

Top 10 Best Values

1. New College of the U. of South Florida
2. Rice University (Texas)
3. Northeast Missouri State University
4. Trenton State (N.J.)
5. California Institute of Technology
6. U. of North Carolina-Chapel Hill
7. State U. of N.Y. at Binghamton
8. Spelman College (Ga.)
9. U. of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign
10. State U. of N.Y. at Albany

Northeast ranked third in the nation

Northeast Missouri State University is the third "Best Buy" in the nation according to *Money* magazine's latest honor roll of four-year colleges. The 1996 edition ranks the top 100 schools based on a combination of cost and academic quality.

"Northeast should be commended for its ability to offer a high quality education at an affordable price exemplified by its number three ranking," said Gov. Mel Carnahan. "Northeast has clearly distinguished itself nationally as a premier public liberal arts and sciences university, and it serves as a model for all universities. Northeast continues to bring honor to this great state of Missouri."

The only Missouri school ranked in *Money's* top 45 list, Northeast moved up two places from last year's number five ranking.

Northeast's tuition and fees for its 6,050 students are \$2,872 for Missourians and \$5,152 for others; room and board is \$3,624.

President Jack Magruder believes in addition to its world-class faculty and greatly talented students, Northeast's nationally recognized assessment program is key in keeping Northeast accountable and on the cutting edge. The program allows the university to measure the results of the teaching-learning process and gather critical information on student growth and development to ensure that Northeast graduates are prepared for future success.

"We look at the results of our assessment data and then make deliberate decisions as to how we can make ourselves better. We want to provide our students the highest quality undergraduate experience possible at an affordable public price," Magruder said.

Northeast's students consistently rank among the highest in their high school graduating classes. The fall 1995 class had an average ACT score of 26 (approximately the 90th percentile nationally) and a high

school grade point average of 3.57 on a 4.00 scale. Sixty-four percent of the freshman class ranked in the top 20 percent of their high school graduating classes and more than 95 percent had leadership roles in high school. Nineteen percent of Northeast's Missouri freshmen received the state of Missouri's Bright Flight Scholarship. (Qualifications include a 30 or higher on the ACT examination.)

Northeast students benefit from a 16:1 student/faculty ratio that allows for greater one-on-one interaction. This positive relationship between faculty and students is one reason Northeast has the highest retention and graduation rates of any public university in Missouri. In addition to the classroom experience, about one-fourth of Northeast's undergraduate students engage in major research projects with faculty mentors outside the classroom.

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In addition, Northeast was ranked first among schools in the Midwest and first among highly selective schools.

Money's sixth annual ranking of leading colleges and universities measured quality by a number of factors including faculty resources, library resources, instructional budget, student services budget, entrance examination results, class rank, high school grade point average, freshman retention rate, graduation rates, graduate school placement rates, default rate on student loans, number of graduates who earn doctorates, and business success. ☛

Parents Day is Sept. 16

Final plans are under way for this year's Parents Day, which will be held on Sept. 16. The day will begin with a reception hosted by the Northeast Parents Council on the Mall from 9 to 10 a.m. Faculty and staff are welcome to join parents for refreshments.

A University Address will be held at 10 a.m. in Baldwin Auditorium. President Jack Magruder and Student Senate President Scott Sifton will welcome parents to campus. Franklin Street will entertain the audience.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., a tailgate lunch will be held in Red Barn Park. Tickets are available for \$4 in the Public Relations Office, McClain Hall 202. The box lunch includes a hoagie sandwich, chips, rotini cooler, fruit cup, cookies and soda.

At 1:30 p.m., the Bulldog Football team will take on the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners in Stokes Stadium, and at 2 p.m., the Lady Bulldog Soccer Team will take on the University of Southern Indiana at the Soccer Field.

The last scheduled event for Parents Day is an illusion show by the award-winning Spencers. Tickets will be available for \$3 next week. Students are admitted free with a student ID.

For more information on any Parents Day activities, call the Public Relations Office at 785-4016. ☛

Students excel at Camp Challenge

This past summer eight Northeast students attended Camp Challenge, a six-week summer Army internship program offered to college students. Camp Challenge introduces students to an Army leadership experience at Fort Knox, Ky. Students may be awarded up to seven credit hours for participation and are under no future obligation. All expenses are paid, and the students are also paid a modest salary.

Qualified students are able to compete for the Army ROTC two-year scholarship valued up to \$12,000 per year. The Northeast participants were all awarded scholarships due to their outstanding leadership performance and exceptional academic records. The total value of the scholarships awarded to Northeast students was \$71,000.

This mentally and physically demanding internship focuses on developing individual leadership skills. Other training includes instruction in land navigation using map and compass, rifle marksmanship, rappelling, drown-proofing, basic tactical maneuver, use of other weapons and marching/drill.

Instructors for the students are platoon tactical officers and non-commissioned officers who come from university ROTC programs. Students also receive training from Army drill sergeants. The instructors are experts at training young people in leader-

ship and military skills and ensure that the students gain the skills required to enter the advanced ROTC course upon returning to school in the fall.

Students are given numerous leadership responsibilities during Camp Challenge. These duties range from being a team leader to a company commander. Leadership potential is assessed using 16 leadership dimensions. The purpose of the assessment is to determine each student's leadership potential with an overall goal of improving individual performance. Constructive feedback identifies the students' strengths and areas for improvement. ☛



Pictured (l-r) are the students who attended Camp Challenge: Maria Hernandez, Michael Shadle, Matthew Bollinger, James Rohr, Nathaneal Byrnes, Carrienne Pryblyski and Christopher Marstall. Not pictured, Amy Wotawa. ☛

Northeast Missouri State Bank pledges \$1,000 to Gardner Track

Northeast Missouri State Bank has pledged \$1,000 toward the construction of the Kenneth L. Gardner Track. The eight-lane, all-weather-surface track has been named in honor of the late Gardner, former Northeast track coach and athletic director.

Construction of the track is scheduled to begin in spring 1996. In addition to serving the needs of intercollegiate athletics and numerous academic programs at Northeast, the new facility will provide a safe and attractive setting for recreation, walking, running and jogging for the entire University community and the citizens of Kirksville. ☛



Pictured (l-r) are President Jack Magruder, Randy Riley, president of Northeast Missouri State Bank, Athletic Director Walter Ryle and Dale Schenewerk, chief advancement officer. ☛

Lovelace appointed interim associate vice president for academic affairs

Vice President Lanny Morley has announced the appointment of Miles Lovelace, professor of education, as interim associate vice president for academic affairs. Lovelace will continue to teach part time in the Division of Education and devote Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays to his duties in Academic Affairs. He will assist Morley during the 1995-96 academic year with budget preparation and administration, graduate programs, international education programs, faculty and professional development, internal grants selection and sabbatical awards, publications and other special projects.

Lovelace came to Northeast in 1987 as professor of education and served as head of the Division of Education from March 1991 to July 1993. Lovelace received the doctorate in administration, planning and social policy from the Harvard University

Graduate School of Education. Prior to coming to Northeast, he had served as a division head of Bunker Hill College in Boston; vice president of Anatolia College in Greece; superintendent of the American Schools of Stavanger, Norway; professor at Beirut University College and the Lebanese National University; and, a teacher and headmaster in Alabama, Pennsylvania and Turkey. ☛



Northeast Notables

Jim Barnes, writer-in-residence, has a poem titled "Passerelle Debilly," with commentary appearing in the summer issue of *Midwest Quarterly*. The poem is one of 60 dealing with his knowledge of Paris that have appeared in national and international magazines in the last two years. Barnes also will have two poems, "Lost in Sulphur Canyons" and "Last Look at La Plata, Missouri," included in *The World's Best Poetry on CD* by Roth Publishing. This fall, Barnes is scheduled to present readings of his new poetry at Baylor University, University of Texas at Arlington, University of South Carolina, Pembroke State University, North Carolina Wesleyan University and St. Andrews College. ☛

Tom Bultman, assistant

professor of biology and **Patrick Mathew**, '93 biology graduate, presented the poster "Mycophagy of a Millipede and Its Possible Impact on an Insect-fungus Mutualism" at the 80th national meeting of the Ecological Society of America at Snowbird, Utah. ☛

Adam Davis, assistant professor of English, has had his plenary address to the German government's project on orality and literacy published in *Kulturelle Perspektiven auf Schrift und Schreibprozesse*. ☛

Teresa Heckert, assistant professor of psychology, presented a paper titled "Effect of missing data on neural network performance" at the 10th annual meeting of the Society for Industrial and Organizational Psychology held in Orlando, Fla. ☛

☛ **Miles Lovelace**, professor of education and interim associate vice president for academic affairs, served as a federal grant application reviewer in Washington, D.C., for the U.S. Department of Education this summer. Lovelace chaired a three-person team which devoted a week to reviewing applications for funding from the Fund for the Improvement of Education. Lovelace also attended a week-long summer institute at the University of North Carolina's National Paideia Center. The workshop was titled "An Introduction to Paideia Theory and Practice." ☛

☛ **Betty McLane-Iles**, associate professor of French, will present a paper titled "Simone Weil: war or peace, the dialectics of"

University Club to host annual barbecue

The University Club will host its fifth welcoming barbecue on Sept. 8 at the Clubhouse located at 516 E. Patterson.

The barbecue will begin with a social time at 5:30 p.m. and supper at 6 p.m. Chicken, hot dogs and beverages will be provided. Bring a dish to share and picnic service. There will be music provided after supper. Children are welcome.

Come welcome new faculty and say goodbye to the Clubhouse. The University Club will be moving sometime in the next year. For further information, contact Chett Breed, Language and Literature, 785-5981. ☛

the annual Conference of International Women Philosophers at the University of Vienna, Austria, Sept. 19-24. ☛

Jan Peterson, assistant professor of counseling, had her new book, *Talk with Teens About Feelings, Family, Relationships, and the Future: 50 Guided Discussions for Counseling and Other Groups*, become available in August 1995. Peterson was also recently named as one of four new researchers to receive a national award of excellence in research on intelligence from the American Mensa Education and Research Foundation. The award was for "Gifted Achievers and Under-achievers: A Comparison of Patterns Found in School Files," which will be published soon by the *Journal of Counseling and Development*.

This Week

4 Monday

Offices Closed

No Classes

5 Tuesday

3:30-4:30 p.m.—**Northeast internal grant information session**, SUB Spanish Room
5 p.m.—**Multicultural Affairs Peer Mentor Program Training Session**, SUB 2 & 3
9 p.m.—**Tuesday evening Bible study series**, Lutheran Campus Center; series continues throughout the semester.

6 Wednesday

7:30-8:30 a.m.—**Northeast internal grant information session**, SUB Tangerine Room

6:30 p.m.—**Fraternity Rush Informational meeting**, SUB Activities Room

8 Friday

1-4 p.m.—**Fraternity Rush Assembly/Registration**, SUB Mall; stop by throughout the afternoon.

5:30 p.m.—**University Club fifth welcoming barbecue**; Dinner will begin at 6 p.m.
6:30 & 9:30 p.m.—**French Kiss**, Baldwin Auditorium; free with student ID.

9 Saturday

6:30 & 9:30 p.m.—**Friday**, Baldwin Auditorium; free with student ID.
2 p.m.—**NMSU vs. Lewis Univ.**, men's soccer

10 Sunday

2 p.m.—**NMSU vs. Columbia College**, men's soccer
2 p.m.—**Phi Kappa Phi chapter meeting**, SUB 2 & 3

11 Monday

8 p.m.—**Testament, a solo dramatic performance**, SUB Down Under.

Natorium Recreational and Lap Swimming Schedule

7-8 a.m. "**Early Bird**"—
Tues., Thurs., & Fri.
11:30 a.m.—**12:30 p.m.**
"**Lunch Buster**"—Mon.-Fri.
7-9 p.m. "**Night Cruise**"—
Mon., Wed., & Thur.
Use of the Natorium is FREE for all Northeast students, faculty, and staff with an ID. Passes are available for alumni and members of the community.

The Natorium and the American Red Cross also provide a **youth learn-to-swim program**. For more information, please contact David Frasure at 785-4470.

Northeast Notes

Students may pick up applications for the 1995-96 **Who's Who Among Students Award in the Student Affairs Office, Kirk Building 112**. Faculty and staff members are also invited to nominate students for this prestigious award. Nominations are due Sept. 15. To qualify, the students should be active in campus or community activities, have a 2.75 cumulative GPA, and be a senior eligible for graduation in December, May or August of the 1995-96 academic year. Completed applications need to be returned to the Student Affairs Office by Sept. 29. For more information, stop by Kirk Building 112 or call 785-4111.
Volunteers and walkers for the American Diabetes Association Walktoberfest (Sept. 30) are needed. For more information, call Ranjita Misra at 785-4461 or 665-3327.

Applications for paid peer reader positions are available in the Writing Center. Writers with majors or experience in English, physics, biology, chemistry or exercise science are especially needed. Application deadline is Sept. 13.

MAE student information sessions will be held for all students interested in the education field: pre-special education, Sept. 11; pre-elementary education, Sept. 26; pre-secondary education, Oct. 4. All sessions are at 4:30 p.m. in Violette Hall 172.

Violent Femmes tickets will be on sale this week for the Sept. 27 concert. Tickets are \$7 for Northeast students and are available in the SAB Office.

Students may pick up applications for SAB concert security positions in the SAB Office. Applications are due Sept. 6 at 3:30 p.m.

An informational meeting for freshman or transfer students interested in joining SAB will be held on Sept. 5 from 7-9 p.m. in the SUB Down Under. Applications may be picked up in the SAB office.

Musicians and bands are needed to perform in SAB's Campus Coffeehouse. Interested students and faculty should contact the SAB office (785-45AB).

Forms are available in the CAOC for students interested in babysitting for campus and community families. Forms are due by Sept. 15 in either the CAOC or the Child Development Center.
Information sessions about Northeast's internal grants will be held Sept. 5, 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the SUB Spanish Room and Sept. 6, 7:30-8:30 a.m. in the SUB Tangerine Room. Those planning to

attend should RSVP to the Office of Faculty Development, 785-4391 or 785-4477.

The Judicial Internship program at the Supreme Court of the United States offers advanced undergraduates and graduating seniors who have interests in law, management and social sciences a unique opportunity to gain exposure to the field of judicial administration through work in the office of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice. For more information, contact the Social Science Division Office.

MAE fall applications are due Sept. 15 by 5 p.m. in the Graduate Office, McClain Hall 203. All parts of the application, including letters of recommendation must be received by Sept. 15.

Stressed out, overwhelmed by college, homesick? If so, contact University Counseling Services at 785-4014 or stop by to schedule an appointment to speak with a professional counselor.

Habitat for Humanity steering committee meets on the first Tuesday and the third Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. The meetings are held in the First Presbyterian Church parlor located at the corner of McPherson and High streets. The next meeting is Sept. 5, at 7 p.m. All are welcome. Contact Debbie Kling at 627-7501 or John Settlage at 665-4627 for more information.

Phi Kappa Phi will hold their chapter meeting at 2 p.m., Sept. 10 in SUB 2 & 3. The chapter will elect a vice president, install new officers, and present Junior Year Phi Kappa Phi Scholarship awards.