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## Mayoral Q&A to air on WRFL

By Jennifer Jones  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

With the mayoral election fast approaching, UK's campus radio station is hosting a question and answer session with mayoral candidates up for election this afternoon.



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The 88.1 WRFL-FM public affairs program, "Campus Voices," is airing a question and answer session with the four candidates, incumbent Mayor Teresa Isaac, Urban County Councilman Bill Farmer, Lexington lawyer Jim Newberry and local business owner Charles Martin Jr. today at 5:30pm.

They session will focus on certain issues such as public safety, the "brain drain," and the Party Plan, and is taking place as part of a partnership with Professor Buck Ryan's journalism class, which is subtitled "Lexington and the Mayor's Race."

Ryan said he decided this would be a good show for undecided voters to hear and for students to take part in.

"The forum is important because whether this is a great college town or not has a lot to do with who is mayor," Ryan said.

Not only that, Ryan said, but UK's state-mandated top-20 research institution aspirations will be tied in with who leads the city.

"Whether Lexington will become

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## Trustees to revise how chiefs are reviewed

By Dariush Shafa  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

The Board of Trustees yesterday unanimously approved the first reading of a change to a portion of the university's governing regulations that deals with review of departments in the university and their heads.

"I think having more feedback on a regular basis is a step forward."

Lee Todd  
UK president, on changing the review process for deans

The change is being made because of revisions in the accreditation standards by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, although UK is compliant already in action, just not on paper, said the Board of Trustees chair James F. Hardyman.

"I think we're up to what it says," Hardyman said. "We're just getting the paperwork caught up."

Hardyman also said that from his time in business, he sees this as a healthy thing for the university be-

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## seeing the world through the voice of another

Story and photos by Brad Luttrell | Staff

### Radio Eye brings world to life for visually impaired

It should have been easy. And for two years, it was. Franklin McGuire spoke clearly into the microphone, reading stories from local newspapers and magazines as a volunteer for Central Kentucky Radio Eye, a radio station for people he can't see — and listeners who can't see him.

But occasionally he would make a mistake during his live reading segments and mispro-

nounce a word or two. Sometimes, the words he read didn't make sense to him.

"I discovered that I was making mistakes," McGuire said.

He was diagnosed with macular degeneration three years ago — a condition that eliminates the ability to centrally focus on an object.

"I decided it was time to quit," he said.

The gradual loss of vision

pained McGuire.

"I'm a retired minister," he said. "Reading was my life."

The simple act he used to perform on a near-unconscious level became subtle reminders of his limited vision. Squeezing toothpaste onto his toothbrush, parting his hair just right and recognizing friends and family became arduous tasks. To see an object clearly, McGuire must look to the side of it.

His vision will continue to worsen.

"There are strange things you never think about when you're in this predicament," he said.

Such as the concept that he's now on the receiving end of a service he once helped provide.

Like many of Radio Eye's more than 2,000 listeners, most of whom are visually impaired, the 83-year-old typically schedules

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Charles Sidney, a former IBM and Lexmark employee, listens to Radio Eye after church most Sundays. He said he often listens to the television or the police scanner along with the radio.



"Life would be a lot less pleasant without it."

Franklin McGuire, on Radio Eye's services

Three volunteers read the Lexington Herald-Leader during the morning session in the Radio Eye studio. Readers each have their own articles selected prior to airing and rotate during the reading.

## President's pond gets makeover

Private contractor restores pond for \$10,000 as part of PPD annual campus improvements

STAFF REPORT

The pond beside Maxwell Place, once all but invisible, is back and flowing, complete with two small waterfalls, and student questions have surfaced with it.

The pond is part of a landscap-

ing project in the corner of the yard at the home of UK President Lee Todd and his wife, Patsy.

UK Physical Plant Director Jack Applegate said the work on the pond is just one of the 10 to 20 projects PPD takes on



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The pond in front of Maxwell Place, which cost \$10,000 to be repaired and restored, is now completed and filled, complete with two small waterfalls.

each year to improve the look of campus, although this was done by a private contractor for \$10,000, he said.

"We generally try to pick so many places on campus to repair and improve," he said, citing work done on plantings outside the Student Center done last year. "We just select certain spots. We identify areas that need improvements and we schedule so many a year."

"I don't think he's making any money on it, though," Applegate said of the contractor.

A pond existed on the site years ago, but needed repairs, Applegate said.

"It hasn't been working for a long time," he said. He also said he thinks there will be home and garden show at Maxwell Place this summer, so the pond and its surroundings should be ready by then.

Currently, the pond is filled with water and the waterfalls are working, but it remains surrounded by dirt.

Some students thought the work was not necessary.

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## Anti-alcohol group hosts event today

By Sean Evans  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

A UK student organization with a focus on giving students an alternative to alcohol-related partying will be holding a cookout on campus today, complete with music and the atmosphere of a day at the ballpark.

The Genesis Group is working on signaling a new beginning on campus with events focused on safer drinking and alcohol-free entertainment.

The mission statement, according to the Genesis Group's Web site, is "to reduce the harm to students and our community caused by the abuse of alcohol, through a partnership of students, faculty, alumni, administration, and community leaders with presidential support."

Today, the two-year-old group will hold its second major event of the year, the Dugout Cookout. The cookout is an opportunity for students to come out and enjoy music, free food and cheer on UK's baseball team, all in one night. The event will run from 6 p.m. to about 8 p.m. behind Ingels Hall.

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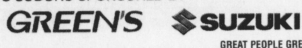
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## Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black  
To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** - Today is a 7 - Postpone extensive travel until tomorrow, for best results. Well, maybe late tonight. Wait until the confusion has passed.  
**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** - Today is a 6 - You're up against a deadline. The pressure's on to perform. Can you do it again, even better, and with the biggest prize? You can.  
**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** - Today is a 6 - You can't have everything you want, and that's a terrible thing. Instead of pitching a fit, however, just wait for a better time. Get your friends to help.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** - Today is a 9 - You could be called upon to explain what you've been doing lately. This is why you were advised to stick to the straight and narrow. Hopefully, you'll have nothing but good and proper things to report.  
**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** - Today is a 7 - Conditions for romance are getting better, lucky for you. Speaking of luck, that's pretty good, too. Make your move now, before it changes.  
**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** - Today is a 6 - Discuss the family shopping list before you go to the store. It's better to work these things out before you get in front of strangers.  
**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** - Today is a 6 - Don't hurry, take your time. Drag your feet and stall. Later today and tomorrow, your odds for success improve.  
**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** - Today is a 9 - You don't need to ask the world to

give you anything for free. You're fully able and willing to take care of yourself, and others, at a profit.  
**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** - Today is a 5 - Keep your temper under pressure at work. Don't lose your sense of humor. Somebody you admire is watching, and thinks you are very cool.  
**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** - Today is a 7 - After initial frustration, you should be able to tell what works and what doesn't. Try not to lose your temper.  
**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** - Today is a 6 - Others are trying to block your efforts, but they won't succeed. You need to gather more information, though. Get it!  
**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** - Today is a 7 - You don't have to ask for favors. Your kindness will be repaid. It may take a while, but eventually what goes around, comes around.

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By Jennifer O'Neill

### No. 1: Go From Curvy to Fit

Print! To boost calorie burn in your workouts, do high-intensity intervals on a treadmill or elliptical machine, says trainer Pat Murphy.

Circuit train. Do four strength-training moves (think lunges and crunches) back-to-back to challenge the body, says trainer Teddy Bass.

Eat breakfast. "It prevents you from impulse-eating later on," says Small Changes Big Results dietician Ellie Krieger. Try whole-grain cereal.

**Kristin Cavallari:** "I'd diet two weeks and then be off it," the 5-foot-2 Laguna Beach alum, 19, tells Us. To kick her yo-yo habit and get lean, Cavallari eats small meals, snacks on almonds and lifts weights for an hour three times a week. "This is the first time I've actually stuck with a diet," she says.

**Mariah Carey:** In mere months, the 5-foot-9 singer, 36, lost 20 pounds, going from size 8 to a slim size 4! Daily water workouts (like swimming and aqua-aerobics) with a trainer, and a low-carb, low-sugar diet of several small meals a day did the trick. "I'll never be a stick woman," says Carey. "But now I'm fierce!"

### No. 2: Go From Full Figured to Fit

Hit the gym. Cardio is key, says Bass. Murphy suggests six hours a week mixing elliptical and spinning.

Eat smart. "Fruit and vegetables fill you up, without a lot of calories," nutritionist Ellie Krieger tells Us.

Snack more. Four to six small meals keeps your cravings in check.

**Kelly Osbourne:** Call it sibling inspiration: since her brother, Jack, lost 70 pounds while competing on an extreme sports show, the 5-foot-2 singer, 21, has shed 24 pounds of her own by giving up her fave "Jammie Dodgers" cookies and living solo. "I just moved out of my parents' house," she tells Us. "My mother isn't around to make me eat."

## How the stars got so fit

With diet and workout tweaks, these celebs transformed bodies

### No. 3: Go From Skinny to Toned

Lift weights. "You can't gain muscle from cardio alone," says Murphy. "You have to do resistance training."

Add iron. "To add mass, increase the amount of weight you're lifting and do fewer reps," Bass advises.

Eat protein. To foster muscle gain, munch to match your weight. Weigh 140? Eat 140 grams of protein a day.

### Stars' Secret Fat Past

**Maria Menounos:** After gaining 40 pounds in college, the 5-foot-8 Today and Access Hollywood correspondent, 27, tells Us she got fed up. "It got out of control," she recalls. "I remember buying cinnamon Pop Tarts and eating five packages a day..." In January 1999, I said, "I've had it. I feel gross." Cutting carbs and portion sizes helped her lose 20 pounds in four months. Five months later, after hitting the gym three times a week, she hit 115 pounds (down from 155). "I was a little too thin then," she says. "Now I'm at 125 and I'm happy."

**Ryan Seacrest:** "I was overweight until I was about 16 years old," the American Idol host, 31, tells Us about growing up in Atlanta. "I was on the swim team, but I would always wear T-shirts because I was so self-conscious." Indeed, Seacrest tipped the scales at around 175 pounds in his teens. After becoming frustrated with his size and the taunts of his peers, the future E! News anchor resolved to lay off his favorite nachos and afternoon snacks. And, as a student at the University of Georgia, he finally started exercising with a personal trainer. What about these days? The 5-foot-7 star tells Us he weighs a healthy 157 pounds. "I currently work out five days a week with a trainer, running and lifting weights at the gym," he boasts. "I just moved out of my parents' house with lots of protein, and I have a personal chef."

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## WRFL

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a top-20 college town has a lot to do with the mayor's vision and how the community connects to the faculty, staff and students at UK," he said. "Everyone should know who's running for mayor and the person's vision for the community."

John Edwards, WRFL general manager, said "Campus Voices" is airing this show today to hit an issue that is

important to the community and the campus.

"I think it will give the students more reason to believe that the mayoral candidates want to talk to them," Edwards said. "It is good to see the candidates reaching out to the campus."

Edwards also said he sees candidates trying to tap a potential political source.

"A lot of the people living in Lexington are students and they do vote," Edwards said, adding that the candidates taking time for this event is a message in itself.

"This lets the students know that they have a voice and they should use it," Edwards said.

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## Board

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cause it keeps deans and administrators informed of how they are doing.

"The greatest thing about management, from my time in management, is to be communicated with," Hardyman said.

Jeff Dembo, a professor in the College of Dentistry and a faculty representative on the Board of Trustees, said he doesn't see this as leading to much of a change.

"I really can't see it making any palpable difference," Dembo said. "I see it broadening the umbrella under which evaluations of people and units are accomplished."

UK President Lee Todd agreed that this type of review is good for the deans and administrators.

"I think they need to be reviewed," Todd said. "I do think having more feedback on a regular basis is a step forward."

Not only does he like the idea, but Todd said the deans and administrators want and approve of such reviews.

"They want to be reviewed and I talked to them and they want annual reviews to explain everything they do to myself and the provost," Todd said.

The board also approved the appointment of two people, Paul Chelgren and James Geisler, to the Board of Directors of the University of Kentucky Business Partnership Foundation, Inc. This body includes 26 UK alumni and business executives from within the state with the goal of introducing more business opportunities and partnerships into the Gatton College of Business and Economics.

The board passed their appointment nearly unanimously, all but one of the members present voting in favor. The lone dissenting vote came from Dembo,

though he made very clear it was not because of a lack of qualification of Chelgren and Geisler.

Dembo raised issue with the diversity of the Business Partnership Foundation Board, stating that foundation's board has very little diversity on it right now, a problem which he feels must be addressed.

"Diversity is a goal that can only be achieved slowly, one step at a time," Dembo said.

Roy Moore, a professor of journalism and the other faculty representative on the board, agreed.

"It (diversity) does indeed make a difference and that's why we have to think about this a lot," he said.

Todd said he would in the near future direct the multicultural affairs office to break down and examine the diversity of boards in all departments of the university as something to help with this type of concern.

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## Pond

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"I thought the landscaping looked just fine before," said Lauren

Schwartz, a middle school education senior. "I know that aesthetics make people want to come here, but there are cheaper ways to produce better aesthetics"

Others questioned the price tag. "I think it's ridiculous, considering what all needs to be changed on campus," said Audrey Spinks, a pre-

physical therapy freshman. "That could be more money going to learning facilities," said Rachel Reynolds, a nursing freshman.

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## Genesis

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"First of all, we hope they have fun. From an organizational standpoint, we hope to gain recognition and credibility which can be hard to do here at UK," said Meredith Marcum, co-chair of the event and incoming president of the Genesis Group. "We also don't want to come across as preachy. Our group understands that there are good ways to have fun, and bad ways. We just want students to choose the better one."

The goal is to also help student relax with the impending pressure of Finals Week looming on the horizon.

"We know there's a lot of stress now with finals coming up, and we want to offer a fun event to give a little break for students," said Andrew Warren, the other co-chair.

The Genesis Program got its start in fall 2004 at UK, UK, along with Indiana's

DePauw University, were chosen to pilot the Genesis Group's "Program for Change."

The mission is to bring fraternities and sororities into collaboration with UK staff and faculty to come up with ways and event ideas to encourage students to have fun responsibly and safely. Susan West, Student Affairs officer in the Dean of Students Office, is one of the faculty advisers to the 15 or so regular members of the UK Genesis Group, and is helping with its goals.

"My job is to help them with resources and researching, especially when it comes to the national aspect of the program," West said. "What they're trying to do is change campus lifestyle, and it helps to have faculty to see events through and give advice."

The Dugout Cookout is the second event here on campus this year. The first, March Mania, was held at the Johnson Center, attracted about 500 students within a two-hour span and was accomplished on a budget of \$1,500.

"We had an incredible turnout, even

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though we weren't sure how many people would show," said Warren.

The group also hopes to have an event every month next year along with regular meetings on Thursdays. So far this year, the group has met at 5 p.m. on Thursdays at either the Patterson Office Tower or in the Student Center.

With the success of events like March Mania and Dugout Cookout, they hope to attract new members and spread word about alcohol abuse and underage drinking.

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## Compete to eat: Shovel it in, keep it down

By Caitlin Coughlin  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Most UK students graduate with a list of accomplishments, but Ian Hickman can boast of a most unusual one.

Hickman, a 2005 UK journalism alumnus, has a weekend hobby most students

have never even tried: competitive eating.

"I don't get crazy with it," Hickman said. "The competitive eating thing is a weekend hobby."

Hickman, who now works in Washington, D.C., doesn't spend his week-ends visiting the Lincoln Memorial. Instead he travels around the country for free while eating in various eating competitions and winning world titles.

In a short time, Hickman has become the World Fried Zucchini Champion, the World Potato Pancakes Champion and the World Spoon Bread Champion. His talent caught the eye of MTV, putting him on one of their shows, "True Life."

"It was random, it took

about three weeks," said Hickman. "They filmed me for my first real competition as a competitive eater."

Before he was an official competitive eater, Hickman did local competitions like the one at Trumps for the Final Four that is held every year.

"Ian is the future of competitive eating. He is a great kid who represents the fact that competitive eating attracts all sorts of people, even the young and good looking."

Arnie Chapman  
Chairman of the Association of Independent Competitive Eaters (AICE)

asked Chapman for suggestions, and he ended up being sponsored by Chapman.

Hickman is now a member of the AICE along with Chapman and many others. "We believe you shouldn't take the humor out of competitive eating," said Chapman about the AICE's philosophy.

Chapman, also a competi-

tive eater, holds the world record for chili after eating 7.1 pounds of it in five minutes.

Hickman has learned competitive eating can be a lucrative hobby. Each competition has a different reward, sometimes it is money and sometimes it is food. Thanks to Hickman's unique hobby, he has free Ben & Jerry's for life after eating a seven-pound sundae.

"I start training two weeks before a competition, every other day," said Hickman. "I'll drink a gallon of water and eat cottage cheese while at I'm at work."

Some of his eating accomplishments include 220 Red Lobster shrimp in an hour, 19 Skyline chili-cheese dogs in 30 minutes, 117 Hooter's wings in one sitting, and 22 Taco John's tacos in one sitting.

"Ian is the future of competitive eating," said Chapman. "He is a great kid who represents the fact that competitive eating attracts all sorts of people, even the young and good looking."

Hickman's next competition will be the National Strawberry Eating Championship in Delaplane, Va., on May 27.

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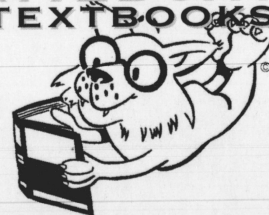
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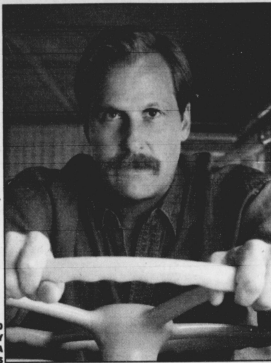


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## AKEELAH AND THE BEE

This is a joke, right? They actually made a movie about a spelling bee? It was enough to have arrogant 12 year olds spell rarely used words like "antidistabishmentarianism" on ESPN. I can't wait until those kids grow up to spell words like "methylenedioxyamphetamine" and "benzoylmethyl-ecgonine" because their parents forced them into a life of over achievement and ultimate disappointment. **Opens Friday at Regal, Woodhill and Lexington Green.**

**Editor's note:** It's been a swell semester, my acolytes. I've managed to deface every movie that was released in the last five months without getting a single piece of hate mail. This can mean one of two things: either no one is reading any of this, or we're all in complete agreement. One can only hope that my altruistic goal of achieving pure, unbridled negativity will continue in the Fall Kernel. So long!

## IN THEATERS

**RV**  
Robin Williams is the conductor of this train wreck which co-stars Cheryl Hines. Williams plays an overworked and detached business executive who decides the best way to reconnect with his family is to treat them to a hellacious cross-country trip in a recreational vehicle. As if this film didn't have enough artistic clout already, it even sports pop prodigy JoJo. Bitterness aside, Williams is still funny. **Opens Friday at Regal and Woodhill.**

## UNITED 93

Following the plight and courage of the passengers of

flight 93 on Sept. 11, 2001, "United 93" has stirred up mixed reactions in anticipation of its release. Considering the fact that no one knows what actually happened on board the plane one wonders how anyone crafted a script out of chaos. Sadly, the cinematic interpretation of that tragedy will likely become the enduring cultural memory we'll all carry with us. **Opens Friday at Regal, Lexington Green and Woodhill.**

## STICK IT

I'm absolutely convinced that there was only one of these movies ever made, they just keep changing certain variables to sort of change the dynamic so they can keep selling tickets to a monstrous horde of nincompoops. You know the story: rebellious young teen finds herself after being forced into a sport they didn't particularly enjoy at first but, inexplicably, they excel at. This time it's about gymnastics. I'm just thrilled that I finally found a way to incorporate the word "nincompoop" into a piece. **Score. Opens Friday at Regal and Woodhill.**

## ON DVD

**AEON FLUX**  
This thinly veiled homage to bondage culture, based on the phenomenally inexplicable cartoon that aired on MTV in the mid '90s, stars Charlize Theron as an assassin forced to choose sides in a quickly unraveling dystopia. Any movie that features a side kick who has hands in place of feet is a winner.

## SHOPGIRL

Based on Steve Martin's novella of the same title, the film weaves a love triangle involving a lonely shop vendor played by Claire Danes and her goofy, lame boyfriend played by Jason Schwartzman with, you guessed it, Martin at its vortex. Whatever.

— Compiled by Asst. Features Editor Ian Conley

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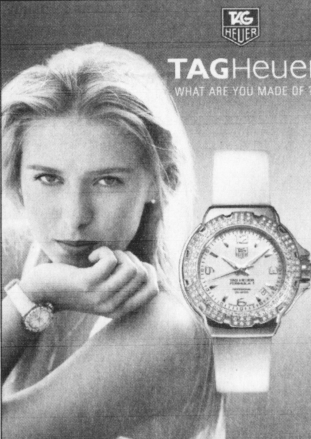
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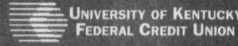
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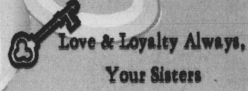
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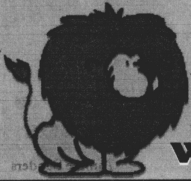
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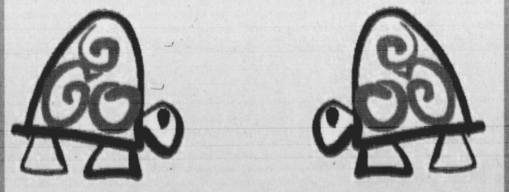


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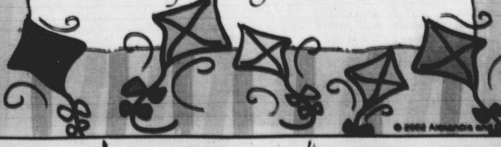
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Thanks for a great 4 Years!



# Radio Eye

Continued from page 1

his mornings along the broadcast.

"We are the only radio reading service in Central Kentucky," said volunteer executive director Margaret Chase.

McGuire listens to The New York Times at 7:30 a.m. and the Herald-Leader at 8 a.m., then has breakfast at half-hour later. He turns the station back on one hour later, listening off and on throughout the rest of the day. Sometimes, he tunes in to hear book suggestions at night.

"Life would be a lot less pleasant without it," he said.

## "Life would be a lot less pleasant without it."

Charles Sidney can usually be found listening to Radio Eye on Sunday afternoons at the Pilgrim Baptist Church.

"Sometimes, I have it and the police scanner on at the same time, and listen to both," Sidney said with a laugh. "I enjoy listening to it."

Sidney can't remember what day he lost his sight, only that it was roughly two and a half years ago.

He had cereal for breakfast, brushed his teeth, got dressed, and headed down the steps of his small Lexington home on Greenwood Avenue.

Stepping along the narrow, broken sidewalk, he eased into his Lincoln Town Car. He turned the key and shifted into drive, but something was off.

He couldn't see.

He'd only gotten partially in the road, so he backed into his driveway and got out. He felt his way along his chain-link fence, crossed the street, carefully walked back up the steps and made his way into the house.

Sidney, now 61, never drove again.

"One thing, my most important thing, is not driving," Sidney said. "I missed that the most — being independent and going where I wanted to go."

Sidney still pays his car insurance and keeps the tank full. With the help of a driver, he runs errands for himself and his friends.

After losing his vision entirely, everything he does is based on feel. After he brushes his teeth, he wipes down the entire sink to ensure it's clean.

"(The newspapers) were piling up and I wasn't reading them. It was a waste of time."

Charles Sidney says he has a hard time adjusting to his new life.

Anthony Mundy, 48, lives along with a friend, John Hardy. Although Sidney can get around on his own, Mundy and Hardy assist him in tasks throughout the day, such as preparing his meals and driving him to church or helping him run errands for his friends.

"I like to help a man when he's in trouble," he said.

In September 1988, Sidney underwent surgery to remove his cataracts, which clouded the normally clear lenses in his eyes. Typically, the lenses are removed and replaced with artificial ones. Sidney had cataract removal surgery again in 1998, but would ultimately still lose his eyesight.

"After the doctors told me I just went along with it, because there wasn't anything I could do about it," Sidney said. Now, he has just enough vision to tell the difference between night and day.

Newspapers — once a standard part of Sidney's day

# Painting life with a mic

— kept landing on his doorstep, and now Sidney didn't know what to do with them. Sidney said, "It was a waste of time."

When Sidney told the carrier he didn't want the subscription anymore, the carrier asked if he had anybody to read to him.

"I don't want to put that burden on anybody," Sidney told the carrier.

And, partly thanks to Radio Eye, Sidney doesn't have to feel like a burden. He can listen to the newspaper and take in his current-events content whenever he wants.

"Ain't no shame in my game," Sidney said. "I can do anything, the only thing wrong with me is I just can't see."

Instead of playing with audio controls on a soundboard, McGuire now clicks just one switch.

Instead of grabbing a microphone and scanning the day's headlines, he patiently sits and listens to someone else do the same thing.

"But that doesn't bother me," McGuire said.

"It was just a fact that I had to deal with," he said. "I knew it was irreversible. I can deal with things pretty well."

McGuire loves listening to the station and said it keeps him informed of many topics he wouldn't know about without reading the newspaper himself.

But he doesn't rely on others to perform tasks that, for the most part, he can still do on his own.

McGuire sold his car when he moved to Richmond Place, an assisted living complex in Lexington. He often walks to his destinations, which include the Kroger in the nearby Man O' War shopping center.

"I don't mind it," McGuire said. "I can still use the cars."

Grocery shopping usually takes him longer than most customers, since he depends on items being in the same location as they were during his last visit. He reads labels with a magnifying glass that he carries in his pocket. But if he struggles, store employees are always willing to help, he said.

At home, McGuire uses more high-tech equipment than a magnifying glass. The Blue Grass Council of the Blind developed a magnifying device that allows McGuire to read text and see images on a monitor.

"I've been doing my taxes," McGuire said while clearing off the machine, which takes up most of his desk.

"I can put the sports section under here and read it."

But reading treads McGuire quickly — he can usually get in about half an hour before the strain on his eyes is too much, preventing him from continuing.

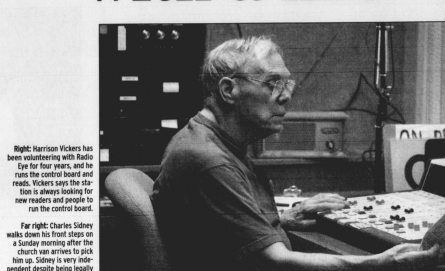
"That's when Radio Eye takes over. My wife could read to me, but you can't get a word forward on a daily basis," McGuire said.

And on a daily basis, people like McGuire and Sidney depend on the voices of Radio Eye to bring the outside world to him.

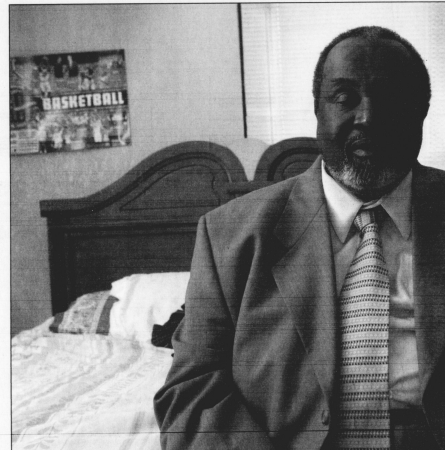
"If we went off the air, it would not be available to these people," Chase said of the 16-year-old service. "It would be quite devastating for people who have to depend on us."

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With an annual working budget of about \$35,000, the organization had no viable solution



Right: Harrison Vickers has been volunteering with Radio Eye for four years, and he runs the control board and reads. Vickers says the station is always looking for new readers and people to run the control board.



Far right: Charles Sidney walks down his front steps on a Sunday morning after the church is always looking for him up. Sidney is very independent despite being legally blind and needs little assistance throughout the day.

**"I can do anything; the only thing wrong with me is I just can't see."**

Charles Sidney, 61, legally blind Radio Eye user

## Station hopes to clear financial hurdles to expansion

By Brad Lettner  
he never ones.

For more than 15 years, Central Kentucky Radio Eye has provided services to Lexington's King Library — at no cost.

The service's housing and utilities are paid on UK bill. But a letter in July 2005 almost changed that entire scenario.

"If we had to pay rent and utilities, we could not stay in business," Margaret Chase, volunteer executive director, told the Lexington Herald-Leader at the time. "I had no indication this was coming."

What had arrived was an enrollment letter from UK, stating that because of growth in UK's enrollment and research programs, the university needed to occupy the space that housed the radio service.

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to the displacement, Chase said. UK ultimately resolved the situation by allowing Radio Eye to stay. As part of the resolution, UK instituted an annual review of Radio Eye: the first such review occurs this summer.

"We want to ensure our help to Radio Eye, and fulfill our commitment to them and the community," UK spokesman Jay Blanton told The Herald last July.

"We do depend on the university to keep going on," Chase said.

"It would be very difficult to duplicate what they provide."

More than 100 volunteers make the station run 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Radio Eye broadcasts local news from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.; then, volunteers read national news, books and magazines over the airwaves from 2 p.m. until 8 a.m. the next morning.

An off-campus move could be the end of the program, which about 2,000 people consume, Chase said.

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Central Kentucky," she said. "If we went off the air, it would not be available to these people."

"It would be quite devastating for people who have to depend on us," Chase said.

Harrison Vickers, 76, has been working with Radio Eye for four years and is one of the station's most versatile volunteers. Vickers, a retired radio announcer, runs the control board on Thursday and Friday for readers when they call in sick.

"We can always use people to come in and read or run the control board," he said.

Vickers said the application is usually one step — a short reading of the Herald-Leader, which is recorded and played back.

"I don't know anyone who's failed it yet," he said.

Although Vickers says more volunteers, he said he feels that the service will continue, and the station is expanding little by little.

"I think there are people who need this service," Vickers said.

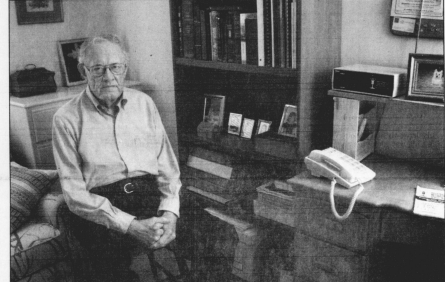
Chase said the realization



Left: Harrison Vickers runs the board from the control room at the station. Although volunteer readers are wanted, Vickers says the biggest need is people to run the board.



Below: Volunteers read the Lexington Herald-Leader behind the glass in the studio. Signs are posted all around the studio as to how to use the headphones and the cough switch, which allows readers to mute their microphone.



Below: Franklin McGuire, a retired engineer, has only a partially full book shelf and a few books under his bed. Vision of the many he had before his vision began to deteriorate. Now McGuire depends mostly on the receiver on his desk to get any news or hear any books.



Left: McGuire looks around his desk to find the Radio Eye schedule for Sunday afternoon. Although he can't see, he is still able to see objects and shapes.



Far left: Charles Sidney sits and listens to a televised church service while waiting for the church bus to arrive. Sidney says the service helps to fill his day for church service.

**The Run-down on Radio Eye**  
Radio Eye cannot be heard with a standard radio. Listeners pay a one-time, \$25 fee and receive a radio automatically tuned into Radio Eye's frequency.

The Cox Station Radio Eye on 7th Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., the time frame when the station reads the Lexington Herald-Leader. The reading is played on the Library Channel, which is channel 20 on Lexington cable service.

For more information about Radio Eye, including a registration form, visit [www.cox.com/lexradio/CRSE](http://www.cox.com/lexradio/CRSE).



## Strieby powers Cats' offense

By Ryan Mabry  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Ryan Strieby used to be a pitcher.

"I did see him pitch, and I thought there was a chance he might do that here if we needed him to," pitching coach Gary Henderson said of the UK first baseman. "(But) I think concentrating on first base has helped him."

Yes, that was a sigh of relief you just heard from the rest of the Southeastern Conference's hitters. The six-foot-six first baseman would certainly be an imposing force on the mound, and head coach John Cohen says that he could probably reach "87 or 90" mph on a radar gun.

Cohen even believes that Strieby could play other positions in the field.

"He's a lot more athletic than people think," Cohen said. "The big, strong guy is typically labeled a non-athlete. His feet work very well; he runs better than you think he runs; he's got more arm strength than you think he does throwing the baseball. I think he could be a left or right fielder. I think he could probably play third base, but he's so valuable for us at first base."

That kind of flexibility is important, especially when you're being scouted by professional franchises as heavily as Strieby is.

"I've gotten letters from pretty much all of the major league teams," Strieby said. "Before this year, I was already getting some stuff."

Those letters likely will increase in frequency and quantity after the season the Cats' cleanup hitter has had. The junior college transfer is batting .351 with a team-best 12 home runs and 54 RBIs. His 17 doubles and .708 slugging percentage are also tops on a team full of offensive threats.

For a hitter displaying such brilliant power numbers, it's amazing to think that was Henderson's only slight reservation about recruiting him.

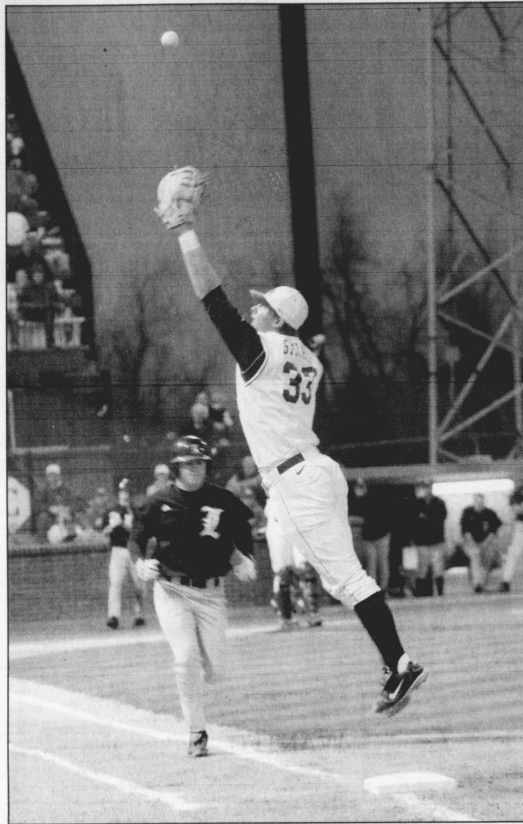
"The one thing he hadn't shown yet was the ability to hit for power," Henderson said. "I felt that he would hit for power here, because the league he was in is kind of a pitcher's league, with wood bats and big ballparks."

Despite the possibility that Strieby wouldn't hit for enough power, Henderson was sure he had his man.

"It was obvious that we needed to get him," said Henderson, who did most of the groundwork in recruiting the slugger through his connection with Edmonds (Wash.) Community College head coach Tighe Dickinson.

It was so obvious that even though the team had senior first baseman Michael Bertram returning, Cohen decided to move him to third for his farewell tour.

"I knew this guy was go-



ANDREW HUGHES | STAFF  
Ryan Strieby attempts to prevent an error against Louisville on April 5. The Cats won the game 5-4. Strieby, a junior college transfer, has been a powerful addition to the UK lineup. He leads the No. 13 Cats in home runs, RBIs, doubles and slugging percentage.

ing to be one heck of a player," Bertram said. "It was a team decision, moving over to third base. It's paying off because we're winning."

The Cats certainly are doing that. The team sports a 30-10 record, and is a stunning 20-4 at home going into today's 3 p.m. doubleheader with in-state foe Murray State. The Cats, at No. 13, have the highest ranking in program history, and are tied for first in the SEC East.

Strieby said Bertram played a key role in getting him to choose UK, showing him around campus and town during his recruiting visit.

"He was a little quiet at first, and he's still a little quiet now, but he's definitely opened up a great deal," Bertram said. "Honestly, I think he saw our ballpark,

and his eyes lit up, because he's a big-time hitter. I think he really wanted the opportunity to play here in the SEC. He's showing everybody why he deserves to be here."

Bertram said the two have a running joke about his position switch.

"I'll always tell him, 'Why did you come here and take my position?' Bertram said. "I'm looking forward to watching what he does at the next level. He's just a tremendous athlete. He is the biggest reason why we're going the way we are."

Cohen agreed with the assessment of Strieby's abilities, but would like to see one of the key cogs in his offensive machine return for one

more year.

"He has a very bright professional future," Cohen said. "If he came back, the sky would be the limit, because he's just starting to scratch the surface of what he's capable of. I think he could really blow this league up next year."

Don't forget about him possibly pitching, either, Cohen says.

"I wouldn't say it's out of the realm of possibility, especially down the stretch," Cohen said. "We'll do whatever it takes to win a game in the league, because every game is crucial at this point."

But Strieby doubts he will take the mound again.

"I think my pitching days are over."

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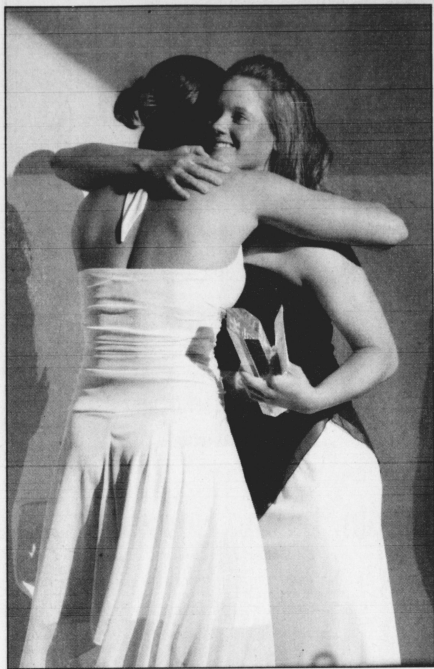
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**BY MATTHEWS J. STAFF**  
Brooke Marantz (left) received the award for the Female Performance of the Year at last night's CATSPY Awards in Rupp Arena. The ceremony is designed to recognize student athletes and their achievements.

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## IN OUR OPINION

### Classroom changes benefit students

Although UK's administration will tell you otherwise, Monday's announcement of \$4.2 million worth of classroom renovations — 74 projects in all — shouldn't be about the Top 20 Business Plan.

Instead, it's about smart investments — in regard to both finances and the students who are the reason UK exists and who are the future of this state and nation.

The beauty of such a significant move to improve campus can be lauded in several ways.

First, UK had been wisely saving funds, combining surplus student tuition with interest gained on state funding for other university projects to account for more than half of the \$4.2 million price tag. That money had been set aside if UK brought in more freshmen than planned for, and now, UK couldn't be using it better.

"You get money for new buildings. You don't get much for old ones," UK President Lee Todd said. "You've got to save up."

Both Todd's office and the provost's office saved up — and it's paying off. Plus, the state legislature collectively worked to produce the first two-year budget since Todd took office, allowing UK to finally look ahead beyond the next few months and be able to plan better for the long-term. Thank you, legislature — though Gov. Ernie Fletcher doesn't deserve any thanks for cutting two UK residence-hall projects and a critically important livestock center, as well as slashing from other state universities by even larger amounts.

But back to the classroom — the place where students (ideally) receive a valuable education from solid professors. As good as the professor is, though, he or she isn't worth much if a large projector prevents

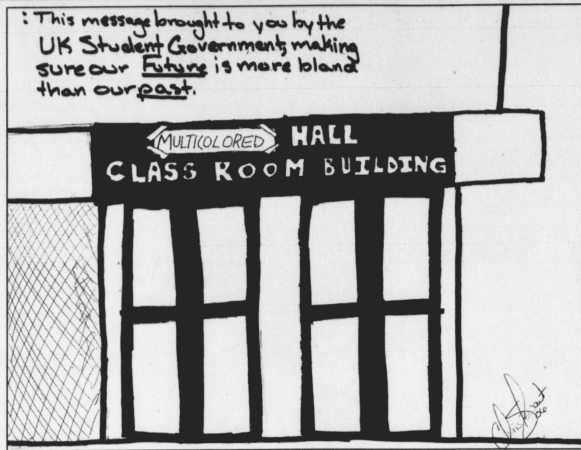
students from seeing their teacher. Just ask art professor Rob Jensen. Before room 208 in the Fine Arts Building received \$27,111 in renovations, "a third of the class wasn't really in class." Now, the updated classroom has "changed the way we actually teach."

What's great is that half of these ongoing or proposed changes — scheduled to be ready for next semester — aren't that difficult. Paint jobs, folding tables, chalkboards replaced with whiteboards and chairs unbolted from the floor — it's not complicated, but simple fixes like these do wonders for students' learning environment.

Some changes, of course, are more complicated. Sixteen classrooms will be upgraded to become "smart" rooms that are Internet-ready and have built-in projectors and speakers that don't block the view of the whiteboard or the professor. Work will start on the Chellenger Center for Undergraduate Excellence to the tune of \$225,000. The Student Center will get almost \$600,000 worth of renovations.

Finally, the plan's diversity of projects, spreading all across campus, should be duly noted and appreciated. The big names — the Student Center, White Hall Classroom Building, Chem-Phys Building, Funkhouser — are getting attention, but so are the Gaines Center, the UK Art Museum, Erickson Hall, nursing, Kastle Hall. It seems almost every building on campus that students learn in is getting a piece of this tasty renovation pie.

Todd said Monday he will "try" to do renovations of this magnitude and variety each year. With a two-year state budget in front of him, that shouldn't be too hard. It's clear he's already got a solid plan in place.



CHRIS STEWART, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

### Bush is no Lincoln, but no Hoover either

Presidents, especially those well into their second terms, have long been known to ponder their place in history.



Wes Blevis  
KERNEL COLUMNIST

For most, legacies take years to hold, as historians consider presidential contributions over the long term.

More often than not, those in the presidential fraternity die unaware of how they will be regarded in history books.

The great German polymath Johann Wolfgang von Goethe once said, "What life half gives a man, posterity gives entirely." With his perpetually sinking approval ratings, it might be easy for some to assume that Goethe's words will ring true for George W. Bush, and that future generations of historians will not look back fondly upon the 43rd president.

At least one contemporary historian, however, has decided to jump the gun on his future colleagues. In an April 21 Rolling Stone article, Princeton professor Sean Wilentz places Bush "in serious contention for the title of worst ever." (Emphasis added.)

Wilentz bases his findings, in part, on an informal survey of historians conducted in early 2004. The survey, conducted by the History News Network, found that 91 percent described the Bush administration as a "failure." In fact, of the small minority who rated Bush as a success, Wilentz says roughly one in 10 did so only facetiously, with some humorously rating Bush as the best president since Bill Clinton.

Keep in mind the timing of the survey "Early 2004" is, obviously, roughly three years into Bush's first term. What if contemporaries of Franklin Roosevelt had rated his presidency three years into his first term? Unemployment in 1935 was still exceptionally high, and several of Roosevelt's New Deal relief programs had been or would be ruled unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

Rating Lincoln's presidency in 1863 would have also proven equally fruitless. Early that year, prior to the turning point at Gettysburg, Confederate forces were in Union states; and in 1862, Lincoln added abolition of slaves to the goals of the Civil War, to go along with preserving the Union. Though ultimately a moral and right decision by Lincoln, the move was not universally popular in the North.

Don't get me wrong — I am in no way comparing President Bush to either Roosevelt or Lincoln. Bush haters, rest assured — there will never be a GWB Memorial in Washington.

In his article, Wilentz claims Bush had "an extraordinary opportunity to achieve greatness" following the Sept. 11 attacks. He lauds the president's eloquence in post-attack speeches and his quick toppling of Afghanistan's Taliban. However, Wilentz states Bush wasted this chance by "choosing partisanship over leadership." In 2003, this culminated in the "Bush Doctrine" of preemptive invasion based on "speculative threats" and principles previously abjured by every previous generation of U.S. foreign policy-makers.

Wilentz also laments Bush's "monster deficits," caused by increased government spending along with decreased government revenue due to the president's tax

cuts. In terms of federal borrowing, the Bush administration has borrowed a total of \$1.05 trillion. In comparison, presidents one through 42 borrowed a grand total of \$1.01 trillion from foreign governments and banks.

Taken collectively, facts regarding Bush's shortcomings as president are hard to ignore and even harder to argue against. It would be nearly impossible to form a coherent argument that the nation is better off in 2006 than it was in 2001 when Bill Clinton left office.

Sean Wilentz is partially right in one sense. George W. Bush is the worst president of my lifetime — and I voted for him, twice. Given the pattern of choices Democrats have given us in the past two campaigns, I'd probably vote for him a third time if he were eligible.

But it's far too soon to declare Bush the worst president ever. There have been presidents who have left office with plummeting approval ratings — Harry Truman, for example — whose presidencies have been vindicated by history.

Iraq has become the dominant issue facing the Bush administration. Because the ultimate results remain unclear, Bush's legacy is impossible to determine at this time. The career of Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts will also cement the Bush legacy for decades to come.

According to polls, two-thirds of Americans disapprove of Bush's handling of his presidency. Most reasonable people, however, probably aren't willing to put him at the kiddie table with the Andrew Johnsons, James Buchanans, Herbert Hoovers and Andrew Jacksons at presidential picnics — at least not for a few decades.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### Don't silence professors

We wanted to say thanks to Megan Vazmina for her column, "TAS, stick to geography, check your opinions at the door." We can't tell you how many times we've wished a professor would stop telling us about his favorite artist or offering his thoughts about the best grad schools for American Lit. Yesterday, one of our English professors told us she prefers "Paradise Lost" to "The Canterbury Tales." Can you believe it? At what point in their education were these professors told it was acceptable to have an opinion?

Worse still, how dare professors spark discussion about such controversial topics as the war in Iraq? Really, college students don't want to think about the ways their country's foreign policy is affecting millions of people around the world. Political science classes should not study anything more

recent than the Bill of Rights. And by that, we mean the time when it was written — not the ways that it continually affects our lives.

But seriously, folks. Part of going to college is realizing the way we live affects other people. The only way to gain this understanding is to be exposed to views other than our own. Sometimes this means reading an article in class that challenges our lifestyles. While professors should encourage discussion and not prevent students from expressing their opinions, it isn't their job to make us feel comfortable with our views.

It's funny, Megan. If you really think voices shouldn't be muted, why are you calling for these three men to be silenced?

MARGARET DOLAN  
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English seniors

### Instructors should not become preachers in the classroom

The activists are getting restless.

A couple of months ago, The Kernel ran a front-page story about the Committee for Democracy and Social Change, a group of UK graduates and undergraduate students who oppose the Iraq War and the administration of George W. Bush.

The group's objective is to assist in a nationwide anti-war movement by protesting every Friday at 11:45 a.m. until the end of the semester. And certainly, members of this group are entitled to such opinion, and their right to express it is fully supported by yours truly.

But activism outside the classroom is one thing, and activism inside the classroom is another. Last Tuesday, three geography department teaching assistants, at least

one of which is a member of the CDSC, wrote a letter to the editor. "War cannot be taught neutrally."

"The students have started an online petition, pledging that they 'refuse to teach about the war as anything other than a gross injustice and a criminal act' and urge other Kentucky educators to do the same. (To read the full petition, visit [www.petitionspot.com/petitions/kyeducatorspledge](http://www.petitionspot.com/petitions/kyeducatorspledge).)

This is chiefly justified, these graduate students contend, because "neutrality is neither possible nor desirable." When something is unjust, teachers must put it in its appropriate context. Topics like genocide, sexism and racism are not taught neutrally — why should the war?

It's certainly true that some questions of right and wrong are closed-ended, at least in the minds of most reasonable people. The Iraq War, although I personally disagree with it myself, doesn't qualify. An individual could easily make a case for the War in Iraq on humanitarian grounds, without necessarily

supporting Bush or even being a conservative. In fact, the doctrine on which Bush rests is Wilsonian, the branchchild of a liberal president and academic. The variety of possible reasons for supporting or opposing the war makes the subject of Iraq far less than cut-and-dry.

On the other hand, genocide, sexism and racism are still alive and well, and thus many people in the world still believe they're justified.

Making an honest attempt to understand the rationales motivating such ogre-like behavior isn't tantamount to tacit approval. It's merely an attempt to broaden one's understanding of the human condition.

It can be conceded that perfect neutrality is impossible because all professors, consciously or not, carry biases with them into the classroom every day. But a good-faith effort can and should be made by all college teachers to give balanced presentation of differing points of view in the classroom. Reasonable, intelligent people can disagree, and

teaching assistants especially should remind themselves in earnest that a classroom is a place of enlightenment and the pursuit of truth through reason, not a propaganda shop.

Supporters of the petition reject this argument out of hand because their dogmatic view of the war has hardened into orthodoxy, and the compulsion to proselytize cannot be thwarted.

While on-campus activism can be innocuous enough, the spillover into the classroom suggests a religious-like fervor that is threatening to snuff out free inquiry in the classroom — all in the name of some ideological crusade.

In the February Kernel story, Brandon Absher, a philosophy graduate student, said he wants to help students "achieve political consciousness" — as if students who don't share his opinions are merely hopeless vectors of the evil social, political and economic forces swirling around them who need only find the light to save themselves.

Another student, invoking a religious metaphor, said the notion of a war on terror "is creating a self-fulfilling prophecy that is creating violence."

For many people today, activism has replaced traditional religion. Everyone needs meaning and direction in life. If it is not a belief in God, it's often a belief in one cause or another that fills individuals with a religious-like longing.

It's hypocritical for liberals to castigate conservatives for adhering to moral absolutes, only to turn around, pontificate and peddle their own absolute version of morality.

There is good cause to be suspicious of such wanton activism in the classroom. In fact, it should be disparaged by students who truly want to learn how to think analytically and expand their horizons.

We've long been comfortable with keeping our religious views to ourselves in the classroom. So too, let us strive not to transform lecterns into secular pulpits.

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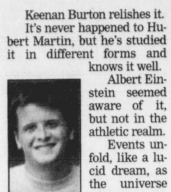
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# Into the Zone

## Athletes, expert explain 'lucid dream'



**Chris Johnson**  
SPORTS EDITOR

Keenan Burton relishes it. It's never happened to Hubert Martin, but he's studied it in different forms and knows it well.

Albert Einstein seemed aware of it, but not in the athletic realm.

Events unfold, like a lucid dream, as the universe centers on an athlete for a fleeting few fragments of time. Space is created and consolidated with a whim. Sound stops. Vision fades to black; all you can see is the field of competition, the space you will bend to your own means to achieve your end.

You will crush your blocker, catch the pass, and dash on feet that will scarcely touch the ground. You will smash the pathetic offering from the opposition into the gap. Or the wall above it, if you feel like it.

It's your call. You run the show. You run the universe, if for just a spark's lifespan.

"It's a feeling you get where you can't hear nobody," Burton said. "You only see the field. It's like I'm playing me in a video game. I can do what I want to do. It's just me and the person on me."

"I can't hear the fans. I can't see them," he said. "You're at complete ease."

The ancient Greeks had a word for it. They called it "aristeia," which translated means a warrior's prowess or excellence.

They used it to describe the point in a battle when a warrior would reach or exceed the apex of his potential. It was documented on several occasions in Homer's "Iliad," as well as Virgil's "Aeneid." Not that going to war has many commonalities to competing athletically, but competition parallels remain.

"It's as though an individual gets absorbed in an activity, he enjoys what he is involved in," said Martin, a UK professor of classical studies who teaches mostly Greek and Latin literature and language. "There's something moving in him that controls him."

Martin called aristeia "a battlefield rage." He used the death of Achilles' best friend Patroclus in the Iliad as an example of Achilles' aristeia.

"(Achilles) moves into the

going to do."

It seems like it would be easier in battle or basketball, where the action is fast-paced. A shooter can stay in the Zone for minutes at a time, a la Patrick Sparks' six-for-six 3-point shooting against South Carolina Feb. 18.

"In basketball, I could do anything I wanted to anybody," Burton said, referring to the Zone during his illustrious high school career at Louisville's duPont Manual High School. "The shot goes up, I know I'm gonna get that rebound. It's a different feeling because it's so fast-paced."

But even those experienced with the Zone, like Sparks, lost the feeling from time to time.

Therein lies the one pain in the pleasure of the Zone: how can an athlete bend the game to his will for a period of time, then completely lose it? How close are the parallels between ancient Greek warriors, the most celebrated non-political figures of their time, to present-day athletes, the most celebrated non-political figures of our time?

"The thinking isn't utterly different from some soldiers in combat," Martin said. "Within ancient literature, it's a sense of one's reputation, what others think. Shame is heavier than guilt as a motivating factor."

Is it the same on the athletic field?

"(Athletes are) motivated by the reaction of people on the field, people such as (journalists)," Martin said. "I've read lots of reports on the same culture operating on the athletic field."

So the answer seems to be

that athletes, who are competing on a smaller scale than Greek warriors, stand to lose less than they do, but still can take some damage to their reputation.

Burton said the reason his Zone dissipates is a lack of confidence caused by one mistake.

"You might drop a pass, or miss an assignment," Burton said. "All the confidence in everything you had just gets thrown away when you make one mistake."

There's also the factor that we're talking about an almost paranormal event occurring during such a non-life-defining venture as athletic competition. Why is the Zone the same on the gridiron as it would be on a field of battle?

That's the wrong way to look at it. It doesn't matter if one Zone is during a basketball game, football game, fight to the death or scooping ice cream at Baskin-Robbins for six bucks an hour. Anything that one trains consistently enough at for a period of time can get repetitive, but if you keep working at it and getting better and better, it gets to be like a video game, like Burton said.

Time slows. No matter what your opponent does, you see it coming and know the right buttons to push, whether on a controller on a PlayStation 2 or within your own body to move your arms and legs, to beat him before he can react.

Burton put it best: "When you're in the Zone, you can do anything you want."

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Rising junior wide receiver Keenan Burton avoids Louisville's William Gay to catch a 33-yard pass in the 2005 season opener.

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