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More review of administration needed, Bratt says

UK trustee criticizes setup of restructuring

By Brian Bennett
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In the wake of calls for accountability in public universities, UK faculty trustee Carolyn Bratt said yesterday that top-level administrators — including the president — should face the same scrutiny as faculty and staff.

Bratt, addressing the University Senate, called for an intense review of presidential performance and better faculty representation in the Universitywide restructuring and reorganizing process.

She also criticized the way UK President Charles Wethington has set up the restructuring process, saying that no single committee has been created to identify, in the frame of a Universitywide approach, what can be changed. Instead, she said the manner in which Wethington has set up the process would only provide for proposals that consider departments individually, rather than the bigger picture.

"We are looking at restructuring and realignment within, not across, sectors," she said. "Now, I know that the chancellors and vice presi-

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dents have told their committees to take a horizontal look. But I believe, unless a group with representation from all sectors in the University is formed, the need for horizontal realignment and restructuring will not receive the focused attention it deserves."

UK President Charles Wethington, who attended the meeting but left before Bratt spoke, said her criticisms are unfounded. He said faculty and staff are involved in the decision-making process.

Bratt also addressed the issue of accountability in higher education. She attacked the statements made

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Faculty Trustee Carolyn Bratt addresses the University Senate yesterday.

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Tripp Bratton (left) and Meriah Kruse, of Lexington, march around Cheapside Park yesterday as part of the 'Walk of Apology,' sponsored by the Central Kentucky Council for Peace and Justice.

Porla Lucha: Columbus' 1492 discovery a myth

By Tyrone Beason
News Editor

Students were greeted on campus yesterday with a different kind of Columbus Day message — signs and chalk drawings proclaiming explorer Christopher Colum-

bus' discovery of America a myth.

The people responsible for the anti-Columbus messages are part of an organization led by a Lexington man known only as "Porla Lucha," Spanish for "for the resistance."

"We felt that Columbus Day had to be remembered in some form,

Walk highlights many 'injustices'

By Erica Patterson
Contributing Writer

More than 30 people gathered yesterday at Cheapside Park in downtown Lexington to take part in a "Walk of Apology," an alternative Columbus Day event.

Sponsored by the Central Kentucky Council for Peace and Justice, the event focused on the impact of the past 500 years on blacks and American Indians.

"Our goal is not to disparage Christopher Columbus," said council spokesman Richard Mitchell. "Instead, we want to re-

examine the set of attitudes that the Europeans who followed the explorers brought with them and which we believe still underlie many of our attitudes toward African Americans and Native Americans."

"It's important to remember how terribly we treated Native Americans," said Susan Menard, one of the participants in the ceremony.

"I feel a sympathy with celebrating this day ... of the endurance of indigenous peoples," said Steve Bennett, another of the

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Fiji given full status on board

By Doug Poore
Contributing Writer

The Gamma Delta, better known as Fiji, recently acquired voting membership on the Interfraternity Council by removing itself from developmental status.

"We felt we were ready and had matured as a fraternity and could accept the responsibilities as a full status member of the IFC," said Matt Arnold, senior president of Fiji.

The IFC is the representative governing body of the 22 fraternities at the University of Kentucky. Of the 22 established fraternities, only sixteen are voting members.

"You have to be recognized as a colony for one complete year and have a full council vote" to become a full member, IFC president Jeremy Bates said.

The council voted unanimously on Sept. 28 to extend full voting membership to Fiji.

With the full member status comes the responsibility of yearly dues and the opportunity for a voice and a vote at the full council meetings, Bates said.

Fiji consists of 12 initiated members and fifteen pledges. The UK chapter of Fiji was founded in fall 1991.

The fraternity recently bought a house and is in the process of renovating it for several members' use.

"The house will be fully operational by the fall of 1993," said Brandon McGee, a member of Fiji. Plans have not yet been set for the required zoning change to create a fraternity house, he said.

Fiji has received "invaluable support" from the international headquarters, which is located in Lexington, Arnold said.

IFC changes number of members on Executive Council

By Nicole Heumphreus
Staff Writer

The Interfraternity Council voted yesterday to change the number of members on the Executive Board from eight members to seven members.

The Executive Board formerly consisted of the president, four vice presidents at large, the vice presidents of chapter services, of finance and of rush. This was not an efficient set-up, President Jeremy Bates said.

"Someone would run for a vice

president at large position on the platform of risk management (alcohol control) and end up working on community service," Bates said.

"They wouldn't have anything to do with risk management. Now each vice president position has a specific title and a specific set of duties."

The Executive Board now consists of the president, the executive vice president and the vice presidents of rush, of finance, of public relations, of chapter services and of education.

Bates said that people who are

running for an office will have a better idea of what is expected of them.

Not only will each vice president be expected to perform the specific duties of the position, but he will also be expected to perform secretarial tasks on a rotational basis.

"I think the By-Laws changes were made to streamline the Executive Board and make it more efficient," Bates said.

"It is not that we've had a bad Executive Board. They have been very good.

"It's just that there hasn't been a major overhaul of the By-Laws and Constitution in recent memory."

Vice President of Chapter Services Mike Wainwright spearheaded the committee which revised the By-Laws and Constitution.

He said that the changes to Executive Board were welcomed by both the University and the presidents of each fraternity.

"The presidents of the fraternities felt that the positions were too ambiguous," Wainwright said.

"The entire council will be more efficient because of the revisions.

We'll be able to perform a lot more Greek-run services for the University community like the voter registration drive."

Bates said that the requirements to run for a position are to have a 2.3 GPA, have been at UK for at least a year with at least 30 credit hours and be an active member of a fraternity in good standing.

Nominations for the Executive Board will be on Oct. 26, and elections will be held on Nov. 9.

Rally gets endorsement from faculty

By Gregory A. Hall
Editor in Chief

Students who want to attend tomorrow's higher education rally in Frankfort, Ky., won't have irrational excuses from classes. However, a resolution read at yesterday's University Senate meeting voiced support for the rally from the faculty and the administration.

The resolution, passed earlier by the University Senate Council, said "that the University Senate, on behalf of the faculty and administration of the University of Kentucky, is in support of the student rally ..."

While it stopped short of excusing students, Senate Chairman-elect Daniel Fulk said teachers are encouraged to excuse the absences, if possible.

"Although we as a council did not see fit ... to render a student's absence to attend this rally necessarily an excused absence, we are

hopeful that faculty will choose to excuse the absence and will show their individual support as faculty members," Fulk said.

Student Government Association President Pete November said the support in the resolution was sufficient.

He would not say how many students UK will be taking to the rally, which was organized by the Board of Student Body Presidents in response to government officials' recent announcement that Kentucky still faces a possible revenue short-fall.

The last two times state government had shortfalls, the public universities received budget reductions — including two cuts to UK totaling more than \$26 million.

Another announcement from state Finance Cabinet officials is expected today.

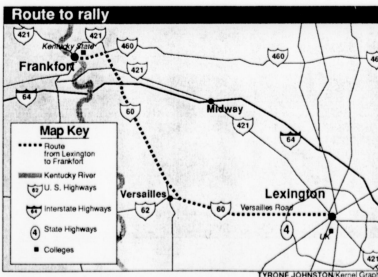
The board is composed of the student body presidents of the eight state universities.

SGA will provide free transportation for students who wish to attend the rally. Buses will leave the Student Center at 12:30 p.m. and will arrive at Kentucky State NOVEMBER University at least a half hour before the 2 p.m. rally.

SGA will pay for all expenses, November said.

Students from across the state will march from KSU to the capitol, where Gov. Breton Jones will address the crowd at 3 p.m., November said. Gary Cox, executive director of the state Council on Higher Education, also will speak.

November also said that the student body presidents found out Friday that they will get to meet privately with Jones before his



TYRONE JOHNSTON/Kentucky Graphics

speech.

The presidents had not determined as of yesterday afternoon what they would ask the governor, November said.

"We talked about it at the last meeting. We have discussed it," he said. "We are going to work at the specifics. We just found out Friday that we were going to get the gov-

ernor. So we didn't know that we were going to have an opportunity to ask him specific things.

"We'll discuss it on the phone among all of us. (Western Kentucky University student body president) Joe Rains is trying to get a conference call together, so that we can all discuss the specifics."

INSIDE:

CLARIFICATION: Because of an editor's error, a sentence of the "For the Health of It" column in yesterday's Kentucky Kernel was incorrect. One of the rules of sexual education should have read: "Never use force."

CORRECTION: Because of incorrect information supplied to the UK police, Vernon L. Langfels's address was incorrect in the police log in yesterday's Kentucky Kernel.

WEATHER: Sunny today; high around 65. Clear and not as cool tonight; low near 50. Mostly sunny and warmer tomorrow; high in the mid 70s.

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Fanning teaches fans Lady Kats basketball

By Lance Williams
Staff Writer

Obnoxious. That is the way Lady Kat basketball coach Sharon Fanning wants to see her defense play this season.

"Pressure defense is going to be a key for us," Fanning said during the monthly Lady Kats booster meeting.

Fanning laid out the Lady Kat philosophy for about 25 people — in "Talking Basketball," a monthly discussion on the play of Lady Kat basketball given during the booster's meetings.

Fanning said rebounding, shot selection and defense will be three of the most important aspects of the Lady Kats attack this season.

Also key in the strategy this season will be trying to improve upon last season's lack of communication on the court.

"If you don't talk, nothing will work," said Fanning, who stressed the importance of communication between the players on and off the court.

Fanning said the press will be used on more occasions this season. "Run and jump" will be put into action this season. "Run and jump" is a type of defense that involves players switching defensive assignments while applying defensive pressure.

Fanning said that with stepping up their pressure defense, the team also will look to cause a lot more deflections this year. Fanning outlined a plan used by UK men's basketball coach Rick Pitino which says that if a team causes 35 to 40 deflections and holds the other team to less than 40 percent shooting from the field, then that team has a shot of winning 90 percent of its games.

"Intensity is going to help you win games," Fanning said. Fanning added that the Lady Kats must play hard, play together and play smart to be successful this season.

Offensively, the team will be looking for more chances at the uncontested shot and effective use of the shot clock.

"With less than ten seconds left on the clock, we do not want a contested shot," she said.

Offensively, Fanning added the Lady Kats have "got to be patient, but attack on offense."

Last night's Lady Kats booster meeting was the first open to the public. Fanning tentatively has planned to open all booster meetings.



FANNING

Curry shuffles offensive backfield

By John Kelly
Sports Editor

Damon Hood is now a tailback, and Matt Riazzi is a wingback. Craig Walker is both wingback and fullback and Antonio O'Ferral will play at quarterback against Louisiana State Saturday.

"Huh? Confused? You won't be alone. Anyone watching the Cats in action Saturday may have trouble keeping track of who's who in the UK backfield.

The only constant in that backfield as the Cats prepare to head for Baton Rouge to face the 1-5 Tigers is that Terry Samuels will still be the starting fullback. Pookie Jones is still the starting quarterback, but Ryan Hoekman has lost the No. 2 spot to O'Ferral.

Curry says the changes are a result of performance on the practice field. Hood says that means holding on to the ball. The Wildcats turned the ball over five times in their 24-14 loss at Ole Miss two Saturdays ago.

Ball control is the focus of this week's practice, though.

"If you drop the ball, basically you're out of there," Hood said of recent practice sessions. "Bring on the new guy."

While he said he would rather play every week, as opposed to watching the college football action on the tube Saturday, Curry said the week off UK had last week was a blessing because it gave his team two crucial opportunities.

First, a few injured UK players had an extra week to recover and others have had a chance to rest.

But more importantly, Curry had the time to institute some changes in the lineup.

Hood is secure in his switch from fullback to tailback. He played at tailback exclusively last season, but has learned and practiced at both positions this season. He played at fullback for the first five games of the season, but is not worried about moving to tailback.

"I'm more comfortable at tailback, but I'm willing to do whatever is best for the team," Hood said.

"They wanted me to take some reps at tailback."

Hood said the new offense won't affect his ability to play tailback and he said the job isn't that much different from his duties at the position last year.

"Tailback is tailback," he said. "It's a different style of game, but I feel good about it. It's no big adjustment."

O'Ferral is excited about his opportunity to prove himself on the football field for the Wildcats. Curry has been tinkering with the idea of playing him at tailback, but said his performance at quarterback in practice is what moved him ahead of Hoekman.

Curry said O'Ferral is about 95 percent recovered from the knee injury which has kept him on the sideline so long. O'Ferral wasn't comfortable on the sideline, because he's a self-described "gamer."

Riazzi moved into Walker's spot at wingback because of his continuing intensity on the practice field and in his limited action in games. Riazzi is averaging 11.4 yards every time he touches the football, and

SEC standings

Eastern Division		
Team	SEC	Overall
Georgia	3-1	6-1
Tennessee	2-2	4-2
Florida	2-2	2-2
UK	1-2	3-2
Vanderbilt	1-2	2-3
South Carolina	0-4	0-5

Western Division		
Team	SEC	Overall
Alabama	3-0	6-0
Mississippi State	2-1	4-1
Auburn	2-2	4-2
Ole Miss	2-2	3-2
Arkansas	2-2	2-2
LSU	1-3	1-5

Saturday's Games		
UK at LSU		
Alabama at Tennessee		
Auburn at Florida		
Vanderbilt at Georgia		
Mississippi State at South Carolina		
Ole Miss at Arkansas		

Curry is hoping for more of those big plays from the senior from Kettering, Ohio.

Curry had talked in vague terms about making some changes after the Ole Miss game. He said yesterday that he has seen improved results this week in practice, but that a few problems still exist.

"When the runner takes the ball and I can see daylight in between the ball and the runner's body, he may hold on to the ball in practice, but in a game that ball will end up on the ground," Curry said. "In the SEC, they're gonna knock that ball out of there."

"When we can correct those things, we will be a good running football team."

Notes:
•Arkansas' 25-24 upset of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tenn., Saturday afternoon kept UK in the hunt for the SEC's Eastern Division title, Curry said.

"Whatever we can do to get in the

hunt, we can do on our schedule and that's really all that you ask for," Curry said. "After a lot of years in the NFL, you learn to think that way, but I don't want our players thinking about the division setup or what could happen way down the road."

"The only thing that I want them to think about is winning the LSU game. If we should be fortunate to do that and maybe go on and to continue to improve, then we're right in the hunt."

UK would need to win the remainder of its conference games, which include a home date with Georgia and a matchup with Tennessee at Neyland Stadium in Knoxville, making the Cats 6-2 in the SEC. UK would be, at the very worst, tied with Georgia, Florida and Tennessee for the division crown and forcing a tiebreaker to determine which team would represent the Eastern division in the inaugural SEC Championship Game in Birmingham, Ala., on Dec. 5.

"Curry is still working on UK's passing attack, which he said is not as effective as he hoped at this point in the season.

"We know we've neglected that, and we've told our players that we would have a wide-open offense," Curry said. "We have too many good players to not use that dimension of our offense."

UK has rushed the ball 225 times while attempting only 95 passes this season. The Wildcats have generated 808 yards on the ground and only 577 through the air.

Samuels is closing in on the 1,000-yard mark. The junior fullback has rushed for 207 yards through five games this season, leaving him only 161 yards shy of becoming the 23rd UK player in history to rush for 1,000 yards.

Sportswriter offers observations in blue ink

Observations of a sportswriter, scribbled in Big Blue ink ...

•The future is now for UK's Stack-I offense. Despite playing poorly the past two weeks, the Cats still have an outside shot at their first bowl bid in eight years, assuming they can muster enough yardage to beat 1-5 LSU in Baton Rouge Saturday, 2-3 Vanderbilt at home and 1-4 Cincinnati on the road.

•Just last week I was lamenting about how, after Florida lost against Mississippi State, the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division championship would be handed to Tennessee — but that was before the Vols choked at home Saturday against Arkansas. Now, suddenly, the Eastern Division's berth in the SEC title game is up for grabs between UK, UT, Georgia and ... UK?

•UK's most talented, exciting and underappreciated team thus far this semester? Coach Kathy DeBoer's 14-4 volleyball squad. I can't think of a better way to spend a Wednesday evening or Sunday afternoon



Mark Sonka
Kernel Columnist

then watching the Wildcats play in cozy Memorial Coliseum.

•Soccer player Cheryl Shimovetz is the best UK athlete you've never heard of. The freshman from Bellbrook, Ohio, plays every position but goalie and leads the Lady Kats in points (13) and goals scored (5).

•Are home basketball games gonna be fun to watch this year, or what? In place of Kansas, Notre Dame, and Syracuse — teams UK used to play — such powerhouses as Wright State, Eastern Kentucky, Morehead State and Miami (Ohio) grace the Big Blue schedule this winter. And those are just the pre-Christmas games! Will they include pillows with the game programs?

•Wonder if DeBoer or women's soccer coach Warren Lipka have ever been tempted to play their assistant coaches in games this year. DeBoer's newest assistant, Michelle Jaworski, was an All-American setter two years ago at Penn State and owns the all-time NCAA career assist record with 6,596. Lipka's sidekick, Laura Boone, won four national championships in soccer at North Carolina.

•Does anyone really like the Stack-I? Or know what it is? At least the offense has a name. Otherwise, it would just be life — short life, mind you — between punts.

•Although I was reminded of this fact about a thousand times while traveling with the soccer team two weeks ago, I still don't believe it: Kim Bucci is only a freshman. Kim Bucci is only a freshman. Kim Bucci is only a freshman.

•Best nickname: Krista "Rocket Queen" Robison of the UK volleyball team.

•The key player on the men's basketball team this season — surprise! — will not be Jamal Mashburn. We can count on his 25 points and 10 rebounds a game, like we can the sun rising in the morning.

No, it'll be Sean Woods' replace-

ment at point guard, whoever that may be. Travis Ford, bum knee and all! Freshman shooter Tony Delk? Could it be possible that UK will actually miss Carlos Toomer?

•In the spirit of last month's Martina Navratilova-Jimmy Connors tennis match, how about a Nicole Ruzickowski-Clyde Ruppold matchup in the 40-yard dash? Rudolph, a sprinter for the track squad and a tailback on the football team, is speed personified: it takes Ruzickowski, a freshman striker on the soccer team, longer to spell her name than it does for her to run the length of the field.

•Forget posterboy Greg Kottbauer and goalie Matt Stanley, the top player on Coach Sam Wooten's 5-4-1 men's soccer team may be a little-known walk-on from Villa Hills, Ky., who has two goals in five shot attempts and plays defense like he actually enjoys it — Pat Gerak.

"If I had the ability to play God for a minute to mold a defensive player," Wooten said, "when you took the cloth off it, Pat Gerak would be standing there."

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DIVERSIONS

Hillbilly rocker Marty Stuart a bad addiction

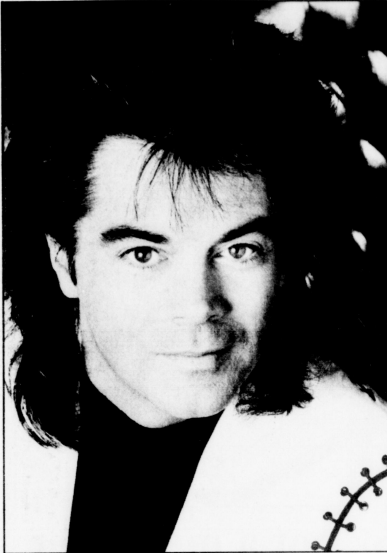


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The award-winning duet of Marty Stuart and Travis Tritt will perform tonight at 7:30 at Morehead State University.

Like country singer Dan Seals once said, "I feel like I'm addicted to a real bad thing."

And, indeed, it is time I admit my addiction. My name is Dave, and I'm a Martyoholic.

It started so innocently when the first "No Hats Tour," featuring Travis Tritt, Marty Stuart and Grammy Award-winning instrumentalist Mark O'Connor rolled through Louisville in the spring.

Although certain folks ("Do I smell bacon?") hassled me and my associates, keeping us from seeing Mark O'Connor; we did arrive in time to see Stuart, the current king of hillbilly rock.

Stuart, rocked and rhinostoned the capacity crowd using an arsenal of vintage axes and classic Nudie and Manuel gitry suits. Stuart calls his look, "Porter Wagener and Gene Autry and Roy Rogers, Johnny Cash and Ernest Tubb with a shot of Bob Dylan for good measure."

Stuart mowed through his hillbilly hits like "Western Girls," "Hillbilly Rock" and "Little Things," with a downhome ferocity using country pioneer Clarence White's 1954 Telecaster equipped with a steel guitar-like string bender on the B-string. Also in his collection of axes are a pair of flat-top Martins, a D-45 and D-28, respectively, formerly owned by Hank Williams Sr. and Lester Flatt.



Dave Lavender Arts Editor

However, I had gone to see his touring mate and partner-in-crime, Travis Tritt.

On a rainy April day outside of Chillicothe, Ohio, I ventured amongst a rowdy David Allan Coe contingent engulfed in mud puddles, black leather, Harleys, beer-bellies and fist fights to see Waylon Jennings and Buckeye native Coe. Stuart was there. With his jeans tucked in his boots, he reaffirmed his status as hillbilly royalty, ripping through the gloomy afternoon weather with an electric assault and a country state of mind.

But I was there to see Waylon and Coe.

At Fort Loramie, Ohio, outside of Dayton, I camped by a pig farm. (Don't try this at home, kids.) As more than 200,000 people descended on one horse, but muchos Winnebagoes, encampment in the name of country music for the weekend.

Stuart kicked off the Friday night festivities in black leather, rhinestones and Willie Nelsonesque bandana. He calls it his "Cash with

flash" look. He gyrated, moaned his country blues and left about 80,000 folks wanting more from immense countrified catalog.

But, mostly, I was there for the other 16 acts like Vince Gill, Sawyer Brown, the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band and one of my idols, Bill Monroe.

At the Scioto County (Ohio) Fair, Stuart was finally headlining, even if it was on a stage built in the middle of a dirt track. He didn't seem to mind.

It was between the Tilt and Hurl and the cotton candy booth that I realized my rednecked infirmity had risen to astronomical proportions and that for Hank's sake this would be the (Oh ... this is hard to swallow ...) fourth time in less than three months that I had seen Stuart.

There amidst the Ginsu knives juggling exhibition and the 12th annual hog-calling contest, I admitted, as Duke Ellington once said, "I got it bad, and that ain't good."

Redneckness had, indeed, been caught on my fingers and had crawled right up my sleeve as Lyle Lovett had warned it would.

This crisis had even gotten worse than my Ted Turner-inflicted summer addiction to WTBS's "Little

House on the Prairie" reruns religiously run at about 9 a.m. every weekday.

Stuart realized where he was (bluegrass country) and brought out his mandolin and flat-topped Martins during a two-hour-plus show in which two trains passed, bass player Larry Marrs sang a great rendition of Willie Nelson "Angels Flying Too Close to the Ground," and Stuart further won over a crowd that showered him with applause, wolf-whistles and stuffed animals they'd won on the midway. Two hours after the show, midnight had come and gone. Stuart was busily signing autographs.

For once, I would proudly admit that I was that one hillbilly in the crowd that wasn't there for the Super-Loop and wasn't there for the poultry showing. But, bless my peapicking heart, I was gluttonously there to see Marty "the newly-throned king of Dixie" just one more time before summer's end.

Arts Editor Dave Lavender is a journalism senior and a Kentucky Kernel columnist — and is Morehead-bound tonight to see Marty Stuart, Travis Tritt and their respective bands on the 100-date, must-see "No Hats Tour," which comes to Morehead State University tonight at 8. Special guest is Rob Crosby.

'Saturday Night Live,' once a sea of good ideas, now a bay of mental slush

No matter how good or bad "Saturday Night Live" is during a given season, many people — myself included — still watch it without fail.

Even at its worst, there's always at least one or two funny sketches that make the show worth watching. So I watch.

But I'm getting ready to modify my unofficial rule. Those one or two funny sketches per show have been replaced by one or two half-way decent sketches.

And the other ten? It goes without saying that most of the rest aren't funny, but I can't even report that most of them make any sense. "SNL" used to be a sea of good ideas that wind up being poorly executed. Now, even the ideas leave me wondering what the writers must be thinking.

Imagine a room full of 15 talented, experienced writers, most of whom are in their 20s and 30s. These writers, all college graduates, are news junkies. They inhale magazines and newspapers. They go to movies. They watch TV. They talk to people wherever they go.

These 15 writers all have different backgrounds and bring different experiences, perspectives and interests to the show. All are relatively well-paid and are probably thrilled to be working for the most well-known and respected TV comedy-variety show on TV.

These 15 people have a full week



to write comedy sketches for a 90-minute program. But, when you take out the commercials, the two musical numbers, the musical bridges before and after the ads and the opening and closing credits, these 15 writers actually have to fill about 50 minutes each week. That's less than four minutes per writer.

The 15 writers meet daily to brainstorm on ideas. Everyone is pitching ideas. Everyone is offering feedback. New ideas emerge from old ones. Writers help other writers flesh out ideas for sketches.

After all of these sketches have been written, meetings are held to read through this stuff. Improvements are made. Sketches are refined and rewritten. More experienced writers — some of whom have been in this business for 20 years — rewrite the final products to improve them all the more.

Rehearsals are held. Of all the sketches written during the week, most will be cut. Only the best of the best make it on the show. The producers of the show make their decisions. The dress rehearsal is held Saturday afternoon, and further changes are made.

It's showtime. Here's what we see:

•A "Tiny Elvis" sketch in which host Nicholas Cage plays an eight-inch tall Elvis Presley. That's pretty much the whole concept. Look, Elvis is tiny and does tiny things for four minutes. Is that amusing?

•A "Beverly Hills 90210" parody from last season, in which the characters have to cope with a change in zip code. "90210" is a show that begs to be brutally satirized. "SNL" treated it with kid gloves.

•A parody of "Nightline" from two weeks ago that made absolutely no sense at all. Phil Hartman played Bill Clinton. Jan Hooks made a special appearance to play Hillary Clinton and Dana Carvey played Ted Koppel. But none of them were really made fun of.

Supposed "Nightline" viewers asked stupid questions of Clinton, so maybe the sketch was a parody of TV audience discussion shows. In any event, it wasn't funny.

•More humorless "Weekend Update" jokes. This newest parody hasn't been funny since Dennis Miller left. Many have pointed this out. I realize, but I'll take the crit-

icism one step further — I say the segment should be eliminated altogether. "SNL" seems to feel it has to have certain things, whether they work or not. "Weekend Update" and the guest host's monologue seldom are funny. So why feel compelled to have them?

•A "Mr. Casual Sex" sketch two weeks ago that clumsily satirized both Dan Quayle and "Murphy Brown." Supposedly, the veep had attacked "Mr. Casual Sex" as being a bad role model for kids. So he struck back by defending himself by making fun of Quayle with bad jokes, a la Murphy.

This was a good idea, but the writing wasn't sharp enough to make it abundantly clear who was being spoofed. As with most "SNL" sketches, a good idea wasn't pulled off.

I could go on, listing more lousy sketches. But you've probably seen them yourself and could write up as lengthy a list. The sad thing is that the show has the potential to be excellent.

Last Saturday, their Bush-Clinton-Perot debate sketch was very funny, but, alas, the rest of the

show wasn't. The cast is terrific. Dana Carvey, the underrated Phil Hartman and Julia "Pat" Sweney are outstanding in any roles. Why waste them with such lame material?

And why waste airtime with such mediocre ideas when the country and its culture offer so much fodder for comedy? Even without the election, so much is going on that it is worthy of comment that I wonder what the show's writers are thinking

about and seeing all week.

"Saturday Night Live," which was a fairly funny program just a year or so ago, is rapidly becoming the worst sketch show on the air. As it becomes eclipsed by Fox's "In Living Color" and "The Edge," I'm beginning to hope for a complete retooling of "SNL" — a retooling that will allow it to be something it hasn't been for a while — funny.

Toby Gibbs is a UK employee and a Kentucky Kernel columnist.

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Students should attend Frankfort rally to deter further budget cuts

EDITORIAL

The last time students at UK actually took the initiative and rallied around a cause was during the turbulent departure of then-UK President David Roselle.

After remaining dormant for such a long period since that, the fall of 1989, students must rise up and again be heard.

There is a march and rally tomorrow in Frankfort, Ky., organized by Student Government Association President Pete November and the other seven state university student government presidents. The mission: Stress the importance of higher education to Kentucky's power brokers, and, in the process, prevent another cut in the state appropriation to universities.

Students need to go to Frankfort to show lawmakers that the two reductions in the state appropriation have caused longer lines, fewer class offerings and cuts in student services.

As students of the state's flagship university, UK must make a strong showing. Students who sit idly in Lexington, without a legitimate reason, are telling state government officials "We don't care — hit us again."

All students are invited to, and should attend, the rally. While University excuses will not be distributed for the event, faculty have been requested by the University Senate Council to be lenient. After all, it's their jobs that will be on the line if further cuts hit.

The trip is free. Buses will leave the Student Center at 12:30 p.m. and will return by 4 p.m.

The march will start at Kentucky State University in Frankfort, and end at the steps of the state capitol, where Gov. Breckton Jones will address the march participants. The presidents will meet with him beforehand.

The governor should be commended for taking the time to address the students. However, we hope to hear more from the usual rhetoric of "I hate cutting higher education, but I had to."

We hope he'll tell students that higher education is equally important as primary and secondary education. And if primary and secondary education are exempted from future cuts, as they were in the first two cuts, that higher education will be treated similarly. If any states or governors are serious about education they cannot reduce the funds needed for it to survive.

To show that students are serious about higher education, they should use this chance to show the people of state government that students in Kentucky care. If you don't, you're forsaking the quality of your own education.



Columbus was a hero, not a murderer

Distortion of facts won't fool anyone



Joe Braun
Editorial Editor

Watching Sunday night's debate among presidential contenders was amusing. Yesterday, people in California and Colorado slammed our nation, angering me. Today, I await yet another treat on the eve of the vice presidential debate.

California had the audacity to celebrate "Indigenous People's Day" yesterday, instead of honoring the man who is largely responsible for our existence. This (both the event and the use of PC in its title) is pathetically sad! Of course California is like a breakfast cereal full of fruits, flakes and nuts, anyway. It's always spitting out some form of ridiculous sentiment.

While recognizing homelessness as a problem is important, the state didn't even try to help the poor souls by searching for solutions. Instead of helping the homeless by handing out job applications, holding job-skill seminars or offering literacy workshops, they honor them with a day of awareness.

Do they think the country is not aware of the problem? We've got plenty of problems, and we're working on them all. We don't spend billions on social programs for nothing!

At Sunday night's presidential debate in St. Louis, President Bush repeatedly reassured citizens that the country is "not coming apart at the seams," but when Christopher Columbus, the very man who threaded the needle, is denied his day of recognition, one must wonder.

Has the liberal movement of making everyone feel oppressed, or owed something, begun to completely infiltrate all aspects of our lives? Instead of having pride in our work, we now turn to unions who will complain for us. We no longer encourage families, but excuse infidelity and unwed pregnancies as accidents and give those people federal monies to continue their lifestyles.

We hide behind the Communist American Civil Liberties Union instead of admitting mistakes, forgiving or compromising terms while at the workplace. Need I even mention the feminist movement?

If Oil Slick Willie gets his way, this typical Democratic policy — don't make them work for it; give it to them and feel sorry for them — will become policy in our nation.

Like Bill Clinton, John F. Ken-

Grab your history books now and run. The liberal left will have a new leader for such policies under a Clinton administration. Arkansas never really has prospered under the kind of education we have now — they just can't keep up, so changing history programs wouldn't affect those people.

nedly felt the need to devoid himself of his party's "handout policies" following the Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal and made the statement "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country" to gain popular support.

The only way a Democrat can win the White House is to project an image different than that the Democratic party supports. Clinton is doing this, and he's doing it well.

The liberal movement in our nation enjoys making people feel sorry for themselves, thus you have the American Indian incident mentioned earlier. But the American Indians have a legitimate gripe, they have been pushed off their lands and, at times, in an unjust manner. Distorting history and facts, though, is not the way to gain support for such a cause.

At the debate Sunday, Clinton said he believes "values, judge-

ment and the record I have amassed in my state also should count for something." I believe Arkansas' 50th ranking in education does count for something. Keep the people stupid and feeling sorry for themselves, and they'll do anything or believe anything you want them to.

Grab your history books now and run. The liberal left will have a new leader for such policies under a Clinton administration. Arkansas never really has prospered under the kind of education we have now — they just can't keep up, so changing history programs wouldn't affect those people.


Is this the type of future you advocate — ridding ourselves of our past and letting the vocal minority rule? If so, the future looks pretty bright for you.

Editorial Editor Joe Braun is a political science and journalism sophomore and a Kentucky Kernel columnist.

ON THE ISSUES


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Should American teachers be required to meet certain minimum standards of competency?




CLINTON

"Yes. As governor of Arkansas I require teachers to take a basic competency test to keep their jobs. I believe in income-based standards and that competency testing for teachers is a means that some states might use to achieve these standards."



BUSH

"As established by their states and local communities, yes, because I believe such standards for teachers would help improve our education system and help prepare our children for an increasingly competitive world."



PEROT

"Good teachers are the heart of our drive for excellence. They should be rewarded with better pay and with community recognition. Their professionalism should be underscored by holding them to standards as rigorous as their counterparts in law or medicine."

The Kentucky Kernel will be presenting the three candidates' views daily on various issues until the election.

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Even Kentucky not immune to effects of gang violence

My gang leader was murdered in 1987, gunned down in an alley of Louisville, Ky.'s West End by one of many enemies. I was 16, naive and a junior in high school — a know-nothing kid who had dreamed of being in a gang since my lazy days of middle school in the Midwest.

It seems like an unbelievable excuse, but I can honestly admit that my desire to join a gang came from TV and movies. I watched "The Wanderers" and "The Warriors" and saw the comradery and brotherhood I lacked in my own life, never realizing the destructive goals I was creating for myself.

I didn't even consider the violence. The way these movies glorified gang fights, I was convinced they were more exciting than anything I would ever experience growing up in Iowa City, Iowa. Since no one knew of my desire to be a gang member, no one could tell me otherwise, and I carried the desire for years. I was too young, bored and easily impressed to realize I was wrong.

After eight years away, I returned to Louisville in 1985 when the city's gang activity was on the rise. Adults knew practically nothing, while kids had the 411. Bad Boys, Psychos, Arabian Knights and Jr. Monks members were everywhere. Truces were made; truces were broken. And we all kept up with the whole thing like it was a soap opera.



Mitchell Douglas
Kernel Columnist

what it is. The city I'm worried about is Lexington.

No, Lexington is not facing the threat of gangs, but a recent threat in the rise of violence in general. A 17-year-old is being charged with the murder of Will Carter, Carter, 16, died in the crossfire of feuding parties in an incident that is being recognized as an increase of violent crime in the Lexington's North Side.

Over the weekend, a gathering of several hundred youths ended in the destruction of public property and the dispersal of the crowd by police. The youth population is getting restless. Lexington and other mid-sized cities fail to realize that violence does not make a city. Murders aren't what make New York desirable. The number of things to do keeps the city exciting.

Lexington can't be Los Angeles. There is nothing glamorous about proving how bad you are with a gun, and jail time doesn't impress anyone on a resume.

We must give the children something to occupy their time and their minds — and hanging on a street corner doesn't qualify. The situation on the North Side does not need to become any more disastrous than it already has.

Chill out, Lexington. Some of us are failing to see the advantages that living in a mid-sized city has to offer. Think about it.

Later.
Mitchell L.H. Douglas is an English junior and a Kentucky Kernel columnist.

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Columbus Day celebrated in diverse ways across U.S.

Associated Press

BERKELEY, Calif. — More than 150 people gathered in the University of California's Sproul Plaza to inaugurate the first-ever Indigenous People's Day. Signs decrying Columbus abounded, including one that said "U.S. Out of North America." One person held up a hand-lettered sign that read, "Columbus did not discover anything. He was lost!"

BOSTON — Thousands crowded into American Indian dance exhibitions, ate raccoon stew and corn bread and mingled with descendants of the people who lived in Massachusetts 9,000 years before the Pilgrims landed.

CHICAGO — A parade was led

by Mayor Richard Daley and grand marshal Frankie Avaton riding behind in a convertible. Avaton's auto was followed by a group of American Indians dressed in full regalia, who were applauded loudly by the crowds standing five deep along the route through the Loop.

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — About 50 American Indians held a memorial walk and vigil to commemorate those who died in the wake of Columbus' arrival in the New World.

COLUMBUS, Ohio — American Indians walked to a replica of the Santa Maria where a leader proclaimed, "We're still here. This is still our land." About 100 people demonstrated next to the full-scale model of Columbus' ship, docked

Walk

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blacks and American Indians during the exploration and colonization of the Americas.

Cheapside Park, the location of the walk, once was the site of Lexington's slave market.

Related events to be held at New Morning Coffee House in October include an American Indian roundtable on Oct. 15 at 7 p.m.; a benefit for the Leonard Peltier Defense Committee on Oct. 18 at 7 p.m.; and a presentation by Sharon Bova titled, "Highway 117: Land Rights in New York."

in the Scioto River downtown in the largest city in the world named for the explorer.

Board chair addresses faculty

By Brian Bennett
Senior Staff Writer

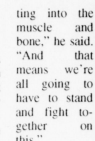
Saying his door is always open, UK Board of Trustees chairman and former Gov. Edward Breathitt answered questions yesterday from the University Senate concerning budget cuts and the role of the board.

Breathitt said the trustees, administration and faculty need to unite to improve the University during a time of budget cuts.

"I think we're really in a period where we can move forward and really move this University ahead," Breathitt said. "I don't see any divisions that are going to dissipate our energies, and I don't see any problems we can't solve with intelligent, dedicated leadership and more money."

Breathitt also told the Senate that the tough times are ahead and that UK could not sustain any more budget cuts.

"I think there isn't any way we can cut more without really get-



BREATHITT says his door is always open to faculty questions.

ting into the muscle and bone," he said. "And that means we're all going to have to stand and fight together on this."

Board members will have to use their influence with legislators to prevent further budget cuts, he said. "We intend to make our case and, I feel like the legislature and the governor will hear us," he said after his address. "But if we're silent and we don't make our case, there are plenty of needs in Kentucky that are very pressing, and we could get hurt."

He also gave the Senate members his view on the role of the chairman of the board and the University president.

"Our role is oversight," he said. "You have a president. He has the responsibility of being chief executive officer of this institu-

tion. ... If the president doesn't do a good job, then we'll get us a new president."

John Piccolo, chairman of the University Senate, said Breathitt's appearance was the first by a trustee chairman he could remember in more than 20 years.

"To me that's indicative of the continuing interest Gov. Breathitt has in this institution and certainly in the faculty," Piccolo said.

Breathitt said he addressed the meeting in order to tighten the relationship between administrators and faculty members.

"The University is a family and we don't need any family squabbles," he said. "I want the University Senate to know of my interest in them. I certainly intend to make every effort to work with them during my term on the board."

Bratt

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in the spring by former trustees, including former Gov. Wallace Wilkinson, who pushed the notion that teachers care more about research than students.

Bratt said she favors accountability, but that it should not be limited to teachers.

"What I find wrong in the current accountability movement, that I have not heard a single official utterance by this University about, is the need for measuring and assessing the performance of all UK's administrators including the president," Bratt said.

"Where are the mechanisms for reviewing the performance of University administrators? Faculty are evaluated by their students. Why aren't academic administrators evaluated by their faculty? If accountability is a 'good,' why is it only good for faculty, students and hourly staff?"

Wethington said he believes in accountability for administrators but that it's already being done. He said his performance is reviewed annually by the trustees' chairman, and that he reviews job performance

of chancellors, vice presidents and deans every year.

Former Gov. Edward T. "Ned" Breathitt, the chairman of the board, spoke to the Senate yesterday but left before Bratt's remarks. Attempts to contact him last night were unsuccessful.

Student trustee Pete November, president of the Student Government Association, declined to comment on Bratt's administrative review proposals, saying he wanted to study them before giving an opinion.

Bratt also called for more faculty representation when decisions are made regarding University restructuring and realignment. She said if top-level administrators make the decisions, people in the less prominent positions would be most affected.

If administrators are left with the power to make decisions on restructuring, they might be tempted to save their own jobs and staff, she said after her speech.

"I assume people are motivated by a desire to keep this a strong University, but people are human, too. There is a temptation to believe that what your doing is important at the expense of what other people are doing," she said.

She called administration is the "fastest growing segment in the

University community in the past decade" and that there may be some excess in UK administration.

"I think that we're no different than other institutions of higher learning and every study that's been done at other institutions shows duplication and therefore waste," she said.

Wethington said administrative positions would be scrutinized.

"I agree that growth in administrative staffing has been greater than the growth in the number of faculty. We're going to focus on administrative growth," Wethington said.

In a related issue, a resolution passed by the University Senate Council calling for more faculty representation on various Board of Trustees committees was read.

Bratt said she, community college trustee John Sistrarenik and Deborah Powell, the other faculty trustee, would present the resolution to the board on Tuesday.

The resolution calls for a non-voting faculty trustee to be added to the trustees' Executive Committee and faculty trustee to be placed on the Finance Committee. The University Senate Council unanimously adopted the resolution Oct. 5.

Author to explore women's roles

By Rob Thorne
Contributing Writer

Nationally known author and human rights advocate Sister Joan Chittister will speak about the role of women in the church and society tonight at the Catholic Newman Center.

Chittister's lecture, titled "Woman — Icon, Rebel, Saint," will focus on her view that "women have been frequently undervalued and misunderstood, even though their roles are many and profound." The "charisma of women" and their ability to eliminate stereotypes is a strong belief of Chittister. She will address how these abilities can stop many of the abuses and inequities in society.

Chittister is a Benedictine sister

from Erie, Pa., that has toured widely. She is the author of "The Rule of the Benedictine," as well as nine other books.

She serves on the boards of the Ecumenical and Cultural Institute of St. John's University, the St. Vincent Foundation and the Global Education Associates. She also writes columns for the *National Catholic*

Reporter and is on the magazine's board of directors.

Joanne Wilhite of the Newman Center says that Chittister is the first in a series of distinguished speakers coming to UK under the sponsorship of the Newman Center.

The presentation begins at 7:30 p.m. and is free.

Columbus

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gaining in 1492.

He said the explorer, along with others later, terrorized the islanders into submission. But Western historians have avoided mentioning those actions.

"To continue focusing on the white European point of view is only focusing on part of the picture," he said. "Without that knowledge, we are blinded."

"If our view of history is misguided, it affects the way we see ourselves today," the man said.

He said there was no justification for the violence inflicted upon the native American peoples.

"Yes there was exchange ... but I don't see how that's justifying the conquest," he said. "History has many sides."

Perla Lucha was also involved with a recent publication called "USA Decay," which was wrapped around USA Today newspapers.

Sherman's Alley by Gibbs 'N' Yolet

Brooks' "40510" dream continues.

What's the problem of the day, gent? Your Pop won't buy you that second Ferrari?

Mavis, we're both youths struggling to make sense of the changing demands of manhood.

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