

The Lyceum Series Presents

*A Joyful
Musical Treat*



Saturday, Nov. 18
2 & 7:30 p.m.
Baldwin
Auditorium

Free tickets are
available for students,
faculty and staff in the
SAB Office,
Student Union.

National Science Foundation and National Geographic award grants

Northeast's biology department is initiating new research thanks to a grant from the National Science Foundation. Thomas Bultman, associate professor of biology, has received a \$150,000 grant for research on the interaction of plants infected by fungi and the insects that feed on them.

With the help of three undergraduate research assistants and a lab technician, Bultman hopes to determine how these fungi benefit plants and stave off predators.

Bultman says the grant proposal grew from work he conducted with the help of University research funding. It is among 20 percent of applications to receive money from the nationally recognized research foundation.

Bultman says undergraduate participation in research sets Northeast apart from other universities.

"For students to really learn biology, they have to do biology. You can only learn so much in the classroom or in teaching lab," Bultman said.

The three-year grant for fungi research isn't the only opportunity for students to get biology research experience. This summer, Bultman will take one student to England to conduct related insect-fungus research through a different grant from *National Geographic*. The biology department also offers 10 on-campus summer research stipends with funding from the National Science Foundation.

"The goal in the biology department is to become one of the top undergraduate programs in the nation. Part of that means getting students involved in research," Bultman said.

Students working on the insect-fungus project will conduct experiments and collect data.

The project begins in March when the grant money becomes available. The bulk of research will be conducted over three summers. Biology majors interested in a research assistantship can contact Bultman at 785-7275. ☼

Cross Country Team heads to nationals Northeast to host NCAA soccer playoff

Northeast will be well represented in NCAA competition on Nov. 18 and 19 as the Men's Cross Country Team competes in the NCAA Division II national championships and the Men's Soccer Team competes in the NCAA Division II playoffs, respectively.

After claiming the Great Lakes Regional title, the Cross Country Team qualified for the championships, which will be held in Spartanburg, S.C., on Nov. 18. Last year, the Bulldogs finished third at nationals.

The Soccer Bulldogs (13-2-3) will play Mercyhurst (10-6-3) of Pennsylvania in the second round of NCAA playoffs, Nov. 19.

Northeast will host the playoff game at 1 p.m. The Bulldogs received a first-round bye as a result of their No. 1 ranking in the region.

According to Athletics Director Walter Ryle, the Soccer Team has participated in the playoffs on two other occasions. However, this is the first time the Bulldogs have advanced to the quarterfinals and hosted a postseason match.

Tickets are available in the Athletics Office, Pershing Building 213. Cost is \$4 for adults, \$2 for students of Northeast and the participating institution only and \$1 for children, 12 and under. ☼

Help Desk meets computer needs

The Computer Services Help Desk has been well-utilized by both faculty and staff since it was established May 22. An average of 45 calls daily keeps Chad Tatro, user services consultant, and two student workers busy. However, Tatro is still optimistic.

"We're getting things done even though we're still understaffed," he said. But Tatro sees positive changes for the future of the Help Desk, such as more personnel, a new phone line and a growing number of calls answered at the Help Desk.

To help with the vast number of calls Shelly Abdel-Khader, a user services consultant, was recently hired. She will add a Macintosh background to the Help Desk staff.

The Help Desk was established to provide a central point of support on campus. Faculty and staff with hardware and software problems who call the Help Desk will have their call logged in a computerized database system called Support Express. At that time, the caller will either receive a solution to the problem or be directed to the appropriate specialist.

The most popular questions received by the Help Desk include dialing into MUSIC, WordPerfect problems and hardware questions, Tatro said.

However, Tatro said the Help Desk receives calls that relate to all areas of computing. "I don't feel that we get any stupid questions," Tatro said. "Mostly its a legiti-

mate question that they don't know the answer to."

The Help Desk is staffed from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and closed from noon-1 p.m. for lunch. If both of the phone lines are busy, or if the office is closed, the call will go to the voice mail service. Tatro advises any caller who gets voice mail to leave a message because they



Chad Tatro and Shelly Abdel-Khader answer almost 50 calls daily at the Computer Services Help Desk. Faculty and staff may direct their hardware and software questions to Tatro and Abdel-Khader at 785-4544.

check the Help Desk voice mail frequently.

When should an office contact the Help Desk? "When in doubt, call the Help Desk," Tatro said. "A lot of people are reluctant to call or don't know about the Help Desk."

The Help Desk is available for faculty and staff use and may be reached by calling 785-4544. "Call the Help Desk," Tatro said, "we'll get you taken care of." ☺

Bank of Kirksville pledges \$1,000 to Kenneth L. Gardner Track

The Bank of Kirksville has pledged \$1,000 toward the completion 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 Dale Schenewerk, chief advancement officer; Pete Detweiler, president of the Bank of Kirksville; President Jack Magruder; and Athletics Director Walter Ryle.

Holiday lighting planned for Nov. 18

The Holiday Lighting Ceremony will take place immediately following the 7:30 Lyceum performance of "A Christmas Carol" on Nov. 18 on the mall in front of the Student Union. The lighting is sponsored by the Student Activities Board (SAB).

The ceremony will include the brass choir playing holiday music, luminaries, and a countdown to the lighting. Hot chocolate and cookies will be provided. A wreath on the Student Union and lights strung in the trees on the mall will be the holiday decorations, rather than the Christmas tree, as in past years.

SAB president, Marni Laverentz said the reason for the change was that, "Individuals at this University come from a diverse array of cultures and religions. With this in mind, SAB decided to decorate the campus in a manner that does not promote one background over another." ☺

There will not be a *Northeast Today* the week of Nov. 20 due to Thanksgiving break. The remaining issues of *Northeast Today* for the fall semester will be published on Nov. 27, Dec. 4 and Dec. 11. The Dec. 11 issue will include events through Jan. 10. The first spring semester issue will be Jan. 10

November 7, 1995

An Open Letter to the Administration, Faculty, Staff and Students at Northeast:

Thanks to everyone at Northeast on behalf of the thirteen United Way Agencies and the thousands they serve throughout the year.

As this year's United Way Drive Chair and Vice President, I applaud the dedication and commitment of your administration and staff in reaching and surpassing your United Way goal. Special thanks to Barbara Espe and Michael Nelson for their excellent leadership of your division drive.

This year's theme is "Taking Care of Our Own." Through your organization's unselfish support of this year's campaign you have helped the United Way do just that.

Sincere Personal Regards,
Wm. A. Castles II
United Way Drive Chairman

Northeast Notables

Adam Davis, assistant professor of English, chaired presentations on Mennonite history and Missouri orphan-trains at the annual conference of the Missouri Folklore Society in Trenton, Mo.

Dana Delaware, professor of chemistry, attended the 43rd Midwestern Association of Chemistry Teachers in Liberal Arts Colleges (MACTLAC) at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn. He presented a poster on "Oral and Poster Presentations in Biochemistry: An Active Learning Capstone."

Matt Eichor, director of justice systems, recently attended a conference hosted by the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors. He was an invited participant to the annual conference hosted every year by the FBI in Quantico, Va.

James Harmon, associate professor of humanities and allied arts, presented a paper titled "Brother

Adrian Wewer, O.S.F. (1836-1914) - A Franciscan Architect and Proponent of Medievalism in Church and Monastic Architecture" at the 10th international conference on medievalism held at the Higgins Armory Museum in Worcester, Mass.

Michael Hooley, assistant professor of percussion, was named to the Percussive Arts Society Composition committee at the Percussive Arts Society International convention held in Phoenix. Hooley was attending the convention to help support the induction of Jim Chapin, a frequent guest artist at Northeast, to the PAS Hall of Fame.

John Ishiyama, associate professor of political science, had an article titled "Red Phoenix? The Communist Party in Post-Soviet Politics" accepted by the journal *Party Politics* published by Sage (London). The article will appear in early spring 1996. He will also have reviews

of *From Leningrad to St. Petersburg* and *The Collapse of a Single-Party System* published in a future issue of *The Journal of Politics*.

Michael Nelson, professor of science and head of the Division of Science, presented a paper titled "Undergraduate Research Opportunities at a Small Public Institution" at a Project Kaleidoscope workshop held at the Claremont Colleges. The paper focused on the history, attitude, culture and support of undergraduate research and investigative laboratories at Northeast. He also acted as a consultant to teams of faculty from three other institutions; Eastern Michigan, Middle Tennessee State and Fort Lewis.

David Nichols, professor of music, appeared with the Quincy Symphony Orchestra as a lecturer/conductor in the opening concert of the Quincy concert series, "A Copland Celebration." Nichols conducted excerpts of Copland's *Danzon Cubano*

Pickler Memorial Library

Thanksgiving
Holiday Hours

Nov. 21 . . . 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Nov. 22-25 . . . CLOSED
Nov. 26 . . . 2 p.m.-2 a.m.
Nov. 27 resume
regular hours

and *Appalachian Spring* throughout his lecture. Nichols is currently on a sabbatical leave for the fall semester while he is completing a book on music in contemporary culture titled *Musical Encounters*.

Phi Mu Alpha professional music fraternity received all seven possible chapter citations and a director's award for excellence in recruiting at their last province workshop in October. The citations are awarded in membership development, alumni relations, chapter operations, fraternal tradition, province interaction, musical achievement and special projects.

Phillip Wilson, assistant professor of science history, offered a slide presentation on "Environmental Chemistry: An 18th Century Case Study" at the Mark Twain Section of the American Chemical Society in Quincy, Ill.

This Week

13 Monday

8 p.m.—**Jay Bulen faculty trombone recital**, Baldwin Auditorium

14 Tuesday

3:30 p.m.—**"What to do until the ambulance arrives,"** training session for all building coordinators, SUB Tangerine Room

6:30 p.m.—**An Evening on Education**, the Phi Delta Kappa annual banquet featuring Sen. Joe Maxwell, SUB Georgian Room.

—**College Bowl**, SUB; through Nov. 15

7 p.m.—**Anheuser-Busch representative speaking on promotion**, Ryle Hall main lounge

7:30 p.m.—**Campus Coffeehouse**, SUB Down Under

8 p.m.—**The Dining Room**, Baldwin Hall Little Theatre; through Nov. 18

15 Wednesday

12:30 p.m.—**Wednesday Lunch Series on Teaching Approaches**, SUB Spanish Room

3:30 p.m.—**Economics Club graduate school presentation**, SUB Tangerine Room

7 p.m.—**Intercultural Relations Forum**, SUB Activities Room

—**Martial Arts Workshop**, Pershing Building Small Gym

16 Thursday

5 p.m.—**Holiday Art Show Reception**, Wooden Nickel restaurant; sponsored by the Kirksville Arts Association

7 p.m.—**Women's Basketball** (exhibition game) vs. the Portuguese National Team, Pershing Arena

17 Friday

9 a.m.—**Advisory Council on Historic Preservation meet-**

ing, Thousand Hills State Park Dining Lodge

9 p.m.—**Rock and Soul**, a Christian music dance, SUB Down Under

18 Saturday

2 & 7:30 p.m.—**"A Christmas Carol,"** a Lyceum presentation, Baldwin Auditorium
—**Holiday Lighting ceremony**, following 7:30 Lyceum performance; see story page 2.

7:30 p.m.—**Men's Basketball** vs. Central College (Iowa), Pershing Arena

19 Sunday

1 p.m.—**Men's Soccer vs. Mercyhurst**; see story on page 1.

8 p.m.—**Leighann Chumney Senior Vocal Recital**, SUB Activities Room

—**University Symphony Fall Concert**, Baldwin Auditorium

20 Monday

7:30 p.m.—**"Kazakhstan into the 21st Century,"** presented by Lawrence Grimes and John Minturn, SUB Conference Room

—**Men's Basketball** vs. Monmouth College (Ill.), Pershing Arena

8 p.m.—**Melissa Rose Faculty Piano Recital**, Baldwin Auditorium

—**A presentation on the political history of Nigeria and Kenya** by Taj Hargey, Ophelia Parrish 211

22 Wednesday

No classes
Offices closed through Nov. 26

27 Monday

Classes resume
7:30 p.m.—**Men's Basketball** vs. Quincy University, Pershing Arena

8 p.m.—**Piano Major Recital**, SUB Activities Room

Northeast Notes

Omicon Delta Kappa applications are available in the CAOC, Dean of Student Affairs Office, Kirk Building 112, and the President's Office, McClain Hall 200. Applications and recommendation letters are due Nov. 17 in the CAOC.

Kirk Gym reservations for the spring 1996 semester will be accepted beginning Nov. 10 at 9 a.m. in the Campus Activities and Organization Center on the lower level of the Student Union. Application forms are in the CAOC.

The National Society of Public Accountants Scholarship Foundation is offering scholarships to undergraduate students majoring in accounting with a "B" or better grade point average. Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103.

The James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation is offering fellowships to prospective and current secondary school teachers of American history, American government and social studies. For information contact the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103.

Residence halls and colleges will close for the fall semester Dec. 15 at noon. Residents will be required to leave by that time.

Students interested in teaching English as a foreign language are encouraged to take Management of Foreign Language Instruction during the 1996 spring semester. A yellow card is required. Contact Timothy Farley at 785-4059 for information.

French and Spanish students who want to receive teaching certification should contact Timothy Farley at 785-4059.

State Farm Cos. Foundation is offering fellowships to full-time juniors or seniors majoring in a business-related field who have a 3.4 GPA or higher. Applications are in the Financial Aid Office, McClain Hall 103.

Students, faculty and staff living in the Kirksville community who are willing to provide space for a resident in case of a last minute emergency should contact the Residential Living Office, Kirk Building 112.

Alpha Phi Sigma is sponsoring a toy drive for Adair County children. Drop boxes are in all residence halls, or call Shelly at 785-5126 or Christy at 665-2869. **Educator of the Year nomination forms are available in the Student Senate Office or the CAOC.** Nominations are due Dec. 8.

Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program applications are due Nov. 20 in Kirk Memorial 203.

Call the new Greek hotline, for social and philanthropic information, at 785-7550, then enter 47335 (GREEK). **Undergraduates and graduates wishing to present papers or be panel participants or organizers are invited to participate in the first History and Political Science Spring Research Conference** presented by the Historical Society, Phi Alpha Theta and the Political Science Club. The conference will be held Feb. 17 in the SUB. Submit proposals to the Political Science Club mailbox in the CAOC by Dec. 1.