

# N O R T H E A S T T O D A Y

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## PRICELESS

"People remember you for what you're most successful in," Vincent Price told a packed house in a lecture, Sept. 25, in Baldwin Auditorium.

The actor was referring to his career in horror films. But, NMSU students, faculty and staff remember Price for his success at the University. The 75-year-old actor marked his eighth visit to campus this year as part of the Lyceum Series.

"...When I first came here, almost 25 years ago, almost none of those present (at a Sept. 24 University symposium), had even been born," Price said. He was the first performer to participate in the first Lyceum Series in 1960-61.

After 25 years, Price hasn't run out of things to say; he spoke on everything from education to the arts at the student symposium and during a lecture where he showed movie clips.

"Art is everything. It is an approach to life. That's why I love this place," Price said. To Price, education in the arts is the only appropriate education.

"I keep coming back here, because it is one of the only truly consistent liberal arts colleges left," he said.

Price has become NMSU's folk hero. He is this year's national fundraising chairman for the University, and was last year's Grand Marshal at NMSU's Homecoming Parade. Price has also established a fund to provide a theater scholarship at Northeast.

For the past 15 years, Price has regularly crossed the country lecturing. He said he likes colleges because he likes the challenge of student ideas; he also likes to challenge students to challenge themselves. Price's criticism of modern higher education is its conservatism.

"I've been through the unrest and the lack of unrest. Now, it's terribly conservative. College students need a little goose," he said.

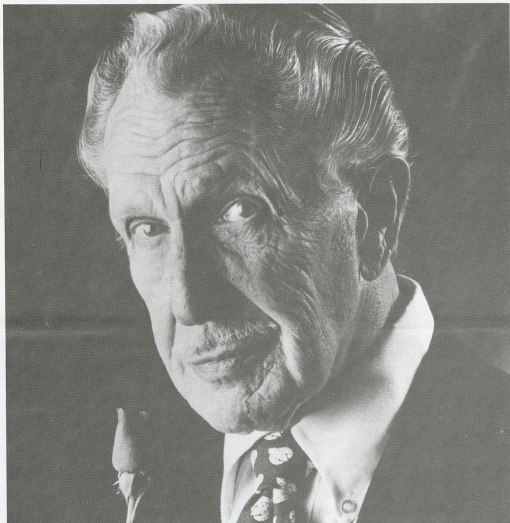
Price urges students not to think of their college education as an ending, but to see it as a commencement.

"College gave me the know-how just to know how to live," he said.

Price is living on an island outside Portland, Maine, shooting a new movie. He plays the "juvenile role" with Lillian Gish and Bette Davis in "The Whales of August."

Price said all his visits to NMSU have been memorable; he finds it hard to pick a favorite lecture topic. What will he lecture on in coming years?

"Give me a break. I'm just trying to make it to (age) 76," he said.



Vincent Price laughs with University President Charles McClain as Professor of Theater James Severns and the Price Scholarship winners senior Jason Orabue and alumna Gretchen Ciggett join in.

# "Funny Man" Majors in Comedy

What do you do with \$40,000 worth of education? Tom Parks tells jokes.

That's what the comedian told the Parents Day crowd in Baldwin Auditorium, Sept. 20. Parks's unique look at his college career provided an ironic, yet amusingly truthful ending to a day that emphasized Northeast education.

The University of Florida journalism graduate said "nobody ever asked me for any of the education, so what the hey, I tell jokes."

Parks is a "Funny Man." At least, that's what his movie is appropriately titled. He just sold a movie to Warner Bros. Inc. that is based on his first five years as a comedian on the road.

"They've already cast the lead. A man named Griffin Dunn, who was in 'American Werewolf in London' and 'Johnny Dangerously' with Michael Keaton, will play the lead role. Pretty exciting stuff, huh?" Parks cackled at the thought.

Not bad, for an army brat who became a comedian for the same reason schoolboys stick pencils in their noses.

"I was out on a first date with this woman, and we went to a nightclub to watch a show. . . I knew if I got up on stage, she would be really impressed," Parks said.

That auspicious comedian's debut was 10 years and some 700 shows ago. Since then, Parks has predominately played the college scene. As last year's National Association of College Activities (NACA) "collegiate entertainer of the year," his humor is in demand.

"My name gets passed around colleges a lot because I've performed a lot. I did the NACA convention last year, so I've received some exposure," Parks said.

Although college campuses have been his stage, Parks is also dividing his time between nightclubs this year. He has played such famous comedy chains as the "Improv" and "The Comedy Store" and has

also performed at "Catch a Rising Star" in New York City where he's rubbed elbows with such stars as Robert Klein, David Steinberg and Bill Cosby.

"The nightclubs are making a comeback. Colleges used to be where the good money was, but now the clubs are coming up with the good money too," Parks said.

Parks recently ended a tour with singer Kenny Loggins and now plans to go back to his home in Los Angeles and do what he does best—tell jokes.

"I had never thought of becoming a comedian for any other reason than impressing that girl. But, when I got up on stage and the people laughed, I thought to myself, this is a great job."

More than 900 parents, students and their relatives saw Parks's act at 7 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium.

## Northeast's Doors Open for Parents Day

For the fourth straight year, Thomas and Barbara Odneal visited their son, Mike, on NMSU's Parents Day, Sept. 20.

"I really enjoy the day. It gives me the chance to know a little more about the University and spend some time with my son," Thomas said.

Getting acquainted with the University and reacquainted with the children are two reasons NMSU holds Parents Day. Parents have the opportunity to visit with their child's friends and teachers; the day also allows the University to express to parents their own importance in their child's education. Vonnie Nichols, director of student activities, said,

"We realize that parents are vitally important to and vitally interested in the education process," she said.

More than 5,000 parents, relatives and students registered for this year's event. It was

the largest crowd NMSU has seen in the 35 years it has been holding Parents Day. Parents and students mingled during a coffee hour Saturday morning in the Student Union Building. Many listened to the lecture on the event that followed in Baldwin Auditorium. Some watched the NMSU football Bulldogs beat Northeastern State University of Tahlequah, Okla. Professional comedian Tom Parks entertained Saturday evening in Baldwin Auditorium.

What do students think of their parents' visits? Freshman Barbara King said, "It gave them a chance to see my room and where I live."

Mike Odneal is a senior; this is the last chance his parents have to get to know the campus. "They hear a great deal about NMSU through publicity. Parents Day is their chance to check out the campus," he said.

*University President Charles J. McClain speaks with Judy McIntosh and her son, Phil, outside the Pershing Building at the 35th Annual Parents Day, Sept. 20.*



*Phlebotomist Lisa Fanning takes a pint of blood from junior Dawn Linneburger during the Red Cross Blood Drive at the University, Sept. 22, 23 and 24. The Red Cross collected 556 pints. "Since we've been holding blood drives at the University for 10 years, we've taken 25,000 to 30,000 pints. The University is giving more blood now than the University and community combined used to give," Bill Martin, executive director of the Adair County Red Cross, said.*

# Jorgenson Pens Biography

A three-year effort by the head of the Division of Fine Arts, Dale Jorgenson, has resulted in a 240-page biography of a famous 19th-century German music theorist, *Moritz Hauptmann of Leipzig* is the first definitive biography of the theorist who was also a music teacher and composer.

"It is a biography of a very interesting man who lived during an exciting period. His observations on everything from musical theory to aesthetics and politics . . . are very worth listening to as an index to the period," Jorgenson explained.

Hauptmann was cantor of St. Thomas School in Leipzig (the same position Johann Sebastian Bach once held), leader of the society that gathered and published a complete edition of Bach's music and a music teacher under Felix Mendelssohn at the Leipzig Conservatory. Trained to be an architect, Hauptmann brought a strong conservative emphasis on form and structure to his ideas on music, the visual arts, literature and life.

Jorgenson brought "richness, balance, and range and depth of insight" to the Hauptmann biography, according to H. Richardson of The Edwin Mellen Press,

Lewiston, N.Y., who is publishing the book.

This is Jorgenson's first major book. He collected information through the Library of Congress, the music library at Indiana University and Pickler Memorial Library. NMSU funded a two-month sabbatical to Leipzig, Germany, during the summer of 1984, where Jorgenson visited the Karl Marx University and the St. Thomas School.

"I probably have the best Hauptmann library in the U.S.," Jorgenson said.

University support made the book possible.

"The University did the preparation of the manuscript. There was the sabbatical and encouragement, especially from Dean [of Instruction Darrell] Krueger, who suggested I not only write an article, but a book. My colleagues in Fine Arts also read some of the manuscript and critiqued it," Jorgenson explained.

*Moritz Hauptmann of Leipzig* will be available in December of this year. Jorgenson said the book will be useful to advanced scholars and graduate students.

"The chapter on 19th-century aesthetics should be interesting to all," he added.



Sophomore Lori Payne plays the timpani as the NMSU Showboat Gamblers Marching Band provides the halftime entertainment before approximately 48,000 spectators at the Kansas City Chiefs-Houston Oilers football game, Sept. 21, at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City, Mo. The 240-member band, directed by Dan Peterson, performed as part of the Chiefs/Price Chopper promotion day for women.

## HOME COMING

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### 29 MONDAY

- 5 p.m.—Hang Homecoming Banners
- 6 p.m.—Pep Rally Tryouts, Baldwin Auditorium
- 7 p.m.—Fashion Show, SUB, Georgian Room

### 30 TUESDAY

- 4:30-6:30 p.m.—Picnic, quadrangle
- 6 p.m.—Bed Race Line-up, Blanton-Nason sidewalk
- 6:30 p.m.—Bed Races
- Bonfire immediately following bed races
- 8 p.m.—NMSU Live, SUB, Georgian Room

### 1 WEDNESDAY

- Alumni Fair Entries due, A/H 112
- 7 p.m.—Powder Puff Football, Stokes Stadium

### 2 THURSDAY

- Homecoming King and Queen Elections
- 4 p.m.—Pep Rally/Coronation rehearsal, Baldwin Auditorium
- 7 and 9:15 p.m.—"Back to the Future," SAB movie, Baldwin Auditorium

### 3 FRIDAY

- 10 a.m.—2 p.m.—Antique Car Show, A/H circle drive
- 6 p.m.—Pep Rally, Baldwin Auditorium
- Coronation, following pep rally, Baldwin Auditorium
- 8 p.m.—Homecoming Dance, SUB, Activities Room

### 4 SATURDAY

- 7:30 a.m.—Parade Float judging
- 8 a.m.—5 p.m.—Alumni Fair, SUB, Quiet Lounge
- 8 a.m.—Parade Line-up
- 8:30 a.m.—Bulldog 5-Kilometer "Fun Run," starts at Stokes Stadium
- 9 a.m.—Parade Begins
- 1 p.m.—Bulldog Football Pre-game activities, Stokes Stadium
- 2 p.m.—Bulldog Football vs. Northwest Missouri State University, Stokes Stadium
- 5 p.m.—Alumni Reception, Travelers Hotel
- 8 p.m.—Second City Improvisational Comedy Troupe, Baldwin Auditorium

### 5 SUNDAY

- noon—Women's Soccer vs. University of Missouri-St. Louis, soccer field
- 2 p.m.—Men's Soccer vs. University of Missouri-St. Louis, soccer field

## 29 MONDAY

- Last day to drop first-half block courses with code
- Last day to receive withdrawal from school
- Missouri State Highway Patrol interviews, Career Planning and Interviews, McKinney Center
- 8 a.m.-5 p.m.—Echo Individual Pictures taken, SUB, 3rd floor. Those with appointments will be taken first, but no appointment is necessary, Monday through Thursday.
- 3:30 p.m.—Open Forum to discuss five-year teacher education at NMSU, Violette Hall 248, Daniel Ball, head, Division of Education, will discuss the new program.
- 5 p.m.—Homecoming Banners may be hung
- 5:15 p.m.—German Language Table meeting, Ryle Hall cafeteria, private dining room. Hildegard Blaim and Heinz Greschke, graduate assistants from the Federal Republic of Germany, will converse in German. All students are welcome.
- 5:30 p.m.—Crisis Line meeting, Laughlin Pavilion.
- 6 p.m.—Homecoming Pep Rally Skit tryouts, Baldwin Auditorium
- 7 p.m.—Women's Volleyball vs. Culver-Stockton, Pershing Arena

- Fashion Show, SUB, Georgian Room
- Society for Creative Anachronism informational meeting, Pershing Building 231

## 30 TUESDAY

- 8 a.m.—NMSU "Good Morning America" spot, viewed on KTVU, Channel 3.
- 4:30 p.m.—Picnic, quadrangle
- 6 p.m.—Bed Race Line-up, Blanton-Nason sidewalk
- PPhi Beta Lambda national business fraternity open meeting, Violette Hall 278. All business-related majors are welcome.
- 6:30 p.m.—Bed Races, Blanton-Nason sidewalk
- Bonfire, immediately following bed races
- 7 p.m.—Charlton Valley Audubon Society meeting, Science Hall 274. A representative from the Missouri Department of Conservation will speak. All interested people are invited.
- 8 p.m.—NMSU Live, SUB, Georgian Room

## 1 WEDNESDAY

- Alumni Fair Entries due, A/H 112
- 7 p.m.—Powder Puff Football, Stokes Stadium
- German Club meeting, Baldwin Hall 285. A video presentation on American study

# THIS WEEK

programs at German universities will be shown. A 1987 summer program for NMSU students at a German university will be discussed. All students are welcome.

## 2 THURSDAY

- Homecoming King and Queen elections
- 4 p.m.—Pep Rally/Coronation rehearsal, Baldwin Auditorium
- 7 and 9:15 p.m.—"Back to the Future," Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is \$1.50 or free with an SAB sticker.
- 7 p.m.—French Club meeting, A/H 302. Ruth Bradshaw, instructor of foreign language, will present a slide program, in English, on "The Canal du Midi." All interested people are invited. The slide program will be available for lending to NMSU faculty and students.
- SMS meeting, Violette Hall 170. For more information, contact Theresa Schubert, 627-3727.
- 7:30 p.m.—"Moscow Does Not Believe in Tears," a 1980 Academy Award winning film about life in contemporary Moscow, Newman Center, 414 W. Dodson. Sponsored by the Fellowship of Reconciliation. Admission is free.

## 3 FRIDAY

- 10 a.m.-2 p.m.—Antique Car Show, A/H circle drive. Trophies awarded to "Best of Show" and "People's Choice." Call Bonnie Neuner for information, 785-4745.
- 3 p.m.—Hall/Banner Decoration judging
- 5 p.m.—Pep Rally Skits arrive, Baldwin Auditorium
- Coronation, following pep rally
- 8-11:30 p.m.—Homecoming Dance, SUB, Activities Room. Admission is free.

## 4 SATURDAY

- 7:30 a.m.—Homecoming Parade Float judging
- 8 a.m.—Parade Line-up
- 8 a.m.-5 p.m.—Alumni Fair, SUB, Quiet Lounge
- 8:30 a.m.—A 5-Kilometer "Fun Run,"

co-sponsored by the Alumni Association and ROTC. Entry forms are available in the Alumni Office, A/H 112, and the Hardman Building. Medallions will be awarded to the first three places in 10 different age and sex divisions. T-shirts will be given to all entrants. Entry fee is \$5 prior to the day of the race and \$6 at the race.

- 9 a.m.—Parade Begins
- 1 p.m.—Bulldog Football pre-game activities, Stokes Stadium
- 2 p.m.—Bulldog Football vs. Northwest Missouri State University, Stokes Stadium
- 5 p.m.—Alumni Reception, Travelers Hotel
- 8 p.m.—Second City Improvisational Comedy Troupe, Baldwin Auditorium. Admission is \$4, or \$2 with an SAB sticker. A limited number of tickets are available in the SAB Office, SUB, 2nd floor.
- 9 p.m.-1 a.m.—Big Brothers and Sisters campus volunteers first Formal Homecoming Dance for all students, Bonfroy Inn. Tickets are \$5 per person or \$7 per couple. For information, contact Kevin McDonald, 665-0407.

## 5 SUNDAY

- noon—Women's Soccer vs. University of Missouri-St. Louis, soccer field
- 1:30 p.m.—Unique Ensemble gospel concert, First United Methodist Church, 300 E. Washington. Special guests will be alumni of the Unique Ensemble. Admission is free.
- 2 p.m.—Men's Soccer vs. University of Missouri-St. Louis, soccer field

## NOTES

- The Northeast Today entry deadline is 5 p.m. the Wednesday prior to Monday's issue. Forms are available in the Public Relations Office, A/H 202.
- The Echo Student Yearbook needs a layout editor. Applications for the paid staff position are available in the Echo Office, Ophelia Parrish 116. Experience in layout is preferred. Deadline for applications is 5 p.m., Friday.
- The International Association of Business Communicators will present television shows from 8 a.m.-4 p.m., today through Friday, in A/H and Violette Hall. There will be different shows each day, consisting of features, homecoming activities and other surprises.
- The 1986 Summer Advanced Placement Program results are posted outside the Testing Services Office, A/H 103. Test participants in American history, biology, chemistry, English literature and composition and mathematics/calculus I, (AB) and (BC), can see about earned college-credit hours.