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"I remember hiding from the cops behind a couch in the lounge of the journalism building that night."

- BOBBIE ANN MASON, AUTHOR AND UK'S WRITER-IN-RESIDENCE



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Noted author returns to where it all began

Pushing the pen: As she returns to UK, Mason reflects on her years as a student

By Tracy Kershaw
MANAGING EDITOR

She traipsed around campus in Italian sunglasses and a chic, black raincoat tied around her thin waist. In 1958, when most female UK students dutifully wore skirts to class, she wore jeans.

She wrote satire for the student-run newspaper — poking fun at university policies and the Greek system — and broke the 10 p.m. dorm curfew.

Even students who had never met Bobbie Ann Mason knew about her.

Mason, who at 61 is one of Kentucky's most prominent authors, said, "I tried to be outrageous."

It worked. Her former

classmates remember Mason as a witty and sophisticated undergraduate, adjectives that still define her and her writing today.

Since writing her first short stories in UK creative writing classes during the late '50s and early '60s, Mason has established a presence in the East Coast literary scene, writing about Kentucky and its people. She has published several collections of short stories, three novels and a Pulitzer Prize finalist memoir. She also has the distinction of being the first author to use the word "fuck" in the *New Yorker*.

She and her husband moved back to Kentucky in 1980 and live on an Anderson County farm. In July, Mason

returned to UK for a five-year stay as the university's first writer-in-residence.

She has yet to decorate her campus office; the off-white walls are bare, the shelves empty.

"This reminds me of my dorm rooms. I never decorated," she says, opening the blinds to at least add light to the barren room on the English department floor of Patterson Office Tower.

She didn't spend enough time in her dorm room for it to merit decorations. She was too busy bouncing on the springboard that would launch her from a small Western Kentucky farm town to the literary world of the north.

'Bobbie in the center'

UK English Professor Gurney Norman was one of those who knew of Mason before he ever met her.

"By the end of her freshman year, I had just begun to notice there was a lively person around," says Norman, who was a senior during Mason's freshman year. "Even as a freshman she was a bright light."

Norman didn't meet Mason until the fall of 1959, when a burst of laughter drew him into the Kentucky Kernel newsroom.

"I walked by the Kernel office and heard all this uproarious laughter," he says, "I went in and it was Bobbie in the center of it all, generating just the best jokes."

It was because of Norman that Mason was standing in the Kernel office at all. During her freshman year, she read the humor columns written by Norman and another student, Hap Cawood. Their satirical styles

inspired Mason to begin writing her own humor columns for the Kernel, pieces that Norman recalls as "very witty."

"It was thrilling to get your stuff in print. Working on the Kernel validated your identity," Mason says. "It gave you a voice."

Plus, it was "just a whole lotta fun." Her coworkers would stuff her onto the dumbwaiter that carried the proofs from the upstairs office to the basement printing presses. Once she and her roommate — and partner in crime, Kyra Hackley — stayed out all night at the Kernel, breaking the 10 p.m. dorm curfew.

"I remember hiding from the cops behind a couch in the lounge of the journalism building that night," she says, laughing. "There was a lot of nighttime activity in that room."

Along with the antics, Mason and her Kernel coworkers worked hard. She remembers when the staff was allowed to stay all night at the paper to cover the 1960 presidential election, "that was the most exciting time I spent at the Kernel."

Later, she covered Kennedy's speech at UK for the paper. Hordes of students and faculty crowded around the Administration Building to hear Kennedy speak. Mason can't remember what the young president talked about that day, but she can remember how striking he looked to the college students.

"He made a strong visual impact on me," she says. "He had on blue, and the color of his hair was unique — a sandy red."

Mason made a strong visual impact on the campus, too.

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Literary legends

Mason appeared with fellow authors Ed McClanahan, James Baker Hall, Gurney Norman and Wendell Berry at a fall reading on campus.

DEATH

Student killed in car accident

Friends mourn: Undeclared sophomore 'always put a smile on people's faces'

By Jimmy Nesbitt
STAFF WRITER

A UK sophomore died in a head-on crash Saturday when his Acura reportedly crossed over into oncoming traffic on Leestown Road and struck another vehicle, Jeffrey Foley, 20, died of multiple injuries and blunt trauma as a result of the crash.

Foley was on his way back to Lexington after a brief visit to hometown of Louisville. Pi Kappa Alpha member John Cooper was waiting for his fraternity brother to arrive.

"We were going to do something Saturday night," said Cooper, 21, a political science junior.

When Cooper found out Foley had been involved in an accident, he called hospitals all around Lexington, but couldn't find out anything. Cooper later talked to Foley's family. They told him what happened and that Foley had died.

Cooper met Foley during rush last year. He chose him to be his little brother. "I chose him because he was the

most charismatic (out of the group)," he said. "He had more heart than anyone I've ever met."

Jessica Tardio, 19, an elementary education sophomore, laughed as she remembered Foley. She described his personality in one word: goofy.

"He would always put a smile on people's faces."

Tardio became good friends with Foley this year. "The last time I saw him was on campus," she said.

Fraternity brother Ronnie Doak, an economics senior, thought highly of Foley.

"He was a great man, had a lot of heart," he said.

"He died too young."

Foley was almost home when the accident occurred. "He was just 10 minutes behind the people he was following," Cooper said.

The more he hung around him, the closer Cooper and Foley got. "He was more like a real brother than a fraternity brother."

It has not been determined whether alcohol or drugs were involved in the crash.

CAMPUS SAFETY

Sprinkler systems in 'good working order'

By Rebecca Neal
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

When Lindsey French awoke early Friday morning to the fire alarm in Blanding Tower, she noticed more than just smoke in the hallway.

"Even with all of the smoke, the sprinklers never went off," said French, an undeclared freshman.

The sprinkler system should not have gone off, said Garry Beach, UK fire marshal.

The early morning fire in Blanding Tower, which prompted the evacuation of residents for two hours, was too minor to activate the sprinkler system, Beach said.

"There just wasn't enough heat for the sprinklers," he said. "The fire simply burned itself out."

"While a fire is dangerous no matter how small it is, this fire was a minor fire."

Two bulletin boards, three doors and a trashcan were damaged in the fire.

Most sprinklers are not activated until a fire's temperature reaches between 135 and 180 degrees, said Bruce Morgan, acting chief deputy for

the Kentucky Fire Marshal's office.

Beach said that just because the sprinklers were not activated during the Blanding Tower fire did not mean the sprinkler system is inadequate.

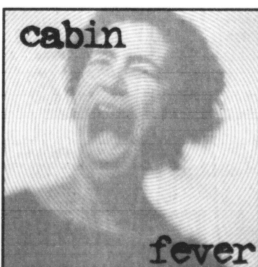
"The sprinkler system is sufficient and in good working order," he said.

After the 1998 Murray State dormitory fire that killed a student, Gov. Paul Patton mandated that all state university dorms four stories and taller must have sprinkler systems.

Beach said only Kirwan I, II, III and IV are not equipped with sprinkler systems, but the installation of sprinklers is set to begin within the next month.

In addition, the sprinkler systems in Blazer and Keeneland Halls will be upgraded this summer. All construction should be completed by August, Beach said.

A sprinkler system saved the Sigma Chi fraternity house from major damage when a fire broke out in its kitchen last August.



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ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down

CAMPUS NEWS

Gender and race scholar coming to UK

UK announced Monday that Patricia Hill Collins, a leading scholar in gender and race studies, will be joining UK's faculty this fall. "We're excited that she has agreed to accept the offer to join us," Nietzel said. "She has a wonderful reputation in her area of scholarship and it will be a real enrichment for our campus." Nietzel said Collins will be serving as an endowed chair for one year in the Departments of Women and African American Studies. Collins is the chair and a professor of sociology at the University of Cincinnati. She researches issues such as race, gender and social class as they specifically relate to black women. Collins received her bachelor's degree and doctorate in sociology from Brandeis University. Her first book, *Black Feminist Thought: Knowledge, Consciousness, and the Politics of Empowerment*, won the Jessie Bernard Award of the American Sociological Association for significant scholarship in gender and the C. Wright Mills Award of the Society for the Study of Social Problems. A reception will be held for Collins Monday.

Limestone parking garage to expand

Parking and Transportation Services announced plans to expand the Limestone Street Parking Structure (PS #5) located next to Kennedy's Bookstore. Construction is scheduled to begin on March 11 and last approximately seven months, resulting in two additional levels of parking with approximately 465 spaces. Construction will displace a large percentage of individuals parking in PS #5, particularly from mid-April until early August when more than half of the existing spaces will be closed. For additional information, go to www.uky.edu/parking/ps_expansion.htm.

Comedy Caravan canceled tonight

Comedy Caravan will not be held this week because of the game tonight. The show will return next Tuesday, Feb. 26 at 8 p.m.

SAB sponsors blood drive

The Student Activities Board is sponsoring the Central Kentucky Blood Center's Points for Pints blood drive from noon until 6 p.m. Thursday, in the Student Center Room 206. Donors receive a free T-shirt.

Tickets for Singleton, Smith on sale

Tickets for the Kevin Smith and John Singleton events go on sale March 1. Tickets can be purchased through Ticketmaster or by charging by



CONFLICT: What was supposed to be a peaceful, private gathering of the West Coast hip-hop community on Thursday turned into a heated four-hour open-mic assembly dominated by two very different sermons: one from Minister Louis Farrakhan and one from Death Row Records founder Mariah "Suge" Knight. Tempers flared at the West Coast Hip-Hop Summit inside the posh ballroom of the Four Seasons Hotel when Knight spent much of his time at the podium insulting everyone from Dr. Dre, Eminem and Master P to Janet Jackson, women and homosexuals. Knight's tirades prompted a few outbursts and resulted in several people storming out of the room. One woman, a former Death Row artist named Jewell, screamed, "I cannot sit here and let the devil do his business," and ignored Knight's pleas to debate. "If Farrakhan can be here and Suge Knight can be here, all these other guys can be here," Knight said.

phone. A student discount is offered to those students who charge by phone and have a valid ID. Call 257-TICS.

Women's Studies hosting bag lunch

The Women's Studies program is sponsoring a brown bag seminar from noon until 1 p.m. Friday, March 8 in Breckinridge Hall Room 107. The seminar is called "A Seminar on Promotion and Tenure: Concerns and Strategies." Lynda Brown Wright, an associate professor in the Department of Educational & Counseling Psychology, and Chris Havice, the associate dean of the College of Fine Arts, will present.

"Great Teacher Awards" honor six

UK's Alumni Association will honor six faculty members with its Great Teacher Award at noon today in the ballroom of the Helen G. King Alumni House on 400 Rose Street. This year's recipients are: Douglas D. Damm, professor, College of Dentistry; J. Robert Gillette, associate professor, Gatton College of Business & Economics; Chair L. Hicks, professor, College of Agriculture; David Lee Miller, professor, College of Arts and Sciences; Susan J. Scollay, associate professor, College of Education; and Nikiforos Stamatidis, associate professor, College of Engineering. The honorees will be presented with citations, plaques, and cash awards of \$2,000 for their accomplishments.

NATIONAL NEWS

Student says FBI accused of terrorism

NEW YORK — A Jordanian student testified Monday that FBI agents accused him of being one of the Sept. 11 terrorists after saying he failed a lie detector test. Osama Awadallah, 21, said agents told him he would be freed, but after he had completed a voluntary polygraph test Sept. 21. They said it proved he had lied and had advance knowledge of the attacks on the Pentagon and the World Trade Center. "You did it. You were one of the terrorists," Awadallah said he was told by one agent. "You knew they were going to do it." The student at Grossmont College, in El Cajon, Calif., who is free on \$500,000 bail, said he denied being a terrorist and responded, "I tell the truth all the time." On Saturday, FBI polygrapher J. Antonio Falcon testified that the results of Awadallah's polygraph examination "appeared to be consistent with deception." Awadallah has been charged with twice lying to a New York grand jury about his association with two of the alleged terrorist hijackers. In the grand jury appearances, Awadallah admitted meeting alleged hijacker Nawaf Al-Hazmi up to 40 times but denied knowing associate Khalid Al-Mihdhar.

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SPEAKER

Writer to talk about blacks in 21st century

Confronting controversy: Washington Post columnist, staff writer to speak Wednesday

By Lucas Thomas
STAFF WRITER

He's been seen in the Washington Post. He's been seen on BET.

And this Wednesday night, he'll be seen at UK. He's Courtland Milloy.

The Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center and UK's African American Studies and Research Program are presenting a lecture by Milloy as part of a series of events during African American History month. Milloy, a Washington Post columnist and staff writer, will deliver a speech entitled "The African American Legacy: Facing the 21st Century."

Carla Perry, an instructor in the department of communications, said Milloy will bring a fresh perspective to African-American issues.

"He'll bring a different view to controversial issues on campus, if he's being himself," she said.

In 1983, Milloy began writing a regular column for the Washington Post's Metro section, dealing with issues that affect African-Americans and profiling life in the nation's capital city twice every week.

For his contributions to the Post's Style section, Milloy has featured celebrities ranging from Bob Marley to Muhammad Ali.

Washingtonian Magazine recently wrote that Milloy "takes readers to places most Washingtonians never go ... and finds pockets of hope on the trash-strewn landscape, people doing good against the odds."

Chester Grundy, director of the Office of African-American Student Affairs, said he is delighted to have Milloy come to UK.

"Milloy engages some of the most critical issues of our time," he said.

Milloy is also a commentator for BET's Network News, and is a frequent guest commentator on the channel's public affairs program, "Lead Story."

Perry said Milloy's speech will most likely be non-traditional.

"He's very introspective," she said. "He'll take something on the surface and make it deep."

If you go
Courtland Milloy will speak at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday Feb. 20 in Memorial Hall. Admission is free.



Milloy

Tomorrow's weather



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Norman remembers. "They (Mason and her roommate) were glamorous," he says. "There was a wide circle of people waiting to see what they would do next."

She'd be dressed in a glam party dress to go downtown to the movies one day and would be wearing jeans to class the next.

"We were adventurous," Mason says fondly. "We tried to be on the edge."

Mason's flair and style made her seem out of the reach to many of the male students who admired her from afar, Norman says.

"The guys were certainly aware of these girls. But they would take their satirical glam getups to mean they were out of reach," he says.

Cawood, whose columns inspired Mason to begin writing for the Kernel, says though she was reticent and shy in ways, Mason could see and reflect the wonderful peculiarities of human nature.

"That made her fun to talk to and do pranks with," he says. "We laughed a lot."

From calculus to Kerouac

"Learning was like a buffet and I wanted to devour everything," Mason writes of her college years in her memoir *Clear Springs*.

But she found one dish that satisfied her appetite: writing. Mason enrolled at UK in 1958 as a math major. "I didn't know about English or journalism," she says. She sampled a smorgasbord of subjects, searching for a niche. During her freshman year, an English professor named Shelton Grebstein drew her into literature.

"He opened up literature for me," she says. "He was very vigorous and challenging to the

students, as well as very warm and human."

Mason began writing short stories in creative writing classes taught by Robert Hazel, an English professor and author.

"I think it was at UK when I realized (I wanted to be a writer) in those classes of Robert Hazel's," she says. "He was a living emblem of a goal to aspire toward. He was a writer. He



A picture of Mason from the 1961 Kentucky yearbook.

made it seem so glamorous." "But I don't think I was encouraged enough to keep at it. I was quite at a loss when I got out of school."

Shortly after graduation, Mason, along with Hackley, bolted from Lexington to New York City, with no introduction, no connections, just a college newspaper string book and a desire to live out Hazel's glamorous writer's lifestyle.

"I didn't have any introduction to New York. It was because I wasn't a Greek. It didn't occur to me for many decades that they had entire into the world," she says. "They had connections, they had people. But I was so independent, being a farmer's daughter. I wouldn't ask for help or directions or inform myself about how these things are done."

Her only hope was a string book of advertisement columns previewing the month's issue of *Life Magazine*, which paid her to write the features for the Ker-

nel. Arriving in New York City, she marched into the Time Life Building, showed them the columns and asked for a job.

"I didn't even get an interview," she says, laughing. "I bet every student who wrote those columns for their campus tried to get a job there."

Mason soon found work at a fan magazine, interviewing middle of the road celebrities, but left New York after a year to go to graduate school in Connecticut. There she lived near an old acquaintance from UK, James Baker Hall, now a UK English Professor and Kentucky's Poet Laureate. Hall introduced Mason to Roger Rawlings, a young man from Long Island whom she would later marry.

Throughout the '80s, Mason's stories and essays became critical and commercial successes. Her novel *In Country*, about a young girl from Western Kentucky grappling with her father's death in Vietnam, was made into a film starring Bruce Willis, and filmed in Mason's hometown of Mayfield.

This fall Mason published a new book of short stories, *Zigzagging Down a Wild Trail*. What's next?

"I can't even think until I get this Elvis book finished," she answers.

Mason is writing a Penguin Books biography of Elvis. "It's more of an essay on how I interpret his life," she says. "I've stayed away from the culture that has grown up around him, like Elvis imitators and far-fetched theories. I've stayed close to who he was."

And Mason has stayed close to who she is, says Norman. "She has a dignity and yet remains her true self," he says. "She does not put on any kind of airs."

Cawood says Mason has built upon the writing style she was developing and experimenting with at UK.

"Her style was the keen, subtle voice she had all along. In her professional years she sim-

ply added to that voice the qualities she liked," he says.

Cool as she wanted to be

Mason walked across campus this July, past the recently charred Administration Building, past buildings where she once sat in class, reclaiming her old stomping ground 40 years after fleeing it. It was her first official day as writer-in-residence, and Mason felt a new connection to the university.

"It evoked memories," she says. "The tone shifted for me and suddenly I looked at the campus in a more affectionate and familiar way. It was a sense of belonging."

While her literary voice has reverberated throughout Kentucky for the past 20 years, Mason says she's glad to join the university community of writers.

"It's important to be involved with a community. I haven't had that in a long time," she says. "Hopefully it will energize me and enable me to offer my energy back."

Her five-year term as writer-in-residence requires no teaching, only readings and guest lectures. She has already done a few readings and visited a class that read her memoir.

In her office, Mason peers out the window, trying to distinguish the campus landmarks below.

"I can be a freshman again, but finally as cool as I had wished to be," she says.

Norman thinks Mason was cooler as a student than she realized.

"The fact is Bobbie was as cool as she thought she was pretending to be," he says. "She just didn't know."

As an adult, Mason says she doesn't quite like to call attention to herself as much as she did in college.

"I like to think that the rebellious energy has been re-focused in artistic ways in my work."

"Like to be more quietly outrageous."

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<p>MEETINGS Alpha Kappa Psi, 7:30-8:45, Rm. 148 Alpha Phi Omega Service, 7:30pm, Student Center, Rm. 209 Latter Student Union Meeting, 8:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 228 Teaching Nights Together, 7:30pm, BSU Chapel Green Thumb Environmental Club, 7pm, Student Center, Rm. 106</p> <p>ACADEMIC Math Tutoring, 2:00-5:00pm, 065 Classroom Bldg. Math Tutoring, 5:30-7:30pm, Hagan Hall Math Tutoring, 8:00-10:00pm, Holmes Hall Math Tutoring, 10:00-10:30pm, Kirwan Tower Math Tutoring, 12:30-2:00pm, Kirwan Tower History Tutoring, 1:07-1:58pm, 100-1000, Holmes Hall History Tutoring, 1:07-1:58pm, 100-1000, Holmes Hall Chemistry Tutoring, 2:30-3:00pm, Holmes Hall English Tutoring, 4:00-10:00pm, Kirwan Tower</p> <p>SPORTS UK VS. TENNESSEE BASKETBALL GAME, 8:00pm, Rupp Arena UK Tae Kwon Do Club, 8:30pm-8:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft</p> <p>MEETINGS Book of Mormon Class, 12:00, Student Center, Rm. 221 UK Feminist Alliance Meeting, 8:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 106 Institute, 12:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 221 Alternative Spring Break Project, 2:30, Student Center, Rm. 117 Tales From the Past, 3:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 230 UK Equalizer Team, 5:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft SAB, 10:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 208 UK Chapter of Christian Adheses, 8:00pm, Christian Student Fellowship Building/CSF</p> <p>ACADEMIC Math Tutoring, 11:00am-1:00pm, 065 Classroom Bldg. Math Tutoring, 3:00-5:00pm, 065 Classroom Bldg. Math Tutoring (MA 123), 6:00-10:00pm, Kirwan Tower Math Tutoring, 6:00-8:00pm, Holmes Hall Math Tutoring (107/108/109), 7:30-10:00pm, Kirwan Tower Chemistry Tutoring, 7:00-10:00pm, Kirwan Tower</p> <p>ARTS/MOVIES Film Series, 7pm-9pm, Auditorium of WT Young Library</p> <p>INTRAMURAL/RECREATION UK Judo Club, 5-6:30pm, Alumni Gym</p>	<p>MEETINGS Phi Kappa Psi, 7:30pm, BSU Chapel Lambda Meeting, 7:30pm, Student Center, Rm. 231 Fraternity International Meeting, 7pm, Student Center, Rm. 128</p> <p>LECTURES "Safety Beyond Racial Profiling", 3:00-5:00pm, Student Center, Student Center Theater, Free!</p> <p>ACADEMIC Math Tutoring, 2:00pm-4:00pm, 065 Classroom Bldg. Math Tutoring, 5:00-9:00pm, Kirwan-Blanding Complex Commons, 1st Floor Ballroom Math Tutoring (107/108/109), 7:30-9:00pm, Kirwan-Blanding Complex Commons, 1st Floor Ballroom Biology Tutoring, 7:30-9:30pm, Kirwan-Blanding Complex Commons, 1st Floor Ballroom</p> <p>SPORTS Kampse Self-Defense, 6:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft</p> <p>SPECIAL EVENTS Kappa Delta's 5th Annual Battle of the Bands, 6-9pm, Student Center, Rm. Grand Ballroom, \$4 in advance, \$5 at door</p> <p>ARTS/MOVIES "Art in Bloom", noon-5pm, UK Art Museum UK Symphony Orchestra, 8:00pm, Singletary Center, Free!</p> <p>MEETINGS International Christian Fellowship: Friday International Christian Fellowship, 7:30pm, St. Augustine's Chapel, Rose Street Following "Fame", a lecture by 12 Sweden, 5:30 p.m., Ponce Hall, College of Architecture, Free!</p> <p>ACADEMIC Math Tutoring, 2:00-4:00pm, 065 Classroom Bldg.</p> <p>SPECIAL EVENTS French Residence, 5pm-6pm, Basement of Kaneland Hall National Paddling Film Festival, 7:30pm-10:00pm, 9:00am-4:00pm, Health Sciences Learning Center, Rm. 201, Admission: free Friday, \$12 Saturday International Talent Night, 7p.m., Memorial Hall, \$3 in advance/\$4 at the door, tickets available in Rm. 205 Bradley Hall</p> <p>SPORTS "Art in Bloom", noon-5pm, UK Art Museum Niles Gallery: Barbara Kim Scott, Plans, 12:30 Noon, Little Fine Arts Library, Rm. Niles Gallery, Open to Public!</p> <p>INTRAMURAL/RECREATION UK Tae Kwon Do Club, 5:30pm-7:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft</p>	<p>MEETINGS Catholic Mass, 8:00pm, 320 Rose Ln.</p> <p>SPECIAL EVENTS National Paddling Film Festival, 7:30pm-10:00pm, 9:00am-4:00pm, Health Sciences Learning Center, Rm. 201, Admission: free Friday, \$12 Saturday International Talent Night, 7p.m., Memorial Hall, \$3 in advance/\$4 at the door, tickets available in Rm. 205 Bradley Hall</p> <p>SPORTS UK VS. ARKANSAS BASKETBALL GAME, Noon, Rupp Arena Kampse Self-Defense, 3:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft</p> <p>ARTS/MOVIES "Art in Bloom", noon-5pm, UK Art Museum "Gala Performance, UK School Of Music, 8:00pm, SCFA, Call 257-4929 for more info"</p> <p>INTRAMURAL/RECREATION UK Tae Kwon Do Club, 11am-12:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft</p>	<p>MEETINGS Catholic Mass, 9:00am, 11:30am, 5:00pm, 8:30pm, 320 Rose Ln. University Worship Service, 8:12pm, Southside Church of Christ, Rm. Auditorium UK Campus Girl Scouts, 5pm, Young Library</p> <p>ACADEMIC Math Tutoring (108/109), 8:00-8:00pm, Kirwan Tower Math Tutoring (123), 8:00-10:00pm, Kirwan Tower History Tutoring (104/105/107), 8:00-10:00pm, Holmes Hall History Tutoring, 1:07/108/109, 8:00-10:00pm, Kirwan Tower English Tutoring, 8:00-10:00pm, Holmes Hall</p> <p>ARTS/MOVIES "Art in Bloom", noon-5pm, UK Art Museum</p> <p>INTRAMURAL/RECREATION UK Judo Club, 5-7pm, Alumni Gym Loft</p>
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STUDENT LIFE

Group condemns posters promoting Horowitz

By Lamin Swann
STAFF WRITER

Posters that hung around the White Hall Classroom Building yesterday promoting tomorrow's visit of David Horowitz with a derogatory picture was condemned by Open Communication Association, the organization sponsoring Horowitz's visit.

Calling the posters unacceptable, an OCA member brought the poster to the attention of the group's leaders, afraid that it would be associated with the group, said Nick Volk, an OCA spokesperson.

The poster says "Lincoln freed the Slaves, Kennedy gave 'em welfare, and they want more." In the middle of the poster was a photograph of a cartoon depicting a male slave kneeling to a white man.

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GET IN THE KITCHEN

Bake a pie, relieve winter stress

By Sara Cunningham
STAFF WRITER

Jordan Booker loves to bake pies.

Some may find that odd considering he is a college student, but the history junior is not alone in his culinary adventures. College students cook to spend time with friends, save money and be healthier.

For the culinary challenge, plenty of businesses offer lessons. Margaret Cook-Nowell, a professor in the Human Environmental Sciences Department, recommends the Good Foods Co-Op, Phil Dunn's Cookshop or UK. Cook-Nowell said she hopes to be able to accept students outside the department and to offer evening classes in the future. Classes can run anywhere from \$10 to more than \$50, so students don't have to spend a lot to get a lot, Cook-Nowell said.

"You can get a lot from classes but you can even just watch cooking programs or tapes to get ideas and help," Cook-Nowell said.

Sarah Beth Cook, a secondary education senior, said cooking is better during the winter months.

"There's something wonderful about coming back from class and making yourself some soup when it's cold," Cook said.

Students often find the cold months difficult when they are trapped indoors. A case of cabin fever can be hard to avoid. For some, cooking offers a way to help fight the winter blues.

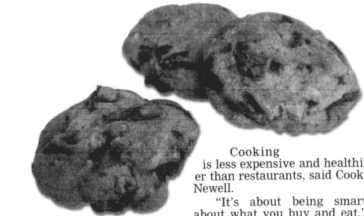
Cook-Nowell said cooking can bring people together.

"It's great to have little cooking parties, especially when you're just starting out with cooking for yourself," said Cook-Nowell. "Everyone has something that they can make and share."

Abby Clark, a studio art junior, said she loves the idea of cooking in a group.

"My friend Seth and I used to have 'baking nights' where we would just hang out and bake cookies," Clark said. "It was a really great time."

Some students who live in



the residence halls are discouraged by lack of access to cooking tools. But students who want to cook can borrow what they need.

"I used to bake cookies and other stuff in my dorm," said Anne Sharpe, a communication disorders sophomore.

Besides enjoying it, college students can get a lot of other benefits out of cooking for themselves.

Cooking is less expensive and healthier than restaurants, said Cook-Nowell.

"It's about being smart about what you buy and eat," Cook-Nowell said.

Julie Espelage, a nursing senior, said she likes to cook because she feels it's healthier.

"It's just easier to be healthier when you are cooking the food yourself," Espelage said.

No matter how or where students cook, students like Jordan Booker find cooking a rewarding experience.

"Anyone can buy a pie but it takes special effort to make a pie from scratch," Booker said.

YOU

Cure winter-worn toes with a pedicure

Get 'em ready:
Prepare feet for summer sandals

By Kelley Sears
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

As people trade heavy boots for sandals, a little preparation will make your feet look and feel better as they bare more.

A pedicure is the perfect solution.

The following items can be useful, according to the Transformation Resource:

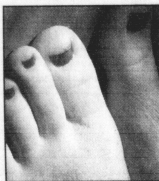
- Towel
- Bowl
- Warm water (can add a little olive oil)
- Emery board
- Base coat/ ridge filler
- Colored nail polish
- Polish sealer
- Cotton Wool
- Orange Stick
- Cuticle remover/conditioner
- Moisturizing cream
- Toe dividers
- Pumice stone
- Nail clipper
- These can be found at grocery or drug stores.

The Process:
Begin by taking off all old polish. File or clip each toenail either straight across or round. Make sure they are smooth.

Soak your feet in warm water for 10 minutes. Take them out, dry them off and apply the cuticle conditioner or remover.

Use the orange stick to push back cuticles.

Use a pumice stone to rub the rough skin off of



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Scrub away the winter funk and unleash fantastic feet.

your feet. These can be especially useful on heels. Don't rub off too much skin. Rub a moisturizing lotion on the feet.

For those who don't care to polish, they can simply apply extra lotion and put socks on. This will lock in moisture and feet will continue to soften. This can be especially nice before bed.

If you want to paint your toes, be sure your toenails don't have any lotion or debris on them. This can cause bumps in the paint.

Put the dividers between your toes.

Apply the ridge filler. This will fill in any irregularities in the nail's shape.

After this dries, apply the base coat. After this dries, begin painting with the polish.

Give this time to dry. Apply cuticle oil.

Slip your sandals on, wiggle your toes and walk out confidently. Know you look and feel your best from head to toe or toes.

DON'T BE LAZY

Cold weather makes some slow, reluctant to accomplish much

Fight procrastination: Concentrate on small tasks first, then get motivated steadily

By Rebecca Neal
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Your to-do list is overflowing: Do the laundry, study for an economics test and return a week-overdue Blockbuster tape.

And of course, since it's Saturday and freezing cold outside, there's not much chance any of it will be checked off.

You pull a blanket off your bed, curl up on the couch, and grab the remote. Hey, look — it's another Behind the Music marathon!

Seems more interesting than anything else you need to do, you think.

With the chilly temperatures outside, all of us would rather hibernate than work. It's easy to procrastinate when you have plenty of tasks to complete.

The weather also depresses some people, making it even harder to become motivated. Instead of accomplishing anything, many students get distracted by more entertaining pastimes.

"I do anything but what I'm supposed to be doing," said Lyle Ricketts, a telecommunications freshman.

Tiffany Self, a second-year pharmacy student, agreed.

"I eat, watch TV or play on the computer," said Self.

That attitude is a common one among students, according to Dr. Michael Bardo, a professor in the Department of Psychology.

Many students, when faced with a time-consuming or difficult task, simply put it off as long as possible. This increases stress levels as deadlines draw closer. Instead of procrastinating, Dr. Bardo suggested a different approach to work.

"Break the large task into smaller components and do only one small component on a daily basis," he said. "Small chunks are more manageable and completion of the small components gives you a greater sense of progress and control."

A sense of accomplishment is an important motivating factor when dealing with tasks and stress. Completing small but necessary jobs brings a sense of accomplishment, thus increasing motivation, he said.

To help improve mood and increase motivation, students should take some time out for exercise and other activities.

Tim Castle, a therapeutic masseuse for Lexington Professional Massage, said that exercise improves both mood and energy.

Walking, stretching, yoga, and breathing are all very beneficial activities, he said.

The Seaton Center is available for UK students and most dorms have weight rooms.

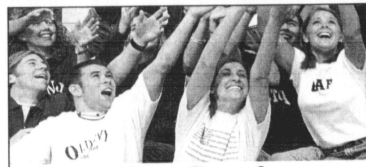
Castle also stressed the importance of rest to a person's overall well-being.

"You recover when resting, not while stressing," he said.

Some ways for students to relax and pamper themselves include a night out with friends, using lavender-scented aromatherapy products and relaxing with a hot bath or shower.

With the winter blues in the air, students can let too much stress get to them and assignments pile up, so it's important to take time to brighten spirits and reduce stress.

Something has to beat watching yet another Behind the Music Vanilla Ice special.



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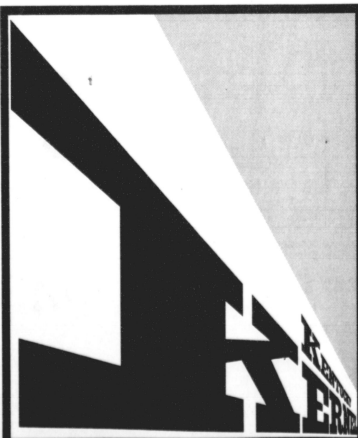
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UPCOMING EVENTS

The winter months can leave students with few things to do to pass the time. Here are a few up and coming events including concerts, the circus and comedians.

Cincinnati

Driving time: 1 hr. 45 min.
Cincinnati has something for everyone. Bogart's offers the Blood Drive 2002 featuring Gwar, God Forbid and Goshworts on Feb. 24. The Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus will appear at the Firststar Center from Feb. 27 to March 3. And if you want something with a bit more funk, The Return of Hip Hop will show at the Cincinnati Music Hall with Juvenile and Foxy Brown March 2.

Nashville

Driving time: 3 hr. 57 min.
Nashville offers the authentic, country music experience. The Grand Ole Opry will be running musical acts until Feb. 28. Flickerstick, the band from VH1's show "Bands on the Run", will also be performing at Exit/In on March 1. Nashville offers a little bit of every venue.

Indianapolis

Driving time: 3 hr. 24 min.
Indianapolis offers a laughable get-away. Whether you love him or hate him, Carrot Top, the A1A spokesperson, will be sharing his comedic talents at Murat Theater on March 7. System of a Down, nominee for Best Metal Performance for the song "Chop Suey!" will also be performing at the Murat Egyptian Room on Feb. 25.

Louisville

Driving time: 1 hr. 31 min.
Louisville may offer a twist on the original outing. The Kentucky Fair and Expo Center offers different activities year-round. From March 1 to March 3 the fair and expo center is hosting a flea market. The self-proclaimed "Prince of Pop," Aaron Carter, will also be performing in Louisville on March 9 at Freedom Hall.

BRACE YOURSELF

Snow skiing activities are closer to home

Brisk air

Snow skiing can be a thrilling way to get some exercise this spring. Check out some of the slopes close to Lexington for a quick trip to the slopes.

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By Crystal Little
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The winter blues creep upon students this time of year, but there is a cure, and it's closer than you think.

Snow skiing is a refreshing way to cut loose for the day or the weekend, and enjoy the winter months. It's known as an excellent form of exercise, working muscles throughout the body.

At UK, winter sports enthusiasts can join the Snowcats Ski and Snowboard Club.

"It's really thrilling to ski downhill — almost like flying," said Anne Strombotne, an engineering freshman. "The feeling of just letting go — letting everything go — it's like nothing else you can ever experience, because it's so exhilarating."

Strombotne is a veteran of the slopes, skiing regularly since seventh grade in Colorado, Ohio and New York.

The club is more of an outdoor adventure club than just a skiing and snowboarding organization, said Charlie Rowe, the

club's president. The Snowcats have a \$20 membership fee that covers all extracurricular activities, including white-water rafting, climbing, canoeing and the club's annual long-sleeved T-shirt.

More than 100 proud daredevils belong to the UK Snowcats Ski and Snowboard Club. Membership is open to anyone and there are no requirements to join.

The Snowcats take an annual trip to Colorado during Christmas break. Frequented areas include Breckenridge, Vail and Steamboat, Colo. Usually, 70-80 students head to Colorado with the club to let loose and have some fun on the slopes.

"Visiting Colorado for a ski trip is an amazing get-away," Strombotne said.

A major perk the Snowcats enjoys is the best rate possible — around \$200 less than the average person would pay.

Close to the slopes

Perfect North, Lawrenceburg, Ind. Tickets start at \$35 for adults. Lodging is available. For more information call (513)-381-7517 or visit www.info@perfectnorth.com.

Clear Fork Ski, Butler, Ohio. Tickets start at \$34 for adults. For more information call (919)-883-2000 or visit www.skiatclearfork.com.

Paoli Peaks, Paoli, Ind. Tickets start at \$58 dollars for adults. For more information call (812)-723-4696 or visit the Web site: www.skiatpaoli.com.

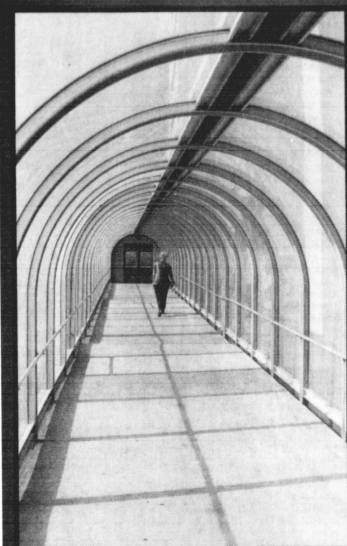
Snowcats

For info on the Snowcats club, you can come to the meetings. They are at 8 p.m., on Wednesdays in the Student Center.

"It's an opportunity to get out, have a great time, and meet people along the way," Rowe said.

While the UK Snowcats ski at Colorado, there are places closer to home that many students may find entertaining.

ARTIST OF THE WEEK



JOSH IVES

Josh is an architecture senior. He wants to capture different perspective with people and objects, and how people move through space. Josh purposefully waits for people to enter his scene.



Ives

"Sometimes you go through an empty space and you are really moved by what's around you."

Every Tuesday the Kernel will be featuring an Artist of the Week. If you are interested, contact our photo editor Nick Tomeck at faunafree88@hotmail.com.

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My name is Jared Whalen and I am afraid of Windex.

I think it all started back at the tender age of five. The lady who babysat for me used the blue stuff. She had the cutest little dog that I adored, but she also had an enormous sliding glass door. Often times the dog would be let outside after romping around the house with me all day.

It was during one of these times that I developed my fear. The dog was outside having a grand time romping about in the yard. I wanted to join him on his frolic, so I got up and ran toward what appeared to be an open door. There was a thud, a flood of tears, and a lone forehead print floating on an invisible barrier. The rest is history.

Windex has terrorized my life by sending hapless birds crashing into windows, each time to a different result. I have been scared to death immediately after watching Hitchcock.

I have many times been nearly suffocated with laughter as one bird would continuously seek entrance through the same invisible shield. One time I was asked to leave the local library because I could not contain my laughter as a sparrow had convinced himself that if he tested the entire surface of the rotunda widow he might ultimately find its weakness.

I've seen schnauzers knocked cold, friends run through glass doors during tag football games, and birds killed.

Will the madness ever end? Please, I beg of you, streak your windows for the good of all mankind!

**-Jared Whalen
ra1editor@hotmail.com**



IN OUR OPINION

Reparations debate set for Wednesday

David Horowitz, the president of the Center for the Study of Popular Culture, will offer his thoughts Wednesday night to a campus he labeled "an island of repression."

Horowitz wrote the ad "Ten Reasons Why Reparations for Blacks is a Bad Idea for Blacks — and Racist Too."

The debate over reparations began as early as the demise of slavery. But this new manifestation didn't gain many headlines until Horowitz attempted to publish his ad in 47 college newspapers. Until then, aside from the usual suspects, the thought of reparations had barely left an imprint on much of the public's conscience.

And while the issue is still confined primarily to politicians and professors, Horowitz is no doubt worried that an uncontested dialogue might lead to widespread acceptance of a policy that few understand.

That fear is not unjustifiable, no matter your political persuasion. And it is also motivation for students to participate when he appears on campus.

Horowitz's appearance on other campuses spurred activist opposition to steal newspapers and vandalize newstrooms. When he visits UK, opponents, as well as supporters, need only show up and ask questions.

And then write in. The Kernel will provide a forum for discussion here on the Dialogue Page, where people can sound off.

The issue of reparations is much wider than it first appears, as it relates to questions concerning race, economics and the role of history as it relates to contemporary America. Countless questions can be raised about this crux.

Who should be eligible for reparations — blacks, Native Americans, other groups who have faced historical persecution? Should all taxpayers be responsible for funding reparations? How much would eligible parties receive? Are reparations necessary? Why or why not?

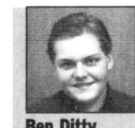
This is just the start of the debate. Though Horowitz's views are denounced by many, he enjoys widespread support as well. The student body needs to know what you think.

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"John Q." misrepresents hospital staffs



Ben Ditty
KERNEL COLUMNIST

It is a sad day when pop culture, most specifically a movie such as "John Q.," has actually influenced my column. I'll admit that "John Q." had some good messages mixed with all of the emotional overtones.

But along with these good messages come some stereotypical portrayals, mainly of doctors and hospital administration, that are certainly not healthy for a positive and productive discussion on national health care.

One of the more controversial stories in the news lately has been about the California prisoner put on the recipient list for an organ transplant.

time for his second felony — should be allowed to receive an organ transplant before innocent, law abiding citizens are offered the organ.

I do not care whether the prisoner gets the organ. What concerns me is that we are paying for the surgery, while some 50 million (many of them hard working) Americans have no means of receiving similar medical treatment.

I do not object to prisoners receiving surgery for prior conditions or genetic diseases as long as they can pay for it, or as long as the condition is a direct result of imprisonment.

This is leading us down a poor path. America has a history of uninsured people with illnesses or who are in need of surgery committing nonviolent crimes so they can go to prison and receive medical treatment.

There is an obvious flaw in our system if resorting to crime is a legitimate way to get what you want or need from the government.

I want limited government and tax

cuts, but I'm not opposed to spending money as long as it is actually going to help people who work to provide for themselves and their families and still have financial trouble.

Yet another poor message in "John Q." is the portrayal of the doctors and hospital administration.

The two major bad guys, the director of cardio-thoracic surgery and the hospital administrator, seemed almost as evil as Osama bin Laden.

To me it seemed like they actually wanted Denzel Washington's son to die. I have spent a lot of time in the company of doctors, and I don't know any who would deny surgery to a patient who was dying in front of them.

It just doesn't work that way. The story of the film also implied that the hospital was perfectly capable of providing the medical treatment, but chose not to.

Perhaps a lot of people out there actually think that all hospitals are owned and operated by various branches of gov-

Race and class: Division remains American way

When I picked up the paper last Monday morning, I turned to the Dialogue section and noticed a column entitled "I'm a minority, therefore I'm persecuted."

At first glance I thought someone wrote an article trying to down Black History Month and other issues concerning African-Americans. But after reading the article in its entirety, I realized the columnist was essentially saying race and other divisions do more harm than good in the long run. Yet, I do have to clear a few things up that Clay McDaniel discussed in his article.

When blacks or Africans came to America in the holes of slave ships, our various cultures and religions were stripped away from us. Therefore we became subject to the ways, ideals and norms of this country. We did not invent race based on skin color. We did not here and say we want to be separate from white people. This was forced on us.

We were treated as inhuman or alien. Again, this is no history lesson, but in order to explain things I must bring up some important historical facts. After three or four centuries of performing hard labor for free — completely free — America became an economic powerhouse. Consequently, billion dollar industries were formed, which if they didn't come directly from the system of slavery also came from exploiting poor white immigrants in factories.

Bottom line, America was founded on unequal division, be it racial, religious or economic. In addition, America is a country of free market capitalism, a system that sets up unequal economic power structures.

So, to someone who feels race and other divisions tear down America, I ask, how can they tear down America when they made America? These divisions allow some Americans to play golf, go shopping all day long and have expensive tabs at exclusive restaurants, while others spend their entire day sweeping floors, cleaning toilets and flipping burgers. People tend to forget that the life of luxury or the American dream must come at someone else's expense. Someone has to clean up our messes, cook our food and manure our lawns, right?

Just 40 to 50 years ago blacks were granted civil rights, assuring they could have a possibility to advance economically and politically. Yet some people tend to think 40 years makes up for three centuries of inequality and oppression. Is that rational?

Some people are shocked that blacks would have the nerve to even mention some type of reparations because slavery is over now, and we are all free to get a piece of the American dream. Plus, all the people involved are long gone. But what we fail to realize is that many things are passed down, like social and economic status.

Moreover, when Jews received reparations for the death and destruction they endured during the Holocaust no one seemed to mind. It seemed appropriate and just, right? America help set up the Jewish State of Israel and continues to funnel billions of dollars to aid their country. But when black people mention any type of reparations, we are not being realistic. I'm confused: What is the difference?

I understand our various divisions can be a negative aspect of our society. Unfortunately, in America, division keeps the current power dynamics in motion. It keeps America going.

But if people were to truly see each other as part of one human family, this nation would change overnight. The tendency is to want the same for your brother and sister as you do for yourself.

Think about it. Racial, religious and economic divisions only allow people to set up artificial barriers where they can separate themselves from others. They can then use these same barriers as means to do harm and mistreat others who don't fit in. A prime example is our current treatment of Middle Eastern people. I hear people now calling them "towel-heads" just like they used to call black people the "n" word.

Yet this type of thinking allows us to separate ourselves from them to the point where they become non-human. So when we drop a bomb on their heads we will feel remorse. We have other common examples of this all throughout history: slavery, lynchings, religious crusades and gas chambers. All this death and destruction because we see other human beings as different from us.

Only when people begin to understand we are all connected — we have one origin, Africa (oldest human skeletons were found in East/Central Africa) — and over time we develop into different shades and complexions, will we begin to demand more from ourselves and our institutions.

Lastly, I say that, unfortunately, everyone cannot win in America because it's founded on division. As far as achieving unity and equality, we will experience it only when people begin to view each other as part of one human family.

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HOOPS

Cats try to end SEC slide with Vols coming to Rupp

Payback: Loss at Georgia put Cats in jam, win against Tennessee would keep UK in hunt

By Will Messer
SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

UK faces Tennessee tonight, but it was difficult to tell at Monday's pre-game news conference.

Coach Tubby Smith and UK's players fielded more questions about Saturday's scuffle between sophomore guards Gerald Fitch and Cory Sears than about how the Cats plan to stop UT's Vincent Yarbrough and Marcus Haislip.

"It's been distracting. I'm not going to sit here and say it hasn't been," senior guard J.P. Blevins said. "It's February the 18th and we're coming out here in the hall and talking about team chemistry and things that have no relation to the Tennessee game."

The scene suggested that a lack of team unity and chemistry might be a bigger threat to UK than the Volunteers.

Smith said players putting their goals ahead of team goals has been a problem this season. "We've had guys on the wrong agenda, thinking they have their own agenda. That's been a problem that we've resolved. Now, it's getting everybody on the same page."

To address this issue, UK's players and coaches attended a four-hour meeting Sunday in Memorial Coliseum.

Blevins said Smith led the meeting, but that each player had an opportunity to speak.

Players spoke positively about the meeting's tone and expressed optimism that UK can salvage its season. "Everybody knows we've got the talent," sophomore guard Cliff Hawkins said. "It's basically a matter of pulling it together on the court."

UK (17-7, 7-5 Southeastern Conference) will get that opportunity tonight against the Vols, who defeated UK 76-74 Feb. 6.

Team unity will aid UK's chances against UT, but the Cats must also find an answer for Haislip, a junior center, and Yarbrough, a senior forward. Yarbrough's average of 19.2 points per conference game leads the SEC.

Haislip's average of 18.2 points per SEC game is fifth in scoring in the league, and his athleticism may make him more dangerous than Yarbrough.

The 6-foot-10 forward had 24 points and 12 rebounds, both game highs, against UK Feb. 6.

Fitch's suspension means freshman Chuck Hayes will likely match up with Haislip at the power forward position.

Hayes has the size and strength to bang with Haislip at 6-foot-7 and 237 lbs., but Haislip is a more explosive leaper.

A win against the Vols would keep UK in contention for the SEC East title.

"Once we start playing better, all of this will be forgotten," Bogans said.

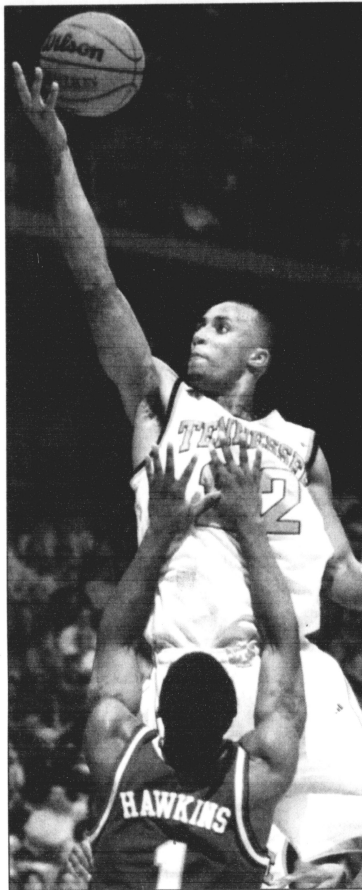


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Marcus Haislip	32.8	53.4	35.1	71.2	6.6	17.1
Brandon Crump	20.4	39.4	100.0	52.5	4.1	7.3

They've seen the distractions and I told them, 'the next one is gone.'

- TUBBY SMITH, UK MEN'S BASKETBALL COACH ON DISTRACTIONS CAUSED BY HIS PLAYERS

Tubby lays down UK law of conduct

By Travis Hubbard
SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

UK men's basketball Coach Tubby Smith reiterated that he would not tolerate any more distractions by his players this season.

"They've seen the distractions and I told them, 'the next one is gone,'" Smith said at his regularly scheduled pre-game news conference Monday. "I hate to say that publicly, but I'm not going to tolerate another distraction."

Smith's stance followed an on-plane "scuffle" between sophomore guards Gerald Fitch and Cory Sears on the flight home from Athens, Ga., following a loss to Georgia that resulted in one-game suspensions for each.

In Smith's pre-game news conference prior to the LSU game on Feb. 8, Smith answered questions about Rasheed Carruth's displeasure with playing time. Smith was not sure how he would react to another distraction at the time.

"I don't know," he said of what the punishment would

be. "I haven't thought about that, but I won't tolerate any more distractions."

Smith was not present during the incident, but termed the happening as a scuffle based on what was described to him by assistant coaches and other passengers on the UK charter flight. He said it was what the players call "ragging on one another" that went too far.

UK's plane was held on a layover in Knoxville, Tenn., because of air conditioning complications. Smith said the wait was expected to be 20 minutes and the players and other passengers were transferred to another, more cramped plane, to wait.

Smith also said that players tangle and get in disputes frequently, but usually scuffles happen on the court.

"It wouldn't be noticed if it weren't for reporting it to the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) by the flight attendant," Smith said. "But with the FAA regulations recently, every disturbance must be reported, and it will not be tolerated."

Fitch, who is apprehensive about flying, had spoken to Georgia guard Ezra Williams about the deaths of his and Williams' brothers after the game. Both had brothers who were shot and killed.

Smith said he understood Fitch probably had a lot on his mind, but the circumstances did not excuse Fitch or Sears for their actions.

The team had a four-hour team meeting to address the repeated distractions. Smith said players got things off their chests, and he made it clear that

the distractions must cease.

"We had a heart-to-heart meeting, and we are trying to do our best to handle the situation," said J.P. Blevins, a senior point guard. "We are talking about things that have to get done."

Blevins said the disturbances must stop, but he does not think it's too late for the Cats to mold some chemistry and unite as a team.

"(The season) has been a little bit of a roller coaster," Blevins said. "When this happens on a plane and not on the court it's a different story."



UK sophomore guard Gerald Fitch is suspended for tonight's game because of a fight with fellow sophomore Cory Sears during the flight home from Georgia Saturday.

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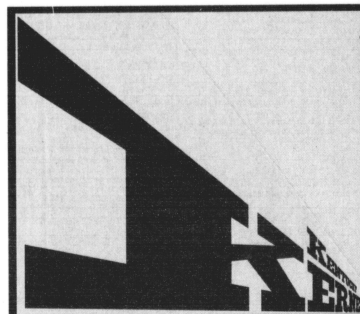
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