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NEWS

TO YOUR HEALTH: The uni versity is changing the way it covers NKU employees with health insurance. Find out what options are available and how the changes could effect you. Page 3

POLITICAL SHOWDOWN:

Members of the Grand Old Party and the Democratic Party will face off in a duel of words next week to gain a few extra votes. Gubernatorial candidates Republican Larry Forgy and Democrat Paul Patton will face off during a public political forum. The forum will take place on Tuesday Oct. 17, 1995 in Greaves Hall in the Fine Arts building from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Both of the candidates running mates for Lieutenant Governor position are also expected to be in attendance as well.

REGISTER ON PHONE: The university plans to allow students to reg from home find out when on Page 2.

FEATURES

GETTING HAIRY:

Comedian Renee Hicks dropped by NKU as part of her "Bald Ambition Tour" with a head full of blond hair. Find out more on Page 7.

PULSE

UP IN SMOKE: The great

tobacco debate is on. The opposing sides have been at each other's throats for years. The non-smokers vs. smokers. So choose a side and find out who's blowing smoke, and who's blowing hot air in the great debate on Page 8.

SPORTS

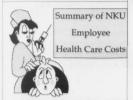
sister duo Darren and Natalie Giuggio are turning tennis into a family reunion on a daily basis. The Giuggio's aren't the only brother and system pair on the courts though.

Jon and Jenny Wagner are getting used to
playing together for the first time. Page 5.

Flashback Oct. 13, 1982



Board of Regents. In the meeting the board authorized \$14,900,000 of revenue bonds to finance the construction of an expansion of the mance the construction of an expansion of the power plant, classroom reconstruction in Nunn Hall and the Natural Science Center and to finance the construction of a health center that would eventually be named for Albright. In the meeting Albright stated that NKU's enrollment was up 6.2 percent for the fall 1982 semester. With 601 more students enrolled than at the start of the fall semester in 1981.



Number Of Thefts Rising On Campus

Thefts on Northern Kentucky University's main campus have risen each year from 1991 through 1994. In 1991 there were 63 report-ed thefts. Last year there were 171, according to the uniform crime report statistics of Department of Public Safety The report also shows that assaults have increased from zero in 1991, to 11 in 1994.

NKU Professor Hooks Up With Cable Movie

Robert Lilly, a professor of soci-ology at Northern Kentucky University, is following the footsteps of his colleague, Associate Professor of Sociology Sharlotte

Neely.

Last month, Neely's book,
"Snowbird Cherokees: People of
Persistence" was adapted as a
Public Broadcasting System docu-

nentary. Now, it is Lilly's turn



time movie, "The Affair," which will air Oct. 14, at 8 p.m. The film is a

docudrama about

about an African-American soldier who has a secret affair with a married, white British woman. When the romance is discovered, it has catastrophic consequences for the sol-

Courtney Vance, Ciaran Hinds, Kerry Fox, Bill Nunn and Leland Gantt star in "The Affair." Actor/singer/activist Harry Belafonte is one of the executive

producers.

Lilly, who is considered by many to be the world's leading expert on the military's enforcement of the death penalty during World War II, served as a consultant on the receiver of the served.

world war it, served as a consul-tant on the movie.

In Lilly's military justice research, he discovered cases involving African-American soldiers being executed for rape which was not considered a capi-tal offense in England at the time. "The script was already written,

"The script was aiready written, but I was consulted on how the movie should end," Lilly said. "The ending is accurate and expected, and experienced by more people than was first thought."

The movie can be seen as a critical control of the contr

ical confrontation with military justice and racism during World War II, Lilly said.

the main campus, people must be aware, said Director of DPS Fred

'Crime prevention is an individ-

"Crime prevention is an individ-ual responsibility," he said.

The number of thefts on campus has been fairly stable this year. He said the increase during the past four years is due to the growth of the residence halls.

Students who live in the residence halls need to be especially careful. They should keep their rooms locked at all times, he said. According to the 1995 Campus Crime Security Act, the annual security report provided by DPS, "Waltable times such as stereos, cameras and televisions should be marked with consoling instrument." marked with engraving instruments provided by the university police at

There is a minimum of two offi-cers on duty 24 hours a day, 365-days a year. DPS is fully function-al all year long he said. Responsibilities of DPS officers include patrolling lots and build-ings, responding to medical and fire emergencies and investigating accidents and crimes, he said. Escorts are provided by DPS from dusk to dawn for the safety of anyone walking alone on campus at

anyone walking alone on campus at

night.

The officers can be reached by dialing 572-5500 or by picking up one of the campus emergency phones located throughout the cam-

phones rocated intrognout the campus.

The emergency phones are designated by blue lights.

There are also security cameras set up at various places around campus to help curb campus crime.

Emergencies on campus can be reported by directly dialing DPS at extension 7777.

Teaching Our Future



YOUNGSTERS: Work studies Olivia Turner (far right), a special education major and Cotton Gramling (wearing hat), a psychology major, work at NKU's childhood center. Next year, NKU will offer an interdisciplinary early childhood educ

New Education Degree Coming Soon

Degree Will Certify Future Teachers Of Disabled Children

By Theresa Homan

In the fall of 1996, a new undergradu-ate degree will be available at Northern Kentucky University for lead teachers who work with disabled infants and chil-

Childhood Education will provide the needed certification for those who serve

at-risk children and families.

Only lead teachers or supervisors who work with infants and toddlers with disabilities and at-risk 4-year-olds, need this

Aides or private preschool program mployees do not need this certification. The degree has special significance for

those needing this certification, but also because it is the culmination of two years work between two separate departments

at NKU. Janet Johnson, professor of special education, and Sarah Steinman, professor of human services, have worked closely on the project. The curriculum, pulled from already

The curriculum, pulled from already existing courses, is a combination of education, human services and social work. The classes range from child abuse to children's literature.

"The new program serves two purposes: It is a new major for folks interested in becoming an Early Childhood Education, and it fills a need for human service majors who might be counselors or child care workers," Steinman said.

All children will be included in the pro-

grams.
"While mandate comes from legislation for children and families for certification for children and families with disabilities, typically developing children will also be served," Johnson said. "More and more, all children are included in preschool programs."

Both professors praised the collabora-Both professors praised the collabora-tive effort between the departments, as well as the support from community pro-grams that helped review course work. The degree still needs approval from the Council of Higher Education and the state's Educational Professional

Standards Board.

A Master of Arts with Speciality of Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education is already available at NKU.

Getting A Lift



Law student David Gast watches as a tow truck operator removes his car from underneath the rear bumper of another car last Tuesday after Robert Raper, who is also a law student, rear ended him on the rain-slicked Nunn Drive after being distracted by some of his friends according to DPS reports.

Students Cram Registrar Office To Drop Classes

By Chris Gregory

Some of the reasons students drop classes at Northern Kentucky University is because they find that they don't like the professor, can't take the class due to a scheduling problem or realize that there is no way they are going to pass the class with a good grade.

A few students cite personality conflicts with their professors as one reason these drop classes.

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"Sometimes I don't agree with or am not impressed by the professor's teaching ethics," said Angie Vaniglia, a junior

criminal justice major.

Vaniglia said she has only dropped a few classes since starting NKU but would definitely do it again if she found

See CLASSES, Page 2

Rum In The Sun



Tricia Hester, an undeclared freshman, decides what her next play will be in a game of Gin Rummy with Jamie Routt, also an undeclared freshman on the grass outside of Nunn Hall last Friday while they waited for some friends to get out of class.

Phone Registration System May Start Ringing By 2000

Northern Kentucky University wants to divert some of the informa-tion superhighway's traffic to its campus to make use of its services a more convenient experiences.

The university's link to the super-highway will allow students to access the university's services by

The system will be available in The system will be available in less than three years if there are not any unexpected problems, said Bob Sprague, director of financial aid, and Nordeen Pomerantz, interim vice president of student affairs. Students will be able to register for classes and know if they are admitted to those classes over the telephone, said Mike Baker, business affairs vice mostient.

affairs vice president.

Students have to wait for mailed class confirmations in the current

inquire about their grade point average, financial aid status, tuition balance and housing status, Pomerantz, Sprague and Baker said.

The system that will allow NKU

NKU has been interested in a Voice Response System for years but didn't have the resources to seri-ously consider one, Baker said.

ousy consider one, Baker said.
The university needed a Student Information System that is interactive with a Voice Response System, Pomerantz said.
The current Student Information

The current Student Information System was designed and imple-mented by some of NKU's Administrative Computing staff members. It served the university's immediate purposes well, but wasn't designed to accommodate a Voice Personne Studen Ponsacrativation.

Response System, Pomerantz said. Response System, Pomerantz said.
NKU has recently purchased a
Student Information System from
Systems Computing Technology
that is interactive with most Voice
Response Systems, Sprague said.
The university also has purchased
a Financial Record System and a
Human Resource System from this
company, the specoal Jusces Jusi-

company, the second largest busi-

ess systems vendor. NKU will gain from this company's other business ventures because they have formed a partnership with

year project called Northern Information Systems Enhancemen Project. The goal of the project is to serve students better in the future, Baker said.

The subcommittee pursuing the

Voice Response System was orga-nized on Sept. 15.

The subcommittee is in the dis-cussion stage with vendors, Pomerantz said.

Some of the problems at other universities include insufficient class availability and insufficient access to the lines, she said.

Students might become frustrated

in those instances and hang up the phone without registering for class-

for human assistance if there are some questions that cannot be answered by the system, Pomerantz

said.
Voice Response Systems are currently being used by many businesses and universities such as
University of Kentucky, South
Carolina, University of Louisville
and Purdue University.

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CLASSES: Students, Registrar In Middle Of Drop Daze

From Page 1

herself in a similar position.
"If I knew I wasn't going to pass
by the last drop date, I usually went oby the last utop date. I socially well
and dropped it," said William
Gabriel, a recent graduate of NKU
who is now teaching at New
Richmond High School.
Before the tuition increase a few

years ago, the university charged \$3 for each drop/add transaction. Now that NKU no longer charges for drop/add, more and more people are

"We are trying to make it easier on students," said Tammy Camm, a 15-year veteran of the Registrar's office. "The Registrar's office is primarily a service area and we are trying to proservice area and we are trying to provide one-stop shopping. Students
shouldn't have to run all over the
building to drop or add a class or get
a transcript or change their major."

A majority of the drop/add
requests are processed during the
first week of classes, when a student
can still get a 100 percent tuition

adjustment, Camm said.

You just don't mess with people's

money," she said.

Carol Tully, a part-time service representative, said they had to call in extra help to process the drop/add requests for the recent deadline for a 50 percent adjustment of tuition.

"It always picks up whenever you have a deadline students are faced with." Tully said.

Some students may not be as concerned with the money as they are with their grade point average.

"You just don't mess with people's money."

-Tammy Camm

NKU students have until Octob 17, to drop a class with a grade of W (Withdrawal). The W shows up on a student transcripts but does not affect grade point average.

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COOPERATIVE CENTER FOR STUDY IN BRITAIN

University Employees Face Tough Health Decisions

By Theresa Homan

Health reform legislation passed in 1994 will affect every Northern Kentucky University employee in

This week, NKU employees must decide on that 1996 health care cov-

rage.

No longer is there a simple choice of Health Maitenance Organization or Point of Service from one insurance carrier. The new health care menu has four scenario choices, five

menu has four scenario cnoices, five insurance carrier choices, then an HMO or POS choice.

The four scenarios involve how much the university contributes to the health care package.

Two scenarios call for a flat continuous contribution care for the four tiers of

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tribution rate for the four tiers of coverage: single, ocuple, parent/child and family.

The other two scenarios call for a graduated contribution rate. Single plan holders would pay less than family plan holders.

"Historically NKU has shown support to family coverage," said Gerald Hunter, assistant vice-president for administration.

But some single plan holders

erage. They feel it is more equi-table, said Chuck Pettit, staff con-

among university workers.
Jeanette Nalls, who works in the university bookstore, said this was one reason she would be attending the NKU Health Fair. She will be looking for the prices of services and costs and how the university of the costs and the costs and the costs and the costs are the costs and the costs and the costs are the costs and the costs are the costs and the costs and the costs are the costs are the costs and the costs are the costs and the costs are the cos will handle their contribution.

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"It's difficult to say where the staff is on this issue, Pettit said.

Petti strassed how important it is to let Staff Congress representatives know what particular scenario each member wants by Oct.12.

The Faculty Senate has already endorsed Scenario C calling for the flat contribution rate by the university at \$160 per employee. ty at \$160 per employee.

All five insurance carriers in the Health Alliance will be available at Health Alliance will be available at the Health Issues Day, Wednesday, Oct. 11, in the Albright Health Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. "I've been working to get the word out to all NKU employees how

Ray Schwierjohann of the Department of Public Safety hadn't planned on attending the fair.

"I'm happy with my coverage," he

said.

The problem is that coverage is going to change even if the individual remains with PruCare, the existing carrier for NKU, said Margo Ferrante, director of personnel ser-

vices.
"The plan as employees know it will no longer be in effect in Kentucky," Ferrante said.
NKU employees will use the health fair to compare costs of all the different companies.
"I'm interested in talking to the different corresponding to the different corresponding to the different representatives from the

"I'm interested in talking to me different representatives from the various companies," said Laura Sullivan of public services at W. Frank Steely Library. "I need to compare costs and see which plan my special care doctors are in." The Health Care Utilization

Committee will take the recommen dations made by Faculty Senate and Staff Congress and will meet with NKU President Leon Boothe Oct. 13 to finalize the decision.

November will be open of ment month and coverage will begin

Job Fair Promises Information On Health Care Plans For Employees

The fourth annual Northern Kentucky University health fair has information for a healthier lifestyle, but this year will provide university employees with information on health provider coverage and the cost of that

On Wednesday, Oct. 11, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., the NKU Wellness Center will sponsor "Health Issues Day, 95" in the Albright Health

1996 ushers in new health provider reform for all Kentucky public employees, including NKU's faculty

and staff.

Presently, the university offers three health care plans from one company, PruCare. Because of new state health care reform legislation, the university must provide a Health Purchasing Alliance to employees.

This means people will have a choice of two health plans from a choice of two health plans from a choice of five companies.

choice of five companies.

Representatives from Commonwealth Health Alliance, Prudential, Healthwise of Kentucky, Humana and Sumi will have booths in the main activity area in Albright to

This is the first time health care ompanies have been included in the

DECIDE AT THE

Sue Roth, Wellness Coordinator, said she hopes this will be an incentive for all employees to attend this year's

Twenty-five vendors covering health issues including hearing and vision screening, massage therapy, self-defense and dental care will also be in Albright.

The fair was initially designed to The fair was initially designed to educate and inform the employees on how to become more proactive in their health life, Roth said.

"The biggest challenge of the day is not gathering the vendors and alliance

representatives, but getting the employees to attend," Roth added.

Sloshing 101



NKU students waded to classes through the puddles last Thursday, battling the strong winds and rain with umbrellas while walking from building to building.

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Get New Books Before Old Ones Turn To Dust

Don't judge a book by its cover. The saying fits the newly renovated Steely Library well.

The newly renovated Steely Library looks just fine. The problem is that despite its slick new look the resources and books st dents and faculty can research through or check out are outdated.

Many of the books are stamped as belonging to Northern Kentucky State College which has not existed since 1976 when the name was changed to Northern Kentucky University. Some of the books are even labeled as belonging to the University of Kentucky Northern Community College Library which has not existed since 1969. At that time the site of NKU's campus was

NKU spends less to buy books for its library than any other university in Kentucky. What do you think this says about the quality of the materials contained in the library?

It says that the collection of books might as well be ancient Greek scrolls. They are outdated and useless to students and faculty who want to do research at the library.

NKU spent \$485,350 both for this year and last year on new materials, including books and periodicals. The quality of a universities' library reflects directly upon the quality of the universi-

Because every time the university wants to add a new Masters or undergraduate degree, the university must first analyze the quality of materials available in the library to make sure both professors and students can gather useful information for projects in

Many of NKU's students don't even use Steely Library when they need to do research for a project anyway. And why should

Why would they want to use an outdated book collection like KU's when they could go somewhere else, like the Cincinnati Public Library to use a better collection that is more up-to-date. Lets compare the two libraries for a minute.

At the Cincinnati Public library they have over 4,655,058 vol-umes of books and 15, 725 subscriptions to journals and magazines to choose from. Comparatively, Steely Library has 289,891 volumes of books and 1,544 subscriptions to journals and maga-

Students could take advantage of NKU's interlibrary loan program that connects with many of the libraries in the Cincinnati area, but what student has an extra two weeks to spare while

working on a project to wait for a book?

NKU's administrators need to make improving the quality of its library the most important resource any university has, a higher priority when it comes down to allocate money from the budget to

buy new materials. If the university does not do this it could be damaging for the university the next time NKU is accredited. The last time that happened in 1988, the Southern Association of Colleges accredited NKU's library, but cited that the books in the library were inad-

If that is what they said over seven years ago what will they say the next time the library is accredited.

NKU's future rides on the quality of the materials in the library. When the library undergoes an accreditation study no-one will care if the library has a fancy glass elevator. What will matter will be the quality of the materials available to students and faculty.

The lesson: for now don't judge Steely Library by its cover because the accreditors won't.

Right now Steely Library looks like a state-of-the-art library. Unfortunately the library only looks that way cosmetically. The university needs to realize this and get some new and more updated materials to stock the library.



Push Yourself; Put Effort Into Work

Chris Mayhe

People who whine about what they can't do make me sick. Every day I hear someone say

that they can't do their class work, or that they can't do better work in their job.

Last week in one of my classes, I couldn't help but be stunned by a

couple of people whining and complaining about how they couldn't handle the work the pro-fessor was assigning, because they had no time to do it.

had no time to do it.

What most people are saying is
that they don't want to do the
work. And the rest of the people
say "I can't" because they truly
don't believe they can.
Both of these reasons for saying

this nasty word (can't) are unac

The first reason people say can't is because they are lazy. The second reason is that they have their priorities seriously out of whack.

The third reason is because the person is short on self-confidence, unwilling to take risks and try anything personally challenging.

All of us have dreams, but no matter what those dreams are we read to be a second to the sec

need to have a strong internal drive to want to do whatever it takes to

make those dreams a reality.

But when you go through life telling co-workers and friends and family what you can't do, eventually they are all going to just go ahead and figure that you can't do anything at all — a useless "good-for-nothing."

Does this mean you have to be a kenweit.all."

know-it-all?

No, it means that even if you don't know how to do something you should still challenge yourself to learn how to do it.

Would that be so hard?

To do this you would have to do something that people will judge you by for the rest of your life.

It's called effort, defined by an applied use of physical or mental energy, exertion, an attempt and finally achievement. Other people

finally achievement. Other people constantly judge us by the amount of effort we put forth.

If you don't achieve anything in life, then you have to ask yourself this question: What is my purpose of living?

of living?

And if you are putting forth some effort and achieving something, why should you settle for second best?

You shouldn't, but with an "I

second best?
You shouldn't, but with an "I can't attitude" you won't get anywhere or achieve anything great.
Challenge yourself and reach for things that, at first, you might

what you will find is that you're
"limitations" are actually just the
beginning of where your true talent, skill and creativity begins.

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Norse Golf:

NKU Finishes Second, Welage MVP og GLVC because of the weather," Wasaid. "The momentum was in

The Norse went into the tourna-ment knowing that Bellarmine was the team to beat after losing to them

the team to beat after losing to them twice in the regular season.

Senior Mark Welage led the Norse with a score of 174, 3 strokes ahead of Bellarmine's Brian Zoeller to become the individual leader and

winner of the tournament. Welage med GLVC Player of the

NKU's other scores were: randon Reis (184), Neil Currie

started to get frustrated and began to foul. These fouls started to produce yellow cards from the referee, and one Kentucky Wesleyan player was given

a red card. When a red card is given,

the player is ejected from the game. At this point, NKU had a man advantage and the goals started to pile up.

Northern Kentucky University men's golf team placed second in the Great Lakes Valley Conference

the Great Lakes Valley Conference golf tournament Last week in West Lafayette, Indiana. The tournament was held at Purdue University and was scheduled for 54 holes, but the competition was called after 45 holes because of poor weather. The weather halted an NKU rally cutting a 5-stroke deficit from Monday to a 2-stroke Bellarmine College lead on Tuesday with nine

College lead on Tuesday with nine

holes left to play "It was heart breaking to lose after cutting Bellarmine's lead to within two strokes only to have the last nine holes of the tournament called

Brandon Reis (184), Neil Currie (185), new-comer Jason Weidner (185) and Tom Walters (186). The Norse finished at 719. This was the Norse best finish at the GLVC Champ onships since 1985, when they were also runners-up. Norse Soccer:

Norse Lash Shutout To Panthers On Senior Day

It was Senior Day for the Northern

It was Senior Day for the Northern Kentucky University men's soccer team, and the Norse put on an offen-sive clinic, beating the Kentucly Wesleyan Panthers, 6-0. NKU dominated the entire 90 min-tues of play. The first goal of the game came from the foot of J.T. Roberts, while Chad Scott had the assist. NKU goalle, Casey Sebert had only two shots taken at his goal. The first half the Norse outshot the Panthers 39-2, but the score was only 1-0.

During half-time, the senior players and their parents were honored. Ryan Schaeffer, Shawn Neace, Chad Scott, Jeff Gough and Brian Weiler are the

team's seniors.

NKU continued to produce shots on goal in the second half, but this half they were scoring. Steve Bornhoffer scored the second goal of the game.

The Norse continued their offensive pressure, and Brian Weiler was awarded a penalty kick, which he

After this third goal, the Panther

SPORTING PAIR OF SIBLINGS

Mixed doubles anyone? For four Northern Kentucky University tennis players it would be a family affair. Natalie and Darren Giuggio and Jenny and Jon Wagner have turned the NKU tennis cours into a daily family reunion.

Natale Grigggon, a senior accounting major, is rounding out her second sea-son here at NKU. After graduating from Milford High School in 1992, she attended the University of Cincinnati for two years before transferring here. After she transferred she decided to

pick up the racquet after a two-year

"I decided to to start playing for three reasons: One, I missed playing, two, I felt it was a chance to get involved and finally it was a chance to play with my younger brother Darren,

Natalie feels that it is very neat that they get to play together but doesn't sound as excited when she talked

about the living arrangements. Not only are they teammates, the Giuggios are also roommates. Darren says that the siblings get along for the

Darren, a radio-television major, is entering his third season on the courts for the Norse. The 1993 Milford High School graduate is the self proclai

etter half of the tennis duo.

In the past two seasons he has been arned to the Great Lakes Valley Conference all league team, which is Conterence an league ream, which is quite an accomplishment coming from a team with just four members.

He agrees with sister Natalic, on playing together.

"It's a blast," he said.

Both Giuggios have shared a lot of Both Gluggios have shared a lot of success both on and off the court. On the court, Natalie plays No. 3 singles and No. 2 doubles, while Darren plays No. 3 singles and No. 1 doubles. Off the court, they are both members of the Greek system, her a Phi Sigma Sigma

and him an Alpha Tau Omega, both holding executive positions over the ast two years.
For Jenny and Jon Wagner, playing

ogether is a rather new experience.

Jenny, a 1995 Loveland High School graduate, just started playing tennis seriously only a few years ago. "I always played for fun, but now

it makes it a lot tougher," she said.

She continues to play for fun and thinks that it is great that her and Jon get to practice and play for NKU.

As with the Giuggios, the Wagners also concede the fact that Jon is the

would blow me off the court," Jenny Jon, a 1994 Loveland graduate, has

Jon, a 1994 Loveland graduate, has njoyed success on the court for a long me.

During his four years in high school, thing special.

ne was named to the Alt-City team in each of his four years, while his team finished in the Top 5 each year. Tennis was not his only focus in high school, Jon also played on traveling baseball teams and has thought

about trying out for the NKU baseball team in the future.

Jon is trying to recover from a bad ankle that gives him problems all the time and has yet to heal.

On playing with his younger sister, on said that he doesn't think about it on much but realizes that it is some-

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Bald Ambition Tour Brings Head Full Of Hair, Humor



NOT SO BALD ANYMORE: Comedian Renee Hicks signs autographs last Tomance in the University Center Theatre, which was part of her nation-wide to

ond year in a row, NKU was a stop on Hicks' Bald Ambition Two Tour. The program was sponsored by Activities Programming

joked with some students about sitting in the back of the theater. Journalism/radio-television major Missy Semm said she found this humorous and thought it was an effective ment to begin the skew.

numorous and mought it was an effective way to begin the show.

"By the time she got up on stage and got the microphone in her hand, most people were already pumped, all eyes were on her," Semm said.

Last year, Hicks was completely

You all are thinking 'She has hair'

aren't you?"

She said that she has a new television show in the works and the producers told her she had to grow hair

"I sold out, people. I sold out, They nade me an offer, I said, 'How nuch?" and I sold out. Just like that,"

Hicks went on to talk about a variety

biggest hit with the students.

"For me, GPA stood for going to parties all the time," she said. The audience in the theater respond-ed to Hicks with enthusiasm. The energy level on the show was high, as

dents.
"I loved it. She had the ability to laugh at herself and other people without being offensive." Semm said.
"The only downfall to the show was

"The only downfall to the show was that it ended so soon."
Hicks delivered motivational messages but mixed them with comedy. 'The show) was great. The whole thing was funny but was still motivational," said Amy Borgman, an elementary education major. Hicks' show was cut short by the OLS immensured to said the still the still the still the still the said of the still the still the still the said the said of the said the sai

O.J. Simpson verdict. The verdict was shown in the UC T.V. Room at 1 pm

Hicks took the microphone with her when she left the stage ed" the verdict, throwing in humorous

"Renee Hicks added a comedic touch to a tense situation," Semm said.

'Strange Days' Celebrates 2K

Futuristic Virtual Reality Movie Offers Thrilling Look At t The Year 2000 In MTV Style

By David Vidovich

The clock is about to strike mid-night on Dec. 31, 1999 to either signal the start of a new millennia or the end of the world in Twentieth Century Fox's latest big

The film takes place on the last day of the century, showing a dark picture of the future in Southern California. In the future, crime is rampant,

the poor are poorer and violence is

the poor are poorer and violence is a way of life.

The dramatic tension of the film builds as the plot unfolds with many twists and turns and plenty of action for the eyes.

The colors of the film are big

and bold and the music is loud -sort of a 2-hour music video played on fast forward. Ralph Finnes (Schindler's List,

Quiz Show) plays Lenny, a dealer

of an illegal substance of the future and it is not a drug. It is virtual reality. In this vision of the future, virtu-al reality can be played through a Sony Walkman type player and transmitted directly to the brain, not through earphones, but through a hairnet-like device.

However, it is highly addictive to the user and thus banned to the

general public.

But when there is enough money available anything is possible, and Lenny is there to get you what you

"You know you want it," is Lenny's motto as he provides his customers with "clips" that allow skiing the Rockies to making love

with the partner of their choice.

Angela Bassett (What's Love
Got To Do With It, Boys In The Hood) gives a strong performance as Macie, Lenny's street-hardened,

Macie, trained in weapons and the martial arts, always seems to show up at opportune times to pull Lenny out of the life-threatening scrapes he can't charm his way out

Tom Sizemore plays Lenny's ex-cop buddy, now a bodyguard assigned to watch the girlfriend of

assigned to watch the griffriend of a top record producer.

Julliette Lewis (Cape Fear, Natural Born Killers) hopes her record-producer boyfriend will make her a singing star, when rap star Jericho One is murdered.

Someone starts tipping off Lenny via his virtual reality clips as he tracks down the killer. Hang on to your hats for the thrilling larger-than-life finish with

twists and turns aplenty.
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Alpha Tau Omega 24-Hour Basketball Tournament Returns for Seventh Year

By Elizabeth Peeno Staff Writer

For the seventh year in a row, the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity is sponsoring a 24-hour basketball marathon to benefit The United

On Saturday, Oct. 21 at noon. the tournament portion of the marathon will begin. Teams of three or four players will chal-lenge each other until 6 p.m. At this time, winners will receive trophies or other prizes

moves from the Albright Health

Center to Regents Hall, where games will continue in a less organized fashion until noon on

The tournament hopes to broad-

en more campus involvement.

"In the past, it's just been basically fraternity and sorority," said Kevin Hoekzema, philanthropy chairman of ATO.

Letters were sent to approxi-mately 100 campus organizations asking them to set up booths selling baked goods or other snacks during the marathon and donate the proceeds to the United Way, Local business sponsors such as

BW-3's, Christopher's and LaRue Lanes have each contributed \$25. They will have their names print-ed on the backs of ATO basketball marathon T-shirts, which will be

marathon 1-shirts, which will be sold at the event for \$10. Last year, the ATO's raised \$1,300 for the United Way, the highest donation from any organi-

zation on campus.

The cost to register for the tournament is \$15 per team of three or four, and everyone is encouraged to participate

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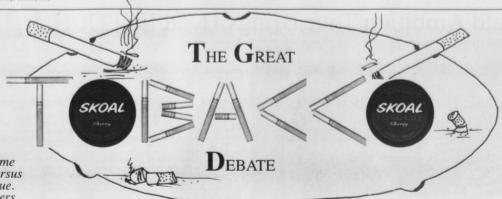
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It Has Become An "Us" Versus "Them" Issue. Tobacco Users And Non-users Are Drawing Their Lines In The Sand On Issues Running The Gambit From Social Pressures To Advertising Policies.



one wants to get old. Not old, old. Support hose, sensible shoes and social security payments aren't high priorities for most of us yet. We en't solemnly sworn to preserve olden Years. The trade-off isn't

ve to reaching retirement age, however,

The alternative to reacting returniers age, nowever, considerably less pleasant.

To be or not to be. That seems to be the question. To be or not to be. That seems to be the question where a leaf daily about deadly threats lurking in a environment. Drunk drivers, tired drivers, old drivers and young drivers. Smog, polluted water, chemicals, tornadoes, earthquakes and fire. And then thereby the bigger or plancin.

then there's the biggy - tobacco.

So-and-so died of a heart attack. Did he smoke?

So-and-so has cancer. Does she

smoke?
It's not that these questions are illogical. Some of us simply prefer not to think along those lines. We smoke.
"I started smoking when I was 14," ore Tony Lee said. "Now I'm 20. I've

tried to quit, but four days is the most I've made

Lee's tale is common.

A few cigarettes swiped from Mom's purse, some practice sessions in front of the mirror and

some practice sessions in front of the mirror and bingo, you're in with the in-crowd. The politically correct choose to blame cigarette ads for making addicts out of our children. Joe Carnel has been brutally sabotaged by senators from both sides of the aisle.

both sides of the aisle.

"I don't think Joe Carnel has anything to do with it,"
Les aid. "Even if ads were on TV, it wouldn't matter.
Kids want to be like adults. They don't care about ads.
"My parents knew I was smoking. They didn't
like it but what could they do."
Lee's girlfriend, freshman Tamara Grimm, is a
smoker who's looking for a way out.
"We've been dating for three years," Grimm said.
"He can't quit and I've quit for a grand total of two
weeks. Hate them but I just can't quit. I have to find
something to take their place."
At first cigarettes are just a social tool, a way for kids
to fit in. They's a right of passage for junior high students. The flick of a Bic shouts, "Look at me, I'm a big
kid now."

kid now."

Grimm bought the hype. Like most teens who light up, she wanted to be like her friends.

"No one in my family smokes," she said. "My mother has never had a cigarette to her lips. She sits in the farthest seat in the no smoking section. My grandpas smoked, but he quit the day! was born."

Grimm's parents still don't know she smokes. She has kept her habit a secret.
"So I really didn't smoke that much," she said. "But when you get out of highs school you realize it."

when you get out of high school you realize it's not cool any more, and by that time you're hooked.

The cycle repeats itself generation after generation.

"My parents smoked Pall Malls, the longer, finer

smoke," said James Sehnert, professor of mathematics.
"I've been smoking since the age of 10. We saw adults
smoking so we sneaked cigarettes. You fight your way
through dizzy spells and leam to inhale. Sooner or later

you're a smoker."

Sehnert refers to the second floor "patio" in the Applied Science and Technology Center as his "office." There he can smoke legally and in peace

while he grades papers.
"I don't mind being relegated to the outdoors or a good day, but my resentment builds when it's 10 degrees in January and the winds are up." Sehnert said.
More or less resolved to his present status, there was

More or less resolved to his present status, there was a time when he almost quit.

"The curious thing is that I quit cold turkey," he said. "When I was writing my Ph.D., a time which should be considered stressful, I quit for four years. It was during Richard Nixon's first term."

Schnert said when he came to NKU in 1972 there were people on the street corners of Cincinnati giving away free packs of four cigarrettes. Even though he didn't smoke, he gathered the packs and took them to the faculty course.

didn't smoke, he gathered the packs and took them to the faculty lounge.
"I rationalized, 'it's fine, I'm being a good citizen," he said. "I'll take them and leave them on the table. I'm not smoking but my friends are.
"It's the theory of demonic possession. I was trying to prove I could win over tobacco. I smoked one, and there I was, a smoker again."
He doesn't think ad campaigns, even those targeted at kids, make a great deal of difference.
"I think kids are pretty high," he said. "They see what's going on. Ads like Joe Camel don't really affect them."

To kids, the concept of death is so distant, it's like

them."

To kids, the concept of death is so distant, it's like trying to visualize a light year—highly unlikely.

"Before researchers, people smoked and people drank," senior Ashley Sutants said. "You only live once. You never know when you're going to die.

"To me, these worriers are over health conscious—they're trying to prevent the inevitable.

"Il like the buzz. I stole Mon's cigarettes when I was 13, but I wasn't a regular smoker until I was 15."

Sutantik resents being told what she can and can't do. The worst part of smoking for her is trying to figure out if she'll get in trouble.

"My biggest —— is what's happening with my constitutional rights," she said. "In Del Mar, Calif., it's lilegal to smoke within 30 feet of a building, so I had to sit on the curb. I couldn't even sit at the bus stop.

"Everybody's got a vice. It might not be that constructive, but it's better than sitting at home by myself drinking or doing drugs."

Smokens are going to smoke at any price, she said. "The government is really stupid," she said. "We've got a \$300 trillion debt. If they taxed the —— out of it, they'd pay the debt.

A few years agom."

"We had to go to two or three stores," sophomore Chris Tilton said. "We bought anything – they were

all out of Marlboros.

all out of Mairboros.

"I've smoked 22 different brands in three years. As long as cigarettes are available, price wouldn't matter.

"I don't care about image or advertising. Look, the Mairboro man is supposed to be macho, but the current one is gay. The first seven died of cancer.

"We buy the brands that give you the free stuff. They give you a free T-shirt with Camels. Then we go

back and exchange the cigarettes."

Companies that give things away are under criticism, said William Sittason, NKU professor of adver-

"Joe Camel is going after 12-year-olds with these tactics," he said. "If people want to smoke, I think they should, but they should move to a different area to

Sutarik thinks that's fair

"It's a compromise," she said. "Besides, I won't ght up if somebody doesn't want me to. I always ask it's common courtesy." 'It's a First Amendment concern," Sittason said.

"It's a First Amendment concern," Situson said. "Rights should come before health."
It's loe Camel and the U.S. Constitution versus the Court of Public Opinion.
"The government tried to say tobacco companies had laced cigarettes with nicotine to keep people hooked." Situson said. "They denied it.
"T've watched people die from cigarettes. There are people who just can't stop. The people who say they can quit are the ones who have a problem."
Another type of tobacco comes in at in and doesn't get smoked. It's less othersive, unless you're bothered by people spitting into a cut during a conversation.

get smoked. It's less obtrusive, unless you're bothere by people spitting into a cup during a conversation.

"I do smokeless," freshman Bryan Stamper said.
"I was 9 years old when I started. I know it's habit forming and not good for you."

"My brother was 13 when he brought some-home. He was with a group of guys – kids like to experiment. Now I think of it as my cup of coffee in the morning. I like the taste and it calms me down.

"I take a shower, get in the car and take a dip.

Stamper's girlfriend, fresh man Tracy Baker, is a non

"I don't know why he wants to spend money on stuff that's going to kill you," Baker said. "I don't like to take a chance on him getting a disease. "It can affect me by kissing him. I could get

Put that one in your pipe, boys.

"I think chewing tobacco is gross," sophomore
Lesley Baker said. "I would never go out with anyone
who did it."

Baker, a smoker, is slowly trying to quit

Datace, a sittoker, is stowny trying to quil.
"It started because I thought it was cool," she said,
"In junior high you want to look older."
Communications professor Michael Turney isn't
surprised that people aren't influenced by ads.
Most people start smoking because of social

Most people start smoking because of social peeer groups, he said.

But, ads are part of our lives – they create an attitude that smoking is acceptable.

"I get uncomfortable that rules say you can't advertise a product that's legal," Turney said. "If we permit smoking and the sale of cigarettes and tobacco, we probably ought to permit talking about them. When we talk about limits on advertising, then it's a 1st Amendment issue.

"Even in the days before advertising, kids went out behind the barn. They sneaked cigarettes because they were prohibited. They wanted to be adults. They always have and always will.

"It's a forbidden pleasure to kids, but it's not illegal."
So much for preserving our bodies to enjoy the

Golden Years.

And so much for Joe Carnel.

In Their Opinion

FAMOUS QUOTES

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-James Sehnert, NKU professor

"I've been smoking for 65 years and my doctor says it would be dangerous to

-Man Ray

"I kissed my first woman and smoked my first cigarette on the same day; I have never had time for tobacco since."

-Arturo Toscanini

"Perfection is such a nuisance I often regret having cured myself of using tobac-

-Emile Zola

"Each year one vicious habit rooted out, in time might make the worst man good throughout."

-Ben Franklin

"Now I think of it as my cup of coffee in the morning. I like the taste and it calms me down. I take a shower, get in the car and take a dip.

> -Brian Stamper, on why he dips