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## Play your cards right



Left - Political science freshman Christina Smith makes one of her many winning bets. She finishes in the tournament in eighth place. Right - Smith ends a round as the chip leader with \$137,300 in fake money.

### As poker becomes more popular, the number of students who want to ante up follows suit. And with every new player, the stakes grow higher as the nerves grow weaker.

By Troy Lyle  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Allon Renfro, an economics freshman, nervously tapped his foot on the floor of The Cat's Den as he contemplated how he was going to make his next move.

A short distance away, political science freshman Christina Smith looked around the room, anticipating that her luck was about to change.

At Friday's No Limit Texas Hold 'Em Tournament, the final nine participants stacked their chips, talked strategy and prepared for another six hours of intense all-ins, bluffs and over the tops.

To think this tournament has grown from 171 students last fall to 448 is crazy, said Eric Rogier, indoor tournament organizer for the Student Center.

"It just keeps getting bigger and bigger," he said.

"The competition is at a

pretty high level now, and more and more talented players are entering the tournaments."

There are talented players like Renfro and Smith, who played their way through six rounds and 25 hours of poker to make the final nine.

Not everyone was as lucky. Nate Rice, a political science junior and winner of the first two tournaments, couldn't return to his previous form.

"I just didn't catch the cards," he said. "My stack was low, so I decided to take a stab at a pot with Ace-Jack offsuit of course the guy who called and beat me had Ace-King offsuit."

But that's poker, Rice said.

On Friday, Renfro faced a problem early on in the final round. He had the least amount of chips.

"I was one of the shortest stacks half way through Friday," said Renfro, the tournament's eventual winner.



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"I knew then if I was going to make a move I had to play aggressive, yet smart."

And make a move he did.

He was dealt "pocket aces" — two aces, the best starting hand in Texas Hold 'Em.

Knowing he had the "monster," he leaned back, relaxed as he studied his opponents.

The table went quiet except for the sounds of shuffling chips.

He tried to make a small bet to get some action.

No one took the bait.

Everyone folded.

That stung, he said.

Having waited hours to see a decent hand and to get no action really hurt, especially being the short stack, Renfro said.

But the pain didn't last long. Two deals later there were again.

"It was amazing to look down and see the same two cards," he said. "You can play all night and not see the same

two cards, much less pocket aces two hands later."

This time his luck changed. He entered a call out of a pair of threes.

"The flop," the first three cards turned over, came up dry, Renfro said.

"The turn," or fourth card, didn't deliver either.

It came down to "the river," the fifth and final card, which so many poker players live and die by.

And it was a seven of hearts — nothing again, Renfro said.

He might have gone "on tilt" when a player is frustrated and out of control from losing a prior hand, he said.

Three hands later Renfro's opponent went "all-in" — when a player pushes all of his or her chips into the pot — with a five-two "offsuit" against his pocket tens.

"I won that hand and managed to go from the low stack

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## UK defense dominates in exhibition

By Ben Roberts  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

UK head coach Tubby Smith had been talking about his team's depth the entire preseason.

Sophomore center Shagari Alleyne proved him right last night against Kentucky Wesleyan.

The 12th UK player to take the court, Alleyne led the Cats' defensive domination of the Panthers with eight blocked shots and seven rebounds in 12 minutes.

The UK defense forced 22 turnovers and held Kentucky Wesleyan to 29 percent shooting from the field en route to a 78-54 exhibition win.

Holding on to a 15-12 lead early in the first half, five UK reserves triggered an 18-3 run and prevented the Panthers from scoring a field goal for 10 and a half minutes. Two minutes into the run, Smith put in Alleyne, who tallied two of his blocked shots in his first five seconds on the court.

"That's my job on this basketball team," Alleyne said of his defensive performance.

"Coach Smith told me everything that goes near the basket is mine. I have to block those shots and that's what I tried to do tonight."

Smith said he was pleased with UK's team defense but singled out Alleyne especially.

"We got a lot out of Shagari," Smith said. "His timing was good. I liked his effort and his aggressiveness. He's been working pretty hard. He still has a long way to go, but he's headed in the right direction."

Senior forward Chuck Hayes said Alleyne gave the Cats the early spark they needed.

"I think the big fella played well," Hayes said. "He owned the paint today and he got the crowd excited. That's what we need."

Hayes also pointed to the defensive improvements UK made since last week's 91-73 exhibition win over Northern Kentucky.

NKU shot 49 percent from the field and connected on 11 of 18 3-point attempts. Kentucky Wesleyan shot 29 percent and made six of 21 3-point attempts.

"I think our team defense was good," he said. "It got better from the first exhibition game. In that game, we struggled. Tonight we didn't let them do what they wanted to do."

Junior guard Keleena Azubuike led the Cats offensively with 15 points and three as-

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UK sophomore center Shagari Alleyne dunks in the second half of UK's 79-54 exhibition win over Kentucky Wesleyan last night in Rupp Arena. Alleyne came off the bench to deliver eight blocked shots, seven rebounds and four points.

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- Eric Rogier, indoor tournament organizer for the Student Center

## Trash pick-up now weekly

By Troy Lyle  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

When UK students return from Winter Break, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government will no longer be picking up Herbies — those big green trashcans on wheels — twice a week.

To cut costs, the city will reduce service to once a week.

The urban county council yesterday discussed how to handle problems, such as overflowing trashcans, that may arise from this decrease in service and what they are going to do to ensure that the problem doesn't worsen.

Residents — including UK students — who continue to overflow Herbies and drag extra trash to the curb will be fined, said Penny McFadden, an administrative officer for the Department of Public Works.

McFadden said the city rarely fines for this offense, but since trash will be collected less often, the city anticipates more overflow problems.

"If students continue to overflow their Herbies and leave bags of trash scattered all over the place, we're going to drop off another Herbie and charge them \$60," she said.

That is a one-time fine, but McFadden said an additional \$4.50 will be added to each month's water bill because the city will have to empty two Herbies, not one.

"If the problem persists, we will stop picking up their trash altogether, forcing them to personally dispose of it at the nearest landfill," she said.

The solution for students is to start thinking about recycling, said Carole Siler, administrative officer for the Department of Public Works.

"Most of the trash being thrown into the Herbies could be recycled," she said.

Glass, paper, cans and plastic products can be recycled using a Rosie — a smaller, blue can, McFadden said.

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"It is very odd to throw up so many barriers like this, and it makes me wonder, 'What do they have to hide?'" asked Braphus Kaalund in his records request.

## SG senator appeals to attorney general

By Tricia McKenny  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Student Government Senate President Braphus Kaalund has appealed his open records request concerning communication among UK's administration about Referendum One to the Kentucky attorney general.

Kaalund originally requested any documents, memos, personal notes or e-mails between administrators where they discuss Referendum One, an issue on last

spring's ballot that affects the way leaders for groups such as Student Activities Board are chosen.

UK legal counsel denied part of his request in the same month. Kaalund said that made him question what UK is trying to hide.

"The law is very clear and part of the open records law is that e-mails are open records, so they are denying the information illegally," Kaalund said. "It is very odd to throw up so many barriers like this, and it makes me wonder, 'What do they have to hide?'"

In his appeal, Kaalund labels UK's policy of excluding e-mails in responses to open records requests as "illegal and dishonest."

"If the University of Kentucky has taken the erroneous view that all e-mails are exempt, then it is quite possible that people are destroying official records of the university," Kaalund writes.

The attorney general's office is working on the appeal and will make a decision by Dec. 2, said

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## Ashcroft, Evans resign from Bush's Cabinet

By Tom Bruen  
NEWSDAY

WASHINGTON — The Election Day resignation of Attorney General John Ashcroft was made public yesterday, ending his four years as the most contentious and criticized member of the Bush Cabinet.

The long-expected departure of the attorney general

became official when the White House yesterday released copies of Ashcroft's letter, dated Nov. 2, along with a resignation letter written by Commerce Secretary Don Evans.

In a neatly handwritten 5-page letter, Ashcroft wrote that he was stepping down because he believes the Justice Department "would be

well served by new leadership and fresh inspiration."

He left with a bold boast, writing, "The objective of securing the safety of Americans from crime and terror has been achieved."

Ashcroft, who helped promote secrecy and new restrictions on public information in government, explained he had written the

letter by hand so its "confidentiality" could be maintained until the announcement.

President Bush in a statement praised Ashcroft for transforming the Justice Department "to make combating terrorism the top priority."

JAMES TOEDTMAN CONTRIBUTED TO THIS STORY.



# UK wants better bike routes

By Elizabeth Troutman  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Dave Elbon depends on his bike to transport him around UK's campus.

In fact, the UK computer programmer wore his biking gear and biked to last night's campus forum concerning bicycle accessibility and safety on campus.

"There are places where I can see it would be easy to make improvements," Elbon said. "It's hard to go north from campus because your only choices are Rose and Limestone."

"Limestone, of course, is a nightmare." Elbon was among the 30 to 35 UK students, faculty, staff and Lexington citizens who gave their input on an upcoming campus project to improve and encourage bike travel on campus.

UK student Ben Luckett said biking is dangerous on campus.

"I ride a lot on city streets," said Luckett, a natural resources conservation senior. "I think a lot of students use bikes but a lot of people aren't educated on proper cycling etiquette."

Suketu Bhavsar, an astronomy professor, said biking is more practical for most

students. "For the students who will live within a half a mile from campus, it's not worth the drive," Bhavsar said. "It (biking) benefits the city because there is less traffic for everybody."

In order to find a way to better encourage increased bike traffic on campus, UK hired the Toole Design Group to devise a design for the project.

Jennifer Toole, owner of the business, said she hopes to have the plan completed sometime around April 2006.

To help get ideas for the plan, the Toole Design Group is conducting an online survey about bike safety and accessibility on campus. Toole said she was anticipating about 150 respondents, but so far she has received over 4,500.

Early survey results suggest that the top reasons students do not use bikes as transportation to campus are the distance they must travel and the lack of adequate bike lanes on campus.

"We got a really phenomenal response for the survey," Toole said. "From my perspective, it was very helpful."

To do research for the project, Warren Denny, a UK architect with the Office of Fa-

## Bike survey

If you want to take a survey about how to improve bicycle conditions on campus, or if you want more information about the plans, go to: [www.uky.edu/parking](http://www.uky.edu/parking) and click on the bicycle survey link.

ilities and Planning, took the design team around campus on bikes to survey the apparent problems.

Participants in yesterday's forum were given maps of campus to mark the problematic biking areas. Toole said input from the forum supported their observations.

"Two things came out loud and clear: The need for designated space for bikes to use and clarification of policies," Toole said.

Students may participate in the online survey at UK's transportation website until Nov. 14.

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# Student charged with aiding terrorists

By John Mintz  
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — A Wyoming college student has been charged with providing material support to a terrorist group after acknowledging to federal agents in Texas

that he was trying to send military equipment to a Somali group that the U.S. government has designated as a terrorist organization, officials said Tuesday.

The student, Mark Robert Walker, 18, also told agents

that he was trying to arrange travel to Somalia to fight alongside the Ittihad al-Islamiya group, which the U.S. government said is allied with al-Qaida, according to a document filed in federal court in El Paso.

# Poker

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to second in chips all in a matter of five hands," she said.

Also making some moves was Smith, one of 10 females who entered the tournament.

As the chip leader of 32, with \$137,300 in fake money going into Thursday's round, she showed the guys that women have game as well.

"They (the men) never intimidated me," she said.

"I grew up my whole life playing with the guys — I guess you can call me a tomboy."

With no tournament experience and having only played the game online, she did more than represent women — she managed to place eighth overall.

"Since the tournament I've become a pokeraholic," Smith said.

"I'm still playing a lot online, but I'm going to start playing in live games soon."

At the end of the final round Friday, The Cat's Den was all but empty and only a couple of students gathered around the final table.

It was getting late and the toll of hours of intense poker weighed heavily on both players.

"The last hand he raised pre-flop, and I reraised putting him all-in," said Renfro.

"I had king-10 offsuit and he had king-nine offsuit."

"Nothing came out on the flop, turn or the river leaving my ten better than his nine."

That's Texas Hold 'Em — you can be that close to winning or losing it all, he said.

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“Since the tournament, I've become a pokeraholic.”

— Christina Smith, a political science freshman and eighth place finalist in The Cats Den's No-Limit Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament

## No-Limit Texas Hold 'Em Poker Terminology

**All-in:** When you bet all of your chips on one hand

**Ante:** Money placed in the pot before the hand is dealt

**Blinds:** The two players sitting to the dealer's left, who must place opening bets before the hand is dealt

**Bluff:** To make other players believe that you have a better hand than you really do by betting or raising

when you don't have the best hand

**Call:** To match the amount of a bet

**Flop:** The first three community cards, which are dealt face-up in the middle of the table

**Fold:** To throw in your hand when it's your turn to bet over the top: When you raise another player's raise

**Pocket rockets:** A pair of aces dealt in the opening

deal, before the flop

**River card:** The fifth and final community card to be dealt. Also known as "Fifth Street"

**Tilt:** To play wildly or recklessly, a behavior usually caused by a series of losing hands

**Turn card:** The fourth community card to be dealt. Also known as "Fourth Street"

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### THEATRICAL RELEASES

#### The Polar Express

The trailers all talk about this Robert Zemeckis film, the guy who directed *Forest Gump* and *Castaway*, but with that resume, couldn't it have just as well been Tom Hanks' Creepy Hollywood inbreeding. Anyway, we can all look forward to having another childhood classic thoroughly destroyed by showbiz show-boating. Oh, wait — you mean Mike Myers isn't involved in this one? Maybe there's hope yet, of that boy on the edge of disbelief who boards a train to head to meet Santa. Maybe they'll run over the Cat in the Hat. At Regal and Woodhill.

#### After the Sunset

What a cast! Pierce Brosnan, Woody Harrison, Selma Hayek... but wait, Brosnan just retired from being Bond, and the other two haven't made anything for some time. Maybe this movie is more of a career statement than anything else. The plot sounds like writers Paul Zbyszewski and Craig Rosenberg were going through a serious bout of Elmore Leonard envy. Brosnan and Hayek are two master thieves who have just hit their big score and are retiring to a tropical paradise. Harrison is an FBI agent who doesn't believe they're retiring, as evidenced by their retirement to an island about the size of a postage stamp. He's a local gangster (Don Cheadle) into the mix, and you have your generic super-mega-quadruple-double (David?) cross film — I mean, a

super-suspenseful heist caper. At Regal.

#### Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason

The only thing on the edge of reason in this film is why it wasn't made sooner. The original made a boatload of money, and it's not like Hugh Grant or Colin Firth can expect their teeth to get better with age. In this update to the modern romantic comedy, seen in the first film, Bridget (Renée Zellweger) is deliciously in love with the amazing Mr. Darcy (Colin Firth), but is having a hard time believing someone so glamorous and successful would want anything to do with her — in his life or in his social scene. Amid these problems, Bridget's old boss Daniel (Hugh Grant, whose cad role was re-written into the movie, after not appearing in the book) returns to stir up trouble. This of course probably means another fight between Grant and Firth, whom we can all expect to look like two drunken, crying five-year-olds trying to kill each other with Nerf bats. Theaters TBA.

#### Finding Neverland

Johnny Depp returns to his *From Hell* digs in turn-of-the-century England. As implied in the title, he is author J.M. Barrie of *Peter Pan* fame, and a major portion of the film is dedicated to his inspiration, creation, writing and eventually the opening night of *Peter Pan*, which was devised as a stage play

in its original form. Kate Winslet stars as one of the major sources of inspiration for Barrie's work, a young widow with two sons whom she tells stories to. That, or it was a huge pile of opium that inspired him. Theaters TBA.

#### Seed of Chucky

In this horror/horrible sequel, Chucky must try to impregnate a human woman to bear nefarious offspring, all while not making his murderous doll wife overly jealous. The tagline — "Get a load of Chucky" — really says it all. I find this tagline questionable, and no amount of terrible puns will salvage this movie. At Regal.

### DVD RELEASES

#### The Stepford Wives

Nicole Kidman stars in this modern take on the sci-fi book as a high-up television exec whose psychotic reality shows get her fired, her super nice-guy husband, played by Matthew Broderick, moves her and their family to Stepford, Conn., to start over with a new life. But things take a sinister turn as the "perfection" of Stepford begins to look more and more like a forced grin about to break. Or maybe a satire beating a single joke to death? Buehler!

#### The Clearing

I do not really feel this film received enough press — good or bad — upon its release. It doesn't break any innovative ground in being a stock genre piece about an

executive with a shaky marriage that comes to head when said executive suddenly finds himself kidnapped and taken on a forced trek through a forest, and it leaves the audience wondering if the marriage will even survive. Robert Redford is the executive in question, and Helen Mirren stars as his wife, with Willem Dafoe taking up the role of the kidnapper. The film plays true to type, but each of the three main actors gives an awful lot of nuance to overall solid performances that command attention from the audience. Wow — a movie I liked and managed not to make fun of. Weird.

#### One with the Wind (Four Disc Collector's Edition)

David O. Selznick's classic work of cinema, from the Margaret Mitchell novel, is re-released on DVD this week with extras galore. For those of you who frankly don't give a damn, you can stop reading here. Most of the extras included come in the form of documentaries, including historical information on the Old South, two "making of" documentaries from 1939 by Selznick's children and memorials to Vivien Leigh (Scarlett O'Hara) and Clark Gable (Rhett Butler). One of the shiner new features is a discussion with Olivia de Havilland (Melanie Wilkes) about her remembrances from the film. A documentary on the film's restoration is also on board, as well as a commentary of the movie by Rudy Behlmer, a film historian.

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# Don't knock the knock-offs

Does brand name really matter when making purchasing decisions?



**Kenny Moyer**  
FINANCE COLUMNIST

Consumers are sometimes very picky when choosing between certain types of products, and the name of the brand has lots to do with it.

Such popular brand names as Nike, Coca-Cola, Hewlett-Packard and Kraft stick out in people's minds because of the quality products they serve. These companies can price their products higher because they know people will always want them. Society influences us to purchase the most current fad in products, most often expensive well-known brands.

So, do the popular brand items really have more to offer than the others?

I did lots of research and product testing for the past week to help you, the consumer, in making future purchasing decisions.

I was trying to answer the question: "Is it worth the extra pennies or dollars to purchase a more popular named product instead of a generic or lower priced product?"

The first product I tested was toilet paper (yes, picture that in your head while eating). I compared

Charmin Ultra toilet paper (9 rolls for \$4.74) to that of Scott (provided free to University housing students). After a week's worth of testing, I endorse Charmin for all it is worth. The extra five dollars a month won't hurt you, but the free rolls of sand paper you get if you live in campus housing will. The winner here is the popular name brand.

The next product tested was oven-cooked pizza. The taste and quality of a 12" Tombstone pepperoni pizza (\$4.99) dominates the cardboard taste of Kroger's (\$3.19). Even with \$1.80 difference in pricing, the popular name brand again prevails as the ultimate purchasing choice for me. So next time you are "studying" at 3 a.m. and need a break for the munchies, the popular brand above will certainly fill your crave.

Breakfast cereal was the next item on my agenda. This was one test that I found that the popular brand did not come out on top. I compared a regular size box of Post's Honey Bunches of Oats (\$2.79) to Kroger's Honey Crisp Medley (\$1.79). Both of these products did the job for me. The only difference between the two was that a serving of Kroger's cereal had 3 more carbohydrates than Post's. This was no big deal to me, but always be sure to compare the table of ingredients and nutrition facts. Winner: Kroger brand.

My next test might pre-

**It's easy to spend on expensive name brands, but sometimes generic products are better.**

sent problems for some of you, depending on your personal health situations. I compared Tide liquid laundry detergent (\$6.99 for 100 ounces) to Sun liquid detergent (\$2.49 for 128 ounces at Big Lots).

Some people can only use specific laundry detergents because of possible allergic reactions. If not, here's my advice: If you want your clothes clean, go for the cheap detergent. If you want your clothes to smell better and feel soft, spend the extra couple dollars on the more popular expensive brands. I didn't have a problem with either of the products I tested, though.

The last product I tested was beer. Natural Light (\$6.49/12 cans) has many similarities to Bud Light (\$6.99/12 cans when on sale). However, after two long nights of partying, I found that Bud Light is well worth the extra pennies. Both products deserve an "A" grade for completing the job, but taste was the major factor in putting Bud Light on top of my list.

These specific name brand products might win one over, but what it really comes down to is personal preference. Some people don't mind a product's

name, but there are many circumstances when the saying "you get what you pay for" is true.

It takes a lot of experience to determine what your personal preference is on certain products. There are many types of products I didn't have the opportunity to test, such as electronics and medicines.

But a lesser-known brand doesn't always mean lesser quality. Before making major purchasing decisions, always consult someone you know who may know more about the specific product than you do. Also check out Consumer Reports for a breakdown of products from cars to blenders.

If you are a brand-name buff but can't always afford the products, always look around and visit discount stores. TJ Maxx, for example, located on Nicholasville Road, always has affordable prices for name products. Or try Big Lots on Lane Allen Road, or Dollar General and Save-A-Lot on Broadway.

Name-brand products got their popularity for a reason, but don't always factor out the little guy trying to make a living on the shelves.

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## ONTAP

For the week of NOV. 10 - NOV. 16

**WEDNESDAY**

**Kenny Wayne Shepherd**  
8 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$25.

**Drowning Pool**

8 p.m. Headliner's Music Hall, Louisville. Tickets cost \$13.

**THURSDAY**

**Story of the Year w/My Chemical Romance, Letter Kills & Autopilot Off**  
7:30 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$17.50.

**Hot Buttered Rum String Band**

8:30 p.m. Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$12.

**Alan Jackson w/Martina McBride**  
7:30 p.m. US Bank Arena, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$27 - \$65.

**FRIDAY**

**Loretta Lynn**  
7 p.m. Renfro Valley. Tickets cost \$34.

**Chris Knight**

8 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$10.

**The Trans-Siberian Orchestra**  
8 p.m. Louisville Palace Theatre. Tickets cost \$31.50 - \$41.50.

**Three Days Grace**  
8:30 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$15.

**Bill Yackey & Aaron Weaver**  
9 p.m. Common Grounds. Free.

**SATURDAY**

**Sexual Disaster Quartet w/Tryptamine Arkrestra, Obeah & Nigel Richards**  
8 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$7.

**Umphrey's McGee**  
8:30 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$13.

**Weakerthans w/The High Strung**  
8 p.m. Jillian's, Louisville. Tickets cost \$10.

**SUNDAY**

**Keith Urban**  
8 p.m. Louisville Palace Theatre. Tickets cost \$37.50.

**Derek Webb of Caedmons**  
8:30 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$10.

**MONDAY**

**California Guitar Trio**  
7 p.m. Kentucky Theatre. Tickets cost \$5.

**Skinny Puppy**  
8 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$17.50.

**TUESDAY**  
**GWAR w/Dying Fetus & All That Remains**



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Country superstar Alan Jackson will perform with Martina McBride Thursday at 7:30 at US Bank Arena in Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$27 - \$65.

7:30 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$15.

**COMING SOON**

**Papa Roach**  
8 p.m. Nov. 18. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$15.

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## IN OUR OPINION

# SG amendment would bring needed reform

An amendment to Student Government's constitution may prevent another Referendum One debacle.

At tonight's meeting, SG will likely approve the amendment that would detail how students can propose referendums and how they would be implemented.

It is about time SG clarifies its rules regarding amendments, and we are heartened to see the organization making strides to streamline the process so more students can participate in SG.

The act, "The Student Government Initiative and Referendum Act," proposes significant changes to Article VII, which dictates how referendums and initiatives can be placed on ballots.

The amendment has several additions to the constitution that will aid students.

First, it requires any referendums or initiatives to be filed with the Board of Elections no later than two weeks before an election.

Referendum One was snuck through the process and became known to students only days before the elections last April.

Thus, student voters had little time to educate themselves before voting.

This measure will ensure adequate time for all sides regarding a referendum to express their views before students visit the polls.

The amendment also allows any student to place a referendum or initiative on the ballot if they obtain 1,000 student signatures.

This clearly defines how students can submit referendums, allowing them to have a voice and power in SG.

The amendment does contain limitations to how many referendums can be placed on a ballot at one time.

It will limit it to no more than two referendums and two initiatives on one ballot. SG has said that it will decide which ones

will be included on a "first come, first served" basis.

While we applaud limiting the number of initiatives included at one time — asking students to make decisions on 10 or 20 referendums would be too confusing — SG needs to create better policies for deciding which ones to include on the ballot.

The "first come, first served" clause could shut out deserving referendums in favor of ones that were submitted first.

As much controversy and hassle that has resulted from the Referendum One soap opera, we are glad to see SG make positive changes to its constitution as a result.

We hope the amendment will be passed and will better facilitate increased student participation in the organization aptly named Student Government.

The proposed amendment would come close to making reform comprehensive with the exception of a few details.



MATT CAREY  
Kentucky Kernel  
MATT CAREY, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

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Do you believe SG's constitutional amendment will fix the problems found with the referendum process in last spring's election?

Yes — Forming protocol for proposing and implementing a referendum or initiative will prevent future problems.

No — The legislation still makes it relatively easy to propose a referendum or initiative with little publicity before it comes to a vote.

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## LETTERSTOTHEEDITOR

### UK athletics should end crackdown on football tossing in the stands

How surreal is the irony of witnessing on Saturday the ejections of innumerable UK fans who opted to engage in some otherwise harmless fun by passing the football around the stands after it was kicked through the goal posts? (Never mind that 10 of the 13 times the ball came, it was from the Georgia Kicker's toe.)

That morning, the Herald-Leader featured a story about one of the most amazing statistics in all of college sports — how loyal UK fans are to the football team year in and year out despite the spans that typically pass between winning games.

UK fans apparently rank 23rd among Division I schools in attendance, it turns out, while cheering a team that has more than its share of challenges to overcome on and off the playing field.

Woke up, UK Athletics Department! Fans have suffered the indignity of having to make an extra donation to you for the privilege of purchasing season football tickets, paying higher prices for concessions with smaller portions and moderate quality.

But when fans are continuing to support in huge numbers a Wildcat team that is clearly in a (deja vu) "rebuilding year," making such a huffy big deal about the post-PAT pass-around is not only ridiculously authoritarian and abusive — it is also probably an absurdly poor business decision.

Yes, you may very well unintentionally discover the proverbial "last straw" among us by continuing to goad restless fans, making the yellow-jacketed security staff into whipping boys for a collective outburst of frustration we don't wish to heap upon our beloved players.

We come every week to have some fun. We realize our team is currently not as strong, fast, big or deep as many of the visiting squads, but we see the Cats trying hard and never giving up on themselves.

Keep on eroding what little there has been to cheer about this season, and I believe you risk losing the interest of the very fan base that has made football a "revenue sport," one that supports so many other student athletes' endeavors at UK, not just the football program itself!

I read with disappointment that already there are plans to add nets at either end of the stadium next season to put down this dastardly, mounting mutiny.

Cheating with two professional teams that have similar equipment already installed, the expense of such devices would cost-justify simply letting every fan who catches a ball in the end zone during the next four seasons keep it! Do the math before sending in that purchase order, please.

Why not take a lesson instead from Major League Baseball, and make a big positive deal out of a fan who is fortunate enough to catch a football in the stands during a game? Placing some kind of fun incentive as a bounty on the ball's return would have at least five favorable outcomes for both fans and UK:

1. Fans would not be as likely to openly defy security staff in the unhealthy way that has now begun to develop (and even encouraged) by the current response).
2. Peer pressure to play keep away would likely fade, with fans realizing that what amounts to a "door prize" has just been landed by a fellow fan in their section (and that it could be their next time).
3. The risk of any unsuspecting fan getting injured by a ball that is in flight while there is a play in progress on the field (remember why we came in the

first place) would be eliminated.

4. The football can be placed back into play.

5. Fans could at least begin to believe that UK gives a hoot about them having fun even when our team is having a rough time.

Of course, if UK decides to stick with its current disciplinary approach, then I have another recommendation for students, alumni and other fans: Instead of throwing the football to avoid retrieval by the staff, perhaps the fans should pass the football from seat to seat in rapid succession, like a hotdog on its way from the aisle vendor to its hungry purchaser.

Everyone in an entire row — or even an entire section — could touch the ball in an act of civil disobedience, qualifying for ejection in a fashion that should empty Commonwealth Stadium more rapidly than the margin of victory posted by the visiting team!

Perhaps enough people would be escorted out during the first three quarters that traffic following the games would be vastly improved.

KEITH R. KNAPP  
class of 1978, season ticket holder and UK parent  
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### Letter charging Kernel with racism contained own 'hidden racial division'

I think it's important that I quickly establish what I'm not arguing. I'm not arguing The Kernel is actually sensitive to racial issues. I'm not supporting the cartoon that was published that incited the angry response from the UK Black Student Union's members. I'm not arguing about the message "Vote or Die."

In this letter I am responding to the mixed message of Samuel Gaines and Todd Newbern's Nov. 5 letter to the editor and a common problem that I see with many of today's so-called "black leaders" and some prominent politicians.

Essentially it can be seen in this quote from the letter: "But all you have to do is look out at society and see that there are just as many hidden divisions between races as there were in the days of the civil rights movement."

This comes from an article that is signed, "UK Black Student Union." So let me get this straight. The argument, from Gaines and Newbern, is that they think the Kernel's cartoon is supporting "hidden racial divisions." But their use of the organization's distinction and their views that the cartoon was racist is not a hidden racial distinction?

Let me recount the cartoon to further illustrate my point. The cartoon, though witless, depicted straightforwardly a play on words on P. Diddy's "Vote or Die" message to college students, most of whom didn't vote.

When I saw this cartoon, I thought, "Wow, that's pretty stupid." But I didn't think, "Hey, a black dude shot a white kid and got arrested by a white cop."

How was it that the UK Black Student Union's members made the leap from seeing P. Diddy shoot someone to the victim being white?

The cartoon didn't say he was white. He just as easily could have been Jewish, Chinese, Arabic or any type of lighter-skinned races.

The reason is because the writers of this article (and I won't assume they represent all African-Americans) themselves make the hidden racial distinctions that they are complaining about and have past frustrations with The Kernel.

I'm not saying there's anything wrong with seeing the world in this way. If you want to, fine. But don't complain about the results.

In our lives people everywhere will judge and discriminate based on many things other than race — sex, height, weight, nationality, wealth, etc.

But if we allow such discrimination to become the central model for how we see ourselves relating to others — they only see us as black, white, Hispanic, or whatever — then quite easily our race can become a scapegoat for the problems in our lives, when the reality may be far from that.

That's what Bill Cosby's message, for instance, has been about. Accept the fact that a small percentage of people will discriminate against you and then move on with a plan to deal with that issue.

If I had let the fact that my name is Angel and I'm a guy in Kentucky (and not even Hispanic) become my central model for how people treat me, then I would have a lot to complain about, my friends.

I suggest that if the writers truly want to end racism, then they stop using racial distinctions that they hate so much, such as a strong message like "we, the Black Student Union, can no longer sit back and allow such injustices to remain unchallenged."

That is immediately creating barriers — drawing a line across the sand that says, "You're either with us, or against us." In the end, that will solve absolutely nothing.

Always remember Dr. King's message: "I have a dream that one day ... little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls and walk together as sisters and brothers."

ANGEL CAREAGA  
electrical engineering senior

### Columnist wrong in asking liberals to stop whining and support Bush

Stephen Burnett's recent column "President Bush deserves support of his detractors" brilliantly portrays a misguided viewpoint often espoused by angry conservatives. (It's interesting that even after they win an election, they're still angry.)

He first argues that liberals should stop complaining about how divided our culture is these days, saying that, in essence, this ability to express wide disagreements with leadership and policy is what differentiates America from dictatorships. Fair enough.

But then, without any deliberate sense of irony, he uses this bit of political wisdom to suggest that liberals should unite in support of the president's policies. Well, which is it?

It seems to me that President Bush's policies are the kind that can lead to the fall of democratic republics like ours.

He unabashedly blocks out those who differ with him, refuses to consider or even acknowledge information contrary to his preferred assumptions, and acts without even minimal concern for the interests of the half of the electorate that opposes him.

Those who truly believe in democracy do not force people to swear allegiance to them in order to attend their rallies and conventions. But that is now our leadership. Does that sound like a free America?

DANIEL BUTTON  
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## Cards continue Cats' skid

By Laura Nelligan  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

For a moment, everything came together for UK. It looked like the Cats would end the Cards' winning streak. Then, it all fell apart.

With a 3-0 sweep last night, the Cards won their seventh straight against UK, thanks largely to unforced errors by the Cats.

"We didn't take care of the ball," said UK head coach Jona Braden. "We tried to do too much with the ball instead of what's working."

The Cats began game one going point for point with the Cards, only to slip after the score hit 5-3. Louisville ended up winning game one 30-19.

It was the same opening for game two, but this time, the Cats kept on fighting. Senior outside hitter Sarah Spinner set up junior setter Leigh Marcum for a kill as the ball bounced off her shoe. This point put the Cats in the lead at 12-11.

"We had really solid ball control and our serves were tough," said Braden. "We were fighting and taking care of details."

After Spinner made two



Junior setter Leigh Marcum (6) nearly collides with freshman outside hitter Danielle Wallace in last night's match against Louisville. The Cards swept the Cats, 3-0.

NILLY SCHIFFER/STAFF

service aces in a row and junior outside hitter Danielle Wallace made kill after kill, the Cats seemed to have it won. The Cats were ahead by seven with only five points to go, but multiple errors by UK helped the Cards catch up fast.

With the game point available for either team, the Cards earned the final two points to win 31-29.

"It fizzled at the end when we needed to keep punching,"

said Spinner.

The Cats lost game three 30-18, but Spinner was proud of her team's performance as they overcame one of their biggest problems for her final home game: playing as a team.

"We really came together," said Spinner. "We really had a lot of energy. I felt like we were all playing together."

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## Cats

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sists, and Hayes added a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

As expected, Smith shook up his starting lineup by inserting freshman guard Rajon Rondo for junior Ravi Moss, who started against NKU.

The 6-foot-1 Rondo joined 6-foot junior guard Patrick Sparks to form a small but explosive UK backcourt.

The two guards provided the highlight of the night when Sparks lobbed an alley-oop to Rondo, who caught the ball with his back to the basket and finished the play with

a reverse dunk.

"I didn't know he was going to dunk it backwards," Sparks said. "We've hooked up a lot in practice like that and hopefully we can continue to do that all year."

Sparks ended the game with five points and led the Cats with four assists.

Kentucky Wesleyan head coach Ray Harper said Sparks should improve as the season progresses.

"I think they have one of the premier guards in the country in Patrick Sparks," Harper said. "Once he gets his game legs, he'll be something special and the fans will enjoy watching him play."

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### Kentucky Wesleyan (54)

NAME	mi	fga	3-pt	fta	rb	tp
Bright	39	4-14	0-3	4-7	12	12
Catic	22	0-1	0-1	1-2	1	1
Phifer	35	4-18	0-0	7-10	11	15
Emch	25	6-10	3-8	0-0	2	13
Byrd	27	2-7	1-5	0-0	2	5
Artis	19	1-5	1-2	2-2	1	5
Aaron	2	1-1	1-1	0-0	0	3
Mosley	10	0-2	0-1	0-0	1	0
Team	200	17-58	6-21	14-21	33	54

### Kentucky (79)

NAME	mi	fga	3-pt	fta	rb	tp
Azabuke	22	6-10	3-5	0-0	0	15
Hayes	22	6-10	0-1	0-0	10	12
Morris	13	3-5	0-0	1-2	2	7
Rondo	19	4-6	0-0	0-0	6	8
Moss	8	2-4	1-2	0-0	2	5
Sparks	22	2-4	1-2	0-0	2	5
Bradley	20	1-2	0-2	0-0	1	2
Orzut	14	1-2	0-0	1-2	4	3
Perry	16	3-6	0-1	0-0	4	6
Alving	12	2-5	0-0	0-0	7	4
Crawford	18	5-8	0-2	2-2	5	12
Team	200	35-72	5-19	4-6	47	79

Kentucky Wesleyan	17	37-54
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