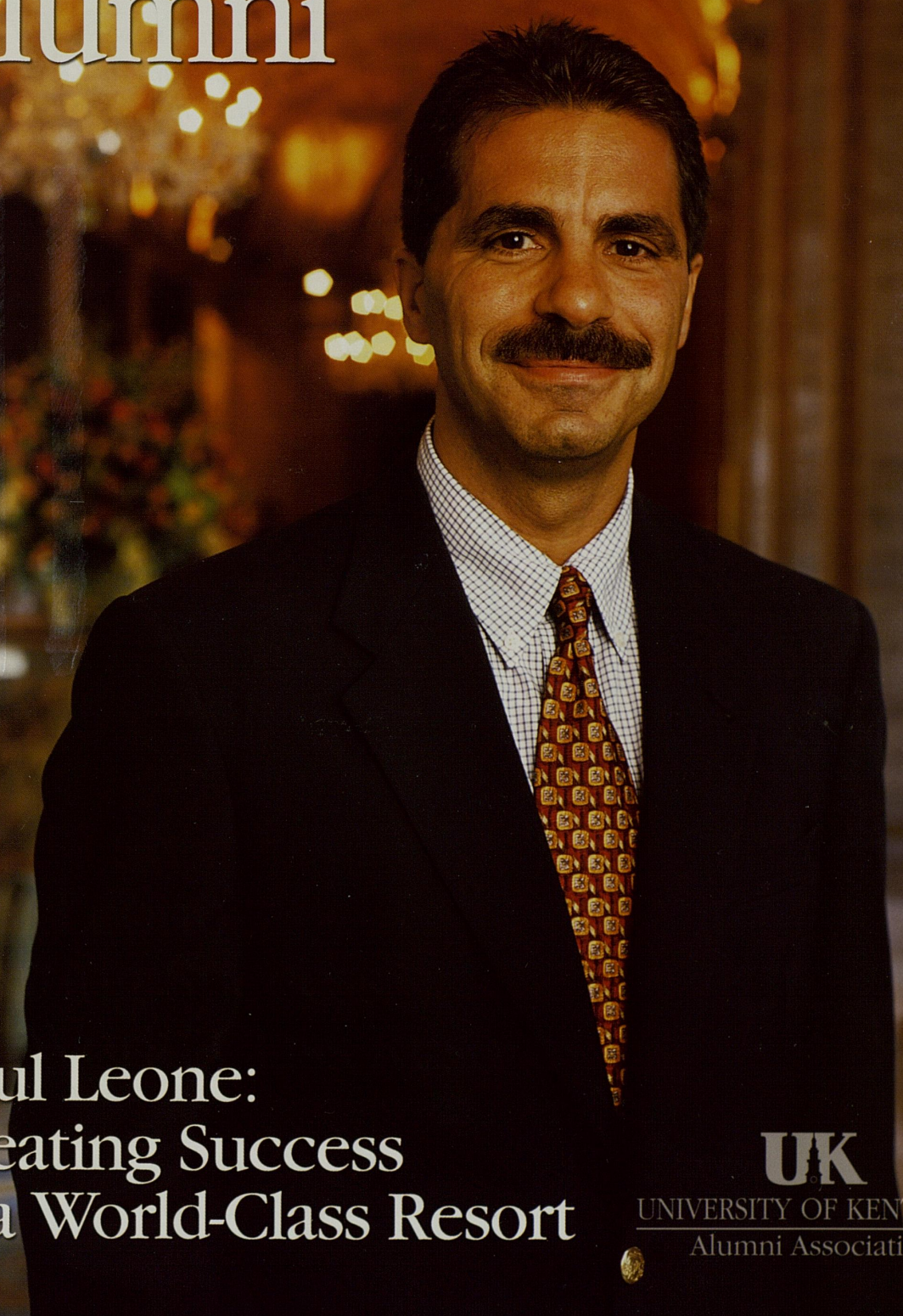


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A portrait of Paul Leone, a man with a mustache, wearing a dark suit jacket, a light-colored checkered shirt, and a patterned tie. He is smiling slightly and looking towards the camera. The background is a blurred interior space with warm lighting and a chandelier.

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What's Next? What's Now?

Do you ever wonder what's next for us from the world of technology? Can it be we will soon have a nanochip implanted in our scalp that interacts with our brain waves so we can just think out our e-mail messages and send them on their way? No keyboards or voice activation required. No longer will I need to lug home my laptop computer and backpack full of benchmark magazines and article research to find a peaceful place to write. Putting a column like this together will be direct from concept to delivery, no stops in-between.

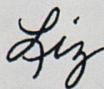
One of the interesting aspects of the journey in this profession is the impact of technology on production techniques. When my first daily newspaper article as a summer intern at the Toledo Blade was printed, the editor presented me with my byline that the linotype guy had hand set letter by letter. The process evolved from linotype and galley layouts to software programs that prepared typeset copy as you wrote it and produced page layouts electronically. Today the whole process has gone digital from creating the content to the final piece printed on a computer-controlled, printer-insert-binding-addressing machine that does away with scissors, rubber cement, photo labs, rulers and calculators, page film, and more. Even delivery can be electronic only.

This is something editors debate when kicking back in the evening after a day at a conference. For now we see magazines surviving the 21st century. One colleague theorizes, "as the world digitizes and electrifies and miniaturizes and technifies, the things that can be touched and felt and pawed over, flipped through and smelled, taped to the fridge and saved for later and mailed to daughters — those will be ever more sought after and cherished; so books and magazines, not to mention handmade tables and shirts and drawings etc., will not die but boom."

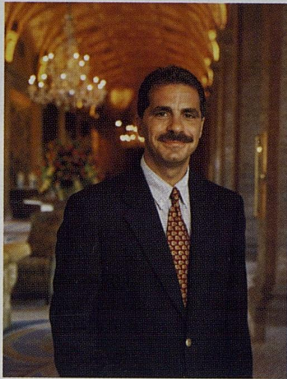
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On the Cover:
Paul N. Leone '80 BE, president and chief operating officer of The Breakers Palm Beach, an historic Italian Renaissance resort in Florida
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His position at The Breakers Palm Beach has Paul Leone '80 BE overseeing a staff of 2,100 at this AAA Five Diamond resort as well as shepherding a recent "repositioning and reinvigorating" of the resort, a renovation that poured more than \$225 million into the property since 1990.

By Robin Roenker



17 2006 UK Great Teachers

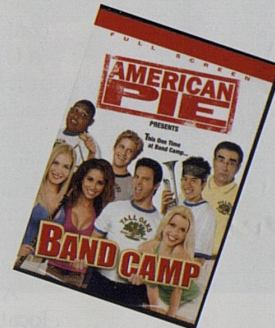
In its 45th year, the UK Alumni Association's Great Teacher Award is bestowed upon six UK professors for their outstanding and innovative classroom presentations and superior knowledge of their subject matter.

By Linda Perry

22 Brad Riddell: Easy As Pie

Brad Riddell's life appears to read like a great Hollywood movie script: move to Los Angeles, Calif., go to prestigious film school, and have first script made into the movie "American Pie Presents Band Camp" — a movie partially based around his own experiences, as well as experiences of friends, while at UK.

By Kelli Elam



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Current and former Wildcat mascots get together at Ovid's to talk about their wild experiences while entertaining UK fans at football and basketball games.

By Chris Johnson



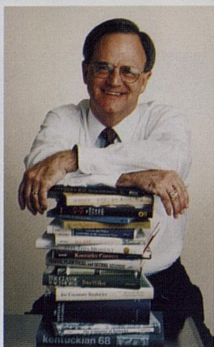
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Turning Point

If we are successful in our quest to transform the University of Kentucky into a Top 20 public research university, higher education historians may point to spring 2006 as the turning point.

For the first time since I became president of UK in 2001, the Kentucky General Assembly passed a biennial budget this March. The budget was as “higher education friendly” as any I have seen in this state in many years, fully funding our Top 20 Business Plan in 2007-08, while supporting the university’s top two capital project requests — a new pharmacy building for our Top 10 College of Pharmacy and authorization to proceed with the \$450 million expansion of our patient care facility at UK HealthCare’s Chandler Medical Center. Although 2006-07 will still be financially tight, the overall commitment we received from our elected officials this year has provided UK with a much needed boost.

As important as the legislative support was for this university, it has been the newfound campus energy that has me smiling.

On April 24, we unveiled a \$4.2 million, 74-project initiative to renovate, repair and upgrade classrooms and other facilities as part of a significant effort to improve the university’s learning and student environment.

On April 27, we announced a partnership with E.ON U.S. to study technology that could improve air quality worldwide. E.ON U.S. committed \$1.5 million over three years to UK’s Center for Applied Energy Research (CAER) for research into the reduction of greenhouse gases. Specifically, researchers will examine technologies to separate, capture and store carbon dioxide emitted by coal-fired power plants.

On May 1, we opened the \$17 million Center for Pharmaceutical Science & Technology (CPST) on Coldstream Research Campus. The 20,000 square foot, state-of-the-art facility is being tabbed the “factory of the future,” thanks to its innovative approach to formulating and manufacturing pharmaceuticals. It is estimated that by 2011 the CPST will bring in \$15 million and employ up to 100 scientists, engineers and professional staff at yearly earnings ranging from \$50,000 to \$150,000.

Also on May 1, I had the privilege to tour our new basketball practice facility, which is located just behind Memorial Coliseum. The facility promises to be one of the finest in the nation, with construction expected to be completed during the coming season.

Not only were these announcements important for the future of the university, they symbolized what this university is trying to accomplish. We are investing in our undergraduate experience, as we continue to enhance student learning. We are serving the Commonwealth through new research initiatives. We are working to diversify and enhance Kentucky’s economy. And we remain committed to strengthening the athletic programs that have brought this university pride and honor for so many years.

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Diversity Awards

UK President Lee T. Todd Jr. presented the fourth annual President's Awards for Diversity in honor and appreciation of those who have demonstrated outstanding efforts toward advancing UK's mission of embracing diversity while maintaining academic excellence.

The winners in their individual categories are:

UK Department/Unit

- James W. Stuckert Career Center

UK Students

- Willie W. Craft Jr., doctoral candidate, molecular and cellular biochemistry
- Liria Morrell, undergraduate, College of Pharmacy
- Ignacio David Acevedo-Polakovich, doctoral candidate, psychology

UK Administrator

- William H. Turner, vice president for university engagement and associate provost for multicultural and academic affairs

UK Faculty

- Keith K. Schillo, associate professor, animal and food sciences

UK Staff

- Deborah Danner, director of African American Dementia Outreach Partnership, Sanders-Brown Center on Aging



Photo courtesy Student Activities Board

Little Kentucky Derby Returns to Campus

After a decade's absence, the UK Student Activities Board reinstated a well-loved UK tradition — Little Kentucky Derby. For over 30 years, Little Kentucky Derby was the highlight of the spring semester. SAB brought the fun back for students and the community with a variety of events, including a ping-pong ball drop from Patterson Office Tower, a barbeque on south campus, a concert in Memorial Coliseum, and hot-air balloons.

UK, Alltech To Improve Animal Diet, Health

The University of Kentucky and Alltech Inc., a multinational biotechnology company based in Nicholasville, have joined forces to advance research into animal nutrigenomics, a relatively new area of science that could improve the diet and health of livestock.

The partnership was announced in conjunction with the awarding of a \$1 million state grant to help Alltech build the Center for Animal Nutrigenomics and Applied Animal Nutrition in Nicholasville. The UK College of Agriculture, primarily animal sciences, and the UK Graduate Center for Nutritional Sciences will work with Alltech to help make the state a leader in the field of nutrigenomics by supporting a variety of research projects.

Dance Ensemble Performs Spring Concert

The University of Kentucky Dance Ensemble performed its spring concert at the Singletary Center for the Arts. The concert featured new choreography by dance students and guest choreographers Gretchen Wagner of Lexington and Dalia Carella, a contemporary ethnic dancer/choreographer from New York City. These works were the outcome of independently generated choreography and include a mixture of dance genre. The formal concert enabled the artists to present their work with lighting and set design in a professional performance space.

Classrooms/Facility Improvements Begin on Campus

UK President Lee T. Todd Jr. unveiled a 74-project initiative to renovate, repair and upgrade classrooms and other facilities as part of a significant effort to improve the learning and student environment on the UK campus. The \$4.2 million facilities improvement plan represents one-time, nonrecurring dollars that have been reallocated internally, largely through cost-savings and efficiencies.

In addition to cost-savings, Todd said the one-time, nonrecurring dollars were available for the upgrades because of UK's brighter overall fiscal picture. This resulted from the increase in general fund dollars recently approved by state legislators. Some of the projects include renovation of the large lecture hall in the Chem/Phys Building, one of UK's most used classroom and lab facilities; creation of "Smart Classrooms" across campus in facilities such as the White Hall Classroom Building, Kastle Hall, Erikson Hall, the College of Dentistry, the College of Pharmacy and Dickey Hall, among others; refurbishing carpet, classrooms and student lounges in several buildings; upgrades to equipment and replacement of furniture in several classroom buildings; and new furniture in the Student Center and refurbishment of the Cat's Den.

Three Win Sullivan Award

In addition to the awarding of nearly 6,100 degrees during UK's 139th Commencement in May, three individuals received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Medallion for community service.

The three are:

- Non-student Mahjabeen Rafiuddin of Lexington, the associate executive director for the Kentucky Conference for Community and Justice, who has been active in the Lexington Mayor's Youth Council's Partners for Youth and other initiatives designed to build character in youngsters in elementary, middle and high school.
- Graduating female senior Monica Leigh Hobson of Hi Hat, a participant in UK's Robinson Scholars program, who was a mentor to other program participants, as a College of Arts and Sciences student ambassador, and as an intern in the Floyd County Family Court.
- Graduating male senior Daniel Stephen Turner of Kevil, president of UK's Phi Delta Theta fraternity and a student in the UK Honors Program, who was cited for his leadership in the Honors Program, his social activism regarding educational and economic inequality and his summer work with disabled children in an impoverished town outside Lima, Peru.

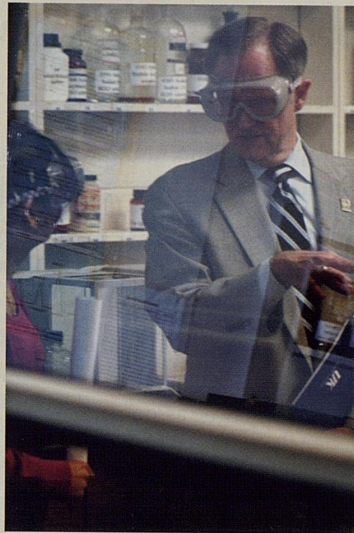


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UK Names College of Nursing Dean

Jane Marie Kirschling has been named dean of the UK College of Nursing, pending UK Board of Trustees approval. Kirschling currently is dean of the University of Southern Maine College of Nursing and Health Professions. She previously served as associate dean at the University of Rochester School of Nursing and Oregon Health Sciences University School of Nursing. A psychiatric nurse, she has published numerous academic research papers on the experience of terminal illness among patients and caregivers and the grief process, among other topics. Kirschling will begin at UK in August.



Photo submitted

Robinson Scholars Program Has Impact

The Robinson Scholars Program continues to receive accolades for its work with first generation college-bound and college students from Eastern Kentucky. The program was recognized as one of seven National Association of Student Personnel Administrators Gold Excellence Award winners. The Robinson Scholars Program earned its Gold Award in a category for Enrollment Management, Orientation, Parents, First-Year, Other-Year Services, and Programs. The program also won a \$50,000 grant from the IFSA Foundation to fund \$5,000 scholarships for 10 students to study abroad. Administrators hope these students will return to their home counties and encourage others to study abroad, a necessary underpinning for leaders in the 21st century global society in which Kentuckians must compete.

RESEARCH NOTES

Acid Reflux Disease and Esophageal Cancer

Researchers at the UK Markey Cancer Center are studying Kentucky's Fifth Congressional District to explore the link between acid reflux disease and esophageal cancer. This area was chosen because three counties in the district — Pulaski, Laurel and Whitley — have esophageal cancer rates among the highest in the nation.

An additional goal is to determine if educating the community on the many aspects of acid reflux disease and esophageal cancer will help reduce the incidence and death rate of that particular cancer.

Acid reflux disease is a known risk factor for esophageal cancer, and recent research has shown that an important step in the progression to cancer is a condition called Barrett's esophagus. Little is known about Barrett's esophagus, except that it seems to result from chronic acid reflux disease and sometimes progresses to cancer. It is believed that certain people, environments and intervention-related factors may be associated with the development of this condition. Identifying these factors and implementing public health measures, such as screening and educational programs, could be effective in improving the identification and treatment of the disease.

"This important effort combines both a public health initiative to fight one of Kentucky's most deadly cancers and a research project to expand our knowledge about the causes of esophageal cancer," said Dr. Nicholas Nickl, the study's principal investigator and professor of medicine at the UK College of Medicine.

If you have questions or would like to participate in the Marty Driesler Esophageal Cancer Research Study, please call 1-877-267-0626.

Ovarian Cysts and Infertility

CheMyong (Jay) Ko, an assistant professor in UK's College of Health Sciences, has received a \$1.2 million grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to continue his research on the female reproductive system to pinpoint which genes cause ovarian cysts. Ovarian cysts affect over 10 percent of American women.

The NIH grant will help fund Ko's research program at UK for the next five years and enables Ko to hire three new researchers. "Our goal is to establish the best model of mammalian ovulation," Ko said, "which will explain the roles of individual genes involved in the ovulatory process and help us in developing the best strategies to overcome infertility problems as well as designing safer contraceptives."



For more information about research taking place at UK, visit www.research.uky.edu

Compiled from news reports about research at UK.



Each year, more than 13,000 Americans are diagnosed with esophageal cancer, and more than 12,000 die from it.

—American Cancer Society

\$5 Million To Evaluate Child Welfare Impact

The College of Social Work, in partnership with Planning and Learning Technologies Inc., is the recipient of a \$5 million grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Children's Bureau. The funding will be used to establish a quality improvement center to evaluate the impact on children and families of using private agencies to provide child welfare services.

The National Quality Improvement Center on the Privatization of Child Welfare (QIC PCW) will serve as a resource for information on child welfare privatization and provide lessons learned from these efforts. Additionally, through the initiative, research and demonstration projects will be administered to test the effectiveness and efficiency of selected privatization models.

The grant is under the direction of UK's Crystal Collins-Camargo, the principal investigator and clinical assistant professor of social work. To learn more, contact Collins-Camargo at 859-257-5476.

RESEARCH NOTES

COLLABORATIVE EFFORT: THE ENVIRONMENT

Background Buzz

This series will highlight 23 projects aimed at solving the “Kentucky Ugliers” by improving Kentucky’s schools, business climate, environment, health care and lifestyles. These projects are the “Commonwealth Collaboratives,” a term that portrays the partnership binding UK’s researchers, K-12 educators, independent health care providers, entrepreneurs, industries, local government officials and private citizens who will participate in — and benefit from — these projects.

The five main categories of collaboratives are:

- environment
- health care
- economic development
- education
- quality of life

Quick Fact

- With Congressional passage in 2004, the oak became the official National Tree of the United States.
- Approximately two-thirds of today’s coal production results from surface rather than underground mining.
- In the United States, the average daily household water use is 350 gallons. On average, 50 to 70 percent of home water is used outdoors for watering lawns and gardens.

As one of the Commonwealth Collaboratives, UK’s emphasis on the environment is focused on three issues: land reclamation, an advanced coal ash processing plant, and the Water Pioneers Water Quality Outreach Initiative.

Land Reclamation

The reforestation of surface-mined lands in Kentucky is just one form of land reclamation in the state. An example of the work of researchers on this mission is a project led by Donald Graves in the UK Department of Forestry. This project involves developing and verifying reforestation techniques on post-mined lands using high-value hardwood tree species. In addition, the project seeks ways to promote terrestrial carbon sequestration through reforestation to capture and store carbon dioxide thereby reducing certain pollutants. The developed methods should reduce potential flooding and decrease water pollution in the watershed. This project particularly targets eastern Kentucky, where nearly 98 percent of Kentucky’s currently permitted mining is located. Partnering with the Department of Forestry are the UK College of Engineering’s Department of Mine Engineering, the UK College of Agriculture, the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Forest Service, the U.S. Department of Energy, and the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Division’s Stream Mitigation Team, along with industry support.

Coal

The Advanced Coal Ash Processing Plant is a demonstration project at Kentucky Utilities’ Ghent Power Plant to turn mountains of coal ash into commercially competitive products including some that will make concrete stronger and more durable, reducing coal power generation costs, removing the ash piles, and creating new jobs for Kentuckians.

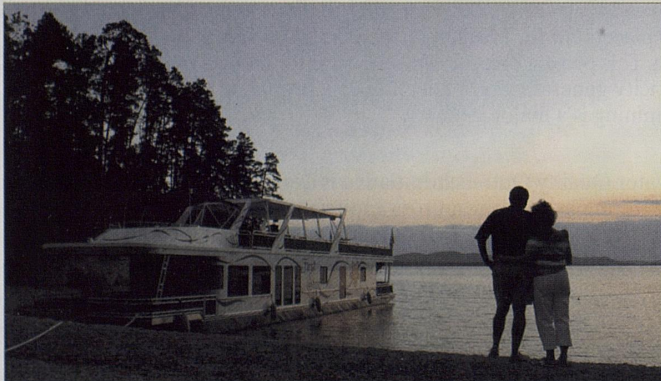
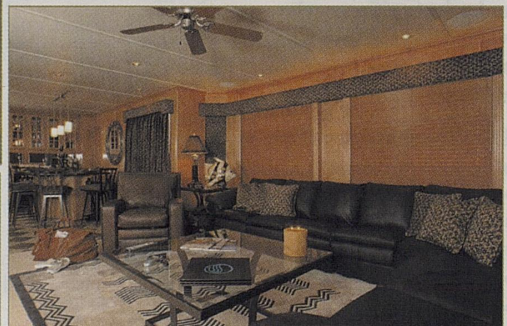
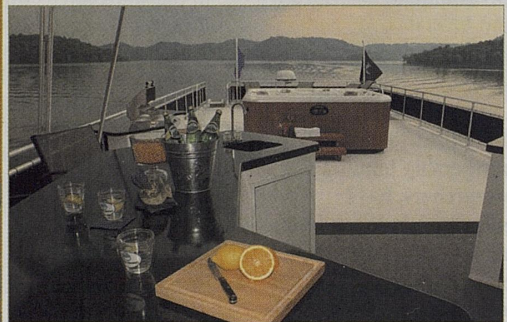
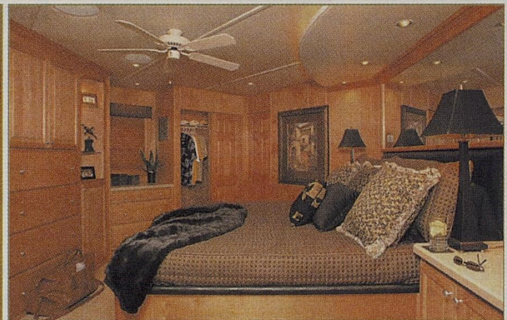
Led by Thomas L. Robl and John G. Groppo of UK’s Center for Applied Energy Research, this project is implementing a system at the power plant to improve the quality of fly ash from coal burned to generate electricity. The higher-quality fly ash can be used in concrete as a partial replacement for Portland cement, creating a cement of greater durability and strength. This project offers both a new use for coal ash waste and makes coal-burning for electricity-generating more economical, providing a boost for states like Kentucky where coal mining is a major industry.

Water

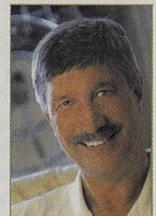
The Water Pioneers Water Quality Outreach Initiative is designed to educate eastern Kentucky youth about Kentucky water resources and engage them in water issues and improving water quality in their local communities.

Headed by Lindell Ormsbee of the Kentucky Water Resources Research Institute at UK, this project unites the College of Agriculture’s Cooperative Extension Service, the UK Robinson Scholars Program and a variety of outside agencies in an effort to encourage youth activism on behalf of an in-depth study of the Appalachian watershed. The youth-inductees into the Robinson Scholars Program, a scholarship and leadership development program that seeks to improve college attendance in a 29-county region of eastern Kentucky with a traditionally low college-going rate, will develop ideas and compare information about watersheds with students in partnering states and regions, including Alaska and Hawaii.


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SDC encourages fellow students to participate in scholarship, leadership and service activities that will stimulate commitment and philanthropy as active alumni. Members raise funds and awareness through annual events like Senior Challenge, a program which funds a new historical marker on campus each year; the Young Fellows Program, a student membership level of the Fellows Society; and Partners for Excellence, which recognizes and honors organizations on campus that have contributed time and resources for the betterment of UK and the community.



SDC members served at the 2005 Fellows Society Dinner.

DanceBlue: One Night, One Organization, One Purpose



Dance the Night Away — Memorial Coliseum was filled with DanceBlue participants and supporters. “Knowing that I could complete 24 hours of not sitting or sleeping, representing the struggles of these children, and knowing what a great cause it was for, were huge motivators for me. I was able to make a difference while proving to myself that I can do anything I put my heart and *sole* into,” said SCD member Matt Weber.

Over 180 participants representing 32 student groups throughout UK’s campus converged on Memorial Coliseum in February for a 24-hour dance marathon. DanceBlue raised an impressive \$123,323 for the Pediatric Oncology Clinic and brought together students and oncology clinic patients for a night of dancing, cheering, and hope.

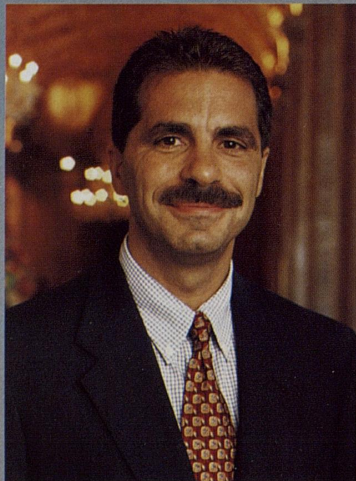
While friendly competition existed between the groups, Student Development Council (SDC) member Jay Harden considers DanceBlue his favorite event at UK because “for one night we were all part of one organization for one purpose. There was no division among the students involved — we were all there to show that we want to help families across central Kentucky.”

SDC, which won the overall group award for a medium size group, the second place Spirit Award, and third place for fund-raising (over \$1,000), had an even more central role in DanceBlue. Five members served in leadership roles, including Emily Pfeifer, overall chair and founder of the dance marathon.

Capital Campaign Update

2005 proved to be a banner year for the university’s billion dollar capital campaign. After reaching and surpassing the original goal of \$600 million, Phase II of UK’s first ever capital campaign set its sights on raising a lofty \$1 billion by December 2007. With contributions of \$137,920,228, the 2005 intermediate goal of \$850 million was not only met, but also exceeded, bringing the grand campaign total to \$861,791,794 at year’s end.

Paul Leone:



*Creating Success
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UK grad leads a culture of excellence at The Breakers Palm Beach

By Robin Roenker

In his last semester at UK in 1980, just months away from earning his bachelor's degree in accounting, Paul N. Leone donned his best suit and trekked to the Student Center for a round of on-campus interviews with each of the Big Eight accounting firms.

Having struggled his first couple of years in college before transferring to UK, he rallied his junior and senior years to end with a solid "B" average in his major. Still, he feared that wasn't going to be enough to impress interviewers at the highly competitive firms. "I honestly went in thinking they're not going to give me a chance," he said.

But then something happened that surprised him. One interviewer didn't even mention Leone's GPA. Instead, he asked about his life experiences. Leone found himself talking about his roles as a UK resident's assistant and lab technician in the radiology department at the UK Hospital. He explained how he'd dealt with the challenges and pressures of calling games fairly as an intramural referee — despite the flashing tempers and competitive drive of fraternity players on both sides of the field. He talked about adapting to a new life at age 15, when his mom and stepfather moved his family from his native Oceanside, Long Island, N.Y., a suburb of New York City, to rural Paris, Ky., and how he'd grown up helping his family run small motels and restaurants.

The interview went well and Leone was offered a position with Coopers & Lybrand in Louisville after graduation. But beyond a job, the interview endowed Leone with a life lesson on the importance of looking beyond a résumé. In his current role as president and chief operating officer of The Breakers Palm Beach, a world-class, 109-year-old, 560-room historic Italian Renaissance resort, it's a tenet he still avows.

"We have developed a core competency at The Breakers at being able to dig deep and really find out what people are made of and what's not on that résumé," Leone said. "And we have some of the most brilliant people here you could ever want to hire. Some who were tops in their class, and others who didn't even go to college. We absolutely believe in the 'don't judge the book by its cover' cliché, and it's paid huge dividends for our company."

Photos: Courtesy The Breakers Palm Beach

Making Changes

By all accounts, Leone's 21-year career at The Breakers has, itself, paid healthy dividends for the resort, in more ways than one. Leone first joined the resort's staff in 1985 as hotel controller. The resort had been one of his clients after he moved from Louisville to Palm Beach in 1983 to work as a certified public accountant at the Coopers & Lybrand office there. Once on The Breakers staff, Leone was later promoted to vice president and chief financial officer, and then in 1992 to president of Flagler System Management. In 1994 he was promoted again to his current role as president and COO of The Breakers Palm Beach and its parent company, Flagler System Inc.

Child Magazine, a leading lifestyle magazine for families, has identified the Ten Best Family-Friendly Resorts and bestowed its #1 ranking on The Breakers Palm Beach.

It's a job that has him overseeing a staff of 2,100 at a AAA Five Diamond resort that sprawls across 140 acres of Palm Beach's most historic beachfront property. As president, Leone has helped advance the "repositioning and reinvigorating" of the resort, a process that has been backed by the Kenan family's investment of over \$250 million to upgrade the property since 1990. The goal of refurbishing The Breakers without sacrificing its historic character has been "an awesome challenge," but one that has also been "incredibly gratifying," Leone said.

"We've taken a traditional, Grande Dame resort and pursued a parallel strategy of preservation and modernization, doing some really exciting, unique and fun things," he said. "It's been a labor of love."

Under Leone's leadership, for example, the resort has renovated its guest rooms, lobby and entryway, and added a 20,000-foot-spa, upscale retail shops, and a new family entertainment center — including kids' playgrounds; day camps; craft, video game room and children's movie theatre; and even staff babysitters for when mom and dad want some time alone. Earlier this year, the resort unveiled its newest amenity: 20 luxury bungalows, built in old Florida, cottage-style architecture, set amid elegantly-appointed tropical oasis right on the beachfront.

"We think it is the most unique product of its kind on the market," Leone said of The Breakers' Beach Redevelopment Project. "Our goal was to elevate the beach and pool experience for all guests and members, and we're getting rave reviews."

"We refer to it as a culture of excellence. A commitment to excellence in everything we do. And even on our best day, to believing we can do better. It's a continuous improvement model," Leone said.

Pursuing Excellence

As happy as he is with all the upgrades to the physical amenities at The Breakers, Leone is most proud of the work he and his staff have done in "rebuilding the culture" at the resort, he said.

The model seems to be working, with large percentages of repeat customers in all areas of the resort's diverse clientele — from families to business travelers. While Leone admits it can be a challenge trying to be





“all things to all people,” The Breakers’ vast acreage allows it to offer separate and distinct amenities for corporate or leisure clients, as well as for families or individuals. What’s more, the staff there takes the stance that all customers are really one and the same. “The corporate guest could also be a customer who would want to come back with his or her spouse or family,” Leone explained, “and a leisure guest might want to bring a company meeting to the hotel.”

At The Breakers, the emphasis is on building relationships with the clients. “This isn’t just about renting a hotel room. It’s about the overall experience, whether you’re an individual leisure guest, or a corporate guest,” Leone said. “The overall experience is really what we sell. And we do it in a way that is highly personalized. I think that relationship building is what brings people back and sets us apart.”

Key to insuring the resort’s continued success, according to Leone, is — first and foremost — insuring the satisfaction of its employees. “We like to say we’re in the people business. We’re not in the hotel business, or the restaurant business or the spa business, or the retail business,” Leone said. “And what does that mean? It means our top priority is selecting outstanding people committed to the highest standard of excellence, putting them in a position to succeed and nourishing them with rewards and recognition. We value


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The Breakers Palm Beach

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, The Breakers Palm Beach is a legendary resort destination. First opened in 1896, the hotel was originally built by Standard Oil and railroad magnate Henry Flagler. The resort was destroyed by fire in 1903 and again in 1925; the hotel building that stands today was constructed in 1926. Family-operated throughout its history, the resort is now owned by the Kenan family, descendants of Flagler’s third wife, Mary Lily Kenan, who inherited the hotel in 1913.

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our people more than anything.” Leone credits the Kenan family for helping establish and maintain the “incredible family-like” atmosphere among the resort’s staff, many of whom have worked decades at the hotel.

When The Breakers was hit hard by Hurricanes Frances, Jeanne, and Wilma in 2004 and 2005, it was forced to close for 40 days over a 12-month period. The hotel suffered a multimillion-dollar loss in revenue. But rather than laying off staff, all employees were paid in full during the downtime and encouraged to volunteer to help other Palm Beach County and Florida residents with area clean-up efforts after their own homes were in order. The hotel also was opened at discounted rates to residents, like Allen and Carol Wyett, whose homes were damaged in the storms.

“If anyplace is town-serving, it’s The Breakers,” Carol Wyett told the *Palm Beach Daily News* in December 2004. Scott and Kristy Johnson of Palm Beach had earlier written a letter to the editor of the same local newspaper to laud Leone’s “great leadership and unselfish kindness,” during the storms, calling him “a tremendous asset to our community.”

But Leone brushes aside the praise. “If you understand, as we do, that we’re in the people business, then to us, it doesn’t seem like we did anything heroic,” Leone said of The Breakers’ response to the hurricanes. “We just did what you’d expect, when you’re trying to help your family.”

Drawing on Experience

Leone, who with his wife, Kathy, has four young sons — Benjamin, 13, Griffin, 11, Jacob, 9, and Paul Nicholas (Nicky), 7 — says that becoming a father and having a family of his own has “had a huge impact” on The Breakers’ becoming a more family friendly resort.

For their part, when it’s time for vacation, the Leone family can often be found relaxing on the beach at Cape Cod, or boating on a small lake in upstate New York. But Leone says his sons, having grown up around The Breakers, are equally at home traveling to

other first-class resorts. And when they do travel in style, Leone says he can’t help but be a student of the experience, bringing back new ideas to try at The Breakers.

Today, Leone has come quite a way from his early beginnings helping his family run a small motel in Paris. Widely regarded as one of the nation’s premier hoteliers, Leone’s perspective recently was included along with other leading hotel executives in “*Inside the Minds: The Hotel Business*” published by Aspatore Books. He works actively with the Palm Beach United Way and serves as president of the Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce where, according to chamber Executive Director Laurel Baker, “he is an incredible mentor and strong voice” for the business community there.

And while he may get to report to work at one of the country’s most luxurious locales every day, that hasn’t dampened his memories of the beauty of Kentucky. Though he doesn’t get back to the Bluegrass State as often as he’d like, he recently promised a friend in Paris he’d try to get back for Keeneland soon. And in the meantime, he likes to tell his sons stories about his time spent at UK: Sneaking into Commonwealth Stadium with his brother, Nick, who also attended UK, to kick field goals when no teams were practicing on the field. Hanging out with friends atop the roof on his Linden Walk apartment for hours on end on weekends. And making it through tough business courses thanks to memorable professors, including the late Dr. Albert Patrick who knew how to energize students and subtly let them know when they were making a misstep — a skill he tries to implement in his own leadership style today.

“I love Kentucky. And I loved UK,” Leone said. “I had some great memories there, and some wonderful experiences. My education there, the people, the impressions that were made, play a big part in my business today.”

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2006 Great Teachers at UK

Six are honored for expertise and teaching methods in the classroom

By Linda Perry

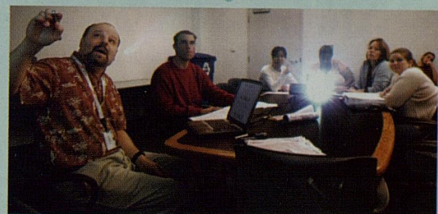
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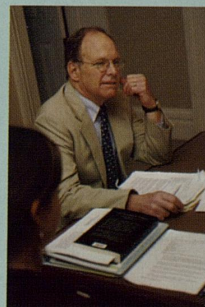
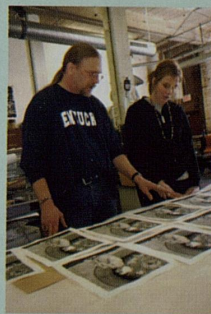
Six University of Kentucky teachers received the 2006 Great Teacher Award presented by the UK Alumni Association

for outstanding and innovative classroom presentations and superior knowledge of their subject matter. These individuals also demonstrate a strong concern for students, both inside and outside the classroom.

This is the oldest, continuously-given award for teachers at UK and is special because only students can recommend individuals for the award. Award winners are selected by a committee appointed by the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors and representatives of Mortar Board and Omicron Delta Kappa. The honor is accompanied by a \$2,000 cash stipend.



Photos: Tim Collins



Dr. John Mink

Professor and Acting Division Chief of Pediatric Dentistry, UK College of Dentistry

Dr. John Mink started teaching at the UK College of Dentistry in 1962, one year after the UK Alumni Association announced its very first Great Teacher Awards in 1961. He was instrumental in getting the pediatric dentistry program started, and currently serves as professor and covering instructor for dental students and residents. His more than 40 years of experience in dentistry is a clear benefit for his students, who note that he is always smiling and very approachable for questions.

Mink says the basic subject matter in his classroom, pediatric dentistry, hasn't changed much over the years, but there's no doubt that technology has changed the way he teaches. "A lot of dentistry is not textbook," said a Great Teacher nominator. "Dr. Mink provides the link that allows us to take our textbook education and apply it to actual clinical situations."

There are about 200 students in the College of Dentistry and they are very close, often participating together in activities after classes. Mink goes to a lot of the events, including the college's flag football game this academic year when the students beat the University of Louisville's



College of Dentistry. One Great Teacher nominator noted, "Seeing faculty like Dr. Mink outside of the school setting means a lot to the students and builds better relationships."

Sidney W. Whiteheart

Professor, Dept. of Biochemistry, College of Medicine

It should come as no surprise that a man who is researching the molecular mechanisms of platelet secretion in human blood is the same individual who has so far donated 11 gallons of blood as a pheresis donor of platelets in 12 years. Being a pheresis donor means whole blood is taken from that donor and a specific component is removed — in this case, platelets — and the remainder of the blood is returned to the donor. Platelet cells are made in bone marrow and prevent bleeding. Chemo patients, in particular, benefit from transfusions of platelet units. Whiteheart enthusiastically encourages others to give as often as possible. "It's an easy way to potentially save someone's life."

Students always find Whiteheart totally prepared for classes and able to make the material both interesting and relevant to current research. In addition to teaching, he spends a significant amount of time at the bench in his own research lab. Whiteheart encourages students to constructively criticize published work and to consider how they would have approached an experiment differently. "I believe I am a better scientist, student, and citizen for having learned from Dr. Whiteheart," said one nominator.

Whiteheart was very supportive of the founding of the Student Data Club, where graduate students in the biochemistry department present their work and get feedback and ideas from other students. He also helps with the Student Journal Club which meets weekly to discuss primary literature in a variety of fields. In addition to his professional activities, Whiteheart also is involved in his son's Cub Scout troop.





Ross Zirkle

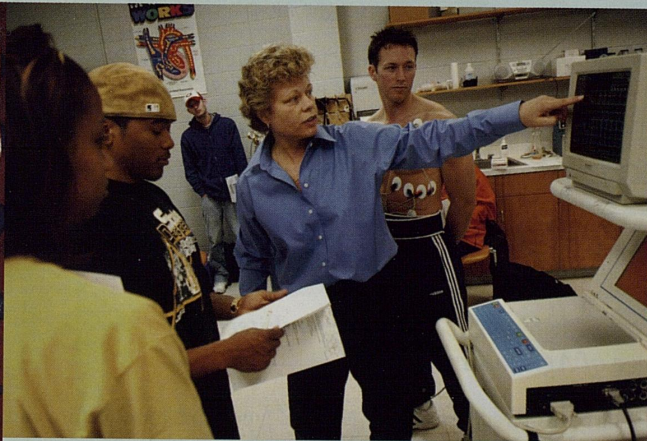
*Assistant Professor, Dept. of Fine Art,
College of Fine Arts*

Ross Zirkle teaches printmaking and drawing courses in the Reynold's Building. He is a Tamarind Master Printer — there are only about 100 others who can claim this title — a distinction that means he has achieved a distinguished level of printmaking mastery, bestowed by the Tamarind Institute at the University of New Mexico. Becoming a Master Printer is like becoming a Master Chef in that there is an artful technique that is practiced that rises far above what others can achieve in this pursuit as a hobby.

Zirkle's accomplishments take a backseat in the classroom as he concentrates on his students' concerns and their technical questions, encouraging them to express who they really are through their art and find their own answers. "Teaching gives me a front row seat to the creative process. I've got to know when I can step in without trespassing," he said.

"This is very rare in an art professor," said one nominator. "Fine art is so subjective that often professors impress their own aesthetic choices on the students."

Zirkle creates some of his inspiration for teaching from his experiences with his own "great teacher" — a professor he had in the '70s while an undergrad at a university that didn't give grades. "Teachers had to motivate students without the threat or the bribe of a grade. This taught me tremendous motivational skills watching how he had to get those students working up to their full capacity," he said.



Jody L. Clasey

*Associate Professor, Dept. of Kinesiology and
Health Promotion, College of Education*

Jody L. Clasey is on a mission to help stop childhood obesity. Her background and knowledge in exercise physiology and endocrinology have allowed her to address current issues in prevention and intervention strategies to combat obesity, insulin resistance, and cardiovascular disease. Clasey is leading a study to develop new pediatric appropriate equations to provide a new assessment tool that can accurately measure the body composition of children in settings outside the laboratory. This study involves over 400 children between the ages of 5 and 11. Her UK students are benefiting from her research as she shares her findings in the classroom and has had several undergraduate and

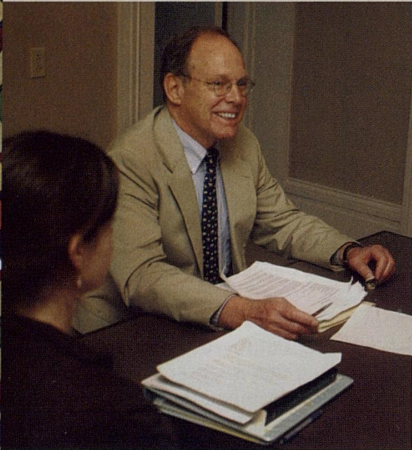
graduate students join her research efforts in the laboratories.

"My contention with childhood obesity is that the earlier we can make an impact, the better. You are fighting an uphill battle with young children, but when you get to post-puberty, it's even more difficult," she said.

One nominator said that Clasey's personality and depth of knowledge combine to create an atmosphere that welcomes class participation. She also brings exercise physiologists from around the world into her classroom, not as guest speakers but through stories of her professional relationships with others in the field and how they have helped to improve the quality of life. "This helps students to conceptualize how what they are learning now can be applied to the real world. It also makes a connection between where we are as students and what can be accomplished," said one nominator.

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Daniel Rowland



*Associate Professor and
Director of the Gaines
Center for the Humanities,
College of Arts and
Sciences*

Since earning his doctorate in Russian history at Yale after three years as a Marshall Scholar studying European history at the University of Oxford, England, Daniel Rowland has become accomplished in the field of Eastern Studies and recently was invited to Florence, Italy, as an expert on Russia as part of a collaborative workshop that will culminate in a book produced by Yale University Press on political thought in early modern Europe.

Never content to limit himself to history, his knowledge of music, ritual, philosophy, linguistics, and literature enrich his students every day. Described as one who “thinks outside the box,” Rowland dares his students to stand up for their beliefs. “Dr. Rowland is a relentless motivator in reaching for the seemingly unattainable and has challenged me to achieve more for myself than I ever thought possible,” said one nominator.

Although he has earned international renown, he remains committed to local causes and is a strong advocate for preservation, having previously been on the board of the Blue Grass Trust for Historic Preservation for 25 years and chairperson of the Pope Villa Project. He also has played a crucial role in keeping Lexington’s Historic South Hill neighborhood intact and is active in that neighborhood association.

“The most important impact you can have is right here in your local community,” he said.

As director of The Gaines Center for the Humanities, Rowland’s office is located half way “between the town and the gown” on Maxwell Street. “It’s perfectly positioned to be a link between campus and the community,” he said.

Barry Kew

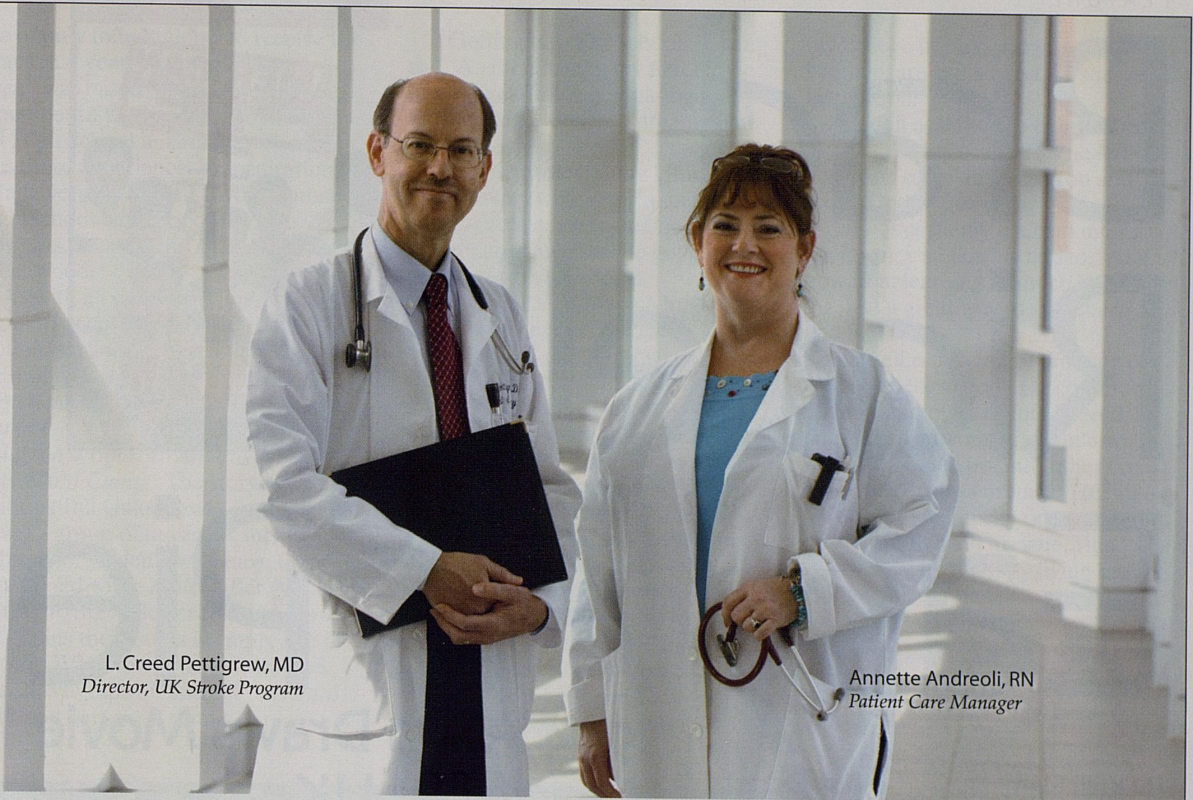
*Assistant Professor, Landscape Architecture,
College of Agriculture*

Part of Barry Kew’s superior knowledge of landscape architecture comes from his extensive background working with highly-acclaimed design firms over a 12-year period. Some of the notable projects he’s worked on include Exchange Square in London, England, and the Holocaust Memorial in Washington, D.C. His UK students clearly benefit from the wealth of his experience in contemporary, as well as historical, design projects.

Kew likes to lead by example and be a mentor. He said he was fortunate to have a good mentor while in graduate school who spent time with the students in the evenings. “I thought that if I ever teach I need to do the same thing because ideas come to you at different times. I expect a lot from the students and I think they should expect a lot from us. Not that every instructor needs to do that. I don’t have a family here that others do, but in a lot of ways, the students are my family. That’s a luxury that I have that other faculty members don’t,” he said.

Kew is wholeheartedly involved with his landscape architecture students and regularly takes them on week-long camping trips to study in such places as New Orleans, La., and Salt Lake City, Utah, as well as visits to significant local destinations like Red River Gorge. “Professor Kew distinguishes himself among his peers through a creative and adaptive teaching style which focuses on motivating students to strive not only for academic excellence, but to advance themselves as responsible and informed stewards of the land,” said one nominator.





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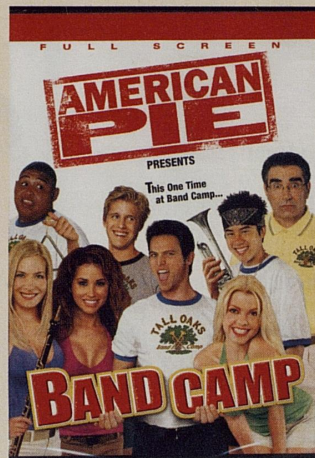
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Brad Riddell: Easy As Pie

1994 Alum Draws Movie Ideas from UK

By Kelli Elam

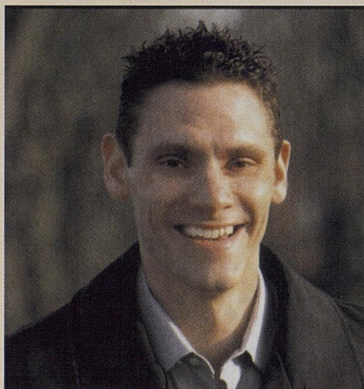


Richard Bradley Riddell's life appears to read like a great Hollywood movie script: move to Los Angeles, Calif., go to prestigious film school, and have first script made into a movie. However, like all good scripts, this one has had plenty of twists and turns.

Riddell recently wrote the screenplay for "*American Pie Presents: Band Camp*," the fourth installment of the wildly successful teen comedy "*American Pie*" franchise. He also is an adjunct faculty member at the University of Southern California's renowned film school.

Riddell's original plan didn't include being a writer. After seeing the movie "*Wall Street*," Riddell just knew he wanted to be a stockbroker, which led him to initially major in finance at UK. He had a change of heart after watching "*Gross Anatomy*." He then wanted to become a doctor. That didn't last too long either. Finally, after watching "*Dead Poet's Society*," Riddell figured out what he wanted to do.

"Something finally clicked in me and I realized that it was the actual



movies that were inspiring me, not the professions," Riddell said. "I knew I wanted to work in film."

Riddell is now living his dream, but it didn't happen overnight. After earning a bachelor's degree in English from UK in 1994, Riddell went through what he jokingly refers to as his "dark period." He took a job at a local motel in Lexington as an audio visual technician. In other words, he operated a slide projector. Riddell did some work for a production company that was in town to do audio visual work for corporate franchisee

meetings. The company, J.A. Walkir and Associates, was based in Wilson, N.C. When a job offer came, Riddell decided to pack up and go.

"I didn't know anyone," he said. "But it turned out to be a wonderful experience for me. I really learned about all aspects of production. I learned how to edit and shoot. I became pretty skilled in both."

After a couple of years, Riddell returned to Lexington and began working for Video Editing Services. While working on a local project, it was suggested that he should give film school a try.

"I think that notion had been in the back of my mind for a while and I decided to do it."

Riddell applied to producing programs at the University of Southern California and the University of California, Los Angeles, with no luck. He was told he "lacked savvy." Not to be deterred, he applied to writing programs. He was accepted into the USC program. He soon discovered that this was what he had been searching for all along. He graduated in 2002 having earned the USC Award of Distinction,

one of only four students to receive the award that year. His thesis *"Band Geek"* was based on his experiences as a member of the band at Lloyd Memorial High School in Erlanger. Riddell uses those experiences as inspiration. A faux version of the Lloyd Memorial High School band appears in the movie, as does nearby rival Beechwood.

As with all good storylines, things began to come together for Riddell. When his manager heard that Universal Studios was looking to revive the *"American Pie"* franchise, he submitted *"Band Geek."* Riddell got the job of revising the script for *"American Pie Presents: Band Camp."* The story is set at fictitious Tall Oaks Band Camp and involves a group of musically inclined high school students who have their lives ruined when Matt Stifler (younger brother to Steve Stifler from *"American Pie"*) joins their ranks at camp. The direct-to-DVD movie was released on Dec. 26. He calls his success part hard work and part good timing.

"Getting into film school, moving to L.A., then having my first movie made a year after graduating is any aspiring screenwriter's dream come true," he said.

Riddell attributes the University of Kentucky with being a big reason for his success. Turns out, he didn't just get an education; he got plenty of great ideas for scripts.

"My time at UK was a huge influence on this movie," he said. "Not only did I get a great education, but I was in a fraternity and also an actor in the theater department — two very different worlds. Lambda Chi Alpha not only provided me with great sources of material to draw from in writing *American Pie IV* — I lived with my share of Stiflers in the house over the years — it also gave me a fantastic support system of dedicated brothers who stuck by me through the tough times and encouraged me to chase my dreams. It has been 11 years since I graduated, but

my college friends and fraternity brothers are still a constant source of inspiration."

Riddell admitted to being more than a little nervous when he left his "comfort zone" in Lexington and moved to Los Angeles.

"It has certainly been an interesting journey so far," he added. "And now I am learning so much by teaching. It is a great way to stay sharp and focused."

Riddell is constantly thinking of new ideas for movies. He continues to write and pitch scripts, he said. He enjoys writing comedies, but also wants to branch out into other types of movies, such as dramas. He hopes to return to Kentucky one day and raise a family with his wife, Tina.

For now, he is happy living his Hollywood dream.

Action!

Brad Riddell is one of three experienced film professionals leading a new group called The Kentucky Film Lab (KFL), a nonprofit enterprise dedicated to creating and supporting a community of filmmakers and multimedia artists. KFL (www.kyfilmlab.com) also includes an advisory board of successful filmmakers and multimedia professionals from Kentucky, New York, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

KFL activities will include filmmaker institutes, screenwriting workshops, film forums, educational programs, festivals and film production. KFL will have offices in Lexington and Louisville. The organization is an initiative of the ideaFestival Institute in furtherance of its mission to promote innovation and the communication of ideas. KFL emerged from the successful Filmmaker Labs held by the institute since 2002. UK is a cosponsor of ideaFestival.



The Cat Club

By: Chris Johnson

Every once in awhile current and former Wildcats get together to talk about their wild experiences in the blue and white. But these aren't athletes; these are the goodwill ambassadors who visit children's groups and fans around the state and country in between entertaining at each football and basketball game.

An Ovid's worker walks by after his shift and notices the camera equipment trained on five guys sitting in the corner seat, one of which is wearing the UK Wildcat mascot head.

"Hey, man, are you the new mascot?" he asks.

"Yeah," Gavin Duerson, the mascot from 1996-99, replies as current Cat David Hanson takes off the fuzzy suit head. "We're actually putting together a swimsuit calendar."

He begins rubbing his chest, mimicking the application of tanning lotion.

The rest of the group joins the Ovid's employee as he laughs all the way out the door.

The five guys in the corner, Jay McChord (mascot from 1988-91), Brent Claiborne (1994-96), Gavin Duerson (1996-99), his brother Clay (2003-05) and Hanson (2005-06), are the former and current UK Wildcat mascots.

They're doing what they do when they get together, which is about once a month: tell jokes and reminisce about the wild, wonderful life they've all led as the premier goodwill ambassador, and comedian, of UK athletics.

Throughout their combined terms, they've been to thousands of events and functions, ranging from UK basketball and football games to area elementary school visits.

The Wildcat has talked to hundreds of children's groups, done thousands of one-armed pushups at football games and entertained millions of fans.

"The state's had a love affair with the Wildcat," McChord said.

"You're a quasi-celebrity inside state borders."

"Everybody loves you when you're in the suit,"

Hanson said. "Outside nobody knows you. Or cares."

The Wildcat has gotten unsportsmanlike conduct penalties during football games.

He once dressed up as a Christmas tree and left gar-

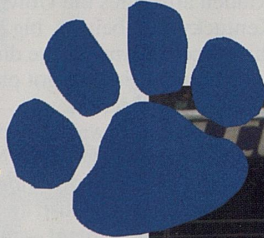


Photo: Chuck Perry

Whether standing atop a pyramid or spelling out C-A-T-S, doing push-ups, fighting an alligator or dragging a stuffed bird around, the UK Wildcat lifts the Big Blue Spirit.

land strewn all over the Rupp Arena floor right before the Louisville game.

He's gotten lost headed to games, left behind by the cheerleading squad, and walked right through the front gate of the stadium with the fans and no ticket.

He's been threatened multiple times by administration officials from athletics director Mitch Barnhart on down, that if his antics don't continue he'll be fired.

"Lots of people's jobs are on the line, it's so serious, with all the TV and money," McChord said. "Then you throw in a guy whose job is to basically mess everything up."

"They don't tell you what you can and can't do," Gavin Duerson said. "When I'd suggest something I was thinking

about doing (to a higher-up), usually it was 'I didn't hear that' or 'we never had this conversation.'

"I proposed to my wife during a timeout at Rupp Arena," Duerson said. "I knew if I asked permission to do that, I'd get shot down."

"I wore a shirt that said 'Real men don't wear Red' for the Indiana game," said Claiborne, who originated the idea for the mascots to wear clothing on top of their suits. "I was walking over to the Indiana bench, kind of showing them the shirt, and someone said, 'Real men don't wear mascot suits.' I was like, OK, see you later!"

These events, and more, are regaled to other members of the group at their monthly meetings.

The group started in the mid-1990s, when McChord and Claiborne (the nephew of former UK football coach Jerry Claiborne) decided to brainstorm Claiborne's routine for the mascot national championships. They found themselves together again each time nationals rolled around, and as other mascots came and joined the pair for expertise, it grew to several.

Soon they realized they enjoyed getting together, and started to do it more frequently.

When they're all in the same room, it has an Old College Buddy feel to it; they all laugh at the same stories they've heard multiple times, finish some of each other's sentences, and spend most of their time acting foolish, just hanging out.

"Even though there's a wide age-range here, we're all acting like we're in high school," Hanson said.

The former and current Cats attended Southland Christian Church, and say their faith is one of the common grounds of their relationship. They were, and are, involved in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, where they interact with the athletes even more than they generally do on the field, which is hardly at all save a pre-game high five.

The main place the mascots and athletes spend time together is in the shower.

"I couldn't find the shower after a game once," Gavin Duerson said. "Somebody pointed me in the direction, so I'm taking my gear off and I round the corner, and there's the entire basketball team. They knew me enough to know who I was, but we weren't on showering terms."

Each story is met with more laughter; it's reminiscent of the reunion of a band or classmates. Everyone remembers what's going to happen, but the tide of memories that comes along with it rises and rises.

"You're wearing a carpet in the middle of the summer," McChord said. "You're just hoping they don't score so you don't have to do one-armed pushups."

Everyone nods in agreement.

So even being the biggest cheerleader sometimes doesn't stop one from rooting against his team?

"You get to trading stories that only you can appreciate," Hanson said.

It's a brotherhood forged in fur.

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Former and current UK mascots cut up at Ovid's. From left: Clay Duerson (mascot from 2003-05), Gavin Duerson (1996-69), David Hanson (2005-present), Brent Claiborne (1994-96) and Jay McChord (1988-91)

Photo: Keith Smiley





THE OPEN DOOR



The **Office of Multicultural and Academic Affairs**, the **Lyman T. Johnson African American UK Alumni Constituent Group** and the **UK Alumni Association** hosted a mixer at the King Alumni House to congratulate 2006 African-American graduating seniors and to welcome them into the UK alumni community. Derrick Ramsey, UK Alumni Association Board of Directors member, at right, greeted Agyenim Boateng and his daughter, Afua Boateng, during the event.



Bethany Chamberlin, center, a English major, was one of five interns receiving awards. Congratulating her are, left, Philipp Kraemer, associate provost for undergraduate education, and, right, Jim Stuckert, former CEO of Hilliard-Lyons.

Interns and Recruiters Receive Awards

Five students were honored for their internship accomplishments during the UK Spring Career and Internship Expo. Their employers (Carnegie Center for Literacy and Learning, Thomas & King, AD-SUCCESS Marketing, Girl Scouts – Wilderness Road, University Press of Kentucky) also received recognition. The Recruiter of the Year Award went to Enterprise Rent-A-Car. The New Recruiter of the Year Award went to NVR/Ryan Homes. The UK Alumni Association was cosponsor of the event.



UK students get tips on finding a job during the Last Minute Job Search Workshop from Sue Strup, director of the **Stuckert Career Center**.



Congratulations and Welcome to the Class of 2006!



Kelsey Furtado of Pleasant Hill, Calif., hammed it up for her parents after the Commencement ceremony.



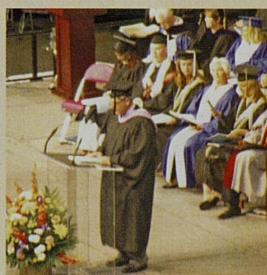
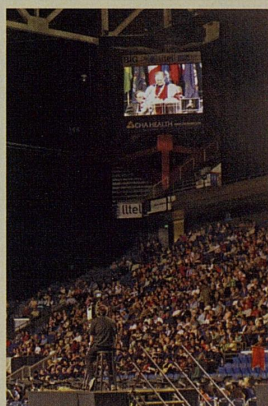
Colt Knight of South Charleston, W. Va., checks out the University of Kentucky class ring display at the UK Alumni Association's New Grad Alumni Reception.



Three generations of UK alumni were on hand for this milestone event in the life of graduate Frederick Joseph Pollock '06, third from left, including his grandfather George W. Freas '48 and mother Carol D. Freas '73, '76. Also sharing in the celebration were his aunt and uncle, Leatha Kendrick '71, '77 and William Kendrick '68, '71 and other well-wishers, including another UK grad, Will White '06.



At times there was standing room only at the UK Alumni Association reception for graduates and their families attending Commencement activities at Lexington Center.



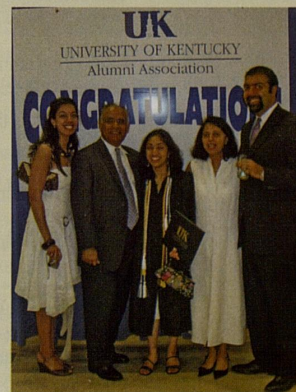
Alumni President Tim Skinner welcomed the 2006 graduates to their newly acquired UK alumni status, urging them to stay connected to their college friends and the university through the UK Alumni Association.



Football player Warren Wilson, far right, and his wife Alicia Sellers Wilson holding their son, Warren III, are joined by family, from left, Ernest Sellers, Westley Sellers, Harriett Sellers, Sade Sellers, Jessica Sellers and Westley Sellers.

UK President Lee T. Todd Jr. presented an honorary doctorate to Irish Poet Seamus Heaney, a 1995 Nobel Laureate for Literature who also gave the Commencement address. Others receiving honorary degrees were Raymond Betts, a retired UK history professor and founding director of UK's Gaines Center for the Humanities; Abby Marlatt, longtime UK faculty member, director of the School of Home Economics and noted social advocate and activist; and Congresswoman Louise McIntosh Slaughter '51, '53, a Harlan County native who has served 18 years in Congress as the U.S. Representative for the 28th Congressional District of New York State.

The Tailor family celebrates with their new grad Monalisa Tailor. Centered around Tailor are Prina Tailor, Tarun Surti, (Tailor), Lata Surti and Vivek Surti.





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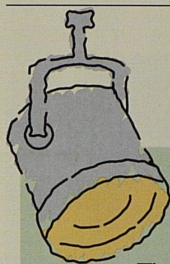
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THE OPEN DOOR CLUB HOPPING



Northern Kentucky/ Greater Cincinnati

The biggest folder in the club file drawer belongs to the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club. It is packed with information about this club that has its roots in two long-standing clubs that joined hands across the river in 2002 to provide programming for this multi-state area.

The club offers many opportunities to network, to help the university and to help the community while having fun the whole time.

Many alumni say one of the most satisfying things the club does is support the university by helping students going to UK. The club assists the UK Admissions Office at high school college fairs in the area, sponsors a send-off party for students who are getting ready to pack their bags for UK, and most important, provides scholarships. The club has set a goal for its Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati Scholarship Endowment of \$250,000 by 2010. The club has already raised \$25,000 this fiscal year. The annual Scholarship Golf Outing is a major component in raising scholarship dollars — and having fun. It's a two-day event with a Silent Auction Dinner in addition to a celebrity golf scramble. Last year Jeff Sheppard was the guest speaker at the dinner and joining the 152 golfers the next day was PGA Tour Professional Steve Flesch. Among other celebrities you might see are former UK athletes and a coach or two. Mark your calendar for the 2006 event Aug. 20-21.

In December the club participated in Christmas in Appalachia donating gifts and checks for families in Letcher County. As volunteers for the Wild About Literacy philanthropy of the UK Alumni Association, the club collected books for a local literacy program and made a donation to an adult literacy project, Centra de Amistad.

UK game watching events and bus trips to football and basketball games are a calendar regular as is a family night at a Cincinnati Reds game. An active UK Young Alumni group not only joins in with the whole club but also hosts events such as a Wine Tasting Party at the Cincinnati Art Museum.

If you live or work in the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati area, consider yourself invited! To know what is going on, check out the club online at www.ukalumni.net and call 1-800-269-ALUM or 859-257-8905 to update your alumni record and preferred e-mail address or join the UK Alumni Association.



Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club scholarship recipient Edward Roszel and his parents, Susan '75 and Jim '80 of West Chester, Ohio, were on hand for the annual UK Alumni Association Scholarship Dinner. Other recipients of the club's 2005-06 scholarship awards are Benjamin Mason of California, Ky., Amanda Kennedy of Burlington and Erin Welsh of Walton.



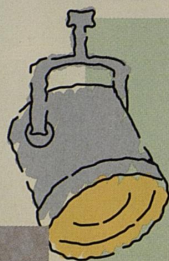
Fayette County UK Young Alumni members, left to right, Christy Nimick, Jodi Dickey, and Rebecca Hobbs enjoyed a night of bowling in Lexington.

Members of the **Franklin County UK Alumni Club** met at the Boone National Guard Armory for an evening of fellowship and information regarding the UK Solar Car Project. Scott Stephens from the **UK College of Engineering** presented information about the solar cars that have been designed and built by UK engineering students. Students Matt Hatfield, Donnie Jones, and Nicholas Such demonstrated the Gato de Sol solar car.





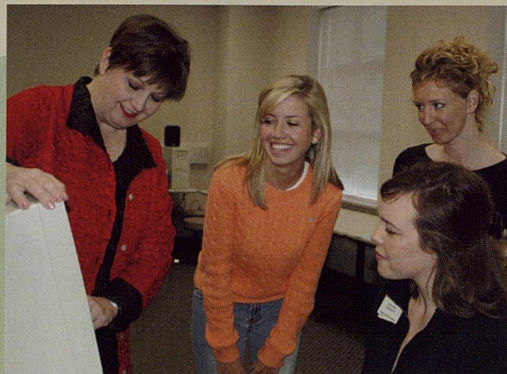
THE OPEN DOOR COLLEGE VIEW



J. Gary Maynard Jr., a 1967 graduate of the **UK College of Dentistry**, was named the 2005 Distinguished Alumnus of the Year. Maynard has practiced periodontics for over 37 years in Richmond, Va. He has served as president of the Richmond Dental Society, Virginia Society of Periodontics, Southern Academy of Periodontology, and the American Academy of Periodontology. He is a Fellow of the American College of Dentistry and a Diplomate of the American Board of Periodontology. Maynard is pictured with his wife, Sally.



UK College of Engineering mining engineering department chairman Rick Sweigard, left, visited with Fred Shelton '80 '82 EN at an alumni reception in St. Louis, Mo., during the national conference of the Society of Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration.



Health Sciences Dean Lori Gonzales shifts into teaching mode with three master's level communication disorders students— Lucy Rucker, Erica Noble, and Courtney Hammons.

College of Health Sciences

Forty years ago the College of Allied Health Personnel was among the first in the country to open its doors to undergraduates offering certificate and bachelor degree programs. Today it is a robust College of Health Sciences offering nine disciplines of study and degrees ranging from the bachelor's to doctoral level.

Dean Lori Gonzales notes that the college has two priorities — dedication to educating front-line, entry level practitioners for allied health disciplines as well as educating the clinical, educational and research leaders of tomorrow.

The college works hard to ensure the education of skilled, compassionate health sciences professionals — athletic trainers, clinical and reproductive laboratory scientists, clinical nutritionists, clinical leadership and management professionals, physician assistants, physical therapists, radiological medical physicists, doctors of rehabilitation, and speech-language pathologists. These UK alumni work primarily in Kentucky in hospitals, nursing homes, home health agencies, primary care centers, group practices, private practices, schools and businesses. Taking programs to satellite sites at Morehead State University and the Center for Rural Health in Hazard also does a lot to put practitioners in medically-underserved areas.

The Health Sciences faculty has earned a national and international reputation for its strong student and faculty exchange programs. The first began in 1992 with the University of Wolverhampton in England. Most recently the college was selected to develop health services management instructional programs at Khaborovsk Medical University in Russia. The college already had been recognized for generating a program for faculty development with the University of the North in South Africa and as a partner in UK's university-wide program to establish educational and research links with institutions of higher learning in South Africa.

Gonzalez is the third dean of the college and a native Kentuckian who received a bachelor's degree in speech pathology and audiology with high distinction from UK in 1979. She follows the college's first dean, Joseph Hamburg, who served from 1966 – 1984 and Thomas C. Robinson from 1984 – 2004.



Alumni: Be part of the celebration! Update your record by calling 859-257-8905 or 1-800-269-ALUM, or send a note to Karen Kendrick, UK College of Health Sciences, 121 Washington Avenue, Lexington, Ky. 40536 or online at <http://alumniweb.uky.edu/alumforms/bioform/info.cfm>





Career Corner

with Caroline Francis

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Caroline Francis, Ed.S., NCCC is available for in-person, telephone or e-mail consultation. Reach her at cfrancis@uky.edu or 859-257-9323 (voicemail). To view past Kentucky Alumni career columns, go to www.ukalumni.net. Alumni Career Services are made possible by a special gift from the Jane I. Morris endowment to the association.



Workforce Diversity Day Draws a Crowd

Over 175 students, alumni and employers recently attended the first Workforce Diversity Day held at the King Alumni House and the James W. Stuckert Career Center. The day offered a national Webinar presentation on diversity recruitment, as well as a panel of minority students and hiring officials discussing best practices. A networking event followed.

Join the UK Mentoring Online Network

Alumni and friends of the university can help others succeed by sharing information about professional experiences. To become a mentor, go to www.uky.edu/CareerCenter/mentor.html

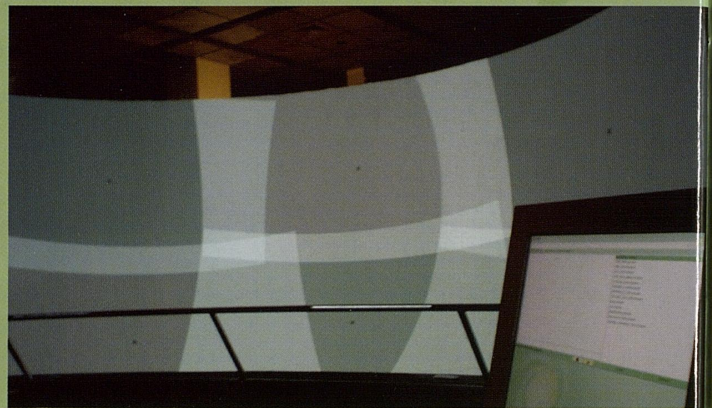
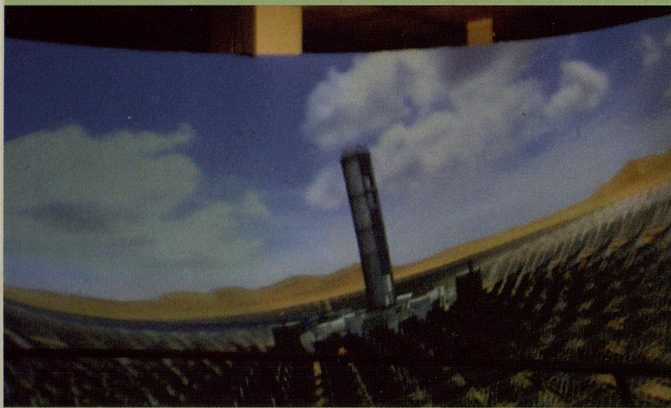
Update Answering Machine Messages

If you are beginning a job search, consider recording a more professional sounding message on your home answering machine or cell phone voice mail system. Don't get screened out early when you can control your first impression.

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Is your employer attending the Fall Career Fair? Your company can recruit UK students and alumni. For more information, go to www.uky.edu/CareerCenter or contact Sally Chesser, manager of corporate relations in the UK James W. Stuckert Career Center, sally.chesser@uky.edu or 859-257-4040.





If you've ever endured being in the audience when a 'multi projector' video presentation 'went off track', or even worse- been 'in charge' when a complicated video projection display hopelessly malfunctioned and would NOT respond to your frantic efforts to restart it.... **PAY ATTENTION TO THIS!**

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(Quick translation): "Those Mersive guys" have perfected software which 'de-mystifies', 'de-bugs', and 'de-feats' those inexplicable gremlins which all too frequently cause complex video projection presentations to 'crash'.

And who ARE "those Mersive guys?" They're all members of a software engineering team which has strong ties to the University of Kentucky: president Randall Stevens is a UK College of Architecture grad who has already launched an innovative, internationally acclaimed software company—Archvision. Chief technology officer, Dr. Christopher Jaynes, is concurrently the Research Director for UK's Center for Visualization and Virtual Environments. And Stephen Webb, the Company's COO, received his master's degree at the University. All three (as well as others from UK), have been immersed in the development and perfection of the proprietary Mersive software, and have licensed portions of the technology from the University.

What exactly does it DO? According to Stevens, the techno speak is this: "It calibrates multi-projector arrays into one seamless, high-res display by providing geometry warping, intensity blending and color correction in a fast, scalable and no 'user-in-the-loop' solution." Or, once again translated: Mersive software dramatically simplifies, and makes very affordable, the process of creating high-resolution displays using multiple projectors. Period.

After thousands of hours of R&D, the Mersive software technology became market-ready in 2004, and was selected by the Houston Museum of Natural Science to run its hugely popular Energy Excursions Theater in



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Check this out: it's another exciting Lexington-based success story tied to UK.

the Wiess Energy Hall. Today, it seamlessly projects a 6-source show of pre-historic animal images and fossil fuels onto a sizeable domed ceiling with NO overlaps, spacings, 'keystones' or other visual glitches. According to Stevens, "The Museum folks did their homework. Not only were they impressed with what our software could do, they continue to be amazed at what it does in practical application at their site. They saved a LOT of money, and their system has performed flawlessly. The Energy Theatre show has been enjoyed by thousands of visitors since it opened in May of this (2005) year." (Details on the Museum and this dome show can be found at www.hmns.org)

Now proven and ultra-affordable, the Mersive software is set to revolutionize the historically problematic universe of multi image projection. According to Dr. Jaynes, "The applications are endless. Mersive can calibrate unlimited resolution displays for projection in minutes, for flat, curved, spherical or uneven surfaces. We see tremendous potential for trade shows, airports, arenas, commercial buildings, museum and auditorium walls, ceilings or domes." And he adds with a smile, "but seeing really IS believing. We invite folks to check out our website (www.Mersive.com), or better yet, to give us a call to discuss specific applications."

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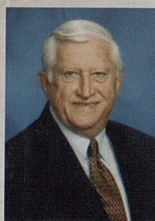
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Before 1960

W.D. Childers '54 ED is a member of the Kentucky Gas System Restoration and Development Project Account Review Board. He was appointed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher. He is the president of Childers Oil Company and is a trustee of Pikeville College. He resides in Whitesburg.

Maurice G. Cook '57

'59 AG was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the North Carolina Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts. He was recognized for excellence in teaching and student advising at North Carolina State University; leadership in state, national and international conservation organizations and agencies; and public service in various capacities, including advisor to former Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. He resides in Raleigh, N.C.



1960s

Wayne Farris '61 PHA is a member of the Kentucky Motor Vehicle Commission. He was appointed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher. He resides in Pineville.

Al Reisz '61 EN has been appointed to the Alabama Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors. He is president of Reisz Engineering in Huntsville, Ala. Reisz is past president of the Alabama Society of Professional Engineers, a Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and a Fellow of the Society of American Military Engineers.

Bobbie Ann Mason '62 AS

received the 15th annual John William Corrington Award for Literary Excellence at Centenary College in Shreveport, La. Her works include four novels, four collections of short stories, a literary memoir, and a brief biography of Elvis Presley. She resides in Lawrenceburg.

Bobby Barton '68 ED is a member of the Kentucky Athletic Trainers Hall of Fame. He is married to the former **Jojean Chestnut '69 ED**. They reside in Richmond.

Brint Milward '68 AS is the McClelland Professor of Public Management and associate dean and director of the school of public administration and policy at the University of Arizona's Eller College of Management in Tucson, Ariz. He has been president of the public management research association and the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration. Milward is a Fellow on the National Academy of Public Administration.

Garry Modrell '68 AG is an executive consultant with JMFA Executive Search Group, a division of John M. Floyd & Associates, in Baytown, Texas. Previously, he was with an independent executive search firm for seven years.


Merrily Orsini '69 AS is a managing partner of Corecubed, which specializes in home health care marketing. She was guest editor of the February issue of *Home Health Care Management and Practice*. Orsini founded Eldercare Solutions in 1981 in Louisville. The company had more than 200 employees when she sold it in 1996.

1970s

William Hewlett '70 PHA is vice president of pharmacy services for Arcadia Rx in Southfield, Mich. Prior to joining Arcadia, he served as national director of pharmacy products for Rotech Healthcare Inc. Before that, Hewlett was president and chairman of Holland Medical Services Inc.

Allen W. Huggins '71 ED is the director of finance and purchasing for Toyo Tire North America in White, Ga. He previously was with Continental Tires for 16 years. He is married and has four children.

John McGown Jr. '71 BE is an attorney of counsel to Hawley Troxell Ennis and Hawley LLP in Boise, Idaho. He was honored by the Idaho chapter of the Association of Fundraising Professionals for his charitable work with the Southwest Idaho Planned Giving Council.

Earl M. McGuire '72 LAW, along with his dance partner, won the World Novice Classic County Dance Championship in Stockholm, Sweden. The pair previously won the Championship County Dance Novice Championship in Las Vegas, Nev. McGuire is an attorney in Prestonsburg. 

Rand Blazer '73 BE is president and general manager of SAP Public Services Inc. in Newtown Square, Pa. He is responsible for the company's sales and field operations for the public sector, including the Department of Defense, federal civilian agencies, homeland security, state and local governments, defense and security firms, K-12, and higher education institutions in the United States.

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Jim Busby '73 BE is the senior vice president of sales and marketing at PracticeXpert in Calabasas, Calif. Busby has over 20 years of experience in health care sales. Previously, he provided sales and marketing services to Intrinsic Research.

Carlos A. Cabrera '73 EN is president and CEO of UOP in Morristown, N.J. Headquartered in Des Plaines, Ill., UOP's technologies are mainly used in oil-derived products and chemicals, as well as the manufacture of plastics, detergents and fibers. Previously, Cabrera served as senior vice president, process technology and equipment.

Craig Corrington '73 AS is vice president of operations for North America with Tower Automotive Inc. He recently retired from DaimlerChrysler Corporation. Corrington is a Lexington native and resides in Rochester, Mich.

Rick Puckett '74 '79 BE is executive vice president at United Natural Foods Inc. in Dayville, Conn. He also has served as vice president, chief financial officer and treasurer. Previously, he worked for Suntory Water Group.

Richard M. Hoggood '74 BE, '82 LAW is a partner in the law firm of Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs LLP in Lexington. He has owned his own firm the past four years. Prior to that, he was the managing partner of Frost Brown's Todd's Lexington office and a member of the firm's management committee.

George O. McDaniel III '75 BE is president of Electrical Controller Products. He is a member of the board of directors of Integrated Electrical Services. He is married to the former **Ann Temple '74 BE**. They reside in West University Park, Texas.

Gary B. Nallan '76 '79 AS is an associate professor of psychology at UNC Asheville. He was selected as one of 20 professors nationwide to attend the Japan Studies Association's Freeman 2006 Summer Institute on Japan at Tokai University in Honolulu, Hawaii.

David Brewster '77 AS, '81 GS is vice president, non-clinical drug safety, with Roche in



Nutley, N.J. He joins Roche from Purdue Pharma, where he served as executive director of non-clinical drug safety evaluation and head of preclinical development. Prior to that, Brewster was senior director of toxicology at Purdue and director of toxicology at Aventis/Hoechst Marion Roussel.

Stephen Schondelmeyer '77 PHA is a professor in the department of pharmaceutical care and health systems at the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy. He is the 2006 recipient of the American Pharmacists Association's Research Achievement Award. He resides in Minneapolis, Minn.

H. Lowell Wainwright Jr. '77 AS is managing director and member of the board of directors of Sterne, Agee & Leach, a private investment management firm headquartered in Birmingham, Ala. He also is a member of the board of directors of First Independence Bank. He is married and has three children.

Mary Doll '79 ED is the chief of interpretation at the National Park Service Outer Banks Group. The Outer



Thumper and Plaid Rabbits Still Makin' Music

No one involved imagined that an impromptu gig at a fraternity party would turn into a band that has lasted for two decades. Thumper and Plaid Rabbits originated at the University of Kentucky in 1985. The band recently celebrated its 20th anniversary with the release of its first CD, "Twenty Years," on ear-X-tacy Records.

The band's founding members were Mike Sheehy '86 AS, Joe Schneider, Ryan Schneider and Scott Shapiro EN '86. Over the years there have been some changes in the band. Since 2000, the band has consisted of Ryan Schneider, Jeff Duncan CIS '87, Chris Brown, Joey Sullivan and Sheehy.

"It is amazing that a band would stay together 20 years," Sheehy said. "That is very unusual. We just keep on playing."

Sheehy said the band came about with the intentions of playing a couple of fall Rush parties to make a few extra bucks. Today, Thumper and Plaid Rabbits is still making music and friends in Lexington and Louisville.

"We never imagined it would turn into this," Sheehy said. "It has really been amazing."

After years of being a cover band, Thumper and Plaid Rabbits is making a splash with its own music. A song from the debut album "Could it Get Any Worse?" was featured on the WBN network series *E erwood*.

"We are very excited about the CD," Sheehy said. "It features nine original songs and it actually has been well received."

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Banks Group includes Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Fort Raleigh National Historic Site, and Wright Brothers National Memorial. Previously, she served as a management assistant for the Outer Banks Group. She resides in Manteo, N.C.

Leigh A. Morgan '79 BE is assistant vice president, internal audit, with Ohio National Financial Services. She resides in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Ed Owens III '79 BE, '82 LAW is senior vice president at Fifth Third Bankcorp in Cincinnati, Ohio. He joined the bank in 2003 from the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, where he worked as a commissioned senior examiner.

1980s

Bobby R. Wall Jr. '80 '96 ED, '82 AS is the dean of the College of Education at Murray State University. He previously served as the college's interim dean.

Janwin Overstreet-Goode '81 FA is the choir director at Friendswood High School in Friendswood, Texas. She served as the clinician for the Kentucky Music Educators Association All-Star SSA Choir. She also has served the Texas Music Educators Association as region vocal chair, region secretary, area chair, and All-Star Choir organizer.

Bonita Black Rivera '81 AS is a member of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education. She was appointed by Gov. Ernie

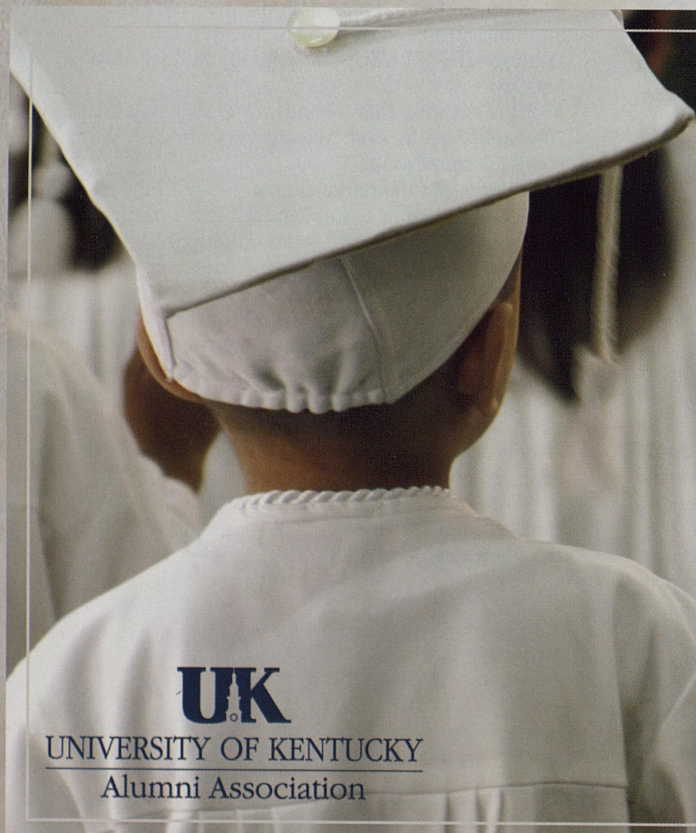
Fetcher. Rivera is a member of the law firm of Frost Todd Brown LLC in Louisville. She resides in Crestwood.

Mark Birdwhistell '82 GS is secretary of the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services. He was appointed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher. Previously, he served as the undersecretary for health, overseeing the areas of Medicaid, public health, health policy and mental health and mental retardation services. He resides in Lawrenceburg.

Allen Lowe '82 AS is the pastor of the First Baptist Church in Van Vleck, Texas. He retired from active duty in the U.S. Army following a 23-year career. His terminal assignment was the Command Chaplain, 13th Corps Support Command, Fort

Hood, Texas. He was deployed with the 13th COSCOM to Iraq in 2004 and served as the installation chaplain, LSA Anaconda, Balad SE, Iraq. For his service, Lowe was awarded the Bronze Star. He also received the Legion of Merit award. 🐾

Pat Pickett '82 FA teaches at Brazosport High School in Freeport, Texas. He recently was invited to conduct and play with the combined bands of the 1st Division Marine Corps Band from Camp Pendleton in San Diego, Calif., and 3rd Marine Air Wing Band from Miramar, Calif., three concerts premiering a march. The march was composed and dedicated to the band in honor of their return from Iraq. 🐾



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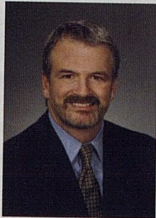
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Cherrie Smith '83 AG is the dean of academic affairs at Ivy Tech Community College in Sellersburg, Indiana. She resides in Louisville.

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David D. Allen '85 '93

PHA is the founding dean of pharmacy and professor of pharmaceutical sciences and professor of physiology and pharmacology at Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine in Rootstown, Ohio. Previously, he was associate dean for curricular affairs and associate professor of pharmaceutical sciences at Texas Tech University Health Science Center School of Pharmacy in Amarillo, Texas.



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Wendell Walter '85 CIS is a songwriter and music publisher in Nashville, Tenn. His song "These Golden Fields," which details the struggles of a tobacco-farming family, was recorded by noted bluegrass artist Don Rigsby and is included on his "Hillbilly Heartache" CD.

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Letitia Hochstrasser Fickel '87 AS, '90 ED is an associate professor of education at the University of Alaska, Anchorage. She was among the 2005 recipients of the BP-YWCA Women of Achievement awards.

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Gregory Van Tatenhove '89 LAW is a federal judge in Kentucky's Eastern District, a 67-county area where he has served as U.S. attorney since 2001. Van Tatenhove spent four years as a trial attorney for the U.S. Justice Department. He is married to the former **Jane Cooper '84 AS, '91 NUR**. They reside in Lexington.

1990s

Louis Roe '90 HS, '92 BE is chief executive officer for physician services at Appalachian Regional Healthcare in Hazard. He previously was employed at Select Specialty Hospital in Charleston, W.Va.

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CLASS NOTES

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Vonda Tolliver '98 LAW is an associate with the law firm of Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs LLP in Lexington. She also practiced with the firm from 1998-2001. Since that time she served as in-house counsel to Fifth Bank and Phillips Edison & Company in Cincinnati, Ohio.

2000s

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Mindie Amrine Mosiman '00 is one of two Knowledgebase analysts at the Sage Software, Timberline Office, located in Beaverton, Ore. She is responsible for analyzing customer satisfaction and usability of Knowledgebase. 🐾

Holly Dunn Pendleton '00 BE is executive vice president of Dunn Hospitality Group in Henderson. The group owns and manages 16 hotels in Indiana and Kentucky. 🐾

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Charlie Hurst Wins Little Kentucky Derby

Charlie Hurst '76 AS doesn't quite know how to describe the feeling he gets when flying his hot air balloon. The best way to explain it is to borrow something from a reporter he once took up for a ride.

"A reporter from the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* wrote, 'It was as if the Earth dropped away from me.' That is the best way I know to describe it. I have borrowed that a lot. There is nothing else like it."

Hurst won the revival Little Kentucky Derby (LKD) balloon race lifting off from the UK campus after a 13-year hiatus of sponsorship by the UK Student Activities Board.

Originally modeled after Indiana University's "Little 500 Weekend," LKD was a UK tradition from 1957 until 1993. The weekend featured the Debutante Stakes sorority tricycle race, a fraternity bicycle race, the LKD queen and her court, a downtown parade and concert by notables like Louis Armstrong that drew large crowds of people throughout the weeklong festival.

"The Little Kentucky Derby (balloon race) is a lot of fun. It is one of the most challenging, enjoyable races I do. I was very fortunate to finish in first place," said Hurst, who flew in the first balloon race in 1976. "It's a great race."

Hurst, a Louisville native, began flying when he was a junior in college at UK. It quickly went from a hobby to a profession. After graduating, he went to work flying a balloon for a local brewery. After about a year, Hurst worked for three years with Porter Paints, which had an extensive balloon program. He also flew for the Kentucky Lottery for 11 years. Today, Hurst says he flies in the "semi-pro" ranks. When not flying, Hurst is operations manager at Allied Ready Mix.

"I compete in about 12 races a year now," he said. "The unromantic part of the sport is the traveling. I don't like living out of a suitcase. Ballooning is more a family sport. You can't do it by yourself."

Hurst said he gets plenty of help from his family — wife Ann Nelson Hurst '80 BE, and sons Josh and Lee.

CLASS NOTES

Deanna Wise '05 LAW is an associate at McMurry & Livingston PLLC in Paducah. Her practice focuses on domestic relations. She resides in Paducah.

Former Students and Associates

Robert Fuller is a staff member at Hess, Stewart & Campbell PLLC in Huntington, W.Va. He has worked in public accounting since 1996.

Jackie Johnson is a registered dietitian at Halifax Medical Center, a 750-bed, level two trauma facility in Daytona Beach, Fla. Previously, she worked as a dietitian's assistant with Wuesthoff Health System in Rockledge, Fla. Johnson is a native of Caldwell County.

Michael Marnhout is the president and CEO of Bluegrass Oxygen. Previously, he was president and CEO of Prescription Oxygen. He resides in Lexington.

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of Lockport, N.Y.,
January 7, 2006. Fellow

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Lake Worth, Fla.,
March 9, 2005

Robert L. Mills '38 of
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Thomas A. Spragens '38
of Columbia, S.C.,
February 11, 2006.
Life Member

Socrates P. Bourbaki '39 of
Chicago, Ill., January 11, 2006

George H. Kendall '39 of
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Ralph L. Hucaby '44
of Nashville, Tenn.,
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Sue McClanahan Bradshaw '45
of Louisville,
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of Owenton, August 12, 2005

Aleene Morris '46 of
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- Jane Clarke Fugate '47** of Woodbridge, Va., January 17, 2006
- Nancy J. Tutt '47** of Durham, N.C., November 22, 2005
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- Charles J. Pelfrey '50** of Lexington, April 14, 2005
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- Robert Knauf '55** of Ft. Thomas, January 15, 2006
- Betty Bascom Lane '54** of Mount Sterling, March 4, 2006
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- James M. Harper '56** of Lexington, June 19, 2005
- S. David Levy '56** of Boca Raton, Fla., December 28, 2005
- Robert M. Short '56** of Owensboro, December 16, 2005
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- William A. Jones Jr. '58** of Brooklyn, N.Y., February 4, 2006. Life Member
- Edith Hensley Merritt '59** of Danville, January 4, 2006
- Francis Asbury Stephens '59** of Seminole, Fla., June 12, 2005
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- Barbara Wall Bond '61** of Alexandria, Va., February 5, 2005
- Harold N. Hicks, Jr. '61** of Kissimmee, Fla., January 25, 2006. Fellow
- Kyriakos G. Karambellas '61** of Winchester, Ohio, December 14, 2005
- Robert J. Renfro '61** of Lexington, January 15, 2006
- Jack T. Farrar Jr. '65** of Alexandria, Va., November 26, 2005
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- R. Drew Hunter '75** of Ashland, July 24, 2005. Life Member
- Ellen M. Liebman '79** of Chicago, Ill., December 26, 2005
- Pat Hardin '81** of Elizabethtown, January 13, 2006
- Jesse L. Peters '81** of El Paso, Texas, May 23, 2005
- Clayton D. Jones '83** of Fulton, February 28, 2006
- Michael L. Burton '84** of Stanton, January 30, 2006
- Joseph B. Puckett '91** of Bardstown, June 15, 2005
- William L. Owen '94** of Toronto, Ontario, October 13, 2005
- Ava Crafton Beckett '97** of Cary, N.C., January 16, 2006

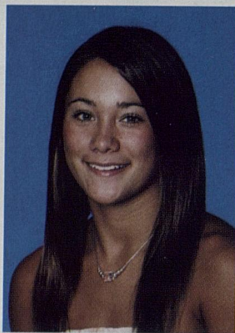
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- Christine Adams** of Louisville, December 11, 2005
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- Clara S. Oldham** of Owensboro, August 22, 2005
- Betty Scruggs Pearson** of Pocatello, Idaho, August 10, 2005. Life Member
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- Rose S. Shrimpton** of Lexington, February 28, 2006
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SPORTS



Taryn Ignacio Named SEC Women's Diver of the Year; Sets NCAA Record

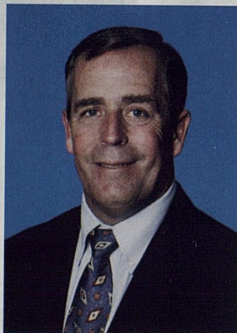


UK junior Taryn Ignacio was named SEC Women's Diver of the Year. The Richmond native had another outstanding campaign in her second season as a Cat, becoming UK's first-ever NCAA diving champion in the platform event, setting an NCAA record with a score of 335.20 in the finals. She also successfully defended her platform title at the 2006 SEC Championships. Her other honors this season include placing second in the 1-meter event at the SEC Championships and garnering All-America honors by finishing eighth in the same event at the NCAA Championships.

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Lyden Takes SEC Women's Diving Coach of the Year Honors

UK's Mike Lyden was named the SEC Women's Diving Coach of the Year. This is Lyden's eighth coach of the year award at Kentucky. Under his tutelage, Kentucky swept the women's SEC diving titles in 2005. At the 2006 SEC Championships, UK placed three top finishers in the platform diving event.



Terry Clayton Wins Carol S. Adelstein Outstanding Student Award

UK linebacker Terry Clayton is the recipient of the Carol S. Adelstein Outstanding Student Award. Named for the wife of retired UK English professor Michael Adelstein, the award is presented annually to the student with a disability who best serves as inspiration to the university community. Clayton, a junior majoring in kinesiology, lost his hearing at age five due to a bout of the chickenpox. He wears hearing aids but most of his communications on and off the field are by sign language and lip reading. He is an outstanding student, earning a spot on the All-SEC Honor Roll as a sophomore.

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Sports Gleanings

UK junior outfielder Sean Coughlin was named the SEC Baseball Player of the Week twice this season and that was by mid-April... Teammates Ryan Strieby and Antone DeJesus also were named SEC Baseball Player of the Week... Softball pitcher Jessica Trueblood was named SEC Softball Freshman of the Week twice this season... The UK men's 4x400 meter relay team of Nathan Browning, Justin Harrison, Jose Acevedo and Luis Luna smashed an 11-year-old school record at the Yellow Jacket Invitational in Atlanta, Ga., with a time of 3:04.81... In track and field, freshman Ashley Muffet earned her fourth UK freshman record with a first place toss of 51-11.25 in the shot put. The mark well-exceeded the regional standard (46-11) and placed her third all-time at Kentucky... Swimmer Steven Manley became UK's first SEC freestyle champion in 50 years, finishing first in the 200 freestyle at the SEC Championships. He earned first team All-SEC honors... Sophomore guard Samantha Mahoney and freshman point guard Carly Ormerod were named to the All-Southeastern Conference team for the 2005-06 season. Mahoney was named second team and Ormerod was named to the all-freshmen team... Thirty-six UK athletes were named to the 2005-06 Southeastern Conference Winter Academic Honor Roll. Among those representing UK were Ravi Moss, Bobby Perry and Rajon Rondo from the men's basketball team. Jennifer Humphrey, Samantha Mahoney and Eleia Roddy represented the UK Hoops team... Rajon Rondo was named All-District IV by the United States Basketball Writers Association. He also was selected second team All-SEC.



SPORTS CATS CLOSE-UP

Antoine Huffman: Helping Others Is Second Nature

Community service is such a normal, everyday part of Antoine Huffman's life that he never expects any recognition for it. Still, it's hard not to recognize the time and dedication Huffman has devoted to giving back. He is the recipient of the 2005-2006 Southeastern Conference Community Service Post-Graduate Scholarship. Huffman is currently working on his master's degree in mass communications at UK.

"I am always surprised by being honored for doing things that are second nature to me," Huffman said.

"It is just something that has always been a part of my life. I thank God for the opportunities I have had to do things that help others."

Huffman was a senior cornerback for the Wildcat football team in 2005. In 11 games he totaled 46 tackles with seven pass deflections. A two-year starter for the Wildcats, he became UK's career pass deflection leader with 27. As successful as he was on the field, it's off the field where Huffman considers his greatest accomplishments have taken place.

"Growing up, I watched my mother and grandmother always giving back and helping people," he said.

"I was blessed to have two great examples to follow. It was just something they did and that's how I think about it, too. Doing things that helps others means more to me than anything I ever did on the football field."

National Recognition

In 2005, he was a finalist for the Wuerffel Trophy, honoring the top college football player who best combines exemplary community service with outstanding academic and athletic achievement. He also was a finalist for the ARA Sportsmanship Award, a semifinalist for the Lott Trophy and was named *ESPN The Magazine* second team Academic All-America.

The Jonesboro, Ga., native was a three-time *ESPN The Magazine* All-Dis-

trict IV selection and received the Carol Sutton Minority Scholarship in the fall of 2004. He was a member of the American Football Coaches Association Good Works Team. Huffman has been active in Athletes in Action, serving as chapter vice president in 2003-04, a member of the UK Outreach Committee and the UK Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, serving as president in 2004-06. He was a participant in the 2005 NCAA Leadership Conference, was a member of the UK Athletics Board of Directors and the Omicron Delta Kappa National Honor Society.

Enjoys Helping with Youth

Huffman, who now works as a recruiter in the UK Office of Admissions, has been involved in numerous community service projects, including speaking to local churches and schools, teaching monthly character lessons to students at Russell Cave Elementary School, mentoring high school students, and visiting young hospital patients. He also has been active in Habitat for Humanity, Boys and Girls Club, and the Salvation Army.

Visiting patients in the UK Children's Hospital is one of the things that means the most to him.

"I try to visit as much as I can," Huffman said. "The kids love you simply because you are a University of Kentucky athlete. These are kids that are going through rough times, but still they smile, laugh, and are happy to see you. They are really inspirational to me."

Huffman can't begin to total up the number of hours he has accumulated reaching out to others in the community. Whatever the total might be, it will definitely keep increasing.

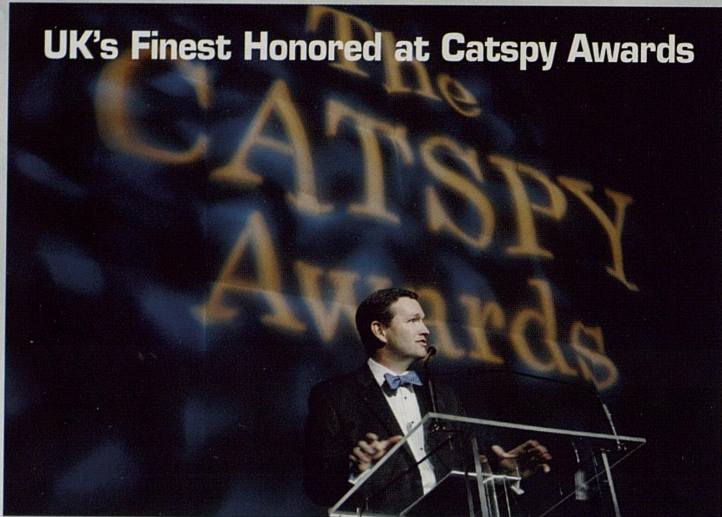
"Helping others is something I always planned to do," he said. "I can't imagine not doing it. Like I said, it's just second nature to me."



Photo: Stewart Bowman

SPORTS

UK's Finest Honored at Catspy Awards



The University of Kentucky Athletics Department presented the fourth annual Catspy Awards at Rupp Arena. Women's tennis and men's golf earned Team of the Year honors, while Antoine Huffman (football) and Danielle Wallace (volleyball) were named Mr. and Miss Wildcat, respectively. Mickie DeMoss (UK Hoops) and Brian Craig (Men's golf) were named Coach of the Year.

Gymnast Heather Hite and women's basketball standout Carly Ormerod were named Co-Female Rookies of the Year, while rifle's Jason Dardas won the Male Rookie of the Year. Softball's Brook Marnitz won Female Performance of the Year after hitting for the cycle against Indiana State. Rafael Little won Male Performance of the Year after collecting 372 all-purpose yards against Vanderbilt — the second most in UK history.

Taryn Ignacio and J.B. Holmes won the K-Association Athlete of the Year Awards. Ignacio claimed UK's first-ever NCAA Championship in platform diving and was named the SEC Woman Diver of the Year. Holmes, a four-time All-America honoree and 2005 SEC Golfer of the Year, closed out his senior season in 2005 by taking the men's golf team to the NCAA Championships where they posted a seventh-place finish — the best in school history.



Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart; UK President Lee T. Todd Jr.; the Wildcat and a friend; Golf Coach Brian Craig and golfers; Diving Coach Mike Lyden; and the women's tennis team



See more Catspy Awards at www.ukathletics.com under Traditions.

GLEANINGS FROM THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

1931

Dr. W. W. Dimock, department of animal pathology, sails to London, England, to share his work on sterility in Thoroughbreds at the request of the Bloodstock Agency. . . The Sue Ford Wave Shop offers students permanent waves for \$3.50 . . . To beautify campus Grecian urns are placed near the front entrances to all campus buildings to serve as receptacles for cigarette stubs and other debris . . . The new dairy building, with completely-equipped laboratories, opens giving students a place to get practical experience handling cows, production and marketing of milk, and the manufacture of butter, cheese and ice cream . . . Mary Sue Ball of California in

Campbell County wins the style show during Junior Week on campus and is named the state's best-dressed 4-H Club girl and will represent Kentucky in a national show in Chicago . . . An electric pencil sharpener is installed in the bookstore in the basement of McVey Hall . . . Professor W. A. Price, entomologist in the College of Agriculture, says a successful exterminator for sod web-worm has been developed at the Experiment Station. It's made of Kerosene, laundry soap and water . . . William T. Tilden, internationally-known tennis star, gives an exhibition for fans at the university's tennis courts.

1956

The State Property and Buildings Commission authorizes UK to issue a maximum of \$800,000 in revenue bonds to finance construction of six sorority houses and \$135,000 in bonds for one fraternity house . . . More swimmers than ever before are using the pool in Memorial Coliseum. For \$4, faculty, staff and students can use the pool, get a locker and have a shower . . . A rare set of the "History of Kentucky" from the library of the late Major A. J. Morey, a Cynthiana newspaperman, is donated to the School of Journalism Reference Li-

Moments in History

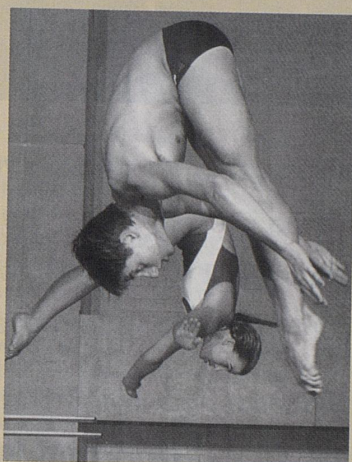


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Making Waves

During the 1990-91 academic year, UK sophomore Jamie Smawley and student assistant Jill Bumgarner performed simultaneous dives in pike position in the recently-completely Harry C. Lancaster Aquatic Center. The center, home to the UK swimming and diving teams, was already being called one of the best in the country in large part due to its \$240,000 diving platform.

brary . . . Two Chinese students from Formosa, Ju-his Chou and Chan-chang Yang, enroll at UK — Chou in art; Yang in engineering . . . Forty-five student families move into the new Cooperstown apartments, but 62 families have applied . . . "The Swan," starring Grace Kelly and Alec Guinness, is playing at the Ashland Theater . . . Art professor C. Raymond Barnhart returns to campus from the Southwest after a year's sabbatical allowing him to create 30 paintings, about half done in Mexico, half in California . . . Jessie Lynne Doyle, a sophomore in the College of Law, is the only girl registered in the college for the summer.

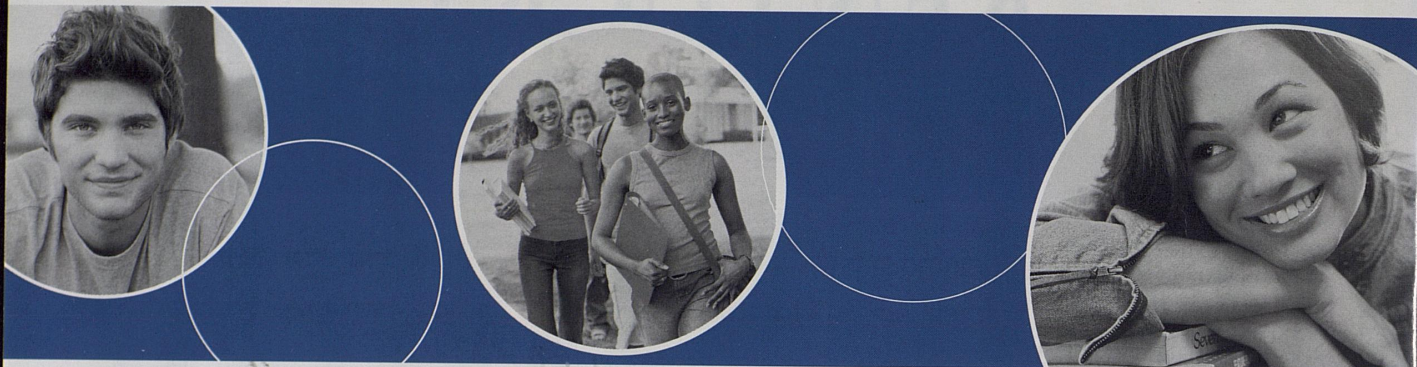
1981

Volunteer women's swim coach Ray Mernaugh says UK violates Title IX be-

cause the conditions that exist for the men's swim team are far superior to those of the women's team . . . Representatives from 53 countries are on campus for the 14th International Grasslands Conference, a worldwide agricultural meeting held once every four years to strengthen forage livestock systems around the world by increasing efficiency in production, nutrition and conservation . . . Bill Murray starts in "Stripes" at the Crossroads Twin Cinemas . . . A new UK policy prohibits faculty members from selling course materials directly to students unless approved by the dean and the bookstore manager . . . After just a year, UK is close to being a barrier-free campus for handicapped students, but slow delivery of elevators is keeping the renovations from being complete says Jim Wessels, coordinator of physical design and construction . . . The UK LadyKats basketball team announces plans for one of its furthest road trips: seven games in Japan during a 14-day tour playing Japanese teams . . .

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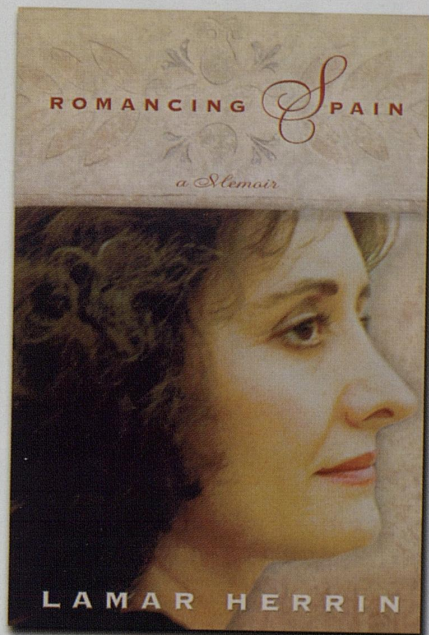
Bookmark

William Lamar Herrin '63 AS is the author of *"Romancing Spain,"* an elegant account of a man falling in love with a Spanish woman he married 30 years ago. In his remembrance, Herrin opens his heart, his natural skepticism and an American's awe of history to a complex nation that is both rich in tradition and astoundingly foreign. It is a quixotic love story set in an exotic locale. Perhaps best of all, it has a happy ending.

The book tells two stories side-by-side. In one, a 30-year-old Herrin, fresh from a broken marriage, sails to Spain and meets a woman who takes his breath away. Three decades later in contemporary times, Herrin and that same woman—his wife, Amparo—tour all of Spain looking for the perfect pueblo in which to spend their declining years. Portraying himself as a quixote in love with romance, Herrin struggles to win the woman who will finally open her arms to him in a world where the church and bureaucracy resist.

Herrin is the author of six previous books. His short stories have appeared in *The New Yorker*, *Paris Review*, and *Epoch*. Herrin also is the recipient of a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and was a professor of creative writing and contemporary literature at Cornell University.

Unbridled Books
www.unbridledbooks.com



Bernadette Barton '94 AS is the author of *"Stripped: Inside the Lives of Exotic Dancers,"* about a controversial trade that focuses on a philosophical clash between old and new school feminism: Are strippers exploited or empowered?

New York University Press
www.nyupress.org

Robert W. Olson, professor of Middle East politics at UK, has written *"The Goat and the Butcher: Nationalism and State-formation in Kurdistan-Iraq since the Iraqi War,"* which analyzes the competition and struggle between nationalism (the goat), capitalism (the butcher), and ethnonationalism (the Kurds), and the processes of state formation using Kurdistan-Iraq as a case study.

Mazda Publishers
www.mazdapub.com

Ron Pelfrey '66 '72 '82 ED has written *"The Mathematics Program Improvement Review: A Comprehensive Evaluation Process for K-12 Schools,"* which discusses how to evaluate mathematics programs while addressing 10 key program components.

Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
www.ascd.org

Bruce Rector '87 ED, '90 LAW is the author of *"Monday Morning Messages"* containing stories designed to be read every Monday throughout the year for learning, inspiration, and motivation and with 52 leadership principles to encourage business, government, and community leaders to achieve.

Xephor Press
www.xephorpress.com

Thomas E. Stephens '88 CIS has written *"First Cats: Amazing Origins of the UK Sports Tradition,"* which chronicles the birth of an athletic program that has captured the imagination of ever-loyal Kentuckians and, at times, even the nation and the world.

Oakleaf Publishing Inc.
www.FirstCats.net

Mary Levi Smith '64 '80 ED is the author of *"In Spite of the Odds: Using Roadblocks, Potholes, and Hurdles as Stepping Stones to Success,"* a memoir of her life in higher education as president of Kentucky State University and the path that took her there.

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QUICK TAKES



Photo: Brad Luttrell

Chill Out!

History senior Zack Wiseman tries to beat the clock while navigating an inflatable obstacle course against Suzanne Jackson, a marketing and management senior, during a competition at Haggin Field. The event, Chill Out, was sponsored by the UK Alumni Association Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow organization and offered students a place to compete, cool off and mingle while getting free pizza, water bottles, T-shirts and more. Approximately 275 students attended the event at the end of the spring semester. STAT membership is open to all students and connects students and alumni through service work, events, and community.

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