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## Snapshot:

### NEWS

**EDUCATION:** Ken Carter, an education department faculty member, is the temporary chairperson of the school of education. The previous chair, Dale Lawver, passed away July 5. **Page 4.**

**COOL MILLION:** Northern Kentucky University was awarded a \$1 million cash donation from the Corbett Foundation for the NKU art program, this summer.



Eight permanent scholarships, four for music and four for theater will be funded by \$300,000. The remaining \$700,000 will be used to renovate the Main Stage Theatre. NKU will rename it "The NKU Corbett Theatre."

**WHO'S THE MAC:** This year brings new food to NKU including McDonald's. **Page 2.**

### FEATURES

**RUSH TO IT:** NKU's latest batch of freshmen are here and many of them rush this week. **Page 10.**

### PULSE

**IT 'ADS' UP:** Sexual harassment

claims go up, while dating opportunities continue to decline. With water-cooler flirtation at a minimum people are looking to the singles bar of the '90s for relationships and fun-filled times. **Page 8.**

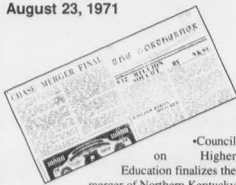


### SPORTS

**OUT SHOT:** NKU lost recruit Tony Davis from Lexington Bryan Station High School, by way of Belleville Community College in Illinois. Davis made a last minute decision to attend South West Missouri State University. **Page 7.**

### Flashback

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\*Council on Higher Education finalizes the merger of Northern Kentucky State College and Salmon P. Chase College of Law.

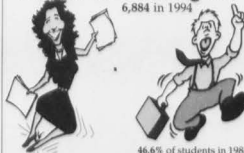
\*Men's basketball coach Mote Hils spoke of the school's first basketball team, to take the floor that school year.

"We have a tremendous situation for a college in our position," Hils said. "We have a good schedule we hope to improve on each year, and we have what seems to be an enthusiastic response. I'm just anxious to get started."

NKU went 12-15 that season.

**Women's enrollment hits an all time high...**

6,884 in 1994



46.6% of students in 1985  
42.7% of students in 1994

**...While Men's percentages fall behind**

Source: NKU Office of Institutional Research  
By Vid Vidovich/The Northerner

## Boothe Stresses Future In Address

By Tim Curtis  
Production Manager

In his 38-minute State of the University Address in Greaves Hall on yesterday, Northern Kentucky University President Leon Boothe spent most of the speech talking about the importance of technology to the survival of higher education.

Ergo, the survival of NKU.

"Those institutions that will survive will be those that are willing to deal with change," Boothe said. "In trying to deal with this dynamic topic of change and the world of the university, I realize this topic is bound to be controversial because of entrenched interest, tradition and the refusal by some to deal with change."

Boothe said. "Those who prefer the past and inaction will cost us the future."

Boothe cited higher education's loss of monopoly on information and geographical delivery to the private industry's technological breakthroughs such as the Internet and the World Wide Web, which have stolen the monopoly.

"We are about to lose the monopoly on

curriculum," he said. "We are therefore talking about the re-engineering of higher education and, more particularly, Northern Kentucky University."

To Boothe, the threat of the private sector is overbearing.

Private industry will move if higher

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## NKU IDs New Cards, For Services

By Diana Schlake  
News Editor

More technology has landed on the campus of Northern Kentucky University in the form of new photo ID cards.

The new cards will be in place by Sept. 25.

"ID cards have exploded in higher education," said Bill Reed, assistant director of Business/Auxiliary Services. "One card, and you can do so many things on campus. On some campuses, you can unlock your dorm and use it at the bookstore."

The goal is to improve services everywhere on campus.

People on the meal plans can use their new ID card to get food at the university's new food locations, Reed said.

"We've upgraded the meal card system," Reed said. "We will be running the meal card for the new food service, Gardner Merchant."

Food is not the only use the ID card will have. According to Ken Ramey, the director of Business/Auxiliary Services, other services will be offered.

"Future uses will include vending machines, banking opportunities, bookstore and other uses that students will request, once the card is activated," he said. "Vending will start in the Fall of 1996. The cost of the merchandise will actually go down with the card."

Another service offered is a long distance telephone option through MCL.

"It is an added bonus we didn't know about at first," Reed said. "There are 100 free minutes of free long distance service and 100 minutes of free international long distance service which is included once you sign up."

"The only cost is the normal MCL rate after the 100 minutes are used up."

The long distance service is an

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## Still Running



Chris Fitzgerald

AMONG FRIENDS: Former NKU cross country runners Mike Parker (far left), Chris Fitzgerald (second from right) and Jim Hartfield (far right) stand with Brian Rohne. Rohne was killed on the AA Highway on Jan. 19, 1993.

## Family, Friends Remember Fallen Cross Country Athlete

By Brian Steffen  
Sports Editor

When he was only four months old, Brian stood for the very first time. "You could hardly get him to sit down," Brian's mother said.

Then he ran.

Rohne was a former cross country runner for Northern Kentucky University, who died in January of 1993 when he was accidentally hit by an automobile while training during the off season with his best friend and

teammate Chris Fitzgerald.

Rohne was 20. "Fitz, that's what he used to call me," recalled Fitzgerald. "He was a short, weaselly guy — he just didn't look like an athlete."

The first Brian Rohne Memorial 5K Run will be held on Saturday, Aug. 26 at 7:30 p.m. on the NKU campus.

Proceeds raised from the event will go to the Brian Rohne Memorial Fund which will be used to assist future run-

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### BRIAN ROHNE MEMORIAL 5K RUN

WHERE: Aug. 26, 1995

WHERE: Northern Kentucky University. Race starts and finishes by Albright Health Center.

COURSE: 3.1 miles around NKU's Campus.

REGISTRATION: \$9; runners can register the day of the race.

## Internet At NKU Catching Fire, Graphics

By Gabrielle Dion  
Features Editor

Firewalls, graphics, web pages and (Eudora) user-friendly E-mail will be added to the list of Northern Kentucky University's internet site this year, ensuring security and increasing technology on campus.

"Firewalls will supposedly be installed fairly soon, hopefully by mid-September," said Bert Brown, manager of user support.

The firewalls will be put in so that anyone who wants to get on campus from an off-campus computer has to know passwords to get to campus computers. They will do this in order to keep student records, payroll and bursar materials secure, Brown said.

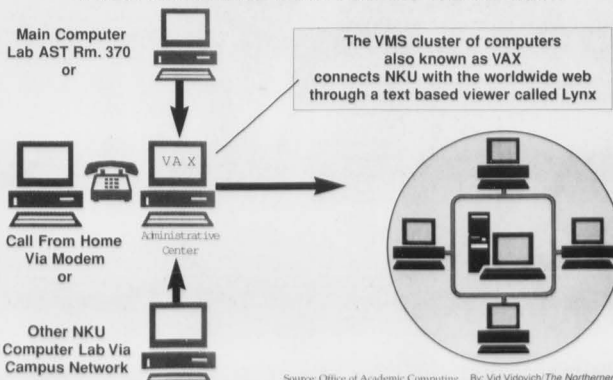
"Only when that is completed, can they begin giving out a limited number of Internet Protocol numbers," Brown said. "Politics will be involved in who gets them."

I.P. numbers are numbers that get assigned to a computer on campus, giving the computer abilities on the internet, said Roger Shuster, systems manager.

The I.P. numbers will allow people to do NetScape and Mosaic programs, allowing them to have graphics. The numbers will be

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### THREE WAYS NKU GETS YOU ON THE INTERNET

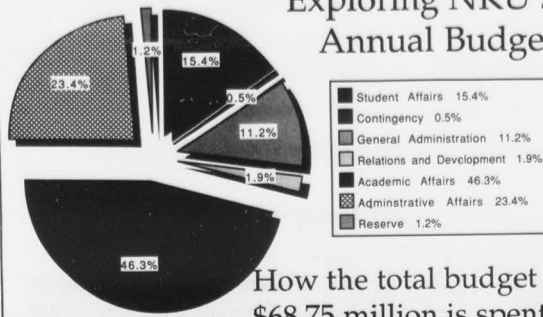


Source: Office of Academic Computing. By Vid Vidovich/The Northerner

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# Fees, Higher Tuition Bring Budget Increases

## Exploring NKU's Annual Budget



How the total budget of \$68.75 million is spent

### 1995-96 Expenditures by Major Area

Note: Includes debt service and utilities.

Source: 1995-1996 Annual Budget

By Vid Vidovich/The Northern

#### Staff Report

The budget for the 1995-96 school year stands at \$68,750,000. That figure equates to \$3,25 million raise in the university's overall budget for the 1994-95 school year. The university will generate \$2.1 million in addition, the fees and the tuition raise.

The tuition increase accounts for \$1.2 million. Process begins with public discussions, Barker said.

The increase in the university's parking fee will generate \$158,000 in addition revenue for the university. The all-use identification card will net the university \$109,000 in revenue.

Revenues totaling \$400,000 dollars will be set aside for university center renovations and expansion.

A new feature in this year's budget is \$100,000 allocated for the procurement and replacement of classroom and laboratory equipment.

The budget office does not determine who is to get what, they are more of a collaborator, Barker said.

said.

"Part of the need for a budget office is to serve as a generator of issues of the budget," he said. "They facilitate discussion and debate."

The need for budgetary raises is far greater than that the needs that the university can meet.

Technology is an important part of the budget, Barker said.

"It is critical today that we embrace a technological environment," Barker said.

However, the office of academic. Some budgetary needs are met by other departments. The five percent part-time faculty pay raise will be paid for, in part, by the individual departments. Paul Gaston, NKU's provost said.

This upcoming year, because of other events, like the meeting of the Kentucky General Assembly they plan to start the process earlier than usual this year, Barker said.

## Budget winners and losers

### Who's Budget is Up?

	Last Year	This Year
#1. Staffing Benefits	\$0	\$344,090
#2. Parking Lot Construction	\$0	\$158,000
#3. All Card Administration	\$0	\$109,700

### Who's Budget is Down?

	95-96 Budget	Pct. Change
#1. Telecommunications Service	\$40,069	-56%
#2. Accounts Payable	\$82,055	-52%
#3. Carpenter Shop, Physical Plant	\$269,267	-16%

Source: 1995-1996 Annual Budget

## ID'S: No Faking; New Cards In Next Month

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option, but NKU is getting something out of MCI. "I think the service is comparable to the 'Friends and Family' rate. And we get a small commission from MCI," Ramey said.

The ID card is mandatory and the fee for it is \$10. If the card is lost or stolen, the replacement fee for the new card is \$7.50.

Reed explains that the ID card is a one time shot.

"You pay the \$10, get your ID card and use that throughout your years at NKU; unless of course, you lose it and need another one," Reed said.

Ramey explained that the fee the students pay, will pay for the new system.

"Once we get it [the ID card system] up and running, it shouldn't cost the students as much as it does now," Ramey said. "We've never had a photo ID on campus. We are starting small scale because it is such a big venture."

The ID cards will be available during the week of September 18. Location and times will be posted across campus and advertised in the *Northern*.

During the interim period, to

access services, use your class schedule or payment receipt, and a picture ID.

Effective September 25, these services may only be utilized by using your new ID card.



The new identification card will be used by October. Not only will the new card serve as an ID card, but it will also serve as a debit card and a phone card. Cost: \$10, replacements \$7.

## BOOTHE: Technology, Affirmative Action

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education does not respond to consumer demand, he said.

"It's most definitely a threat," said Gary Casson, Director of Academic Computing. "We have high school students who come here with needs beyond the levels they learned in high school."

The Government was not viewed as a solution to the financial commitment needed to help higher education, and NKU, make the necessary changes.

Federal Government is currently moving toward empowering individuals to purchase educational services throughout a person's lifetime, he said.

"While I desperately wish I could tell you that there was some prospect of change either at the state or local level that would dramatically and positively impact the long-term funding of this institution, every indicator of which I am aware says this will not be the case," Boothe said.

This "re-examining" of the university is where Gaston thinks the funds can be attained.

"One of the significant points (Boothe) said was that we're not going to get money from the state," Gaston said. "We need to look within and be more cost effective to maximize productivity."

The possibilities of technology are endless.

Students can access their financial aid records with a phone access system, the university can issue debit cards for all types of purchases, students could be in direct contact with professors and processes

such as registration and parking will be made easier, Gaston said.



Leon Boothe

Besides technology, Boothe touched on Affirmative Action for a couple of minutes and its need for some "mid-course corrections."

Before Boothe's speech, Regent Alice Sparks presented the Regents Professorship award to Linda Sheffield, a professor in the School of Education.

"I want to dedicate this to Dale Lawver because I owe him a lot," she said.

Dale Lawver was the chair of the school of education who died this summer.

Biological science professor James Luken, the Outstanding Professor of 1995, spoke after Sheffield and, while Boothe's demeanor was serious, Luken took a light-hearted, humorous approach.

"My first topic I wanted to talk about was photosynthesis and cellular metabolism but I don't think you want to hear about that," he said. "My second topic was the state of the university but that'll be covered by doctor Boothe."

What he did suggest, on a serious note, was that there be three awards presented to professors instead of the one he received. They are a "teaching" award, a "research" award and an "analysis and solution to regional problems" award.

## New Nurse Sends President Boothe To Hospital On First Day At NKU

By Diana Schlake  
News Editor

Michelle Kay's first official duty at Northern Kentucky University was sending President Leon Boothe to the hospital.

"It was my first official act as campus nurse," she said. "I sent the president to the hospital."

Boothe was sent to the hospital after he experienced dizziness and semi-consciousness while working in the Administration Center.

"He said he was a little disoriented but he had to go to a business luncheon," said Sonda Cummins, the executive secretary to the president. "I asked him if he should go and he said 'I must go on.'"

"He made it to the elevator and back and said, 'maybe you should call the nurse,'" she said.

The campus health nurse was

called to Boothe's office.

Kay examined Boothe and made the decision to call an ambulance to transport him to St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

"He was exhausted," she said. "He was dizzy and he just didn't feel well. Every time he got out of his chair he was unbalanced. He didn't have symptoms for a heart attack, but I thought he may have had a bad viral infection or the flu."

Boothe stayed in the hospital for two days while undergoing various tests, including blood tests and tests on his heart. The doctors diagnosed him with fatigue.

"I had had symptoms," Boothe said. "I just didn't do anything about it."

On advice from his doctor, Boothe said he is taking steps to make sure this sort of episode doesn't happen again.

"I am going to take the time to

smell the roses," Boothe said.

He said he joked with the people he works with about his condition, saying he wanted to be like the President of Harvard who fainted this summer from the same ailments he did.

"At least I waited 12 years," Boothe said. "He has only been the President of Harvard for one year."

Boothe blamed his fatigue on his busy schedule.

"A large part of my job is to acquire private funds for the university," he said. "I have early morning breakfast meetings as well as late evening engagements."

He said he works many hours and doesn't always take time to rest, but that is a part of being president. He is taking steps to rectify his fatigue.

He could use his authority and delegate responsibilities but said he always try to lead by example.

## WOULD YOU LIKE FRIES WITH THAT?

Northern Kentucky University saw a change in food service companies over the summer. The new food service company Gardner Merchant will set up shop in two renovated cafeterias. The cafeteria in the basement has been turned into a McDonald's.

(Above) Students wait in line to get their meals from a portable McDonald's restaurant over the summer.

(Right) Renovations to the basement cafeteria turned it into a McDonald's.

Terry Renaker/  
The Northern

# University Looks To Network For Internet, Efficiency

By Eric Caldwell  
Editor in Chief

Ten years ago, Northern Kentucky University first thought about constructing a campus-wide computer network.

Five years ago, NKU started dreaming of a campus-wide network and then began turning it into reality.

When the Applied Science and Technology Building was constructed, it was built with the necessary fiber optic line already installed, and the process of building the campus network began. If all goes as planned, it will be completed by the fall of 1996.

According to the Northern Kentucky University Information Resources Plan,

the networking project is the university's number one informational priority. The network would cost \$385,000 and will be completed by the fall of 1996, said Garry Casson, director of administrative computing.

"The primary benefit is to make all central computing resources and information accessible from the desktops of all authorized users (faculty staff and students)," according to the information resource plan. "This includes university information systems, library catalogs computing resources and access to the Internet."

"Intangible benefits would include providing faculty and students with a sense that NKU is moving forward in making current technologies available to the cam-

pous community."

Today, each department has one modem to access university material. More modems would be expensive and a time consuming process. This gives need to developing a campus network, he said.

Two buildings, AS&T and W. Frank Steely Library are already wired for the network. Budget constraints have limited the use of the network to 100 of 1,100 university employees.

"The first and most important thing provided is access to computing resources on campus," Casson said.

In some cases, getting into the campus network would be as simple as plugging a cord into the wall, Casson said. In some other cases, university computers will need

*"The first and most important thing provided is access to computing resources on campus."*

-Garry Casson

add-ons, upgrades and software to get the computers where they must be to get online. Other systems are too old, too slow or too small to access the campus network proficiently or even in any way at all. Those computers will be phased out of the system through time, Casson said.

At the board of regents meeting July 26, Casson said that as many as 40 percent of the university's computers would be unable to adequately access the network.

Some computers will be upgraded or replaced as part of the project, he said.

Casson said there is a need for the network. It would speed up the process and provide a plethora of knowledge in a short and convenient amount of time.

"It simply provides access to the campus, so they can use what it has always had," he said. "With financial stringencies it has taken a long time to get there." Paul Gaston, NKU's provost said the technology committee will place a high priority on the completion of the campus network.

## Technology, Instructional Panel To Help President Boothe

### Staff report

A technology fee and the Support of Learning surcharge have found their way to Northern Kentucky University.

Paul Gaston, NKU's provost, said the fees will go toward technologically improving the university, providing assistance to financially strapped departments for educational and teaching materials, and for improving the book collection and periodicals in the W. Frank Steely Library.

The technology fees will provide

\$350,000 for NKU this school year, and the Support of Learning Surcharge will gather \$161,000 this year, according to the 1995-96 Annual Budget.

The Panel on Technology and Instruction was formed to determine where the money from the new fees will be allocated. The panel will be alerted of priorities before they begin discussions, Gaston said.

Those priorities are:

•The panel will help in forming criteria for funding

•The panel will solicit and receive funding requests regarding the allocation fee

•The panel will advise the president and his panel on the allocation of funds

The panel must consider certain issues as priorities, Gaston said.

They include:

•A library of lap top computers to be checked out by students

•Expansion of computer lab hours

•Creation of smart classrooms

•Funding of instructional materials that can no longer be handled through the department budgets

•Funding of library books and periodicals

The panel will be comprised of 15 members of the university community. Twelve spots on the panel will be divided among university staff, faculty and administrators. Students will hold three spots on the panel. Two of the students will be chosen by Student Government Association, and one student will be selected by

President Leon Boothe. The directors of administrative computing, academic computing, campus planning, the budget and media services will serve as consultants to the panel. Gaston will not sit on the panel, but he will coordinate it.

The panel should make the system for determining need for dollars more prompt, Gaston said.

Departments will submit proposals, and the panel will make recommendations for the allocation of dollars raised by the fees.

The panel will see that the tech-

nology fee is used to benefit students directly, Gaston said.

"The technology fee is to be used to provide more access to computers for students," he said.

One way this will be accomplished is through the implementation of a lap top computer library for students to check out, Gaston said.

Another result of the technology fee will be the development of classrooms designed with technology as the nucleus. These classrooms, referred to as "smart classrooms," are built with state-of-the-art audio and visual, computer and scientific technologies in mind.

An example of this technology in use would be a professor taking his students on a tour of the Internet with a computer and an overhead projector, Gaston said. A science professor could perform advanced experiments with the technology in the classroom, he said.

The panel will consider applications for these smart classrooms and determine priority for getting them. The classrooms are expensive, so competition between departments to get them will be high as well, Gaston said.

Besides the technology end of the panel's work, they will also be expected to give input on the allotment of the learning surcharge — which was developed to assist departments unable to keep up with the rising costs of instruction, Gaston said.

Gaston pointed out the departments of chemistry, biology and fine arts as examples, saying they have seen steep rises in instructional costs.

"They could run in the red, or we could ask everyone to contribute," he said.

NKU chose the latter. The other half of the Support of Learning Surcharge will be used to increase the amount of books and periodicals in the library. Library renovations brought more space to W. Frank Steely Library, but it also brought out the deficiencies in both the quantity and quality of the materials in the building, Gaston said.

The Support of Learning Surcharge is a three year fee. After that, it would have to be re-approved by the Board of Regents to be continued.

Gaston said he hopes the surcharge will not be needed in three years.

The panel will be in place by Sept. 10, according to a release by the university.

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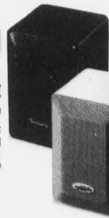
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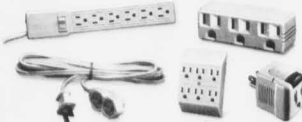


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## Long Lines

Students wait in line last Thursday, The first day of open registration.

-Terry Renaker,  
The Northerner

## Professor To Serve As Education Head; National Search For Chairperson Upcoming

By Diana Schlake  
News Editor

As the new school year begins, so does the search for a new chairperson for the school of education.

The chair was vacated when Dale Lawver, the chairperson of the school of education since 1989, died.

Lawver collapsed on July 5 after entering his office. CPR was administered, but he was pronounced dead on arrival at St. Luke Hospital East.

Thomas Isherwood, dean of professional studies, said the search will start once a committee to pick the new chair has been appointed.

"The committee will consist of both faculty and students," Isherwood said. "The committee will write an advertisement and place the ad in professional journals with national distribution. Hopefully, by February or March

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-Thomas Isherwood

we will start interviewing candidates."

The faculty of the school of education will meet and elect members of the faculty to serve on the search committee. One student representative will be elected to serve in addition to one member of the community, Isherwood said.

Paul Gaston, NKU's provost, won't be involved in the selection of the new chair until after the search committee has been formed

and the search has begun.

"I'll consult with the dean, and we'll collaborate on a frame of recommendation," he said. "I won't be involved until the latter stages of the selection."

If everything goes as expected, the new chair will begin their duties on July 1, 1996, said Ken Carter, the acting chair.

"We have an exciting year planned, if you can call it that," Carter said. "We are planning a

change in the curriculum and that will keep us pretty busy."

The department is restructuring its curriculum, moving towards a portfolio based system and a block type curriculum.

"It's going to be a busy year, finding a new chair and dealing with the day-to-day operations, along with the changes we are incorporating," Isherwood said.

The department has had upgrades on technology thanks to a three year, \$15,000 technology grant from JC Penney.

While the changes are going on, Ken Carter, an education director will be the acting chair until the new chair has been found.

"I will not be a candidate," Carter said. "I have served in the past, and I am happy to serve in the interim."

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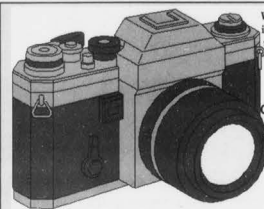
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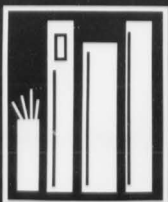
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## President Leading In Right Direction

The first step to steer Northern Kentucky University into the future as an institution attuned to the growing technological needs of students was taken by President Leon Boothe in his State of the University Address yesterday.

Boothe has taken a necessary and bold step for the future of NKU. In his speech Boothe said that NKU has to come to grips with reinventing itself if it is to survive into the next 20 years.

The well educated, technologically minded workers employers want are the students of today.

Many of the students who are enrolling in NKU already know more about computers and cutting edge technologies than their professors. Today's students need continuous instruction to expand their knowledge of current technology and challenging them to create tomorrow's advancements.

It's going to be a continuous struggle for educators to be knowledgeable enough to be able to teach the technological children of tomorrow.

Even children as young as seven years old are out on the internet and are well versed in computers.

When many of today's students were seven they were trading baseball cards and trying to figure out how to play video games on an Atari.

NKU has to change, otherwise how are we going to teach the children of tomorrow?

Boothe has recognized that change is inevitable.

Boothe said that if higher education institutions do not respond to the demand for technological instruction, the private sector, such as AT&T, Apple Computer, Microsoft or Motorola University will be happy to fill the void if universities do not.

NKU should be on the brink of a metamorphosis, ready to change into a technological butterfly. Boothe said that everything is changing so rapidly that people 10 years from now will not recognize NKU compared to where it is today.

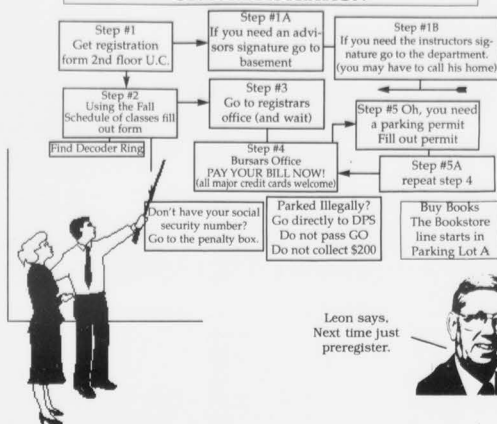
The construction of the campus wide computer network and the establishment of the \$15 per student technology fee are steps in the right direction (although only \$7.50 goes to fund technology).

With Boothe's call for technological improvements he is leading NKU in the right direction.

## Correction

The story about Student Government Association should have said Brian Ellerman is the coordinator of Student Body Presidents.

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## President Welcomes New Students

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As part of NKU's continuing growth, the expansion project of the Steely Library has been completed. I encourage all of you to visit the Steely Library and familiarize yourselves with these new improvements.

NKU has a community atmosphere which includes concern, guidance, and encouragement from the entire campus community. Our

pledge is to provide an environment that fosters and enriches your academic and cultural growth.

As an institution of higher education, we respect the physical environment and take pride in the appearance of our campus. Please take notice of the recycling bins and receptacles. I strongly encourage each of you to help us preserve the cleanliness of our campus and lend your full support to improving our environment.

Again, welcome to Northern Kentucky University. It is my sincere hope that you may find challenge, growth, and fulfillment of your dreams.

Sincerely,  
Leon E. Boothe  
President

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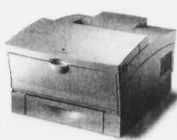
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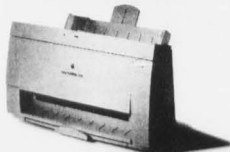
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## ROHNE: Happiest Times Discovered At University

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ners at NKU.

When he first arrived at NKU, Rohne would tell his teammates about the fast times he ran while running cross country for Malone College in Canton, Ohio.

Because he was the new guy and he was small in stature, none of his teammates believed him.

"I thought because I was a senior, and I had the most experience, that I would be the top runner on our team," Fitzgerald said. "The first time we raced, he blew my socks off."

Shortly after, "Fitz" and Rohne became best friends.

"They were like two peas in a pod," Rohne's mother, Terri, said.

Rohne and "Fitz" spent many hours discussing their dreams. Rohne's dream was to become NCAA national champion and qualify for the Olympic Festival, while "Fitz" dreamed of running in a marathon.

"He used to tell me he'd run the last 10 miles with me to make sure I wouldn't give up," Fitzgerald said.

That was just the type of person Rohne was, someone with uncanny desire and unmatched spirit.

"I knew him for six months," Fitzgerald said. "He's been dead for two and a half years and I still think about him every day."

After crossing the finish line of each race, Rohne would turn around and plead to his teammates to finish strong and proud.

Rohne didn't start running competitively until his junior year at

*"I knew him for six months, he's been dead for two and a half years and I still think about him every day."*

-Chris Fitzgerald

Milford High School. Before then, he was a tireless swimmer.

When Rohne was young, he swam for the Anderson Barracudas and Clermont Clippers. When he got too old for that, he stuck around to help his younger brothers Andrew and Jonathan become better swimmers.

He was so competitive at swimming, Rohne once accidentally broke his arm when, while swimming the backstroke, he swam into the side of the pool.

He also broke his wrist doing the same thing.

In honor of Rohne, Miami Hills Swim Club gives out the Brian Rohne Spirit Award each year to those who exemplify his spirit and determination.

At Milford High School, Rohne lettered in swimming, track, and cross country and graduated in 1990.

Rohne liked running more because he felt there were no barriers, unlike swimming, Terri Rohne said.

After graduating, Rohne received a presidential and running scholarship to attend Malone College. He spent two unhappy years at Malone College and decided to transfer to NKU where he was much more welcome and comfortable.

"He was happiest at NKU," Terri Rohne said.

At NKU, Rohne shined. He was chosen All-Great Lakes Valley Conference and All-Academic his first and only season.

"He changed dramatically when he was at NKU," Rohne's father, Gerald said. "The human aspect wasn't always there at Malone College."

He was the envy of some of his cross-country teammates.

"From a runners standpoint, I've never seen anyone like him and I probably never will," former teammate Ernie Brooks said. "If I had to win a race, I would choose Brian. He was just so mentally tough, I looked at him as a role model."

Former NKU cross country coach Tim Schlotman is excited about the upcoming event in honor of Rohne.

"Steve Kruse (NKU cross-country coach) has been doing a great job of promoting this event," Schlotman said. "It's been a great contribution to Brian."

"Brian was an exceptional person, one of the nicest guys you'll ever meet."

Somewhere, Brian is still running, or maybe he's just standing there, like he did when he was only four months old.

## Let Get Physical



Terry Renaker/The Northern

Northern Kentucky University Junior Shannon Minor works out in the A.D. Albright Health Center. Minor was selected the AA City-Wide Summer League's most improved player. The league included Nick Van Exel and Corie Blunt of The Los Angeles Lakers.

By Brian Steffen  
Sports Editor

## Tyson Fight Quickest Robbery On Record

By Brian Steffen  
Sports Editor

I can't believe I did it, but I did, and I wish I hadn't.

I spent \$44.95 on pay-per-view to watch Peter McNeely do what everyone always says they would do if they fought Mike Tyson.

Get out early. Survive. Then collect.

McNeely did what everyone in their right mind would've done, only he was too afraid to admit it.

When the fight began, McNeely charged at Tyson like a baseball player who just got beamed by a Rob Dibble fastball.

By the time the barrage of punches had landed, so did McNeely on the mat, twice.

After getting up for a second time, McNeely's manager, Vinny Vecchione, jumped into the ring disqualifying the match after one minute and 29 seconds had passed in the first round.

McNeely had acted as if he wasn't hurt. He could have lasted longer, but that wasn't the plan.

Give me the chance to fight Mike Tyson and I'll last longer than McNeely.

One minute and 29 seconds. Divide that by \$44.95 and you've paid \$1.01 every two seconds.

I could have spit off the top of Carew Tower and it would have lasted longer than McNeely.

Stat of the fight — Johnny Gill's pre-fight national anthem — two minutes and 42 seconds. Tyson versus McNeely — one minute and 29

seconds.

I got more excited when they showed Pamela Anderson.

How is frizzy-headed Don King going to sell the next Tyson fight?

I know. How about a free haircut coupon from King himself.

Nah—what's King know about haircuts anyway.

I guess I have to look at this on the bright side. At least I won't order pay-per-view anymore.

Thank you, Peter McNeely. You have taught us a valuable lesson. Only I'm still out \$44.95, and if I don't get it back, you and I are going at it.

Never mind McNeely, I'd rather fight Tyson.

I'd get a lot more than \$44.95, and I'd also do the same thing you did, only I would admit it.

1995 NKU Volleyball schedule

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Fri.	Sept. 1	SAINT JOSEPH'S*	6 p.m.
Sat.	Sept. 2	Ashland vs. Saint Joseph's IPFW*	8 p.m.
		ASHLAND	12:30 p.m.
Thurs.	Sept. 7	Ashland vs. IPFW	3 p.m.
Sat.	Sept. 8	at Grand Valley State	7 p.m.
Sun.	Sept. 24	at Ferris State	5 p.m.
Sat.	Sept. 9	at Northwestern (Mich.) vs. Saginaw Valley State	2 p.m.
Sat.	Sept. 16	at Quincy*	noon
Sun.	Sept. 17	at SIU-Edwardsville*	1 p.m.
Wed.	Sept. 20	INDIANAPOLIS*	7 p.m.
Sat.	Sept. 23	at Wisconsin-Parkside*	6 p.m.
Sun.	Sept. 24	at Lewis*	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	Sept. 27	BELLARMINE*	7 p.m.
Fri.	Sept. 29	KY WESTLEYAN*	7 p.m.
Sat.	Sept. 30	SOUTHERN INDIANA*	2 p.m.
Mon.	Oct. 2	at Georgetown (Ky.)	7 p.m.
Fri.	Oct. 6	at Saint Joseph's*	7 p.m.
Sat.	Oct. 7	at IPFW*	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	Oct. 11	IPFW	7 p.m.
Thurs.	Oct. 12	at Indianapolis*	7 p.m.
Sat.	Oct. 14	at Wayne State	noon
Wed.	Oct. 18	vs. Edinboro (Pa.)	2:30 p.m.
Fri.	Oct. 20	at Bellarmine*	7:30 p.m.
Sun.	Oct. 22	QUINCY*	7 p.m.
Sun.	Oct. 22	SIU-EDWARDSVILLE*	2 p.m.
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Fri.	Oct. 27	LEWIS*	7 p.m.
Sat.	Oct. 28	WISCONSIN-PARKSIDE*	2 p.m.
Wed.	Nov. 1	THOMAS MORE	7 p.m.
Fri.	Nov. 3	at Southern Indiana*	7 p.m.
Sat.	Nov. 4	at Kentucky Wesleyan*	11 a.m.
Sun.	Nov. 10/11	at GLVC Conference Tournament	TBA

## Regents Floor Damaged; Norse Lose Men's Basketball Recruit



Fans blow the damaged portions of wood in Regents hall. When the wood was pulled up the the previous floor was exposed — a floor made out of the same material as the floor of the basketball courts in A.D. Albright Health Center.

Moisture damage to the floor in Regents Hall damaged a portion of the floor. The damaged portion of the floor was disassembled and fans were placed atop the wood, in an effort to dry them.

### Basketball Loses In Davis Race

Northern Kentucky University lost out on basketball recruit Tony Davis, a 6-foot-5 forward, when he left for Southwest Missouri State University.

NKU heavily recruited Davis out of Bellville Community College in Illinois and thought he might come to NKU after he signed a grant-in-aid to the university.

Davis, a former teammate of current NKU forward LaRon Moore in high school, will play for former Indiana University standout, SMSU head coach Steve Alford.

The grant-in-aid he signed did not bind him to NKU. Only a national letter of intent would have done that.

"We wanted him very much," NKU head coach, Ken Shields said. "Anytime a team loses a player who averaged 14 rebounds per game, it's going to hurt."

Davis was the third leading rebounder in junior college, Shields said.

Shields will be left with one remaining scholarship. He may keep it for next season or give it to someone else this year.

### Aker Recovering

Northern Kentucky University baseball coach Bill Aker had hip replacement surgery on July 19th.

Aker has been out three weeks and said he's hoping to get back to work today.

He has been going to physical therapy three days a week and said he hopes this will help him when baseball season begins.

"I'm counting on my assistants to help me while I recover," Aker said.

### Recreation Leagues

Northern Kentucky University Campus Recreation is forming intramural sports leagues this fall semester.

The leagues forming in September are flag football, softball and soccer for both men and women and coed teams.

All NKU students, faculty, staff and alumni are eligible to form teams for the upcoming leagues.

If teams don't want to join leagues they can compete in team tournaments. These tournaments include: tennis, flag football, floor hockey, racquetball and basketball.

For more information, call Dan Henry, Program Coordinator for Men's Intramurals or Melissa Eversole, Program Coordinator for Women's Intramurals. They can be reached at the campus recreation office, AHC 129, at 572-5197.

## Ain't

## Love

By Dorothy Johnston  
Pulse EditorBy Dorothy Johnston  
Pulse Editor

Once upon a time a little hanky panky was expected. Nowadays, a little hanky panky can land you in the pokey.

Lollygagging around the proverbial water cooler, once an accepted sport, is now a no-no. The politically-correct movement has swept a favorite national pastime under the rug.

A good hanky panky player had status. She was a master of the double entendre, of the not so innocent innuendo.

Tossing semi-perceptible signals across the hanky panky court was a skill. Practice made perfect. One thing about it, hanky panky was an equal opportunity sport. Anybody could play.

From nursery school to nursing homes, the ancient art of flirting found a way to spice up the day. But any civilized 1990s kind-of-guy schooled in Feminism 101 knows it's now considered insulting for a man to come on to a woman.

Meanwhile, hanky panky players are left scratching their heads. What happened to team spirit?

Squads of aggressive players, passive players and bench warmers are relearning to walk 1990s style. The fine line between flirting and sexual harassment is hard to see sometimes. Even the coaches are bewildered.

Our newest Golden Rule has an amendment which reads: Keep those eyes and those thoughts and especially those hands unto thyself.

Some schools and universities have gone so far as instituting dating contracts. Signed permission must be granted by the "kisser" before the "kisser" can proceed with his/her desired intentions.

Imagine, during the 1980s we thought Emily Post was old fashioned.

Since most people are working longer hours these days, their chances for resurrecting a rendezvous to remember are severely diminished. To boot, when they drop home from work and school, or two jobs, or one long job and a traffic jam, network television is blasting borderline porn.

Sex is everywhere, and, as we all know, sex does well.

Besides Hollywood, who's the big winner in the scenario? The "singles," the "personals"...the "dating

doctors."

Resorting to single's ads used to be reserved for weirdos.

Weirdos had time to figure this out.

"I read them for entertainment," senior Jesse Combs said. "I actually thought about answering one once."

"A white couple was looking for a well endowed black male with stamina. Unfortunately I wasn't black."

Reading these creative classifieds is like catalog shopping, somewhat one dimensional. However, on the plus side, you don't have to get dressed and go anywhere. You don't have to put your best face, or any face for that matter, forward.

But just like those catalogues advertising diamond rings for \$9.99, the description of your future one-and-only might be less than accurate. Good salesmanship tends to accentuate the positive and leave out the negative. It's possible to be tall, dark and handsome with the help of hair dye and platform shoes.

Not necessarily included in the description are the 75 extra pounds and the false teeth.

Junior Rob Zai said he would answer an ad and go on a date for something different to do.

"A member of our band answered an ad in *Everybody's News*," Zai said. "He came back and told everybody about it. He said he wanted to do something adventurous, something spontaneous. 'He was laughing when he told us we'd never believe what happened. He said the girl seemed nice. They went to a restaurant in Mt. Adams and had a good time. Then they went back to his house and things developed. I guess she was your basic nymphomaniac."

"He told us she turned into a cat at midnight. She started licking her paws and everything. She even bit him a couple of times."

Who says the truth isn't stranger

than fiction?

By 1992, there were 2,000 dating services serving 49 million widowed, divorced and never-married people. That number is growing substantially each year. The pollsters predict future demand for such services among older women will increase dramatically as they continue to outnumber men.

"Women Seeking Men is our largest group," said an employee of *Everybody's News*. "After that comes Men Seeking Men."

The diminishing group of available men seems to be hot property these days, Vicky said.

"Next in line comes the Alternative Category," she said.

"Some of our customers are very particular. One man has placed an ad for four years and hasn't found a partner yet. He hasn't lost heart. He just keeps changing the words."

"We also have lots of repeat customers. When things don't work out with one person, they just place a new ad."

"There is a no limit to the number of words in *Everybody's News*. Most papers limit you to 25 words."

Vicky helps people choose their words carefully and creatively. "If you just say, 'single girl looking for fun,' you won't get many calls and bottom line is, if people aren't making calls, we don't make any money," she said.

Contrary to popular opinion, personal ads really do work, she said.

"My mom met her husband through an ad," she said. "I put it in for her. They hit it off right away and they've been married for two

years.

"We have a lot of college students from Xavier, the University of Cincinnati and NKU. You can be yourself and say what you like and dislike. In a bar, you have to be macho or cool, but over the phone, you can show your more sensitive side."

Senior Christian Krautlein remembers using a Cincinnati singles computer bulletin board called, "Singles Connection."

"It was free, no charge," he said. "I put an ad saying something about a computer geek looking for romance. It was something funny."

"I had one response, a girl with purple hair. I thought maybe... then I thought maybe not. I decided against it. It's hard to tell what a girl with purple hair would look like. I lost my nerve."

The *Everybody's News* employee said not knowing what a person looks like is part of the mystique for personals perusers.

"You can read about them, then hear their voice and use your imagination," she said. "Women are more hesitant to open up. But I try to encourage them. It's really great for women because they're in charge. They decide from the responses

which ones they want to answer."

Some college women view personal ads as tools for weeding out characters that are less than honorable.

"It's the perfect thing to do if you want to hurt someone," said Lisa Ellis, University Center manager. "I'd be scared to death. I'd never do it. Never."

Senior Lorie James watched a segment on "Inside Edition" which permanently removed her from the list of personal ad possibilities.

"They showed psychos and thieves putting ads in those single's columns," James said. "It's just too easy to do. I had considered it until I saw that program. Now I'm too afraid."

"I have a friend here at NKU who met her boyfriend through the personals, though. They've been together for a long time."

Aside from the fear factor, both men and women find romance brokers tend to market a superficial brand of compatibility (I like moonlight walks, Miles Davis and mom's apple pie), but fail miserably with the chemistry connection. That honor is left to the bars.

The transition from cruising the bars to cruising the classifieds is difficult for many. But with the age of computers, voyeurs along with truly hopeful date-shoppers can browse through "meeting cards" engraved with titillating messages.

Everyone seems to have a reason for reading these messages for the loveless, but only the brave have garnered enough courage to respond. Or at least they won't admit responding.

According to an employee at Micro-Voice, a multi-million dollar company responsible for personal ads in more than 250 newspapers in the United States, the latter is true: They won't admit it.

"People might not want to say they're doing it, but the number of ads keeps growing," he said. "We were among the top five new businesses in 1994. We were written up in *Fortune* and *Forbes*."

Micro-Voice places "Heartbeats," the personals section of *Cincinnati City Beat*. It also runs columns in such prominent papers as the *Boston Globe* and the *Los Angeles Times*.

"It's very big business," Randy said, "and we expect to keep expanding."

Maybe with enough conversations at \$1.99 per minute you can find your perfect Romeo or Juliet.

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We have all seen them — the personal ads — the hope and the promise of all the exciting people we could meet, as if it were the home version of the *Studs* television show.

I have met a few people who have tried their luck in the personal ads.

It seemed to me they were not always truthful when describing themselves.

Caring, sensitive, athletic-type ads would read, but who were they describing? Certainly not themselves.

They got a few responses and went on a few dates. Although still uncertain about this concept, I got out a pen and composed an ad.

I wanted something that described myself plainly with no embellishment or lying.

That was the easy part. The hard part was describing the perfect woman I was seeking.

In a moment of brilliance (or so I thought), I decided what to say.

I scribbled it down, fed it into a fax machine and sent it to one of the local weekly, free newspapers. "Oh no!" I thought, as I pressed the send button.

Personal Ad Confusing,  
Embarrassing Experience

"What did I do to myself?"

Immediately, I regretted what I had sent to the paper.

"Well, hopefully the ad will get buried and no one will see it," I wishfully thought.

I waited a week for the new issue of the paper to come out.

When it arrived, I flipped to the classified ad section immediately.

In the center of the personal ad page was a box with a large title that read "ad of the week."

There it was. My personal was "the personal ad of the week," for all to see. My embarrassment was complete.

I read, "Heavy Metal Babe wanted for Northern Kentucky closet headbanger. No kids. No drugs." Back in the metal years of the late 1980s, I grew my hair long and teased it and listened to all the glam rock bands on MTV.

It seemed like a good idea at the time and so did my ad, but the 1980's are long dead and with it died glam rock.

So now I was stuck with an ad that I was embarrassed of. On the bright side I did not think many people would meet my description. The no kids, no

drugs line would narrow the rock'n'roll field somewhat.

In the three weeks the ad ran, I received a grand total of zero responses.

I guess heavy metal is a dead art form.

Undaunted and wiser from my first ad, I tried again. I dropped the heavy metal reference and went upscale, from advertising in a free paper, to the biggest newspaper in town.

This personal ad section promised that the average ad receives 14 replies.

I could not wait for all the replies. I figured my phone would be ringing off the hook. Maybe I should get an extra phone line.

Over the three week run of my new ad, only one person responded. She turned out to be twenty years my senior with an adult son my age.

Oh well. So much for the promise of the personal ads. Maybe I will try again with a little embellishment this time.

Does anyone want to meet an independently wealthy, sensitive, Brad Pitt look-a-like, animal lover, a good listener, who loves midnight drives to the beach in my convertible Porsche with the top down?

In Their  
Opinion

"Love sought is good, but love given unsought is better."

-William Shakespeare

"True love is like a ghost: everybody talks about it, but few have seen it."

-Francois De Larouche

Famous  
Quotes

"True happiness is found in pursuing something not in catching it."

-Gilbert Murray

"The only difference in the game of love over the last few years is that they've changed trumps from clubs to diamonds."

-George Eliot



## New Director Plans To 'Revivify' Honors Program

By Amanda Tittle  
Staff Writer

As the new director of the honors program, Thomas Zaniello plans to restrengthen a program that was rocked last year by the death of its previous director. The last director, law professor Gene Krauss, committed suicide last year. The program has remained without a permanent director since the spring semester of 1995. Zaniello, a Literature and Language Professor at NKU since 1972, said he didn't have anything drastic in

mind for the program, just gradual changes. He said he planned to revivify a program that was very strong in the past. Two main strengths of the program are the student participation and recruitment of faculty members to help teach and mentor the program, he said. What he wants to improve upon is interaction with other centers of excellence in the university and more interaction between the honors program, advanced classes and the students. The problem with the honors program in the past was that it was not as active as it should have been in the past two years due to the combination of lack of direction

and the tragic death of Krauss, he said. Zaniello feels that he was chosen for the position because he has a lot of energy. He said his other qualifications are that he can integrate the students and faculty into the forefront of the advanced study. Being very active in international study, he would like to see the honors program join a national conference. Zaniello said he wants to get more students involved with the honors program. The program is not to make students work longer and harder, but to work differently and more effectively, he said.

There are currently 50 to 75 students in the honors program, including 36 new students who joined this semester, eight seniors working on honors projects with six or seven faculty members actively teaching and six or seven more acting as mentors for the seniors. To join, students need a minimum GPA of 3.0 and an interview with Zaniello to discuss the student's academic goals. Zaniello urges any motivated students to apply. "We don't want this to be a program for just incoming freshmen." To apply for the honors program, applications are available outside of Landrum Room 429.



OPEN WIDE: The new campus nurse Michelle Kay works on a student. On her first day on campus she sent Leon Boothe to the hospital.

## NET: Web Pages To NKU In Fall To Bring Graphics

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limited at first, then more people will be able to get them, Brown said.

Web pages are another feature being added to NKU's computers this year.

"It's just a graphical way of using your modem," said Chris Cummins, a senior journalism major. "It can deliver the most precise and colorful pictures you can get."

Schuster said he liked what web pages could do for advertising NKU to other colleges via the internet.

"The web pages are basically pages that can be seen from the internet if you're at another school or site," he said. "You can see stuff about Northern Kentucky University."

Schuster said that right now, the web pages are only a text-based system, but with the distribution of I.P.

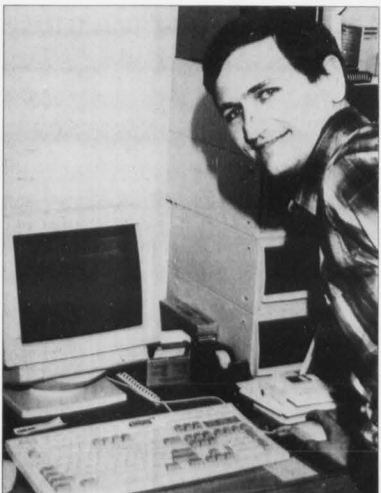
addresses, there will be graphics available with them soon.

"It's going to be great for advertising," Cummins said. "It's going to be a great way for people to learn about a college without actually going to it."

The last new program Academic Computing plans to install will be the Eudora program, a different type of E-mail program than what is now in use. Brown said it was more user-friendly. Eudora is easier to attach mail files than the vax-mail and pine being used now.

"You use a mouse, it's point and click. Currently you have to use a keyboard for everything," Schuster said.

The Lynx program is still available to access the internet, which is what most people are using. Brown said.



HELLO: An NKU's internet technician works to set up the system for the university's users.

## Movin' On Up



A student moves into his dorm room Saturday in Woodcrest Apartments. Residential life was busy welcoming NKU students back to school this weekend.

## New Program Helps Freshmen

By Sarah Crabbs  
Staff Writer

A new program at Northern Kentucky University called Freshfusion hopes to offer new options to some old freshmen habits.

Freshfusion is NKU's first attempt at an all-inclusive freshman orientation event. It combines two successful events from last year: the freshmen picnic and the national orientation program, Playfair.

On Tuesday, Aug. 29, freshmen are invited to attend the Playfair orientation from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Regents Hall. The freshmen picnic will then take place around Lake Inferior from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Among the organizations sponsoring the event are student activities, DAPS, University 101, EXCEL, Residential Life, Student Government, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society and the Intergreek Council.

The name Freshfusion comes out of combining the two events, Student Program Coordinator Mary Chesnut said.

"We tried to think of something that seemed more than both of those events," she said. "We came up with the name Freshfusion because it's fusing the freshmen."

Last year, Chesnut worked with University 101 and DAPS to bring Playfair to NKU.

Traveling across the country, Playfair facilitates use humor and interactive activities to build school spirit and encourage new students to meet one another.

Although a few people thought that last year's event was too corny, they were glad they got a chance to meet people, Chesnut said.

"The student leaders who helped me last year said they wished they'd had the same kind of event when they were freshmen," she said.

Betty Mulkey, student organizations coordinator, helped to coordinate last year's freshmen picnic. She said that the initial reason for having the picnic was to have some sort of welcome to incoming freshman, something that many other universities offer.

"The problem last year was that people felt that Playfair provided a very social atmosphere, but then it was over, and the students went home," Mulkey said.

"Combining Playfair with the picnic allows people to continue socializing," she said.

Besides food served up by guest chefs from the faculty, staff, and administration, the freshmen picnic will offer a deejay, entertainment, dancing and a raffle. Campus leaders will answer questions concerning their organizations.

Fran Zaniello, director of university 101, said that over 600 students are expected to attend. She hopes that Freshfusion will be an annual event.

"I love the idea of students starting their first week here by coming out at night with other members of the freshmen class," Zaniello said. "It's an event which marks a passage to this new life as a college student."

## Nurse Begins First Year At NKU Health Office Offering Many Upcoming Clinics

By Gabrielle Dion  
Features editor

A new nurse and new services at the Student Health Center make being sick at school a little easier. "We want to let them (the students) know we're here," said Michelle Kay, the new campus health nurse.

This is her first year at NKU after doing private duty work in the railroad commission as a nurse. "I came here because it was an exciting opportunity for a new type of position," Kay said.

Kay went to the Good Samaritan Hospital School of Nursing and the College of Mount St. Joseph for her training. She lives in Cincinnati and has been a nurse since 1987.

Kay, along with part-time nurse Barbara Hoyle, also give out health information on specific health problems.

A doctor will come into the Health Office once a week to give prescription medicine that will cost between \$3 and \$7.

The doctor, Judith Neff, will be at the Health Center on Wednesdays, starting Sept. 6, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. It will cost students \$25 a visit.

The Health Center offers the following services:

- Basic first aid
- Over-the-counter medication
- Confidential pregnancy checks
- Blood pressure checks
- Urinary tract infection screening

•Red Cross CPR training

•Physician referrals

The health center also offers free clinics.

A free birth control clinic sponsored by the Northern Kentucky Health Department will be held on the first Thursday of each month.

The first clinic will be Sept. 7. An immunization clinic will be

"My first official act of duty was sending the President of NKU to the hospital."

-Michelle Kay

held on Sept. 27 and 28 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The office, University Center Room 300, is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Tetanus and measles shots will be available. The cost will be \$5 to \$8, depending on the number of shots.

A flu vaccine clinic will also be held sometime this fall.

## Film Another In Long Line Of 'Caring Teacher' Genre

By Sarah Crabbs  
Staff Writer

There isn't much that's dangerous about the new film "Dangerous Minds."

There isn't much that's surprising about it either.

If you've seen films like "Stand and Deliver" or "The Blackboard Jungle," then you'll know how this story goes: dedicated teacher tries, and eventually succeeds, in winning over supposedly unteachable, unreachable inner-city high school students.

Based on the memoir "My Posse Don't Do Homework," "Dangerous Minds" stars Michelle Pfeiffer as LouAnne Johnson, a divorced ex-Marine who applies for a job teaching English at an urban California high school.

Hired on the spot, Johnson is jeered out of the classroom by the tough students she's been enlisted to teach. She decides conventional methods won't work with these little angels.

"Who are these kids," Johnson screams, "rejects from Hell?" However, Johnson loves a challenge. She exchanges her frilly lace blouse and reserved demeanor for a black leather jacket and a new attitude.

Like any good Marine, she plows back into the fray, eventually turning her students on to the value of education.

She uses bribes and threats, candy bars, karate demonstrations and Bob Dylan lyrics. She takes one boy to an expensive restaurant and the entire class to an amusement park. She even makes home visits to check on her students, all the while encountering poverty, violence and the resistance of parents and the school's administration.

Michelle Pfeiffer plays Johnson with intensity and humor, but the script doesn't give her much to work with.

Her character is one-dimensional, as are the characters of the school's principal and it's students.

"Dangerous Minds" has some moving and inspiring moments, but it's constructed in such a way that it's difficult to believe that a teacher like LouAnne Johnson really does exist.

# Greek Life Getting Into Full Swing

## THE RUSH IS ON



**ALL SMILES:** (ABOVE) Members of Theta Phi Alpha greet prospective members inside the University Center last Sunday during Rush week. (LEFT) The sisters of Delta Zeta and rushees ham it up for the camera as they too were busy getting to know each other. Four of NKU's five sororities held their Rush over the past three days. From Aug. 28-Sept. 1, five fraternities will do likewise.

By Diana Schlake  
News Editor

"Drunk, fat and stupid is no way to go through life," said Dean Werner, the fictitious dean from the movie, "Animal House" to Delta House fraternity brother, Flounder.

Not all fraternities are as obnoxious as Delta House. In the next few weeks, students at Northern Kentucky University can get a glimpse of a more realistic Greek life than that depicted in Animal House.

Four of NKU's five fraternities will be involved in Rush from Aug. 28 through Sept. 1.

Rush is a series of activities and events sponsored by the NKU sororities and fraternities during which interested students can check out Greek life and decide if it's for them.

Although NKU's sororities have already rushed for the fall semester, there will be times later in the year for those students who missed out.

Freshman should rush in order to meet the people they are going to be with for the next four years, said Kathy Buchholz, a senior Radio, Television and Film major.

"Rush is a great way to meet people when you are a freshman," Buchholz said. "We don't have many non-traditional students; most of the girls who are rushing are freshman or sophomores."

Non-traditional students are not a problem for one fraternity.

Darrell Wells, an expansion consultant for Phi Kappa Tau, said he has had phone calls from both traditional and non-traditional students for the new fraternity being colonized on campus.

"Non-traditional students bring something different into the mix of traditional students in the fraternities," Wells said. "They have experiences that can enhance and teach the younger guys in the fraternity."

"I've had some calls from guys who are married and have kids, some who've been out of school for five years and are coming back," Wells said. "The more the better in our case."

Phi Kappa Tau won't be rushing along with the other fraternities.

Wells said he will be on campus and participate in the open forum on Aug. 28th, then he and Todd Justus, another expansion consultant, will start recruiting members in September.

Because college life can be so new, Betty Mulkey, student activities coordinator, suggests joining a fraternity or a sorority to have a support system.

"Sororities have a new member's program for the first six weeks," she said. "They show the new sisters everything from how to use the library, to how to get around campus."

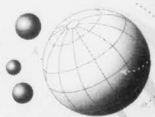
They have mentors to work with them for the first two weeks, Mulkey said.

Sororities and fraternities have various activities throughout the school year.

Fraternity Rush is Aug. 28-Sept. 1. Sorority Rush was Aug. 20-23. Sorority informal rush may take place later in the fall semester if the quota was not met.

If interested in a sorority or fraternity, call the Student Activities Office at 572-6514.

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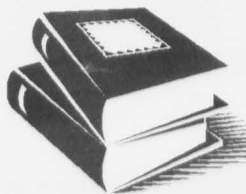
## SGA Book Exchange



- Bring your old books to sell for cold hard cash.
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