

NKU Football Too Tough To

By Kevin Goheen
News Editor

No football. Not without several other questions being answered first. That was the recommendation made to Northern Kentucky University President James Votruba and the NKU Board of Regents by two NCAA consultants last week.

The Board should make its decision on whether or not to implement

football on Wednesday, Oct. 29. Votruba is expected to give his recommendation to the Board then.

Votruba stated he agrees with the consultants' findings, but that he may delay his recommendation if student regent Chris Saunders doesn't feel he has received

"It's an expensive proposition we're looking at."

-Jane Meier
NKU athletic director

NKU Athletic Director Jane Meier said she is confident the Board will make the best decision for both the school and the Athletic Department.

"They still have a difficult decision ahead of them. It's an expensive proposition we're looking at." The consultants, Jim Farris of the University of Northern Colorado and Jerry Hughes of Central Missouri State University, are both athletic directors at similar NCAA Division II schools like NKU.

Farris and Hughes visited NKU last July to tour the campus, meet NKU students and faculty and begin their analysis of the proposed non-

scholarship football program and overall athletic enhancement. The Board had passed the proposal by a 7-2 vote last January under the condition that no university academic funding would be diverted to the project.

Votruba asked the consultants to look at what it would take to run a successful program. "By successful, I meant not only at the regional level, but at the national level as well," said Votruba.

The report gave six recommendations the consultants felt were necessary for a successful Division II football program at NKU:

• If implemented, football should

be a scholarship sport.

• Equivalent scholarships for women be allocated.

• Adequate fields and necessary facilities be built prior to the implementation of any new sports programs.

• Funds for such projects be in hand prior to building of projects takes place.

• A guarantee of on-going private support for football and the expansion of women's sports at a level sufficient to meet Title IX compliance.

• The existing athletic program be enhanced to provide coaches with adequate support to succeed.

The report also recommended that, with or without football, the university should enhance the existing athletic programs to improve its chances of success and bring NKU within compliance of Title IX gender equity. Title IX requires that a school give equal opportunity to both men and women in intercollegiate athletics.

That equality is currently based on the proportional numbers of enrollment figures to participation figures. NKU has an enrollment of approximately 58 percent women to 42 percent men while women only make up 38 percent of athletes,

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Women's Center, Here To Help Students Cope

By Anna Weaver
Viewpoints/Photo Editor

The location has changed, but the focus on serving students of NKU has not.

Originally located in the Albright Health Center, the Women's Center now shares an office with the International Student Affairs in University 210.

Katherine Meyer, Women's Center coordinator, said, "We've lost quite a bit of space and we've lost the student lounge area, and that's the part that I think upsets students the most. There's not a gathering place for students."

She said that despite the loss of space for the Women's Center, she enjoys being located in the University Center.

"We do a lot of referrals to the counseling office and the nurses office and career development. It's really convenient to tell people that they just need to go up one more floor," she said.

The Women's Center also helps students start organizations on campus. A survivors group of sexual assault will start Monday because a student came to the Women's Center for guidance and support.

Meyer said that because they don't have a place to gather, the Women's Center takes their programs to classes. It serves many students because

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Welcome Back Champs



Jeff McCune/The Northerner

Todd Clark and the rest of the team entertain basketball fans last Thursday at "Meet the Norse." The men's season begins Nov. 14. Look for The Northerner's annual Hoops Preview on Nov. 12.

CPE Discusses Funding Issues

By Gabrielle Dion
Editor In Chief
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Viewpoints/Photo Editor

Money is burning holes in the pockets of higher education institutions across the state of Kentucky.

The Council of Postsecondary Education met Oct. 20 in Frankfort to discuss current funding issues at state universities.

Among the issues discussed were the top four building priorities at state universities. Of the \$82.4 million plan, nearly half is proposed to go to Northern Kentucky University to build a new science center.

President James Votruba addressed the CPE concerning the importance of a new science center at NKU.

He said the building would be a 21st century science education center at the cost of \$38 million.

Votruba said a new science building is a "window to the future." The important discoveries in the sciences are now being made where the disciplines of the sciences converge.

In addition to the funding of the science center, there is also the question of building it in one phase or two.

If the building were built in two phases the cost would escalate the cost from \$38 to \$45 million. One of the reasons Votruba gave for the increase is the construction cost in the rapidly developing area of Cincinnati.

Also, in a two phase project, NKU would only get part of the money it needs

for a new science center and would have to build two different buildings.

Votruba said to the board that NKU wants to build a 21st century science education center that is a model for other schools.

As for the other \$44.4 million dollars of the CPE budget, the other state university presidents expressed their needs for funding for deteriorating buildings.

CPE not only considers how to divide up these public funds between the universities but also controls tuition rates.

CPE will soon vote to raise tuition based on three options.

Option one continues to raise tuition at the current rate each year based on 10 benchmark universities and Kentucky per capita income.

Option two raises tuition 3.2 percent only for undergraduate programs.

Option three increases tuition for all programs at 2.9 to 3.9 percent increases.

The Board of Student Body Presidents presented their position on the issue to the CPE at the Nov. 20 meeting. They supported option one. Chris Saunders, chair of BSBP, said that although options two and three increased tuition less, they could hurt the universities in the long run.

"We would not receive \$600,000 according to tuition. Is that going to affect the quality of education you're going to have?" Saunders said.

Saunders said that the university presidents also generally support option one. The CPE will vote on the issue on Nov. 3.

Be Aware: Students And Alcohol

By Becky Bergman
Co-Features Editor

America's 12 million undergraduates drink 4 billion cans of beer a year, averaging 55 six-packs apiece. They spend \$446 on alcoholic beverages—more than they spend on soft drinks and text books combined (Cohen Adam, TIME, "Battle of the Binge.")

Alcohol Awareness Week on Oct. 20-25 is sponsored by the Student Government Association. This week is designed to educate students on the effects of alcohol.

The week's events consist of root-beer floats, a Mocktail Party, and actors facing different issues.

Senior Communications Major Scott Poston said that he thinks Alcohol Awareness week is very important.

"I think Alcohol Awareness Week is a great idea because it gives students examples of the misuses of alcohol. Not to say alcohol is a terrible thing. The week shouldn't be a soapbox of bashing alcohol consumption, but more of a chance to get information about over consumption," Poston said.

Brian Snape, senior KTV major, sees a clear need for Alcohol Awareness Week. He said that when people are younger they think that they are indestructible.

"They need to be aware that drinking and driving kills. Everyone is going for a height and a sense of fun, but a height and sense of fun can also be very toxic," Snape said.

Excessive drinking among college students

has been blamed for at least six deaths in the past year. One of these deaths occurred at Louisiana State University to a 20-year-old student named Benjamin Wynne.

This fraternity member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon died of alcohol poisoning after a night of excessive drinking. An autopsy found that Wynne had the equivalent of about 24 drinks and had a blood alcohol level 6 times the amount at which the state considers a person intoxicated.

This incident demonstrates the devastating effects of a new trend in drinking called "binging."

According to Melissa Eversole, the health education director at NKU, binge drinking is when a person drinks five or more drinks in one sitting. Eversole said while drug use has decreased, alcohol use has remained the same, and binge drinking is on a steady rise.

According to the Northern Kentucky University Core Drug and Alcohol Survey, 47% of all NKU students have "binged" in the previous two weeks. About 77% of the students at NKU have used alcohol in the past 30 days.

Why do such a great number of students choose to drink?

Even newspapers get 35% of their advertising revenues from alcohol related ads.

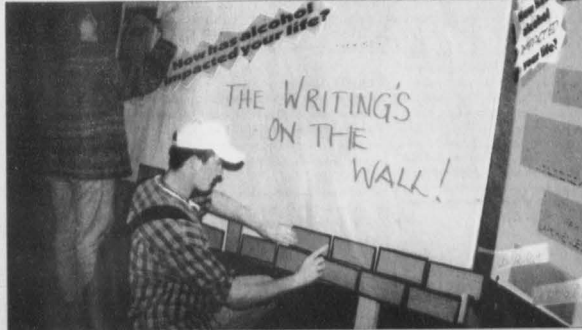
Excessive drinking brings many problems to college campus life. Ninety to ninety five percent of all date rapes occur on college campuses. At NKU, 10% of students admitted to taking advantage of another sexually while under

the influence. This more than doubles the national average of 4% (NKU Core Drug and Alcohol Survey).

At NKU 4% of students have been arrested for a DUI, while only 1% were arrested in the United States. Twenty-five percent of all students said they had performed poorly on an exam after drinking, and 45% said they had done something that they later regretted.

NKU will be offering a class called Peer Education Leadership (HEA 599) in the spring. This class will be taught by Melissa Eversole, and will be available to 20 students from any major. The class focuses on teaching students to do presentations on alcohol awareness as well as other issues. Ten students from the class will be given the opportunity to earn up to \$500 a semester by making presentations to University 101 classes and local high schools.

Eversole, who presently speaks to



THE IMPACT OF ALCOHOL: Students were challenged by Student Government Association to put the "Writing On The Wall" during Alcohol Awareness Week last week in the University Center.

Dave Capano/The Northerner

University 101 classes about alcohol awareness, said that in a classroom of about 25 it is amazing to see how alcohol has effected so many lives.

"Typically we will have at least one or two students in each class who have lived with an alcoholic parent or have been arrested for alcohol use. There is also at least one in every class

that has been through a diversion program," Eversole said.

"I speak to many different ranges of people. Some are not drinking and sick of being the designated driver and taking care of their drunk friends, while others have had their friends killed in alcohol related crashes," she added.

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Campus Republicans Sponsor Candidates

By Kevin Goheen
News Editor

Though there are no general elections being held in Kentucky this November, the battles between the Republican and Democratic Parties are getting a head start at Northern Kentucky University this fall.

A group of area republican candidates came to NKU last week to discuss their views on next year's political races. The discussion was sponsored by the Campus Republicans.

Jay Hall, chairman of the Boone County republican party, introduced the candidates by saying such a meeting at NKU "was a step in the right direction."

Hall said the college campus is the place to spread the message of the Republican Party and of American politics. "I have a strong passion, enthusiasm for politics. I believe passion has to be

provided by students," he said.

Rob Arnold, Cathy Flaig, Patrick Lance, Terry Rasche, and John Schickel were candidates attending the meeting. Kelly White, a field representative for U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) also attended the meeting.

White said he believes one of the most important things a college student can do is get involved in a campus organization.

Arnold (second district county commissioner), Flaig (first district county commissioner), and Schickel (jailer) are all candidates in Boone County, a historically democratic county.

"I'm disturbed that the Democratic Party I grew up in isn't the same," said Schickel, a one-time Democratic who earned his master's degree in public administration from NKU.

"Politicians aren't just those who hold office, but all who involve themselves are politicians," said Hall.



Kevin Goheen/The Northern

Let the Games Begin: John Schickel, republican candidate for Boone County jailer, speaks at a gathering of area 1998 republican candidates. Seated: Kelly White, Cathy Flaig, Rob Arnold, Patrick Lance, Susannah Meyer and Terry Rasche

Heard Around Campus

Chase Helps Prepare For Law School

The Chase College of Law is helping prospective students by sponsoring a one-day LSAT Preparation Workshop on Friday Nov. 14, 1997 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dr. Paul Weber will conduct the workshop. The psychology of test taking and the law school admission process will be discussed and a sample LSAT will be given and analyzed.

Registration is \$35. Reservations are required and available on a first come, first serve basis. Deadline for registration is Nov. 5.

Chase also hosts several open houses for those interested in attending law school.

For more information on the workshop or open houses, please call the Chase Office of Admissions at 572-6476.

Physics Alumnus Gives Talk

Dr. Russell Clark will speak on the topic of: "Subatomic Ghost: A Study of Atmospheric Neutrinos," on Friday Oct. 31, at 2 p.m. in Natural Science Building room 424.

Dr. Clark, a 1991 NKU graduate, specializes in high energy particle physics.

For more information, contact John Filaseta at 572-5170.

Construction Club Members Win Scholarships

The Home Builders Association of Cincinnati awarded scholarships to members of NKU's Construction Club last week. Scott Flynn, Patrick Lewis, Brett Naegel, Alan Schmidt, Brad Trauth, and Garrick Horton were all recipients.

The club will hold its next meeting on Thursday, Oct. 30 at 6:15 PM. For more info, call 572-7780.

Credit Union Now Open To Students

By Jennifer Kohl
Staff Reporter

Northern Kentucky University students are being offered a way to help them save something college students generally have precious little of, money.

The Northern Kentucky Educators Federal Credit Union is now accepting NKU students as members. As a member, students can take advantage of their financial services like checking and savings accounts, loans and ATM service.

The credit union has been operating for 25 years. When it first opened, only teachers and then employees in Northern Kentucky school districts were eligible.

"Now is a good opportunity for students to be members," said credit union loan

manager Lois Brill.

Danica Rice, a senior marketing major, co-ops at the credit union as a marketing representative. She thinks the credit union is a good idea for students for many reasons.

"With a checking account, you get free ATM service as well as your first 50 checks. Members don't have to have a minimum balance and there is no service charge or a per check fee," she said.

She says their ATM cards are good at any banking machine, including the Star Bank machine across from the bookstore in the University Center.

"There is a 24-hour auto teller phone number for members so that they have access to balance information and the ability to make transfers or to find out if

checks have cleared," Rice said.

Members are provided with an itemized monthly statement and newsletter to let them know what is going on with the credit union, Rice said.

Brill also says there are other financial services available like IRA's and CD's, but the checking and savings are more practical for students.

Brill also believes the credit union has another added plus. "The location is very convenient."

The credit union is located at 421 Johns Hill Rd. It is open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. To become a member, you need a student ID and \$5 which will automatically go into your savings account. For more information, you can call 442-3500.

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according to the report.

Fallis said one of the biggest problems NKU would have would be fundraising. "Of the \$4 million raised to build a new football stadium at Northern Colorado, \$2 million of that came from those who graduated before 1970. Of the endowment money we receive, 80% comes from those who graduated before 1975."

Because NKU has only been opened since 1968, that type of alumni base just isn't there to financially tap into, he said. He also said that because Northern Colorado had been playing football for 104 years, there is a tradition there that simply doesn't exist at NKU.

Student Regent Saunders asked Votruba to withhold his formal recommendation until he could get further feedback from students on the issue. He also questioned whether or not the \$20 student ath-

letic enhancement fee should be kept if football is not implemented.

Student Government was expected to vote on the fee this past Monday, after *The Northern* went to press.

Regent Philip Taliaferro questioned the consultants and architect John Dierdorf several times about the different options available to NKU. Taliaferro's questions raised doubts about the costs needed for the program.

Figures from the original NKU football committee's report projected recurring costs of a non-scholarship football program at \$340,471.

The consultants believed that estimate to be low by more than \$150,000. If scholarship football were to be implemented, the consultants said, NKU would need to budget an additional \$250,000 in football scholarships, \$250,000 in scholarships for additional women's sports, plus an estimated

\$500,750,000 for the upgrading of current programs and facilities.

The architectural firm of Browning Day Mullins Dierdorf, of Indianapolis, presented plans for the upgrading of current facilities to NCAA standards for all sports.

According to those plans, new soccer fields, both playing and practice, a new softball field, a football field with a track circling it and seating for 4,000, support facilities for the athletic department and additional parking are to be built on and around campus.

The soccer and softball fields are scheduled to be completed during the initial phase of building. President Votruba said there was no immediate timeline set for the plan to be carried out.

Dierdorf said even if football isn't approved, that the proposed field can be used for other purposes, like intramural sports and campus events.

Where NKU's Keg Is Tapped...

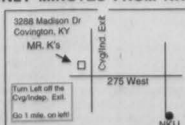


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DPS



Reports

Natural Gas

Two DPS officers were sent to the Natural Science Building because of a smell of natural gas. The officers checked the first floor and found a strong odor of gas in the south stairwell. The officers reported that they opened the outside door and tried to find the cause. They did not find the cause and there was still a smell of gas in the stairwell. The fire department was requested.

Impounded Car

A DPS officer saw a car on University Drive with expired registration tag. According to the report, the officer called in the license plate on the 1992 Lumina and it came back as being registered for a 1964 Camaro. The officer reported speaking to the driver and the passenger (owner) of the car. The owner said he had a temporary registration on the Lumina and when it expired he put the license plate from his Camaro on the Lumina. The owner also said the car was unin-

sured. The officer cited the owner and impounded the car.

Caught Again!

An officer saw a subject carrying a backpack from Lot Q to the dorms. The report said the person had been caught by DPS officers taking beer into the dorms on a previous occasion, and when they confiscated it they warned him that alcohol was not allowed in the dorms. When the officer saw him with the same backpack, the officer asked him if he had beer in the backpack and he admitted that he did. The officer reported that he thought the person was intoxicated, and told the person he would be cited for possession of alcohol by a minor. The person went back to his car to get his identification. The officers went with him to his car, and the officer noticed a multi-colored smoking pipe laying on the console of the car. The officer asked the person if he used the pipe to smoke marijuana. The person said the pipe was not his. The person was arrested, the report said.

Drug Investigation

While on bike patrol, a DPS officer smelled a strong odor of burnt marijuana as he rode past the ground floor of Willow Apartments. The officer called for assistance, and on arrival of the second officer, they began to locate the room. The officers reported that when they knocked on the door and it was opened the smell was present in the room. The officers went into the room and requested the R.A. come so they could search the room. According to the report, a "bush" of marijuana, several stems of marijuana and several marijuana seeds were located. The report was referred to the university.

Another Dog Complaint

Two DPS officers responded to a call of a stray dog around the Oak Apartments. The officers found a black and white dog on the third floor of Oak Apartments. The officers took the dog to Campbell County Animal Control where its owner can pick it up, the report said.

Take A Stand

By the time this editorial is published, Student Government will have met, discussed and possibly voted on the fate of the \$20 student athletic enhancement fee.

Here's hoping it's still intact.

For the betterment of the university, this fee is needed. Football or no football, and it seems increasingly likely there will be no football, the athletic department of NKU is strapped and needs the support of the students in this matter.

For now it seems they have the support of SGA president Chris Saunders (see letter from Saunders next to this editorial.) That after he seems to have flip-flopped his position on the subject.

Last week after the NCAA consultants presented their recommendations to NKU President James Votruba and the Board of Regents, Saunders questioned whether or not he could support the fee without football.

Saunders asked Votruba to push back giving his formal recommendation to the Board until he could get a better sampling of student opinion.

Hello, Mr. Saunders, how long does it take you to get student opinion on an issue which has been tops on this campus since former Interim President Jack Moreland began discussing it last year?

SGA did hold two open forums and conduct a survey last year, arguably an invalid and unscientific one (*The Northerner*, January 27, 1997). Since then, what kind of sampling has been done? To hear one of the consultants, Jerry Hughes of Central Missouri State University, little to none.

Mr. Hughes said at last week's meeting one of the big concerns he and his fellow consultant, Jim Fallis of the University of Northern Colorado, had was that several students and faculty spoken to during their July visit felt they weren't given an adequate opportunity and that the process was rushed.

How in touch is SGA with student feelings on this issue if in July consultants are hearing this and only now in late October is Saunders finding it necessary to further study student opinion? Does he flip his opinion over again if he finds some segment that is stringently against the fee? Or does he stick to his new found guns and do what is in the best interest of NKU?

Unfortunately for Saunders, he loses credibility each time he flips his position on a subject. It leaves the impression that he is skirting around an issue and not sure of what he truly believes is most important: what he feels is best for the university overall, or catering to the changing whims of different groups on campus? One may make him some enemies, the other keep him a rotation of friends. But what's best for NKU?

What's the best for NKU is a SGA president who sticks to his guns.

Mr. Saunders, you were a proponent of the fee as a way to bring football, women's soccer, and enhancement of the overall athletic department to NKU. Why change if football is shot down? There is still a need for the fee to help provide NKU with an athletic program that is at least financially on par with other NCAA Division II programs. Such a program fits directly into President Votruba's Vision, Values & Voices themes of wanting a university with a commitment to access and opportunity for all, and one which demonstrates quality in everything it does.

Yes, some students may be upset if there is still a fee without football. But how many?

To paraphrase what one of your fellow regents, Mr. Frank Downing, said at last week's meeting: about as many as showed up to the DFS forums a couple weeks ago.

Mr. Saunders, no one is blaming you for wanting to base your position on the greatest amount of information available. That's being a responsible politician. But after a while, there is only so much information one can attain. Now is the time for decisions on this issue. Quit flip-flopping and waiting for answers to come from anywhere other than outside your own feelings and information gathered.

If you believe NKU, as a whole institution, is best served by revoking the fee, then work for that. If you truly believe NKU should keep the fee, then work for that. But whatever you decide, don't pull out on the decision simply because it may not go the way you want. Leave that to the Bill Erpenbecks of the world.

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New Sports at NKU...



50 meter Flip-Flop

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Update & Meeting Notes



Dear Students,

As the semester goes on, there are more issues involving the university and students that are being brought back into the foreground. Remember the \$20 athletic enhancement fee? Remember the fight to get football passed as a future sport of Northern? These issues are stirring again at our Student Government

meetings and at Board of Regents meetings. With these topics being as hot as they are again, I wanted to keep you up to speed with what is going on. Northern has brought in consultants to evaluate our programs and budget to see if football is still a possibility. With this being a question now instead of a definite, people are questioning all the issues that were passed in regards to football. Should we still make the students pay the \$20 fee if they aren't going to see football here at Northern? I want to go on the record by saying that football is still a great idea, but no matter what happens, I will still see our athletic programs could still use the extra boost in funding. I feel that Student Government, as well as me, needs to support the fee just for the sake of enhancing the current programs, along with supporting gender equity.

Also, the science center is making its way through conversations. The SGA Vice President of External Affairs, Greg Mecher, and Governmental Affairs Chairperson, Jeni Kues, are currently working on a writing campaign to show Kentucky legislators where students stand in response to the science center. We are all hoping to gain as much student help as possible to really make sure that it is known how students feel about this building. What we will be asking of all students is the willingness to support us, and even letters that will help support the issue of the new building.

I wanted to point out that last week was SGA's Alcohol Awareness week, and it was a great success. There was a "Mocktail" party in the lobby of Kentucky Hall on Tuesday, and there was a skit performed on Thursday. I

feel that we had great turnouts and support for everything, and I wanted to personally thank everyone involved for their help in making it a week of great events.

Now that you can see all that SGA is doing, don't you want to be involved? Student Government Elections are coming up in November. The dates are Nov. 12 and 13. This is your opportunity to get involved and represent your student body. I am looking forward to a great election. Hope to see you there!

Last but not least, we have to pay special attention to the newest Senator election to SGA. I want to formally welcome Lee Ann Callis to our Student Government board.

Sincerely,
Your Student Body President
Christopher D. Saunders

North Poll

Why Do
You Think
Academic
Advising Is
So
Important?



David Emery
Academic Advising
"It's probably one of the most critical things that students need, especially freshmen. If we don't do a good job of advising, we don't do a good job of keeping students."



Dr. Kristine Yohe
English Department
"So students don't get in trouble by missing something they need, but so they also become exposed to new ideas they might not have otherwise been exposed to."



Cathy Ferree
Pendleton County
Secondary Education
"It isn't very important because I know what to take, and I know how to register."



Skip Record
Alexandria
Business Management
"To help the student to choose the right classes for their careers."



Justin Saner
Camp Springs
Undecided
"It helps students decide on a major."

FEATURES

From Retail to Radio: One Student's Story

By Gina Horton
Staff Reporter

He's the voice you hear in the bathroom stall.

He makes you forget that you just broke up with your significant other, and that you probably have a ticket for using green grass on campus as emergency parking.

Near the sink when you are raising your hands you hear him say "WRFN, 20 watts of pure rock till the hamster dies..." and then "(Live Through) 15 Stories" by Mighty Joe Plum trails his words.

He is disc jockey Chris Beiting, sophomore radio television major, at Northern Kentucky University's radio station, 89.7 WRFN. If people are in the restroom in the University Center or listening to WRFN on campus Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9 a.m. to noon, they will hear Beiting and some of his favorite music, modern rock.

Twenty-one year old native Kentuckian, Christopher Ronald Beiting, was born in Ft. Thomas, Ky. on Dec. 8, 1976. At Campbell County High School he became interested in radio and television through two media classes. It was

there that he learned the fundamentals of radio using a mock radio station.

He started his college career at NKU in the fall of 1995.

Beiting met the person who helped jumpstart his career in radio while he worked at Wal-Mart.

"Nobody in my family's ever done anything like this before, and I want to be the first."

-Chris Beiting

Mart when he was a senior in high school. Ken Durbin worked at WRFN, and dropped off a roll of film to be developed at Wal-Mart. "I lost the film. And he was mad..."

Beiting said.

Durbin later told Beiting the roll contained pictures of WRFN in room 205 of the University Center.

Despite the fact that Beiting messed up his pictures, Durbin later arranged for Beiting to meet the station manager, because he had such an interest in the station.

Beiting never found the film.

Beiting's friendship with Durbin led to other work, as well. Beiting interned with 102.7, WEBN, for a year and a half. Durbin helped get him that position.

Now Beiting intersperses his work time between Q102, WRFN, and working for Best Buy.

The most important things in

his life have been his strongest means of support. Beiting said his friends and family are always there when he needs them.

"I have three or four friends that I know I can call in the middle of the night, 300 miles from home and they'll still come pick me up," he said.

Beiting's friend Scott Coleman said, "He's there for you. He tries to cheer you up."

His family firmly endorses his decision to participate in the radio business, though he was scared to tell them initially.

"Nobody in my family's ever done anything like this before, and I want to be the first," Beiting said.

Eventually, Beiting hopes to find his way into the Denver area radio market, working as a DJ. Though he enjoys WRFN's rock format, he said, "I could easily see myself in country and classical. But really, I'd like it to be the music I listen to."

Maybe the underlying truth to his desire for the Colorado area lays not with the airwaves, but with the air that swooshes by when one is skiing.

Beiting confessed to have a love for the slopes.

"Plus, I've never been out West. I've always traveled South," he said.

Beiting started with WRFN pretty green compared to his current experience. His shift the first year at WRFN, was the noon to 2

p.m. time slot. He wrote everything down that he planned to say. He no longer maintains that practice.

"When I turn on the mike now, I know something creative will come out," Beiting said.

"He's just got those personalities. Almost annoying, but at an entertaining level," Coleman said. Beiting said radio is all based on image. Q102, he said compared to WEBN, has a more relaxed atmosphere, not as much ego.

"I don't try to put on this alter ego," he said. He is himself.

Beiting feels the best part about WRFN is "the sheer amount of raw talent. Any radio station would be lucky to have the people like we have."

"I owe everything to 'RFN,'" Beiting said. "I love working here." And it shows. Beiting's infectious enthusiasm colors his broadcasts at NKU. He likes working with others and feels it spices up the broadcast. He and fellow DJ, Shon Cope, otherwise known as on-air personality "Nathan Summers," enjoyed keeping the microphone live and tormenting each other for two minutes without a break.

"There's something about having a team on the air," Beiting said. "When you're talking with someone, you can just feed off each other."

Though people drop into the studio to visit, and Cope takes a



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ON THE AIR: Chris Beiting, WRFN Disc Jockey, shows off his skills in front of the radio controls at WRFN.

break from his shift, Beiting peppers his "conversation" with the audience with a sly wit and a smooth transition into the music he plays.

"I am one of the voices of NKU. Even though people don't think they hear me, they really do hear me," Beiting said.

Cope said he thinks Beiting has real talent. "If he plays his cards right, he'll get an on-air job somewhere. He's meticulous. He's a lot smarter than he acts."

"Basically, what you see is what you get. But he looks like he listens to Barry Manilow," Cope said.

Events Calendar

Thursday, Oct. 30

• "The Skeleton Within" Lecture series
Steely Library Room 101
2 p.m.

• Fall Choral Concert
Greaves Hall
8 p.m.

• "The Politics Of Native American Life"
University Center Theater
9:25 a.m.

Friday, Oct. 31

• Halloween!!!!

Saturday, Nov. 1

• Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra
Music Hall 8 p.m.

• Food Bank Benefit
Top Cats (2820 Vine St.)
10:15 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 2

• Sunday Mass
Catholic Newman Center
7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 4

• Martin Luther King Choral rehearsal
Zion Baptist Church
7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 6

• Noon time issue series
UC 108 12 p.m.

• Indian Stereotypes
UC Theater 1:40 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 10

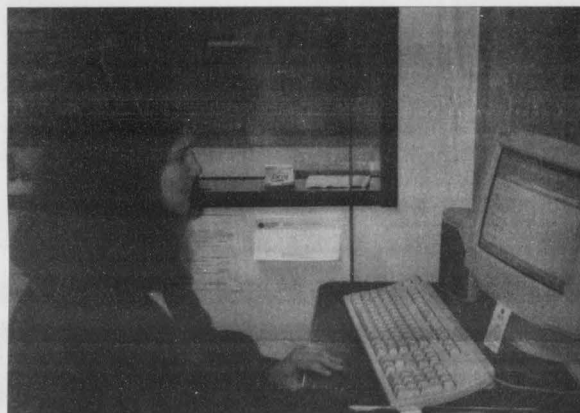
• Terry Allen Public Lecture
Cincinnati Art Museum
Lecture Hall
8 p.m.

• African American Recruitment Team Meeting
Norse Commons
Game Room
6 p.m.

• Resume Writing/Interview Skills Workshop
Kentucky State University,
Frankfort Ky.
9 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 13

• Golden Key Meeting
UC 116 5 p.m.



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HERE TO HELP: Jodi Damon, junior philosophy major, is designing a Web page for the Women's Center. The Women's Center is located in the University Center room 210.

CENTER: Helping Students Cope

From Page 1

they are invited to groups and classrooms.

Not only does the Women's Center reach out to the university, Meyer said that many women come and talk to her when they have personal problems or problems with a male faculty or staff member.

"I've had students come in wanting to talk to me before they drop out of school because of some difficult issues that they have encountered on campus. I try and encourage students to stay in school and get the support that they need," she said.

Meyer said she talks to women with different types of stress issues from adjusting to NKU to child care and career choices. She also deals with unique circumstances.

Meyer often counsels students who anticipate that they will have to spend time in jail and helps them cope with how it will affect their schooling and their life.

"We try to set up a place where people feel comfortable coming in asking for what they need and not feel too embarrassed or weird," she said.

Jodi Damon, junior philosophy major, works at the Women's Center but also utilizes it as a student.

She said, "I come here to sit and have tea and relax away from everything."

Meyer said it is important to have a women's center on campus because bias toward women is not as strong as it used to be, but it still exists.

"There have been a lot of advances, but there are things that haven't been done yet," she said about women's income compared to men's. "We're up to 74 cents on the dollar, but I want the extra quarter. Economic justice is one piece of it, personal safety is something that seems to strike a cord in most women."

Also, Meyer thinks the Women's Center is important because it helps retain female students, especially single mothers.

"Female students are faced with different issues than male students, we have a lot of single parents that are female, and retaining female students is different than male students. So I really see the women's center as a retention issue," Meyer said.

SUPPORT GROUPS:

• Women in Transition
Thursdays 12 to 1 p.m.
University Center 232

• AA Meeting
Wednesdays 12 to 1 p.m.
UC 232

NOVEMBER EVENTS:

• Male/Female Dialogue
Nov. 21, 12:05 to 1 p.m.
UC 108

• Cultural Diversity Coffee
Nov. 25, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
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Chamber Music: The Sounds Of The Alps

Swiss Duo Miller-Schmid Travel To NKU To Perform

By Kelly Sudzina
Staff Reporter

Where could you go to a free concert performed by a professional duo based in Switzerland?

You could have gone to the Miller-Schmid duo performance at Northern Kentucky University. Pianist Annlynn Miller and cellist Ulrich Schmid of Switzerland played a repertoire of chamber music titled *German Romanticism for Cello and Piano* in Greaves Concert Hall at 8 p.m.

The concert was sponsored by the NKU music department. Nina Key, the part-time instructor of organ and harpsichord at NKU, said, "They came here to visit of course, but then also to play this concert. They were very much looking forward to playing in the area, and the hall here was available."

Miller and Schmid chose the three sonatas that they played because 1997 is the year celebrating the 200th anniversary of Franz Schubert's birth and the 100th anniversary of Johannes Brahms' death. Miller said, "It's a very long and heavy, but we hope, very beautiful program."

Melissa McKelvie is a relative of Miller's and this concert was the first time she had ever heard Miller and Schmid play. "I don't know a lot about music, but it was very intense and passionate," McKelvie said.

Miller said she felt the audience

for the concert was small but attentive, and that the people there were very good listeners. Miller feels that not only is chamber music a challenge for the performers, but it is also a challenge for the audience.

"Chamber music, I think, is very demanding to listen to. When people go to a concert of chamber music they are being put in a position of having to work. They may enjoy it, hopefully, they enjoy the work. But it's not something that you can just sit back and say 'oh isn't that nice,'" Miller said.

Miller and Schmid attended the concert, He said, "It helps me become more well-rounded in different musical circles."

Miller said in some ways playing in a duo is even harder than playing solo because each player is not only responsible for themselves, but they are also responsible for listening to the other player as well. Each player has to know the other person's part as well as their own.

Miller said that even the major instrument is a support for the accompaniment, but that there is always support coming from both instruments.

Schmid said, "Even if we play a Schubert, it's a little bit more per-

haps cello, but the piano is so important, without piano you can't play."

The composers intended musicians to play their music the way the composers wanted it to be played, and the instructions for this were recorded in the score. Miller compared the composer's score to a literary work.

Miller said, "It's all there, it just depends on how you say it, if you put an emphasis on the word 'going' or if you put an emphasis on the word 'home'. That's what makes the difference in interpretation."

Miller said there are a lot of extraordinary chamber music works. Schmid feels that chamber music is the most wonderful and deep approach to music. "For many musicians it's the crown to play chamber music—it's the top," Schmid said.

Miller said that not every person who is interested in music or is encouraged to study an instrument, by teachers or at home, should or will end up in a music career. "What I mean is that the only way you can enter that career is when there's nothing else in the world for you," Miller said.

She said it is a difficult career because as a musician, she feels that she will never be finished with her work because the works of the composers will always demand more time and attention. But Miller also said, "It's the most impossible and the most beautiful job."

Miller said she has been playing the piano for over 40 years. Her father was a musician and he encouraged her to start at a young age before she had even gone to school.

Miller said, "I could read music

before I could read letters."

Schmid also started playing at a young age. Schmid said, "When I was five years old I began with a little cello that was a quarter of

the size—the most difficult was to find a chair. My teacher had to build a little chair and he brought it to my first concert."

"It helps me become more well-rounded in different musical circles."

-Jack Isaacs

About the worth of the cello today, Schmid said, "You can buy for this a pretty nice house."

Miller was born in New York, but she has been living in Europe for 25 years.

Schmid was born in Bern, Switzerland. They met because they teach at the same schools in Switzerland, and today, between them, they have 70 students.

"Our main profession is performing and we teach as well," Miller said.

They said they rehearse daily when they are getting ready for a show. They live about 16 miles from each other in Switzerland.

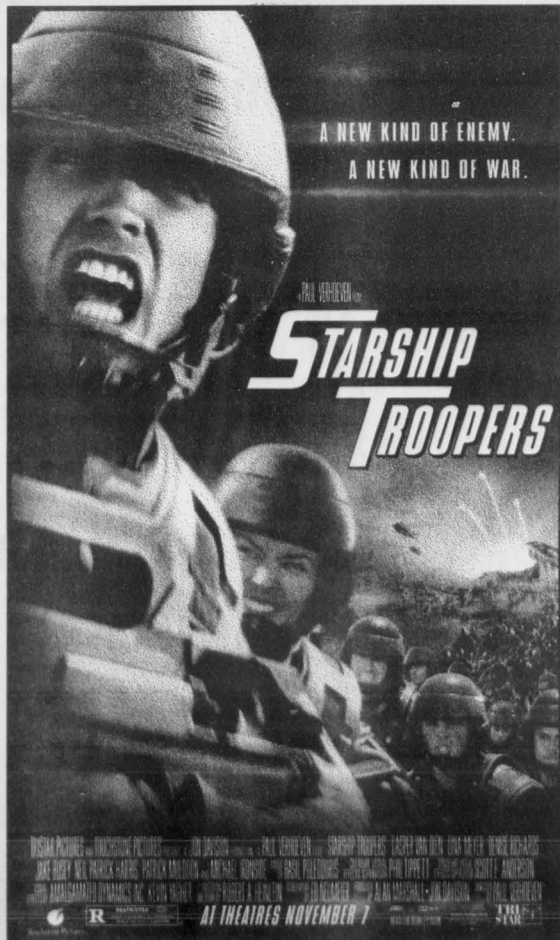
The instruments the pieces were originally written for them are played on today. The

"Arpeggione" sonata by Schubert that they played was actually written for an instrument called an arpeggione. It was made in Vienna and was like a cello but it had six strings like a guitar as opposed to four like a modern cello.

Miller said the sonata is very difficult to play on four strings. "It's almost impossible but Mr. Schmid can do the most impossible," Miller said.

The piano has also evolved over the years. Schubert's piano had one less octave and the hammers were covered with leather and not felt. It was a much smaller grand piano than the nine foot grand piano she played at the concert.

The duo said that they would like to come back to the Greater Cincinnati Area again sometime. Miller said, "Everyone we met in two days has just been tremendously helpful and caring and accommodating."



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President Saunders: "They Need That Money Desperately"

Cole's Pit

By Chris Cole
Sports Editor

The Darker Side Of Sports

On Wednesday, the NKU Board of Regents will vote to put off any talks of football until NKU can afford to run a successful football program.

The Board met last Wednesday to hear the recommendations of James E. Fallis, director of athletics at the University of Northern Colorado and Jerry M. Hughes, athletic director at Central Missouri State University.

Fallis and Hughes recommended that if NKU implements football, it should be a scholarship program. To make a long story short, the cost ended up at around \$9 million.

In a nutshell, football just ain't gonna happen here at NKU.

Following the meeting, Student Government President Chris Saunders voiced concerns to the Board about the \$20 athletics fee implemented last semester.

"I think right now there needs to be consideration of the fee, and we will talk about that extensively in January," Saunders said.

"If football is not considered, the fee needs to be really considered, because I think most people thought...that the fee was passed for getting football," he added.

The NKU athletics department is blatantly underfunded. The program is running on empty. The baseball field has no lights, the track and soccer field aren't up to NCAA regulations, the softball field doesn't belong to the department, the tennis courts are a joke...etc.

The average salary of an NKU

coach is \$13,887.20. Take away the salaries of men's basketball coach Ken Shields and women's basketball coach Nancy Winstel and the average drops to \$8,161.72.

Norse coaches are still forced to pay out of their own wallets for uniforms, food, travel expenses and other costs that come along with college athletics. The athletics department was in a financial quagmire BEFORE it added women's soccer.

How then, can anyone with reasonable common sense justify thinking

about rescinding the relatively small \$20 athletics fee?

"According to other schools, there are athletic fees," Saunders said. "I think the students should really consider that."

Athletic fees are not uncommon. In fact, the University of Kentucky has the same \$20 fee that NKU implemented last semester.

NKU has achieved a high level of success despite being terribly underfunded.

The women's basketball program

has a history of success, and the men's team is a national contender.

The men's soccer program has achieved a high standard of play over the years, and the volleyball program is annually near the top of the toughest region in college volleyball.

It is not uncommon for NKU's baseball team to send players to the professional ranks.

Last season, the NKU men's tennis team featured one of the nation's best collegiate players, and the golf program has a successful history.

What would it be like if the program had some money to work with?

It was recommended in the Fallis and Hughes Report for NKU that "regardless of the decision to go or not go with football, the university proceed with the enhancement of the existing program to enable it to become even more successful than it is."

"This enhancement also is necessary because of clear non-compliance with Title IX regulations," the report continued. The report suggested "immediate

improvements need to be made to the softball facilities (a Title IX issue), and with the creation of women's soccer, the university needs to take a serious look at its facilities for men's and women's soccer.

"The addition of women's soccer will place a strain on the ability to maintain the field at any level of playing quality."

"Playing on the current soccer field will increase maintenance costs and, even more important, increase field hazards to the players," the report concludes.

True, football was on the platter of NKU athletics enhancement. However, the addition of numerous women's sports as well as the upgrading of unsatisfactory, unsafe facilities was too.

The athletics fee isn't about football—it's about raising the level of quality at NKU.

It's about bringing the athletics department up to the national Division II average.

Men's and women's basketball notwithstanding, NKU's athletics funding

is \$201,335 below the national Division II average operating costs.

Coach Bill Aker's baseball program receives \$67,995 in funding each year. The national Division II average baseball operating cost is \$110,541.

Coach John Toebben's men's soccer program receives about \$42,024 less than the national average men's soccer costs.

Baseball, golf, men's soccer, softball, men's and women's tennis and volleyball are all underfunded by at least \$20,000 annually.

Women's soccer wasn't considered because this is its inaugural season, and cross country was not considered because it is normally combined with track and field. NKU has no track and field program.

Saunders said he understands that, and that the "focus should be...getting our programs up to par."

"It may be that students may or may not want that fee to go towards the athletic programs," Saunders said. "But it seems right now that they need that money desperately."

Saunders personally told me three weeks ago that he was going to support the athletics fee.

The question is, can Saunders be trusted? Will he keep his word and support the fee, or will he flip-flop like politicians have been known to do?

If you see Chris Saunders walking around campus, stop him and let him know if you would like a 5,000 seat arena, a national title or football.

All of that hinges on the success of the athletics fee.

Comparison Of Division II Averages with University Funding for Athletics

Sport*	Division II Avg. Cost	NKU Funding	Difference Div II Avg Cost / NKU
Basketball (M)	\$185,907	\$185,163	(\$744)
Basketball (W)	\$147,758	\$177,203	\$29,445
Baseball	\$110,541	\$67,995	(\$42,546)
Golf (M)	\$37,186	\$8,620	(\$28,566)
Soccer (M)	\$93,841	\$51,817	(\$42,024)
Softball	\$71,063	\$50,106	(\$20,957)
Tennis (M)	\$37,510	\$15,206	(\$22,304)
Tennis (W)	\$36,607	\$14,762	(\$21,845)
Volleyball	\$75,312	\$52,219	(\$23,093)
Total	\$853,673	\$631,712	(\$172,634)

*Men's and women's cross country has been pulled from this comparison because the NCAA numbers combine track and field with cross country. Accurate comparison could, therefore, not be made. Source: 1996 NCAA Gender Equity Study; 1996 Athletic Budget.

NKU Freshman Racing Into The Record Books

By Chris Cole
Sports Editor

NKU freshman cross country runner Tabatha Smith broke the school record for the fastest five kilometer finish in school history Saturday in the Great Lakes Valley Conference women's championship.

"I was just happy because I ran hard the whole race," Smith said. "I didn't really know until after the race that I had set the record."

Smith finished the race 29th overall, as NKU took seventh place in the championship. Seventh place is NKU's best finish since 1993.

The Norse finished with a score of 201. Lewis University won the championship with a score of 19. LU accounted for the race's top four finishers, including Magdalena Pazda, who won the race and broke the GLVC record by nearly 20 seconds with a time of 16:59.

Magdalena was also named GLVC Runner of the Year.

Following the race, coach Steve Kruse emphasized the importance of Smith's quick start.

Smith ran the first mile in five minutes and 56 seconds.

"Last week, at the Queen City Invitational, Tabatha finished third for us after she got off to a really

bad start," Kruse said.

"This week, she knew she had to get started quickly," he said.

Smith finished the Queen City Invitational in 77th place overall with a time of 20:42.

Kruse said that Smith has been a bright spot on the team this year, and that the "future is very bright for her."

NKU Women's Cross Country 5-Kilometer Record Times

Year	Runner	Time
1997	Tabatha Smith	19:39
1994	Bridgett Bailey	19:50
1993	Becky Trotta	19:53

Norse Blinded By National Spotlight

By Beth Ramer
Staff Reporter

The NKU volleyball team went 1-2 over the weekend, dropping matches to the top two teams in the Great Lakes Region.

At the Great Midwest Showdown held at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, NKU ended a 12-game winning streak as Michigan Tech, ranked second in the region, defeated the Norse 15-11, 16-14, 15-8.

The Norse then defeated Lake Superior State 15-7, 15-8, 15-12. The trip ended with a loss to Northern Michigan, ranked number one in the country, 15-7, 15-6, 15-5. Senior Carrie Blomer said, "It was a disappointing weekend, but it gives us an incentive to work that

much harder."

Against Michigan Tech, NKU was led by Blomer with 10 kills. Sophomore Jenny Jeremiah contributed eight kills while senior middle-hitter Jennifer Thomas added seven kills.

Senior Molly Donovan returned from an ankle injury to record 22 assists for the Norse. She also had seven kills.

Sophomore Liz Lamping recorded a game-high 11 digs, helping the Norse stay close during the second set.

After the 11th service error by the Norse in the match, Michigan Tech rallied to tie the set at 14-14 and held on to take the set 16-14.

Head coach Mary Biermann said, "It was a painful, growing experience...but I think we are a better team now because we see where we need to go."

"This weekend, two really good teams showed us our weaknesses and that will make us play better," Biermann said.

Against Lake Superior State, junior Kim Jones turned in a game-high 10 kills. Blomer also had 10 kills while sophomore Jenni Long added eight.

Donovan and senior Becky Fisher shared the setting role and earned 26 and 15 assists, respectively. Lamping helped out defensively with nine digs while Jeremiah added eight.

Junior Andrea Thompson returned from a shoulder injury to

Smith said she was just happy to break 20 minutes. "That was my goal the whole season," she said.

Kruse gave some of the credit to the course conditions. The race was run at the Curtis Creek Country Club in Rensselaer, Ind.

"It was really ideal cross country conditions," Kruse said. He said that running on a golf course with short grass in breezy weather conditions really helped improve his runners' times.

He said that all of the girls were disappointed with their times early in the season because they were running in 80-degree heat on hilly courses.

"Everyone else in the conference was running on golf courses up in Michigan," he said.

Kruse said that Smith has been slowly improving over the course of the season.

"This was obviously her best race," Kruse said. "She established

a strong pace and kept it throughout."

Patricia Miller finished second for NKU in 37th place with a time of 20:04. Taryn Pence finished 40th overall with a score of 20:12.

Pence finished the Queen City Invitational with a time of 20:14.

Kelly Kneuev finished fourth for the team with a time of 20:41. "Kelly has been doing so great. I'm so proud of her," Smith said.

As for Smith's finish, Kruse said he was very impressed.

"I don't know what else to say," Kruse said. "It was just a fantastic race."

Smith said that this has been a really special season for women's cross country. "We've broken basically all of the school records," she said. "Everyone has worked so hard, and we've gotten more wins than any team in school history."



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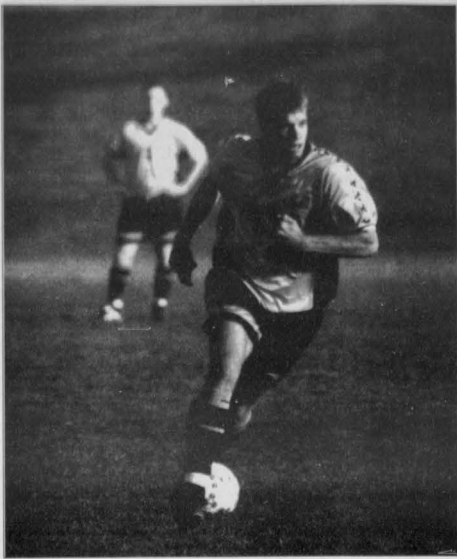
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FRIES FRAME: Junior forward Steve Fries controls the ball in NKU's 3-2 overtime victory over Charleston (W. Va.) on Wednesday.

Final Home Game A Must-Win For Struggling Norse

By Chris Cole
Sports Editor

The NKU men's soccer team fell to 5-10-1 over the week-end.

The Norse still have a chance to make the Great Lakes Valley Conference Tournament, however.

NKU has two games remaining—Saturday at home against Kentucky Wesleyan and Sunday at Indiana Purdue at Fort Wayne.

The Norse last to Alderson-Broadbent on Saturday 2-1. NKU scored its only goal on a Steve Bornhoffer penalty kick five minutes into the second half.

Just three minutes later, AB scored the go-ahead goal on a rebound put back.

On Sunday, NKU lost 4-0 to West Virginia Wesleyan College, currently ranked No. 11 in NCAA Division II men's soccer.

The Norse got off only seven shots in the game, and freshman goalkeeper Jimmy Dwertman had trouble stopping the offensive attack of WVWC.

NKU could still earn a GLVC Tournament berth with two wins this weekend.

Saturday will be senior day for the Norse. Bornhoffer, Michael McDonald and John Sander will each play their last home game for NKU.

The game will begin at 2 p.m.

Saturday will also mark the final home game for NKU's women's soccer team. The Norse, 6-8 in their inaugural season, will square off against Kentucky Wesleyan College at noon on Saturday.

NKU CAMPUS RECREATION FLAG FOOTBALL STANDINGS

CO-REC LEAGUE (SUNDAYS)	W/L
The Convicts	2-2
Shockers	1-4
Brew Crew	4-1
Caput	1-0
Co-Champs	1-2

MEN'S LEAGUE (THURSDAYS)	W/L
Them	5-0
Phi Tau	1-4
Baptist Student Union	0-5
Champs	4-1

MEN'S LEAGUE (SUNDAYS)	W/L
Division I:	
Da One Eyes/Them	3-1
The Express	3-2
Champs	3-2
GEA	1-3
Has Beens	3-2

Division II:	
Mustangs	3-2
Campus Book & Supply	2-3
ATO Alumni	2-3
Get Off Me	4-1
Fighting Lamas	2-3
Wild Bunch	3-2

Division III:	
Pike Gamet	4-1
Phi Tau	2-3
TKE	1-4
ATO Gold	2-3
ADG	1-4
ATO Azure	5-0

Division IV:	
Big Guns	2-3
Redman	—
Cheerleaders	2-2
Crazy Dazies	1-4
El Limbo Duece	5-0
Starkist Tuna	2-3

Division V:	
ADG Alumni	5-0
Pike Gold	2-3
ATO Taus	2-2
BTM	1-4
The Fighting Norse	2-3

STAR OF THE WEEK



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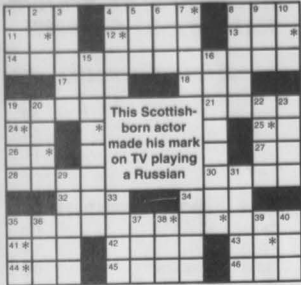
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- ACROSS
1. Cheech's role on Nash Bridges (5)
 2. Advice (1993-94) (5)
 3. Vowel seller (5)
 4. Message (5)
 5. Dr. Zhivago's love (5)
 6. Laundry detergent (5)
 7. Series about two girls (2) (5)
 8. Period of time (5)
 9. 1/2 Like to ... (1948-49) (5)
 10. Hall of a former duo (5)
 11. Days of Crisis '91 TV movie (5)
 12. The House (5)
 13. and the Boys (5)
 14. Initial for Abbott's partner (5)
 15. Shan's monogram (5)
 16. Letterman rival (5)
 17. of Sudan (5)
 18. Quayle film (5)
 19. There Mountain (5)
 20. Dr. Zhivago's love (5)
 21. Plumber's curved pipe (5)
 22. Early Edition actor (2) (5)
 23. Star of The Fall Guy (1981-86) (5)
 24. Attorney general (5)
 25. Marie Saint (5)
 26. McKintley and Whitney: abbr. (5)
 27. Cravings (5)
 28. Church's role (5)

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Aries (March 21 - April 20)
You need to surround yourself with people who are more supportive. Speak your mind and let your desires and worries be known.



Taurus (April 21 - May 20)
There's a strong chemistry between you and someone with whom you've been working. Could it be true love? Only time will tell.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
A friend helps you through a stressful situation. It's time to pick yourself up, dust yourself off and move on.



Cancer (June 21 - July 20)
Once again, you've found yourself in a time crunch. Stop overextending your commitments and learn to say "no."



Leo (July 21 - Aug. 21)
Worry never solves anything; you know what needs to be done. You will be surprised by the contents of a letter or package.



Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 22)
Studies in science, history or metaphysics will be enlightening. It is important to be truthful but tactful in a difficult situation.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)
You must appear competent when conducting business. Keep your crazy side under wraps until the workday is over.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 22)
A phone call brings about some minor changes in your lifestyle. The heat is turned up in a romantic relationship.



Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 20)
A serious discussion could get out of hand or it could help you grow closer to your partner. The outcome depends on how open your mind is.



Capricorn (Dec. 21 - Jan. 19)
It may be time to see a doctor about that nagging ailment. An expensive purchase may not be worth the money; shop around.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
A dream may have a great deal of significance in the real world. Your hard work will pay off in an unexpected way.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)
Your love life may be picking up. Time to go shopping for some new clothes to spruce up that wardrobe.

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