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Dave Earhart, a lab technician at the Kroger Technical Center, poses in front of a yeast fermenter inside Kroger's mini-testing factory. See story and photos on pages 6 and 7.

## Special focus The Kroger Company Technical Center

by Steve Rohs  
News Editor

Everybody sees them. Everybody has heard of them. Those comparison tests that many commercials depend on.

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## Springer to lead 'hazardous waste' symposium

by Kathleen Bryant  
Staff Reporter

Channel 5 television news anchor Jerry Springer will moderate a symposium on "Transportation of Hazardous Materials" on Friday, March 29, from 10 a.m. until noon in the University Center Theatre.

The focus will be the recent benzene problem. Benzene is now being routed through Highland Heights and other areas of Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana along the I-275 belt.

Springer said, "This is an issue in everybody's neighborhood, everybody drinks the water and breathes the air." He said the public has lost confidence in how hazardous materials are used. "We are learning how little experts know. They assure us these chemicals are safe, then an accident occurs."

Springer said we need to decide whether to prohibit the transporting of hazardous substances through our communities or just regulate them.

Guest panelists include Kentucky Lt. Governor Steven Beshear, Covington City Councilman Bernard Moorman, Cincinnati Councilman Peter Strauss, Cincinnati Advisory Council Chairman David Altman, and representatives from the Kentucky Fire Marshall's Unit on Hazardous Materials, the Kentucky Environmental Protection Agency, and the OKI (Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana Regional Government Agency).

The Cincinnati City Council and the Ohio EPA are currently holding hearings concerning the recent benzene spills in the Cincinnati area.

Dr. Charlotte Neely, professor of Anthropology at NKU and member of the Cincinnati Environmental Advisory Council said the advisory council warned the city council against benzene because of improper safety precautions

by the railroads and the proposed route through the heavily populated eastern Cincinnati area. The city council approved, however, and a spill occurred due to leaking railroad cars, she said.

"The greatest safety measure is distance," Neely said. "There needs to be stricter safety precautions regarding transport of hazardous materials, and they should be routed through the lesser populated areas." She also said railroad cars should be made safe and clearly labeled.

Neely said the Cincinnati fire departments are not equipped to handle a benzene spill. "The cost to properly equip just a half dozen firemen is tens of thousands of dollars," she said. "This is impossible for small, volunteer departments in lesser populated areas."

Moorman said the Covington Fire Department could handle a benzene spill, but the concern is how much is being transported through our community at one time.

"If two trains collide, both carrying benzene, I doubt that the fire department could handle the situation," Moorman said. "If there was a fire or explosion and people inhaled the fumes, it may take as long as 20 years before the symptoms of cancer would appear."

"Community members have a right to know where these materials come from and where they are going," Moorman said. "We need a monitoring system in order to be prepared for accidents."

Moorman said industry, government and universities must cooperate to build community awareness of issues and the concerns of people.

"Benzene should be loaded and unloaded in remote areas," he said. "Fumes from a spill or fire along the Ohio River could spread into the northern Kentucky area, specifically

Newport, Bellevue and Dayton, endangering all residents."

Moorman, a former chemist for the U.S. EPA said benzene is a solvent used widely in chemical processes in the rubber, petroleum, plastics and medical industries. He said it is explosive and flammable, and if inhaled will cause cancer.

He said in college he and his classmates used it to wash chemicals from their hands, or to produce a chemical chain reaction. "A friend cleaned his whitewall tires weekly with benzene," he said. "He later died of cancer and it was linked to the benzene exposure. We had no idea back then that it was toxic."

Moorman said hazardous materials are not just chemicals, they are many

substances used in our daily lives, for example, plastics and gasoline.

"We must remember that we depend on these chemicals heavily," he said. "We need to work toward safer transportation, not banning their use."

Neely said Beshear will discuss state laws and policies for transporting hazardous materials. Other subjects for discussion include safety precautions and accident procedures, environmental ramifications, and routing through Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana via I-275.

The symposium is sponsored by the Applied Sociology-Anthropology program, the Coalition of Sociology Students, and the Anthropology Club. Literature will be available and the public is welcome. For more information, contact Neely at 572-5259.

## Measles outbreaks causing stir

by Steve Rohs  
News Editor

Two students at Principia College in Elmhurst, Ill., died about three weeks ago from a disease many consider relatively harmless.

Two other schools, Ohio State University and Boston University, had outbreaks of the disease throughout the student population.

The culprit? Measles. The students at Principia College died of the measles because they were

not vaccinated and not treated for the disease.

"College is an ideal setting for the measles," said Debbie Walker, Northern Kentucky University's campus nurse. "Students are in close contact with each other daily, so it can be spread easily."

With the recent outbreaks of measles, colleges and universities have been encouraging students to check their immunization records, said Kathy Cahill, Immunization Program Manager

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Student group beats back conservative challenge in N.Y.

## Republicans hint they'll try it on other campuses

College Press Service

SYRACUSE, NY—In what was supposed to be the first step on a renewed nationwide march to get Public Interest Research Groups (PIRGs) off campuses, Syracuse University students refused to budge.

SU students last week voted to keep devoting part of their student fees to the New York state PIRG chapter, a self-styled consumer group that often organizes voter registration drives and protests of tuition and utility rate hikes.

Conservative groups have long opposed the PIRGs, claiming they are overtly political, and that student fees should only go to nonpolitical groups.

Some conservatives reportedly promised Syracuse would be the first of some forty other campuses to be "de-PIRGed" in a renewed escalation of their opposition to the groups.

"Local groups have been working in states like Montana, Idaho, Colorado, and Massachusetts" to disrupt the groups, says Jeff Pandin, deputy director of the College Republican National Committee, which supposedly has been leading the anti-PIRG movement.

"The focus of conservatives' objections to PIRGs is our funding

mechanism and many of the issues PIRGs work on," says Gene Karpinski of USPIRG, the Washington, D.C. based clearinghouse for campus chapters.

"We're not looking to eliminate PIRGs," CRNC's Pandin argues, "but to stop mandatory student funding. If they can support themselves through voluntary contributions, that's fine with us."

Indeed, last fall conservative student groups challenged the traditional PIRG "negative check-off" funding procedure on at least three Michigan campuses, New Mexico and at Duke, where PIRG funds were frozen pending a financial audit.

Under the "negative check-off" system, a student must indicate at registration that he or she does not want to contribute to the local PIRG.

Syracuse PIRG leaders say that they won because the conservatives' opposition was disorganized.

"STOPirg (the local opposition group) didn't have it's act together," says Karen McMahon, chairwoman of NYPIRG's board of directors. "They were not organized and they didn't have the resources."

STOPirg members blame the media. "The Daily Orange, the student

paper, considers [itself] the most objective paper on campus," argues STOPirg member Troy Smith. "They don't understand that they are so pinko, commie, and leftist it's unreal."

NYPIRG supporters expected a much

tougher fight after the *Village Voice* newspaper quoted former College Republican leader Steve Baldwin as saying Syracuse would be the first of forty campuses the conservative group would try to "de-PIRG" this year.

### MEASLES

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with the Kentucky Department of Health.

"There have been no reported cases of measles in Kentucky in 1985 and no college outbreaks in 1984," Walker said.

She suggests that any students born after 1957 have their immunization status checked.

"Those born before 1957 had measles as a child," she said. "So they have natural immunity."

The students born after 1957, who do not have natural immunity, should be revaccinated if they do not meet the standards set by the U.S. Public Health Service.

The Service recommends reimmunization if you:

1) were vaccinated before 1970 in Kentucky or before 1968 in any other state;

2) were vaccinated before you reached the age of 1;

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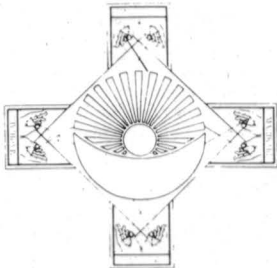
4) don't know your immunization status.

"With the recent spring break, especially, students traveling could possibly have come in contact with someone that had measles," Walker said. "So these students should be sure they check their immunization status."

Some signs and symptoms of measles include a fever of 101 degrees Fahrenheit or above, a red rash beginning on the face and spreading to the rest of the body, and a runny, watery nose.

If any student, faculty member or staffer is diagnosed as having measles, Walker asks that she be contacted at 572-6650.

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planning to graduate in summer and fall

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Administrative Center 302.

# Honor students to spend time at Penn State

by Kathleen Bryant  
Staff Reporter

Three NKU honors students, Conrad Payne, Deepak Desai, and Michael Zalla, have been chosen to participate in a student exchange program with Penn State next fall.

Payne, 20, a senior math and computer science major, said the exchange has been in the works for about a year. "I'm very happy that it's actually going to happen," he said. "It's a chance to live in a college town and attend an Ivy League college."

Payne, who lives in Southgate, said he expects to meet people from all over the world. "It will be a big change from NKU," he said. "It will be nice to visit Philadelphia and New Jersey for a weekend. I've heard it's a pretty area and there's a lot to see in big towns."

Payne said he will be taking several honors courses, one on Eastern and Indian mythology, and courses in math and Japanese language. "Being an honors student, I hope I can meet their

expectations," he said. "I can only do my best."

Desai, 18, of Highland Heights, said he plans to take several honors courses and general studies courses. "All of the credits we earn will be transferred to NKU," he said.

Desai said the students will pay NKU tuition and Penn State dorm rates. "Penn State has a separate dorm for honors students," he said. "It will be interesting to see how their honors program works and what the people are like."

Desai said he and Zalla have been friends for five years. "It's like two friends going on vacation. I can see us at Penn State football games cheering for Penn State," he said.

Desai said an introductory visit for all three students to see the campus is scheduled for July 9. "Penn State will be a change," he said. "Change appeals to me. The ultimate way of learning is through experience."

Desai said he is excited about attending Penn State. "I've never been to Pennsylvania, it will be nice to visit Philadelphia and Pittsburgh for a weekend," he said. "It's going to be fun.

It's like getting a new car, you're all hyped up."

Zalla, and English major from Edgewood, said he will try to schedule his classes with Desai. "It's everything I've ever wanted in college," he said. "To attend a huge university with a friend."

Zalla, 16, said he is anxious to be on his own. "I want to experience Penn State to the fullest," he said. "I'm looking forward to seeing the area and meeting people."

Zalla said he wants to get to know Payne. "It should be fun with the three of us together," he said. "I'm excited, I can't wait."

Honors Program Director Dr. Robert Rhode said the students were chosen on a first come first served basis and funding is still being sought.

Rhode said three Penn State business students will attend NKU while completing internships with the Kroger Company and Newport Steel.

"Internships are so limited in that area, this is especially beneficial to the Penn State students who need internships in order to graduate," he said.

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So you think you want to be a lawyer? Maybe you should get out the old college catalog and choose a new career. Lawyers are going to be a dime a dozen by the year 2000.

The glut of lawyers could be bad news for those expecting no problems in earning a living in the legal field. With one million lawyers predicted by the year 2000, predictions of declining employment and declining income could also mean a legal price war for consumers.

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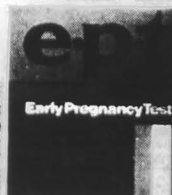
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# Action urged against Reagan's cuts

President Reagan's proposed budget cuts in programs providing financial aid to college students is yet another example of his "biting the hand that feeds him."

Reagan's wish to slash the Guaranteed Student Loan program, federal grants and work-study for students of middle-income families has been rejected by the Senate, but it is likely not a dead issue. In the president's second term he will continue to threaten vulnerable Americans — the ever-increasing number of poor and low-income families, middle-income families, the elderly, and students — with loss of federal assistance and support programs.

That the president was re-elected in 1984 came as no surprise to anyone. That he won every state in the nation except Minnesota, and the District of Columbia, surprised few. But, how he continues to enjoy such popularity among individuals and groups he tries to make scapegoats for manic desire for arms

build-up, and resistance to limit defense spending, is a mystery.

Reagan, by appearance alone, is a handsome, kindly-looking man who speaks of America with a light in his eyes and a smile on his lips. He is a master at telling us what we want to hear, in effective tear-in-the-eye and flag-waving homilies.

## Linda Nesbitt

Looking beyond the polished exterior, though, what do we have? We have a president who has no loyalty, no conscience, and who is so out of touch with reality that he believes a family grossing \$25,000 a year can send their college-age children to school without some type of assistance.

To college students used to getting by on pennies, \$25,000 may seem like a lot of money, and it is a

decent salary. But, after a couple pays the rent or mortgage, buys food and clothing, and pays the utilities, how much money is left over each month? Almost enough for a family outing at McDonald's.

We cannot be passive on such issues as student loan reductions, unless we are willing to risk our own futures, and the future of our state and nation. Reagan's tremendous 1984 victory was aided by consistent support by college students across the country who were buoyed by his tough talk on national issues and the rebounding economy. Now, the president says the government cannot afford to invest \$2.3 billion in student aid. Two billion dollars will help many young people get an education — it will also build a lot of nuclear warheads.

Kentuckians should be particularly concerned with all spending reductions in areas affecting education. Our governor is committed to improving the disgraceful and frightening level of education in our

state, but it cannot be done without adequate financial resources.

True, there may be some "fat" in the GSL program which should be eliminated, just as eliminating waste in other federally funded programs should be undertaken. We must be alert to the president's attempts to cut his budget deficit, while maintaining outlandish military and defense spending, however, at the expense of vital programs such as student aid.

Today's college campuses, Northern's in particular, have a well-earned reputation for apathy. This is one area where we cannot afford to adopt a "wait and see" attitude. Write your legislators that you are concerned, that you want a college education.

And, if you have younger brothers and sisters in kindergarten and elementary school who want to go to college, better help them find a part-time job to finance it — now. Reagan also wants to lower the minimum wage for teenagers!

## Questions raised about 'Mahikari'

To the editor:

On Wednesday evening, February 27, 1985, I attended the "Mahikari" presentation at the Women's Center. I would like to express my opinion and share some information I gathered concerning this organization.

First, I left the presentation with much concern for those who remained, feeling that I had just experienced an introductory session to a religious cult. The slide presentation and dialogue had the earmarks of such an encounter. To name but a few:

- 1.) A confusing mixture of religious symbols and language.
- 2.) Very happy, smiling, friendly, oversolicitous people.
- 3.) Praise and "diety" adjectives describing the "Founder," a man of Japanese descent who is "blessed with supernatural powers."
- 4.) A promise of "utopia on earth," where one will be "free of fear, suffering, and conflict."
- 5.) An illogical and manipulative use of scripture.
- 6.) Special "powers" that only a member can possess through ownership of a "locket."

Second, after subsequent research through the Cincinnati Public Library and contact with the religious editor of *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, I obtained the following information:

"Mahikari" is a religious sect that originated in Japan. It is contrary to established doctrines or opinions in theology for it is associated with magic, witchcraft, and a relationship with the dead and spirits. The basis of its sorcery

is a very confusing philosophy of logical argumentation for people and their relationship to the laws of nature and the universe. The doctrines of "Mahikari" are a mixture of Buddhism and Christianity with the integration of occult practices.

Third, on Saturday, March 16, I received at my home a form letter informing me of the "successful establishment of the student organization called Friends of Mahikari" and thanking me for being "instrumental in gathering support for this group."

I would like to respond publicly to this letter by stating that I, in no way, am or have been involved in gathering support for this group, nor do I promote it. Conversely, I believe the group and its practices to be imbalanced and psychologically unsound.

In conclusion, let me add that one of the very rewarding aspects of my position here at NKU is the affiliation with so many great young people and students as well as with caring faculty. It is therefore a sincere concern of mine as a health instructor to have an interest in activities on campus that would relate to the physical, emotional, and spiritual health of these students.

Therefore, the deceptive and misrepresented nature of "Mahikari" calls for closer scrutiny by all of us. Let us be reminded, then, that "openness" to such new experiences also carries with it the responsibility of wise and cautious discernment.

Janis Fancher  
Biological Sciences



## Nancy Walton grateful to DPS

To the editor:

It's about time that I write this letter. It has taken me too long to say thank you publicly to a special group of people whose responsibility is to keep our campus safe and secure, the men and women in the Department of Public Safety. They do more than just keep it safe and secure, however. At least they did more for me.

On three occasions my car revolted from his hectic schedule, after all he's many thousands of miles old, and refused to ignite. He just sat there in the parking lot, not moving at all. On all three occasions an officer in a white and

shining car came to my rescue. They each gave the exhausted thing appropriate nourishment — a little electricity — and off my car and I went to our next destination. In all three cases the men and women were courteous and patient. I'm not so certain that I was.

It's obvious to me that our campus police are very much aware of the transportation problems encountered by students and are prepared to handle these problems smoothly and courteously. To each member of this department I say thank you and I'm glad you're here.

Nancy Walton

# Now's the time to end South African apartheid

To the editor:

As students of NKU and being Africans we felt it was our duty to comment and express our thoughts regarding the article on Falwell and South Africa published in *The Northerner*, February 25, 1985. It is true that there are many tribes that constitute the blacks in South Africa. What you seem to forget is that, all these tribes own the land. What can make it impossible for them to get together and organize themselves and have a government which belongs to all? All African countries have different tribes and those who gained their independence are able to live together as blacks. Take for example, Botswana in Southern Africa, it is one of the most peaceful countries in the world since it got its independence from the British in 1966. Kenya also has different tribes, coloreds and Indians and they are living together. Did you think Zimbabwe was not ready for independence? If the answer is yes what tragedies have taken place in that country since it got independence. If Americans can forget that there are

Greeks, Jews, Irish etc. and still identify themselves all as Americans, what makes it impossible for the different groups in South Africa to live together in as South Africans? I do believe that they are doing exactly that as they continue to struggle for their freedom.

It is very unfortunate because people don't realize that this division of blacks in South Africa is created by and enforced by the white government to their advantage. Zulus, Sotho, Xhosa etc. are supposed to live in the so-called homelands created by the white government. They are issued passes identifying what tribe they belong to, and homeland. As a result of these passes their movements are restricted. You will be surprised how these blacks are so united when it comes to struggling for their freedom. Right now you think of them as Zulus, coloreds etc. and that's what the South African government thinks. We don't think of them as that, and they also don't think of themselves as all those tribes. They consider themselves brothers and sisters who are being oppressed. To cut the long story short, there is no more time that apar-

theid should be given. If there is anything like the right time, now is the time. Each day apartheid is being practiced in South Africa is the day it has to be stopped. South Africans have been ready for a long time and are still ready. Africa is ready to see oppressed people of South Africa free, because for as long as they are being oppressed we are too.

America is a superpower and it is supporting South Africa. It invests a lot in South Africa and what does that do to people who are being oppressed? It hurts them because these investments give that racist government more power and chance to continue with their inhuman treatment of the blacks. America has the power to put enough pressure on the South African government. It does not convince us when the U.S. says it's against apartheid while nothing is being done about it, instead they are helping it become stronger.

It is very sad when you are the majority and the rightful owners of the land but still you cannot vote, are discriminated against, separated from your family, getting very low wages and your movement in the country is

restricted. You watch everyday as the riches of your country slip through your fingers like water, as if you don't own the land, you don't belong there and yet you work like a slave. If it is said that disinvestment of the U.S. will hurt the blacks in South Africa, we say it is better to starve and be unemployed than to be oppressed by the racist government of South Africa.

Bontshetse Mazile and Sydney Togarepi  
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## Search for sitter not child's play

To the editor:

On November 16, 1984, I received a letter from Northern Kentucky University's Child Care Center informing me that their services were available to me at a student rate. They included a telephone number for further information which I called during the hours listed that they were open. I left a message with my name and phone number on an answering machine. At the time I did not understand why I got the answering machine when I called during their listed open hours, however, I left a message. My message was never returned.

On the reverse side of the letter was a brief description of the services the Child Care Center offered and my little girl was within all requirements listed. There was no mention of a registration or pre-registration requirement. In fact, rates were listed as \$1.50 per hour with weekly rates available. This seemed to imply a child could be kept anywhere from one hour to a weekly basis.

On the morning of my final exam in history I discovered I could not obtain a history for my little girl. I called the Child Care Center and left my message on the answering machine. My message was never returned and after I had waited an hour and a half with no response I had to get to my exam. My only recourse was to take my little girl with me and take her to the Child Care Center.

When I arrived at the Child Care Center I was told by the lady in charge that the Child Care Center would not keep her without her being pre-registered. There was a \$10 pre-registration fee and a child could only be pre-registered or registered at all at the

beginning of a semester. Why wasn't this stated in the letter? Also I don't understand why the Child Care Center would send out a letter informing me of their services in November if those services were not available at that time. The lady I waited to talk to was not helpful in any way and in addition her tone of voice was insensitive to my problem. After receiving absolutely no help or suggestions from this lady I had to go take my exam.

Before taking my exam I talked to my history professor who was extremely helpful and sensitive to my problem. She allowed me to take my little girl along with me when I took my exam.

Completing a final exam is a stressful situation at the best of times. This particular exam was doubly stressful for me as I also had to keep an eye on my little girl. I don't feel that I did as well on the exam as I could have because of the situation. Although the history professor assured me she did not mind my bringing my little girl with me I still felt uncomfortable and had to split my attention between my little girl and the exam.

I wrote this editorial in the hope that anyone else who received the letter will not have to face a similar situation. Also I think the Child Care Center should be clearer in their requirements. If there is a deadline and registration fee they should have stated this in the letter. Also most students need a day care center that will take their children on a flexible basis. Although flexibility was stated in the letter I received I did not see any evidence of this claim.

Judy Flak

A concerned mother and student

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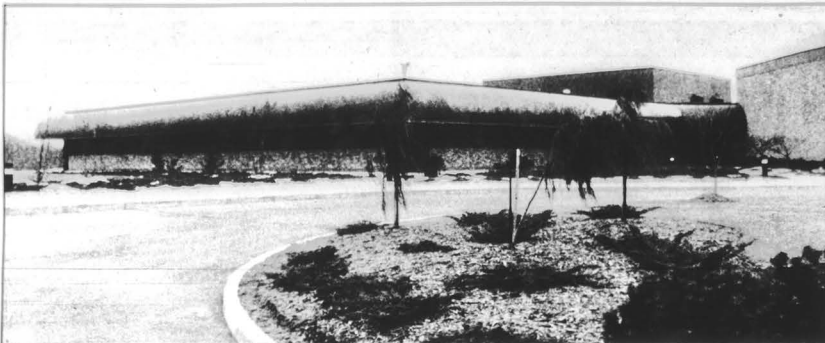
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A member of the Kroger technical staff checks pressure gauges on a yeast fermenting machine.



NKU chemistry student Linda Milewski works with a small scale yeast fermenter. Linda is one of several NKU co-op students working at the center.

# Let's Go Krogering

Story by Steve Rohs

Photos by Malcolm Wilson

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the cost down for Kroger, checking into problems that a Kroger food plant may have, or conducting the comparison testing that is seen on TV.

"If a plant is not getting the right flavor or texture in a product, we check it out," said Jeff Edwards, manager of the Kroger Center.

Edwards said that they also run quality assurance tests on samples of anything at Kroger.

"For example, with plastic trash bags, we check to see that the correct number have been put into the package," he said. "Then we check the bags for the right support."

The products evaluated are mainly Kroger's brand names. Along with the quality assurance tests, these products are also compared with competing brand-name products in Sensory Evaluation, e.g. comparison testing seen on television.

Edwards said that most of the people who take part in the taste panel are visitors to the center.

"Organizations and groups of people can use our meeting room at no charge if they agree to take part in the taste tests," he said. "That way we think that we can serve the needs of the Kroger

Company and the community."

In 1984, 10,500 people visited the center and 8,700 participated in the taste panel.

"It shows we're helping someone other than Kroger's," said Edwards.

Besides testing the products and helping the community by offering the meeting room, one of the main functions is formulating and developing new products, said Edwards.

Some of the new products that the center is developing now are mainly diet-related. New Kroger brands of low-calorie salad dressing and syrup are a few of the projects.

To develop these products, the chemistry lab is used to test how much fat a product contains, as well as finding out how much protein it has.

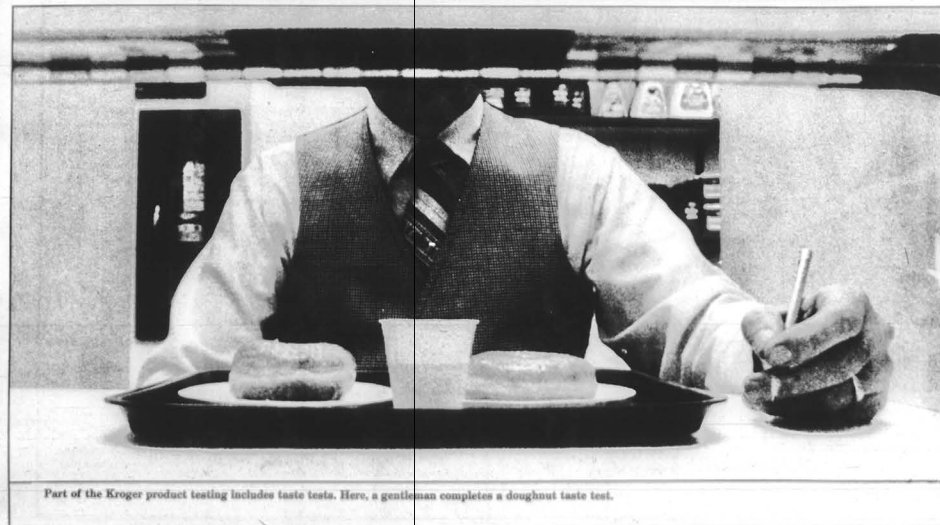
It's also possible to tell if the flavor is imitation or real by testing it in the instrument lab.

Some NKU chemistry students are helping to conduct some of these tests as co-operative students in the center's labs. They now are testing the fermentation of yeast. They test the performance of the yeast and the yeast itself to see if it contains enough carbon dioxide, the gas that makes bread rise.



Product testing involves not only scientific tests but visual inspection as well.

# The Kroger Co. technical center



Part of the Kroger product testing includes taste tests. Here, a gentleman completes a doughnut taste test.



# Chastain's album could break C.J.S.S.

by Tom Robinson  
Staff Reporter

The release of David T. Chastain's album, *Mystery of Illusion* has prompted much attention and many rumors about the future of his band, C.J.S.S. Both daily newspapers have reported the band is breaking up. Chastain described it this way, "It all depends on how the album does, we're in a limbo situation right now."

Cincinnati isn't the only place buzzing about Chastain though. His album is being released in America, Europe and Japan and the European press has been writing about it after hearing only the demo tapes. The album is described by Chastain as, "progressive, European style metal, rather than the commercial American type of metal."

When he refers to "American" metal Chastain is talking about bands like Quiet Riot, Ratt and Twisted Sister. These type of bands go for radio airplay in their music. In Europe, heavy metal doesn't get any airplay at all so the bands get known from magazines and word of mouth. This is why they play more progressive music, it gets talked about. Chastain likes this style and tries to play music, "with substance, with a lot of changes like in classical music, not just two chords."

His style has changed since his days in Spike. He admits that Spike was more of a commercial band, they felt they had to be to get club dates. A person that was instrumental in his change was Mike Varney. Varney writes for *Guitar Player* magazine and is an independent record producer based in California. Varney produced and financed Chastain's album. Chastain got together with Varney by sending him the Spike album, *The Price of Pleasure*, and some demo tapes. Varney told him he liked his guitar playing but not the music. He convinced Chastain to play what he wanted, not what he thought would sell.

The process of making *Mystery of Illusion* began late last summer when Chastain sent Varney some demo tapes of the new material. Varney liked it but wanted Chastain to record it with different musicians. This is where the confusion over C.J.S.S. comes in. Varney wanted Chastain to pick a different singer and drummer. "He likes to put his own bands together," Chastain said. They decided to use Fred Coury, from New York and a female vocalist named Leather, from San Francisco.

Chastain's style of guitar is different and recognizable. He got his style by not memorizing songs and he played other bands' songs his way. "I never just popped out a lead. If there was a solo in the

song, I played what I wanted." This approach paid off and one listen to *Mystery of Illusion* is all that is needed to pick up his style. Every song is different yet they flow together well and are by no means basic. The lyrics are intriguing they also have a mystical quality about them, much like old Black Sabbath or Dio. Chastain wrote all the lyrics except for two songs, "Mystery of Illusion" and "The Winds of Change," which C.J.S.S. member Russell Jenkins wrote. Chastain and Mike Skimmerhorn of C.J.S.S. did the guitar and bass tracks for the album and Varney sent them to Coury for the drum tracks and Leather for the vocals. The album was recorded in December in California after only three days of rehearsal.

As stated the album has gotten rave reviews in Europe, it is also getting a lot of attention from major record companies. Capitol records has offered to finance the members of Chastain to travel to California so they can hear and see them. Capitol is interested in buying out their contract from Varney. This would mean more money for the band members, but not Varney.

So the story continues, C.J.S.S. is still together but no one knows for how long. One thing is for sure, we will be hearing more from Chastain, he is under contract with Varney to do one more album.

## Juried Art Show now on display

by Donna Hoffman  
Northerner Contributor

The Third Annual Juried Student Art Show opened March 8th in the Main Gallery of the Fine Arts Building. The 60 pieces in the show represent the best student artwork for this academic year. The show was judged by Pat Renick, instructor of sculpture at the University of Cincinnati. According to Howard Storm, one-half to one-third of all the work submitted for judging was rejected due to an overwhelming volume of submitted pieces.

Best of Show and Best Painting went to Miriam Misenko. Best of Ceramics was won by Sherry Warren for her untitled piece. Clifford Scott's "Pending Disaster" won Best Drawing. He said that he had worked several months on the piece which is a tight, controlled example of what a pencil can produce with a lot of effort. Best Sculpture went to Doug Lonneman for his "Found Objects Kaleidoscope." Best of Photography went to Wade Tapp for his photo, "Bridge II." Best of Printmaking was won by Bob Deslongchamps for his "Storyboard." This work was a final screen printing project done last semester and it has a great deal of personal significance for him.

Overall, the show is strong and depicts the abilities and achievements of NKU's Fine Arts Students. The show will run through March 28.



## RUBBER SOUL

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Univ. Center Ballroom

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## ANNOUNCING THE 1985-86

### DEAN'S SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: April 19, 1985

Applications for the 1985-86 Dean's Scholarships are now being accepted. The 1985-86 award procedure requires that a qualified student be nominated by his/her academic department. The eligibility criteria are outlined below. Application forms and procedure sheets can be obtained from the academic department office in which you are a declared major. Applications must be submitted on or before April 19, 1985. For additional information contact the chairperson of your academic department.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR QUALIFIED STUDENTS

- Completion of no less than 30 credit hours
- A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.25
- A declared major at NKU
- Attendance in fall and spring semesters of the current academic year and completion of at least 18 credit hours over the two semesters
- Enrollment as a full-time student throughout the fall and spring semesters of the award year
- Students holding full-year tuition scholarships are not eligible

The Dean's Scholarship awards full tuition at in-state rates for one academic year. This scholarship is not automatically renewed, but qualified students may re-apply.

# Robert Lilly's research proves quite revealing

by Sharon Gill  
Northerner Contributor

Somewhere in a large city in the southwest is a "no-tell motel," a confidential, rent by the hour establishment designed to ensure privacy for its customers and a degree of "social invisibility" for itself. Four and half hours in one of the forty rooms costs \$17.50; ten rooms are available with closed circuit pornographic movies. A secluded location, a garage attached to each room, and slots in the doors through which the rent can be paid, assure customers complete anonymity. The motel does not advertise; regular customers are preferred and any new customers are carefully screened. No family has ever rented a room here. A "special" room fit with a round bed and mirrored ceiling, recently remodeled at a cost of nearly \$16,000, is used to buy goodwill with local judges, policemen, lawyers, and politicians.

A few years ago you might have discovered that the man behind the desk or taking care of the grounds at this no-tell motel was actually a sociology professor. Northern's Dr. J. Robert Lilly, associate professor of sociology and criminal justice, used this setting as a basis for research that has appeared in four published articles, two articles currently under revision, and a forthcoming book.

Seven years of working (without pay) at the motel on vacations and weekends went into this unusual project. Access to registration records, extensive interviews with the owner and the employees, and permission to work at the motel at any time for any duration allowed Lilly to study the operation and organization of the motel, and to conduct research that no other sociologist has been able to duplicate.

"It was an opportunity for me to study something no one else had done," Lilly said. "I found this is something we didn't know anything about and I think it's been very worthy." It is also a project which Lilly has found exciting and, at times, weird. The work was particularly interesting to him during

"clean-up campaigns," when the motel employees had to screen out any phony customers trying to get in. There was also the unexpected to be dealt with. "Trying to explain why a man was dead in a motel was pretty weird and awkward," Lilly said of one of the most unusual situations in which he has found himself.

Lilly has been involved in a number of other projects including research on the Newport Police Force, and is currently planning a trip to China this summer to study comparative criminology. He has had a long standing interest in the underside of society. A specialist in criminology, deviant behavior, and law, he is the author of many articles in journals such as *Criminology* and *Crime and Delinquency*.

Lilly is a member of the Sociology department and has recently joined the Department of Public Administration in order to spend more time teaching and researching in the area of criminal justice. He came to NKU in 1974 while finishing his doctoral work at the University of Tennessee, with the intention of staying one year only. He decided to stay here because he found the university very supportive of his research, his writing, and his teaching.

If Lilly has found his research exciting — his many research projects have also included the production of a documentary for Kentucky Educational Television on the American Saddlebred horse — he also finds enjoyment in writing and in teaching.

"I enjoy writing and sharing and publishing material," he said. "I like passing on what I'm learning and keeping myself involved in research so my teaching is exciting to me and exciting for my students." Lilly shares with his students an infectious enthusiasm which he has felt since he began work in sociology. He is obviously a man who has a great deal of interest in "just learning about things from a sociological perspective," and a man who enjoys being a sociology professor — seamy motels and all. "I find it a very exciting way to live."



Randy Allen photo

Dr. J. Robert Lilly, NKU associate professor of Sociology and Criminal Justice, plays Big Brother when it comes to research.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE 1985 - 86

Scholarship applications for the 1985-86 academic year are available in the Office of Financial Aid, Administrative Center, Room 416. The deadline for applying is April 1, 1985.

Mary Lou Eilers Nursing Scholarship  
John Y. Brown, Jr. Business Administration Scholarship  
Ginny and Theresa Newberry Memorial Award  
Ginny Bohn Elementary Education Scholarship  
Kenton-Boone Board of Realtors Scholarship in Real Estate  
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CAPS Business Scholarship for Women  
Phillips-Zafereis Scholarship in Fire Science

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# Baseball team journeys south during break

by Todd Jones  
Staff Reporter

For most college students, spring break was all fun and games. For coach Bill Aker and his NKU baseball team it was mostly the latter.

The Norsemen spent their break travelling through the south playing in tournaments from Alabama to Panama City, Florida. Although their southern record might not show it, Aker felt the journey was a success.

"We had a pretty good southern trip," the coach said. "I think it will help us out."

"I was a little worried about making the trip because of the competition. But I thought we could get some confidence by beating some good teams and hopefully it would carry over until we

got back home."

When the Norsemen returned to Highland Heights they split a pair of games with Hanover College to set their record at 7-15. Though it is not very impressive, Aker feels the record is about what he expected before the season began.

NKU has struggled on the mound this year. The problem lies in numbers, not just in earned run average, but also in the number of pitchers Aker has available.

"We've got three of our seven pitchers out with injuries right now," the coach said. "With our schedule we need more pitchers."

Freshmen Ken Johnson and Jeff Brandon lead the team with two victories apiece.

Aker said he is pleased with the way

the team is swinging the bats and feels the hitting will come along even more. Catcher Tim Pope leads the team with a .383 batting average. He is followed by another catcher Joe Netzel and outfielder Jon Sagers at .365 and .323 respectively.

NKU is hitting the ball for average but they haven't struck for the long-ball too often. Dan Logan is the Norsemen's leading power man with two home runs and 13 runs batted in. "We don't have much in power," said Aker.

For a team like Northern to be successful, the coach said they have to do the little things right. This means they must be strong fundamentally and defensively.

"We've got to have fundamentals to win," he said. "Our defense has improved a great deal. We had a lot of errors

early in the year."

Aker said two newcomers to the team have really been bright spots this season. They are Alan Hayden, a junior college transfer, in centerfield, and freshman Gary Flowerdew at shortstop.

"Hayden and Flowerdew have been very consistent," he said. "If they get on base we'll win."

"Hayden makes a difference in the outfield because he has great speed." The centerfielder leads the team with 14 stolen bases.

Although the Norsemen have hit well and played good defense lately, the overall success of the team still comes down to pitching. You can't win games by scoring 12 runs if the other team scores 14, said the coach.

"We can play well if our pitching holds the other team down," he said.

## Women's softball team slowly adjusting to fast-pitch game

by Julie Schlarman  
Staff Writer

The NKU Women's softball team faces a season of adjustment by undergoing a transition from slow-pitch to fast-pitch.

The change to fast-pitch softball has been a trend for colleges since the NCAA sanctioned fast-pitch as the official intercollegiate softball.

"The Athletic Council at NKU made the decision to go fast-pitch to be recognized by the Great Lakes Valley

Conference," senior second-baseman Maggie Doyle said. "Most of the better teams were changing from slow-pitch to fast-pitch and we wanted to keep playing the bigger schools."

This season NKU will participate in the Franklin College of Indiana fast-pitch tournament and has scheduled fast-pitch games against Morehead State University and the College of Mount St. Joseph.

Meanwhile the team has been playing the traditional slow-pitch game. "During Spring Break we played in the

Pete Austin Women's College Tournament in Tifton, Ga.," Doyle said. "Our record is 6-and-6, but we had three freshmen starting and we looked strong and solid."

Between games the team is being instructed in fast-pitch techniques by Herb Bell from Mother of Mercy High School in Cincinnati.

"Fast-pitch softball is mainly a pitcher and catcher game," freshman pitcher Lisa Brewer said. "The pitch has to be underhand with speed almost like baseball, but if you work hard enough at

it you can control it as easily as slow-pitch. Tina May is good. She'll probably be our fast-pitch pitcher."

A senior, May is a good possibility, as she has experience playing fast-pitch at Colerain High School in Cincinnati. Two other possibilities are Brewer and sophomore Deb Holford.

"It's going to be tough switching between slow-pitch and fast-pitch this season, but with some practice we should be able to get our timing down and do good," Doyle said. "We'll just wait and see."



March 25 through 30

MONDAY

BARBERSHOP QUARTET  
UC CAFETERIA

TUESDAY

CRAFT SLIDE SHOWS & DISPLAYS  
UC LOBBY  
SPECIAL KENTUCKY MENU IN  
THE CAFETERIA & GRILLE

WEDNESDAY

KENTUCKY RECREATION DISPLAY  
AND KENTUCKY SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS VIDEOS  
UC LOBBY

THURSDAY

SPECIAL KENTUCKY PROGRAM  
FEATURING  
JACK HICKS, COLUMNIST FOR  
THE KENTUCKY EDITION OF  
THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER  
12:15 p.m. in the UC Theatre  
SELECTED PIECES OF HISTORICAL  
INTEREST FROM THE NEWLY  
ACQUIRED SCHONERT COLLECTION  
PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL  
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DR. LEON BOOTH, NKU PRESIDENT

SATURDAY

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ON THIS ONE-DAY EXCURSION, PARTICIPANTS WILL  
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THE ENTRY FEE AND TRANSPORTATION.  
TICKETS ARE ON SALE MARCH 18-24.  
NKU STUDENT ID REQUIRED.



Filing Deadline for STUDENT  
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including all positions open after  
Spring '85 is APRIL 2, 1985  
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Petitions forms may be picked  
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ELECTIONS ARE  
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## classified

## calendar

Female senior citizen wants female student to share apartment in Erlanger. \$125 a month and 1/2 cost of groceries. Close to busline. Call 727-7912 or 825-1537.

SG elections are April 10 and 11. Petitions are available in UC 206. Petition deadline is April 2.

SG and DZ would like to give a special thanks to "Calypso" for playing seven hours at the MD dance. Thanks so much!!!

KIM K.: Despite what you might think, Sunday nights (and the product) just aren't the same without you... Love, the staff.

Theta Phi's... Can't wait until our roadtrip next weekend to visit our sister chapter in Pennsylvania. Let's show that Theta Phi Spirit!!! Your Pres.

A special welcome to Theta Phi's newest Big Brothers: Tim Atwell, Brian Beechem, Mike Hamilton, Steve Hatch, Marc Lins, Mike Stratman, and Todd Tierney. You all will make great Big Brothers! See ya at our spring formal May 17. Love, the sisters of Theta Phi Alpha.

Beacon: Good try on winning the bet. You've got to stay away from the locals. Couple Threel!

To my little sister, Congrats on being elected new DZ V.P. Rush! Your big brother, Dan (GDI) Aye aye I am the Frito Refrigerator.

Amy: Hope you had a super 20th birthday down in Sunny Florida while your little sis stayed in cold, smelly Kentucky! We have to celebrate my birthday together. Love ya, Julie.

Beacon: How does it feel to have a drunk sleep on you chest? The Widget.

Marlene: Did you have company while you were taking those hour-long showers?

Scott: I really enjoyed our time together in Lauderdale, especially that passionate night on the beach, under the stars in the warm sand on the blanket. Love, Shelly.

Need Money!!!! There is a way. Let us help you help yourself. Call Joe Kath at 525-6603 for more information.

Lisa Bartlett: Hope you had a great Spring Break. Love, your big sis in Theta Phi Alpha.

Molly P.: Hope you had a great Spring Break. Love, your big sis in Theta Phi Alpha.

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Applications for Resident Conference Assistant (summer) and Resident Assistant (fall) positions available now at the NKU Residence Halls. For more information call 572-5999.

It's NOT too late! Undeclared and restricted students should call the advising, counseling, testing center, 572-6373 for an advising appointment right away.

## Wednesday, March 27

● Lunch seminar in the Faculty Dining Room of the University Center from noon until 1 p.m. Topic: "The Influence of Computers on Higher Education." Speaker: David Adams (Information Systems).

● BSU Lunch encounter at noon in the BSU House, 514 Johns Hill Road. Cost is \$1.

● BSU Bible Study, BSU house at 1:15 p.m. Everyone welcome.

## Thursday, March 28

● Christian Student Fellowship invites you to a Bible study at 7 p.m. in the CSF Campus House on Johns Hill Road. For more information call 441-9619 and ask for Patty or Paula.

● Baptist Student Union Prayer and Share at 7:30 p.m. at the BSU House.

## Friday, March 29

● NKU will host a symposium on the transportation of hazardous materials through heavily populated areas. The session will run from 10 a.m. until noon in the University Center Theatre.

● BSU Bible study at noon in BEP 314.

● Movie Madness at 8 p.m. in BSU House, 514 Johns Hill Road. Admission is free.

## Saturday, March 30

● 13th Annual Lamplighter Charity Ball at the Quality Inn, Covington, Ky. Admission is \$18. Proceeds benefit the Brighton Center Inc. For tickets or information call 781-0564 or 441-4211.

## Sunday, March 31

● Sunday Evening liturgy at 7 p.m. in the Newman Center.

## INTRAMURAL EVENTS

## LAST ENTRY

DATE PLAY DATE

Co-Rec Innertube Water  
Polo Tournament

Tues., Mar. 26 Wed., Apr. 3

Men's Softball Tournament

Tues., Mar. 26 Sun., Mar. 31

Men's Racquetball  
Tournament

Thurs., Mar. 28 Tues., Apr. 2

### Northern Kentucky University Residence Hall Living



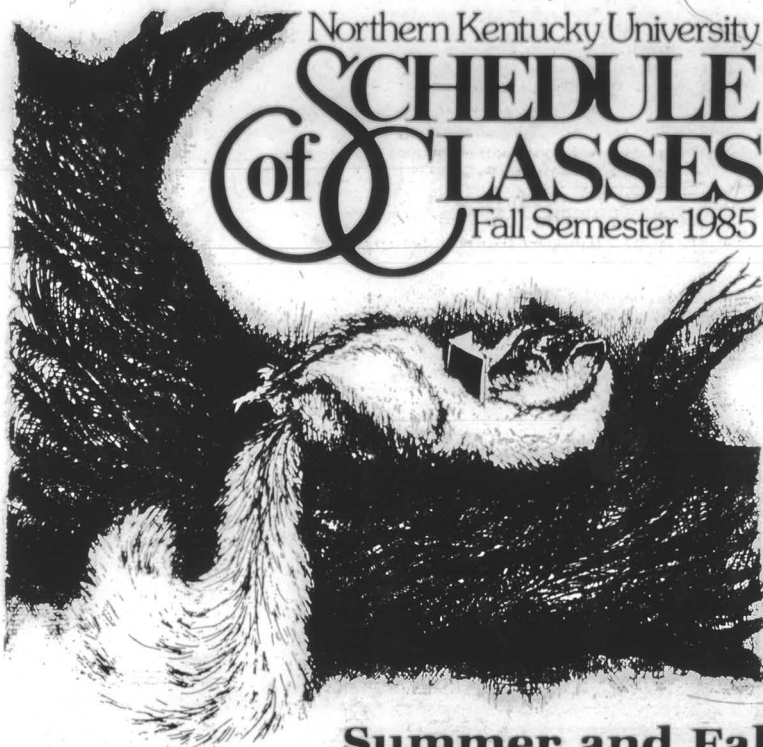
## RESIDENCE HALLS ARE NOW HIRING SUMMER AND FALL EMPLOYMENT

For Summer - Resident Conference Assistants -  
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For Fall

★ For applications and details visit the Office of  
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Dead line: April 12, 1985



# Northern Kentucky University SCHEDULE Of CLASSES Fall Semester 1985

## DO IT EARLY

### Summer and Fall 1985 Early Registration is Now Going on for *Eligible Currently Enrolled Students*

Don't miss your chance to register early for summer and fall 1985. There is still time to submit your request for courses. Just visit the Registration Center, Administrative Center 301, by 29 March and request your registration materials. The following payment deadlines apply to this registration period:

**Intersession: 22 April 1985**  
**Summer: 6 May 1985**  
**Fall: 26 July 1985**

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**Fall: 20 March - 1 July**

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- You can avoid standing in lines.

The Registration Center is open from 8:15 a.m. - 6:15 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. on Friday. Your registration must be submitted or postmarked by 29 March 1985. For additional information, please phone (606) 372-5556.

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