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Critical announcements

Administrative announcements
Almost 3,000 responses to strategic planning survey...
Thanks to everyone who completed the strategic planning survey from President Mearns on the university’s mission, vision and values. An impressive 990 faculty/staff responses (47 percent) and 1,877 student responses (14 percent) were received. The winners of $50 added to their All Card are Dr. Grant Edwards, director of instrument facilities in the Department of Chemistry, and freshman Virginia Matthews.

Seeking donations for worthy causes
NKU Gives – Thursday is the last day...
Today, Staff Congress will host the Women’s Crisis Center, Dress for Success, Suit Yourself and UCAN for NKU Gives in the SU second floor lobby 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday, NKU Gives moves to the SU first floor noon-1 p.m. to serve those attending the Employee appreciation lunch. Come and learn more about these worthy organizations. Lists of desired donation items are at http://staffcongress.nku.edu.

Other announcements

Campus Campaign
The next one’s on us...
Thank you to all of the faculty and staff who supported Northern Kentucky University in FY 12. To show our gratitude, we would like to buy you a drink. We recently mailed you a coupon. Take it and your Campus Campaign mug to the SU Outtakes 8 a.m.-noon April 3 for a free cup of coffee. Thanks again.

Health / wellness / fitness / sports
Wellness Center updates...
• Congratulations to the 2013 Wellness@Work Award Winners. A total of 12 NKU departments and colleges were recognized in the first Wellness@Work Awards competition. Go to http://wellness.nku.edu/employee/awards.html to see all gold and silver finalists and click on each college/department to get a glimpse of how they created a healthy workplace culture.
• Do you want your college/department be in the running for next year’s Wellness@Work Award? Get all the details for the Wellness@Work Awards criteria and application process and identify opportunities where your department/college can further support and build upon your current efforts to be in the
running for the 2014 awards at [http://wellness.nku.edu/employee/awards.html](http://wellness.nku.edu/employee/awards.html).

- Did you know? You can find quality of care ratings on 23 local hospitals along with checklists for before, during and after your hospital stay on [YourHealthMatters.org](http://wellness.nku.edu/employee/services/quality.html). You can also access web videos on [http://wellness.nku.edu/employee/services/quality.html](http://wellness.nku.edu/employee/services/quality.html) on 10 things to do before your hospital stay, five ways to prevent infection while in the hospital and preparing to leave the hospital. Check it out because your health matters.

- Has the long winter taken a toll on your body? Break free from the aches and pains brought on by the cold with a warm and relaxing massage right here on campus. Fran Hasekoester, LMT, is offering a package deal of three 50-minute relaxation massages for the bargain price of $105 – that’s only $35 per massage. Call her at (859) 393-7208 to schedule your appointment today. All massage details and discounted pricing at [http://wellness.nku.edu/massage.html](http://wellness.nku.edu/massage.html).

**Other announcement – All audiences**

**The 2013-14 Book Connection book is...**

... being revealed this week, and we’re giving away copies. The book of the 2013-14 Book Connection program, organized by the Office of First-Year Programs, will be announced on three occasions this week to accommodate schedules. Books will be available for faculty and staff working with first-year students. You can come by the Office of First-Year Programs, located in FH 231, between 9 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. March 28; ask for Rich Shivener. Two more events will take place in SU 302: noon-1:30 p.m. March 28, and noon-1 p.m. March 29. We hope you can make it.

**Other announcement – For staff**

**Staff Congress: Last call for Staff Congress nominations...**

Every department is entitled to be heard. Are you the voice of many? The call for nominations for Staff Congress will close March 29. Visit the Staff Congress website at [http://staffcongress.nku.edu/index.php](http://staffcongress.nku.edu/index.php) and fill out the electronic nomination form. Questions concerning the nomination and election process? Email Sue Murphy at sue.murphy@nku.edu or Grace Hiles at hilesg1@nku.edu.

**Events**

**The Bank of Kentucky Center**

**Harlem Globetrotters Apr. 19...**

The Harlem Globetrotters will be at The Bank of Kentucky Center April 19. Show starts at 7 p.m. with doors opening at 6 p.m. Tickets are priced at $90, $55, $37, $29, $22 and $20. Certain fees may apply. Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more and military. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [http://bankofkentuckycenter.com/HarlemGlobetrotters.asp](http://bankofkentuckycenter.com/HarlemGlobetrotters.asp).

**Chris Tomlin with Kari Jobe...**

Chris Tomlin along with special guest Kari Jobe will be at The Bank of Kentucky Center April 11. Show starts at 7 p.m. with doors opening at 6 p.m. Tickets are priced at $37 and $27. Certain fees may apply. For group discounts of 20 or more call (859) 292-2890. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [http://www.bankofkentuckycenter.com/christomlin2013.asp](http://www.bankofkentuckycenter.com/christomlin2013.asp)

**Entertainment / art / theatre / dance / music**

**German Film Series concludes...**

*Der Baader Meinhof Komplex* will be shown April 1 at 7 p.m. in LA 110 in German with English subtitles. The movie traces a terrorist cell in Germany that organized bombings, robberies, kidnappings and
assassinations in the late 1960s and early 1970s. The German Film Series is a program of the Department of World Languages and Literatures. For more information, contact Nancy Jentsch at jentsch@nku.edu.

Check out the second film in the Tournées Festival this Thursday...
Join us in the digitorium for the second film in the 2013 Tournées Festival, *Les Émotifs Anonymes (Romantics Anonymous)*: “Angélique is a supremely gifted chocolatier, but she’s so self-effacing that any compliment sends her into great distress. Jean-René, the owner of the Chocolate Mill, is so uncomfortable around others that he’s afraid to answer his own telephone. Neither suspects that the other suffers from the same ailment – a predicament leading to very funny results during their first date. Will they overcome their social fears?” Screenings March 28 at 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Bake sale items available before the 7 p.m. film. Free admission with All Card.

Health / wellness / fitness / sports
NKU tennis at home this week...
Come cheer on NKU tennis at the Joyce E. Yeager Tennis complex this Thursday and Saturday. Thursday’s match versus A-Sun opponent Mercer, starts at 12:30 p.m. with the women and finishes with the men at 3 p.m. A-Sun play continues Saturday against Kennesaw State at 10 a.m. (women) and 1 p.m. (men). Admission is free for all in attendance.

NKU fall sports continue play in spring seasons at home...
NKU women’s soccer battles UC at the NKU Soccer Stadium March 29 at 6 p.m. (time change from originally scheduled 5:30 p.m. start). Men’s soccer plays Wright State March 30 at noon at the NKU Soccer Stadium. Admission is free for all in attendance. Are you N?

NKU cheer and mascot tryouts...
Do you know of anyone interested in spreading Norse spirit? NKU cheer and mascot tryouts for next year’s squad are April 19-21. For more information on try-out times and requirements, visit NKU cheer’s website at http://nkunorse.com/sports/2012/9/7/cheer.aspx.

On-campus seminars / classes for faculty and staff
Register to attend the live streaming of the Educause MOOC conference Apr. 3-4...
Seats are still available for faculty and staff to attend the online streaming of the Educause Learning Initiative Spring Focus Session covering “Learning and the Massive Open Online Course.” The conference will take place April 3-4, noon-5 p.m. each day in SL 240. The full agenda is available at http://tinyurl.com/c3pu8dc; you may attend all sessions or only the sessions that interest you. Register at http://tinyurl.com/6uwjwfe. Email cite@nku.edu with questions.

Several seats are still open for next week’s BW course...
Interested in learning more about NKU’s BW system? Register now and attend our introductory level myNKU reporting course April 3 at 10:30 a.m. You’ll learn about system functionality as well as concepts around reporting at NKU. Reserve your space today by visiting http://pod.nku.edu/podreg /eventtype.asp?eventCategDescrID=48.

Other event – All audiences
Are you an alumnus currently employed by NKU?
If so, you are invited to a special alumni event. The NKU Alumni Association is hosting the seventh annual Alumni Spring Fling lunch sponsored by Raniero’s Pizzeria April 12, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the digitorium. This event is dedicated to celebrating the nearly 800 alumni currently employed by NKU. Register for Alumni
Spring Fling at: http://alumniconnect.nku.edu/events/event_details.asp?id=260657&group=.

Speeches / presentations / book signings
Workshop on assessing prior learning, including portfolio, CLEP, DSST...

Many nontraditional students come to the university with solid learning backgrounds. Often this knowledge can be translated into college credit. In this workshop, participants will learn about prior learning assessment. Topics covered include the portfolio option, CLEP and DSST testing, Advanced Standing Exams, and ACE credit. RSVP to cucchiara@nku.edu.

- April 2, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in SU 106. Lunch session.
- April 9, 2-3:30 p.m. in SL 240. Refreshments.

Submission guidelines (revised March 2, 2011)
- The deadline is 2 p.m. Tuesday/Thursday for publication Wednesday/Friday during regular semesters and 2 p.m. Tuesday for publication Wednesday during the summer and holidays. The deadline will be strictly enforced.
- There is a limit of 75 words per submission except in extremely rare circumstances. Advance permission is necessary to exceed the word limit.
- Visit http://www.nku.edu/~midweek/submissions.htm to submit items to Midweek, or send an email directly to midweek@nku.edu making sure your subject line includes “Category:” (including the colon) and whatever category you choose. A complete list of categories is at the end of every Midweek email. If you have an html-enabled email client, you can create a Midweek submission by clicking a link in this list of categories.
- Don’t ask to run an item more than once. You can advertise/announce something more than once, but each submission must be unique and must be submitted just prior to the deadline for the issue it should run in. Advance items will not be accepted without prior permission.
- Submissions to the Midweek email account will be converted to plain text, so colored text, bold and italics, and “hidden” URLs will be stripped before the Midweek editor ever sees your item. Make sure any URLs you use are completely spelled out, even if it’s an extremely long URL, or use one of the URL shorteners such as bit.ly and TinyURL.com.
- Submissions to the Midweek email account that have attachments will be rejected by an automated Outlook rule. You must submit your events and announcements as plain text in the body of an email.
- Events not pertaining to the NKU campus or not directly sponsored by an NKU organization or department will not be considered.
- The judgment of the editorial staff concerning length, content, style, spelling and grammar issues is final.

Official NKU social media accounts
We have an entire web page devoted to official NKU social media accounts (http://marcomm.nku.edu/web-marketing-and-communications/services/social-networking.html), and we’ll be glad to add yours to the list and publicize it on Twitter (http://twitter.com/nkaedu and http://twitter.com/nku_news) and on Facebook (http://www.facebook.com/nkuedu). In addition to the web page, the iNKU iPhone app has an up-to-date listing of social media from official campus entities. If you’d like some help setting up an official Twitter or Facebook account, contact the university’s web gurus at clarkr9@nku.edu. They’ll help you make your web presence the best reflection on you and NKU that it can be.

iNKU, the iPhone app – now on Android, too
There’s a great iPhone/iPad app called iNKU. It’s loaded with useful features and a few that are just for fun. Check it out in the iTunes store at http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/inku/id313837856?mt=8. You can also get iNKU on an Android phone. Check it out at https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=edu.nku.inkueandroid.
- Check class schedules or grades, do course evaluations, see the academic calendar.
- See the TANK bus schedule in real time.
- Use Directory/Find-It.
- Put $$$ on an All Card.
- See the latest Athletics news.
- Listen to WNKU and Norse Code Radio LIVE.
- Sing the fight song, play a trivia game or find out your geographic location on the campus map.
- Tons of other features.
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Midweek categories

- **Administrative announcements** – Only VPs and the university president can submit items for this category.
- **The Bank of Kentucky Center** – Events and announcements about the arena.
- **Black and Gold and Green All Over** – “Green” items, including energy conservation and recycling. Only Facilities Management can submit items for this category.
- **Board of Regents** – Announcements about dates/times of Board of Regents meetings.
- **Campus Campaign** – Announcements and events regarding the faculty/staff fundraising campaign. This category may not be used for any other type of fundraising activity.
- **Change in operating hours** – Announcements about temporary or permanent changes in operating hours of any NKU-related entity.
- **Combined Giving Campaign** – Announcements and events regarding the United Way/Community Shares annual fundraising campaign. This category may not be used for any other type of fundraising activity.
- **Corrections** – Changes to previous announcements and events.
- **Entertainment / art / theatre / dance / music** – NKU-related entertainment and fine arts events and announcements.
- **Facilities / IT** – Events and announcements regarding buildings, roads, hardware, and software. This category is not for IT classes.
- **Health / wellness / fitness / sports** – Events and announcements pertaining to physical activity and health of NKU faculty, staff and students.
- **Human resources / benefits / payroll** – Events and announcements concerning employment at NKU.
- **In memoriam** – Announcements of the passing of NKU faculty and staff or their immediate family members. May include visitation/service dates and times as well as memorial donation information.
- **News from the colleges** – Information about new courses, changes in courses, events/fundraising for a specific college and similar items.
- **NKU Foundation** – Announcements about NKU Foundation accounts, policies, procedures and board meetings.
- **On-campus seminars / classes for faculty and staff** – Announcements and events that are free of charge for NKU employees.
- **On-campus services** – Announcements and events concerning the campus nurse, food service, bookstore, and other services available to faculty, staff and students of NKU. Does not include changes in operating hours.
- **Seeking donations for worthy causes** – Announcements and events that request any kind of charitable donation for NKU-sponsored activities. Midweek cannot publicize organizations that are not affiliated with NKU.
- **Special offers / advertisements** – Advertisements about special offers that are available exclusively to the NKU community or as part of an NKU sponsorship. If an offer is available to the general public, it cannot be advertised here.
- **Speeches / presentations / book signings** – NKU-related events that are about a single individual giving some kind of presentation. This could include NKU employees performing book signings at an off-campus location or a speech/presentation on
NKU’s campus.

- **Other announcement – All audiences** – Any announcement (not an event with a date) that does not fit one of the above categories that is open to faculty, staff, students, alumni and the NKU community. If items are for both faculty and staff, they should be included in this category and should specify that they are for faculty and staff only.

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