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Gifts for Timothy

By Rick Amburgey
Special Projects Editor

Concerned Northern Kentucky University students united last week to raise money for the family of Timothy Thomas, the teenager killed by a Cincinnati Police officer April 7.

The student-run booth, which was named from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, was located on the first floor of the University Center.

The campaign raised more than \$1000, including more than \$600 cash. They received donations from several businesses, including Victor Brown Florist, Baymont Inn and Suites, Kroger and Thriftway.

NKU senior Precious Lindsey, a social work major, said a second limo was donated to family by the family of NKU student Aiyana Denson, whose father is a minister.

Lindsey said she began the fundraiser because she had read in the newspaper that Thomas' mother had a lot of money.

"I felt a great need to reach out to this family," she said.

Lindsey said she decided to set something up at campus after she heard Fifth Third Bank was doing a fundraiser.

"I figured not a lot of people bank with Fifth Third, so why not set something up at campus," she said.

Dr. Rose Morgan, assistant dean of African-American Student Affairs, said Lindsey initiated the fundraiser from the African-American standpoint.

"One individual pulled together most of the black student organizations, so we can say almost all of them are represented," Morgan said.

Lindsey said she contacted Thomas' family before she began the campaign. She found out that their greatest need was milk for Thomas' three-month old baby.

Lindsey sent out an e-mail to students and organizations asking for help working the booth.

She said the fundraiser isn't something sponsored by organizations, but run and organized by individual students at NKU.

D.J. Carter, a member of Students Together

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Rachel Dietz/The *Northerner*
NKU students man a booth in UC in an effort to raise donations for Timothy Thomas' family.

Locked, loaded and aimed at the GLVC

By Jason R. Crisler
Production Manager

A strong beginning, middle and end. Like a good book or movie, a pitching staff must have all three working together to have success.

Last year, NKU's baseball team had a team ERA of 5.46 and finished 27-28. This season it's ERA is 4.27 and the team is 29-11.

"You need a good balance," head baseball coach Todd Asolun said. "Pitching is the name of the game. You could have the best nine guys behind you but if your pitchers aren't any good you're going to struggle."

Pitching coach Chris Hook said he told Asolun before the season that the team needed more than just good starting pitching to succeed.

"You're only as good as your weakest link," he said.

Hook said he feels confident about this season's pitching staff from top to bottom.

From senior closer Shaun Fausz to surprise star Josh Whaley to out-of-nowhere contributor Joe Nash year's squad has a good mix of returning players and surprise performers.

The Ace

It wasn't always easy for Whaley. He says pitching isn't fun, but sometimes he makes it look that way.

Last season Whaley went 3-7 with a 6.34 ERA. Whaley said at times it seemed like every pitch he threw was getting hit.

This season the six-foot-two-inch junior from Kokomo, Ind. hasn't been hit much at all.

He has a team-best 7-1 record, a team-low 2.71 ERA and leads the team in innings pitched. Last season's struggles, Whaley said, have all but been forgotten.

"We know we're going to get six or seven solid innings out of him," Asolun said. "He's going to throw strikes and he's going to work fast."

Whaley's 180 degree turnaround didn't happen overnight. "I worked out a lot harder in the offseason," he said.



Jason R. Crisler / Forrest Berkshire/The *Northerner*
From left to right: Joe Nash, Josh Whaley and Shaun Fausz are three components to Northern Kentucky University's new and improved pitching staff. Can they turn a trail to the Division II College World Series?

"He was a thin guy last year," Hook said. "When you dedicate yourself in the weight room it helps you mentally."

Whaley was also open to instruction. "He's a listener," Hook said. "He's throwing his slider two ways," he said. "One for strikes and one for punchouts."

Whaley's strikeout-slider, which bottoms out in front of home plate, is his favorite pitch.

"The 0-2 slider in the dirt," Whaley said.

"Makes the hitter look like a fool swinging at a ball in the dirt. You know they're pissed off when they walk off."

It's this aggressiveness and almost child-like glee at watching batters whiff that has helped Whaley become the best starting pitcher in the GLVC. He leads the conference in wins, complete games, innings pitched and has the lowest ERA of any GLVC pitcher with at least 10 starts.

"I'm going to make them (opposing batters) hit my pitch. I want to control the momentum," he said.

A pitcher like Whaley does much more than win games. "The one thing you don't want to get in baseball is a long losing streak," Asolun said. "It's good to have a guy that's like your stopper. You can plan around him."

To help focus on an upcoming start Whaley tunes out those around him with tunes. "Josh has a CD," Fausz said. "No one knows what's on it. He sits by himself and gets ready."

"It's Buckcherry's 'Lit Up,'" Whaley said. "That's the only song I listen to."

Despite being alone in the locker

room, once Whaley steps on the field he has support.

The Backup

One would think a guy that has a wolf for a pet wouldn't be easy to overlook. Yet whenever Joe Nash speaks, which is rare, he's as calm and soft-spoken as they come.

"He just sits at the end of the bench and doesn't talk," Fausz said. "Joe is a laid back country boy."

NKU's coaching staff haven't overlooked Nash, a junior, this season though.

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Students solemnly do swear to be true

By Sonja Donegan
Staff Writer

A proposed student honor code will require all first-time students to sign a statement saying they will remain ethical and honest when turning in all work, including tests and homework assignments, at Northern Kentucky University.

According to a survey completed by NKU faculty, 209 incidents of cheating and plagiarism have been reported. George Alkhiizer, professor of accounting, said the professional Concerns Committee saw these incidents as a need for a student honor code.

Faculty will be encouraged to have students sign an honor statement on every test. If students see the honor code on assignments, they will be reminded that they are supposed to be ethical and honest, said Charles Frank, profes-

sor of computer science.

Alkhiizer and Frank are members of the sub-committee of the Professional Concerns Committee that submitted the proposed honor code to the Faculty Senate.

The honor code is for educational purposes. Students will be elected to be members of the honor council at the beginning of the fall semester. These members will go into University 101 classes to educate other NKU students on the importance of keeping honor and using ethical behavior in educational ways and in real life situations. Eventually, members will talk in all classes that professors allow.

The honor council will also hold a mock trial in the University Center. Selected students will role-play a trial by reading from a

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Distinguished Scholars



Forrest Berkshire/The *Northerner*

Scholarship students gathered at the Black Faculty and Staff Recognition Banquet Saturday, April 14.

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Jam Session



Forest Berkshire/The Northerner
The Sam Jackson Trio served up soft rhythms as students, future students and faculty celebrated at the 9th Annual Black Faculty and Staff Recognition Banquet.

15 Black men killed

By Forrest Berkshire
Editor in Chief

Frustration and sorrow boiled over into rage last week in the streets of Cincinnati.

The issue of black men being killed by the Cincinnati Police Department is not new. Community activists and organizations have voiced their concerns for the past three years, even as more black men have died.

In the last three years 14 African American males and one boy have been killed. They were:

Harvey Price
Died Feb 1, 1995, shot
Officer: Randy Rengering
Admin. action taken:
Exonerated

Darrel Price
Died Feb 1, 1995, shot
Officer: Randy Rengering
Admin. action taken:
Exonerated

Died April 4, 1996,
restrained while agitated
Officers: Kevin Osuna and
Samuel Igel

Admin. action taken:
Exonerated

Lorenzo Collins
Died Feb 23, 1997, shot
Officer: Douglas Depodaja

Admin. action taken:
Counseled and exonerated

Daniel Williams
Died Feb 2, 1998, shot
Officers: Kathleen Conway,

also shot
Admin. action taken:
Exonerated

Jermaine Lowe
Died June 3, 1998, shot
Officers: Scott Bode, Scott

Krauser, Michael Annamm
Admin. action taken:
Exonerated

Randy Black
Died July 17, 1998, shot
Officer: Joseph Eichorn

Admin. action taken:
Exonerated

Michael Carpenter
Died March 19, 1999, shot
Officers: Michael Miller III

and Brent McCutley
Admin. action taken:
Reprimanded and assigned

extra training

James King
Died Aug. 20, 1999, shot
Officers: Randy Webb,

Rachel Folk, Jason Dauch,
Adrian Gibson
(Investigation still pending)

Carey Tompkins
Died Oct. 16, 1999, shot
Admin. action taken:
Exonerated

Alfred Pope
Died March 14, 2000, shot
Officers: Daniel Carder,

Kenneth Grubbs, Jason
Lamb
Admin. action taken:
Exonerated

Exonerated

Courtney Mathis
Died Sept. 1, 2000, shot
Officer: Kevin Crayon,

killed
(Investigation still pending)

Roger Owensby
Died Nov. 7, 2000,
Asphyxiation

Officers: Patrick Caton,
Robert Jorg, both leveled
with criminal charges

Jeffrey Irons
Died Nov. 8, 2000, shot
Officer: Frederick Gilmer

(Investigation still pending)

Adam Wheeler
Died Jan. 31, 2001, shot
Officers: Craig Greigore,

Steven Maddox
(Investigation still pending)

Timothy Thomas
Died April 7, 2001, shot
Officer: Stephen Roach
(Investigation still pending)

Wice & Herschede: head-to-head

By Sarah Kruezkamp
Staff Writer

SGA Presidential Candidates Josh Wice and Katie Herschede met Thursday afternoon in front of a larger than usual student turnout to discuss their campaign platform issues.

Wice said his top campaign goal is to include all students in campus decisions. One way he plans to implement this is through a more extensive teacher review at the end of each semester. He also discussed his plan for a tuition freeze for students and a book rental program. These are both efforts to relieve the financial burdens many students face. "The book rental program has proven to be successful at other universities," Wice said.

Herschede said, if elected she would work for technological improvements. This includes more "smart classrooms," more accessible and up-to-date computer labs and a

resource room in the University Center. Herschede said this is an area where students could find all of the products necessary to complete a presentation or product.

Another issue Herschede discussed was her plans for the advancement of multiculturalism on campus. Herschede said she would work for more opportunities to study abroad. She also would work to enhance the diversity studies programs. This includes offering more courses and increasing the faculty.

The SGA president serves as the student regent to the board of regents. Students at the forum asked the candidates if they would always vote for the students' views or if they would vote their own conscience in some decisions. Both Wice and Herschede said they would always vote for the students. Herschede said, "I feel confident to vote for the students on every issue."

At the end of the forum, each can-

didate gave closing statements. Wice said he would be a voice for the students. "I will do what is best and not back down," Wice said.

Wice also stressed the importance of voting in the SGA elections. He said they were hoping for at least 50 percent participation from students. In her closing statements, Herschede said she would work with all students. She also stressed the importance of honesty, dedication, determination and integrity. Herschede said, "It's not about my resume, it's about students."

The candidates for Vice President, Leslie Dorris and Michael Monks, also spoke at the forum. Dorris stressed the importance of a vice president with SGA leadership experience. She noted her opponent did not have the experience she had for the job. In a heated speech, Monks, who admitted he was going to wing the speech, challenged Dorris to "put her money where her mouth is."

Campus groups address tensions

By Rick Amburgey
Special Projects Editor

Students Together Against Racism and the Women's Center are hosting "The Speak Out," a dialogue addressing the current racial problems in Cincinnati, April 19

from 3-5 p.m. in the free speech area outside the University Center.

Hlevani Baloyi, president of STAR, said the Speak Out will allow students to discuss their feelings about the racial tensions and riots as well as ask questions.

There will be a candlelight vigil held later that evening.

Robyn Granger, STAR secretary, said she hopes that there will be some community leaders on hand to offer information, but none had been confirmed at press time.

Granger said the event will be open to the campus and community. Star member Brandon Hill said, it is important to have the Speak Out so the tensions between blacks and whites can be put on the table.

"I think the riots happened because we have a young black voice that is not heard," he said.

Hill said racial profiling is a

major issue. He said he was stopped by police seven or eight times in Louisville, and he believes those incidents were racial profiling.

Hill said in order for it to stop we have to break down the misconception that African-Americans and Latinos are more likely to sell drugs.

He said he is not an advocate for violence, but believes there is a time for everything.

Hill said he participated in a non-violent protest with the NAACP April 12.



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DG makes a splash

By Rick Amburgey
Special Projects Editor

Some of the best looking women at Northern Kentucky University were soaked to the bone April 10 for a good cause.

The ladies of Delta Gamma took to the pool with a bunch of guys as they hosted their annual "Anchor Splash," which raises money for several local and national charities to help the blind.

The money was made by teams registering to compete and through admission to the event, which was one dollar.

Delta Gamma chapters at universities throughout the world host the event each year.

"Anchor Splash" consist of a number of pool-related games.

The teams that competed in this year's "Anchor Splash" included Alpha Tau Omega, Pi Kappa Alpha, the cross country team, Delta Zeta, Tau Gamma Epsilon, Phi Kappa Tau, Phi Sigma Sigma, Theta Phi Alpha,

and the Baptist Student Union.

The competitions included a 100 yard freestyle relay, a rubber duckie relay, a sweatshirt relay, pushpull relay, save the mermaid, synchronized swimming, funniest swimsuit contest, a big splash, and a sereneade.

The first six events measured swimming speed and ability and teamwork.

The big splash tested the ability to make a big splash when jumping into the pool from a diving board.

The sereneade was the grand finale in which the team had to sing a song to the girls, with the song making reference to Delta Gamma or Anchor Splash.

Sheridan Tabar, who co-directed Anchor Splash with fellow Delta Gamma Dana Kreutzts, said she was pleased with the outcome.

"It's a really crazy swim competition for our philanthropy," she said.

The fun did not end at the end of the three-hour competition. It became a major pool party for everyone involved.



Students cheer on their teams during Delta Gamma sorority's annual Anchor Splash. Rick Amburgey/The Northerner

NLS climbing the long rope of leadership

By Rachel Dietz
Photo Editor

The day after final exams end, 50 Northern Kentucky University students will set out to learn the ropes of leadership and teamwork at the annual Ropes Challenge Course.

On May 9, the Ropes Leadership Society is sponsoring a trip to Camp Kern for the 10th year of this event. The camp is located approximately 40 minutes north of Kings Island.

During the event, students accomplish many challenges that are set up for them by using teamwork, goal setting and leadership.

"The objective is to learn to pull all your resources together to accomplish tasks," said Keith Bischoff, a member of NLS and chairman for the event. "You have to realize that you are only as strong as your weakest link."

One team-building exercise from last year's

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Sacks 'awakens' at Regents

By Rick Amburgey
Special Projects Editor

Dr. Oliver Sacks spoke to a packed Regents Hall April 11 about "Creativity and the Brain."

Sacks delivered his message with a humorous tone and a British accent.

Most people became familiar with Sacks through the 1990 movie "Awakenings," his 1973 medical autobiography of the same name. "Awakenings" documented his use of the experimental drug L-Dopa on patients with a "sleeping disease."

Sacks did not discuss that aspect of his career in the lecture. However, he did talk briefly about Robin Williams, the actor that portrayed him in the film.

Before talking in depth about creativity and the brain, Sacks mentioned he went to the Honors House earlier in the day and listened to some papers on related topics. He said he enjoyed

hearing the papers of the students.

Sacks talked more extensively on creativity than he did on the aspects of the brain. He said that creativity was not reliant on the characteristics of the brain, but on the individual. He used the example of Albert Einstein, noting that just because Einstein had an enlarged brain lobe did not mean that everyone with such a characteristic would be super-intelligent.

He said success depends more on ambition than anything more scientific.

Sacks was introduced by Nick Clooney, who was recently honored by the Society of Professional Journalists.

Clooney said jokingly that Dr. Sacks might find him interesting because he is a "skipped gene," referring to the fact he has a famous sister (Rosemary Clooney) and a famous son (George Clooney).

By Rick Amburgey
Special Projects Editor

I admit I was a bit intimidated when I began reading the book "Awakenings" by Oliver Sacks.

The book is the autobiography of his experience dealing with patients who have a "sleeping disease in the 1960s."

From the first sentence, I never doubted Sacks' medical abilities, but became confused with some of the medical terms.

The book is extensively footnoted. Many pages contain more footnotes than actual text.

However, I was able to put all the medical jargon behind me when Sacks began describing his patients, which he identified by first name and last initial.

Even though the patient profiles still contained a large amount of medical information and in some places read like a medical chart, it was still entertaining.

I became so engrossed with the patients that what I didn't understand didn't matter so much.

I was more interested in the lives of the patients and how Sacks interacted with them.

I was interested how the patients reacted to the drug and how Sacks made his medical decisions accordingly.

It was obvious as I read through the cases that medicine was not a nine-to-five job for Sacks. He developed a certain type of friendship with his patients.

From having talks with them when he could to talking to them when they

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Women's tennis contends against D-I

By Bruce A. Reller, Jr.
Sports Editor

The NKU women's tennis team, an NCAA Division II athletic program, played two Division I teams at home last week.

The Norse dominated against the University of Dayton, 8-1 last Monday.

The tennis team, however, fell short to Wright State University, 6-3 Friday.

NKU junior No. 1 singles player Jamie O'Hara continued her successful season by winning both her singles matches.

She defeated Rebecca Stanchin from Dayton 6-2, 6-3 and beat Wright State's Kara Dunbar by a score of 6-2, 7-5.

"Jamie beat some real good girls,"

NKU coach J. Webb Horton said. "Rebecca Stanchin is a quality player." O'Hara improved her record to 16-1 after the two wins. She also combined with senior teammate Claudia Ruehl to win both doubles matches.

"Jamie comes to play. She'll be ready for the NCAA Tournament," Horton said.

NKU freshman Elizabeth Brunsman did well against Wright State by beating Melissa Dunham-Freer at No. 3 singles 6-3, 6-0.

However, the Norse tennis team lost four of its six singles matches and lost two of three doubles.

Horton said that he felt that his team played well against Wright State.

Wright State is a team that NKU has now lost to twice this season, the first

time was in the fall last year.

"We never like to lose. We played them pretty tough. We had the opportunity. Amity Chapman competed hard. Claudia played well," he said.

"Our downfall was our doubles matches. It was a different match for us. If we win two doubles, we are tough to beat. We just fell short," he said.

The Norse, who won the GLVC championship during the fall, ended its regular season schedule with a 16-3 record.

NKU will now head out on the road to play in a tournament this weekend.

They will then wait on a call from the NCAA committee to see if they will make their third consecutive trip to the NCAA Division II Tournament.

The pairings will be announced near the end of this month.

The first-round matches are scheduled to begin May 4.

"If we win two doubles matches, we are tough to beat."

-NKU women's tennis coach J. Webb Horton

This Week in NKU Sports

NKU baseball team wins three of four against Parkside

The NKU baseball team hit the road last week to play the University of Wisconsin-Parkside for four games in two days with two consecutive doubleheaders.

The Norse split the first two with the Rangers Friday, losing 2-0 in the first game and winning the second by a score of 9-3.

In the second game of the doubleheader, NKU scored five runs in the first inning and came away with 18 hits as a team en route to the victory.

Junior Steve Walton led the Norse hitting attack with four hits, including a double.

Also, Shaun Erie added four hits, and Pat Eschan had a double and drove in two runs for NKU.

"Lenny" Biys pitched seven strong

innings for the Norse, allowing only three runs on five hits. He improved to 6-1 on the year with the pitching performance.

NKU was not so lucky in the first game of the doubleheader, as it was limited to only three hits the whole game.

Aaron Taylor and Michael Elliot combined to pitch the seven-inning shutout for the Rangers.

The Norse finished up against Wisconsin-Parkside with another doubleheader Saturday.

NKU won the first game by a score of 5-4 and was victorious in the second game, easily winning the game by a 5-1 count.

In the first game, Eschan hit a double in the eighth inning and Matt Mason hit a two-run homerun, his 11th of the season, to give the Norse the one-run win.

NKU pitcher Chris Unkraut threw two scoreless innings to get the win.

Kyle Pfetzer and Shaun Fausz combined to pitch a four-hitter in the second game victory for the Norse.

Chris Osterkamp and Eschan both contributed two hits in the NKU win.

The Norse are now one game ahead of the Rangers (8-7 GLVC) in the GLVC North Division standings.

NKU was No. 5 in the NCAA Division II North Central Region ratings and Wisconsin-Parkside was No. 4 and before the meetings.

The University of Indianapolis (14-1 GLVC) is currently No. 1 in the North Central Region.

The Norse started out the week playing on the road against Spaulding University last Wednesday. NKU used a balanced hitting attack, winning the game 12-4.

After winning four out of the five games played last week, the Norse are now 31-11 on the year and 10-6 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.



Dan Mechet/The Northerner
Junior Christina Dausch uncorks a serve in her match against Wright State Friday.

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NKU softball team ousts IPFW in double dip

By Bruce A. Reller, Jr.
Sports Editor

The NKU softball team got its offensive bats working early in game one and late in game two against IPFW as the Norse won both games of a doubleheader Friday at Frank Ignatius Grein Softball Field.

In the first game, NKU scored three runs in the first inning as junior Krista Eldridge singled in a run with the bases loaded and advanced to third on a Mastadon error, allowing two more runners to score.

"It's nice to have that one big inning," NKU coach Kathy Bowen said.

Eldridge would later add another single and score another run as the Norse won the game by a score of 6-0.

NKU senior Kerry McKee also was a contributor, going 2 for 3 and scoring a run.

Senior pitcher Kim Bina won her 12th game of the season, throwing a complete game six-hitter, striking out nine.

"Our confidence is high right now," Eldridge said. "We have done what we needed to do."

The Norse started out the second game just like the first as they got on the board right off the bat in the first inning.

NKU junior Joanna Doerner had a run-scoring single that gave her team a 1-0 early lead.

The Mastadons tied the game in the fourth inning, and after the Norse took a 2-1 lead in the fifth, IPFW again tied the contest in the sixth inning.

NKU was done playing games as it broke the game wide open, scoring four times in the sixth to take a 6-2 lead.



Forrest Berkshire/The Northern

NKU softball junior Krista Eldridge gave an overall solid performance offensively and defensively against IPFW Friday. At the plate, she drove in a run with the bases loaded in an NKU three-run first inning in the game one of the doubleheader.

Sophomore Amanda Davidson came up with an RBI single, and sophomore Crystal Wilson had a key two-run double in the inning for the Norse.

Wilson was the top hitter for NKU in the game as she went 2 for 3 scoring three times.

Eldridge again showed the hot bat by going 2 for 2

and driving in a run. "I've been going into every bat and getting the job done," she said.

NKU coach Bowen said that Eldridge is a good hitter but her defense at first base was the most notable aspect of her game. In the second game against IPFW, Eldridge converted a huge double play for the Norse.

"She fielded a bunt with a runner on first and made an outstanding play," Bowen said.

Eldridge said that the whole team is becoming an outstanding player on its defense all season. "We've been solid on defense. We have to keep going with it," she said.

NKU improved to 23-17 on the year and the team is 11-5 in the GLVC.

The Norse extended its streak to five straight conference wins.

That streak included two victories, 7-2 and 3-1, over the University of Indianapolis last Wednesday.

In the first game, NKU scored three runs in the third inning in winning the game by five runs.

Sophomores Kristin Koors and Davidson each had two hits and combined to drive in three of the seven runs for the Norse.

NKU senior pitcher Jamie Moore picked up her eighth win of the year, allowing five hits and two runs.

Also, junior Katie Garling got her first save of the year for the Norse, allowing only one hit in two innings of work.

Bowen said her team has really shown improvement this year against its conference opponents. "This is the first time since I've coached here that we've gone over .500 in the conference. We were 6-10 in the conference going into the conference tournament the past two years," she said.

NKU softball team finishes strong in final home game

By Bruce A. Reller, Jr.
Sports Editor

The NKU softball team split its final two games of the season against St. Joseph's College Saturday at Frank Ignatius Grein Softball Field.

The Norse came up with only four hits, and the Pumas scored three times in the final inning to post a 3-0 first game victory.

"In the first game, we just didn't hit," NKU coach Kathy Bowen said.

The Norse did come back in the second game and played come

from behind ball in prevailing to a 5-4 victory.

St. Joseph's got on the board first with a run in the opening inning.

NKU tied the game in the second inning on a Kristin Koors RBI double.

In the third inning, the Pumas loaded the bases twice off NKU senior pitcher Kim Bina.

They scored twice in the inning, but the Norse got one of the runs back in the bottom of the inning thanks in part to a Kerry McKee RBI triple.

After St. Joseph's took another

two-run lead, NKU started its comeback.

It all happened in the sixth inning when junior Krista Eldridge lined a double into center field.

Junior Joanna Doerner followed it up with a single. Koors drew a walk to load the bases with one out.

NKU freshman Camie Deaver came to the plate and hit a ground ball to the infield. A Puma fielder tried to make a play at home.

Instead, the catcher missed it and two runners scored. Molly Fachman finished the scoring for

the Norse with a ground out RBI.

NKU went on to win the game 5-4. "After the first game, we showed a lot of heart. We got a string of hits and never gave up," McKee said. "It was a full team effort."

Bina, one of four seniors (Jamie Moore, McKee and Jill Kaliszewski being the other three) who was recognized after the home games, won her 13th game for the Norse despite giving up nine hits in seven innings.

Bina ended up striking out 10 batters in the game and is now over the 100 strikeout mark for the

season.

The Norse defense was lacking for the first time in awhile. In the second game of the doubleheader, NKU committed three errors, which almost cost them the game, Bowen said. "It hurt us as far as them scoring," she said.

McKee said that the errors weren't too much of a burden for her team.

"We didn't let it affect us. We just had to come out with the victory," she said.

NKU improved to 12-6 in the conference. The team was in fifth place in the GLVC standings

before the two games.

Bowen said that things shouldn't change after the split. "We are still in fifth. Bellarmine might have lost," she said.

NKU is also 24-18 overall on the year and next goes on the road to finish up conference regular season competition.

The Norse will participate in the GLVC/GLIAC Tournament this Friday through Sunday.

NKU then will visit Wisconsin-Parkside Saturday, April 28, and Lewis on Sunday, April 29.

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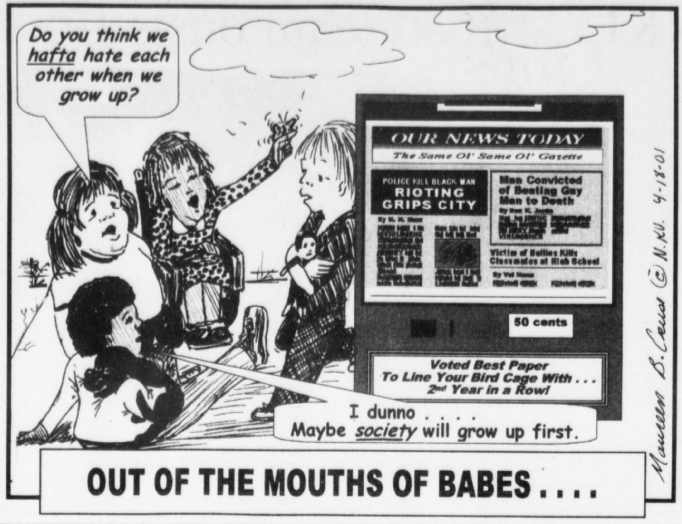
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"No, I'm not stressed about finals, just a lot of effort for other work."

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Students help victim's family

It was a week ago when Timothy Thomas, a 19-year-old, unarmed black man was murdered by a Cincinnati police officer. Thomas was wanted for 14 parking and traffic violations when he ran from an officer, as many white people sometimes do. Upon his death Cincinnati exploded into protest. Since November five black men have been killed by the Cincinnati Police Department. After peaceful protest, roundtable discussions, community dialogue, and courtroom cases that have resulted in no action, the anger became overwhelming and hope felt futile. Emotions could no longer be contained and any faith in the system was lost, so naturally people lashed their anger and frustration out on the streets.

In the midst of everything that was happening people began to organize other demonstrations,

attorneys, community forums and public discussion. All of this being crucial for reconciliation and yet forgetting the catalyst that began this uprising: Timothy Thomas. His family has been left with little assistance while dealing with the death of their son, a funeral, and a national controversy. A memorial fund has been set up at Fifth Third Bank to raise money for Mr. Thomas's funeral expenses and three-month-old son. Unfortunately, in the confusion of the moment, little money has been collected.

For the family's sake, it is fortunate that "few" does not mean that no one has come to their ser-

vice. Northern Kentucky University student Precious Lindsey, a social work major, began a campus campaign to raise money for Mr. Thomas' family. In a matter of days more than \$600.00 was collected and her efforts continue. Because of her shown value and commitment to an equitable world the family has not been left to stand alone. Precious Lindsey's actions embody the essence of what a society should be and live by in a day of equality, as justice is built on the back of compassion. Instead of looking for ways to rationalize police brutality, Northern Kentucky University's student body should follow Lindsey's lead and pursue the path less taken, the path to justice.

Elea Mihou

Letter to the Editor

Curfew punished all, even innocent

By Rick Amburgey
Special Projects Editor

No one was dancing the night away at Vertigo. Metro Bus evening bus routes were canceled. Learning at some local universities was squelched at 6 p.m.

Why? Because the city of Cincinnati is on a curfew.

I agree it is imperative to end the violence, but there must be a better way. The problems are stemming from only a few hundred people. So why punish the entire city?

I'm not even that upset that some of my freedom has been taken away. I can understand that these desperate times call for desperate mea-

sures.

Perhaps, in order to maintain safety, the curfew is necessary. I can accept that.

I accept it, but it still isn't fair. I ask myself if it is worth it.

In theory it is. In actuality, it's not.

The violence has been reduced, but still continues. I don't feel safe going into downtown and I am certainly not brave enough to venture into Over The Rhine.

I am inconvenienced, but it's not that big of a deal. The ones that I truly feel sorry for are the owners of small businesses.

Most of the businesses in that region are not part of big restaurant chains. Most are family-owned and operated.

When the curfew dictates they must close, they lose money. If it continues long, the business will go under.

What does that mean for the area? There is now the potential for further disinvestment in the area.

One of Cincinnati's best qualities is its culture: restaurants, theatres, clubs.

If these businesses leave, the culture will subside, making Cincinnati a less valuable city.

Imagine Cincinnati without restaurants offering cuisine from all over world. Imagine Cincinnati without the Cincinnati Shakespeare Festival.

Would it even be a city at all?

Cincy could learn from ISU

By Julie Stratton
Staff Writer

I think that it is ridiculous that people of different races cannot get along in Cincinnati but the International Student Union can have a party where students of all nationalities can get along.

The International Student Union is a group of students of different nationalities who come together to express common interests and opinions. They held a party last Saturday in Regents Hall where each member could display their talents and make food from their culture.

The food ranged from macaroni and cheese to cous cous to a desert made with pretzels, jelly and whipped cream. It was interesting to see and taste the items, and of course, delicious.

However, the best part of the evening was the dancing and singing.

Students Anamika and Mukti Soni performed a dance native to India. Their moves were precise and their costumes were beautiful. There was also a Tai Chi shadow Flow

and fight scenes between students Mike Hill and Chad Dunbar from the USA. The music made the fight seem intense and suspenseful, even though I knew that no one would be hurt.

During the evening awards for international student service were presented to Hisae Kawamoto and Sahraru Ogawa. While each stu-

dent presented their talent individually, they also performed together in the fashion show and the cultural collage dance.

The evening was fun, the people were friendly and everyone was peaceful, so I can't understand why other people will not follow this example. There was a jazz festival in Cincinnati a few months ago and many businesses closed down that weekend, saying it wasn't because of racism, but I don't agree with that. The festival was also fun and I think that it could have made close-minded people have a more open-minded view if they would have attended. This was a musical festival and it was supposed to be fun. I find it strange how having knowledge is the key to preventing many problems.

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Tim's Weekly Horoscope

By Timothy Conboy
Northern Asterologist

Love is in the air this week (at least for some of us). The second decan (ten days) of Aries is bringing about the true rise of spring. When people talk about spring fever, this is what they are talking about. In astrological terms, that means that all of the major planets are in a fire sign (Aries, Leo, Sagittarius) or an emotional-based sign (Aquarius primarily) as these are this week. I'm going to skip predictions and instead list the qualities defining each sign and who you are compatible with, so have fun.

Aries (March 21-April 20)

You are stubborn, courageous and full of life. This is the sign of action. Taking the passenger's seat is a foreign concept to you. Sometimes your stubborn attitude gets in the way of relationships and your quick personality prevents you from settling. But on the bright side people know they can trust you and you are violently protective of friends (a lot of people need that). You are most compatible with Leo, Sagittarius, Pisces, Aquarius and Gemini.



Taurus (April 21-May 20)

You are stubborn but flexible, lovingly cruel and full of bull. You are overly obsessed with possessions. You see everything around you as yours and yours alone. You need for order and control leads to a quick temper and many are frightened by this. You need to relax in order to find your true love. You are compatible with Capricorn, Virgo, Pisces and Cancer.



Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Entertainment is the key. When people need to find a good time where to go, and they know it's you. You are a very active individual, capable of being in 3,000 places at once. Intelligence is your greatest asset and you tend to find in love a person based on personality first, looks second. You always attract the opposite sex, so don't even go looking for them. Your best matches are Aries, Aquarius, Cancer and Taurus.



Cancer (June 21-July 20)

You are considered a homebody, people call you the perpetual parent. You tend to be very caring but also very withdrawn. People find you cold and unimpressive, but when your true colors show through, they find how wrong they really were. You are a great person worthy of anyone's affection, just watch your temper a little bit, it sometimes goes out of control. You are highly compatible with Taurus, Aquarius, Pisces, Libra and Sagittarius.



Leo (July 21-Aug. 21)

You are sensual, exciting and, in general, the center of attention. You have a regal air about you at all times that some may call stuck-up. But you know that it's who you are, you have always been this way. You know what you want and how to get it and if you can't get it you give up. That's the way of a feline like yourself. You are most compatible with Aries, Taurus, Sagittarius and anyone else who will spoil you rotten.



Virgo (Aug. 22-Sept. 22)

You are here to help those around you. Your love for the humanities is so great that it could lead the world spin on its own. You are Atlas taking the weight of the world on your shoulders when everyone else would shrug (sorry about the novel reference), but sooner or later this weight gets too much, the worries set in, the alcohol is consumed, the jail cell is occupied. You get the point. Let me say that you should try procrastinating on one thing each day, trust me. You are highly compatible with Taurus, Capricorn, Virgo and Libra.



Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You are the sign of partners you love love and love to be cherished. The only thing higher than love in your book is yourself and you sometimes rely on self-aggrandizement to hide insecurities. Try to let your problems stay in the open, you will be happier for it. Try dating an Aries or a Libra, but for the long run look at Sagittarius or Cancer.



Scorpio (Nov. 23 - Nov. 22)

You are highly idealistic and look at your views as the best for everyone. Some are scared off and others accept. Do not try to force opinions and hostile humor. You have a very powerful personality that will not let you and you are given up, set in your ways. Accept NO as NO and you will learn the secret to dealing with others. You are most compatible with Cancer, Pisces (sort of), Libra, and Sagittarius.



Sagittarius (Nov. 23 - Dec. 20)

You are the sign of inner wisdom and knowledge. The centaur, the creature that represents you, is a lonely, wise creature who was destined never to die without the proper means. As this happens, your wisdom never dies. Sometimes you let his get ahead of you, though, and at that point you become hotter than thou towards others. This is your greatest downfall. You are most compatible with Aries, Leo, Yourself, and someone else.



Capricorn (Dec. 21 - Jan. 19)

You are stubborn and blunt. You have an interesting way of making up stories but no one ever believes them. You have a generally bad self-esteem and starts often work against you here. You need to take control of yourself to control the world. You are most compatible with Taurus, Virgo, Libra and Aquarius.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

You love people. You are a romantic hoping for the best of every situation. Some think you are an ass, but that is because of your self-empowered nature. The romantics are what you need to find for a good relationship. Aries, Pisces, Libra and Virgo are the best bet.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)

The most romantic of all signs. You are self-assured but still need guidance by others. The people around you are the most important thing you can have. You love life and love your lover with great devotion. You are compatible with most anyone as long as you keep your eyes open, ings.



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were in a comatose state, it was very evident that he was most interested in their well-being.

Most of all, this book showed me a side of the medical profession I have rarely seen. I have always admired actor Robin Williams' portrayal of Sacks

CHALLENGE

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course was where each group was given small round logs and they had to see how many members of their team they could fit on the least amount of logs.

"This helped goal-setting skills and team work," Bischoff said. "According to Bischoff, after lunch is the Ropes Course. This consists of teams battling many obstacles, such as walking on incline logs, tightropes, and broken bridges, all at least 25-30 feet in the air, to finish the course first. Sometimes difficult challenges are set for an obstacle such as walking across a bridge with spines in between the boards."

"The first team to swing down from the last tree wins," Bischoff said.

Only 50 NKU students can participate in this event. Twenty-five of the spots go to NLS members first and the remaining students are chosen through an application process.

"Students are evaluated by student involvement and GPA," said Tiffany Mayne, leadership development coordinator for Student Life. "All students must be in good standing to attend."

NLS began the Ropes Challenge

THREE STRIKES: Yer' out

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The "country boy" from Allenton, Iowa has been solid in relief for the Norse this season, his first on the staff. In nine appearances, eight in relief, Nash is 2-1 and has a 3.00 ERA.

"My parents moved here last year," Nash said. "I said he believed NKU would have a good team so he walked on."

"He just kind of walked in, wanted a chance to play college baseball here and he's just got better and better each time out," Asalon said. "He's one of the most pleasant surprises (this year)."

Yet, pleasant surprises are the norm for the Norse bullpen this season. Along with fellow newcomers, Char Goetz, a sophomore, and Chris Unkraut, a freshman, Nash seems to have helped solve NKU's relief pitching woes.

"He's a command guy," Hook said. "He throws strikes."

Nash's 1.6 walk to strikeout ratio should be all the proof needed. "You need a guy you can bring in against the other team's best hitters," Asalon said. "You want to avoid the big hitting."

Unfortunately the role of a reliever isn't always a pleasant one.

Relievers are asked to pitch effectively in blowouts and in close ball

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in the 1990 film "Awakenings," but after reading the book I must conclude even Williams could not do justice to Sacks' character.

Course even 10 years ago because they wanted a unique way to teach students leadership and team-building skills away from the normal classroom environment.

"I think the event is a wonderful experience because you meet people, conquer your fears, and learn to work cooperatively in a group to accomplish a set goal," Bischoff said. "Each activity is specially tailored to teach a specific moral or lesson."

The cost of the event is \$20, which includes transportation, lunch and the fee to use the ropes course. Students can also purchase a Ropes Challenge T-shirt for an additional \$10 dollars. A van will leave on May 7 at 8 a.m. to travel to the camp.

The applications for the event can be picked up in the Student Life Office. They must be returned by April 25 to be considered for the event. The winners will be contacted the next day.

"It is such a great experience that I don't think too many students know about," said Bischoff. "It is a well-rounded experience of teamwork, fun, and excitement."

games, knowing that a mistake late could lose the game. All this and it's possibly the least "glamorous" position on a ball club.

This doesn't bother Nash though. "Being a reliever is fine. I enjoy the position," he said. Even when his job is behind.

"If I go out there and do my job I can give our team a chance to come back," he said.

Even the pressure of a tie game doesn't faze Nash. He summed up a reliever's plight with something he heard Cincinnati Reds closer Danny Graves say. "Sometimes you're the hero and sometimes you're the bad guy," Nash said. And then he casually adds, "sometimes you have your good game, and sometimes not."

Perhaps it's this easy demeanor that allows him to handle opposing batters with the ease he handles his pet wold, named Dog. It's pronounced Dee-Oh-Gee.

"It's just another dog." Yeah, it's just another batter too. The Finisher.

It's said that when a tiger paces in his cage he has gone crazy. So, is Shaun Fausz crazy or as aggressive as a tiger?

"When he knows it's getting close to his time to play he starts pacing in

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Against Racism, is one student who volunteered to help. "These are very real concerns. Times like the shooting and the reac-

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tion, these issues really come to the surface. But these interactions with the police, racism - it's always there," Carter said.

HONOR CODE

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prepared script. Students will see what will happen to unethical, dishonest people, Aldhizer said.

Frank said, "There is more to education than the material learned in the classroom. Hopefully the honor code will be implemented in them."

"The honor code will help prepare students for the ethical environment they will face in corporate America. Employers are firing employees for violating the company code of ethics and for dishonest behavior," Aldhizer said. He said he hopes students will see the honor code at NKU as a parallel to a code of ethics in a possible career and take the honor code seriously.

"It's not going to affect everybody," Aldhizer said. "Hopefully students will see that NKU takes ethics and honor seriously, so they will take it seriously."

Frank said, "I believe it [the honor code] should help the image of NKU and its students."

"Eventually, being a member of the honor council will be the most goal for after position on campus," Aldhizer said.

If a student violates the honor and ethics code, the student or faculty member accusing the student of the violation can call a hearing. The student accused will appear in front of a

panel of faculty and student members who will then decide the proper punishment.

This will remind students that there is an impulsive process, Aldhizer said.

In the past, only the accused student could call a hearing. Over the past 20 years, only 12 hearings have taken place at NKU, resulting in 12 suspensions.

Because different faculty members punish students differently, the hearings will be a fair way for the student to receive punishment. Instead of one faculty member giving a warning to a student while another fails the student for the semester for the same crime, students will be punished equally for the same type of violation.

A file system will also be kept in the dean of students' office. Every student who violates the honor code and appears before the panel will have a record on file. This will allow the council to know if the student is a repeat offender, thus allowing for a harsher sentence.

The Professional Concerns Committee has passed the proposed honor code and it is expected to pass at the next Faculty Senate meeting.

If the honor code passes, students will begin discussing it in University 101 classes next fall.

the bullpen," Whaley said.

"My mindset is to come out and get three outs on three pitches," Fausz said. "I'm a very aggressive athlete."

Growing up in Bellevue, Ky. he modeled his pitching style after major leaguers Nolan Ryan and Roger Clemens. Guys who weren't afraid to "throw at your head to set up the outside corner (of the plate)," Fausz explains.

"I'm going to do what I have to do to win," Fausz said. "I go right at them (batters)."

"Fausz is a fastball, curveball guy," Hook said. "When he asked what his favorite pitch was, without hesitation Fausz says, 'My fastball.'"

After getting nine saves last season Fausz has recorded five this season for the Norse. But he hasn't had as many opportunities to pick up saves this season as last, Hook said.

This, Hook says, may be why Fausz has struggled a little with his control this season. He's walked four batters in just 10 innings of work.

"He's going to put his heart on the line," Hook said. "That's all I can ask." Maybe Fausz is just crazy too.

Fausz's job calls for him to be on the mound in the ninth inning of a close game when one mistake could mean a loss for the Norse.

"He's really stressful," he said. "The whole team's depending on you. You

can't be a closer and be passive on the mound."

Not only the team, but the pitcher who is in line to get the win is counting on Fausz to finish the job. "You don't want to disappoint him," Fausz said.

The closer role, Fausz said, fits him well because of his attitude toward the game.

"I like being in control, being the guy people count on to win the games for them. I get real psyched up when it's my turn to play," he said.

"Shaun's the leader," Asalon said. "He tells people what to do and where to go."

As one of eight seniors on this season's squad, Fausz has his final season slowly passing by. "You know every game you play you're one step closer to playing your last," he said. "The thing I dread the most about this season is the end. I've been playing ball since I was three."

Fausz's season may last a little longer if the Norse make the Division II College World Series. If they do, the pitching staff will be a big reason why.

"When our starter doesn't have it, I'm really confident that I have some body else to back them up and shut people down," Hook said. "I feel like I have 14 guys I can get out with."

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Battle lines divide races

By Rick Amburgey
Special Projects Editor

Crews were out in the early morning hours of April 11 cleaning up the aftermath of the riots held the day before.

By early afternoon, it was business as usual in downtown Cincinnati, although some acts of violence and protest still raged in the nearby Over-the-Rhine.

Still, downtown held some reminders of the riots that the cleaning crews could not remove.

The most obvious sign was the lingering racial tension. The battle lines had been drawn and remained: black vs. white.

It was not uncommon to hear racial slurs coming from both sides.

For the most part, I didn't see any friendly communications between the two races.

It is unfair to say there was more prejudice on one side than the other. It seemed to be a racial war and I was caught smack-dab in the middle of it.

I had read about the 1960s civil rights movement. I thought segregation was a thing of the past. However, I was watching segregation with my own eyes. It was perhaps the scariest and most disturbing sight I had ever seen.

As I walked through the city, the

lasting signs of violence became more and more dramatic as I got closer to Over-the-Rhine.

Graffiti was everywhere. The messages on the sides of buildings and on windows, signs, and light posts ranged from the symbol for anarchy to messages prominently displayed, but virtually unreadable.

I walked by a few business-nesses that had their windows covered with plastic and tape. I could only assume that the windows were destroyed by the rioting.

Caution tape littered the streets and signs, the pieces another grim reminder of the riots.

I noticed a few red spots on the sidewalk and in the street. Whether it was blood, paint, or a stain of another sort was undetermined.

However, the real story was not in the things the city of Cincinnati could not hide. The real story is the memories forever etched in the minds of those who witnessed it.

The stories I was told were unfathomable. Most were worse than anything I had even seen in the movies, much less in real life.

One account told of white people being dragged from their cars and beaten. Another told of the violence in the streets. Still another told of people and windows being hit with bricks.

A bus driver told about how there

were people driving on the wrong side of the streets amid the total chaos.

The validity to these accounts I do not know. I am just glad I wasn't in Cincinnati during the height of the tension.

I feel lucky not only to not have experienced anything like the stories I heard. I thank God that aspect of my innocence was not crushed.

I returned to Cincinnati again on April 13, the second day of the city-wide curfew. Cincinnati seemed to be in a police state.

Like any war zone, personal safety was nonexistent. I saw a man with a camera with four bodyguards, all of which were armed.

Windows were boarded up, after being victimized by vandals. One store had written "Yea, we're open."

I stopped at Robin Imaging to drop off some film. I found out that they had three windows broken during the riots.

Graffiti was even more present than during my first trip to Cincinnati on April 11. It practically brought a tear to my eye.

As I walked the streets of Cincinnati and heard these stories, the words Rodney King spoke during the L.A. riots a decade ago rang through my head: Why can't we all just get along?

Mr. King, I have no idea. Only wish we could. I only wish we could.



Cincinnati police point riot guns at demonstrators, Tuesday, April 10, 2001, in Cincinnati. Police fired bean bags and rubber bullets to quell demonstrators who broke windows downtown Tuesday in a protest over the police shooting of an unarmed black man. It was the second day protesters ran through the streets, and police in riot gear formed protective cordons around City Hall and nearby police headquarters. Some officers were on horseback. (AP Photo/Tom Uhlmann)

Cincinnati residents call for non-violence

By Rick Amburgey
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There are still unanswered questions more than a week after 19-year-old Timothy Thomas was fatally shot by a Cincinnati police officer.

The African-American community has expressed deep concern in meetings held throughout the week. However, most are opposed to rioting.

"I know when a town revolts over police excessive force by destroying their own neighborhood, I wanna know who's worse: the cops or the citizens," said University of Cincinnati student Alex Spencer.

UC student Brian Stieritz said he also feels the issue of racial profiling needs to be addressed, but is opposed to the violence.

"I don't support rioting and violence to any extent. However, I do support the message the African-American community is attempting to put forth. I completely support the theory that there exists racial profiling in this city, and it really needs to stop," he said.

Laura Barkley, 18, said she is affected because she is biracial. She said she has been discriminated against because her mom and her boyfriend are both white.

Barkley said she is a non-violent protester and has responded by writing letters to the city council expressing concern that she feels the Cincinnati police are incompetent.

"The racial tensions in Cincinnati have been building over the past 40 years. The attitude of the police has not changed, so there would be no reason for the black people in Cincinnati to change their opinions of the police," Barkley said.

Both black and white residents seem to be concerned with the city-wide curfew.

Stieritz said the curfew has caused minor inconveniences.

"Having to stay indoors on a Friday night, not being able to see my friends or study down on campus - that has directly affected me," he said.

Stieritz said he understands and respects the reasons the curfew was put into place and why it is being enforced.

Matt Kessler, a former NKU student majoring in pre-med at UC, also said he understands the reason for the curfew.

"It's causing inconvenience now, but it's for a greater cause, he said.

Kessler said it is a weird feeling not being able to go where you want anytime you want.

Kessler, who works at Dave and Buster's, said the curfew did not affect the hours of his job because the curfew is not in effect there.

However, he said he noticed a drop in the number of customers last Friday night.

Kessler said that he has not seen any violence on campus at UC, but signs of tension are present.

"The presence of police is more well known. I see police officers a lot more," he said.

He said things like "Stop Police Brutality - Meeting at 5 p.m." can be seen written in chalk on the sidewalks.

Kessler said evening classes have been canceled. He said it has been mentioned in some of his classes, but it is more common to hear groups of people talking about it outside of class.



NAACP president Kwesi Mfume, left, and local resident John Hurt, look at a memorial for Timothy Thomas, Thursday, April 12, 2001, at the shooting scene in the Over-the-Rhine area of Cincinnati. Thomas, 19, was shot and killed by police April 7. (AP Photo/Al Behrman)

Kessler said he hasn't had any problems getting to school.

"The streets to I-71 have been well maintained," he said.

Louisville resident hospitalized after bean-bag shooting following funeral

By Rick Amburgey
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Louisville residents Christine Jones and her husband, Tom Pearce, went to Cincinnati April 12 to attend the funeral of Timothy Thomas.

Pearce said they attended the funeral to show support for the city of Cincinnati and for Thomas' family. He said that decision resulted in the beanbag shooting of Jones by Cincinnati police officers.

Pearce said his wife was shot at about 4 a.m. and a peaceful protest after the funeral. He said five officers allegedly jumped out of their cars and started shooting.

"It was completely unprovoked," he said.

Jones said she was shot twice. "I was shot twice in the back as I was running away. As soon as I saw the cops get out of their cars and pointing their guns, I didn't think twice about running. I was scared to death," she said.

A representative from the Cincinnati Police Department's Public Information Office said she was shot with a bean bag. Cincinnati Chief of Police Tom Streicher, Jr. conducted a press confer-

ence Saturday evening. They would not comment further.

Jones is currently at Jewish Hospital in Louisville with a bruised spleen, bruised lung and a broken rib.

The hospital verified Jones is a patient, but would not comment on her condition.

Pearce said the alleged shooting occurred on the corner of Liberty and Elm in Cincinnati. He said the family who lives at 1608 Elm took care of Jones and protected her from further attacks.

He said he does not know who the family is, but thanks them for help.

The emergency medical service did not arrive for an hour and twenty minutes, said Pearce.

"If her spleen had been bleeding worse than it was, that hour and twenty [minutes] would have killed her," he said.

Jones said she characterizes what happened to her as a drive-by shooting.

"They didn't say stop. They didn't give anyone a ticket. They just came in and started shooting," she said.

Pearce would not say if they have consulted an attorney about the incident.

"How many people would watch their partner go through that and not call a lawyer?" he said.

Businesses suffer as the city-wide curfew continues

Vine Street one area hit hard

By Rick Amburgey
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Vine Street in Cincinnati is one of the areas that fell victim to the riots last week.

Several businesses located on Vine Street have reported damage, including broken windows.

Donna Williams, manager of The Sports Page, said their windows were not broken, despite many attempts on April 10, the first night of rioting.

"We were lucky. We've got thick windows and they weren't able to break them," she said.

Williams said neighboring businesses, including Wendy's and Provident Bank, were not as lucky.

The manager of Wendy's Vine Street location declined to comment about any problems, citing

they were told not to say anything by their district office.

The phone numbers for several businesses located on Vine Street, particularly between the 1000 and 2000 blocks, are disconnected.

It is unknown if these disconnected numbers are related to the riots.

A representative for Cincinnati Bell said they have not had any businesses report any phone problems because of the rioting.

Businesses throughout the Cincinnati area have reported financial setbacks, because of the 8 p.m. curfew.

Williams said she closed The Sports Page at 5 p.m. on Thursday and 7 p.m. on Friday.

She said even during open hours



Cincinnati police officers arrest a woman for curfew violation Thursday evening April 12, 2001 near downtown Cincinnati. Scores of people were arrested overnight for curfew violations, but peace was restored to the city's streets after three days of rioting over the shooting death of a young black man by a police officer. (AP Photo/Columbus Dispatch, Doral Chenoweth III)

it is not as busy as usual.

Some nightclubs, such as The Warehouse, have closed until the curfew ends.

The Warehouse reported Saturday, via voice mail recording, that it would not re-open until Wednesday, April 18.

Rose said it is impossible to determine how much money the