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Cruz pulls out slim victory over Thompson

By Brandy Carter
Staff Writer

Congratulatory hugs and words of encouragement surrounded new SGA President and Vice President Melanie Cruz and Alizha Rice following the announcement of their victory.

Melanie attributed their win to the tremendous support of friends and family who gave "110 percent support" both emotionally and through their work on the campaign. Pushing down feelings of negativity, Cruz kept her spirits lifted throughout the campaign.

"Since we're both out-of-state students we feel really blessed to have such good friends that form a support network for us and serve as a family away from our families," Rice said. "It's good to know that there are people who will support you no matter what," she added.

The decision of Cruz and Rice to run for the top SGA positions was influenced by a variety of factors.

"We came from different sections in SGA and a lot of people urged us to run," Rice said. "Our belief in each other and our ability to work well together helped us make the decision to run," Rice said.

Rice's biggest motivation to run for office came from her close friend Wendy Hyland.

"Wendy said to me your only a UK undergraduate once, it's kind of a one-shot deal and I knew if we didn't go for it that we would have regretted it," she said.

The pair feel they compliment each other. "I'm more realistic while Alizha's more realistic," Cruz said.

Cruz and Rice attribute the large voter turnout to a number of factors. The high number of at-large senators brought a diverse turnout of students.

"The job Chrissy and Alan did while in SGA I think contributed a lot to the large turnout," Rice said. Once in office, Cruz and Rice hope to achieve the campaign goals they set.

"Right now the student body thinks that SGA doesn't do anything," Cruz said. "We want to prove to them that the power is in the people by giving them a voice."

Outgoing SGA leaders Alan Aja and Guyer expressed faith in the leadership ability of newly

Election results



Cruz

▼
975

Cruz



Thompson

▼
935

Thompson

elected officials.

"I think they will carry on what we've started and they have a lot of goals they will carry out as well," said Guyer, current SGA vice president.

SGA President Aja said he thinks "they both have the passion and the mindset to do a wonderful job on SGA." Cruz and Rice hope to incorporate elements of other candidates' campaigns into their SGA service.

"Kyle and Kristin's platform brought up a lot of issues that are important to the student body that we hope to draw from."

"We're disappointed that a lot of good candidates didn't get elected," Rice said.

The newly elected duo hope to utilize the drive and enthusiasm of everyone who came out and showed their support.



CELEBRATION New Student Government President Melanie Cruz and Vice President Alizha Rice embrace after the announcement of their narrow victory.

It's good to know that there are people who will support you.

Melanie Cruz
SGA
President-elect

Ticket accepts defeat

By Brian Dunn
Staff Writer

Kyle Thompson and Kristin Triplett stood side-by-side in front of the crowd gathered at the Free Speech Area outside the Student Center.

Thompson, one of the presidential hopefuls for next year's Student Government Association President, clasped his hands in front of his chest.

As the time approached for the winner of the race to be announced, Thompson moved his clenched hands from his chest to his mouth. He swayed from foot to foot. He unclenched his hands periodically to clap for senator-at-large winners as they were announced. He immediately brought his hands back together and placed them back in front of his chest and then his mouth.

"I've never felt this good," Thompson said before the announcement, "but I've never felt this nervous."

Triplett, with just as eager anticipation, stood beside him. Her nervous fidgets were not as apparent, but her hands too were active, and her weight shifted much like her running mate.

"Kyle, come here," she said as she pulled him to her for a hug.

Then, Thompson and Triplett were announced as runner-up to Melanie Cruz, next year's president, and Alizha Rice. They lost by 40 votes, 975 to 935.

Thompson and Triplett immediately fell into a huddle with friends, fraternity brothers, sorority sisters and family.

Such words to help console



CONCESSION Runners-up in the election Kyle Thompson and Kristin Triplett thank their supporters after the announcement.

echoed out of the group as "We gave them all they could handle," and at SGA that everybody should be taken seriously.

"We proved a point, that's for sure," she said. "This campus is not apathetic."

Thompson rejoined the group to receive hugs and congratulations.

Outgoing SGA President Alan Aja approached Thompson. "You're a fighter," Aja told him. "I'm impressed by you."

"That means a lot to me," Thompson said.

Thompson said he told his parents he tried the best.

"As close as it was, I know my voice has a place at UK," he said.

Thompson said he and Triplett huddled after the announcement to tell each other how proud they were of the other.

"People know we shook up the SGA," he said. "People want a voice. They want a change."

Voter turnout up slightly

By Kathy Reding
News Editor

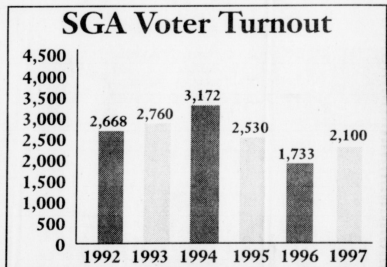
High voter turnout at the Student Government polls Wednesday led association members to hope for even greater numbers overall in the elections.

After yesterday's polls closed, total numbers participating in the elections, however, fell short of anticipated returns.

Election supervisor Jay Putnam said about 2,100 students cast votes this year, a 10 percent increase over last year. He did not have an exact number of voters available. First-day voters numbered 1,142.

Exiting president Alan Aja said he had higher hopes for student participation, but was happy with the increase over last year's 1,733 voters.

"I would have loved to see a better turnout the second day," Aja said.



Putnam credits the accessibility, publicity and honesty that Aja and Guyer's administration increased in SGA with increased participation in the elections.

Aja said even though student involvement is up, most still don't realize they are "the most important people at the University" and thus need to become more active in it.

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Another year, another SGA election

By Stephen Trimble
Senior Staff Writer

A mild-mannered mini-mob met at the Free Speech Area last night. They were politely enjoying the election results for the highest, most prestigious seats (read: osymoron) of the Student Government Association, or the Supporting Greeks Association, or whatever you want to call it.

Somebody mentioned something about "winners" ... (oh, what were their names?) ... oh, yes: Melanie Cruz and Alizha Rice, your student body president and vice president next year.

On the other hand, it really doesn't matter which pair wins.

Understand, please, that we haven't exactly elected the next J.F.K. and Bobby. With all probability, what we've elected are two polite, over-achieving and, I must say, well-dressed people who just inherited two very comfortable chairs in very comfortable offices but will be restrained by an extremely tight, bureaucratic leash.

Frankly, once in office, this duo shall possess the executive authority of a 14-year-old lobbying his or her parents to take the car out for a spin.

Sure, tuition will go up next year. Perhaps, a protest might ensue. Heck, storm the Administration Building (which, incidentally Alan Aja did as a wee

Senator-at-Large), and burn Gov. Paul Patton in effigy. But, ultimately, UK President Charles Wethington will weigh his student body representative's two cents worth as heavily as Rick Pitino would consider my advice on a more relevant issue: UK-Minnesota matchups.

Example: Minutes after the announcement, a satisfied Cruz vowed to side with Wethington in UK's upcoming battle to keep its community colleges from the clutches of Patton's higher education reforms.

O-K. Good luck, Melanie. (Insert tongue into cheek, now) I'm sure your endorsement means a lot to Wethington and drives a fatal stake into the heart of Patton's proposals.

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First-timers take senate by storm

By James Ritchie
 Senior Staff Writer

Student Government Association welcomed a young group of senators at large at its election announcements last night. All of the 15 senators except two, Ashley Fortney and Phil Feigel, are new to the senate.

Of the candidates, Fortney received the most votes with 515; Feigel followed with 487.

Students could vote for up to 15 of the 43 candidates on the ballot.

Senators at Large

- ▼ Ashley Fortney: 515
- ▼ Phil Feigel: 487
- ▼ Ashley Reynolds: 475
- ▼ Emily Boyd: 437
- ▼ Carrie Feigel: 427
- ▼ Robin Fugate: 405
- ▼ Krystal Staples: 403
- ▼ Carrie Hagan: 385
- ▼ Chad M. Laughlin: 385
- ▼ Matthew Anderson: 372
- ▼ Matt Solberg: 369
- ▼ Amber Owen: 356
- ▼ Kasey Buckles: 354
- ▼ Whitney Brotherton: 346
- ▼ Luke Riddle: 343

Current SGA Vice President Chrissy Guyer said the new crop's inexperience is not necessarily a disadvantage for SGA. While the two returning members will serve as anchors, the new group may usher in increased enthusiasm.

"Last year's senate was very young, and they accomplished some really valuable things," she said.

Fortney, a political science sophomore, plans to focus on combating drunk driving in her second term. In the works is bringing to campus the "Dodge Simulator," which simulates what driving would be like at different blood-alcohol levels.

This marks the second consecutive year that Fortney has received the highest vote tally.

Journalism sophomore Holly Harris, a friend of Fortney's, offered an explanation for the senator's success.

"She's the hardest worker on the planet," Harris said.

Feigel, a business management senior, said he intends to live up to all of his campaign promises. He has already fulfilled one, he said, by passing a by-law in Wednesday's senate meeting that makes senate records available to the press.

"I'm going to follow everything



VICTORY! Political science sophomore Ashley Fortney (left) celebrated senate win with journalism sophomore Holly Harris.

I told everyone I was going to do," Feigel said. "I love working for the students here."

Matt Solberg, a political science senior who won a senatorial spot with 369 votes, expressed similar sentiment.

"I had always had an interest in student government, but I never got involved," he said.

Solberg started attending SGA meetings this year.

"The thing that I found was that I love it," he said.

During his term, Solberg plans to work with the Parking Office to create Parking Amnesty Week, during which one parking ticket can be waived in exchange for volunteer work.

He also wants to make physical therapists available to students

during a Stress Free Week. The week will coincide with Dead Week, the period preceding finals when instructors are not allowed to give examinations or take up papers.

Out-going senator Will Terwort, a political science senior, said he hopes the new senate will continue on the same path as the current group in terms of finances and accountability.

The senate saved \$7,000 this year by not providing funding for campus organizations to attend out-of-town conferences, he said. Had SGA funded these trips, he said, it would have been \$2,000 in debt by now.

"We wanted to use the money on the UK campus, not off the campus," he said.

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College senators up influence

By Kathy Reding
 News Editor

In an area where the candidates typically run uncontested and voter turnout lags, college senate elections generated more interest this year than in recent years.

Stacy McCarthy, newly elected College of Arts and Sciences senator, said the college senators have become more active during the past year, especially in their voting and participation roles on the University Senate.

"It's really swayed the University Senate," McCarthy said. "I think we made a step in right direction."

McCarthy served as a senator-at-large last year but saw an increased role if she could serve as college senator.

"I had really seen the problems that came up last year with the Arts and Sciences senator's absence," she said. "I just thought that somebody had to step up and support the students."

She said it's her role to express her college's view to the SGA and University Senates, especially on issues such as grading, which is an issue that has led to some of the increased activity by college senators.

George Meyers won the College of Social Work seat with 28 votes, not a large number, but a rise of interest in his college.

Meyers said two years ago only seven social work students voted. Last year, 14 did. He said the stu-

dents in the college have become more active within the college's organization and now the University.

"The biggest thing I want to do is get the college to become more active," Meyers said. "You've got to get out and know the people in your college."

Thirty-five Graduate School students voted Senator Michael Tomblin back into his office in an unopposed race. Tomblin said he wants to continue the increased role and activity SGA made for itself on campus this year.

"We have a lot of unfinished work left," he said.

Of the work, Tomblin included continued activity by college senators with the plus and minus grading scales and lobbying in Frankfort on the upcoming special legislative session on higher education as key topics.

Tomblin said he has seen what strong student government can achieve and that only SGA can be blamed if nothing gets accomplished.

He added that a 200 percent increase in voting has occurred in his college.

"We finally, for the first time, had a strong representative," he said. "It's a huge time commitment and not everyone can do it effectively."

Chrissy Guyer, outgoing vice president who served as president pro tem of the senate, said fewer people run for college senate positions because only one is elected per college. College senators also have greater responsibility than senators at large because they serve on the university senate and on a board in their respective colleges.

- College Senators**
- ▼ Education: Josh "Rhodie" Mitchell; 84
 - ▼ Engineering: Kim Glenn; 151
 - ▼ Fine Arts: Mark Ison; 46
 - ▼ Architecture: Les Olson; 17
 - ▼ Arts and Sciences: Stacy McCarthy; 178, Doug Barnett; 162, Chris McDowell; 105
 - ▼ Business and Economics: Scott Brown; 176
 - ▼ Communications: Charles Cooper; 105
 - ▼ Medicine: Michael Rohmiller; 1
 - ▼ Nursing: Jill Kelemen; 32
 - ▼ Pharmacy: Laila Alkhiaghi; 9
 - ▼ Social Work: George Meyers; 28, Kathryn Carr; 11
 - ▼ Agriculture: Michael Walker; 70
 - ▼ Allied Health: Carrie Sparrow; 45, Heather Burris; 19
 - ▼ Graduate: Michael Tomblin; 35
 - ▼ Human Environmental Sciences: Marianne Lorenson; 36
 - ▼ Law: J. Todd Pfoof; 53
 - ▼ Chard Kerley; 44
 - ▼ LCC: Hendrick Floyd; 58
- *Second LCC senator will be announced at 4 p.m. today.

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Analysis

Elections same year after year

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Interestingly, the mood of the easy-going crowd of about 100 or so who showed up last night exemplifies what SGA has become in the last two years: a friendly, helpful, anonymous bunch that get a lot of little things done.

Why, even the loser of the election (Kyle Thompson) admirably conceded, talking about how he wants to work together with Cruz to make SGA and the campus a better place. (Cruz, also admirably, accepted Thompson's offer.)

Of course, this is an event where I've witnessed drunken, triumphant cheers when the victor was announced, while the losers sank into the arms of supporters

in shock and — get this — wept.

Then, last night, mixing around the crowd, I picked up a strong whiff of alcohol, only to realize the scent wafted from a broken bottle of celebratory champagne.

At past election nights, believe me, the bubbly wouldn't have been wasted on the pavement.

But, like it or not, that's SGA these days.

In the past it was a thunder and lightning spectacle.

The future promises the atmosphere of a beach resort beside a Florida retirement community.

That doesn't mean Cruz and Rice will be twiddling their thumbs next year.

Oh, they'll have plenty to keep them busy, and (shhhh!) don't tell anyone!) they're now at the helm of a roughly \$200,000 budget.

And — in an annual miracle — that's the most silent, invisible budget of \$200,000 you'll ever see, or, more appropriately, not

see.

First, they'll dish out about \$40,000 to the Senate, which will waste it on campus-wide parties (that, in a perfect world, would be funded by the Student Activities Board), and also pay for the vacations (oops ... I mean conference expenses) of a dozen or so student organizations.

Then they'll take the rest of all their lovely loot and exhaust it on worthwhile, yet limited programs such as tutorial, escort and legal services and elections.

In the meantime, Cruz will happily join the Board of Trustees (or Board who Trusts in Wethington), which comes with a juicy parking sticker and even juicier basketball tickets.

Example: Aja's heading to Indianapolis this weekend to claim his prize Final Four seats that are reserved (four apiece) to UK trustees.

So, Melanie, have a good year, and, please, remind me if I forget your name.

Turnout

Few problems came from elections

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"We made it (the elections) as accessible as possible," Aja said. "Students don't see the importance. We have a really apathetic student body."

Putnam said this year's election was a clean one, with few glitches. Election results for the second Lexington Community College senate seat have been delayed until today at 4 p.m. Putnam could not comment on the record as to why the second name was withheld.

He said no candidates had filed complaints. One had considered the possibility but declined.

"When we talked to him about what outcomes that would have, that changed his mind," Putnam said. Candidates have until 4 p.m. Tuesday to file a complaint.

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Rollins, Helmet can't top last albums

Helmet
Aftertaste
Interscope
★★ 1/2
By Brian R. Gilbert
Contributing Critic

The New York City outfit, Helmet, has returned with *Aftertaste*, their third album on Interscope Records.

The band received critical acclaim and "MTV spawned" success with their second release *Meantime*. Helmet's third independent record, *Betty*, shows a diverse sound unheard in any of their previous independent or major label releases.

Betty demonstrated the influence of blues and jazz on the band. *Aftertaste* returns to the traditional menacing Helmet sound.

Produced by Dave Sardy (Red Hot Chili Peppers) *Aftertaste* offers a thick, grinding, noise-filled sound.

The album is twelve tracks of relentless power riffs, drum smashes and snarling vocals that will definitely wake the neighbors.

With distortion textures and vocal effects, Helmet manipulates their sound to provide greater dimension to their songs.

The first single, "Exactly What You Wanted," is a vicious, groove-filled work of force.

Vocalist and lead guitarist Page Hamilton grows as the song begins. "I'm not so good realizing/Who I can or cannot trust," and immediately one can feel the anger and strength of this song.

The incessant cymbal crashes by John Stanier reinforce the power and emotion of the song.

The best song on the album, "Renovation," resembles the band's work on *Meantime*.

"Renovation" is a speedy, guitar-thrashing track with a distinct, sing-along chorus.

Instead of screaming/snarling, Hamilton shows his vocal talent with his deep crooning, a success on college radio for the breakout hit from *Meantime*, "Unsung."

Sadly the album goes downhill from there.

Aftertaste bleeds one loud crunch after another.

The formula that made the band so effective and popular has been twisted and turned.

Only the songs "Driving Nowhere" and "It's Easy to Get Bored" show originality and ear pleasurability.

Helmet has utilized too much energy in trying to enhance their sound and appeal.

This band needs to keep it simple and return to basics in the future.

The band experienced another lineup change when rhythm guitarist Rob Echeverria left after touring for *Betty*.

Opting to record *Aftertaste* as a trio, lead guitarist and vocalist, Hamilton adds rhythm guitar to his repertoire and picked up former Orange 9mm guitarist, Chris Traynor, for its live shows.

Aftertaste is definitely not for the weak, but serious Helmet fans and heavy music-lovers might appreciate it.

Currently on tour with Marilyn Manson, catch Helmet at



NINE ANGRY MEN Rollins Band (above) and Helmet (below) have released follow-ups that don't quite match the quality of their last albums.

Louisville Gardens April 23.

Rollins Band
Come In And Burn
Dreamworks Records
★★★ 1/2
By O. Jason Stapleton
Assistant Sports Editor

Hatred, bitterness, anger, fear ... yeah, you guessed it. Henry Rollins has put out another hardcore extravaganza.

Come In And Burn is the long overdue follow-up to Rollins Band's 1994 Grammy nominated album *Weight*. That's quite an act to follow, but the boys have had three years to top it.

They didn't quite do it. *Come In And Burn* is undoubtedly a classic Rollins Band work, but it lacks the edge *Weight* had. Perhaps Rollins' time in Hollywood, Calif. has mellowed him out.

Despite that fact, this album is still chocked full of angst and other chunky Rollins ramblings.

"The End Of Something" is one of the most charged songs on the CD. Rollins talks about a very messy break-up ... something we can all appreciate. "If I saw your body burning in the street, I'd put you out with gasoline," Rollins rants.

Lines like this have made Rollins an icon. He is the mouthpiece for the hatred we build up every day.

Another prime cut "Shame," where Rollins explores buried feelings.

Those deep, dark little feelings that you could never tell another living soul, lest you would forever be classified as a pervert, hate-monger, or downright freak is what "Shame" is about, and the song comes through with earth-shattering force.

Back it up with extreme guitar



shreds and some cutting-edge bass by Melvin Gibbs that would make Geddy Lee stand up and take notice.

Powerful and inspiring songs are a Rollins Band standard.

Like "Shine" was to its last album, "Inhale Exhale" is the answer on this latest album.

This is the sort of tune which makes you feel like a total loser, but at the same time makes you want to do something about your otherwise crappy life to make it better.

Then there is "Saying Goodbye Again," when Rollins talks about dealing with a friend's

death. "So much loss, so much pain. So much anger, so much rage. You're gone and I'm left to move on."

Damn. We can learn from Rollins' strength, which stems from his anger.

That is why, although *Come In And Burn* does not equal *Weight*, it is so much better than any other wimpy pop music out there.

This music is straight truth. It smashes you right in the face and leaves you bloodied and bruised.

But what does not kill you will only make you stronger — and so will this record.

Band offers some Groove

By Adam Little
Staff Writer

Are you ready for another weekend of partying with your friends and listening to the same old live band play covers of your favorite songs?

Of course not. Instead of watching the Final Four, why not be different and visit The Arena Saturday night and hear music that you definitely have not heard before.

LunaGroova, a Lexington band, is playing at The Arena. This truly original band was part of the group House of Funk, that was popular on campus.

The group members hail from Lexington and Nicholasville, with John Kirkland on guitars and vocals, Ron Smith on drums, John Roberts on bass guitar and Kevin Ramsey on vocals and horns.

"We play funk, rock, jazz, who knows what kind of music," Kirkland said. "It's really hard to describe exactly what we do."

Although the band has only been around for about five months, it brings talents from previous groups.

Each member sings and plays their instrument in a unique way. Combined, all these talents form an energetic sound.

With inspirations ranging from Phish and George Clinton to the other extreme, LunaGroova prides itself on their original music. Unusual but good, its sound can skyrocket them to the next level.

"Ultimately, our goal is to support ourselves by playing music," Kirkland said. "For right now, though, we are playing our music just for the sake of playing our music. We love to do it."

I assure you that you will be entertained when listening to the band. "When someone comes to our show, they witness a high energy experience that they are not accustomed to," said Kirkland. "It's just no the same type of music."

If you like what you hear at The Arena Saturday, you will disappoint to find out that LunaGroova is still working on their first release under their new name.

Fear not, for the band will also be playing at Sudy's in Cincinnati Wednesday.

So if you are looking for something different to do or listen to, check out LunaGroova tomorrow night and get that rush of energy you know you need.

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ViewPOINT



Students who scalp tickets are people with no real respect

Umm, what a moral dilemma. To scalp your tickets or not to scalp them. It seems like a tough question.

It isn't.

To me there is absolutely no substitute for holding on to your Final Four tickets and making the trip to Indianapolis this weekend.

First of all, when somebody says they want to scalp their tickets and party, that is a good sign that they're not a basketball fan. Instead they're probably compulsive alcoholics who would rather spend an evening drinking a few selected beverages and breaking stuff that doesn't belong to them. And if the weekend culminates in a national championship, it will turn into a full-scale riot complete with armed police and cars being set on fire.

Yeah, that sounds like a lot more fun that going to the game itself. I'm so compelled by arguments for scalping that I'm going to call the scalping hotlines and see if I can get a couple of thousand dollars for my voucher.

One problem: You can't get as much money for your tickets as you think you can. At the lottery on Monday, I remember the group of four people behind me bragging about how they were going to go to Indianapolis and sell their four tickets together for \$5000. This statement appears to overlook the willingness of a person to pay that much money to watch the game.

something that rhymes with "duck shoe". It was the pinnacle of my heckling career. I was an instant celebrity among the team, because my heckling had taken the star player off of his game and had given us a win.

Referees, opponents, mascots, fans of the other teams, concession workers, Kernel columnist, it doesn't matter. You can go and heckle them all, and if Kentucky is winning, there's nothing they can do or say about it.

If you happen to be the student section for this game, be advised that the arena will probably not be anything like Rupp Arena. The section will gradually turn into a Lollapalooza-like mosh pit with lots of slam-dancing and flying popcorn.

You can't get that atmosphere from watching the game at home with some selected beverages, no matter how much money you spend on popcorn and Doritos.

Don't forget that Lexington is full of crazy people. Just go driving in the city someday and you'll see what mean. Someone could conceivably disable the entire power supply for the arena, and then you'd be forced to sit in darkness not knowing anything about the game.

Meanwhile the people who paid face value for their tickets would be sitting in the arena enjoying the show. You'd be burned worse than, as a midwest piece of Texas Toast at Hardees.

Or how about the reality that you, by being in the arena for the Final Four, are in a place where millions of people would willingly beat and rob you to take your place in the arena?

I remember being in the RCA Dome six years ago for the 1991 NCAA Final Four, and to see the mighty UNLV juggernaut get axed by the gritty Duke Blue Devils was a feeling I could never top. Except if I were to go home and find a message from Cindy Crawford on my answering machine.



Matt Ellison
Kernel Columnist

So ignore the evil thoughts of scalping your tickets and keep your eyes on the prize you have won. To those of you who do make the trip to the RCA Dome, I'll be the one with the shaved head slathered in blue paint.

Avoid destruction

As is evident from last year's success in the Final Four, students take winning the national championship seriously.

After last year's victory students celebration went a bit overboard.

The celebration, turned into more destruction than celebration.

Cars were flipped, including a WTVO-Channel 36 news van being turned over and the gasoline spewing from its tank was set ablaze.

These images are ones which in many ways, don't show the students of UK in a very positive light.

Yet, other there are other images come to minds from the celebration of UK's sixth national title.

Pictures of students coming together and cheering for something Cat fans look forward to every year.

A student standing on the top of the University Plaza sign, waving a UK flag.

These are images students can look back on as they remember that Monday evening, only a year old.

Wildcats take the floor in Indy, students should remember that those Wildcats on the floor are not only Pitino's, but fellow students.

Students should take pride in the idea that their university can unite behind a team created by students at this University.

This campus is something that should not be destroyed as part of letting out individual and collective pride and admiration.

If (and hopefully, when) UK wins this weekend, let us celebrate, but like a student body that is proud of its accomplishments.

Pitino told the fans at the Senior Game against South Carolina when people started throwing objects out onto the floor that fans should not deface the floor and trash things because it is disrespectful to both the opposing team, and more importantly, to UK.

Remember this as we cheer in joy, or mourn in sadness over the team's performance this weekend.

Win or lose, destroying the campus or any other property does not show that students care, but that we are just the opposite — careless.

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READERS' forum

If you like porn, you might be a 'redneck'

To the editor:

All of this whining about cable, the Spice channel and TCI's evil empire are pretty damned funny to an outsider.

Is that all you Kentuckians have to do?

Just sit around and watch television?

Well I guess that would explain why Kentucky has one of the highest rates of obesity in the United States (which, contrary to popular opinion, is not the same as "America." But that's another column).

Let's see what else there is to do in Lexington.

One popular pastime appears to be "harass the person on the

bike." This seems to be a favorite in Kentucky, especially amongst pickup truck drivers and other testosterone-overloaded types (for brevity's sake, let's call them "rednecks").

I find it amusing that these people are so aggravated by somebody on a bicycle that they feel the need to scream obscenities at them, but the 50 cars jammed bumper-to-bumper on the road in front of them, polluting the air, are acceptable.

My guess is that the armchair quarterbacks/centers/insert sports position here) are secretly jealous of people that actually get off their asses and experience life, rather than living vicariously through television shows.

Now I must admit, I don't have cable and I only watch TV when there's a tape in the VCR, so I'll need some help here.

How much does cable cost these days?
\$30 a month or so?
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Diane Benham
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very bad because they accused me of doing something to my son, who I really love. I'm just happy now I can get on to my custody case to get my baby back.

Elhel Jones, 18, after a judge dismissed the final charges faced by the Leslie County teenager accused of faking her child's illness to get a disability check.

Scalp those tickets and really party with your friends

Scalp your Final Four tickets and drive back here in time for the huge block party/riot on Woodland Avenue Monday night.

Period.

You'll have plenty of dough to spend on drinks.

Come on, why wouldn't you want to be at least \$500 richer?

You'd be set for the rest of the semester, unless you have a gambling problem like MC Hammer or Michael Jordan.

I would have to write about 82 articles for the Kentucky Kernel to get \$500.

That's a lot of work, and at my rate I may not reach that number of articles, but that's a different story.

I personally want to be part of the real March Madness.

The part when the fans go crazy.

Being the freshman I am I wasn't here for last year's Wood-

land party when hell broke loose. My Spring Break was horrible; I had about as much fun as a cat would swimming laps in a pool.

Don't everybody laugh all at once.

I'm not as privileged as someone who has seen every darn college game that has any importance, so I can't argue about how great it is to be there in person.

I just want to party like the Beanie Boys.

What's more fun than watching UK beat Minnesota and North Carolina on television with all your friends and having a few selected beverages?

Besides going home and finding a message from Cindy Crawford on your answering machine, nothing else could tempt me.

It's going to beat Panama City, or the Great Lakes "in the beautiful and scenic midwest."

According to my credible tag-team partner, scalping is legal in Indianapolis unlike the selling of 2 Live Crew's albums across the United States.

Look, all you have to do is hold up your tickets and say, "Need any tickets?"

It's that simple.

You can scalp your tickets and go on to leading a happy life with all your new hard-earned money.

Your days of asking for change at McDonald's like all the other bums who hang out there will be over after you make the decision of your life — scalping your tickets.

And if you don't have a car, you can always flag down a cab, and if you're lucky you would be on HBO's taxicab confessions talking about your deepest and darkest



Dave Gorman
Kernel Columnist

secrets.

You'll be back with plenty of time leftover to tip over television vans, to start fires and to loot the stores.

If you miss the victory party on Monday night, (no jinx intended), it will be the biggest mistake you ever make in your life.

Don't you want to run around half-naked, or hooded for that matter, going absolutely crazy with the rest of student body?

You stand a good chance of getting on television and saying hello to mom and your friends.

Just don't be waving to the camera as the cops are pushing your head down, forcing you into the backseat of a police car.

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What, you guys don't yell at your television like I do?

Actually I can't yell at my television because I don't have one, but I yell at my friend's television.

Here's the killer: if you have to

Here's the kicker: if you have to go to the bathroom at halftime, you won't have to wait in line for three hours and miss the entire game.

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You also have plenty of places to buy food for much cheaper prices than they will charge you at the game.

As you ponder over this mind-boggling issue about whether or not to scalp your tickets this weekend just keep this particular thought in mind.

If you don't scalp your tickets and UK should happen to lose, you'll be kicking yourself.

And you'll be doing that longer than Rodrick Rhodes has been after deciding to enter the draft and not getting a ring at UK.

All the while when all your friends are rich driving Lexus's, wearing three-piece suits and you are broke with no education and no front teeth "LIVING IN A VAN DOWN BY THE RIVER!"

Dave Gorman is a journalism freshman; his views do not necessarily represent those of the Kentucky Kernel.

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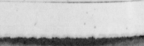
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DiVERSions

'The Devil's' nicely holds its own

By Josh Herr
Staff Critic

The typical action movie to come out of Hollywood in the past couple of decades has been fairly brain-dead. With very few exceptions (such as *Die Hard*), filmmakers care little about plot and character. Emphasizing style over substance, most of these films ignore the reasons why conflict exists and merely accept the conflict at face value. *The Devil's Own* is not such a film.



MOVIE review

★★★★

'The Devil's Own'

Columbia

The story centers around Frankie Maguire, a member of the Irish Republican Army whose father was killed in front of him when he was little. Frankie comes to America to escape from the authorities and to smuggle weaponry back to Belfast. Hollywood pretty boy Brad Pitt plays Maguire and continues to prove real talent might lie underneath those golden locks. Maguire takes an alias and moves into the house of Tom O'Meara, an Irish-American cop who believes he is just taking in a fellow Irishman and giving him a chance. As O'Meara, Harrison Ford gives one of the best performances of his career. For possibly the first time on film, Ford plays an ordinary guy — the kind of person that hangs out at the local bar playing pool with his buddies. The audience can see why Pitt's character feels drawn to the man.

That's the crux of the movie. The action scenes are few and far between, but when they show up you realize their impact far more than you would have in another film, but the true conflict of the movie comes in the emotional struggle to hit's character. He feels a certain kinship with O'Meara and his lovable family. In some ways, O'Meara becomes the father that Frankie lost, which makes it all the more painful when the two must eventually clash.

Director Alan J. Pakula brings his experience to this film, making the story as much about the characters as it is about the issues it deals with. The film does not pass judgement on the Irish situation, but chooses rather to present it as the complex issue that it exists. Screenwriter Kevin Jarre, who wrote *Tombstone*, fills the script with great characters, situations, and tension.

The only major criticism involves Maguire's love interest. Relative newcomer Natasha McLehane is certainly pleasant to look at, but her character does nothing but be pretty and look at Pitt. Surely in the script's many rewrites they could have beefed up her character a little more.

That aside this is still one of the most thoughtful, and intense thrillers to hit the screen in a long time. Go see it.



CARRY BIG STICKS Heartbrobs Harrison Ford and Brad Pitt star in the entertaining drama, 'The Devil's Own.'



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Finals' 6 degrees of Rupp

As UK stands on the threshold of back-to-back NCAA Tournament titles, turn back the clock, oh, about 50 years. Sweetboxes, not super domes house championship games. The site for the finals — Edmondson Pavilion in Seattle — seats nearly 11,000. The legendary "man in the brown suit," Coach Adolph Rupp, leads the defending champs and shows the basketball world that UK is no one-hit wonder. One year removed from their first NCAA title in 1948, the Wildcats keep the crown in the Bluegrass, beating Oklahoma A&M 46-36. A winning tournament tradition begins.



Jeff Vinson
Managing Editor

The Baron coached for 23 more years, a lifetime for coaches in the '90s. During his 41 years at the UK helm (1931-1972) Rupp added two more titles to the trophy case and amassed 876 wins. Five decades later, his legacy continues. His fingerprints, brown strands and white shadow — for better or worse — are all over this year's Final Four.

Call it "Six Degrees of Adolph Rupp." Start with the obvious. Coach Rick Pitino and his Wildcat crew will try to match the Baron's boys repeat for repeat. If UK wins the championship at the mammoth RCA Dome in Indianapolis, Pitino moves one step closer to Rupp's four tourney titles, jumping out of a tie for third place with former Coach Joe B. Hall. Pitino also will become the first coach to win two titles in a row with three or more players lost from the previous season. And in this case, a completely different shade of blue from last year's "Untouchable," win-machine.

But another team in blue — Tar Heel blue — from a basketball-rich state has extra motivation driving it toward the NCAA penthouse. A championship win by Coach Dean Smith's Tar Heels would put icing on a season in which Smith eclipsed Rupp's career-wins record to become college basketball's all-time winningest coach. The connection between Rupp and Smith also stretches all the way to Jayhawk land where both coaches played for Kansas under Coach Phog Allen.

Still, Rupp's shadow may loom largest over semifinal opponent Minnesota. Campbellsville native and Golden Gopher Coach Clem Haskins knows first-hand the dark cloud of racism, which hung over Rupp's program. Despite being a solid Kentucky roundball player, Rupp never recruited Haskins, choosing instead to follow the unwritten rule of keeping black players out of the Southeastern Conference. If Minnesota prevails, Haskins will become just the third black coach behind Georgetown's John Thompson and Arkansas' Nolan Richardson to strike NCAA gold. It would be a feather in Haskins' cap and small dose of vindication to beat UK on his path to hoops glory.

As for Arizona ... well, its mascot is a Wildcat, which beat No. 1 Kansas, which is, of course, Rupp's alma mater. The connection here is a little thin but do-able. UA Coach Lute Olson compared eventual Coach Eddie Sutton in 1985 for UK's head coaching job. Sutton later led the Cats on the road to probation when the program put its money (literally) on the wrong Mills, Chris Mills that is. He led Lexington for the sunnier skies of Tucson, Ariz., to play for Olson, while the NCAA placed UK on probation for the first time since ... Rupp's point-shaving 1952-'53 squad.

Managing Editor Jeff Vinson is a journalism senior.

University of Kentucky

By Rob Herbst
Weekend Sports Editor

After UK opened up the season in an overtime loss to Clemson in Indianapolis' RCA Dome, few believed that the Wildcats would be making a return trip to Indy.

"I thought we were going to be a 500 team," said UK head coach Rick Pitino. "Maybe a little bit better."

The Cats proved Pitino was no prophet as they went on to win 15 of their next 16 games. Then another incident prompted most fans to become skeptical of the Wildcats' Final Four chances.

On Jan. 18, UK's all-verything shooting guard Derek Anderson tore his anterior cruciate ligament, and he hasn't played since. But since that solemn Saturday, UK hasn't skipped a beat, winning 18 of the past 20 games.

Thanks to key contributions from former bench warmers disbelievers were again proved

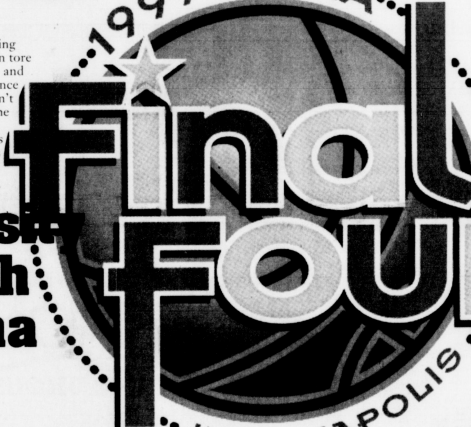


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"I'm very surprised at the way we developed because quite frankly the pre-season to me, out of all the seasons I've been at Kentucky was a nightmare as far as our expectations."

Pitino said.

1997 NCAA



University of North Carolina

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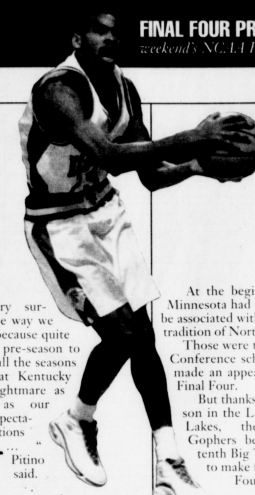
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University of Minnesota

FINAL FOUR PREVIEW Students from opposing schools preview this weekend's NCAA Final Four in Indianapolis. See inside.

At the beginning of the season Minnesota had the dubious honor to be associated with the great basketball tradition of Northwestern University.

Those were the only two Big Ten Conference schools who had never made an appearance in the NCAA Final Four.

But thanks to a magical season in the Land of 10,000 Lakes, the Golden Gophers became the tenth Big Ten team to make the Final Four and

never have to be compared to Northwestern basketball again. Very few if any so-called experts predicted a Golden Gopher appearance in the Final Four and it has taken over a decade for Minnesota head coach Clem Haskins to reach the pinnacle. "Me (trying to make) the Final Four didn't just start this year," Haskins said.

"I've been working on it for the last 11 years preparing this team to someday be in the Final Four."

Since the Minnesota has finally made the Final Four, the Golden Gophers want to enjoy the festivities.

The Golden Gophers traveled to Indianapolis on Tuesday, four days before their game against UK. Haskins believes the less distractions the better for Minnesota.

"We needed to get out of town," Haskins said.

"Phones were ringing off the hook, bands were playing outside the dorm and people were patting our players on the back."



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add yet another achievement to an already glorious season in Tar Heel country.

Two weeks ago in the NCAA Tournament against Colorado, legendary head coach Dean Smith surpassed UK icon Adolph Rupp as the winningest coach in basketball history.

While Smith made history in the victory over Colorado, history is not on the side of the Tar Heels in the Final Four.

The last time UNC met Arizona in the NCAA Tournament was in 1988, when Arizona won 70-52.

If North Carolina is to advance in the Final Four, they will need forward Antawn Jamison to continue his stellar play.

Despite battling back spasms, Jamison is averaging more than 17 points per game throughout this year's tournament.

East Tennessee State, Santa Clara, Miami-Ohio.

These three basketball powerhouses have given Arizona basketball their reputation of being "choke-artists."

All three squads shocked the "other" Wildcats in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in the 1990s.

Never mind this is Arizona's second trip to the Final Four in four years.

And never mind that Arizona is the fourth winningest program in the 1990s. The perception of Arizona is they can't win in the tournament.

"I think our program stands on its own," said Arizona head coach Lute Olson.

"Our program has been an outstanding program for a number of years now and we don't have to prove that."



"When any coach loses in the NCAA, it's much too magnified," said North Carolina head coach Dean Smith, whose Tar Heels will take on UA tomorrow.

"It's important to get there but you can lose a game in the regular season and you can lose a game in the tournament."

An NCAA title would

hastily erase the Wildcats' reputation but winning it all won't be easy. Arizona will have to defeat two No. 1 seeds for that to happen.

Don't be shocked if they do it. The Wildcats surprised No. 1 Kansas in the Sweet Sixteen and the Wildcats know they can defeat North Carolina tomorrow.

The Wildcats soundly defeated the Tar Heels 83-72 at the beginning of the season.

Arizona is looking for their first ever NCAA basketball championship and if they can succeed this weekend, East Tennessee State, Santa Clara and Miami-Ohio will be quickly forgotten.

Business gear up for Big Blue run

been mentioned in numerous posters that, for some students, may not be appropriate for the masses at all.

The crowd at the game last year will be popped tomorrow by the new Tavers on Limestone Street, along with the 75 Postmaster, which buses well for students who don't have the cash on hand.

The first game of the weekend's basketball season will be the game between the University of Kentucky and the University of North Carolina at 8 p.m. on Saturday, March 28.

Increasing the number of TVs for watching the game on 19th and 20th Keys, the Grail will cover its patio with more seating by about 1:30 p.m., said Dave Strassmeyer, Hollister Hall manager.

"We are expecting them to start to come in about 4:30 and the first game will start at the UK game," Strassmeyer said. "It will be a really big weekend for us."

Oh, and about that rumored 100-foot truck that Woodland Monday will supposedly be sticking in the storefront Monday — be wary.

"It could happen possibly," said diner owner Steve Hays, "but nothing is set in stone at all."

It's not the possibility of a truck that's causing the concern, but the possibility of a truck that's causing the concern.

Of course the University of North Carolina Golden Gophers team between the Cats and heavenly deities, but the manager of the Millennium said he is sure the UK will do the quick work of them.

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KENTUCKY WILDCATS



Cats' first taste of Indy leaves team hungry

By Jay G. Tate
Weekend Sports Editor

It was a most unpleasant first impression.

The defending champion Wildcats, draped in expectations bordering on excessive, made their way to Indianapolis last November presumably in search of their second-straight NCAA title.

But Hoosier hospitality was nowhere to be found. Rather, the Cats' last trip to the RCA Dome became the most unkind opening act for a team unsure of its leadership at the time. An underrated Clemson team defeated the young Wildcats that day.

The loss surprised a great number of people. Not among them was the Wildcats' head coach.

"I didn't think it was much of an upset," UK coach Rick Pitino said earlier this week. "It was a great basketball game we lost in overtime."

His seemingly "business as usual" attitude toward the loss seems so much more appropriate now. Since that opening game, the Cats have managed to collect only three additional losses this season. Their 34-4 record is a testament to this team's ability to adjust to the new personnel and the revised

goals that sprung out of the loss to Clemson.

"The pre-season ... was a nightmare for me as far as our expectations and what we thought," Pitino said. "Then we lowered our expectations a little bit — and hoped for the best at the end."

Apparently, the plan has worked. In the wake of major losses to the NBA last season, the Cats have again made the pilgrimage to college basketball's holy grail. And at this point, only two steps separate UK from its second consecutive national title.

However, in the unforgiving world of NCAA hoops, each step can be your last. Directly in UK's path stand the champions of both the Big Ten and the Midwest Regional, the 31-3 Minnesota Golden Gophers.

They're an intriguing team for the mere fact that they remain relatively unknown despite the success. Is it their league — which has a chronic case of tourney futility? Is it their roster — which is full of talented but largely unheralded players? Or perhaps it's Minnesota's heritage — which boasts Celtics great Kevin McHale but nothing else?

Despite the light regard afforded UM by many of those "in the know," Pitino has some different ideas.

"They're as well schooled in the fundamentals as any team we've faced this year," Pitino said. "We're going against the toughest team we've faced (this season)." But conversely, UK will likely be the toughest team Minnesota has faced this season as well.

As could be predicted from the team's regular season habits, All-American Ron Mercer leads UK's tourney scoring attack with 16.5 points per game.

His play has been remarkable enough to elicit some impressive reviews from Minnesota head coach Clem Haskins. "Ron Mercer, without a doubt, is one of the finest college players perhaps to ever play," Haskins said. "He really plays great basketball."

Though Mercer gets most of the fanfare, it is instead Cameron

Mills who has been one of the most important cogs in the Big Blue wheel. He's 13-of-18 from three point range through UK's four tournament games, 13-of-18, 72.2 percent.

"Does it get hotter than that?" "Mills is really shooting the lights out," Haskins said. "I think he's probably the guy that's been key for them so far."

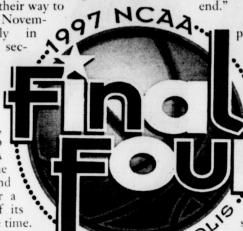
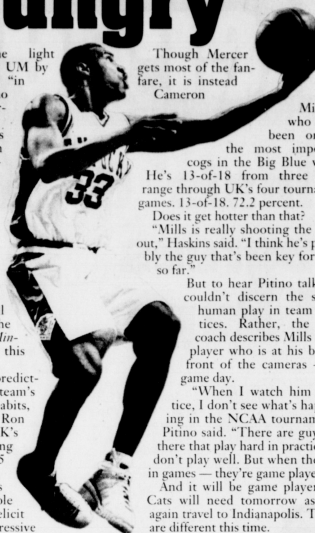
But to hear Pitino talk, you couldn't discern the super-human play in team practices. Rather, the head coach describes Mills as the player who is at his best in front of the cameras — on game day.

"When I watch him practice, I don't see what's happening in the NCAA tournament," Pitino said. "There are guys out there that play hard in practice but don't play well. But when they get in games — they're game players."

And it will be game players the Cats will need tomorrow as they arrive in Indianapolis. Things are different this time.

There's more on the line. There are less players on the bench. A seventh national championship hangs in the balance.

Besides, how often do you get a second chance to make a first impression?



STARTERS

RON MERCER
HEIGHT: 6-7
WEIGHT: 210
CLASS: SOPHOMORE
HOMETOWN: NASHVILLE, TENN.

PPG: 18.2
RPG: 5.2
APG: 2.4
FG%: 49.7%
FT%: 77.8%
3PT%: 34.8%



Mercer

PPG: 9.4
RPG: 5.2
APG: 1.4
FG%: 41.8%
FT%: 75.0%
3PT%: 34.2%

SCOTT PADGETT

HEIGHT: 6-9
WEIGHT: 227
CLASS: SOPHOMORE
HOMETOWN: LOUISVILLE, KY.



Padgett

JAMAAL MAGLOIRE
HEIGHT: 6-10
WEIGHT: 236
CLASS: FRESHMAN
HOMETOWN: TORONTO, ONTARIO

PPG: 5.1
RPG: 4.5
APG: 0.4
FG%: 49.7%
FT%: 55.0%
3PT%: 00.0%



Magloire

PPG: 6.5
RPG: 2.6
APG: 2.9
FG%: 47.1%
FT%: 52.5%
3PT%: 26.7%

WAYNE TURNER

HEIGHT: 6-2
WEIGHT: 180
CLASS: SENIOR
HOMETOWN: LEBANON, KY.



Turner

ANTHONY EPPS
HEIGHT: 6-2
WEIGHT: 180
CLASS: SENIOR
HOMETOWN: LEBANON, KY.

PPG: 8.7
RPG: 3.1
APG: 4.8
FG%: 40.1%
FT%: 83.3%
3PT%: 39.3%



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MINNESOTA GOPHERS

Golden Gophers carry right attitude to Indy

By Todd Zolecki
Minnesota Daily

The Minnesota men's basketball team won its first four games of the NCAA tournament, and the Golden Gophers believe they have the right attitude to win their last two.

They talk about maturity, focus and determination — three qualities needed to reach such a goal.

So far the Gophers' approach has proven beneficial. They have reached the Final Four for the first time in school history, and with two more wins this weekend in Indianapolis would become the first Minnesota team to win a national championship.

This team believes it can win the NCAA title. The Gophers aren't just showing up at the RCA Dome to play. They intend to beat UK on tomorrow and play either North Carolina or Arizona on Monday.

"This is a focused group of young men," Haskins said following Minnesota's second-round win against Temple. "We've had some guys with experience — not a lot, but I think it really does get us ready."

"It's all a mindset," he added. "It doesn't matter if you're a freshman or a senior, have played four years on national television or not. It's the indi-

vidual."

The Gophers showed that mental toughness throughout the regular season and in the tournament. After owning a 15-point lead against Clemson in the Sweet 16, the Gophers had their lead chipped away at the end, as

the Tigers sent the game to overtime.

In that overtime the Tigers took a six-point lead.

But Minnesota didn't fold. It made some defensive stands and hit some key baskets to send the game into a second OT. There the Gophers pulled ahead to win 90-84.

But players say they're not crossing the fine line between confidence and cockiness. After Minnesota shellacked Southwest Texas State 76-48, players didn't get too excited.

"We're not overconfident," Harris said after that game. "We didn't

accomplish anything yet. Until we win our next five games — then we can celebrate."

Haskins said the Gophers had some of their best practices leading up to the tournament.

Players said that refocus is a

would play in the tournament. Once they knew who, when and where they played, they went back to work.

"I wouldn't say we were bored or anything, but this is a fun time," Harris said. "We knew one loss and we're out of here, so I think that a lot of guys stepped up their play 100 percent."

Saturday night after the team returned from San Antonio and its win against UCLA, fans filled Williams Arena to celebrate.

Players didn't mind, but they're glad to get away from crazed fans for a few days and concentrate on breaking down the Wildcats' pressure defense.

They hope there won't be as many autograph and photograph requests while they're boarded up in their hotel.

Then again, Gophers fans have found a way to get in touch with their team somehow. A fan in San Antonio actually bought the chair Haskins sat on for dinner before the game against Clemson.

Fans are getting less sane every day, while the team is just trying to stay focused.

But both are waiting for the celebration.



STARTERS

COURTNEY JAMES

HEIGHT: 6-8
WEIGHT: 270
CLASS: SOPHOMORE
HOMETOWN: INDIANAPOLIS

PPG: 8.4
RPG: 7.2
APG: 1.9
FG%: 60.0%
FT%: 50.0%
3PT%: 00.0%

James

SAM JACOBSON

HEIGHT: 6-6
WEIGHT: 210
CLASS: JUNIOR
HOMETOWN: COTTAGE GROVE, MINN.

PPG: 13.8
RPG: 4.6
APG: 1.7
FG%: 46.6%
FT%: 64.1%
3PT%: 40.7%

Jacobson

JOHN THOMAS

HEIGHT: 6-9
WEIGHT: 275
CLASS: SENIOR
HOMETOWN: MINNEAPOLIS

PPG: 9.0
RPG: 6.3
APG: 1.1
FG%: 56.9%
FT%: 57.4%
3PT%: 00.0%

Thomas

BOBBY JACKSON

HEIGHT: 6-1
WEIGHT: 185
CLASS: SENIOR
HOMETOWN: SALISBURY, N.C.

PPG: 15.0
RPG: 6.1
APG: 4.0
FG%: 44.1%
FT%: 78.4%
3PT%: 31.5%

Jackson

ERIC HARRIS

HEIGHT: 6-3
WEIGHT: 200
CLASS: JUNIOR
HOMETOWN: NEW YORK

PPG: 11.2
RPG: 2.2
APG: 3.9
FG%: 46.8%
FT%: 79.2%
3PT%: 34.2%

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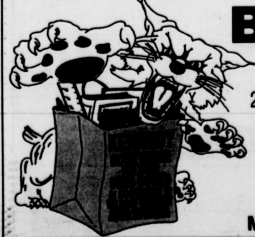
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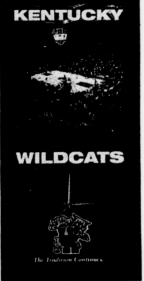
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ARIZONA WILDCATS

Young Wildcats find ways to keep winning

By Arlie Rahn
Arizona Daily Wildcat

If you don't know much about the Arizona Wildcats — you're not alone. The Wildcats from the West have received little recognition over the last couple of years, even though they own the fourth-best winning percentage in the nation during the 1990s (80 percent).

This season has been no different. Arizona snuck into the NCAAs as a four seed in the Southeast Region, and were expected to make a graceful exit when they faced a 31-1 Kansas team in the Sweet 16. No one figured that Arizona, a team composed of nine underclassmen and no significant senior performer, could defeat such a seasoned Jayhawk team.

Led by juniors Miles Simon and Michael Dickerson, the Wildcats used perimeter quickness and defensive pressure to stun the bigger Jayhawks, 85-82. But throughout the tournament, the X-factor for Arizona has been the improved play of their frontcourt.

While 6-foot-11 center A.J. Bramlett, and 6-11 Donnell Harris may leave fans asking, "Where's the beef?",

the sophomore duo have made up for their lack of size with quick feet in the post. Bramlett awoke from a year-long slumber after he shattered a backboard in practice two weeks prior to the tournament.

Since that time, he has been a menace on the boards and averaging a double-double every game (11.7 points, 11.5 rebounds). Add in scrappy freshman Eugene Edgers and leaper Bennett Davison, and Arizona has a four-headed monster that can wreak havoc on even the toughest frontcourts.

If you're still skeptical, just ask Scot Pollard and Raef LaFrenz of Kansas, who were held to just 14 combined points by the Wildcats.

Still, the bread and butter of this team is its guard play. Simon and Dickerson average a combined 37.5 points a game. Freshman point guard Mike Bibby also contributes 13 points per game.

Bibby has been the team's maestro this season, dishing out 170 assists while surrendering just 89 turnovers. In the tournament, these three have accounted for 64 percent of the team's scoring.

Defensively, Arizona's catalyst has been sophomore guard Jason Terry. With his long arms and quick hands, Terry has amassed a school-record 79 steals this season.

This team is the dark horse in the Final Four, and for good reason. Arizona lives and dies by the outside shot, and has yet to show that it is a team that can play with the lead — nearly blowing 8 and 11-point leads in the final minute against Kansas and Providence. But even with all their faults, this team is hungry and has a desire that is unmatched in college basketball.

It has gotten them this far, and it may be enough to land the Wildcats on center stage come Monday night.

Team of the people

If everybody loves an underdog, everybody hasn't been showing it in the days leading to the Final Four.

Arizona is the only team that wasn't top-seeded in its region to reach the NCAA semifinals. But only two fans — TWO! — showed up at the Tucson, Ariz., airport Thursday morning to send off the Wildcats.

And when the

Wildcats arrived in Indianapolis, there were only about 10 fans at the airport to greet them.

Someone from the NCAA welcoming committee had a sign reading: "Indianapolis Welcomes Arizona." The sign was held upside down.

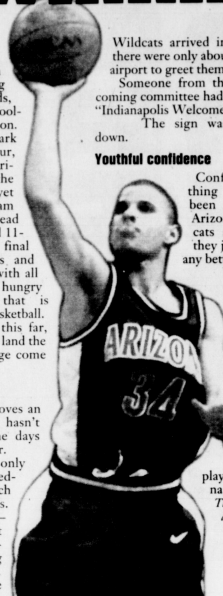
Youthful confidence

Confidence is one thing that's never been a problem for Arizona. The Wildcats are so young, they just don't know any better.

When the team arrived Thursday, many of the players were yawning.

"It's just like any other game," Bibby said. "We just have to get ready to play North Carolina."


The Associated Press also contributed to this article.



STARTERS

MICHAEL DICKERSON
 HEIGHT: 6-5
 WEIGHT: 190
 CLASS: JUNIOR
 HOMETOWN: SEATTLE


PPG: 19.8
 RPG: 4.5
 APG: 1.6
 FG%: 42.2%
 FT%: 70.9%
 3PT%: 33.3%



Dickerson

BENNETT DAVISON
 HEIGHT: 6-8
 WEIGHT: 208
 CLASS: JUNIOR
 HOMETOWN: SEBASTOPOL, CALIF.


PPG: 9.9
 RPG: 6.5
 APG: 0.9
 FG%: 67.8%
 FT%: 50.6%
 3PT%: 00.0%



Davison

A.J. BRAMLETT
 HEIGHT: 6-11
 WEIGHT: 222
 CLASS: SOPHOMORE
 HOMETOWN: ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.


PPG: 8.4
 RPG: 6.9
 APG: 0.5
 FG%: 54.6%
 FT%: 51.1%
 3PT%: 00.0%



Bramlett

MILES SIMON
 HEIGHT: 6-5
 WEIGHT: 195
 CLASS: JUNIOR
 HOMETOWN: FULLERTON, CALIF.


PPG: 17.6
 RPG: 4.1
 APG: 4.3
 FG%: 45.5%
 FT%: 75.0%
 3PT%: 41.6%



Simon

MIKE BIBBY
 HEIGHT: 6-1
 WEIGHT: 180
 CLASS: FRESHMAN
 HOMETOWN: PHOENIX

PPG: 13.1
 RPG: 2.9
 APG: 5.3
 FG%: 45.0%
 FT%: 68.6%
 3PT%: 37.7%



Bibby

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N. CAROLINA TARHEELS

Closed-door meeting keyed Tar Heel spurt

By Aaron Beard
The Daily Tar Heel

It took a heated, closed-door team meeting in Charlottesville, Va., to save North Carolina's season.

Upstart Virginia had just slapped the Tar Heels 75-65, sending them to a 0-3 Atlantic Coast Conference start for the first time in school history in January.

Suddenly, a season initially filled with promise was spiraling out of control. The preseason talk of coach Dean Smith's breaking Adolph Rupp's all-time win record had changed to whether or not UNC could even make the NCAA Tournament.

But in a remarkable turn, the Tar Heels upped their intensity, winning 19 of their next 21 games to cruise to an ACC Tournament title.

Now, as the Tar Heels take their 16-game winning streak into the RCA Dome in Indianapolis for the Final Four, that cold day in Charlottesville seems a million miles away. But the climb to the top started with the team meeting that night.

"We didn't feel good about the way we played at the time," center Serge Zwicker said. "We wanted a

turnaround ... Stuff like that hurts the team."

But apparently, the postgame chat in the locker room did more than just cut at the heart of a wounded squad — it stirred a dangerous animal. Since the meeting, UNC has gone from ACC doormat to one of the hottest teams in the country — but not overnight.

"It's been a gradual process," Smith said. "We're still not a great team, but we're improving."

During UNC's win streak, freshman point guard Ed Cota has grown from a freshman confused about his role with the team to a confident floor general, dishing out 124 assists (7.8 per game).

"We weren't playing together," Cota said of UNC's early-season woes. "We needed somebody to be the distributor on the team." When the freshman wasn't passing the ball off, he was knocking down the clutch jumper, like his game-winning shot with 4.6 seconds remaining to beat North Carolina State on Feb. 12.

With Cota comfortable at the point, off-guard Shammond Williams was free to roam the perimeter in search of his shot. Once he found it, UNC was rolling.

With the UNC backcourt becoming such a potent threat over the final month of the season, opposing defenses could ill afford to be consumed with trying to stop Carolina's mammoth

frontline, once the textbook method for tripping the Tar Heels.

Led by second team All-American Antawn Jamison (19.1 points per game, 9.4 rebounds), North Carolina often dominated in the paint, outrebounding opponents in all but six games this season.

Jamison, a 6-foot-9 sophomore, averaged 17.5 points and 8.5 rebounds in the East Regional, notching a 19-point, 16-rebound day against Colorado in the second round.

In addition, the frontline boasts Zwicker (11.6 points, 8.1 rebounds), whose soft shooting touch belies his 7-foot-3 frame, and defensive-minded Ademola Okulaja.

The knock on the Tar Heels all season, however, has been on their lack of depth. With the exception of Cota and 6-foot-9 Makhtar Ndiaye (formerly of Wake Forest and Michigan), North Carolina can't look far for added help.

"This team doesn't have as much talent and depth," Zwicker said, com-

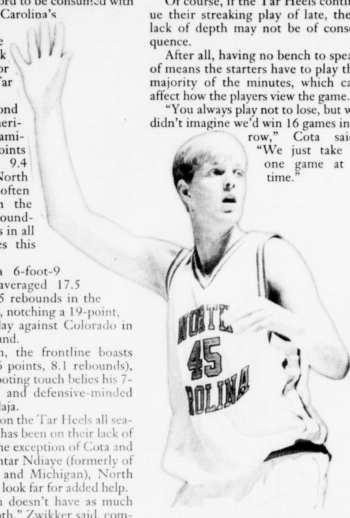
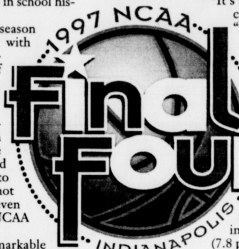
paring UNC to the 1993 Tar Heels who won the NCAA title. "But we have a different work ethic."

Of course, if the Tar Heels continue their streaking play of late, their lack of depth may not be of consequence.

After all, having no bench to speak of means the starters have to play the majority of the minutes, which can affect how the players view the game.


"You always play not to lose, but we didn't imagine we'd win 16 games in a row," Cota said.

"We just take it one game at a time."



STARTERS


ANTAWN JAMISON
 HEIGHT: 6-9
 WEIGHT: 222
 CLASS: SOPHOMORE
 HOMETOWN: CHARLOTTE, N.C.
 PPG: 19.1
 RPG: 9.4
 APG: 0.8
 FG%: 54.9%
 FT%: 61.3%
 3PT%: 18.2%



Jamison


PPG: 8.1
 RPG: 6.4
 APG: 2.7
 FG%: 42.6%
 FT%: 57.6%
 3PT%: 36.1%

ADEMOLA OKULAJA
 HEIGHT: 6-9
 WEIGHT: 231
 CLASS: SOPHOMORE
 HOMETOWN: BERLIN, GERMANY



Okulaja


SERGE ZWICKER
 HEIGHT: 7-3
 WEIGHT: 273
 CLASS: SENIOR
 HOMETOWN: MAASSLUIS, NETHERLANDS
 PPG: 11.6
 RPG: 8.1
 APG: 2.7
 FG%: 49.7%
 FT%: 75.8%
 3PT%: 33.3%



Zwicker


PPG: 12.8
 RPG: 4.4
 APG: 2.5
 FG%: 52.5
 FT%: 74.7%
 3PT%: 35.0%

VINCE CARTER
 HEIGHT: 6-6
 WEIGHT: 208
 CLASS: SOPHOMORE
 HOMETOWN: ORMOND BEACH, FLA.



Carter

SHAMMOND WILLIAMS
 HEIGHT: 6-2
 WEIGHT: 180
 CLASS: JUNIOR
 HOMETOWN: GREENVILLE, S.C.
 PPG: 14.4
 RPG: 3.2
 APG: 4.4
 FG%: 43.5%
 FT%: 81.5%
 3PT%: 42.9%

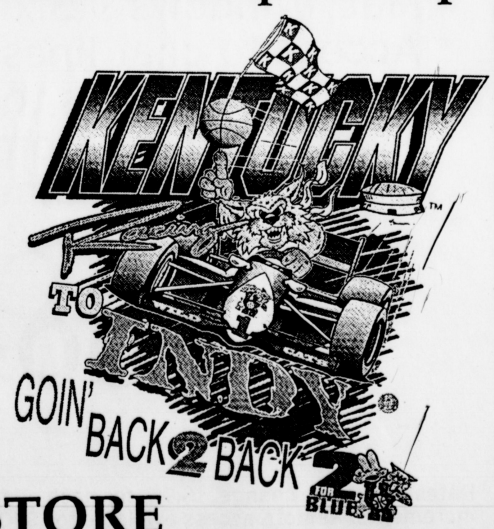


Williams

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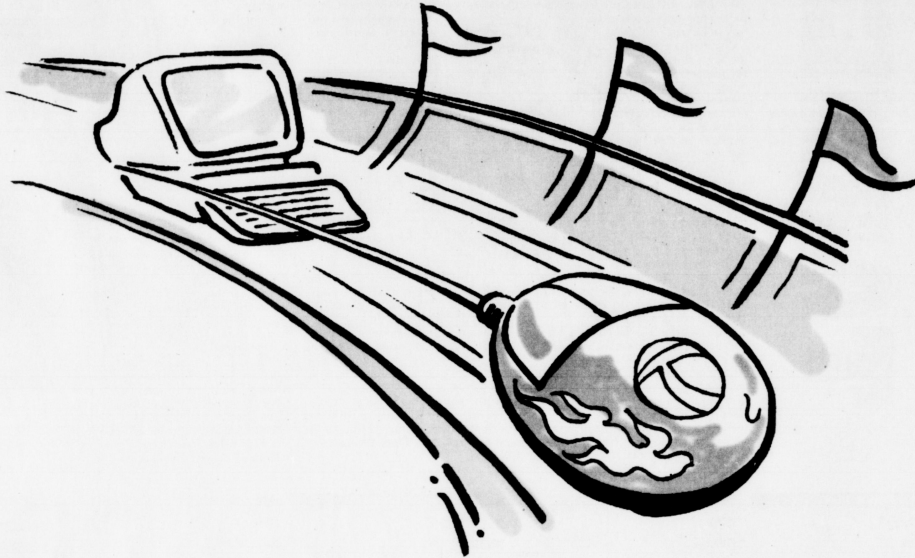
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