# THE NORTHERNER

# NKU professor says steriod study a cause for concern

BY SUE WRIGHT EDITOR

NKU physical education professor Dr. Michael Gray directed a nationwide survey in which 10 to 14-year-old athletes were ask ed about steriods.

He said some of his findings shocked him. He discovered kids are not using the drug - 97 percent reported they weren't. But to his dismay, many have misconceptions about steriods and are ignorant to the dangers of usage.

"The big concern is not that usage is rampant at this age," he said. "It is the attitudes they are developing at a very young age. It's scary that many children are led to believe that steroids will not hurt and would consider using them because of all the pressures placed on athletic performance.' Survey results cause concern

Gray is is the Director of the National Youth Sports Coaches Association National Research Development Center whose offices

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Dr. Michael Gray, an associate professor of physical education has studied in over 15 countries and has recently completed a nationwide study on steriods.

Steriods and Kids

Results from the National Youth Sports Coaches Association National Research and Development Center that studied youth sports participants ages 10-14:

- 97 percent said they have never used steriods
- 78 percent had heard of steriods but only 49 percent had ever had side effects explained to them
- 43 percent said they felt steriods would not harm if used properly
- 57 percent felt that regular steriod usage was a drug problem similar to marijuana, cocaine, etc.
- 45 percent said they felt steriod usage would improve their sports performance
- 68 percent said they believed Olympic athletes probably used steriods to make the team

Side affects of steriods Long Term: Many not known, but some discovered are : liver damage, liver cancer, cancer of the kidney, heart problems and sterility.

#### Prof receives national endowment award in the poetry category

BY HOLLY JO KOONS

Nancy Eimers, an assistant professor of English at NKU, received a National Endowment of the Arts Creative Writing Fellowship in the poetry category.

Eimers applied for the grant nearly one vear ago. She submitted ten of her poems

for consideration. This year, out of nearly 1900 applications, only 96 poets and literary authors were selected to receive fellowships.

The grants, totaling \$1.92 million, were given in three categories: poetry, fiction, and belles lettres.

"These fellowships provide direct assistance to some of the nation's best poets and prose writers, enabling them to devote full attention to their work," said Frank Hodsoll, national chair of the endowment.

The National Endowment's Literature Program places no restrictions on how the fellowship may be used, said Eimers. Eimers continued by saying that the purpose of the grant was to enable each recipient time to devote to his or her work.

Eimers, a first year professor at NKU, has recently completed her doctorate in literature and creative writing. She obtain-

Student Government's Alcohol Awareness week

ed her masters in Fine Arts in Creative Writing from the University of Arizona and went on to earn her doctorate from the University of Houston.

Eimers, the recipient of \$20,000, said that she plans to take the summer off and travel to Europe with her husband. However, she did say that she plans to devote most of the summer to her writing.

#### Health sciences enriched with gift

BY SUSAN JEFFERIES NEWS EDITOR

Mark R. Herrmann, Ft. Thomas, has bequested a substantial amount of money to NKU for the establishment of an endowed professorship in the health sciences area.

Paul Gibson, president of the University Foundation, said an endowed professorship interest from the endowment fund is used to recruit a full-time professor.

He added, "It enables us to go out and find a distinguished professor who may be nationally known and bring them in as an addition to the faculty."

Besides bringing additional faculty resources that might not otherwise be affordable, Gibson said, it also brings new insights and makes it possible to recruit someone with a very special expertise that could be shared, so that not only the students benefit, but faculty and staff benefit as well. See BENEFIT page 11

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## Past experiences aid leaders



James Ramage

BY HOLLY JO KOONS NEWS EDITOR

Pathos (the suffering of an individual) has enabled the great leaders of the past to identify with their followers, said Dr. James Ramage.

"Pathos on the Path to Greatness" was the topic of a free colloquium presented by Ramage. Ramage, a professor of history at NKU, was honored by being chosen as the 1987-88 Professor of the Year. The open colloquium was held on Wednesday afternoon, February 22, in the UC Ballroom. Ramage spoke to his audience in the packed auditorium about the uncommon pathos of three great leaders: Patrick Henry, Abraham Lincoln, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Ramage said that the hardships in the lives of these three leaders helped them to sense the mood of their audience and touch the souls of the people.

Ramage stated that Patrick Henry of revolutionary America had such eloquence as he spoke that he gave a seven-hour speech while his audience remained in perfect stillness. Henry spoke the famous words, "Give me liberty, or give me death."

Although Henry was an outstanding speaker, Ramage said that it was the past experiences of Henry's life that enabled him to hold the attention and identify with the feelings of his audience.

Upon speaking, Ramage pointed out to his listeners that at the age of 16, Henry started a country store which soon failed. He married his wife, Sara, at 18 and three years later their house burned. He had six children with Sara. It was after the children were born that Sara began to suffer from mental illness and had to be kept in a straight jacket so as not to do herself bodily harm. Sara died four years later, Henry remarried and had 11 more children by his second wife. Ramage said that it was because of these hardships that Patrick Henry could well identify with the people of revolutionary America.

Ramage continued and spoke of the courage of another great leader, President Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln was a funnylooking man, said Ramage.

Lincoln wore his suit sleeves and pants too short and wore a hat on his head that made him look seven-feet tall. Lincoln was often ridiculed, but not only because of his looks. He was often ridiculed for the stand he took on black slavery. When he was 30, he met Mary Todd, but he was not well liked by her family and he realized he wasn't worthy of her. Lincoln broke off his engagement with Todd and went into a deep depression. Ramage stated that Lincoln fell into such states of depression periodically.

Although events turned and Lincoln did marry Todd, two of Lincoln's children, Edward and William, died before they had reached their teenage years. William, who died at age 11, was very intelligent and everyone thought he would lead a promising future. Upon William's death, Lincoln locked himself in William's room. Lincoln not only suffered over the deaths of his two children, but he often had nightmares of being assassinated.

Although Lincoln had not lived a life filled with riches and fame, he spoke with loudness and his voice carried to the very edges of his audience. When Lincoln delivered his famous address at Gettysburg, See PATHOS page 11

#### Take part in the activities of Alcohol Awareness Week

Wednesday, March 1: Noon to 1 p.m. 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Alcohol Trivia Quiz Show in U.C. Lobby. Tau Kappa Epsilon will sponsor an Alcohol Awareness Booth.

Thursday, March 2: Noon to 12:30 p.m. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Alpha Tau Omega tricycle race, U.C. lobby. Jerry Springer will speak on the merits of Alcohol Awareness. Non-Alcoholic bar. . . FREE DRINKS!

Friday, March 3: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Stage One will sponsor an Alcohol Awareness Booth.

## Women's Week '89 - March 17 - 24

"We still have a dream"

Some of the following activities are corrections of previous publications. Be sure to up-date your calendar. This week is designed to promote equality for all people. During the week, there will be a variety of activities, workshops, and lectures. This year there will be a Women's Student Award. The award will be offered to an outstanding woman student or student group. The award will recognize women who have worked to achieve cooperation between students, faculty and staff, fought for social justice, advanced the status of women or otherwise improved the world around them through their compassion, their strength, their courage and their skill. All individuals or groups, formal or informal, will be considered for this award. Nominations should be submitted to the Women's Center AHC 206 by March 13. Please send attention of Melissa Hall.

Friday, March 17-

-1 p.m. Albright Health Center 308 Transcultural Nursing Experiences: Applied Anthropology in the Practice of Nursing. Nancy Savage. Reception to follow in Landrum 213.

Sunday, March 19--2 p.m. Playhouse in the Park Steel Magnolias. Reception in the Playhouse

Lobby following the play. Purchase tickets through the Women's Center. Monday, March 20-

-Noon University Center Theatre Sexual Harassment. Video and panel discussion.

Tuesday, March 21--10 a.m. - Noon University Center Second Floor Lounge

Coffee, sponsored by Women's Studies. -12:15 p.m. - 7 p.m. Landrum 506 Girls Apart. A film sponsored by the Sociology Department.

-3:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. University Center Ballroom

Women Leaders in Education. High tea sponsored by the Education Department. -7:30 p.m. University Center Theatre MUSE. Cincinnati Women's Choir.

Wednesday, March 22--Noon University Center Theatre Chile in the 80's: Through Women's Eyes

- Irene B. Hodgson. -8 p.m. University Center Theatre

Women and the law - Sarah Weddington.

Thursday, March 23--11:30 a.m. University Center Ballroom OUTSTANDING WOMEN OF NORTHERN

KENTUCKY AWARDS LUNCHEON. Co-sponsored by the Kentucky Post - Cost \$6.50 and reservations are limited. Respond immediately. No reservation after March 10. For information on reservations, contact Peg

Goodrich, AC 105 or call 572-6400.

-6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. BEP 461 Women Business Owners/Starting and Maintaining Your Own Business. A workshop sponsored by the NKU Small Business Development Center for women interested in starting their own business.

Friday, March 24--Noon University Center Theatre Pricks and Chicks. A study in the philosophy of language. Beth Perkins.

Coalition for Social Concerns meets weekly on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. in the University Center cafeteria in the corner nearest to the Administration Building.

Don't forget the invitation to stop by

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The above pictures are one reason why steriods are used - to increase muscle size. Other reasons are to increase performance in athletics or to look cosmetically better to others.

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are at Northern. Over 1,000 youth athletes - which 80 percent of the respondents were male - in 17 demographically located states were surveyed.

After designing the survey, Gray sent copies to two research assistants in each state, they completed their findings and sent the information back.

Over 2.700 surveys were sent and completed at a 46 percent return rate. Gray said the survey stems from his belief that not enough research has been done with younger athletes. He added such research is essential in discovering and preventing problems before the athlete grows older.

"Nobody gives much thought that this is not a problem that magically begins," he said. "From the study, we found these younger kids have terrible attitudes about steriods. It's scary. We need to educate them about the dangers and side effects of the drugs."

#### Peers and society contribute to views

The two most shocking findings in the survey, Gray said, reveal kids are not "armed with the right information." Forty-three percent of the children said steriods would not hurt an athlete if used properly and 45 percent felt steriods would improve sports performance.

"This is very dangerous," he said. "A child who works and trains to to accomplish a goal may believe they can be even better with steriods without knowing the side effects."

A local teacher and coach agreed with Gray's findings.

"I think there is pressure for a student who wants to continue a career and needs some extra strength," Chris Maxwell, athletic director for Turkey Foot Junior High School in Kenton County said. "Kid's do have questions.

Maxwell who teaches physical education and coaches various sports at the school, said he includes a section about steriods in the classroom. He uses different tactics, in-



cluding examples of steriod users, pamphlets and material from books, to imform his students about the drug and its side effects.

"The relationship between teacher/coach and the student is very important," he said. 'The teacher should not look as it as a job. It should be a sharing process and we should be there to give the kids what they need to know.

Maxwell said he believed there are misconceptions about the drug and added that kids often ask about the "good things" steriods will do. A teacher needs to inform them about the bad things as well, he added.

"A student who is genetically built good and has the natural talent may have the thought run across their mind. It's the pressure from all sides to be best not just good or great."

#### **Education about steriods**

Gray also described some of the pressures felt by students. And, he added, it won't be easy to change incorrect views and misconceptions that kids acquire.

'You can't blame the kids, and I'm not blaming the parents either," he said. "But so much stress and emphasis put on winning. Kids will turn to steriods if they already have the talent and the ability that just might give them the edge to win.

"We need to teach them if you do not win the sun will still shine tommorrow," he

Children as well as adults, Grav said, should learn from mistakes of others - like

# **Experience and Steriods**

#### Ex-user tells his story for others

BY SUE WRIGHT EDITOR

Experience can only illustrate how shocking and life-threatening steriods can be according to a person who had to learn the

"I don't know why in the world I kept taking them, I was so big," Randy Adams, (whose name has been changed) a senior psychology major and athlete at NKU said. 'People used to ask me 'Well how big do you want to get?' and I'd reply 'I want to be so big I can't fit through the door, that's how big.

Adams said once a person gets hooked on steriods, no one can ever imagine - unless they have lived it - how hard it is to stop. He said physically and mentally he became obsessed with the drugs.

Adams said he was an athlete just about his whole life and then focused on bodybuilding at a serious pace. He naturally built up his muscles, he said, then decided to become a professional bodybuilder. He was naive at first, but then learned many pro's do the drug and, he said he felt compelled to follow.

He began taking steriods when he was 21 in low dosages, Adams said. As his strength and size increased, so did the shots and the oral dosages.

"It is so addicting that you become a different person," he said. "I had so much self confidence, and it was great all the looks and attention I'd get from people. You're not afraid of anyone and you like that way.'

Adams said he believes it is terrible the misconceptions that were discovered in Gray's survey. He said he was tricked by many in society that steriods were safe if taken properly.

"You can get steriods anywhere, all you have to do is ask around," he said. "I even got mine from a doctor, who was later pressured to stop distributing them. It was weird because he would give them to me, and I thought since he was a doctor if anything went wrong he would be there. He wasn't even concerned. Adams added that when taking steriods, he knew about the side effects but believed problems wouldn't happen to him.

"It's incredible how I grew in strength and size," he said "At first it's great, but then you can never get too big in your own mind. You become totally obsessed."

To compare the relation in strength with our with out steriods, Adams talked about his bench pressing techniques.

"When I was on steriods, I couldn't do 275 pounds just once, but I'd warm up on that weight. I would do it for maybe 25 rep's at one time. When I wasn't on steriods I could push 275 pounds up, just once, if

But, Adams said, with the strength the side effects followed. The scariest part for him is that many of the long term effects are not known.

"The biggest immediate effect when you are on them is that you get mean," he said. "If something came along where I missed a workout, God help the person I'd come in contact with. If someone would look at me in the wrong way, I would just want to kill them '

Many of the other effects, Adams said he and his other buddies felt at the gym, were high blood pressure - which led to nosebleeds - acne, headache, stomach problems, emotional highs and lows, as well as sexual problems.

"When you first start taking steriods you can't get enough sex," said Adams, who is married. "But then a few weeks into the cy cle you want to do it, but you can't. It's terrible on a marriage.

Finally, Adams said, the problems overwhelmed him and he quit steriods.

He said that he had not heard of steriods at such as young age, as in Gray's study, and that he believes steriods are a much bigger problem then when he was young.

"I don't care if you talk to these kids until you're blue in the face," Adams said. "It will not help until America gets its priorities straight."

Adams said he agreed with Gray's theory about society and the stressess of winning and losing

"The main reason why steriods are so popular is because we put so much emphasis on athletics," he said. "We look up to our athletes as gods and children want to grow up being just like them.

" If a kid's fastest way to fame anf fortune is atheltics, they can get there even faster with steriods. I don't think this problem is going to change until we change our views that being in good health is better than being a good athlete.

Olympic heroes who have surrendered gold to steriods.

"I would not sit here and say 'Hey, Ben Johnson is a terrible human being," he said. "He was succumb to the pressures. But it's sad because you don't know who won it him or the steriods?

Gray has visited over 15 countries in his research in youth-sports topics and worked with the Olympic Soccer Team in 1984. He said from his experiences, educating kids is a priority, but will not neccessarily stop the steriods problem.

He added that many times nothing will help because the student can't see the longterm effects of usage. If a child has a coach they feel comfortable talking to, who will tell them the side effects this may improve the

The problem is a bleak one. Gray said. when it comes to stopping usage altogether.

"It's a nightmare how many different kinds of steriods people are doing worldwide," he said. "In foreign countries. they are even figuring out ways to beat and screen the process so steriods won't show up on tests. It's ludicrous.'

Grav's research will be included in a USA Today's feature on steriods. He anticipates publishing the material as well.

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## Verses in freedom

No, it is not a nuclear holocaust, a world war or Armageddon that has angered the good people of planet Earth. It is an author and his book, the ayatollah, and a book ban that has created a great deal of chaos.

In the past few weeks the news has been filled with the saga of Salman Rushdie. Rushdie is the author of *The Satanic Verses*, a book that Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini denounced as blasphemy. Khomeini banned the book from his country and offered money for any person killing Rushdie.

The Satanic Verses is a book that shows the Moslim religion in a less than favorable light. According to Neusueek, one section of the book imparticular raised the ayatollah's ire. The section has a character named Salman describing his "disenchantment with a new religion called Submission (English for Islam) and its prophet, Mahaund," as explained in Neusueeek.

The first issue that should be considered in the analysis of the entire incident is Rushdie's right to write fiction that is identifiable with the characters that are being fictionalized. Yes, there is such a thing as freedom of speech or freedom of press, but along with this right comes responsibility. No one has the right to "blasphemy" another person. Rushdie did not clearly separate the identity of his fictional character from the ayatollah. In doing this he has left himself wide open for a libel suit. He has assassinated Khomeini's character and also the Moslim religion. Rushdie has behaved irresponsibly, and not for the first time in his career as an author. "Indira Gandhi threatened to sue for libel over a passage in his 1981 Midnight's Children that implied she was responsible for her husband's death, reported Neusueek.

Rushdie's book may not have been as abrasive to Muslims if he himself was not a born but no longer practicing Muslim. He must have been aware of the impact his book would have on the Muslims.

The above is not an excuse for Khomeini's mad action though. Yes, Rushdie was acting irresponsibly, but the ayatollah reacted irresponsibly. This is the second point. His initial reaction of banning Rushdie's book could have been enough of an action to win him support and understanding from Western society. Threatening to sue for libel would have been another applaudable reaction. Putting a contract out for Rushdie's life and offering large sums of money for the deed is a dreadful reaction.

Newsweek reported that Sheik Muhammad Hussam al Din, an Egyptian theologian stated: "This makes Islam seem brutal and bloodthirsty." He went on to say that blood may not be shed until after a trial giving the accused a chance to defend their action.

As a religious leader of a nation, Khomeini's action made him and his people appear barbaric. He did not react in a diplomatic way. He has failed to respect international standards of behavior.

Yes, his people's beliefs are different from those of Western society. No one is asking them to conform, but when dealing with Western society Khomeini should take into consideration the codes of diplomacy.

The final scene to consider in the whole incident is freedom of the press and terrorist threats. Rushdie's publisher, Viking Penguin, was the target of bomb threats demanding that Rushdie's book be taken out of print. Viking Penguin has offices in London and New York City. Because of the threats American bookstore chains like Waldenbooks, B. Dalton and Barnes & Noble all ordered copies of The Satanic Verses be pulled off of the shelves. This was the straw that broke the camels back here in America.



## A little bit of this and that Questions to ponder upon in this crazy society

Just some observations...

Could it be that Americans are finally witnessing some effective government? First the federal pay raise is voted down, and then the Senate Armed Services Committee rejects President Bush's nomination of John Tower as secretary of defense.

#### **Thomas Mullikin**

The death contract placed on the life of author Salman Rushdie is not only ludicrous but should serve as a reminder for all Americans of how important our rights are. Just think if in America a person, an organization or the government could attempt what the Ayatullah did. Either the sales of paper and pen would decrease or the sales of cemetery plots would increase.

The ten part series on ethics currently running on Channel 48 is both informative and impressive. Each week a group of highly respected doctors, lawyers, journalists and government officials speak about ethics in our society. The program can be seen on Tuesdays at 10 p.m.

While on the subject of ethics, why is there a sudden concern about them? Maybe we are beginning to see the results of years and years of unethical behavior.

Barring major injuries, this is the year Pete Rose shows what kind of manager he is. Although the Reds don't stand head and shoulders above the other teams in the N.L. West, the team has the talent to win it all.

Still on sports... University of Oklahoma's quarterback Charles Thompson was arrested for selling cocaine one week after speaking to a group of grammar school

students about the evils of drugs. And this guy was going to college on a scholarship!

What are the chances of moving spring break farther into the semester in the hope the students could experience some warm weather during their vacation?

What NKU needs is a football team. Nothing is more collegiate than waking up on a Saturday morning to an autumn day, putting on your favorite sweater, attending the afternoon game and ending the day at some recreational function with fellow students.

You heard it here first...Rain Man will win the Oscar for best picture, and Dustin Hoffman the Oscar for best actor for his portrayal of the autistic brother.

Plans are being completed for the filming of the movie Presumed Innocent. If the film is half as good as the bestselling book it will be worth the price of admission.

Are any other seniors feeling both exhilaration and apprehension over the fast approaching graduation date? Exhilaration over finishing school, but apprehension over taking the first few steps in a new career.

Gun control is a hot issue right now. And although the gun owners have the Constitution on their side, how can anyone rationalize the purchase of a machine gun?

Wouldn't you like to have a nickel for every dollar spent for the prosecution and defense of Ollie North?

The battle over abortion will intensify in the coming months as the Supreme Court begins to review Roe v. Wade. However, the Justice Department's request that the decision be overturned because "it isn't firmly grounded in the Constitution" seems faulty. It is hard to believe that 200 years ago the writers of the Constitution could envision our society as it is today.

If you were to win the lottery tomorrow could you or would you finish your college education?

#### Readers' Views

## Golden Girl says 'we do our best'

To the editors:

Dear Joseph R. Nagle,

Just who do you think you are?! You have no right to compare the Golden Girls to the cheerleaders or the basketball teams. We are our own organization.

I would like to say that if I did not think Golden Girls was a worthwhile organization, I would not have auditioned for it in the first place.

Joe, if you are complaining about all of the Golden Girls, you should have directed your letter to all of us. Not just Pam Brooks (Captain), after all, we are a team! Pam Brooks' letter was inquiring about how we are being treated by the Athletic Department. Your response was about how we are performance-wise. It has nothing to do with the letter she wrote.

It is not our problem, Joe, if you and your friends have to go hide in the restroom during half-time because you do not like our performances. How would you know of our improvements if you and your friends are in the restroom putting on your own half-time show? Is the entertainment in the restroom more pleasurable than the entertainment on the court?! I would like you to know that there are many people who enjoy watching our performances.

I would like to see you get up in front of your family, friends, and faculty and put on a perfect dancing performance. It is harder than you think when the Athletic Department does not even have a schedule of games made up for us like they should. They just throw games at us and expect us to perform. They also expect a different dance for every game we perform at.

The sound system also has a big effect on us. This is not our fault! When you can barely hear the music, it is hard for everyone to keep everything together. All I can say is that we do our best to try to be as professional as we can be when situations like this occur.

As far as our music being from 25 years ago, you are totally wrong! Where have you been? I don't know if you have been hid out in restrooms too long or what, but our music is the music you hear in just about every club you walk into!

But we are not only at the games to be the half-time entertainment, we are there to cheer on and support the basketball team. To promote school spirit, which I think this school is lacking!

So, Joe, I would like to leave you with a few words of wisdom: "Keep in mind that the road to success is always under construction and that you have only failed if you have failed to try!!!"

Stacey Kappas
Golden Girl

Golden Girls 'deserve support'

To the editors

In response to Mr. Nagle's letter stating the Golden Girls need to look at what's been happening, perhaps he should follow his own advice.

The Golden Girls, like the men's basketball team, have a new coach and are trying to improve the image of the team. They, like any other team at Northern, deserve support and recognition from their fellow students.

These girls have a lot of guts and attempt to entertain us. They don't need ridicule and insults. They like any other group on campus need support.

These girls are appreciated by the basketball teams. Why not by the rest of the tathletic department and their fellow students? Well, all I can say is, at least these girls put forth an effort to participate in activities at this university. Diane Goetz

one of the member fraternities.

Alpha Delta Gamma Alpha Phi Alpha Alpha Tau Omega Pi Kappa Alpha Sigma Phi Epsilon Tau Kappa Epsilon

## A challenge for the Norsemen

To the editors:

To the Norsemen.

Now, don't get me wrong here, I don't want to get off on the wrong foot. I've enjoyed attending all the home games possible during the two seasons that I have been attending N.K.U. The games prove to be exciting, and the price is right. I admire good basketball players, theirs is a sport that requires dedication as well as ability, and I envy them for their moves and grace and endless hustle. I love playing the game, but only dream of performing at their level.

Still, I'd like to out on a limb here, and offer up something of a challenge in the form of a shoot-out from the foul line. Coach Shields, I think a world more of you than the last guy who had your job, and I'm convinced that your team is capable of a championship season, but not until the Norse can out-shoot my grandma from the free throw line — a feat that I'm not sure they can do at the present. Now I haven't seen my grandma shooting any hoops lately, but I'm sure she would be game, providing the stakes were right. She is just as disgusted as I am when she sees the Norse blow a game, not from the field, but from the charity line.

Close games are won or lost at the foul line, no matter what the heroics are from the pure shooters like Blasengame or Fields, it all goes down the tubes with less than mediocre foul shooting.

So, how about it? If you accept the challange and win, it'll be worth the humiliation to my grandma and to see an improvement from the line, and if grandma wins, (and I think she has it in her!) I'm sure she won't want too much, but I do know this; she'd look great in those black and gold sweats.

Joseph R. Nagle

#### Frats at NKU

To the editors:

The Interfraternity Council of this university, as well as each of its individual fraterity members, condemns the "irresponsible" pranks that occured at two other universities as reported in *The Northerner*, Feb. 22 issue. Such deplorable acts, commonly called "hazing," do not and would not happen on this campus. If anyone has any questions concerning Northern's fraternal system, they should contact Dean Lamb (IFC Advisor) or

#### The Comp Column

This week's guest columnist is Wanda Crawford.

I took time out to write to my old friend I walked across that burning bridge. I mailed my letter off to Dallas.

But her reply came from Anchorage, Alaska.

-from Anchorage, by Michelle Shocked.

Hearing this song, I thought about my cousin, Jalene, my best friend in grade school and junior high — we haven't spoken to each other now in eight years.

Jalene lived in a Chicago suburb and visited our farm in Nebraska every summer. We were together for only two weeks each year, but those were the best times of my childhood. Through letters we maintained our relationship the other 50 weeks of the year.

As we grew older our interests and values diverged. I was college bound, and couldn't imagine anything else for myself. I had no sympathy or tolerance for her desire to be a farmer. (How could she? What did she know about farming from our two week vacations?) I never understood how much she loved the outdoors, how satisfying physical work was for her, how curious she was about how things work, and how she liked to get dirt on her hands. I suspected she wasn't sincere — that she just wanted to be around my brothers.

During her last visit, I had the feeling she really hadn't come to see me. We fought about everything — parents, her mom. chores. To me Jalene seemed irresponsible and immature that summer, and one hot, dusty afternoon as we were riding horseback we clashed.

"What are you going to do if you don't go to college?," I demanded. I was so wise at 18. She said she wanted to go to a technical school, to learn mechanics or farming. I don't remember exactly what was said, but I remember the feeling that our lives were separating, falling apart. I was leaving a friendship behind, and in a way, my childhood.

Jalene lives in Tucson now, works in a factory, has a trailer house and a little girl. She's no farmer, but does have a piece of land. We both got what we wanted — she the country. I the city. Our lives are just as different as I imagined and yet I think I now understand the choices she made. One of my brothers visits her every year, and he's been telling me she would like to hear from me. I want to write but I'm afraid to make the first move after so long.

I bought the Michelle Shocked tape for her. I think she'll like the folk/blues sound of it. And I think she'll hear that song and know why I'm finally ready to cross the bridge I burned. The two friends in the song are "a housewife" and "a skateboard punkrocker." But there is still affection between them because of the past they've shared.

Funny that I should be ready to reconcile with Jalene because of a song. Funny that a song could influence a person so much. But maybe its not so strange after all. Music, like the literature we read in the classroom, touches our lives, becomes a part of us and deepens our humanity. I would like to think I have learned something about myself from hearing the words of someone I don't even know. I'll write my friend now, a letter it's taken me eight years to write — eight years and a song.

# 'Most people agree cheating' is wrong

BY LAURIE A. HAMMOND STAFF WRITER

Most people agree that cheating is not grades the respectable way. On the other hand, there are a few among us who believe it is simple to get an "A" on a test or paper if you can cheat and not get caught.

At NKU, cheating and plagiarism, in dismissal from a class. So one may wonder why some students still take the chance of cheating when such severe consequences may occur.

I'm sure many of us can relate to the

situation of coming across one question on a test which totally "blows your mind". At this point the thought crosses your mind to look beside you for an answer or a clue. This is human nature. And then you also have the one who is lazy and never comes prepared for a test. This person expects to pass by cheating off of others. In either case it is wrong and unfair, both to the one you cheat off of and to the one cheating, not to mention the professor.

A survey of a variety of NKU students found the majority agreeing that cheating is wrong. Although some admit to cheating in high school, they believe that their studies at the university are more important, and take them much more seriously.

Melissa Getro, a senior secondary education major, says, "As a future teacher, in no way can I condone cheating. I think it is a great loss to one's learning when they revert to cheating."

"Cheating is the misuse of one's intelligence," says Marzouq Mehanna, "As an international student I'm here to learn and by cheating you learn nothing."

This is an issue which students and faculty need to look at more closely and more seriously. It is not something to turn your back on and ignore, it's something we all should confront and bring to a stop. Cheating benefits no one.

# **Features**

# The 'shocking' truth in keeping with The Burbs

BY TOM HANDORF FEATURES EDITOR

There seems to be a strange curiosity to new people when they move into the neighborhood. Everyone tries to find out what they're like and sometimes this causes mass hysteria. Such is the case with the new Tom Hanks film *The Burbs*.

Hanks, fresh from the Academy Awards nomination for Big plays Ray Peterson, a man who wants to lounge around the house and enjoy his vacation. His neighborhood is full of strange, yet interesting characters.

Hanks assembles a group to find out more about the hibernating neighbors. Mark Rumsfield (Bruce Dern), the shell-shocked Vietnam vet joins in as they attempt to find out more about their neighbors. This where the movie turns into a full farce.



Tom Hanks

The motley crew of neighbors do everything they can to find out the chilling question of what's in the basement. They may not want to know the answers.

The Klopeks are a family that you would never imagine living in your neighborhood.

# where the movie turns into a full farce. See BURBS page 8 Academy Awards lack justice

Spielberg not given full credit deserved

BY TOM HANDORF FEATURES EDITOR

As expected, the 61st annual Academy Awards showered *Rain Man* with eight major nominations, but Steven Spielberg was once again in a drought.

Distinguished director and film maker, Spielberg was left out in the cold in his quest to pick up the best picture status. He served as executive producer on the hit film Who Framed Roger Rabbit, but the film didn't get any major nomination. This was one of the bone-headed decisions the Academy came up with this year.

#### "One of these days the members of the Academy are going to realize how great of a filmaker Spielberg is....."

Who Framed Roger Rabbit was one of the most technically brilliant films of all time. It did gather six nominations in technical categories, but other nominations were overlooked. Director Robert Zemeckis deserved a nod for his ability to bring the world of toons to the screen. I'm surprised the director of Rambo III wasn't nominated.

I usually don't get this upset over awards, but I feel a big mistake was made in not nominating Roger Rabbit for best picture. Steven Spielberg has given us some of the most wonderful pictures to ever grace the screen, but he has never been given the full credit he deserves. If it's left up to the Academy members, who are made up of his filmaking peers, he never will.

The continuing controversy that has surrounded the man and his imagination reached a huge boiling point a few years ago when he made *The Color Puple*. The movie, about the trials and tribulations of a young black girl in the rural south, was nominated for 11 Academy Awards. It received none. Spielburg was upset. It could be looked upon as discrimination against blacks. To be nominated for so many Oscars and come up empty handed, something has to be wrong.

Spielberg's movies have been nominated for best picture a total of five times. These films include such classics as Jaus, E.T., Raiders of the Lost Ark, The Color Purple and the recent, Empire of the Sun. He has had a hand in other film greats like Back to the Future, Gremlins, and Roger Rabbit

I guess the only thing we can do about this is to continue to enjoy his films. Awards are kind of silly anyhow. One of these days the members of the Academy are going to realize how great a film maker Spielberg is. His next film, the third installment of the Indiana Jones saga, will be well worth waiting for, but don't hold you're breath for any awards. For Spielberg, audience enjoyment will be sufficient enough.

As for my picks on who will win the best picture this year, I beleive Rain Man will win. It's kind of scary though when you realize that Spielberg was originally going to do Rain Man. If he had done it, it would have been just as good, but its chances for best picture would surely dwindle.

# Tragedy, comedy well mixed

#### But Moliere too much sex for critic, audience

BY HOLLY JO KOONS

"The greatest of my comedies will be my own death," said Jean Baptiste Poquelin Moliere.

Moliere was presented by the NKU Department of Theater on Feb. 16-19 and 23-26, in the Fine Arts Center Black Box Theater.

The play was about the life and death of the playwright Moliere, but it was written by a Russian playwright, Mikhall Bulgakov in 1932.

In actuality Moliere's statement, "The greatest of my comedies will be my own death," wasn't far from the truth. On Feb. 17, 1673, Moliere's stomach burst as he was performing the role of the title character in his own play, The Imaginary Invalid. And just as Moliere had earlier prophesied, he died amid a roar of laughter as the audience mistook his death for just another bit of Moliere's comic genius.

Ken Jones, the director of Moliere said, "The tragedy is always more tragic, the comedy always more comical when they are played as one. Just beneath the broadest laughter lurks the tear. This symbiotical relationship is perhaps most clearly the Commedia dell'arte. In our production of Moliere, the aura of commedia dell'arte colors everything; it is this infustion of color that creates the style."

Adding tragedy and comedy is just what the NKU Department of Theater did. In the play, Moliere (Scott T. McGee) unknowingly married his daughtrer, Armande (Kelly Eviston). Moliere had once been the lover of Armande's mother, Madeleine (Holly Stover), and Madeleine, not knowing who's child the baby was, decided to pretend that Armande was her sister. Madeleine kept her deep dark secret from everyone except LaGrange (Gary Warden), her beloved and faithful friend.

One day as Madeleine is talking of her terrible secret to LaGrange, they are overheard by Moirron (Eric Holland). Moirron hides in a harpsichord, where he is to play the harpsichord and trick Moliere. When Moliere discovers Moirron in the harpsichord and finds the clue to the Charlatan's (Isaac B. Turner) trick, he is so excited that he decides to take Moirron under his wing and eventually adopts Moirron as his son.

Without the knowledge that Armande is his daughter, Moliere is caught in but a more tangled web. Armande is caught sleeping with their adopted son, Moirron, by Moliere himself. When Moliere finds them together, he disowns Moirron and kicks him into the street. Because of this betrayal, Moirron finds his way to the wicked Charron (Jeffrey Bentle). Charron reports the wickedness of Moliere's marriage to his own daughter to King Louis XIV (Robert Smith).

One of the king's men, One Eye, (Illya Haase) under the persuasion of Charron, challenges Moliere to a dual in which he plans to kill Moliere. However, One Eye feels pity upon Moliere and grants Moliere's one last wish, to once more act in his play, The Imaginary Invalid. Upon the final scene, as the curtain drops, One Eye is then to take Moliere and kill him. However, before One Eye has the chance to grab Moliere, Moliere dies on stage.

Upon seeing the play, I feel I must make a comment or two. I realize a lot of hard work and dedication went into presenting this play, but I found the play to be somewhat in poor taste. In the first act, sex, sex, sex is what

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Students had a chance to voice their gripes on Student Government's Gripe Day, last week in the University Center Lobby.

### SG uses shock treatment Alcohol Awareness Week uses 'deadly' tactics

BY HOLLY JO KOONS NEWS EDITOR

A surprise visitor arrived on NKU's campus on Sunday afternoon. It arrived in hopes of touching the life of a single individual — you.

The coffin set up in the University Center Lobby contains a message for you as an individual — don't drink and drive.

Student Government has worked hard in Or Alcohol Awareness Week and the students of S.G. wanted to hit home with their message that nationally, every 20 minutes a person is injured or killed in a drunk driving accident.

According to the American Statistical Abstracts for 1988, 9 percent of all accidents involve alcohol. Approximately 594,000 accidents last year were alcohol related.

Alcohol Awareness Week kick-off began on Monday, February 27, before the students began to file into their classes. The coffin was set up on Sunday afternoon so as not to miss a single person with its message.

Susan Nuxoll, secretary of external affairs for S.G. said, "We hope it heightens people's awareness of the effects of drinking and driving. If it makes one person stop and think, them it has served its purpose."

Upon asking students their reactions of seeing the coffin, this is some of the comments that were made:

— "I think its morbid," said Theresa Arnold, junior. "But I admit when you look at it and read the sign, it gets its point across."

— "It's a very effective deterrent for anyone who would consider drinking and driving," said Bridgette Bauman, junior. It definitely had an impact on me."

# Pells and drugs don't mix

COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

In a move some students advocates are calling reminiscent of 1984's Big Brother, the federal government said Feb.3 it would start asking students who get Pell Grants to prove they don't use illicit drugs.

The measure was published in the Federal Register, the list of regulations and rules the government produces to enforce federal laws. The drug rule, which will automatically go into effect if it's not formally challenged within 90 days, was created to implement the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1988. It asks that all federal grant recipients like weapons manufactures, highway builders and apparently even students work in the production of the

in "drug-free" environments.
Applying it to students, said Sheldon
Steinbach of the American Council on Eduction, the campus presidents' lobbying group
in Washington, D.C., was "a strained interpretation (of the law) that strikes me as being beyond the pale of what was intended."

The U.S. Dept. of Education, which issued the rule, disagrees.

Somehow, students will have to swear they're not drug abusers.

"We're deciding if students will have to sign a separate form or just check a box on the grant application form," said department spokesman Jim Bradshaw. "But they will have to certify they are drug-free and not using the funds for drug-related activities."

If students lie on the form, Bradshaw said, they could lose their grants.

Still, no one knows how to determine if they are lying. "We don't have the resources to check on every student," Bradshaw admitted

"We'll base our information on tips that students have gotten involved in drugs or on newspaper articles about drug activities," Bradshaw said.

Past convictions for drug possession or sales shouldn't affect a student's Pell Grant application, Bradshaw said, but it is an issue the Education Department is considering.

"If the money is going to be used for drugs, then it's better if they hand it to someone who would make good use of it," said a Pell Grant recipient at San Siego City College, who asked that her name not be used.

"It's great," she said.

But Kevin Harris, organizing director of the United States Student Association in Washington, D.C., called the regulations "an invasion of the personal right to privacy," and a poor signal for the new Bush administration to send to students.

"I think you'll hear a large outcry from students in opposition to this regulation," Harris predicted. "It's another signal of Brother looking down on the student population. They want to blame youth for the drug problem. It's crazy."

In fact, students are not the only ones in gatacked in the war on drugs. In early January, Florida Governor Bob Martinez announced that, starting in August, all new state employees — including faculty members, administrators, staffers and student workers at State University System of Florida campuses — would have to pass drug tests before being hired.

# IFC high in achievement

BY LAURIE A. HAMMOND STAFF WRITER

Intra-Fraternal Council represents the six national fraternities on Northern's campus. There are two deligates from each fraternity who participate in the council, with each fraternity receiving one electorial vote.

The IFC has many purposes. Besides acting as organizer and a planner, the IFC is a place to get together and meet new people as well as a place to bring out differences which may occur. When need be, the IFC acts as a judicial board for the fraternities.

Radio, television and film major Rob Morrison, president of the IFC, who is a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity said, "We are interested in high level achievement."

Members of a fraternity are encouraged to have high grade standing, be involved in individual achievements, and participate in various parts of NKU campus life.

Approximately 75 percent of present CEO's were members of Greek fraternities.

Brian Terry, and IFC deligate and member of Alpha Delta Gamma fraternity, spoke of projects and activities the fraternities have been involved in. In the fall they hold a freshman rush to look at students interested in joining a fraternity. In the spring, the IFC holds an annual picnic for the NKU sororities and fraternities. They also sponsor service projects to raise money for charities.

Another interesting point of the IFC is they are the ones who decide whether to accept new fraternity expansion. Recently they voted on the expansion of Sigma Pi which wants to start a chapter at NKU.

"If anyone is interested in starting a fraternity at NKU," Morrison said, "contact the IFC, we'd be interested."

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Hans Klopek, played by Courtney Gains, is a medical experiment gone awry. He has the clothing of Jethro Clampett and the face features of Tammy Bakker. Equally strange is his father, Werner (Henry Gibson) and his uncle Reuben (Brother Theodore).

To protect the tranquility of his suburbs, Hanks "goes over the fence" and discovers the shocking truth of the Klopeks basement.

The Burbs is a good comedy that comes

very close to being a great comedy. It just barely misses the mark. Hanks delivers another solid performance as the man who must protect his neighborhood.

I really enjoyed the great ensemble cast, and the direction by Joe Dante (Innerspace, Gremlins) is a delicate mix of slapstick and funny insights. With the the opening box office gross of over \$11 million, this looks like it will be another BIG hit.

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it contained. I realize a lot of it was suggestive, but it did turn away people during the intermission as at least ten people left before the second act. The last two scene were much less suggestive and I found myself enjoying it more. I do commend the

fight scene during the second act of the play and felt that the Honest Shoemaker (Troy Hitch) made the play worth seeing. But I did find myself agreeing with one viewer as she put on her coat to leave during intermission, "Who picks out these plays, anyway?"

## The Burbs



Mark Rumsfield (Bruce Dern) Ray Peterson (Tom Hanks) and Art Weingartner (Rick Ducommun) share a neighborly anecdote in the comedy presentation *The Burbs*.

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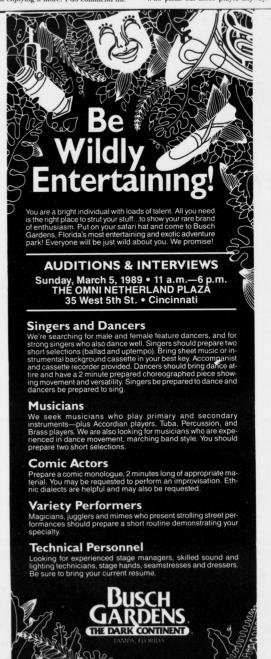
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# 'Media heavies' big in bucks and television

WASHINGTON (CPS)

Some of the most powerful individuals in this town are those journalists who have a public following as a result of their appearances on television talk programs.

#### Cody Shearer

The appearances of personalities like George Will of ABC News and columnist Pat "Bulldog" Buchanan make them the freest of spirits in our business. The world is their beat, and all the mysteries, romances, scandals and paradoxes it contains. They can look upon the world with a friendly or a jaundiced eye, pick their targets as they please, without any obligation to tell it like it really is.

These individuals are the elite who've been set free from the stern and frustrating rule of objectivity and the ritual of detail and accuracy. They can say what they think about politics, religion, or anything. They are free to castigate an enemy, admonish a president and project their opinions nationwide. Unhampered by any particular news organization, these individuals are free of the petty tyrannies of a city desk editor.

Although these so-called interpreters of great events, these formulators of opinion for inarticulate Vanna White fans, are supposed to act as a sort of public conscience, they operate under few guidelines. Accordingly, the public knows very little about some of the most powerful members of our society. Who are their friends? How do they earn their money? How many different sources of income do media heavies receive? How did they become public personalities? What requirements or standards, if any, did they have to meet?

These questions are increasingly relevant as the public more and more relies on talking-head journalists for information.

In light of the recent public outcry that forced Congress to kill its gargantuan pay raise, irritated members of Congress have been hinting that they may reciprocate the fire by turning the mirror on the Fourth Estate. Not surprisingly, the prospect that reporters' backgrounds may be exposed has sent a strong chill of fear throughout this community.

If anyone doubts how sensitive members of the press are about any public scrunity into their backgrounds, they should consider what happened recently in the periodical press gallery in the Congress. Reporters there voted out four journalists who comprised the executive committee that oversees gallery operations because these governing journalists had requested rule changes to ban reporters from accepting any money from the government for freelance work and had ordered gallery members to disclose their sources of income. The question of accountability was raised and the press corps ducked

It should be noted that most media heavies are men and women fallible to the weakness of mortal flesh. They have fears, prejudices, guilt complexes, complaining spouses and moments of misgiving, just like the rest of us. While they live under the constant fear of looking intellectually naked, they are susceptible to the fatal temptation to taking themselves too seriously. And though the public is strangely indulgent of them because of their celebrity status, it indulges them at its own risk.

The issue of how our media stars become so well-heeled is a timely one now that ethics are in vogue again. The idea of journalists revealing the sources of their outside income is a respectable proposition. One need only ask whether it is in the public's interest to know that a reporter who is writing about Japanese investments in the U.S. has just accepted a \$2,000 speaking fee from an association of Japanese businessmen. You bet it is. After all, who in his right mind bites the hand that feeds him? Don't journalists respond to the same amenities as politicians? Yes, yes, yes.

There are dozens and dozens of media stars in town - ranging from columnist Jack Anderson to Hugh Sidney of Time magazine who routinely accept honorariums from \$2,000 to \$20,000 a speech from corporations or trade associations. And then there are journalists who sponsor private seminars

for businessmen at \$1,000 a head and then invite the public officals they write about to lecture their guests. There are no limits which some journalists will not exceed to make a buck.

In their defense, my well-known colleagues say that since they do not make laws, they are in no position to reward any benefactor. Their affairs are private, they say. Who is kidding whom? Everyone in the news business knows the value of favorable publicity. We are not blind.

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# Project quilt remembers AIDS victim's memories are stitched in

BY SHEILA VILVENS MANAGING EDITOR

Each stitch is made with tender care, and each panel memorializes what was and what could have been in the lives of each person that is represented.

As the disease continues, the lives of those that died from AIDS are memorialized on the Names Project Quilt, which is a national AIDS memorial.

Because of the efforts of people like Claudia J. Leidy, chairperson of the local Cincinnati host committe for the quilt, the Names Quilt will make one of its 20 city stops for 1989 here in Cincinnati.

Leidy said that she has been a member of the AIDS Project since 1988. That was how she learned of the Names Project Quilt. In October of 1988 Leidy volunteered to help with the inaugural display of the Quilt in Washington, D.C.

That was where Leidy said she met AIDS Project members from San Francisco. She decided it would be wonderful if Cincinnati could be one of the host cities for the Quilt in 1989.

On March 24, 1989, Leidy will see her dream become a reality. The Quilt will be on diplay beginning March 24 and ending on Sunday, March 26 at the Cincinnati Convention Center.

The Quilt will make its 20 city tour between the months of March and July, 1989. The Quilt has, to this date, been seen by over a half million people and has raised more than \$500,000 in donations, according to

The Names Project Cincinnati Host Committee.

In January of this year the total weight of the Quilt was 16 tons, and it contained 8,738 panels, each measuring 3' by 6'. There are 60 miles of seams, 11.78 miles of canvas edging and 5 miles of walkway fabric.

According to Leidy, in October of '88 there was enough material in the Project Quilt to cover eight football fields.

"We will see just a portion of the Quilt here in Cincinnati," said Leidy, "at most we will get to see 1,320 panels, but we will at least see 1,200."

On display here in Cincinnati will be 15 panels from Kentucky, 83 panels from Indiana and 25 to 40 panels representing the Cincinnati area.

There are 50 states and Puerto Rico represented in the quilt. Also, 16 foreign countries AIDS victims are represented.

The 8,738 panels in the Quilt represent approximately 20 percent of the AIDS related deaths in the United States. That means that for each panel, there has been four deaths, according the The Names Project Cincinati Host Committee.

Leidy said that the Quilt is the most beautiful thing she has ever seen. "It gives a feeling of love and of support for AIDS victims," said Leidy.

If anyone would like to volunteer their time and services to the Quilt Project write to, The NAMES Project, Cincinnati Host Committee, P.O. Box 19855, Cincinnati, OH 45219-0855.

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## Master in public administration

BY JEAN BACH STAFF WRITER

Northern Kentucky University will be offering a Master of Public Administration (MPA) degree beginning in the fall of 1989.

The MPA degree is only the third master's degree to be offered at NKU, according to Dr. Al Pinelo, chair of the political science department. The other two master's degrees NKU offers are a Master of Business Administration and a Master of Education.

"The MPA is a very significant addition to the university as well as the political science department since NKU has traditionally been viewed as strictly an undergraduate school," Pinelo said.

Recently passed by the Council on Higher Education and unanimously passed by the NKU Board of Regents, the MPA is designed to prepare students for a variety of careers in the public administration field. "We had to prove our case to the council primarily showing that a degree such as this is in demand by the population that NKU serves and that NKU was well suited to do the program," Pinelo said.

"Ours (the program) is basically geared as an evening program," Pinelo said, "and that makes it possibly more unique as compared to other programs."

The only other university in this area to offer an MPA degree is the University of Cincinnati, according to Pinelo.

Students enrolled in the degree program will be instructed to develop interpersonal, technical and quantitative skills necessary for competitive employment in the public sector.

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he spoke only for two minutes, but his words rang in the ears of the people.

Ramage closed by talking of the trials and hardships of Martin Luther King, Jr. King was often asked to stand when the buses became crowded by whites. He was asked to move to the back of a shoe store, when he and his father went to purchase King a pair of shoes. King was often humiliated because of the color of his skin, but when the words, "I have a dream" were spoken they chimed clear and true. Ramage said that King was tired of being treated unequally, but in his fight for freedom, King stressed unity, non-violence, and a love for the whites. It was King's well-spoken words that led blacks closer to their dream of being treated on an equal basis with whites.

Ramage said that when a speaker speaks, it is through his own pathos that he can effectively relate his message to his audience. From the applause of those present in the UC Ballroom auditorium, it was apparant that Ramage certainly got his message across as well

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He added that having an endowed chair highlights and brings more quality to the overall instruction at the university.

Gibson said the money is currently in the form of a bequest, which means that NKU won't receive anything until the death of the donor occurs. At that time NKU will become part of Herrmann's will bequest.

Gibson added that once the money is received, school administrators will collaborate to discuss the kind of professor who should be recruited, where the person would be housed and where they would focus most of their time. This will be an academic decisions are made.

Gibson also mentioned that Herrmann's mother, Mrs. Dorothy Herrmann, has also made a will bequest to NKU, which will fund the building of a center for research and treatment of people who suffer from various chronic diseases. This money, like her son's, will be donated at the time of her death, so the location of the building will not be decided until the money is received.

Mark Herrmann, who was a former teacher in the public school system, has been suffering from the effects of a chronic disease bimedic

Gibson said these two bequests are the largest that NKU has received.

"I think as time goes on we'll have many more bequests or donations. Most universities do."

Gibson added, "I think that the important thing to remember is that all the money that comes to the Foundation, whenever it comes, is used to enhance the overall quality of education at the university. If our fund raising ability grows and we get more donors and larger donations, it will only add to the significant opportunities of the university to serve a community and to provide a broader range of programs, studies and services for students."

#### College admissions process a concern for NKU

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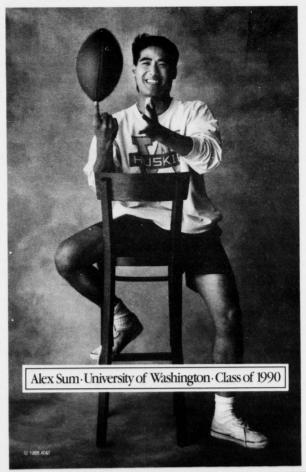
Ms. Deborah A. Ladwig, acting director of admissions at Northern Kentucky University, and other educators from across the country met Tuesday with members of Congress to voice concerns regarding the college admissions process.

During her visit to the Capitol Hill offices of Rep. Jim Bunning, Senator Wendell Ford, and Senator Mitch McConnell, Ms. Ladwig presented a case for the federal funding of such education programs as grants to deserving disadvantaged students and dropout prevention. The meetings on Capitol Hill stemmed from a conference for officers and leaders of the National Association of College Admission Counselors (NACAC), held in Washington, D.C., Feb. 17-21.

Representative William Goodling (R-Pa.), chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee, addressed the NACAC leaders on the value of grassroots lobbying. Goodling also discussed proposed legislative initiatives for 1989. A priority for this year is discussions with Secretary of Education Lauro Cavazos regarding student loan defaults.

Ms. Ladwig is president-elect of the Kentucky ACAC, an arm of NACAC. NACAC is 4,000 member professional association of high schools, colleges, universities, educational organizations, and individual counselors. NACAC members form a national network that helps students make a successful transition from high school to educational or career opportunities. Organized in 1937, NACAC maintains a nationally recognized code of ethics for college admission, promotes professional growth among its members, and sponsors the National College Fair program nationwide.

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# **Sports**

# Tubbs berates ref, reprimanded by Big Eight Conference

BY JAMES J. LIDINGTON SPORTS EDITOR

John Bonder, superviser of officals, Atlantic 10 Conference to Scripps-Howard News Service: "It's a great field (college basketball officiating). The work is challenging, but it's rewarding. There's a real thrill to working a big game and doing it well."

Oklahoma's Billy Tubbs was officially smacked on the back of the hand by the Big Eight Conference for publicly ridiculing game officials, the Feb. 15 NCAA News said.

During a Feb. 9 game that pitted the Sooners against Missouri, Tubbs asked fans over the public-address microphone to stop throwing objects on the playing surface "no matter how terrible the officiating is."

According to Big Eight Conference Commissioner Carl James, Tubbs could face a one-game suspension if a second violation occurs under the Big Eight's newly-imposed gar rule.

A spokesman for the conference said, "Big Eight rules say all comments made concerning officials made by a coach shall be forwarded to the conference. Under no circumstances shall a coach comment publicly or issue statements for public release criticizing an offical performance."

Elsewhere in the NCAA, The St. Joseph's College Lady Pumas, members of the Great Lakes Valley Conference and nemesis of the NKU Lady Norse, rank high among national statistical figures for Division II women's basketball, according to the NCAA News.

The Lady Pumas, who lead the GLVC and are ranked fourth nationally with an 18-1 overall record, lead the nation in scoring offense, with an average of 87.4 points a game, and in scoring margin, outscoring their opponents by an average of 25 points.

St. Joe's also leads Division II in fieldgoal percentage, hitting 51.8 percent of their field goal attempts.

Tracy Payne, The Lady Pumas' starting center and 1988 All-GLVC first-teamer, ranks first in the nation with a 65.4 field goal precentage on the season. Teammates Jenny Radosevic and Jeanette Yeoman are also near the top of the assist rankings, averaging 7.6 and 7.5 per game, respectively.

Also, the NCAA News said cable TV announced plans Feb. 10 to telecast high school baskeball, touching off heated debate between educators and scholastic sports leaders over the concept of a national schoolboy championship. Sports Channel America and ESPN have been negotiating with the National Federation of State High School Associations to bring schoolboy games to a weekly national television audience for the first time, the article said.

Brice Durbin, executive director for the N.F.S.H.S.A., told the *New York Times*, "At one point, I felt it was not the wisest way to go. I think times have changed. I'm not as opposed to it as I once was... if it's good, if it's educationally sound, it could happen."

Durbin told the Times any money derived from the telecasts would be channeled through his organization, which has a membership of more than 18,100 high schools in the United States and Canada and oversees athletics, as well as speech and debate activities.

The Executive Director of the National Association of Secondary School Principals Scott Thomson said his organization would not oppose national TV for schoolboy sports but was against any national championship.

"I can't imagine they are interested in televising other than some kind of regional or national championship thing," Thomson said. "I couldn't imagine they would want national telecasts unless it's a matchup of champions."

#### A rash of athlete arrest spreads to Oklahoma, Colorado

COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

FBI agents arrested University of Oklahoma quarterback Charles Thompson Feb. 14, charging him with selling cocaine and, in the process, climaxing another round of arrests of college athletes nationwide.

FBI officials suggested "other players" from the OU team may be arrested in connection with Thompson's alleged attempt to sell 17 grams of cocaine to an agent posing as a drug buyer in late January.

"Other players" both at OU and an impressive cross-section of other campuses have been making crime headlines frequently in recent months.

Just four days before Thompson was arrested, local officials charged three other OU players with gang raping a 20-year-old women in the athletic dorm Jan. 20.

At about the same time, University of Colorado football player Marcu Reliford turned himself in to police to face a series of burglary and rape charges. In the prior six weeks, two other former CU players had been charged in sex assault cases. During the last 17 months, some 14 CU athletes have been arrested.

Such incidents haven't been confined to big sports powers.

In late January, two St. Bonaventure University basketball players were arrested on burglary charges. During fall term, Virginia police nabbed a George Mason University soccer player for assaulting another student campus apartment, while in Pennsylvania former Millersville State University basketball star Amos Clay was sentenced to two-to-seven years in prison for a series of "home invasions" near campus.

In September, a Mississippi State University football player was shot during a series of running confrontations, otherwise punctuated by beatings, with fraternity members.

Similarly, four University of Southern California football players were arrested in January, 1988, during a riot at the premiere of the Eddie Murphy film Raw. One man was shot to death and another stabbed during the melee.

A week later, the El Monte, Calif., district attorney announced he would charge another USC player with felony kidnapping.

And in his August, 1988, book, former University of Oklahoma linebacker Brian Bosworth reported his teammates often freebased cocaine, and described a 1984 snowball fight that ended when receiver Buster Rhymes fired "about 150 rounds out of an Uzi machine gun" off an apartment balcony.

"If you were a star on the University of Oklahoma football team," Bosworth wrote, "you could do just about anything you wanted. You had no rules."

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# Altheletes, unhappy with coaches, go on strike at three schools to demonstrate seriousness

COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

The trend of athletes striking to punish their coaches continued in mid-February when virtually all the members of Prairie View A&M University's football team said they won't attend spring practice unless the Texas school fires their head coach.

The players charged coach Haney Catchings would not let them study enough.

A month earlier, 10 San Jose State University basketball players quit their team, claiming coach Bill Berry was abusive. They refused to return until SISU fired Berry.

A little less formally, several University of Colorado at Colorado Springs students have quit the basketball team, publicly complaining about coach Jeff Thompson's skills.

And at New York City's Columbia University, football players trying to force Coach Larry McElreavy to resign told the press McElreavy was having an extramarital affair and drinking excessively. McElreavy quit in response.

All but a handful of the 55 Prairie View players returning to the squad for the 1989 season say they want Catchings to leave, too, and swear they'll remain on strike until he either quits or is fired.

The players say Catchings withheld their

textbooks, suspended regular study halls and conducted six-hour practices that left them little time to study.

At a Feb. 14 press conference, Prairie View President Percy A. Pierre said the school will investigate the allegations.

"Academics must always come first for all our students," Pierre said during the press conference. "Football is still an extracurricular activity."

The 10 basketball players at San Jose State called Berry verbally and mentally abusive, and said they won't play for him anymore.

They quit the roster en masse, provok-See ATHLETE page 13



## Q102 'Impromptu Eat and Run' winners go to Florida

BY TOM HANDORF FEATURES EDITOR

Stephanie Wartman's mother told her not to eat and run, but Stephanie never listened to her. Now, she's glad she ignored her mom's advice.

Last Saturday, Feb. 25, Wartman and three other NKU girls won the first Annual Q102 and Impromptu Eat and Run Relay at the Albright Health Center. The girls won their division and a trip to Florida.

The Eat and Run Relay is a race in which team members must each run a "leg," about 1/32 of a mile, around the health center track. That part sounds easy enough, but the hard part was carrying the trays of food.

#### Campus Rec. Basketball

Results from Sunday, Feb. 26

Dawg Pak 76 No Name 51
TBA II 2 Hot Shot 0 (Forfeit)
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Wart Hogs 54 Garbage Men 51
Ripped and Torn 62 Latonia Lakers 60
Under Six Foot 59 All Stars 58
TBA II 66 Hoosiers 58

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Young Guns 61 High Hopes 47
Free Chicken and Beer 52 Horsemen 47
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Young Guns 80 Free Chicken and Beer 49 Nothin' But Net 70 Crusaders 57

#### NIKE 3-Point Shoot Out Results

Jeff Smith (WINNER) 23 points Fred Kahman 20 points Dave Scheibly 20 points Jeff Wissman 13 points

#### Q102 Games - Impromtu Food Relay Results

Women's Division - Grubbers: Lisa Brewer, Jenny Hubber, Wyvonne Stevens, Stephanie Wartman all won a trip to Florida!

Co-Rec Walleyball Tournament

Follies - WINNERS

Wartman said each tray had four chili con carne dinners on it, and each runner had to carry that tray to a station, eat their food, and carry the tray successfully to the next station.

The real test was trying to keep enveryining on the trays. "If you dropped anything from the tray," explains Wartman, "you get disqualified. You were also disqualified if you didn't eat all your chili." Additional problems cropped up for the last runners because the chili got cold.

The winning team consisted of Lisa Brewer, Jenny Huber, Wyvonne Stevens and Wartman. They won the race by a few seconds, but Wartman claims that Huber really gave them the boost they needed to win. "We started out awesome," she said, "but we soon fell behind. That's when Jenny (Huber) stormed ahead and led us to victory."

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ed when Berry grabbed one of the players and threw him to the ground.

By refusing to play, the athletes risked losing their scholarships. But when the athletes hired Melvin Belli, an internationally famous attorney known as the "king of torts," to represent them in a possible lawsuit, the university said in late January it would honor the scholarships.

"Denying these student-athletes financial assistance might impact their ability to complete their formal college education," said San Jose State Athletic Director Randy Hoffman.

"UCCS will never have a winning season with Thompson as head coach," one former player said.

But the university refused to fire Berry because it's against school policy to dismiss a coach in mid-season. The 10 athletes who left the basketball team have been replaced by eight others, including four football players and a basketball team manager.

Former University of Colorado at Colorado Springs players are just as angry at Coach Jeff Thompson, though for different reasons.

"Jeff Thompson would be a good junior high coach because he teaches the fundamentals, but when you reach the college level, the players already know that stuff," said former player Leif Joy. "Thompson took the desire to play basketball out of me."

"Thompson is incapable of coaching at th college level," added Eric Fenstermacher, another UCCS player who left the team rather than play for Thompson.

"UCCS will never have a winning season with Thompson as head coach," he maintained.

McElreavy left Columbia after an assistant coach, Phil Jackson, and several players told reporters the coach had lost their respect because they thought he was drinking heavily and having an affair with a member of the athletic department.

# **Intramural Follies**

History was made in an intramural clash Sunday during the Young Guns and Free Chicken and Beer game. The Young Guns were drilling Free Chicken and it was a fiasco. As the final seconds clicked off the clock, the referee, known only as "Hat," grabbed a chicken rebound and fired up a 10-footer. It too bricked off the rim. It wasn't Chicken's day.

In other intramural hoops, the Horsemen lost their game to Free Chicken 52-47, but the big story was the officiating. One ref, who shall remain nameless, must have been taught officiating by Ray Charles. Someone should tell him that Mando Optical is having a big sale.

# Have a safe and happy Spring Break!

The Northerner Staff

As always kids, no matter **how bad** the officiating is, don't argue.

Congratulations to ATO who won the greek division with a perfect 7-0 record.

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Maryland, Texas-El Paso, Texas-Austin, Idaho, lowa and New Mexico State University, among others, also have been arrested for a variety of assaults during the last 12 months.

At the University of Minnesota during 1988 three football players were evicted from their dorm room for allegedly torturing and killing animals in their rooms, while another teammate was arrested for allegedly selling sex to female football fans.

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traditional, career-oriented student," said Rosemary Stauss, associate provost at NKU. "We will offer the classes at night and on weekends."

Although the classes are being directed at non-traditional students, Pinelo said that does not exclude NKU students who want their master's degree upon completion of their undergraduate work. It will be open to anyone with the proper qualification and prerequisites.

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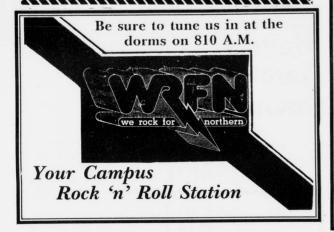
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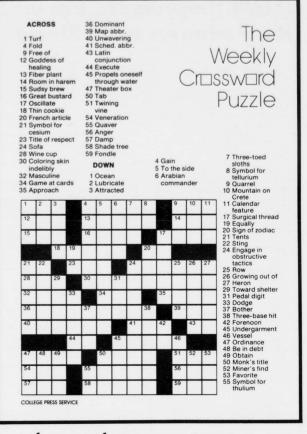
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