1. **Griffin Hall - Center for Informatics**

Griffin Hall (Center for Informatics) is located at the southwest corner of the former Parking Lot B, near the Kenton Drive Pedestrian Bridge. The building was sited consistent with the 2009 Campus Master Plan. It will anchor a new campus quad bordered by the Student Union, Nunn Hall, Founders Hall and the Dorothy Westerman Herrmann Natural Science Center. Griffin Hall will house the College of Informatics, consisting of the academic departments of Business Informatics, Computer Science and Communication, as well as the Infrastructure Management Institute (IMI). The university and the design team continue to work toward LEED Silver certification. Goody Clancy Architects of Boston, MA, is leading the design effort for the project and Turner Construction is serving as the university's construction manager.

The steel frame construction for the building is now approaching completion, as the steel workers are currently finishing up the sloped steel columns around the Digitorium and the steel joists above the Informatics Commons area. The masonry shell of the Digitorium is also nearing completion with the masons and steel workers carefully coordinating the final interaction and connection details between the masonry and steel frame. The exterior envelope construction is underway, and the mechanical, electrical, plumbing, HVAC, and fire protection contractors are busy with the rough-in installation associated with their systems. Site improvements planned for the area between Griffin Hall and Nunn Hall as well as the new south drop off area located west of the Student Union, are starting to take shape. Site work will continue into the fall. The project is within the authorized budget and on schedule.

**Architect:** Goody Clancy  
**Local Architect:** McGill Smith Punshon, Inc.  
**Engineers:** Consentini Associates, Inc.; Richmond So; Kohrs Lonneman Heil Engineers  
**Special Consultants:** Acentech, Inc.; Vermeulens, Inc.; Rickes Associates; Rolf Jensen & Associates, Inc.; Theatre Projects Consultants; Vivian Llambi & Associates  
**Construction Manager:** Turner Construction  
**Scope:** $52,550,550  
**Anticipated Completion:** May 2011
Griffin Hall 1

Griffin Hall 2

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2. **Hankins Hall Demolition Project**

This project involves complete demolition of the existing Hankins Hall buildings and site features. The site will be graded and seeded for grass. The architect is developing demolition specifications for bidding of the demolition and site reclamation. The demolition is currently anticipated to begin mid-September, 2010.

**Architect:** Wolnitzek Architects  
**Contractor:** TBD  
**Scope:** $225,000  
**Anticipated Completion:** TBD

3. **Residential Housing Exterior Renovation Project**

This project involves exterior renovation and repairs to Woodcrest, Kentucky, Commonwealth, and Norse Hall residence halls, as well as the Norse Commons building. Work includes repair of the exterior wall sub-base material; a total painting/recoating of each building’s exterior insulation finish surfaces (EIFS) using a palette of tonal colors; and, repair of gutters and downspouts. The project also includes the replacement of the roof on Norse Hall and repair and painting of the exterior metal stairwells on Norse Hall and Woodcrest. The roof replacement and 90% of the EIFS repairs are complete.

The balance of the work including the remaining EFIS repair, drainage work, site grading and completion of new retaining walls should be complete in mid-September 2010.

**Architect:** KZF Design  
**Contractor:** Turnbull-Wahlert Construction, Inc.  
**Scope:** $2,417,521  
**Anticipated Completion:** Fall 2010

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Residential Village 1

Residential Village 2

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4. **Albright Health Center Upgrades Project**

A project to update the appearance of the Health Center’s Recreation Center is underway. This project will be done in two phases, with the first phase being complete by the end of August. The expected completion date for the second phase is late fall 2010.

The first phase involves repainting the gymnasium, track, student locker rooms, fitness and weight rooms, and most of the first floor hallways. Also, the ceiling in the main corridors will be removed and the ductwork and exposed structure will be painted black by August 23, 2010.

The second phase will include removal of the existing solid interior doors at the main entrance to the first floor and the installation of a new glass storefront to allow the campus recreation center to be secured after hours when the building is otherwise open. This new storefront will be situated to allow building visitors to access the elevator and the stairs without entering campus recreation. New flooring will be installed in the main corridors within the campus recreation area as well as in the Health Center’s new open lobby entrance. Finally, the main corridors will receive a new ceiling application and upgraded lighting during this phase.

**Architect:** Facilities Management Staff  
**Contractor:** Various  
**Scope:** $123,507  
**Anticipated Completion:** Fall 2010

5. **Civic Center Property**

As anticipated in the April 2008 Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Highland Heights, the university obtained possession of the Civic Center property located at 175 Johns Hill Road on July 1, 2010. The deed transferring the 9.3 acre parcel was recorded on June 18, 2010. The property includes the following structures:

- Civic Center
- 2716 Clara Ave (single family home)
- Salt Bins
- Public Works Building
- Maintenance Storage Building
- Gazebo
- Sand Volleyball Courts

The Civic Center building will remain vacant until funds are available for renovation. In addition to architectural renovations to allow for new occupants, the building’s mechanical system, which is electric and thus inefficient, will be replaced. The building is also in need of a new roof.

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The city moved its municipal operations to their new facility in June. Because the city has not yet constructed maintenance facilities to replace their current buildings, the university will lease the maintenance buildings to the city on an annual lease for at least two years.

6. **W. Frank Steely Library Plaza Replacement**

This project includes replacement of 3,500 square feet of deteriorated concrete on the plaza adjacent to the W. Frank Steely Library. The waterproofing membrane and deteriorated exterior handrails are also being replaced. Water damaged interior finishes below the plaza area are being replaced and additional drainage structures are being added to the plaza area. The project also includes the addition of a planter to soften the concrete arches at the entrance of the library. The project is on schedule and within the approved budget.

**Design Engineer:** THP Limited Inc.  
**Contractor:** RAM Construction Services  
**Scope:** $196,250  
**Anticipated Completion:** September 2010
7. **Johns Hill Road Project**

The long-awaited project to reconstruct Johns Hill Road is finally approaching the bidding and construction phases. Representatives of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) began right-of-way discussions with the university in the spring. Negotiations were concluded in August, and the process of finalizing deed and easement documents is underway.

The current schedule for the Johns Hill Road project calls for bidding to occur in November with construction likely to begin in the spring. The project is expected to have 18-month duration. Traffic will be maintained throughout the construction process.

8. **Sustainability**

In December of 2007, President Votruba signed the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment (ACUPCC). To meet the requirements of that pact, a Task Force of students, faculty and staff was established. The Task Force continues its effort to foster a sustainable culture throughout the campus community and is partnering with other university organizations to do so. Some recent examples include:

- In January, February and March, the Task Force partnered with the Facilities Management recycling staff to participate in RecycleMania 2010, a 10-week nationwide competition among colleges and universities to promote waste reduction and recycling in their campus communities.
- During the last week of March, the Task Force joined forces with Procurement Services to provide the campus community with the opportunity to recycle their personal eScrap, including computers, computer peripherals, printers, scanners, fax machines, TVs, small electronics, etc., at NKU. A total of 16,200 pounds was recycled.
- Working with Campus Dining, the Task Force sponsored a pilot program of reusable and recyclable carryout food boxes. Approximately 100 people participated in the program. The full program, which reduces the amount of carryout plastic that NKU sends to landfill, will be rolled out later this fall.
- The Task Force served in an advisory capacity for the University Archivist's Records Management effort in early June. The program trained 90 faculty and staff members in the legal destruction of university records and proper recycling of those records. A total of 150 cubic feet of records were recycled.
- In April and again in August, the Task Force partnered with SAVES, a subgroup of PACES, to offer Swap Events. Faculty and staff were encouraged to clean out their office supply closets and bring unneeded office supplies to the Swap Events for on campus use by other faculty and staff. During the August event, over 850 pounds of office supplies were “swapped.”
Sustainability (continued)

- Facilities Management staff partnered with Wellness and other interested campus and community representatives to create three community garden locations in Highland Heights.

During the summer, Facilities Management employed two students to help advance green campus initiatives, including research and the completion of the NKU greenhouse gas inventory for 2009. Additionally, the students assisted in the preparation of a commuter survey to be administered this fall.

A new, student-focused reuse program will be initiated this fall. The focus of this program will be to encourage reuse of items currently discarded by students, faculty and staff. Much of the inventory for the program (three ring binders and other usable supplies) will come from the recycling program. A mobile unit will stop at scheduled times in convenient locations where students may take items they can use and leave usable items they no longer need. Hence, the program name “Take It or Leave It”.