduction to In his introduction to main speaker Thomas Keller, Dr. Mark Shanley said that he hoped that "Each of us finds ways of connecting with these aging veterans.

We need to hear and preserve the lessons on the cost of preserving freedom and the American way."

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The event continued with
Thomas Keller, who said, "A
theme that is very important to us
today is America's forgetfulness...[and] our nation's readiness ness...land] our nation's readiness to forget its war heroes...Veterans believed that their day of honor would never ever be forgotten. How easily the memory of immense sacrifice can just slip away. Even the memory of a war as recent as the Persian Gulf slips into the dark recesses of memory. And a year from now how. ry... And a year from now how many will give thought to the U.S.S. Cole?...We live in a nation in which people take their free-dom for granted as if liberty had not been purchased with the blood, the tears, the sweat, and the toil of our armed forces."

Following Keller's speech, the Xavier University Honor Guard participated in a plaque dedication to the 17 sailors of the U.S.S. Cole who were killed in Yemen.
Concluding the celebration,
Congressman Ken Lucas provided

a few closing comments.
"I realize being a member of
Congress that this nation's government is not keeping its contract

very aware that there is certainly a group of us who feel very strongly about that and we're hoping to do better than we have in the past because we're not living up to what we promised."

Lucas also addressed the lack of Lucas also addressed the lack of national enthusiasm among America's youth. "I [also] think our young folks are missing out on a sense of patriotism that a lot of those of us who are older have," he said, "Washington is a wonder-ful place to bring young folks so that they might get a sense of patriotism and to see the heroes that went before them, who sacrithat went before them, who sacri ficed their life and limb so that we might enjoy this freedom. So my plea to you is that of you have young folks who have never been to Washington, there's not a greater learning experience for them to get a sense of this nation's history so that they might be patriots as well."

The main message expressed at the Veteran's Day Memorial Celebration was that freedom is not free and that Americans must not forget the sacrifices made by the men and women in the armed forces, so that they might enjoy



Dan Mecher/The Northerner rers left at the Veteran's Day Ceremony held at NKU's

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#### Honoring our Fallen Heroes



nt Clinton was at Arlington National Cemetery Saturday to dedicate a wreath at the Tomb Unknowns in honor of those who died in service of the country for Veteran's Day.

## Landrum conundrum solved

By Cheryl Ritchie

Between the different wiring ar no equipment available for the newly constructed rooms, the qual-ity of learning in Landrum has been set back.

The new rooms in Landrum were re-wired, thus causing the original recording equipment to be incom-patible with the new wiring and outlets. The television and VCR equipment couldn't be installed back into the walls because they were constructed differently. By all the confusion and unexpected flaws in the wiring and construc-tion of the Landrum rooms, faculty and students have dealt with no quipment all semester.
Dr. Russell F. Proctor II of the

partment of cor munication said. "This is affecting all learning at the university. We are in classrooms now without VCRs and recording

equipment."

Proctor did say he appreciated the new classroor

The nightmare will soon be over.
The same televisions and VCR
units will be installed through the ceilings. New state-of-the-art digital, portable recording equipment has been ordered. The provost has some funding available to help advance the equipment in

Landrum.

Gary L. Pratt, Associate Provost for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer, said, 'Information Technology was not volved in any part of that renova-on, other than ensuring that the existing computer network wiring was in place. We were all involved in the data network wiring."

Pratt said they weren't involved in the original installation or the

Other scheduled changes in the installation of, what Pratt called, "smart classrooms." They will include a ceiling presentation system, speaker sound enhance ment, computer workstations, and Ment, computer workstations, and VCRs permanently installed in each classroom. each classroom. A student technology fee will be used to help pay for the project. The first nine rooms will be installed in December.

"I'm hoping to get outside fund-ng to boost that," Pratt said.

The question of which rooms will be first in remodeling is being determined right now. A few of the rooms in Landrum are being recommended. By August, 18 rooms should be completed. Smart class-rooms will eventually be implemented throughout the entire

Pratt said he is excited and looking forward to having the project

# One of DPS' problems: 'sloppy bookkeeping'

The Council on Post-Secondary ducation (CPE) will meet Nov. 21 to begin Education (CPE) will meet Nov. 21 to begin finalizing regulations on compliance with the Michael Minger Act, according to Kentucky Representative Jim Wayne (D).

Wayne, who wrote the Michael Minger Act which requires universities to report all campus crime within 24 hours, said the reg-ulations will be completed by mid-December and will be distributed to all pub lic and private universities in the state of Kentucky. He said once the regulations are finalized, they will be enforced immediate-

Wayne was shown a videotape of DPS Director Don McKenzie informing the Channel 9 I-Team they could not see cam-pus crime reports that were under investiga-

Wayne told The Northerner that based on the contents of the videotape, the Department of Public Safety at Northern Kentucky University are not currently meet ing these regulations. He said one of DPS'

currently complying with the Michael Minger Act and the Campus Security Act of

Wayne said DPS might have been at a wayne sale DF3 high lave been at a possibility they did not understand the law and how to comply with it. He said the regulations being drafted by the CPE will help clarify what DPS and other campus police organi-zations are required to do.

Wayne said that with this law, campus police organizations are not going to be able

police organizations are not going to be able to under-report campus crime to make the university's image look better.

"They're going to have to be a lot more honest about everything that occurs in their department." Wayne said.

Wayne said that if an university does not

comply they will be penalized with a fine of \$500-\$1500 and the possible 30- day imprisonment of an university official. He said the person imprisoned could possibly be the president of the university. be the president of the university.

Wayne said the goal is just to get the uni-

versities to comply.

"We don't want anyone to go to jail," he

Wayne said the law means the campus police must make the crime reports avail-

in 24 hours of the report.

DPS officer Natalie Jackson told *The Northerner* in the Feb. 21 issue that it genrally takes one to three days for a report to e put in the logbook because all reports nust be approved first. She said the longes turnover occurs on the weekend, because

most supervisors only work weekdays.

In that same issue, *The Northerner* also reported that 13 of the 46 reports during the month of December, 1999, and seven of the 55 reports dated Jan. 1 to Feb. 1 were miss-

At press time, all incidents between September and November were reported, september and vocationer were reported, including incident reports that occurred less than 24 hours prior. Incidents prior to September were not in the logbook. In accordance to the Michael Minger Act, the crime log is available on the DPS web-

site. The on-line crime log dates back to

rding to KRS 164.9481, the camp crime log must contain the category of crime, the description of the incident, date, me, and general location of each crime and

tion by another state agency.

Wayne said he is not concerned with the reporting of names because it could incrim-

reporting or names because it could incriminate the suspect and put the person who reported the crime at risk.

We're not after names. We're not after making someone guilty if they are not guilty," he said.

Although DPS has reported and logged all recent incidents, they do not always include all of the required information.

One example is a Sept. 25 incident report of harassing communication involving tele-phone harassment of a Residential Assistant and subsequent telephone harassment of other residents in her hall. The DPS report in the log book had the name of the d to this information immediately following

to this information liminediately following the report. Sergeant Schweitzer, DPS investigator, refused to divulge this information, citing the case was under investigation. Wayne said it's not enough to say it hap-pened in the Residential Village. He said the

the location needs to be more specific than

police may withhold information: the release of information would cause a sus-pect to flee or evade detection, would result in the destruction of evidence, or is prohib-

ited by law.

In addition to reporting crime, the Michael Minger Act also dictates that all post-secondary education institutions make timely reports on campus crime. NKU publishes its campus crime report annually and the most recent edition was released this semester. However, the report was pulled only days after it was released.

'Some information in that report was no

accurate," said Mike Baker, NKU vice-president of administration and finance.

Baker said there was some confusion in that report. He said a new report is available at the DPS website which contains accurate

information.

The Nov. 3 report of the Channel 9 I-Team questioned the accuracy in the of NKU Campus Crime Report. The I-Team segment stated Residential Life's Area Director Jerry Wallace reported far more

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# Grant brings Youth Sports Program to NKU

With a \$95,000 grant from the National Collegiate Association of America, Northern Kentucky University is teaching kids how to swim. The Summer 2001 Youth Sports

Program (YSP) will bring children from ages 10-16 to NKU for five weeks of instructional training in a number of sports, including golf, tennis and swimming, among other

ming, among others.

According to Associate Vice President of
Enrollment Management Greg Stewart, the
amount being received is the maximum
award the NCAA provides for the pro-

gram. The grant also singles out NKU as the only recipient of NCAA funding for the YSP throughout several counties.

particular field, Stewart explained. Besides an emphasis on swimming, students will be trained in self-defense, soccer and soft-

"It entitles us to recruit from Campbell ball.

Stewart explained the "I think they saw the credibility said, par format of the program on this campus, and what we're able to do here." -Edwinna Meister

hired with the grant money to teach their

Professionals from each sport will be

- receive commute every day, but we will provide children with transportation if needed," he and drug-use prevention. "The goal of the program is to promote healthy lifestyles

and expose them to what higher education can do for them.

tary for associate VP enrollment manage-ment, has worked in the office since the end of August. In her first grant project, she worked with Stewart in requesting the grant for the YSP. "I think it's awesome," she said. "It's an opportunity to help out some kids who probably could use some

some kids who probably could use some helping out."

According to the YSP application, family income is a consideration for those who are accepted. The program's Web Site (www.ncaa.org) describes itself as "an uttempt to provide an equal opportunity of friendships and summer experiences for children of low-income families." It also indicates a requirement that 90% of the

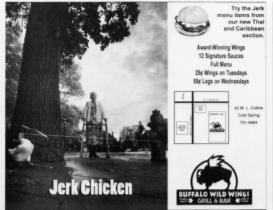
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As of January 2000, the number of p. ticipants in the program nationwide had reached 69,546, according to NCAA statis-tics. In addition, over 5,000 jobs for pro-fessionals, assistants and other staff had been created for the YSP.

The original request, according to Meister, was for \$45,000 for only one year. She said the amount NKU received will

"I think they saw the credibility on this campus, and what we're able to do here," she said.

The YSP at NKU begins on June 11,



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## A face-lift not in NKU's future

This is the first in a series of three stories that focuses on the MasterPlan Developments.

A concrete oasis of architecture has surrounded the stu-dents of Northern Kentucky University for more than three decades. According to Director of Campus Planning Mary Paula Schuh, few stylistic changes are in store for future

"Whether you like concrete or not, you have to give credit to all the people through the years who have been involved in these projects for the consistency," said Schuh. "The consistency has strength."

onsistency has strength:

The NKU Master Plan, recently devised by the campus
ommunity and various design teams, suggests that new
uilding façades should reflect a similar cellular and recti-

linear design as the buildings which already stand. Some changes are scheduled, however, to provide a higher degree of structural transparency and warmth toward students. Large windows, according to the plan, will be one measure taken to create the new atmosphere.

Schuh said the new Natural Science building, when

Soluh said the new Natural Science building, when completed, will give a glimpse at the new architectural path campus planners came up with. "The concrete you see out here now is pertay much all you're going to see," she said. Insulated metal panels will be one of the new features on the structure. "They provide greater energy efficiency and take up less space than an insulated concrete wall, and it's a little bit cheaper," Schuh explained. "Time will tell if that's a good decision or not."

The windows of the new science building will also be a noticeable change, according to Schuh. "Were going with care glass, as opposed to dark glass," she said This will be a change from the opaque windows used all over the campus proposed to the state of the said of the campus proposed to the said.

It us specifications to building style is referred to by Schuh and the master plan as "Brutalism". Typical characteristics of "Brutalism". Typical characteristics of "Brutal" structures described in the plan include surfaces with the natural color of the material, as well as a dominant geometrical world.

According to "Brutalistic" method, a According to "Brutalistic" method, a building's design should reflect a clear expression of its purpose. "It's one aspect of it I find interesting." Schuh said, "that you can look at a building, and by the outside, you can have some sense of what's going on

imiste."

Six of the bruildings standing at NKU wore designed by architect Addison Clipson. About thirty years ago, his firm began the original planning of the university. "They handed us 250 a serves of field and said, "but the campus there;" Clipson explained. Some of his projects included Num B. Hall, The Fine Arts Center, Steely Library and the Lucas Administrative Center.

Arts Center, Steety Library and the Lucas Administrative Center. Some parts of his plans were never under-taken because of a lack of funding from leg-islature. The underground tunnel was origi-nally meant to connect every building on the campus. Clipson said the purpose of the tun-nel was for students to use to stay out of the

nel was for students to use to stay out of the rain when going to class. Thirty years later, the incompleted tunnel is now a supplies' delivery channel.

"I don't design buildings in any particular style per se," he said in response to his NKU architecture being labeled as "Brutalistic," Clipson said numerous factors were weighed

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A slab of concrete garbage

was found turned over by D.P.S. unknown subjects in parking lot V. The slab weighed between 300 and 400 lbs. and cracks were

An Northern Kentucky University employee was hit by an electrical cart while it was being operated in the tunnel. was being repaired at the time of the accident. The

A female complained that pornographic material was downloaded on a NKU office computer. The sub-ject who downloaded the offensive items remains

employee was not injured and refused medical atten-

found in it.

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A female living in Commonwealth dorm reported that she was assaulted by another female Nov. 4.

Eight subjects were found drinking beer in a room in Sycamore apartments. The beer was confiscated and destroyed. The subjects will be disciplined by Residential

A male was told to stay away from campus to avoid arrest for a possible stalking. The male is not an NKU student and has been involved in a

A male student was found not breathing in his room at Kentucky Hall. An offi-cer was dispatched to the room to apply C.P.R. The subject was revived and oxygen was administered. The student was transported to to St. Luke East Hospital for treatment.

A burglary occurred on the 4th floor of the Natural Science Building. A McIntosh Apple Powerbook 1400CS Powerbook 1400CS Laptop Computer was found missing. The computer was last seen Sept. 1 and has a serial number of QF7251TPAQK and an NKU property tag of #47363.

#### Ask not what your country can do for you



# Norators finish third

By Dr. Robert T. Jones

If you panic at the thought of public speaking, imagine the cadre of Northern Kentucky University students who do it for fun and prizes. NKU's Speech team, The Norators, has once again distinguished itself

in intercollegiate competition.

The seven-member team took the third-place Sweepstakes [university division] award at the Barbeque Capital of the World Invitational Tournament held at Owensboro (KY.) Community College Nov. 4, 2000. This was an improvement from the team's fourth-place finish in 1999.

Individual speaking awards included: Sue Banuelos, who captured first place in Poetry Interpretation and was a finalist in Programmed Oral Interpretation, Emily Votruba took second place in Programmed Oral Interpretation, team captain Michael Monks received third place in Impromptu Counseling and fin-ished sixth in Pentathlon (five or more events entered); Charles Seger was a finalist in both Persuasive Speaking and Duo Interpretation (with partner Melissa Hayes); Melissa Hayes was a finalist in Duo Interpretation (with partner Charles

Seger) and garnered seventh place in Pentathlon; Angela Kroger captured eight place in Pentathlon. Four of the seven team members have qualified to compete in the National Forensics Association tournament to be held in mid-April at Western Kentucky University. They are Sue Banuelos (Poetry), Melissa Hayes (Duo), Charles Seger (Duo and Persuasion), and Alex Valle (Novice Impromptu) who qualified at WKU's tournament in

If you enjoy speaking and/or debat ing in front of others, and have a flair for the dramatic, consider joining the Norators, an activity of Department Communication. You may contact Dr. Bob Jones, Director of forensics, in Landrum 100A or by e-mail at onesro@nku.edu, or team president Michael Monks in Landrum 100.

The Norators particularly need individuals who are interested in Lincoln-Douglas (LD) Debate, oral interpretation, and public speaking events. You will find a complete lis ing of the interpretative and public speaking events in which the team at www.nku.edu/~foren



am, are as follows: Back row (I-r): Dr. Bob Jones-Director of Forensics, Jocardo Ralstot Melissa Hayes. Center: Sue Banuelos, Alex Valle, Emily Votruba, Pam Tyahur-Assistar The team placed third at the Barbeque Capital of the World Invitational at Owensboro

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## NKU professor Jon Draud elected to **Kentucky House of Representatives**

The 63rd district of Kentucky re-elected Republican Jon Draud to

The 63rd district of Remucky re-elected repulsional John Draws with Kenfucky House of Representatives.

The 63rd district includes eight cities in Kenton County along Dixie Highway, such as Pt. Mitchell and Villa Hills. Draud beat Pt. Mitchell City Council member and former Chase Law School student Jeb Holbrook. Draud received more than 13,000 votes and Holbrook

Holbrook. Draud received more than 13,000 votes and Holbrook received less than 4,000.

One of the major goals for his second term is to secure funding for a special events center at NKU that would seat 8,000 to 10,000. Treally think it's unfair that we're the only place in the state that doesn't have a nice place," he said.

Draud, director of School/University Partnerships at Northern Kentucky University, and he based his interests in going to Frankfort on education. He began teaching in 1960. He also was the superintendent of Ludlow Independent School District for 19 years. After resigning from his position as superintendent Draud came to NKU as seen. ing from his position as superintendent, Draud came to NKU as a ciate professor of education.

Draud, a Northern Kentucky native, was elected to his first term as Kentucky State Legislature in 1998. During his first term, fellow leg-islators, media and lobbyists ranked Draud second among 14 Northern

centucky legislators.

Draud said his most important role during the 2000 General Assembly was serving as the vice chair of the education committee. He also served on the licensing and occupation committee and the ocal government committee. Draud was also the only Northern Kentucky legislator to be appointed to the Teacher Quality Task Force

Draud said he voted for the Governor's Budget for Education, which

the years," he said. Draud said his role was internal, but it was a team effort that President Votruba; Joe Wind, assistant vice president of community and government relations; and NKU students contributed

"You have to have a lot of people working together to accor-

something like that. Usually the other universities have more influence than we do and we don't get our fair share of funds," he said.

"It was a very great year for NKU with the legislature," he added. Draud helped pass Holson Bill 25, which helps teachers get training from the National Professional Teachers Standards Board. There were about 37 teachers in Kentucky who had this certification before the bill as passed. Eighty teachers are expected to complete the training this

was passed. Eighly teachers are expected to complete the training this year. Draud said:
Draud said he also sponsored the Criminal Records Check for Volunteers to help ensure safety in schools. Prior to this bill, schools were only required to check the criminal records of employees. Kentucky now requires checks for all volunteers, including student teachers. Draud said he was encouraged to sponsor this bill when a Northern Kentucky school district discovered a potential volunteer was guilty of child molestation.

and said he was able to get House Bill 178 passed. This bill pro vided a couple hundred thousand dollars to implement an early math diagnostic test for sophomores and juniors in high schools across the state. The voluntary test, which will be administered through the Internet, will be available soon, Draud said.

The idea is to get you warned early that if you don't shape up, when you go to college, you're going to have to spend a bunch of money

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onian Museum of American History, this statue of George Located in the Smiths Washington's head on Zeus' body is where both curr heads to be.

## A legacy of protest



The Greensboro, N.C., Woolworth lunch counter where four North Carolina A&T students held a sit-in in protest of the white-sonly rule the restaurant had. This exhibit is on display at The Smithsonian Museum of American History in Washington, D. 6.

# To the Editor: In defense of the Electoral College

of banan epublicanism and impend-ing Armageddon are greatly exaggerat-ed. Despite the sensationalist media's proclamations of a "constitutional criproclamations of a constitutional en-sis," we are, in fact, politically solvent. Of course I yearn to know the identity of our next president; however, I recog-nize the inherent wisdom of our Founding Fathers and defer to their foresight as enshrined in the U.S. Constitution, including the derided Electoral College. Why? Shouldn't our instant

why? shouldn't our instantaneous communication systems and techno-logically superior computers warrant the direct election of our presidents? the direct election of our presidents: Isn't (God strike my lips) Senator-elect Hillary Clinton correct? My answer is a resounding "No." For better or for worse (depending on your ideology), the Electoral College is the backbone of our two-party system. Thoughts and advocacies are channeled through each

upon which the stability of our govern-ment has rested for 200-plus years. Vote by plurality is the surest way to plunge into the depths of multiparty plunge into the depths of multiparty and/or regional factionalism. Imagine four candidates for president: one receives 28 percent of the vote, two receives 25 percent each, and a fourth receives 22 percent. Direct election has just given us a President against whom 75 percent of the population voted.

75 percent of the population voted.

One may counter, "Why not elect directly with stipulations that the winner receives a majority, or 50 percent plus 1?" Apply this argument to our current election and its erroneous precepts are obvious. As of the latest count, neither George W. Bush nor Al Gore received a majority of the popular vote. A runoff election would, there-fore, be mandated, leaving open the likelihood of volatile coalition ment as witnessed in Israel, Britain

quences.

The Electoral College works for America. The current election not withstanding, the Electoral College and the popular vote have matched 94 percent of the time. Only thrice (so far) have candidates won the popular vote cent of the time. Only three (so far) have candidates won the popular vote and lost the Electoral College, and two of these three (Andrew Jackson and Grover Cleveland) proved victorious in the following lection. The Electoral College guarantees a role in the presidential election for all states, not just dential election for all states, not just dential election for all states, not part of the property of the control of the property of the prope

Brian K. Powell is a senior history

# Election recounts not needed

By Jason R. Crisler

Let it go. Admit defeat. The Democratic arty wants desperately to unseat Gov. George W. Bush from his rightful place as president.

Never mind that Bush won Florida, and

thus the election on Nov. 7.

Just ignore the fact that after two recounts, called for by the Democratic Party, Bush was of Florida as of Nov. 12.

Now Vice President Al Gore and company

want a manual recount. They won't be satis-fied until Gore is declared winner by any

The Dems claim that the ballot, which they agreed to use, in Palm Beach, Fla. was

papers for people to see before ever stepping

nto a booth on Tue., Nov. 7 was unfair. Bull.

If you're in too much of a hurry to look at ho you're voting for, then you cannot complain if your vote is wrong. I understand that a good number of the voting public in Palm

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The ballot was designed the way it was that senior citizens with poor sight would be able to see the names easier. Oh, and there were black arrows showing the voter exactly

senior citizens in Palm Beach into voting for Pat Buchanan. People rushed in the booths

and are not willing to admit it. They'd rather tricked. Sounds like Democratic cries for help to

me. "It is not my fault. Let's let the government fix my mistakes

Life isn't always fair.
The democrats will whine and moan that the election was fixed until Gore wins. The only way that will happen is if all of the votes given to Buchanan on the "confusing" ballot are given to Gore. That isn't the

answer either.

Was it fair that Gore was declared the v ner in Florida before a single absentee ballot

number of people didn't vote because they believed their vote didn't count because of this? No. Keep everything the way it is. Only

thing needs to be changed and that is that people should take more time looking at who they are voting for and maybe, gosh I don't know, taking a look at the ballot ahead of

Keep the votes the way they are. Count the beentee votes, which should widen the gap between the two anyway, considering m are expected to be for Bush, and elect a new

As the saying goes, third time is the harm. Well, Bush won by 288 on the third

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By Rick Amburgey

The the Channel 9 I-Team's Nov

University is an example of "true" journalism, I'm changing my major. Every class I have ever been in has driven home the importance of being fair and accurate when doing a

I have taken pride in the endless hours I have spent in the endiess hours I have spent in the office of The Northerner making sure every detail of my story was accurate and

detail of my story was accurate and all sides were fairly represented. It seemed obvious to me that the I-Team had already determined the angle of their story before they start-ed interviewing. Many of the ques-tions asked were leading and the only quotes in NKU's favor made those stating them look like burn-bling idiots.

bling idiots.
If they wanted to make NKU look
bad, they succeeded.
Having been a part of The
Northerner staff for nearly two
years, I have had the pleasure with
talking with the university officials
that the I-Team interviewed many

At no time have these people, including DPS Director Don McKenzie, and Mike Baker, vice-president of administration and finance, seemed even remotely idiotic or incompetent.

Another problem I had with the report was the absence of essential information. The report on Nov. 3 that Residential Life's Hall Dive. 3 that Residential Life's Hall Dive. 3 han NKU officials. At first glance, this insinuates NKU is covering up crime.

However, after I did more research I found that insinuation research 1 found that insinuation may not be entirely accurate. Baker told me that Wallace reports campus crime per academic year, while NKU reports campus crime per calendar year. This was an essential piece of information I would have included. However, the 1-Team disregarded it.

I spoke with Kara Clark, pro of student government, and she told me she did a lengthy interview with the I-Team. However, none of the interview was included in the story. The only mention of the student government president was made at the end of the Nov. 3 segment. I disapprove of the way the I-



Team did the story, but I do not dis-approve of the story itself. Journalists have the responsibility to fairly and accurately report a story,

If what the I-Team alleges is true. If what the I-learn alleges is true, there is a definite need for the infor-mation to be made public. However, it takes time and a lot of hard work to produce a comprehensive, unbi-

If the I-Team wants to continue to do stories like this one, more power to them. Maybe they would fit in better at a tabloid such as the National Enquirer

journalists, they need to have a little more practice. Perhaps all they real-ly need is to spend some time in journalism boot camp, otherwise known as the office of The

## What some students think about the online-registration

By James Proffitt

Registering online is like looking at your grandmother in a string bikini:

You don't want to, but you have to."

The aforementioned thoughts of junior Bill MacFarland reflect the thoughts of many students at Northern Kentucky University. For the first

required to do so. While the notion was thought to have more advantages than disadvantages when adopted, many students have learned first-hand that the system is far from flawless. "I was held out, and I didn't know why," said sophomore Kevin Warwick

He later learned that he had a block due to fuition payments. "My advisor did not tell me. I missed out on two classes that I wanted because of that."

Sophomore Nick McIver also had problems with on-line registration. "It

wouldn't let me on for 45 minutes, and since it was a Saturday, there was no one in the office to help me."

Although many have had bad experiences with online registration, there

e those who had very good experiences. Junior Sabrina Faust said "Ldjdn't have a problem with it. It took me two minutes to do, and I was fine

Senior Jeff Matisoff said that the online registering itself was great. He did claim to have some difficulties getting to that point however. "(Online reg-istration) was really convenient and easy. There was some weird stuff with the pink slips, but other than that, it was really good. If you could just turn (the slips) in earlier, it'd be fine."

Junior Jorge Valencia said, "I thought it was great. It took, like, a minute."

Senior Eric Croxton shared his sentiments, saying registration was "fast, efficient, and quick."

The same thoughts came from sophomore Amber Miller. "For me, it went

really good. It took about five see r Kiley Craigmyle, who claimed to have a good experience with the advantage is you don't have to wait in line. The disadvantage is if yo ave computer access, and you can't get to campus, then you're out of luck.'

Aside from the ease or difficulty of signing up for classes, there are othe

factors to consider when voicing an opinion on it. MacFarland said that he was disappointed with online registration somewhat just because it was another example of computers reducing human interaction. One flip side to that is class attendance may be somewhat better on registration days, as stu dents would often skip class in order to register at the first available oppor



## What do you think about the 2000 presidential elections?

"I am Republican. I think its a shame Florida has had such a problem with figur-ing out how the ballots should be."



"I hope George Bush wins. I think its ridiculous that its taken this long to get the absentee ballots in, because with modern technology, they should get them from

Angelica Gail Social Work

esident because I think he ould be the better man for job because he would ver more issues."













Emily McClain Dillsboro, In.

"If George Bush becomes president - I would cry because this election is for the future of my parents and my children."



"It seems a bit out of hand. Its history in the making, we'll never have another election quite like it."



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# International Student Union sponsors vendors with wares from Asia

By Dan Mecher

Music from a portable stereo gently filled the air at the University Center lobby last week as two familiar faces provided stu-dents with a selection of Asian clothing, jewelry and crafts.

Saffron and Eric, as they prefer to be called, have occasionally visited Northern Kentucky University over the past five years.

The items they bring to sell come various countries of world's largest continent, includ-

ing Thailand and India.

All of their merchandise is obtained by traveling internationally, Saffron said. "We've been to Asia eight times collecting," she

A rainbow of color hung from the racks assembled in front of them, where decorated garments were displayed. On the tables laid

Sattron and Eric take their busi-ness to schools in Kentucky and to small Ohio schools such as Morehead, Northern Ohio College and Eastern Ohio College. Their travels were not always business related, however, according to Saffron.

"After traveling for two years, we decided to expe

ternational Organization, which keeps a per-centage of the sales made at NKU. "We're sponsored by an organization of each school we visit," Saffron explained.
Originally from Aimesville,

Ohio, Saffron was not always on the road. "In my former life," she

shimmering bracelets, necklaces and rings for students to choose from.

Saffron and Eric take their busi-

Dan Mecher/The Northernes Items from distant lands for sale at NKU.

said, joking, "I was a psychotherapist." Although the duo declined The duo stayed at NKU the

# Miss Black & Gold to be chosen Nov. 18

By Barbara Brow

your heels, and strut your stuff for the 6th annual Miss Black and Gold Pageant. Alpha Phi Alpha has hosted the pageant on the Northern Kentucky University campus since 1994.

The pageant is a nationally-based competition that illustrates young African-American women's pride and beauty

on Nov. 18, 10 NKU hopefuls will be competing for a scholarship, prizes and a chance to compete in the national pageant in Washington, D.C.

The talent portion of the show is the most critical. The contestants must show creativity in playing a

musical instrument, singing, dancing and reading poetry by renowned African-American authors and

testants as they walk the runway in casual, formal and business attire.

All contestants must be an NKU student and maintain a 2.5 grade point average.

The grand prize is a trophy and a \$250 book schol-

The winner will compete in the district pageant, and could compete in the state-wide pageant, and then to nationals.

Quentin Williams, the director for two years, has een the number of contestants increase in past years Williams said he hopes the pageant will attract more young African-American women in the future

The pageant will be held at Greaves Auditorium on Saturday, Nov. 18, at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$7, and Williams at (859) 572-7772.

## Pete's Poetry Corner

#### Death becomes

Slowly, surely, effortlessly Without fail Sanity flees
Like the wayward wind
The seam of my psyche splits

Leaving the gaping wound The mind butter Seeping, dripping, running Long time coming

Once to be free

Squeezing every last ounce Leaving a shattered soul in its place What once was a mountain of stability Is now a dried, empty carcass

With open arms Hoping, praying for the tide to turn But none to come No rest for the weary No respite for the drained No fuel for the fire

By Peter W. Zubaty

#### Wishing, praying

Losers weep My soul to keep From crying once And look inside Myself to make me strong
But all I find
Deep in this mind Are cheesy, cruddy songs I'd like to know Without a sound That you're what makes me whole

By Peter W. Zubaty

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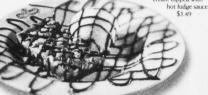
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# The Conspiracy: the final chapter

About three weeks ago, the F.M.F.R.Mc.D. made a promise to take definitive action in its crusade. Up until a few days ago, we had no idea what the action would be, and only inklings as to what the cause of the rebellion was. We needed more because of the rebellion was. hints. On Monday morning, we got

one.

Taped to the door of The
Northerner office was a note that
read, "Get ready. This week is the
week." The letter was signed with
the organization's letters, and they
were written on a napkin in yellow

I had no idea what to do. I didn't what the F.M.F.R.Mc.D. w know what the F.M.F.R.Mc.D. was up to, but my gut told me that it was up to, but my gut root me that it was trouble. After hours of fruitless research, I decided to call in some reinforcements. A couple of guys who had experience with cracking conspiracies. A couple of guys I knew could solve this mystery. A

couple of good, close personal, long-time friends of mine.

I know them as my Parcheesi buddies. You would know them as Woodward and Bernstein, the famed reporters who cracked the Watergate scandal, which led to the resignation

of former president, Richard Nixon Monday afternoon around 4:30, I began making phone calls. Luck was working for me, as I found it unusually easy to get a hold of both of them. Unfortunately, their sched-

Woody and Bern they are sharing people. Both people. Both reporters have an understudy. When I asked to borrow them.

were happy to grant

Woody and Bern

morning, I arrived at the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky air-port to pick up the proteges. I met Woody's understudy in terminal 133 at 9:30, and I met Bern's in terminal 211 at 9:45. They introduced them-selves as Billword and Nickstein, and immediately wanted all the information I had on the subject. After reviewing it all, they said they'd be in touch, and left in their

heard anything from them. On



stopped by the office with the evidence and a written report of what had happened. Here is a excerpt of

the report they gave me.

It didn't take us long to figure out It didn't take us long to figure out what the organization's beef was. We made several phone calls, and after a while, established contact with an inside source. The source requested anonymity so let's call them "Sore Throat." The source advised us to check the English department, and compare action

tion, we waited patiently in the patiently in the bushes all day until we saw him leave. We followed him to his

F.M.F.R.Mc.D.

denied any partici

folder in his car, got in, and drove

After he did, we noticed a paper on the ground that had fallen out of the folder. The top said Faculty McDonald's (FM FR Mc D) It also

One was women's basketball

written by her name. The list also featured theatre chairman Joseph

featured theatre chairman Joseph Conger (with \$4.49 written by his name) and Danny Miller himself (who had a \$3.49 by his name). The fourth name, who was listed as F.M.F.R.Mc.D. chair, was the presi-dent of this university, Dr. James

decided he would be the person to get answers from. Wednesday morn-ing we followed him all day, and nothing happened.

On Thursday morning, we waited outside the Administration building for Votruba to come in. After more than an hour, we decided to search elsewhere. We made another phone call to "Sore Throat," who told us that the organization's plan was not that the organization's plan was not a violent one. They were planning on using ghostly tactics. I pressed Sore Throat for more information, but S.T. assured me that was all they had. S.T. did refer me to another source however. Let's call this one Deep Dish.

ep Dish told us that Votruba and the gang was planning on hang-ing McDonald's signs and wrappers ing incomina s signs and wrappers all over the dining area of our campus' Chik-Fil-A and Burger King. Deep Dish told us that the event was going to happen at Midnight of that very night. We decided to head back of the University Center. He was

kings while ripping up a copy The Northerner.

We gathered our evidence, and met outside the University Center on Wednesday night at 11:30. Votruba was already there talking

on a cellphone.

Billword and Nickstein go on to write about the events of that night, write about the events of that night, asaying they confronted Vortuba with the evidence immediately following his cell phone conversation. After seeing the evidence they had compiled, President Votruba made a final call on his cellphone. and Nickstein and said "All we wanted to do was bring McDonald's dling reporters.

Thursday morning President Votruba held a historic press confer-ence where, for the first time, he publicly welcomed Burger King and publicly wetcomed Burger King and Chik-Fil-A to our campus. He apol-ogized for his and his colleagues actions in the conspiracy, and said that they would drop their protest. When asked why he wasn't in costume, as his cohorts were, the

president responded by saying, "I'm not a look. I am who I am."

Following the press conference, President Votruba went into our ous' Burger King to get a

know, this actually isn't half bad.

Campus Calendar

Wednesday, Nov. 15:

 Student Life: Money for student groups. 12:00 p.m. UC 116
 SGA Elections 3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. UC 108. Committee meeting to follow.

- Kaffeeklatsch German Coffee Hour. 2:00 p.m. LA 531. SGA Elections 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. UC 108. Committee me

Feminists at Northern: Potluck Dinner. 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. UC TV Lounge

By Drew Hester

Department of Theatre will be per-forming the Shakespearean classic, A Midsummer's Night Dream, but director Ken Jones said it's not your typical

The performance follows the true theme of the Shakespearean play, but there are some distinct differences in set design, casting and location. The play is set in the late 1800s in Africa instead of the original location of

Jones said, "I tell my students to for-get what they know because when I put on a show, the world I create is dif-ferent."

nes has been a theatre professor at NKU for nearly 13 years and has either directed, acted in, or written nearly 20 plays for the theatre depart-

lickering, humorous situations and dancing fairies. The focus is on four lovers: Hermia, Helena, Demetrius, and Lyslander, and the whimsical con-fusion that befalls them at the hand of

mischievous fairy, Puck.

The four lovers take to the woods in earch of each other for various omantic reasons and find mayhem nstead. King Oberon and Queen Titania of the fairies are not faring well together, so the King tells his fairy ser make her fall in love with the first reson she lays eyes on. Unfortunately

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# NKU Skeet and Trap team off and running

Northern Kentucky University formed Skeet and Organized in late October, the Skeet and Trap team is led by President

pated in its first shoot Nov. 4 and 5 at the Indiana Gun Club in Indianapolis. Eleven schools com-

University, the University of Kentucky, West Point Academy, the Naval Academy and Indiana

University NKU placed well at the tournament of more than 85 shooters. Team member Daniel Rice placed in the top 10 in the International Skeet Event. Kiser placed hird in both the

American Skeet Events Each member of the team shot more than 450 rounds of ammuni-

shoot.

The Skeet and Trap team is a non-funded university team, unlike most of the other teams at the tournament. "The team wasn't very well prepared for the appreciated to help NKU bec

n the same level as other schools." The Skeet and Trap team is always accepting new For more information or to make a donation, contact Chet Kiser at 859-485-7804, or the team web-

http://communities.msn.com/nkus



The NKU Skeet and Trap team consists of seven members: (from left to right) Daniel Rice, Chet Kiser, Amanda Schoburg, Jeff Goshorn, Matt Moher, Esther Baker and Jacol Coulter.

## On the road with 'This Week in NKU Sports': Disney Tip-Off Classic

The NKU men's basketball team The Norse took on Bentley pened up its season at the Disney (Mass.) College in the semifinals of opened up its season at the Disney Tip-Off Classic this past weekend at the Wide World of Sports Fieldhouse

the Wide World of Sports Fieldhouse in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. The Norse started out playing Wayne State (Neb.) College on Friday. In a close game, NKU defeated Wayne State by a score of

Junior Carl Mitchell scored 19 oints and contributed nine rebounds for the Norse in the win. Also, junior

Senior Todd Clark and Jeff College McKinley each added 11 points to help lead the victory for NKU, which shot 53 percent from the field

tournament on Saturday. Mitchell again was the big ma pouring in 12 points and six rebounds as NKU won the game 70-

Sophomore Brenden Stowers came off the bench to score 11 points. Senior Adam Norwell and Sanders both finished with 10 points in the game for the Norse.

The championship game finished the tournament Sunday as NKU matched up against Rollins (Fla.)

In the most lopsided game of the urnament, the Norse trampled Rollins by a score of 64-43.

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championship game, coming up with 16 points and seven rebounds to lead the way for NKU.

Mitchell contributed 14 points and even rebounds in the win. He was named the Most Valuable Player of

Stowers also earned All-Tournament honors for the Norse. NKU, ranked sixth in the NCAA

0 on the year. 0 on the year.

The team will next participate in another tournament this weekend.

The Norse will play Indianasoutheast in the John L.

Griffin/Lions Club Classic at Regents Hall Friday at 7:45 p.m.

## The Northerner Athletes of the Week



Right: Sara Taylor m All-GLVC for the NKI team All-GLVC for the NK volleyball team. She had 20 defensive digs this past wer in the GLVC Tournament.

Left: Carl Mitchell Mitchell was named M the Disney Tip-Off Cla this past weekend. He a aged 15 points a game three-day tournament.



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2000 All-GLVC Volleyball Team

Tami Isch, IUPU-Ft. Wayne, Setter Bobbi Casey, NKU, Setter Jessica Buroker, NKU, Middle Hitter

Sarah Beebe, Lewis, Middle Hitter Laura Douglas, IUPU-Ft, Wayne, Outside Hitter Bethany Gastright, NKU, Outside Hitter Shannon Wells, Southern Indiana, Outside Hitter Eunique Reaves, Quincy, Opposite Hitter Patty Getz, Lewis, Defensive Specialist

Fatty Oct., Lewis, Defensive Specialist Second Team Stacy Moss, Lewis, Setter Michelle Hochstatter, Missouri-St. Louis, Middle

Sarah Stuckenberg, Bellarmine, Middle Hitter Leah Mercer, Southern Indiana, Middle Hitter Courtney Boissenet, IUPU-Ft. Wayne, Outside Hitter Katie Gilman, Lewis, Outside Hitter

Lindsay Rust, SIU Edwardsville, Outside Hitter Beth Steele, Lewis, Opposite Hitter Sara Taylor, NKU, Defensive Specialist Player of the Year - Laura Douglas, IUPU-Ft. Wayne Freshman of the Year - Kim Boehmer, Southern

Coach of the Year - Katie Lover, Southern Indiana

2000 All-GLVC Women's Soccer Team

Betsy Moore, NKU

F - Stephanie Minor, South F - Colleen Creamer, SIU MF - Tricia Ruark, NKU

MF - Corinna Hanson, Indianapolis MF - Jeanna Martin, NKU MF - Sara Decker, SIU Edwardsville B - Amanda Trout, NKU

B - Erin Archer, Indianapo

B - Malissa Stevenson, NKU GK - Lauren Piening, NKU

Second Team

F - Laura Gregory, Indianapolis

F - Lorrie Jones, UW-Parkside
F - Lindsey Siemens, UMSL
MF - Lindsay Jones, UMSL

MF - Stephanie Johnson, Indianapolis

MF - Cathy Cox, Saint Joseph's B - Sarah Kalish, UMSL B - Krista Weinzapfel, Southern India B - Rebecca Mays, SIU Edwardsville

n - Roeecca Mays, SiU Edwardsville B - Tasha Siegel, SiU Edwardsville GK - Beth Louderman, SiU Edwardsville Player of the Year - Tricia Ruark, NKU cocaches of the Year - Bob Sheehan, NKU & Beth Goetz, UMSL

## 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TIP-OFF TAILGATE NKU vs. INDIANA UNIVERSITY-SOUTHEAST

Friday November 17th, 5:30-7:30PM Albright Health Center Gym

FREE FOOD...Pizza, Subs, Coke, Snacks will be served throughout the

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# NKU volleyball team makes it four in a row

The NKU volleyball team made history as it captured its fourth con-secutive Great Lakes Valley Conference Championship, a feat that had never been done by any

battle Nov. 9-11 for majestic brag-ging rights. One obstacle it faced was Lewis, a team that had defeated them twice this season

"We sort of wanted some revenge in Lewis because we knew we were better. We didn't have anything to lose and they had everything to lose," said freshman Julie Wall. Camilla Welter agreed that NKU

didn't have anything to lose.
"They had beaten us twice. We were the underdogs. We just went out and played," she said.
Welter said in preparing for the Lewis match-up, they practiced short serves a lot because that is one factor that led to their defeat in the

The win against Lewis can be attributed to strong defensive play. Bethany Gastright led the team with 15 kills followed by Welter's 14. Gastright also led in defensive digs.

thing standing the GLVC title

The Southern Indiana game was a battle two of the GLVC's strongest teams, with two games being won

by only a two-point margin.

Gastright led in kills again in the
Southern Indiana game with 14, in a
game that was decided on defense. Welter and senior Jessica Buroker were tied for second with eight kills

Buroker also became the only player to participate on four consec-utive GLVC teams.

Luisa Gomez said team chemistry as the key to the tournament win "If you don't have team chemistry, you don't have a team," she

the championship, but she doesn't believe it meant as much to her as it

did to the older girls "I don't think I got the full under-anding because I am a freshman,"

Being faced with such fierce competition, it is vital the team takes the court with the proper attitude and motivation in order to win.

embers prepare for the game by listening to music. She said she lis tens to hip-hop such as Eminem, while Gastright usually spins Metallica in her CD player before

the game.
Wall said the competition was uch more intense than during reg

much more intense than during reg-ular season play.

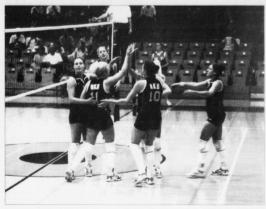
"The tournament was a lot more energized. Nobody was going to lose without giving their all," she

The GLVC title meant NKU advanced to the NCAA Regio Tournament this weekend. E though NKU clinched the GLVC

title, they still fell shy of being the top-seeded team to be able to host Welter said there are some defite disadvantages to not having the

home-court advantage. "It's tougher when you don't have our fans," she said.

Welter said the road to winning the regionals, and ultimately the NCAA tournament, will be tough. "We have a lot of tough games. We might have to play Lewis



The NKU volleyball team flew high in grabbing its fourth consecutive Great Lakes Valley Conference

Indiana-Southeast

## Norse women's soccer takes charge in opening NCAA Tournament game

With two goals a piece by junior forward Betsy Moore and sophomore midfielder Bessie Black, the NKU women's soccer team defeated Minnesota-Duluth University 6-2 in the first round of the NCAA Division II Central Region
Tournament at the Town &
Country Sports Complex.

Moore opened the scoring for NKU with a breakaway goal in the first 12 minutes of the game. Black then made it 2-0 a few minutes later with a goal off an assist from

The first half was dominated by the Norse as it led the shots on goal battle over Minnesota-Duluth

with a 11-2 lead at halftime.

Moore got back into the scoring column late in the first half as she was able to connect on a penalty kick to give the Norse a 3-0 lead at

"We pressured the ball real well today and were able to do a good

Norse head coach Bob Sheehan said he was very happy with his team's effort in the game. "We passed the ball real well, we obviously struggled a little bit in the backfield in the second half. We are really starting to finish better

nd pressure the ball better."

The Norse relaxed a little bit in the second half as Minnesota was able to battle and cut the lead

The Norse were able to pull away from its opponents with sec-ond half goals by Black, junior midfielder and GLVC Player Of

midlielder and GLVC Player Of The Year Tricia Ruark and junior midfielder Amanda Trout. "Every game our defense does a great job. Our rotation in the back was very good in the first half today," Black said. "We are coming together as a team real well right now offensively and defen-

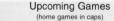
The Norse doubled Minnesota in ts as it won the battle 20-9 for

always room for improvement at any level. "We need to keep improving our passing game and continue improving on finishing on offense. You can never get enough work on finishing."

Coming into the game Minnesota-Duluth came into the game with a 17-1-2 record and a very impressive reputation on defense. With the first few goals early in the game, the Norse never

looked back Black said she feels continued ood play down the stretch will only better the team's chances of winning. "We have to keep work-ing on finishing and our communication is very important for us as

improved its record to 19-1-2 and will play this weekend in the next round of the NCAA Tournament at a site to be determined. NKU will play Mercyhurst (Pa.) in that



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7:45 p.m.

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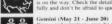
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November 12 - November 18, 2000

Aries (March 21 - April 20)
There is a new relationship or business on the horizon for you. Invest your money wisely and you will reap rewards much sooner than expect Taurus (April 21 - May 20)
An opportunity to improve your financial pictur is on the way. Check the details on contracts car fully and don't be afraid to question what you so



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Your good intentions may be misunderstood. Try not to meddle in business that is not yours, even when asked for advice.



Cancer (June 21 - July 20) Your work commitments may be dragging you lown. Delegate as much as you can to help light en your load.



Leo (July 21 - Aug. 21)
Finances may be a little tighter than normal, you aren't able to be as generous as you have in the past. Think about donating time instead



Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 22)
If you have deviated from your chosen path, it now time to get back on. A foolish choice cou cause grave trouble later. Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)



There is way too much going on for you to keep up with it all. Make sure you jot down appointments to keep track of busy days.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 22)
There isn't much you can do about a problem per son at work. Understand there may be a great deamore going on than you realize with this person.



Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 20)
You may be tempted to nag at those around you to get what you want. It won't work. Try approaching them with kindness and understanding roblems at work and home car



pest. Try writing down what bugs you most, then find a way to deal with it.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Expect big changes in the near future. There could be a break in a relationship, but that isn't necessarily a bad thing.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Your spirit will be well served if you take som time to reflect on what is most important. This could be a time of a great spiritual awakening.

#### Born this week:

TV-CHALLENGE

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DIALOGUE

with racism directed to students from professors. Redding replied bluntly. "We simply cannot tolerate that on this campus," he said. According to Votruba, however, some faculty members previously accused of racist behavior are still teaching classes today. In response to comments made about grievance

processes, he stressed the need of

processes, he stressed the need of being sure of a situation's facts before taking action. "We can't just fire a faculty member based on hearsay." he said. "We eard to it." He continued, saying students can expect to have their voices heard if they report it. "We've got a dean here, Dean Wells, who is waiting for that information"

that information."

Dean of Arts and Sciences Gail
Wells responded further. "We can't
do anything if we don't know about

Cheryl Nunez, director of multi-

cultural affairs and affirmative action, also invited students to see

her about any problems with facul-**MIDSUMMER'S** 

Puck also plays the trick on the unsus-pecting lovers and the problems that arise follow throughout the play. Jones added dancing fairies, tribal drums and fantastic visual displays to

drums and fantastic visual displays to his version of the play. The fairies have more than the original version's two dance numbers, and are an actual part of the set in some scenes by imitating chairs and other props.

The fairies represent the four ele-nents and add a real earthy feel to the

play, Jones said.

Janette Pallmer, the lead fairy in the
play, said the dancing fairies are a
great addition to the play and the
dance numbers are a great challenge.

Using modern dance steps for classically trained dancers is always a little
difficult, but it is also fun and different,

Most of the cast members are veter-ans to the NKU stage and all of them are current students of the university. However, the lead role of Lyslander is

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Before the dialogue, a question-naire from the Campus Climate Task Force was distributed asking

Task Force was distributed asking questions concerning the atmosphere of diversity on the campus. It asked whether NKU is a welcoming university, what positive and negative aspects exist, and what changes should be made. According to the questionnaire, the task force was appointed by Votruba to explore stu-

appointed by Votruba to explore stu-dent attitudes and opinions on cam-pus multiculturalism. Responses will be used to help develop recom-mendations for action. In some of Votruba's closing remarks, he referred to multicultur-lism as a received skill and as a

said.

John Ard, who plays Demetrius said, "Making this play has been ablast. It's the first time I've actually no wanted to leave the rehearsals."

Ard also added that this is not you

pical boring Shakespeare play. Then is precisely timed humor, and the audi

ce should have fun with the perfor

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Institute was on campus to meet with them last week. The Institute will examine DPS, including how it reports crime, and will release a report by Christmas. Baker said

even though the Institute has until Christmas, they expect to have the report by early December. "If things are detected, they will

#### DPS

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crimes than NKU cited in its report "The information being main-tained by Jerry Wallace is unoffi-cial," Baker said.

Baker said he is unaware of how Wallace compiles his data.
"We're taking a hard look at how
he complies his data," he said.

Baker said another reason the university's data does not match Wallace's data is because Wallace reports his figures based upon the academic year and the university's numbers reflects the calender year Baker said the Southern Police

be addressed as they are brought to the administration," Baker said. \*Forrest Berkshire contributed

to this story

## remarks, he referred to multicultur-dism as a survival skill and as a necessity in the 21st century. "Our students have got to learn to live and work in a diverse multicul-tural world," Votruba said. "We're going to disagree on tac-ties and strategy from time to time, but I don't think we're going to dis-DRAUD From Page 4 -

taking remedial math," Draud said

Draud said he also supported the Senate bill for teacher quality amendments. He said this bill proamendments. He said this bill pro-vides \$20 million to train middle school teachers in specific-subjects. The state was concerned that many middle school teachers do not know middle school teachers do not know enough about their subject matter

because they trained for the elemen-tary level, he said.

Draud was also the first freshman legislator to be appointed to the free budget conference committee. This played by newcomer Brad Klette.
"It's always exciting to have new actors because they don't have to forget anything they have learned," Jones committee. This committee is representatives from the house and six from the senate, revises the budget and the end of the session.

Draud also received \$868,000 for

community projects such as side-walks and road repairs in the 63rd

istrict.
"Typically, Northern Kentucky
oesn't get anything because we
on't have a lot of influence," he
aid.

Most Northern Kentucky legisla-

tors are Republican. During the last session, 65 representatives were Democratic and 35 were Democratic and 35 were Republican. "They end up getting in big fights with each other and as a result Northern Kentucky doesn't get anything," he said.
"If you don't work effectively

with the Democrats, you don't g anything done," he added.

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

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match right here in Northern " Callahan asked the

"The cast is pretty tight and that nakes it fun for everyone," Ard said. Jones hopes his own style of visual-y-spectacular sets and creative cos-Nick Vehr, president of Cincinnati 2012, Inc., which is preparing a bid to have the 2012 Olympics in Cincinnati, said that if the arena is built, it will host an tumes will leave the audience with a mystical laugh and a love for

Olympic event. Regents Hall, Callahan said, was

unable to hold NKU's previous graduation class and guests due to capacity constraints. It was held at the Firstar Center in Cincinnati. He said that with the proposed arena that wouldn't happen. "Every Kentucky university has a

facility that is larger than Regents Hall," Callahan said.

Draud said that the special events center, which is expected to be placed where the baseball fields are behind Regents Hall, according to the Master Plan, will seat 6,500 and could be expanded to fit 10,000. Presently, Regents Hall seats Callahan said, "Regents is small-

er and less comfortable than most high school gymnasiums." He said it wasn't a building fit for the 2000

NCAA Division II National Champions and its fans

Women's head basketball coach Nancy Winstel said that she is told today that Regents Hall doesn't look like a gym. She said that NKU deserves the arena. "I certainly hope that I'm able to coach a game

in it someday," she said.

Draud said he assumed that the new areha would be owned and operated by NKU, since it would be on NKU land. Draud said that if the arena is put on the 2002 Budget, the doors might be open by

campus planning, said that a spe-cial events center is long overdue.

"I think (the special events cen-ter) would be an incredible help with enrollment. It brings a sense of completion to the campu

Speaking about the possibility of a new arena and the new Natural Science building, she said, "I think

they're the cornerstone (for growth and development of NKU). Twenty years from now the campus will be much different."

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### BRUTALISM From Page 3 -

made for earthquakes, high winds, available materials, and for the "rough treatment of students," Clipson added, laughing, "It will withstand a tremen-dent exembly". He said the sturdiness of the struc

tures comes from the interaction between the walls and floors, without

the use of joints.

Another factor for material choice, he said, was the available budget for the projects. After analysis, concrete was the least expensive option. "It's economical because you have a finished material without any additions," he explained. Further expenses, such as paint, can accumulate when using

other materials, Clipson said

other materials, Clipson said.

Building with cement instead of bricks ended up saving the university some money in 1971, Schuh explained. "They were able to build Regents Hall from the leftover money from Nunn Hall- about a million dollars" she said. lars," she said.
"Brutalism" at NKU gives the cam

"Brutalism" at NKU gives the cam-pus a modern touch, according to Schuh. The university's gray walls, dark windows and geometric shapes are a look abed into time, she said. "It does speak to the future, as opposed to the past." she said. "It has a lot to say about this institution, and about how it's not encumbered by a hundred years of tradition."

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