

October 21, 2008

Dear Mathematics Major/Minor:

We take pleasure in inviting you to join the NKU math community for a banquet and an after-dinner lecture by Jim Cushing, Mathematics Teacher, Writer, and World-renowned Researcher.

On Thursday, November 6th, Dr. Cushing will be speaking at NKU on the topic "Chaos From Simplicity" (see attached flyer). The occasion is the annual Sehnert lecture. You may have attended previous years' lectures, by such inspiring mathematicians as Underwood Dudley and Ed Burger; this year's lecture promises to be equally entertaining. Dr. Cushing has indicated that this talk will be fun and accessible, so we encourage you to join us for what promises to be a wonderful evening. Dr. Cushing will be speaking about his work with cannibalistic beetles, a subject sure to please – especially right after dinner!

Speaking of dinner, we would like you to join us for a reception and buffet dinner preceding the talk, to begin at 5:30, where you can meet Dr. Cushing, NKU Mathematics and Statistics faculty, other current NKU students, some NKU alumni, and high school faculty and students from around the area. Dinner will be served at 6:00 in the NKU ballroom (University Center) with the lecture to follow at 7:30 in the Otto Budig theater.

To reserve your place at dinner, please contact the department at 859-572-5377, or stop by and sign up. If you wish to bring a friend/spouse/parent to the dinner, it is likely we can accomodate you. Please be sure to call and check on availability, however.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 572-5794, or email me at [longa@nku.edu](mailto:longa@nku.edu).

Please join us on the 6th! We believe that you will experience an enjoyable and rewarding evening.

Sincerely,

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for the Speakers Committee,  
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