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### **Argument Leads to Stabbing**

#### by Shelly Falevits

On September 30th, Jelonee Sutton, an NEIU student, was stabbed three times by a fellow student in the locker room of the P.E. Complex.

The suspect and Sutton were involved in a "pick - up" game of basketball which ended in an argument. The suspect then pulled out a utility knife in the locker room, and stabbed Sutton in his left side along with himself. He (the suspect) then proceeded to run out of the P.E. complex.

Katherine McVicar, NEIU's Head Athletic Trainer, was the first one to help.

"Jelonee came to me and said 'I think I've been stabbed', he then passed out. He had been holding his left side and when he let go we saw he had huge bleeding wounds. One in his left hand, bicep and pectoral. We immediately started an I.V., called 911 and Dr. Beck, with a nurse, came down from upstairs to help. A rescue car came to pick him up by 3:00 pm," McVicar said.

A group of unidentified male students who witnessed the locker room scene followed the suspect outside. They stopped him at the Commuter Center and began to beat him up. According to McVicar, two NEIU basketball players, Monte O'Quinn and Rob Siler ran to the scene to break up the fight.

"If it wasn't for Monte and Rob the suspect would have died. They really saved his life," McVicar said.

Bill Curtain, the NEIU director of Public Safety said they too were called to the scene. "At around 3:00 pm we received a call from the room where it [the stabbing] occurred and we dispatched units to the building immediately. We then got another call a few minutes later to tell us about the other brutal beating outside," Curtain said.

Sutton was taken to Illinois Masonic Hospital where he was treated and released the following day.

The suspect was taken to Swedish Covenant Hospital where he was treated for his injuries. He was then released into Chicago Police custody and charged with aggravated battery.

What is now most concerning to McVicar is the lack of security in the Physical Education Building. "It would be nice to gain some security in here. There seems to be time to give everyone parking tickets, but everyone needs their lives too!"

### **New I.D. Cards in Focus**

#### by Sara Capetillo

Since the beginning of last August, the students and staff members of NEIU have received new specialized I.D.s which resemble a credit card.

You'll never have to worry again about having to wait countless minutes or hours in order for your picture to be produced, or getting your identification card stamped just to prove that you have validated your bill. The new I.D. cards are done on a computer and they are free for anyone who did not yet get their old identification card replaced. There is a five dollar fee for those who require a second I.D.

Here is how it works: A camera which stands on a tripod is hooked up to the computer monitor and produces the image of a person's face upon the screen. The person working with the computer (the programmer) will then type in the name of the photographed and in an instant, information about whether or not that person validated, along with other personal information about them will appear to the left of the image. It will also show whether or not this is the second time they take a picture. The camera gives out a flash and the image on the screen

will remain there so that the programmer can enhance the image by making it lighter, darker, narrower, or wider in width by using a series of function keys located at the top of the computer keyboard. Once the image is ready a blank card with the Northeastern logo is inserted into a printer and the programmer hits the print screen button for only the photograph to be printed. When the image is printed the card then goes into another box where the information about them is also implanted.

NEIU students and staff must show a current Driver's License or State I.D. to obtain a new NEIU card. If you have an old I.D. you then need to show your old cards before you take the picture. The entire process only takes about one minute.

About the only drawback to these new cards is that the pictures aren't in color but according to Paola Vargas, the current programmer, "It is because these are more expensive to make." She explained that the reason why I.D.s have been changed was to convenience the students and staff. Paola also stated that pretty soon the new cards could be used for vending machines as well as other machines just like a credit card.

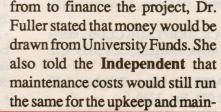
# Board of Governors to Vote on New Wood Floor

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#### by Chris Jacobi

The **Independent** has learned that the proposed gym floor project will be one of the issues voted on during an October 27th Board of

Governors meeting at Chicago State University. If the Board of Governors does approve the estimated quarter of a million dollar wood floor project, construction could start as early as November 1st. In an interview with Dr. Fuller, Director of Athletics, she stated that the main reason for the new floor was because of the injuries sustained on the present floor. Attempts to reach the trainers for statistics of the injuries were unsuccessful.

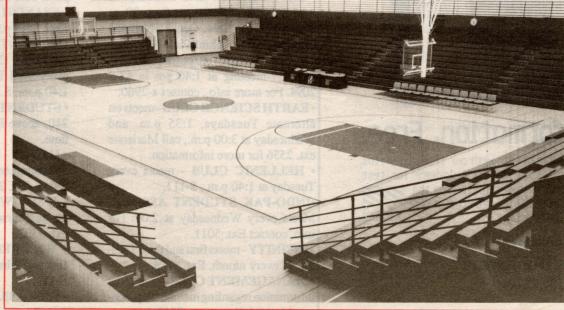


tenance on the floor. However, according to Dr. Charles Barber, Professor of History at NEIU, Western Illinois University presently has the same floor and has to keep replacing it on the average of every five years.

When asked if activities such as intramurals and graduation exercises will be allowed on the new floor, Fuller stated, "Intramurals will be allowed as well as gradu-

> ation. Sports such as Golf and Baseball will not be allowed to practice due

When asked where the money would come



equipment such as baseballs, and golf clubs."

If the Board of Governors does not allow for the project, the Funds could possibly be spent on other parts of the University, such as academics, which is reportedly planning to close more sections next summer. When asked if this project will raise tuition fees next year Dr. Fuller could not give a direct answer.

ould come Construction on the new gymnasium floor could start as early as November 1, 1994.

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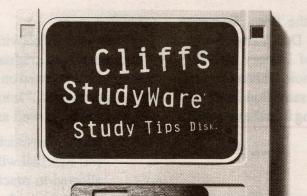
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#### October

•10-14 - Ronald Williams Library Exhibition Area, Art by Natalie Nigliazzo

•10 - 8:15 p.m. CC-217 "Poems and reflections on the lives of Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth, Angela Davis and Lucy Parsons," by Dr. Margaret Burroughs, Founder of the DuSable Historical Museum.

•11 - 5:30 p.m. CC 214 Interview Workshop: learn how to answer difficult interview questions. Placement Office 583-4050, ext. 3119.

•13-1:30 p.m. CC 214 Job Search Workshop, 583-4050, ext. 3119.

•17 - 7:15 p.m. Science 240 "Fundi" a film about the life of civil rights leader Ella Baker.

•18 - 12:15 p.m. Harold Washington Library Center Auditorium, 400 South State Street, NEIU Jazz Ensemble, Jonathan Martin, Director.

•18, 25 & November 1 - 6:00-6:50 p.m. CC 219 Workshop: Overcoming challenges to career change. Register by calling David Helfand 583-4050, ext. 3148. Also on Wednesdays, 1:00 -1:50 p.m. October 19, 26 and November 2.

•19 - 7:30 p.m. NEIU Auditorium, NEIU Jazz Ensemble, Jonathan Martin, Director.

•20 - 1:40 p.m. CLS 3109 Management Club Presentation with a Guest Speaker.

•20-22 & 26-29 - 7:30 p.m. Stage Center Heartbreak House by George Bernard Shaw, directed by Anna Antaramian, 794-6652. •20 - 7:30 p.m. NEIU Auditorium, NEIU Composers Showcase, compositions written and performed by NEIU students and faculty. •22-28 - Ronald Williams Library Exhibition Area, Art by Chris Drenth.



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• CHIMEXLA - meets Tuesdays, 1:40 p.m., E 051. Ext. 3220.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDENTS ORGANIZATION - meets 11/12, and 12/7, 1:40 p.m., CLS 3003. Additional dates to be announced. Ext. 2622.

GAY, LESBIAN AND BISEXUAL ALLIANCE - meeting on Sept. 29. at 1:40 pm. CLS 2094. Oct. 11-National Coming-out Day. Think Pink! Be Proud! Oct. 27-meeting at 1:40 pm in CLS 2094. Nov. 17-meeting at 1:40 pm in CLS 2094. For more info., contact x-2960. • EARTH SCIENCE CLUB - meets on alternate Tuesdays, 1:35 p.m. and Wednesday at 3:00 p.m., call Marianne ext. 2536 for more information. • HELLENIC CLUB - meets every Tuesday at 1:40 p.m., S-111. **•INDO-PAK STUDENT ASSOC. -**Meets every Wednesday at 2:00. For info. contact Ext. 5011. · INFINITY - meets first and third Tuesday of every month. Ext. 3119. • MANAGEMENT CLUB - For more information regarding membership, contact M. O'Malley at ext. 2648.

• MUSLIM STUDENTS ASSOC. meets every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month. E-051, (312)851-8860. • NSAB - Northeastern Student Activities Board meets first and third Thursdays, E 205, ext. 3865. Ext. 3865.

•QUE ONDEE SOLA - meets Thursdays 1:40 p.m., E 041. Ext. 2954.

• S.C.E.C. - Student Council for Exceptional Children meets on alternate Thursdays at 1:45 p.m. in CLS 3020. Ext. 3040.

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## **Extension 200**

Extension 200 is available 24 hours a day. Members of the University Community are urged to contact Public Safety when they need help, or if they have information about these items.



#### Public Safety concerns compiled by Public Safety Officer Bob Paprocki

•Sept. 20 - Theft: A student reported unknown person(s) taking a wallet left at a public telephone in the E-Building. A loss of

\$32.00. Service to Another Agency: A motorist notified public safety about an auto accident on Pulaski Road. An ambulance was called to the scene.

•Sept. 21 - Criminal Damage: Graffitti was removed from a washroom in the A-Building. Aloss of \$20.00. Criminal Damage: A student reported damage to his vechicle parked in the D-Lot. A loss of \$100.00.

•Sept. 22 - Criminal Damage: A student reported damage to her vechicle also parked in the D-Lot. A loss of \$95.00. Deceptive practices: A student was arrested while in possession of a stolen permit #2168.

•Sept. 24 - Disorderly conduct: A student and an instructor became involved in a verbal dispute in the classroom building. No charges were filed. Accident: A state ticket was issued to a driver who struck the guard rail on the access road. The driver of the automobile declined medical attention.

### **Blood Drive Scheduled for October 19**

On Wednesday, October 19, Health Sevices will host a campus Blood Drive for students, faculty, staff and community residents. The drive will be held from 9 am to 4 pm in room CC-217. Donors may sign-up at the Health Service office (G-138) on Tuesday, October 18, or on the day of the blood drive. Walk-ins will also be welcome.

Individuals who wish to donate must be in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds and be at least seventeen years of age. It is also very important that a good meal be eaten before donating. The drive will be conducted by Life Source, a not-for-profit community organization which supplies blood components and related services to over sixtytwo hospitals in the Chicago Metropolitan area. Your donation will be greatly appreciated.

•Sept. 26 - Traffic arrest: A student was issued two state tickets and was arrested for driving without a license. Theft: A student reported a textbook missing. A loss of \$20.00. Theft: A student reported parking permit #3846 taken from an unlocked vehicle. A loss of \$31.00. Traffic arrest: A student was arrested and issued three state tickets for driving with a suspended license. Burglary: A student reported \$221.00 worth of textbooks missing from a locker.

•Sept. 27 - Theft: A student reported her purse taken from a washroom in the classroom building. A loss of \$87.00. Medical Assist: A student refused medical attention after becoming ill in the classroom building.

•Sept. 30 - Aggravated Battery: A student was arrested and charged with two counts of aggravated battery after stabbing two students and himself in the Physical Education Building. He was chased to the Commuter Center where he was beaten and contained by several students who pursued him from the locker room in the P.E. Complex. Both victims were transported to a hospital. The offender was also treated at a hospital and removed to the 17th district Police Department. Burglary: Four lockers were broken-into in the Physical Education Building. Various property, cash, and a 1991 Pontiac Sunbird were stolen as a result of the thefts. Arrest: A NEIU staff member was arrested after an investigation for unauthorized use of a credit card.



# Letters to the Editor

#### **Editor:**

I am a full-time student here so I do not claim to know everything, but I have many questions regarding what I see going on in the Athletic Department.

On Friday, September 30th, there was a stabbing in the mens' locker room. The stabber ran out of the building followed by a dozen or more basketball players. They caught-up with him in front of the library and beat him up. The ambulance came and took him to the hospital. Then a squad car came but I do not think anyone went to jail.

On Saturday, October 1st, 1994 there was another altercation. This time between the Volleyball coach, a student and her parents. The father even put his hands on the coach's neck and choked her.

And yet Division I drones on, WHY and HOW? Every time I go to talk to my coach, there is a new coach in the department. Where do all the old ones go? How many more people are going to get hurt? As a student, I can't get the classes I want because the University money is going into the Athletic program. I do not want to shoot myself in the foot, but I do want to graduate from NEIU someday.

Anonymous by request

#### **Editor:**

First let me say that I am grateful to Steve Horvath for his reply, because I feel we need more conversation on matters in this country and not less. Second, I also thank him for his open mind on the misprints since my version looked a little different than what I saw in the paper, possibly because it was the first issue of the new semenster.

The first point that Mr. Horvath questioned was my contention that people have grown accustomed to the violence in America. Mr. Horvath in one sentence states why he disagrees with me only to offer an entire paragraph next as to why I am correct. In fact we both agree that the net result is people are indifferent to murder. Mr. Horvath states it much more eloquently than I did though, even citing the movie Natural Born Killers. Bravo Mr. Horvath, I thank you.

The next point of dissention is whether we should place an ultimate price on life. Mr. Horvath admits, in fact he is certain, that millions of people agree with me on this pont. At times he has even been tempted to agree with me himself. However at the last moment Mr. Horvath's great wisdom shines through and puts an end to such ideas. I wonder where

he gets this wisdom from, maybe from the classes he has invited me to take. Maybe this is where he has been endowed with a brain as sharp as a Pentium computer while mine is still stuck at 286 speed. He continues to instruct me that the constitution states "excessive bail or fines and cruel punishment prohibited". Thank you Mr. Horvath but do you think that this may be a statement to protect murderers. HMMMM, I wonder, but it seems that Mr. Horvath has all the answers so I will continue.

The advice kept flowing from Mr. Horvath. He recommends that I might want to change the Constitution and to have penises severed in cases of rape. I never mentioned changing the Constitution or severing penises. However, if Mr. Horvath wants to take-up either of these crusades I wish him well.

Then, in a lack of brevity, his letter goes-on to talk about how violent of a country this has been. He tells me that 500 years ago millions of American Indians were killed in the name of Christianity. Had the Spaniards even reached the Continent yet? And if there was any killing it was probably in the name of greed rather than some god. I am not sure what history classes Mr. Horvath has been taking but I thought diseases killed more American Indians than Europeans anyhow. And to respond to the "rootin tootin" wild west Mr. Horvath talks about, weren't there more people killed in Chicago last year than the entire history of Dodge City. But that's ok, if Mr. Horvath, the great thinker says so, it must be true.

But what I really must take Mr. Horvath to task for is assuming that I have been a victim of some crime recently. Sir, you couldn't be further from the truth. However, do I need to have my head smashed-open before I can speak on this subject. Must I go on mute while murder extracts a hugh toll on our society. Murder, that is what I originally wrote about. Not pick-pockets or arsonists or drug dealers. Because even in our modern age of penis reattachment, murders still cannot replace what they have stolen.

> John Piemonte Senior

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Editorial **NEIU: A Model of Society** 

One of the main reasons most students attend College is to experience different aspects of society and better their future environment. In this respect, NEIU certaintly accomplishes this first goal. This University has become a model of what is happening to the world. A College or University is, in theory, supposed to be a safe haven away from the violence and terror of everyday life

on the streets. It is supposed to provide a learning environment to help students reach their lives' goals.

With the recent brutal stabbing of a student in the P.E. Complex one has to wonder what is happening to NEIU. In an institution where learning should be the main focus of campus life students are now forced to accept "outside" realities. Every time a student begins to think this University was founded as a learning and thinking tool, we are slapped with reality. It happened again two years ago on November 9th, 1992 when Mr. Keenan, manager of Beck's Bookstore, was found dead in his office. A few months later on January 14th of 1993, Victor Snipes, a basketball player at NEIU, was arrested for robbing a fifty-four year old woman at gunpoint.

Students are continually fed this violence. It occurs everyday on campus. One only has to look on page three of this newspaper for proof.

Students and faculty should be exempt from such occurrences on campus. The NEIU community should have to worry about grades and exams; not murders, stabbings, and theft. NEIU, unfortunately, is living-up to its standard as a model of society.

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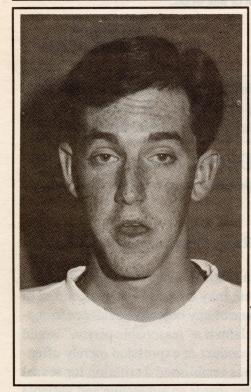
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## **Voice of the Campus**

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### The Eagle's Talon

#### by Chris Jacobi

"It might be, it could be, it is, holy cow-a home run!" Oh how I miss those magic words echoed by Harry Carey each time someone blasts a home run. But like the 1994 baseball season, these words are just a memory of this years remarkable and unforgettable season. The White Sox were having another great season. While the Cubs were just being...the Cubs. Why is it that they (the players and owners) can turn America's pastime into nothing more than a faint memory.

I understand that everyone has to make a buck in order to survive. But I think that seven million dollars a year is more than enough to get by on. The players will try to argue that they are striking to aviod salary caps for future players. Come on guys, isn't the main reason just to make more money? If a player can't make it on millions, they have bigger problems than salary caps.

Let's not leave the owners out of this. They are just as guilty as the players. They want the salary caps because they say they aren't making enough at the ballparks. They argue that they're losing money. Well if they're losing so much money, why do they offer players so much money to begin with. When was the last time you heard of an owner clipping coupons to save money? The truth of the matter is that both sides are driven by common greed. They're taking a great sport and treating it like dirt.

What about the fans, don't we count for anything? After all, we contribute millions of dollars a year in ticket sales and other things such as food and souvenirs. Doesn't this money go into owners' pockets. Each year the price of tickets goes up. Someone has to be making money somewhere.

Oh, and what about the thousands of jobs other than the players that suffer because of the strike. Joe Smith, who sells hotdogs and beer can no longer live because he is out of a job. The ticket vendors and other employees all suffer just because of greed.

Baseball isn't the only sport not playing. The National Hockey League has enforced a lockout on the players because of contract disputes. The players want to play, but the owners say not without a contact agreement. Why can't the owners and players grow-up and get on with the seasons? When will they realize that by hurting the fans, they will hurt themselves in the long-run. Eventually the fans will no longer come to the ballparks or go to the stadiums.

In todays' society, one is entitled to fair pay for fair work. I think that working a couple months out of the year for millions of dollars is fair... don't you?

Whatever happened to playing for the love of the sport. I seem to remember some players saying that they loved baseball so much that

Note to readers: The following letter was written by Dr. Charas E. Kinkle, Associate Professor of Accounting and Business Law, and distributed throughout the entire NEIU community on Sept. 20. Due to space limitations and letter length the type size has been reduced. Dear Dr. Lamb:

I hereby ask that Dr. Charles Falk be declared unfit, per se, and be removed

as Chair of the President's Planning Task Force. I charge that Dr. Falk, inter alia, on June 8, 1994, did knowingly and willfully violate Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as well as the published NEIU Policy on Sexual Harassment.

On the date cited, during open discussion at a meeting of the Task Force wherein Dr. Falk was acting as chair and as such was representing the President of NEIU, Dr. Falk made a statement to me and before all persons present that constituted outrageous lewd sexual innuendo. While discussing whether turning all the lights out in the University at night would result in a substantial cost saving, on Task Force member observed that it might indeed have serious security implications. I agreed with that concern. I further stated that I have sometimes been in my office until 3:00 a.m. and would be afraid to do so again if all the hall lights were turned out. To this statement, Dr. Falk responded loudly and in a mocking voice, "If you are here until 3:00 o'clock in the morning then I have grave concerns about your social life." I was not only outraged and offended by this statement, but I felt embarrassed, harassed and demeaned in front of my colleagues. It was clear from the manner in which he spoke and by his demeanor that Dr. Falk was making reference to my sex life or rather the lack thereof.

Dr. Falk is aware that I am an unmarried woman. As a woman, a Christian woman, a proud African-American woman, a Doctor of Law, a member of the Bar of the State of Illinois, an Officer of the Court, an Associate Professor of Accounting and Business Law at this university, and the only African-American faculty member in the College of Business, I am furious at the suggestion that I would consider an illicit and immoral act as part of my "3:00 o'clock in the morning social life." This is not only an insult to me but also to my mother whom Dr. Falk, by this statement, suggests has raised a "whore." This statement belittles, demeans and mocks the suffering of my female ancestors who had no choice but to suffer the outrage of rape and other heinous acts visited upon them by their white slave masters. They valiantly suffered those atrocities, comforted only by their strong belief that a benevolent and just God would one day lead their children out of bondage and allow them to live free with the dignity and the respect that their blood had purchased. Yes, the blood of slaves and other African-Americans paid the purchase price for the Civil Rights Act of 1964. This law and their suffering shall not be mocked and rendered futile in my presence. I will not suffer for even one instant the rape of my dignity and self-respect!

I grew up on the southside of Chicago in the Stateway Gardens Housing Project immediately adjacent to the now infamous Robert Taylor Homes. Even then, the incidence of teen and pre-teen pregnancy was disgracefully high. My mother is a strong Methodist woman who, although on welfare, raised three daughters, not one of whom gave birth to a single bastard. She also raised two sons,

#### see Kinkle page 6

The following letter is a response to Dr. Kinkle's accusation by Margo L. Smith, Affirmative Action Officer at NEIU.

Professor Kinkle's complaint was investigated by me begginning June 20, 1994, the day she delivered her letter to my office. This investigation, conducted in my customary manner established corroboration for a remark attributed to Dean Falk in the June 8, 1994 meeting of the Planning Task Force. I also spoke with Professor Kinkle for about one hour. I had several conversations about this matter with the Provost, and I participated in two meetings on this matter with both the Provost and the Dean. As a result, a written response was sent to both Professor Kinkle and Dean Falk from the Provost. All of these actions were consistent with the University's

they would play for free. So guys, where are you now?

The following letter was written on October 4, 1994 in response to Dr. Kinkle.

#### Dear Dr. Kinkle:

I felt compelled to respond to your "Open Letter" to the NEIU community. In your letter you made reference to God seven times and the Christian decency that all God-fearing people should possess.

My main concern is (and I quote) "...a single bastard." Your goal, I'm sure, was to raise support from the NEIU community. With such derogatory and cruel terminology you have insulted <u>My Mother</u>, <u>My Son</u>, and <u>myself</u>.

That type of concept should have died in the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Your bigoted ideals directed towards an innocent child are mean, spiteful, and can scar for life; believe me, I know. I too, was born see **Response** page 6

Discrimination Grievance Procedure. Customarily the President, Provost, and Dean do not discuss affirmative action complaints directly with the complainants.

NEIU's policy on sexual harassment states: There are two categories of behavior which may constitute sexual harassment...The second category, "hostile environment," refers to patterns of behavior or incidents (including verbal, non-verbal, physical, or other) which may seem harmless as individual events, but which may be considered intimidating, hostile, or offensive when taken together. There is no comprehensive definition of those patterns of behavior which constitute a hostile environment; however, the "reasonable woman" standard is often used to evaluate the environment in these situations. NEIU strongly supports the goals and objectives of its Policy on Sexual Harassment. Enforcement of that policy depends to a certain extent on trust and the confidential nature of that process. Our experience has been that matters of this nature are best dealt with in a confidential manner.

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#### **Kinkle**

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neither of whom was a gang member. These were major accomplishments in such an environment. I have a sister and a brother, each of whom is a Ph.D., and another brother and sister who are respected members of the African-American Community. No member of my family has ever been in jail or on drugs. We are proud of our family accomplishments.

I am gravely concerned about the seeming disappearance of decency and morality from life in this country. I counsel young African-American girls to have respect for themselves and their bodies and not to engage in sex outside the sacred bonds of marriage. A rather unpopular notion today to be sure, but one that is not only in conformity with God's law but is also an enhancement to their opportunity for success.

I consider myself one of a few positive role models available to these young women - perhaps the only one for some. I deem it imperative that I conduct my own personal life in a way that celebrates the word of God and is in accordance with the strong sense of morality and decency I seek to instill in young people. I believe that this is really the only way to teach such lessons - do as I say and do as I do. The Charas Kinkle Scholarship for Minorities and The Charas Kinkle Business Scholarship, funded out of my personal funds, are part of that message to young people.

My strong commitment to these ideals makes the comment by Dr. Falk especially hurtful to me and mandates that I speak out against this kind of illicit, casual, take-it-for-granted, it's-all-in-fun, speech. Women in the work place have for too long been subjected to this kind of subtle harassment disguised as seemingly harmless speech. But this kind of statement is far from harmless. It pierces the hearts of women and tears from them their dignity as women. It again seeks to reduce the totality of what it means to be a woman to no more than a single body part. It further erodes the

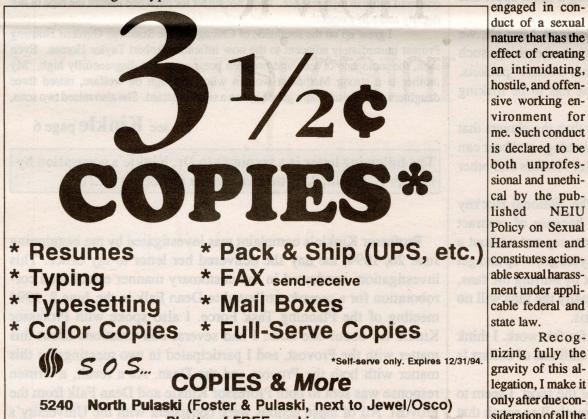
remaining vestiges of ordinary decency in this society by suggesting that the conduct alluded to is acceptable and condoned. It is neither - not by God and not by the laws of this Country. The utterance of Dr. Falk was more suited to a barroom than a Presidential Task Force meeting, and even there it would have been in poor taste.

Nor will a mere apology suffice. Such a kneejerk utterance gives one an all telling glimpse into the true nature of one's soul - a glance at the unmasked character and views of its speaker. The truth is that Dr. Falk does not respect this African-American woman. That the subject statement should have come from the Dean of the College of Business with whom I must work every day and in the context of a Presidential Task Force meeting, wherein he represents the President of this University makes it all the more egregious. This act evidences not only a kind of moral bankruptcy but also a total lack of appreciation or regard for proper decorum, good manners and the rules of acceptable conduct in this society. It further constitutes a failure by Dr. Falk to treat me with the fundamental, ordinary decency and respect that must be afforded each person with whom he works by reason of their being simply a person

How am I to gain the respect of my colleagues when the Dean of the College makes comments like the one here at issue? I cannot. My standing in the eyes of my colleagues has been irreparably damaged and the words of Dr. Falk have created or substantially contributed to the creation of a hostile work environment for me.

In conscience, I cannot ignore his statement and at the same time espouse a philosophy that makes every person accountable for confronting this kind of insidious speech. A Dean must be fit spiritually, morally, and ethically as well as academically and administratively.

By his utterance, I believe that Dr. Falk has



duct of a sexual nature that has the effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, and offensive working environment for me. Such conduct is declared to be both unprofessional and unethical by the pub-NEIU Policy on Sexual Harassment and constitutes actionable sexual harassment under appli-

state law. Recognizing fully the gravity of this allegation, I make it only after due con-

University, I hereby declare this to be a formal complaint against Dr. Charles Falk on the grounds of sexual harassment of this writer.

> Respectfully, **Charas E. Kinkle**

The following letter is an intended mass mailing which was sent-back by the mailroom and the administration.

#### Star Dreck, Deep Space 69: Dr. Kinkle Encounters a Hostile Environment

#### by Dr. Harry White, Professor of English

In 1993, The Supreme Court ruled that harassment may be said to have occurred in the absence of any objective evidence to support the claim if a "reasonable person" would find the conduct or expression merely offensive. It thus established a criterion for sexual harassment that is so subjective and variable that it can provide no guiding principle and opens the door to charges from any person who takes offense or simply wishes to give that impression. Conceivably Dr. Kinkle could be lying about her feelings or even seeking retaliation for a previous slight. I'm not saying that she is, only that if anyone were, there would be no way of telling for sure. But the way the law is now written, her mere assertion that she was offended and outraged by one passing remark was taken in and of itself as sufficient reason to reprimand Dr. Falk. We can't even tell whether the administration honestly thinks it reasonable to reprimand him. What we do know is that under the law the university could be held accountable for his conduct were they not to reprimand him, and it was probably just protecting its collective butt in doing so.

I find Dr. Kinkle's self-righteously arrogant religiosity quite offensive. But committed as I am to those old-fashioned virtues of tolerance, pluralism, and freedom of con-

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into a single parent home (by choice) and raised the best my mother could afford. We lived on welfare intermittently and my mother earned a degree, making a better life for both of us.

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sideration of all the facts hereinbefore stated, the powerful position held by Dr. Falk, the level of responsibility undertaken by a person in such a position and the opportunity for and breadth of harm that could result, to the University and to me, if this person is not removed. Wherefore, by copy of this letter to Dr. Margo Smith, Af-

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This I do for my own child. I have been working at NEIU since I was twenty years old. I am currently raising a one-and-a-half year old son alone (by choice); attending two classes during my lunch period. All of this so I can make a better life for my sweet, innocent child who is filled with warmth, love, and always an eager smile.

I am enclosing a picture of the child you have labeled a "Bastard". I hope you look at his face and see whom you are labeling. The same type of labeling you have had to overcome, not only as a woman, but an African-American woman. Maybe the next time you ask the NEIU community for sympathy you will not insult the people you seek sympathy from. Lorraine E. Bell **Mail Services** 

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science and expression, I find it even more offensive and a clear danger to a liberal democracy to prosecute anyone simply for the reason that their tastes, life-styles, or moral values appear offensive to anyone else. So I do not fret over the fact that we cannot legally assign blame because we cannot know beyond a reasonable doubt whether any remark is honestly perceived as truly offensive. To me offensiveness is a personal, maybe a civil, but certainly not a government matter. It is not something any free society or institution ought to legislate against, unless we wish to move toward a totalitarian society and to penalize every aspect of our personal lives, a society in which everyone lives in fear of everyone else because anyone can get reported for just about any offhand remark he makes. A society like Northeastern in which a student is flunked, tells the professor (yours truly), "I am fucking fed up with you" and then files a sexual harassment complaint charging that I used the word "tits" in class, in response to which the administration takes her grade away from me without ever consulting me on the matter.

Let's not think form all this that our administration is committed to fighting sexual harassment. We have faculty who have sexually assaulted students, administrators who rate subordinates, and the administration, so far as we can tell, does nothing. At least these guys are sill with us. And they are sill here because their public conduct is beyond reproach: they make no remarks about anyone's social life and keep their ties tightly knotted. Northeastern is committed to what hostile environment law serves to uphold-puritanical, bourgeois standards of propriety which have traditionally been used to

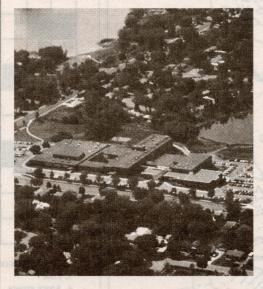
### **Career Opportunities in a Tight Job Market**

by George Bagel, Placement Office

We keep reading about downsizings, buyouts, mergers and takeovers, and how they affect the job market. We hear how tight the job market is and how difficult it is for college graduates to get jobs especially without ant related experience. We also keep reading about how the retail industry is growing at an incredible rate and that many jobs of the jobs, now and in the future, will be in that industry. The retail sector is one of the major sources of jobs in the U.S. economy, consistently accounting for more than 20 percent of all jobs in the private sector. Career opportunities in a variety of different retail ares are available to college graduates through management training programs offered by mant retail organizations.

keep women in their place.

But if the administration is committed to creating a non-hostile environment it should consider this: We are asked to believe that Dr. Kinkle could reasonably infer from one offhand remark about her social life that she has been called a whore, yet in a carefully composed letter she presumes to condemn as poor



role models and whores all women, on campus and elsewhere, whose chosen life-style does not conform to her model of sexual chastity. Nothing that Dr. Falk said is as hostile to whole class of women as what appears in Dr. Kinkle's letter. How about the administration, which claims to favor diversity and condemn sexual prejudice, sending a warning letter to Dr. Kinkle about those statements? Any bets on that one?

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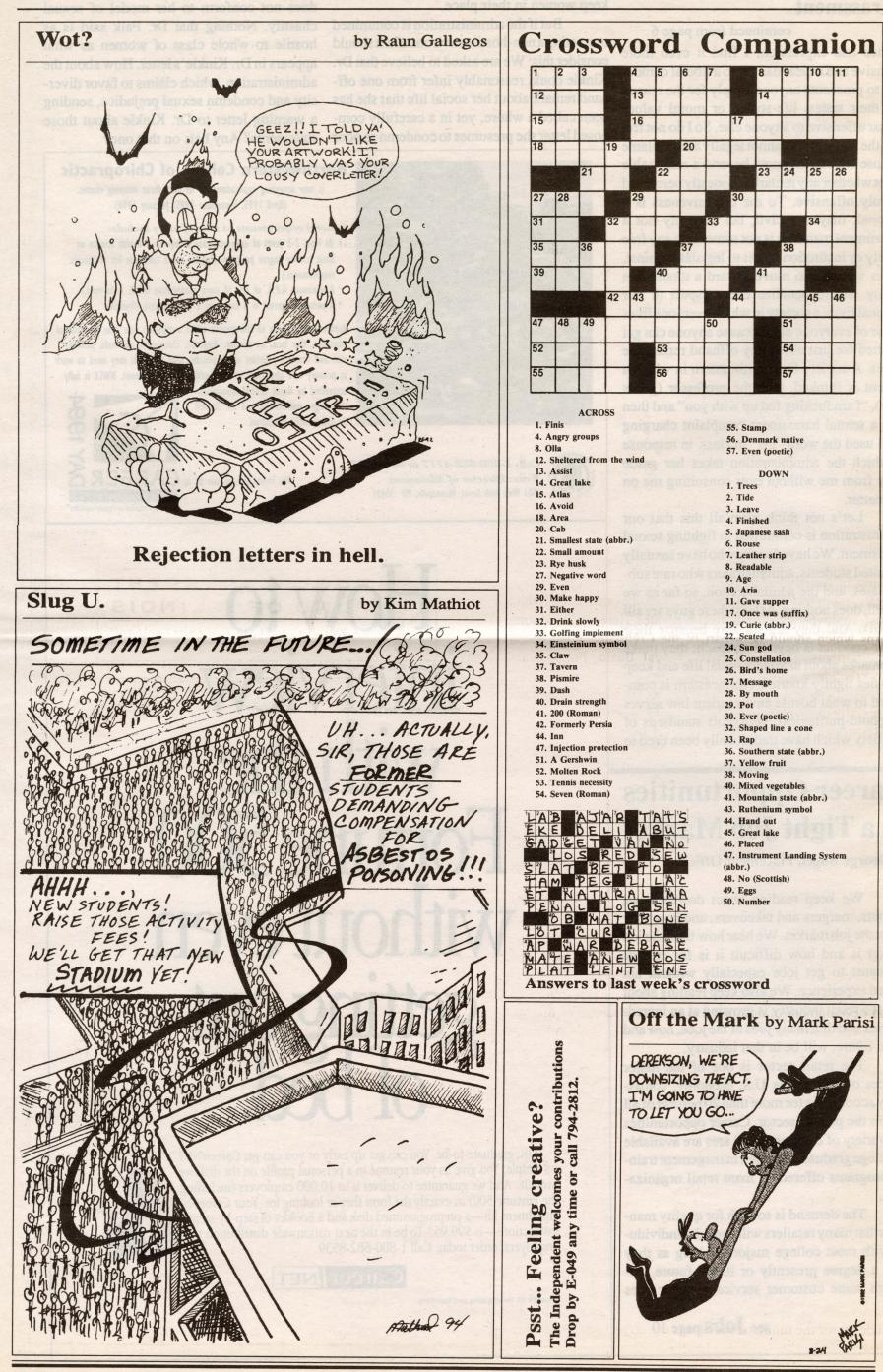
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# FEATURES



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## Computer Science Students Plan Ahead ...

by Arshed Hameed (Vice President - DPMA)

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After being interviewed by some Chicagoland companies, the need to bring awareness to Computer Science students at NEIU is essential. The future graduates should be conscious of some elements which are not listed in our textbooks or are part of our class discussion. Sharing the experience with other May 1994 graduates, it was discovered that the Computer Science curriculum at NEIU needs to be revised. The Computer Science curriculum is more theoretical and research oriented while we do not have much research going on at NEIU. Most students wish the Computer Science Program to be useful in practical life as ready-to-serve education. It depends on an individual to learn as much as he/she wishes by putting-in extra efforts but wouldn't it be great if employers look for the NEIU graduates because they have the knowledge to meet the current computer science market.

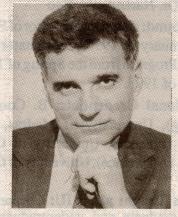
It is known that Pascal is being taught here as a base language to Computer Science students, but in the real world no one gets any credit for being good at it, nobody needs Pascal Programmers. Some schools have done away with Pascal as a core course and are using 'C' as a base language. Why can't we have just one Pascal course for the Freshman to give them the basic programming concepts instead of three courses. It is amazing that 'C' is not a core course at NEIU while it is the most demanding language in the real world.

Assembler language is another issue. It is fine to offer a course in Assembler. Students put too much effort in learning regardless of its low entail compared to some other things which most employers look for in fresh graduates. Here is a list of some items which should be a part of the Computer Science core requirements: Oracle, Sybase, Visual Basic, Foxpro, and Powerbuilder.

Students who are in the Business Data Processing track, especially those planning to be a Cobol Programmer, must have a Relational Database course as part of their core requirement. Employers look for graduates who have good knowledge of DB2, CICS, SAS and IDMS along with Cobol on Mainframe as well as on PC. Students should ask their teachers to assign them some interactive life cycle programming assignments as well.

Indeed, it is important to have some electives as a part of the curriculum, but students do not have much choice and they end-up taking Music, Art History, or a Foreign Language. They should also be allowed to pick electives in the area of Management, Accounting, Earth Sciences and Physical Education which could be very useful in a dynamic work environment for their advancement. Many people learn it when they go through the interviewing process but wouldn't it be nice if it is a part of the curriculum to prepare students for interviews. There should be a core course in which activities such as presentations, speeches and development of aptitude can be practiced. All of this will

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Last but not least, there is a need to control the students' study habits on this campus. By fact, old exams, quizzes, programming assignments, and term papers from past semesters are available to some students but they just go through their entire education without actually learning much. Sometimes it is not fair to those students who really work hard and deserve a better grade. It would be great if the Computer Science Faculty could come-up with some solution to help improve study practices for students. The above mentioned changes will make many students feel more competent and confident, and it may raise the enrollment of the Computer Science Department in the future. NEIU has one of the best Computer Lab facilities in the state, compared to many other schools. Why not develop a good curriculum and provide more staff members who will prepare students for the future needs of this country.

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# **Professor of the Week**

Name: Dr. Narendar V. Rao

**Background:** Assistant Professor of Finance since January of 1990. Coordinator of the M.B.A. Program from the Spring of 1990 to the Fall of 1993.

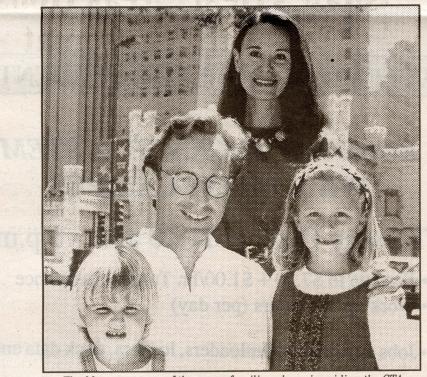
Educational Credentials: B. Com (Accounting), University of Madras, India. M.B.A. (Finance), University of Cincinnati. Ph. D. (Finance), University of Cincinnati.

Courses Taught at NEIU: Corporate Finance (graduate and undergraduate), Investment, Security Analysis and Short-term Financial Management.

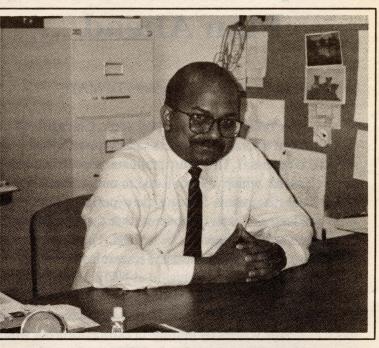
Teaching Philosophy: "Teaching is not merely conveying information on a certain subject. It is creating true understanding in the mind of students, quickly, clearly and concisely. It is also the act of inspiring students to go deeper into the subject."

Advice to Students: "Business is becoming global. Business students should be aware of differnt cultures and should feel comfortable interacting with people from

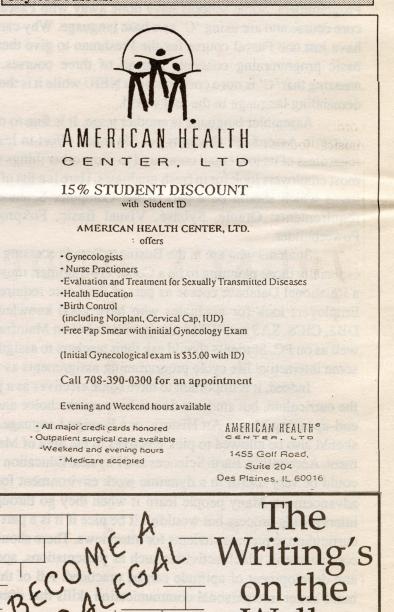
different ethnic backgrounds. NEIU offers this ethnic diversity. Therefore, students should take advantage of this opportunity and prepare themselves for the international business world. The College of Business and Management is one of the upcoming business schools in the Chicagoland area."



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The Independent would like to apologize to Dr. Parvinder S. Sethi, last issue's Professor of the Week, for two mistakes made in the article. Dr. Sethi has been teaching at NEIU for five weeks (not five years) and he received his M.S. (not M.D.) degree from the University of Brussels.



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# Entertainment

### **Otis Clay Brings Down the House at B.L.U.E.S Etcetera**

#### by Mable L. Buckner

I would like to introduce myself, my name is Mable L. Buckner, the new Entertainment Editor of the Independent. I am a student (Education major) here at NEIU. I will be reviewing clubs, Theatre and other exciting events. I will share my opinions with you. If you know of an event that is taking place please feel free to let me know and I will do my best to review them. Now, drum role please...On Saturday, September 10th, I had the pleasure of seeing Otis Clay at B.L.U.E.S Etcetera (1124 W. Belmont) in front of a full house.

The audience was having a good time waiting to hear Clay, who has been singing musically since the age of four and has performed with many great gospel entertainers such as The Christian Travelers and the Golden Jubiliars. He has also shared billing with blues legends such as Buddy Guy, Junior Wells, and Ko Ko Taylor to name a few. Otis, who is under Redwood Entertainment, has played at every Blues Club in Chicago (Legends, Checkerboard, Kingston Mine, etc). His debut recording was at CBS records in 1962. Clay's musical journey has led him on a path with

many major labels including Atlantic and Hi records to name a few. Clay's illustrious career has been maintained over the years with cult-like following which carried him through the lean years of disco and funk. Otis, through these years, performed in Europe and the Far East. Last September he was in Brazil for two weeks where he played in front of sold-out audiences. Clay is lauded as one of the most powerful and soulful voices of our time.

The show began to audiences' cheers of "Otis...Otis". Otis then appeared and the crown went wild. Clay, whose clear falsetto punctuated his hit recordings "Precious Precious", "Trying to live my life without you", and "A woman doesn't live here anymore", kept the audience on their feet. Backed by a five piece band and two female singers, Clay interacted with the audience which they seemed to enjoy. At the beginning of each set (four total) Otis took the stage wearing a different outfit which made him look like a GO model.

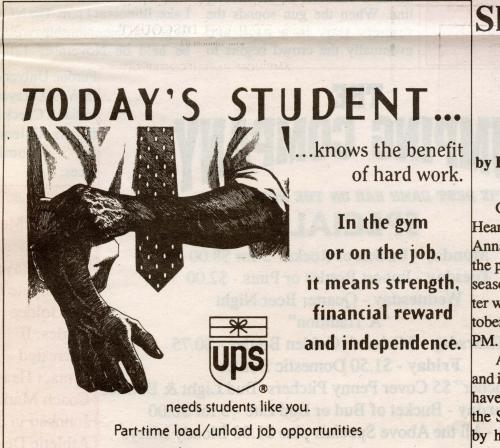
Otis Clay is, in my opinion, one of the best blues singers there is; please make sure you see this wonderful entertainer. He is awesome!

### **IADO Hosts Fundraiser**

#### by Mable L. Buckner

On Saturday, September 24, 1994, the Indo-American Democratic Organization (IADO) hosted their 15th Annual Fundraiser Dinner. The event was held in the Grandballroom of the Swissotel at 323 E. Wacker. The reception began at 6 pm with the dinner starting at 7 pm and included over 350 guests. President Kishore O. Thampy, who has done a wonderful job since he became the organization's President two years ago, was gratified by the large turnout of politicians who helped make the event a success.

Illinois Senator Paul Simon and Gubernatorial candidate Dawn Clark Netsch were the keynote speakers. Other participants who helped make the evening a success were: Cook County Recorder of Deeds, Jessie White, Cook County Clerk, David Orr, Cook County Treasurer, Edward Rosewell, Chairman, Niles Township, Calvin Sutker, and State Representatives Clem Balanoff, Louis Lang, Janice Schakowsky, Ellis Levin. Also in attendance were; Senator Alice Palmer, Assistant State Comptroller Carolyn Hodge-West, and the founder of the IADO, Ranjit Ganguly.



## **Shaw's Heartbreak House Opens the Season at NEIU's Stage Center**

#### by Betty Boduch

George Bernard Shaw's Heartbreak House, directed by Anna Antaramian, will open the powerful 1994-95 theatre season at NEIU's Stage Center with performances on October 20-22 and 26-29 at 7:30

Antaramian's dynamic and innovative directing style have earned her past work at the Stage Center recognition by her peers as well as the surrounding theatre community. Now, she is translating her unique perspective into Shaw's Heartbreak House, which centers around Captain Shotover (Tom Weckler), an old sea captain, who unwillingly hosts a parade representing various levels of English society, including a romantic, an industrial tycoon, an idealist, a wastrel, a family nanny and a burglar. One of his two daughters, Hesione Hushabye (Carol Radkins), has invited a girl friend, Ellie

Dunn (Rania Baxter), for a visit, and Ellie experiences this parade and, in a way, becomes a part of it.

Shaw's writings include essays on many social aspects of his day, music, art and theatre reviews, novels and shorter fiction. Although his education was selfconducted, he was closely connected with the intellectual revival of the British Theatre. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for

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Literature for 1925, and died on November 2, 1950, at the age of 94.

Heartbreak House will be performed at the Stage Center Theatre located at Bryn Mawr and Central Park on the Northeastern Illinois University campus. Tickets are free for all NEIU students, faculty and staff; \$8.00 for general admission, and \$6.00 for senior citizens, students (other than NEIU) and alumni. Group rates available. For more information please call the Stage Center Box Office at 312-794-6652.

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SPORTS

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NEIU competes at the Division I level in the Mid-Continent Conference

# Softball Soars to Success A Day in the Life of a Runner

by Nancy Campbell

Hot bats and outstanding defense have NEIU softball soaring to new heights. With one week left in the Fall season, the team's record is currently four wins and five losses. After the Fall the Lady Eagles will be moving indoors to condition over the Winter. Long, hard practices and tournament games during the Fall have given the team a good idea of what will be needed in order to be victorious in the Spring.

NEIU finished second at the Northern Illinois University Tournament two weeks ago. After losing 12-3 against DePaul in the season opener, and then 10-1 against Northern Illinois right after, the team came back fighting finishing the first day of competition by defeating the Lady Ramblers of Loyola 2-1. In the Loyola game, Senior Jen Hagen scored both runs for NEIU. After hitting a triple to start-off the fifth inning, Hagen then scored the goahead run on a squeez bunt by

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Senior Deanna Lombardo. Freshman Brandi Wargo pitched her first collegiate victory for theEagles.

The following morning NEIU upset Northern Illinois 2-1 behind pitcher Danielle Gladstone. The win placed NEIU in the championship game. The Lady Eagles then lost to DePaul 3-1 giving them a second place finish.

The next weekend, NEIU dropped Loyola University twice (2-0, 7-5) in the opening day of the NEIU Invite. Jen Hagen finished the day with four hits.

NEIU then faced Northwestern University. The team dropped two games to the Wildcats (0-2, 1-7). The Lady Eagles will complete their Fall season at the Notre Dame Tournament on October 9th.

Wanted: Swimmers/ Divers for the Golden Eagle's Swimming and Diving season. Contact Coach Vogel at (312) 794-6118.

#### by Niki Velisaris

Many people often wonder what cross-country running entails. Cross-country, by its definition, is long distance running. The NEIU mens' crosscountry runs from nine to twelve miles-per-day. Their races consist of an eight kilometer or five mile race. The womens' cross-country team practices by running six to ten miles-per-day. Womens' races include running five kilometers or 3.1 miles. In order to participate successfully in cross-country a runner does not only need talent; they need endurance, speed, as well as a strong mental compacity. When the weather is cold a runner must still wear his or her uniform which consists of only a tee-shirt and shorts. The running terrain often consists of hill, rocks, and sometimes even mud. The mental aspect of the sport comes into play when there is about threehundred runners at the starting line. When the gun sounds the runners start in a pack and eventually the crowd begins to

thin-out. This is when pure speed comes into play along with indurance and a strong mental toughness. Often times a race is not won by the fastest particpant, but by a runner with a strongest mental drive.

This year's cross-country team is excited about the season. Second year Head Coach Paul Masse is also optomistc. Masse says of his team, "We have a young team this year but they have a lot of heart and determination."

The current mens' team consists of; Randy Coxworth, Rudy Cullum, Marty Kehoe, Ray Kraus, and Kevin Mogge. The Lady Eagle runners are; Natalie Enger, Laura Haase, Nancy Swienton, Ericka Thomas, and Niki Velisaris.

The cross-country Mid-Continent Conference Championships will be hosted by NEIU on October 29th in Crystal Lake, Illinois at 1 p.m. The NCAA Regional Championships will then be held on November 12th at

> Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. Check the Sports Calendar for upcoming races.

Wanted: Men and Women Tennis Players to compete for the Golden Eagles. If interested contact Head Coach Mark Johnson in the Athletic Department at (312) 794-6241.



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