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**COURT**

## Former student pleads guilty to counterfeiting

**Investigation:** Distributor of fake money could face up to \$250,000 fine, 10 years

By Heath Tingle  
STAFF WRITER

A former UK student pled guilty to selling and distributing counterfeit money Wednesday.

The plea ended the investigation of the case against seven men who faced charges on selling and distributing counterfeit property in a UK residence hall.

Aaron Michael Murphy, 21, faces up to 10 years in

prison and a \$250,000 fine. He will be sentenced May 6 in U.S. District Court.

Judge Joseph M. Hood presided over the arraignment. Murphy said he printed the fake bills and delivered them to George Hutchinson, 25, who on Oct. 22, 2001, sold \$10,600 worth of the fake bills to another man for \$4,600.

Murphy said that he only printed the money and delivered it to Hutchinson. Hutchinson then sold the money.

Hutchinson also pled guilty Wednesday. He faces 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Justin Vandiver, 19, also pled guilty Tuesday for his role in the scheme. Vandiver said that while living in Kirwan II, he loaned Murphy, who also lived in Kirwan II, a computer and \$400.

Murphy said he used the \$400 to purchase a scanner and printer to create the \$10,600 in counterfeit \$50 and \$100 bills.

In December, the counterfeit ring started to crumble when Joshua Nelson, 18, of Harrodsburg, pled guilty to possession of the fake bills.

In January Ramarr Walker, 18, admitted to possessing \$1,900 of the counterfeit money to purchase two pounds of marijuana. Before Walker could make the purchase, Nabil Shalash robbed him at gunpoint. Shalash later pled guilty to possessing and using the fake bills at an area grocery store. Walker will also be sentenced May 6.

Shalash and Nelson face sentencing March 25.

Of the seven men, only one, Howard Moore, 19, of Dallas, Texas, avoided having to make a plea. Moore agreed to enroll in a pre-trial diversion program to avoid sentencing.

**GREEK LIFE**

## Basketball game sparks scuffle, nearly 50 join in

**'Tangle up':** Official says police arrived 3 minutes after call, nothing going on

By John Wampler  
NEWS EDITOR

An altercation involving nearly 50 intramural basketball players and fans resulted in the UK Police being called to the Seaton Center Tuesday night.

Travis Manley, chief communications officer for UK Police, said a call came in around 9:40 concerning the incident. When the police arrived three minutes later, there was nothing going on.

But people at the center said there was a fight between the Pi Kappa Alpha and Phi Beta Sigma social fraternities. It had just ended when police showed up.

Linsey Roberts, a pre-pharmacy junior, was playing in an intramural basketball game on another court and watched the fight unfold. A small fight was broken up by officials, but then a larger one ensued.

See FIGHT on 3

**YOUR GOVERNMENT**

## Robinson wants board to ensure fair elections

**Voted in:** Controversy last spring spurs SG to make process 'smooth'

By Sara Cunningham  
STAFF WRITER

Student Government approved members of its Election Board of Supervisions last night, nearly a year after a problem-filled election and accusations that last year's board was biased against SG President Tim Robinson.

"This is going to be a fair, consistent and run-by-the-book election," said Patrick Robinson, the newly-appointed board chairman.



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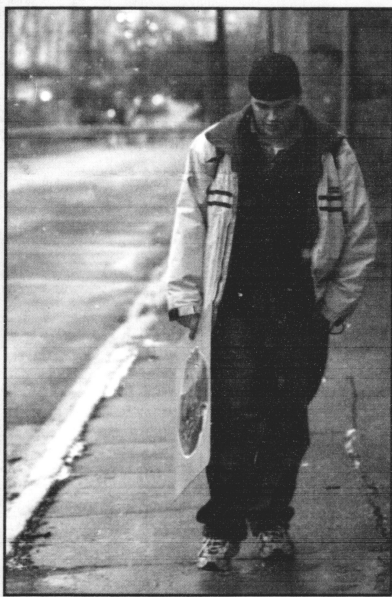
Robinson has been a part of SG for five years and has held several positions including senator and deputy chief of staff. There are four other members of the board. Three are freshmen.

"It is good to get someone who knows what they are doing and then other people who are fresh to it all," said Edwin Orange, senate chairman.

The freshmen board includes two members of the Freshmen Representative Council, Kellen Baker and Nathan Denny. Brian Thomas is the remaining freshman.

Harvey Davis, a computer science sophomore at LCC, will be the fifth member. It has been difficult to collect votes from LCC in the past. SG President Tim Robinson hopes that a board member from LCC will help.

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NICK TOMCEK | PHOTO EDITOR

**Winter's grip**  
Travis Salisbury, an art studio senior, walks through the falling snow from the photo lab of the Reynolds Building.

**HEARTS**

## Many choose friends, avoid Valentine hype

**Without a squeeze:** Students without lovers find other ways to celebrate the holiday

By Stacie Melhaus  
SCENE EDITOR

Valentine's Day brings out all the love-dovey behavior that can be so disgusting to those who don't have a special someone.

"Sometimes it makes me want to puke," said Anne Sharpe, a communication disorders junior.

Sharpe does have a boyfriend this Valentine's Day, but he is studying at the University of Madrid in Spain.

"Talking on the phone is never as good as talking in person," Sharpe said of the long-distance relationship. "Knowing my roommates are out with their boyfriends — that's going to be really hard."

But Sharpe has a plan. "I'm making a really nice dinner for myself with candlelight and wine," she said. "I'm going to get myself a rose and have a date with the phone."

She admits that it's hard to have a long-distance relationship, especially with a six-hour time difference.

"It'll be about 2 a.m. over there when I get to talk to him. That's hard," she said. "The worst part is not having him here to give me hugs."

But she says there is still hope for romance in their long-distance relationship.

"He wanted to send me roses for our year anniversary, but it was too expensive, so he wandered into a rose garden and took pictures of a dozen roses," she said. "He took a rose and dried it and sent it all to me."

The holiday for lovers can also be frustrating to some.

"I try not to think about it, honestly," said Tim Wheatley, a journalism sophomore. "It's not good."

Wheatley said that Valentine's Day is overrated, especially if you don't have a significant other.

"Luckily none of my friends have girlfriends either, so I don't have to worry about it," he said.

To keep his mind off Valentine's Day, Wheatley said he is going to a concert.

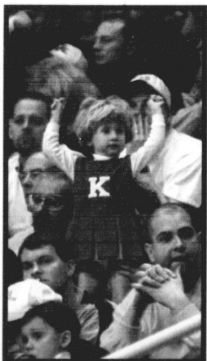
Michelle Clay, an English sophomore, has decided to rebel against the typical Valentine's Day clichés of hearts, flowers and romantic evenings with a special someone.

"Valentine's Day isn't just for love, it's also for friendship," she said.

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**SEC loss**

A young fan supports her Cats amid UT fans. The No. 7 Cats lost 76-74 to the Volunteers in overtime Wednesday night in Knoxville, Tenn. See the game story on page 10.



DEWATY CHAMBERS | KERNEL STAFF

**WELL-BEING**

## Student refuses to allow illness to slow her down

**Cancer:** 'Death, dying and the quality of life' class holds new importance for survivor

By Jimmy Nesbitt  
STAFF WRITER

Loretta Workman could see the end.

It was May 2001 and Workman, 32, was 17 credits away from a social work degree. Soon she would begin the second of two required internships at the Chrysler House, temporary housing for women who have substance abuse and alcohol problems.

She was an anxious senior, prepared for opportunities beyond

graduation, but not prepared to fight cancer.

Stricken with what she believed to be a kidney infection, Workman left her home in Waddy, Ky., and visited doctors in Frankfort and Louisville. After a series of tests, she got the diagnosis: third stage non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

"I was in a state of shock when I first heard it. I got mad. I wasn't done. I was too young," she said. Without treatment, her doctor said



AMY CRAWFORD | KERNEL STAFF

Loretta Workman, a social work senior diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, listens to a lecture in the class, "Death, Dying and the Quality of Life."

See DYING on 3

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

# The Low-down

## STATE NEWS

“You can't hit a home run unless you step up to the plate. You can't fish unless you put your line in the water. You can't reach your goals if you don't try.”

— Kathy Sellman

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### Republicans assured at least 14 seats

FRANKFORT — Once the filing deadline stopped moving last week, Republicans appeared to emerge with an advantage for this year's elections. In the hotly contested state Senate, Republicans are assured of retaining at least 14 seats, counting the districts not up for election this year and the six races not contested by Democrats. Republicans have to win only 12 contested state Senate races this year to retain their 20-18 existing majority. Republicans are challenging all but one of the Democratic seats for this year.

### Suit says Asbury did not report abuse

WILMORE, Ky. — Asbury College is being sued by a man and his parents who claim the college and its disciplinary committee did nothing to report the sexual abuse of boys by a student in the late 1970s. The former Asbury student and lab assistant, John William Sowers, 45, was sentenced in 1999 to a 20-year prison sentence for the sexual abuse of three Jessamine County boys — including the plaintiff, now 37. The lawsuit says the abuse occurred in 1978, when the plaintiff was 13 years old.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Painting taken down after complaint

NORFOLK, Va. — A painting commemorating the World Trade Center tragedy was pulled from a bank after a few days on display because a customer found it offensive. Artist Paul D. Trice Jr. said employees at the Heritage Bank and Trust branch told him that a customer objected to the work, perhaps because it included an image of Osama bin Laden on a poster reading “Most Wanted by FBI Dead or Alive.” The canvas shows several scenes of the disaster: a view of New York Harbor with the smoke-engulfed towers in the distance, a close-up of a plane striking a tower, and rescue workers searching the rubble as firefighters raise the American flag.

### Immigration appeals judges reduced

WASHINGTON — Attorney General John Ashcroft announced plans Wednesday to reduce the number of judges hearing immigration appeals, meaning most immigrants accused of being illegal aliens could face deportation orders after arguing their case before a single judge. Under current rules, a panel of three judges on the U.S. Board of Immigration Appeals usually makes deportation decisions. Immigrants still would be allowed to appeal their cases before a U.S. District judge, which now occurs in about 15 percent of cases.



### Reagan celebrates 91st birthday

LOS ANGELES — Former President Ronald Reagan turned 91 Wednesday with a subdued celebration at home. The longest-living U.S. president, who recovered from a broken hip suffered in a fall January 2001, has remained secluded at his Bel Air home since announcing in 1994 he had Alzheimer's disease. The disease has exacted its toll on the nation's 40th chief executive. “He's doing as well as can be expected,” chief of staff Joanne Drake said. “It will be low-key, and here's a chocolate cake.” Drake said about the birthday Reagan was spending with wife Nancy Reagan and daughter Patti Davis.

### COMPETITION:

Network execs have been mumbling for a few years now that they can't compete with cable “edginess” because of broadcast standards against nudity, violence and language. But all that may change with a crime drama NBC has in development for next season called “Kinpin.” The series, created by ER and NYPD Blue producer David Mills and coproduced by Aaron Spelling, is being compared to Oscar-winning flick Traffic. In small-screen terms it's more like a network version of “The Sopranos.” In fact, Emmy-nominated Sopranos director Allen Coulter has signed on to direct the new show, which focuses on the New York drug trade. Their rumored wish list of potential stars for the roles of drug lord and chief law enforcement official includes Ocean's Eleven star Andy Garcia and Michael Madsen (who costars in the next James Bond movie).

### Harvard seniors charged with stealing

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Two members of Harvard's Hasty Pudding Theatricals were accused of embezzling about \$91,000 from the 207-year-old student group for drugs, a party and entertainment equipment. Suzanne Pomey and Randy Gomes, both Harvard seniors, each pleaded innocent to single counts of larceny Tuesday in Middlesex Superior Court. Prosecutors said the two used club credit and debit cards to transfer money to their bank accounts. Judge Carol S. Ball released the two without bail and set a pretrial hearing for March 28. If convicted, each faces a maximum of five years in prison. Harvard officials have not said whether any disciplinary action has been taken against the students, who are still enrolled for classes.

### School can't ban 'grace' before meals

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. — A federal judge has ordered school officials to let a kindergarten say grace out loud before eating lunch. Kayla Broadus, 5, had been stopped from praying with friends on Jan. 15 at her elementary school in Wilton, 36 miles north of Albany. The girl's lawyer argued it was her First Amendment right to say grace, but the Saratoga Springs school system said the prayer, because it was audible, violated the constitutional separation of church and state. U.S. District Judge David Hurd issued a temporary restraining order Tuesday, saying the school may not interfere with the girl's praying.

### American Taliban denied release

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — A federal judge, declaring that U.S.-born Taliban John Walker Lindh “has every incentive to flee” from federal custody, ordered him held Wednesday pending a trial on charges of conspiring to kill Americans. “No combination of conditions” could permit the 20-year-old's release, said U.S. Magistrate Judge W. Curtis Sewell, turning aside pleas by Lindh's parents that he be released in their custody. After a hearing of about an hour at the U.S. Courthouse, Sewell rejected arguments that Lindh presented no danger of flight and scooped at his lawyers' assertions that he should be released in the custody of his father, Frank Lindh, and his mother, Marilyn Walker. “It may be argued by the defense that the defendant is a loyal American,” Sewell said, “but the evidence before the court belies that assumption.”



### LAW & POETRY:

Benjamin Bratt, who has forged a career out of playing good cops on “Law & Order” and in a few films, is breaking out of the policeman's pigeonhole with “Pino.” While the biopic of the Puerto Rican poet-playwright Miguel Pino, best known for the 70s prison drama Short Eyes, has gotten mixed reviews, the 37-year-old actor has been singled out for his performance. The nice notices: Bratt is happy to report, are “opening doors.” “It's like someone put a little oil on the hinges because they're opening a little bit easier and a little bit wider these days,” he says during a recent interview, chuckling. The first door to open is *The Great Raid*, a feature to be directed by John Dahl (*The Last Seduction*) about the rescue of 500 American POWs from a Japanese camp in World War II.

### Nurses reach settlement in strike

PORTLAND, Ore. — Striking nurses reached a tentative agreement Wednesday with Oregon Health & Science University aimed at ending a 53-day walkout. The agreement with the Oregon Nurses Association was reached after a 15-hour negotiating session. If approved, it will end a walkout that included loud union rallies and picketing, as well as charges and countercharges over the use of replacement workers and the quality of patient care during the strike. “Both sides traveled a bit. Both sides were willing to compromise,” said Jim Newman, spokesman for the university, which operates two of Oregon's top hospitals, Oregon Health & Science and Doernbecher Children's Hospital.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

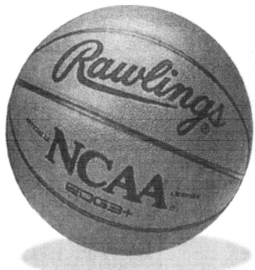
### Response shows terrorism crackdown

JERUSALEM — Trying to deflect intense pressure, the Palestinian Authority has handed the United States a detailed written response to allegations that it has not acted against terrorism. The 17-page document, obtained Wednesday by The Associated Press, says the Palestinians have arrested 195 militants, blocked 56 suspect bank accounts, closed 15 illegal munitions factories and 79 unregistered charities and clamped down on militant mosque preachers. Yasser Arafat's government “remains committed to peacefully negotiating an end to Israel's occupation of Palestinian territories,” said the document, which seemed to be part of a concerted Palestinian effort to convince Western nations that it is sincere in trying to find a way to end 16 months of violence and restart peace talks.

### 'Victims among America's best friends'

KHAS URUZGAN, Afghanistan — Caked blood, charred bedding and flame-blackened walls serve as testimony to what Afghans say was a horrific mistake. Two weeks later, the Pentagon is investigating the deadly assault. U.S. special forces burst into a small religious school here on Jan. 23, killing 19 people, most of them where they slept, Afghans who survived or witnessed the raid told The Associated Press. Two of the 19 — both government-appointed officials — were handcuffed and shot in the schoolyard, Afghans claim. The Pentagon first said the raid was an attack on an al-Qaida weapons dump, and that troops killed about 15 people and captured 27 Taliban and al-Qaida members. But the Afghans say the dead were not Taliban renegades at all, and instead included members of a government mission that had taken the weapons from Taliban holdouts.

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## FIGHT

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"Guys were grabbing chairs and stuff," he said. Members from both sides said that with a few exceptions, the majority of the fight was nothing more than a lot of yelling and pushing. Jesse Day, a sociology alumnus and Sigma member who was at the event, said that the initial fight started when one of the Pikes' fans came over and tried to punch one of the Sigma players. "It shocked the hell out of everybody," he said. The second, larger fight was merely an extension of the

first one, Day said. John Weis, a computer science junior and president of the Pikes, claimed the fight began when a Pike player and a Sigma player got tangled up with the ball. One of his teammates went over to help him, and Weis said the Sigmas must have mistakenly taken that as an aggressive action. "But no one from our side threw a punch," Weis said. Both Weis and Day said their fraternities wanted to put the matter behind them. "This is a regrettable event and we look for immediate resolution," Weis said. Both teams will face a minimum mandatory one-game suspension, said Roberts, who is also an intramural official.

## MEETING

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"The goal is to get more people involved," Tim Robinson said. "It's hard to find someone who is qualified and not running for office." Members are usually nominated or suggested by senate members and the SG president. Individuals are then asked to sit on the board and if they accept, the senate

votes on their appointment. "A lot of times members end up running for office," Tim Robinson said. The board doesn't have control over election guidelines but oversees the elections to prevent violations. Some concerns were raised over the upcoming elections because of controversy during last spring's elections. "I hope these elections will go smoothly and everything will happen as it's supposed to," Patrick Robinson said.

## VALENTINE

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Clay and some of her friends came up with an alternative celebration. "A group of us decided that we didn't want to feel sorry for ourselves," she said. "We decided to make it a day for friends to go out and celebrate." "We don't want to have to take a trip to the movies. There will be no sappy love movies and no feeling sorry for yourself," she said. The group of friends will also have an exchange like in grade school. Many of them will bring candy and Valentine's cards. Clay said that her coupled friends are welcome to come along, but asks that they kindly sit behind those without valentines. "We don't want to have to look at them," she said.

## DYING

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she had a year to live. Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma is a type of cancer that affects the body's ability to produce red blood cells. It's highly treatable but not curable. Despite the severity of her illness, Workman never considered dropping out of school. "I thought about quitting work but not school. I had to have something to do. I wasn't going to let the cancer beat me," she said. Cancer made Workman think about her mortality. Philosophy 350, Death Dying and the Quality of Life, is helping her understand it. She planned to take the class before she got cancer, but unfinished university and major requirements forced her to wait. "This is a class I wanted to take. It makes you look at things in different ways that you probably would have never thought about," she said.

Philosophy Professor Frank Hale has taught the class each of the three years he's been at the university. Student's curiosity about death and dying draw them to the class, he said. Hale explained that this curiosity has increased, because the most people die in an institution, whereas in the past, death commonly occurred within the home. The experience of witnessing death and dying has been removed, he said. Workman has enjoyed the class. "I've learned a lot just by listening to the other students," she said. After her diagnosis last summer, Workman began treatment. When it was time for chemotherapy, months had passed and the fall semester was about to begin. "I started (school) the same week I started my first chemotherapy treatment," she said.

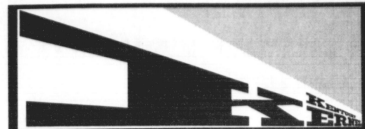
With the help of her husband, Jerry, Workman kept up. "My husband took me to chemo treatment in Louisville. We left and came to class so I could get my syllabus."

While Workman was taking classes, battling cancer and working part-time at the Flying J truck stop in Waddy, Jerry stood by her. "I'm behind her in everything she does. I try to support her anyway I can," he said. "She's very positive and doesn't take anything in a negative way. I couldn't go through this (cancer treatment) and maintain the schedule she has. I would give up."

Workman remained a full-time student and completed 14 hours. "It got a little rough, but everybody worked with me. Other students would take notes for me when I couldn't be there (in class). They were fantastic." While doctor's said there's a possibility the cancer could recur, Workman's said she's not thinking about it. "It doesn't make any difference what you're trying to heal from. As long as you have a good outlook, I think you'll heal better," she said.

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- Loretta Workman, social work senior diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma



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<b>MEETINGS</b>	7:00pm, BSU Chapel	<b>Thurs 7</b>
*Devotions+Lunch	12:00, BSU Chapel, Admission \$1	
*Student Health Advisory Council	3:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 113	
*Lambdas Meeting	7:30pm, Student Center, Rm. 231	
*Annex International Meeting	7pm, Student Center, Rm. 233	
<b>ACADEMIC</b>		
*Math Tutoring	2:00pm-5:00pm, 065 Classroom Bldg.	
*Math Tutoring	5:00-9:00pm, Kirwan-Blanding Complex Commons (3rd Floor Ballroom)	
*History Tutoring (107/108/109)	8:00-10:00pm, Kirwan-Blanding Complex Commons (3rd Floor Ballroom)	
*Biology Tutoring	7:30-9:30pm, Kirwan-Blanding Complex Commons (3rd Floor Ballroom)	
<b>SPORTS</b>		
*Kempo Self-Defense	6:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft	
<b>SPECIAL EVENTS</b>		
*Magician Freedom Embodied: Panelists Representing Six Belief Systems	8:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 233	
*Morris Dees "A Passion for Justice"	7pm, Student Center, Rm. Grand Ballroom	
*Ms. Black and Gold Pageant	7:30 p.m., Memorial Hall	
<b>ACADEMIC</b>		<b>Fri 8</b>
*Math Tutoring	2:00-4:00pm, 065 Classroom Bldg.	
*Distinguished Lecture: Dr. Carol Crumley, University of North Carolina, Chapel-Hill, "From Garden to Globe: Linking Time and Space with Meaning and Memory"	8:00pm, William T. Young Library Auditorium, Free and open to the public!	
<b>ARTS/MOVIES</b>		
*Giselle, Kentucky Ballet Theatre	8:00pm, Lexington Opera House, call 257-4929 for more info.	
<b>INTRAMURALS/RECREATION</b>		
*UK Tae Kwon Do Club	5:30pm-7:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft	
<b>MEETINGS</b>		<b>Sat 9</b>
*Catholic Mass	6:00pm, 320 Rose Ln.	
<b>SPORTS</b>		
*UK BASKETBALL GAME vs. LSU @ LSU	1p.m.	
*UK Men's Club Volleyball vs. Western Kentucky and Kentucky State	12:00pm, Student Center	
*Kempo Self-Defense	3:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft	
*Sam Rivers, Saxophone, Jazz Masters Tour 2002	8PM, SCA call 257-4929 for more info.	
*Giselle, Kentucky Ballet Theatre	8:00pm, Lexington Opera House, call 257-4929 for more info.	
<b>SPECIAL EVENTS</b>		
*Kaplan Practice GMAT	10am-2pm, Student Center, Rm. Center Theatre	
<b>INTRAMURALS/RECREATION</b>		
*UK Tae Kwon Do Club	11am-12:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft	
<b>MEETINGS</b>		<b>Sun 10</b>
*Catholic Mass	9:00am, 11:30am, 5:00pm, 8:30pm, 320 Rose Ln.	
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*University Worship Service	8:12pm, Southside Church of Christ, Rm. Auditorium	
*UK Campus Girl Scouts	5pm, Young Library	
<b>ACADEMIC</b>		
*Math Tutoring (108/109)	6:00-8:00pm, Kirwan Tower	
*Math Tutoring (123)	8:00-10:00pm, Kirwan Tower	
*History Tutoring (108/109/107)	8:00-10:00pm, Holmes Hall	
*History Tutoring (107/108/109)	8:00-10:00pm, Kirwan Tower	
*English Tutoring	8:00-10:00pm, Holmes Hall	
<b>ARTS/MOVIES</b>		
*Ryan Shirer, piano recital, School of Music	3:00pm, SCA, Free!	
<b>INTRAMURALS/RECREATION</b>		
*Kayaking Pool Session	5-7pm, Lancaster Aquatic Center, Admission \$3	
*UK Judo Club	5-7pm, Alumni Gym Loft	

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COMMITMENT

# V-Day gifts can symbolize where relationship stands

**Dating: A timely guide to relationships and help for knowing what gift is right**



**Kelley Sears**  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

V-Day can often be D-Day for couples. It can seem like the day of reckoning for many. This idea often takes hold in the minds of couples depending on where their relationship stands.

Gifts can reflect the words that haven't yet been spoken.

Men and women are often concerned that their valentine will think their gift will make

them look psychotic or cheap. Some experts in the gift department have ideas of the perfect gift depending on the length of relationships, but first here are some summaries of relationship lengths to get started.

**Beginning (0 to 2 months)**

During this time, the relationship is fresh and the couple is still getting to know one other.

It is important for them to be sure not to come on too strong, but to realize this may indicate the level of interest.

**Middle (3 to 6 months)**

It's been established that couples definitely have interest. They still are unsure of where they stand at times and often haven't learned to fully communicate with each other, but are learning. These gifts can say what they haven't yet felt comfortable expressing and can take more thought.

**Intermediate (up to a year)**

By now, a couple is usually gaining security and trust in the relationships. They are past the initial "honeymoon stage," and now realize their valentine is human and does make mistakes.

They are learning to work together and discovering if they

are truly compatible. These gifts should reflect the heart, showing that they are well thought about ideas. This factor is key in showing commitment to your valentine.

**Long-term (1 year and over)**

These couples have developed true friendship. They can detect the emotion of their valentine by the tone of their voice. These gifts express the couples devotion and commitment to each other, despite their bad habits and baggage. These gifts should say, "I accept you as you are and thank you for accepting me."

Kelley Sears is journalism senior. Her views do not necessarily represent those of the Kernel.

BUY ME SOMETHING

## The perfect gift to give your sweetheart

**Money: Stores offer Valentine's suggestions**

By Kelley Sears  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

All of the people interviewed about gift ideas agreed about two things: each person must individually decide what the best gift is for their valentine and how much they can spend.

Kathy Dougherty, owner of Kathy's Hallmark in the Civic Center Downtown, said some nice gifts to consider include stuffed animals (average \$5-\$25) and boxed candy (starting at \$3.99). She said these gifts are nice and non-committal.

For longer or more stable commitments, Dougherty suggested filling an album (\$5 and up) with pictures of the two of you together or make a bag that includes mementos from your relationship.

Dougherty said gift coupons for various activities, including a night out, is also a nice touch. Candles (starting at \$1), jewelry boxes (starting at \$15) and picture frames (starting at \$10) that include a picture of the couple are also a nice touch.

"I would assemble a series of gifts that mean a lot more to the couple for the longer relationships," she said.

Dougherty said cards are a must. They can express language for most any type of relationship.

Kendra Curtis, a manager of Helzberg Diamonds, suggested the following gifts: earrings with stones or bracelets (starting at \$30), anything with a small dia-

mond, a pendant, gold or silver earrings, diamond earrings (starting at \$89), promise rings (starting at \$200), tennis bracelet (\$99 and up).

Curtis said tennis bracelets can be traded for an upgrade if it includes a genuine diamond, sapphire, ruby or emerald and was purchased from Helzberg.

Laurie Harper, the manager of Ecotage Salon and Spa at Lazarus in Fayette Mall, said these gifts are great for any relationship, and are some of their less expensive services: a manicure (\$18), pedicure (\$45), a 30-minute massage (\$35), or a (fast and fabulous) facial (\$35).

Cindy Willoughby, an owner of Ashland Florist, said some gifts to consider for newer relationships are a flowers in a vase (starting at \$15) or candy. She said another popular gift is simply one rose wrapped (\$6 average).

Willoughby said depending on how much you want to spend, a dozen roses is a classic gift (\$65 average) or a dozen tulips (\$28) are pretty this time of year and half the price of roses.

To ensure your valentine gets their flowers, it is a good idea to order them in advance.

Each gift depends on the individual, but remember to let your gift reflect your commitment and interest in the relationship.



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GGONNA GET DUMPED?

# Ovid's to host refreshing twist for Valentines



DOUG MORGAN | KERNEL STAFF

UK students dine at Ovid's Cafe on a feast of prime rib. Ovid's has offered a Valentine's Day dinner for students in the past. This year Ovid's is hosting the 1st Hating Game. The dinner and game information can be accessed through the Ovid's e-mail account at [Ovidscafes@hotmail.com](mailto:Ovidscafes@hotmail.com). The game show will be held Feb. 13 with dinner reservations upon request.

## Breaking the rules: Hating the Dating game

By Clay Kennedy  
KERNEL INTERN

Valentine's Day is usually a celebration of love and all the beautiful things that go with it. But try telling that to the singles who will be at Ovid's to participate in the first ever Hating Game on Feb. 13.

Much like the original Dating Game, Ovid's Hating Game will consist of six contestants, three men and three women. In this game the object is to get dumped. In the first round, the men will be placed behind a partition while the women ask a series of questions about relationships. The men take it upon themselves to answer these questions in fashion that will result in the women dumping them. The second round will consist of role changes where the men ask the women questions.

"It's going to be a lot like the Dating Game, but instead of picking a date, contestants will pick someone who they would break up with," said Patty Platt, Ovid's manager.

Platt said the idea for the game show came from years of seeing couples at Ovid's enjoy the food served on Valentine's Day.

"We always have had dinner for couples, but we have lots of other people as well," she said.

Participation in the event is free, but the prime rib dinner will cost \$9.25 a person. The Hating Game has been scheduled for the day before Valentine's Day, the 13th, to allow for the usual couples' dinner on the 14th.

"This will be something to take the sting out of Valentine's Day for those who don't have big plans with a significant other," said Dave Moore, night supervisor at Ovid's.

Some students on campus haven't heard of the event. When asked if the Hating Game sounded like something he would be interested in, KC Jones, a junior psychology major, wasn't sure how he felt about the idea.

"It doesn't sound like something that I would do, but maybe others will like it." On the other hand, Mandy Langston, a print journalism sophomore, feels the Hating Game experience will give students a chance to make friends.

"I am going because I think it will give me a chance to meet new people and get a good laugh."

## WALK N' TALK

In honor of Valentine's Day the Kernel decided to hit the campus sidewalks and classrooms questioning students about some of their fond and not so happy memories of Valentine's Day.

Here is what they had to say:



Last year, I drove home to take my girlfriend to dinner. It was a hassle and cost me money. All I got was a card. I guess it's the thought."

- JASON SPENCER, JUNIOR

One time I put a personal Valentine's Day message for my boyfriend in the paper, we broke up before it ran."

- JESSICA BURNETT, SOPHOMORE



Last year I was a cheap date. A friend took me to McDonald's and I got a hamburger and a water."

- EMILY CURRY, JUNIOR

In my culture, Valentine's is just another day, so it is no big deal to me. Plus, I am single this year."

- RICKY RODRIGUEZ, JUNIOR



In school my mom left me balloons and a teddy bear at the school office. I pretended it was from a boyfriend."

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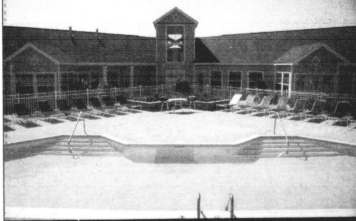
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# UK's entomologists rule out caterpillar theory in foal deaths



AMY CRANFORD | KERNEL STAFF  
Taylor Made Farm on Tates Creek Road was one horse farm that was hit hard by last year's foal deaths.

**Researcher: 'Obviously, there was pressure to try to find an answer.'**

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LEXINGTON — Caterpillars that ate cyanide-laced cherry tree leaves have been ruled out in lab tests as the cause of the deaths of hundreds of foals and fetuses in Kentucky thoroughbred country last spring. The state's horse industry lost an estimated \$38 million as a result of the mysterious illness, later called as Mare Reproductive Loss Syndrome.

Scientists had theorized that the tent caterpillars, which are immune to the poison in the cherry tree leaves, left cyanide-laced droppings in horse fields or that horses accidentally ate the caterpillars in hay or grass. But University of Kentucky entomology professor Lee Townsend said tests found that caterpillars metabolize most of the cyanide after they eat cherry tree leaves.

Last year's cherry tree

pillars and cyanide for the mysterious outbreak. "There was an extreme amount of interest in what was happening to the horses," Townsend said. "Obviously, there was pressure to try to find an answer."

But lab tests completed in late December by UK entomologist Bruce Webb proved that cyanide doesn't build up in caterpillars. About 300 horse farm owners and workers attended a meeting in Lexington on Monday to learn about the latest research and to gather advice about how to prevent abortions and foal losses this year. Breeding season begins next week.

A dozen farms will be monitored for abnormal molds or mineral levels in soil or grass-clover, cyanide sources such as blood and urine samples will be taken from mares.

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MONEY MATTERS

## Enron inspires new laws



Arthur Andersen accounting firm CEO Joseph Berardino is sworn in before testifying before the House Financial Services Committee hearing Tuesday in Washington. He defended his company's audit of the bankrupt Enron Corp.

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**Reform: Change looms in wake of Enron collapse; GOP and Democrats divided**

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WASHINGTON — Members of Congress are squabbling over what changes should be made to bankruptcy and other laws to prevent new Enron-style corporate collapses.

"You can't legislate against greed, but you can stop greed from succeeding," said Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt.

Leahy wants the 1995 Private Securities Litigation Reform Act changed to allow defrauded investors to sue under racketeering statutes.

"This version of reform" contributed to the loss of professional discipline and enacted restrictions making more difficult for the victims of securities fraud to bring civil actions and recover their losses," Leahy said.

His counterpart, ranking committee Republican Orrin Hatch, says allowing civil racketeering charges in class action suits may expose defendants to paying extraordinary damages.

"This provision does not exempt any person from being criminally convicted under the (racketeering) statute in connection with securities fraud," Hatch said.

Lawmakers also are bickering over a provision in similar versions of a bankruptcy bill being ironed out by House and Senate negotiators.

The so-called "safe harbor" provision would provide ways for debtors facing bankruptcy to remove some assets from their books.

Democrats say this is one practice that led to Enron's failure.

"This section is a deeply misguided effort to shield from the scrutiny of the bankruptcy courts transactions that move certain assets off the books of a company so that they cannot be reached by other creditors," said Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis.

Hatch said the provision would not lead to "Enron-style abuses" because it would im-

pose strict limits on those transactions.

"Most companies that engage in securitization transactions do not end up in bankruptcy, nor do they engage in the alleged fraudulent acts we have read about Enron's dealings," Hatch said.

A Depression-era law that restricts large holding companies from purchasing electric utilities also is getting caught up in the uproar over Enron's free-wheeling financial practices.

Critics of the 1935 Public Utility Holding Act say it has outlived its usefulness in today's competitive power markets and hoped to gain swift approval for its repeal.

But supporters of the law argue that in light of Enron's misdeeds, lawmakers should think twice about approving more deregulation.

Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., said Wednesday at a Senate and Natural Resources hearing that he will still press for repeal of the law, but added that he wants to "take one last look" at what might be needed to ensure that investors and consumers are protected.

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THE AFGHAN FRONT

# Avalanche in Kabul buries cars, blocks aid to remote regions

**Mountain:** Official says 20 vehicles trapped, number of casualties, those buried unknown

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**KABUL, Afghanistan** — An avalanche roared down the towering Hindu Kush mountains Wednesday, burying about 20 vehicles in snow near the world's highest tunnel, a United Nations spokesman said.

There was no immediate word on casualties or how many people might be buried near the Salang Tunnel, a key aid conduit some 80 miles north of Kabul, said U.N. spokesman Yusuf Hassan.

The tunnel, which at nearly two miles in length is a widely admired engineering feat, was extensively damaged in Afghanistan's wars but was reopened in January after Russian-led repairs.

The large number of vehicles trapped in the avalanche raised fears that an aid convoy had been buried, but U.N. and Red Cross officials said there was no immediate indication their vehicles were involved.

A helicopter from the international peacekeeping force went to the scene, but the U.N. has no bulldozers or snowplows in the area, Hassan said.

Substantial snowfalls in recent days in Kabul and some other parts of the country have raised hopes that Afghanistan is seeing the end of a three-year drought that has aggravated the devastation of war.

But the snow also has blocked aid from reaching some remote regions, underlining how the country's severe terrain and primitive infrastructure complicate the interim government's efforts to lead the country toward stability and security.

The government is increasingly trying to exert control over

warlords who took control of regions in the power vacuum that followed the fall of the Taliban last November. Prime Minister Hamid Karzai on Wednesday flew to the western city of Herat for talks with Ismail Khan, the warlord who holds sway in that area.

In Mazar-e-Sharif, the north's biggest city, a government-backed security force has told militia factions to withdraw their fighters within two days, a force commander said Wednesday.

Gen. Majid Rouzi, appointed by the interim government to help establish the 600-member force in Mazar-e-Sharif, said he believed regional warlords would comply with the order.

"They will go, I believe. We told them they have two days to go to their barracks," he said.

The region's best-known faction leader, Gen. Rashid Dostum, confirmed Wednesday he is ready to join the withdrawal but insisted the time is not right for the next crucial step of disarming his private army.

Outbursts of factional fighting have hit parts of Afghanistan over the past two months. The most serious factional fighting broke out in the eastern town of Gardiz last week, killing more than 60 people before one side pulled back to mountains at the town's fringe.

On Wednesday, tensions remained high in Gardiz although both sides said they would observe a cease-fire until at least Friday. Government mediators returned to Gardiz on Wednesday in an attempt to negotiate a solution to the conflict, said Safullah, son of the leader of the local shura, or council.



An Afghan man walks past a member of a new security force in Mazar-e-Sharif, northern Afghanistan, Tuesday, in front of the Rauza-Sharif Mosque complex. The new force is part of an agreement by militia leaders in northern Afghanistan to withdraw fighters from the city and demobilize all but a few militiamen.

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Meanwhile, the United States handed over to the Afghan government 27 Afghans that U.S. forces mistakenly captured Jan. 23, thinking they were members of Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terror network or the former ruling Taliban militia.

The military is still investigating whether some 15 killed in the raid on a suspected al-Qaida hide-out also were the wrong people, said Maj. Ralph Mills, a spokesman for U.S. Central Command.

Karzai said U.S. troops had mistakenly attacked anti-Taliban figures on two occasions — in the raid north of the city of Kandahar and in a strike on a convoy in eastern Afghanistan. He said U.S. forces were purposefully misled by rivals into attacking the convoy in December.

U.S. officials have continued to maintain that Taliban leaders were in the convoy. Local officials have said the convoy carried pro-Karzai tribal leaders from Gardiz, and that 12 people were killed.

**Other developments:**

• Afghan women took entrance exams for Kabul University for the first time since the fall of the Taliban.

Competition for places at the university was so heavy that police armed with grenade launchers were called in to calm scuffles that broke out among the crowd of men and women hoping to take the exam.

Afghan security forces on Wednesday detained 17 former members of the Taliban in the capital, Kabul, Afghan national radio and television reported. The reports also said four Pakistanis were arrested along with the suspected Taliban, but did not elaborate.

A U.S. federal judge on Wednesday ordered American Taliban John Walker Lindh to remain in custody pending trial on charges of conspiring to kill Americans, turning aside defense arguments that he should be set free. Lindh faces a maximum sentence of life in prison if convicted.

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#### Sim Lex

When news happens in Lexington and on campus, it is not me that people look to for the real scoop. My duty is to walk behind the respectable journalism parade and pick up whatever they drop, and to bring it to the audience. However, today's article is about stuff that might actually happen, and relatively soon at that. President Lee Todd is interested in "turning out" the area north of campus and making it work for him, so to speak. UK would like to renovate the streets and buildings to give it that old-fashioned college look. Along with that, officials want to provide an alternative to traveling through hideous traffic just to go shopping. I'm no expert, or even a foremost authority, on anything, but I have a few ideas of my own that I think will improve this venture.

Ideas for the new renovations

If my memory of Sim City doesn't fail me, I think that we'll have to bulldoze everything first, then paint it all blue in order to promote commercial growth. For safety's sake, they ought to disable disasters like tornadoes and floods.

Since I'm just dreaming anyway, we definitely need a store that sells only pizza and beer - that's it. All they need is just a big gutted out building with two lines, one for beer and one for pizza.

Since a school is so close, they'll need a large building with nothing but books, but not the kind you buy. The premise here is that you can "check out" the books for free. I've been told that we already have something like this, but I've yet to see the proof.

The best idea would be to build a large park and woodland area, but not for the students. This is where we could excommunicate all the pesky squirrels. It would wipe our hands clean of them once and for all. Mwah-ha-ha-ha!

No matter what they decide to build in this area, I think that it needs to be air-filled into its despoiled spot, and it needs to be already pre-built. If UK closes off any more streets for construction, students will have to camp outside of Memorial Hall just to get to class on time.

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### IN OUR OPINION

## Rest of UK needs financial incentive

There has been much ado about the \$100,000 bonus President Lee Todd preemptively turned down earlier this month. He (accurately) felt that accepting such a bonus, which comes at a time when budgets are tight and salaries are frozen, would be in poor taste.

Nothing could have prevented him from taking the bonus if he met the goals set by the Board of Trustees, so foregoing a 20 percent bonus was indeed a positive statement to UK employees. But why was such a bonus structure put in place anyway? And do other UK employees — tenured department heads, research directors, etc. — have similar bonus structures?

The reasoning behind a bonus is simple — people work harder to achieve certain goals when given an incentive to do so. While Todd is only one of a small number of UK employees who work under contract and who are thus potentially offered such clauses, he might also be the least likely person to need an incentive to do his job.

Wouldn't it make more sense if department heads and other professors in management positions had a financial incentive to reach certain goals?

Current salaries are already adjusted based on a performance rating, but the difference between the low-end raise and the high-end raise is almost negligible. While personal motivation is important, a financial incentive that significantly rewards high-performers versus low-performers would encourage a more rigorous academic environment and among professors.

The answers aren't easy when the numbers are tight. How much money was wasted during the fat years that might have contributed to the budget crunch of today? When times get better, will the same sort of cycle repeat itself so that UK finds itself in the exact same situation years down the road?

Todd did indeed take the right step in refusing any potential bonus. But the question remains, shouldn't others be given the same opportunity?

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## True freedom requires tough choices

Everyday in the media we read and watch different stories regarding politics, misfortune, sports and business, but we rarely hear about the concept of freedom. One I particularly appreciate in America is the freedom of speech — the freedom to speak freely, to write or state what is on one's mind regardless of how radical or conservative the view is.

So, what does being free mean? The American Heritage Dictionary defines free as, "at liberty; not imprisoned or enslaved. Furthermore, not controlled by obligation or the will of another."

If you noticed, there are countless stories and ads that promote patriotism on TV. There is a strong sense of pride for the country buzzing around, mainly because America provides its citizens with certain freedoms and rights that we all cherish.

These freedoms and rights have only recently (in the last 40-50 years) been extended to all groups of people in this country, but they have nonetheless existed on paper since the founding of this nation. This is not a history lesson, but even though we have certain freedoms and rights, are we truly free?

What do I mean? Is this a trick question? Of course we are free, some may say. We have freedom of speech, religion and assembly.



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You may say, "I can go where I please and do a lot of things that people in other countries cannot." But I still ask, are we free? Could the majority of people stop working for money in this country? You may say, yes. If one would like, they could live off a piece of land and live a humble life in the woods somewhere.

Yet, in this country you need money to buy that piece of land or property. Basically, there is no way to escape the world economy.

Before the European conquest of the world many indigenous societies thrived. What I found interesting about these societies was the concept of community. They saw freedom as the right to live — the right to work for and provide for your community. That sense of "I am because we are."

They saw the freedom to serve only the Creator and His creation.

I like the rest of us, was born into a world that already had various ideas, concepts and norms. I've learned that being born and raised in this country does not mean I have to accept the reality this society presents to me. In other words, I've tried to make my own sense of the world. Unfortunately, many of us accept things without question. We have a false sense of reality that how we live and what we live for is the only way.

Through my brief experiences and reading scripture, I discovered that unlike the creatures in nature, humans are not free. That is, humans are not free in the true sense of the word.

More importantly, we are not free to be what God

## Corporate world benefits from smaller outlook

As society grows farther and farther from home, and as the global economy demands technological wizardry, inexpensive services and industry know-how, it's hard to look back to see the advantages of a local government or a locally-controlled company. While there is value in unifying Louisville and Jefferson County under one governmental roof, it calls to the forefront an issue that underlies a recent societal trend: bigger is better.

Over the past few years, Louisville and Jefferson County have toyed with the idea of combining their resources, cutting costs and unifying into one, more effective city. While it is true that less government usually means an overall decrease in costs, the community of small subdivisions and neighborhoods may suffer. They may no longer have a voice in what laws are passed and how strictly they are enforced.

With a decline in neighborhood identification, the value associated with neighborhood control may not be as important as it used to be. In the corporate world, though, local control seems like common sense.

Years ago, when Gannett took over The Courier-Journal, readers opened the newspaper to find a decline in local reporters. Over time the Associated Press wire assumed many functions previously taken care of at the local level. Though I value the high technology and speed of information offered by the paper, I can see where the community lost out in its local media coverage. In essence, national and international topics were given priority over local issues.

Another major industry affected by the corporate world is banking. How many banks in Lexington are locally controlled? I bet if you sat down and counted you would be able to count the major local banks on one hand and a few smaller ones on the other.

Up until about 10 years ago I saved all my money in an instant bank, but since then it has been difficult to maintain all funds in a local account, especially if I need to withdraw some money outside the city or state lines. The ATM was make it next to impossible — unless you're willing to pay extra.

Coming from a family whose greatest success is a small, locally owned company on the Ohio River, I guess you could say I have a bias toward small business. The customer service provided by the vice-president, president and CEO is extraordinary, and the know-how of people who have been in the industry for years exemplify the true essence of local control: business done personally. If only Wall Street and Main Street could be more cohesive.

Perhaps many people haven't ventured to the middle ground where corporate structure meshes with local personalization. There are certainly risks associated with it. Granted, it would depend on the industry, but if corporate overseers could let local managers sacrifice some profits for local appeal, they might find a more loyal customer base. Imagine a retail store where the personnel could spend time understanding and fulfilling customer needs instead of stressing over sales-per-hour or folding the last inventory shipment.

Though uniformity is vital to a corporation's image, I would lobby for a corporate structure that demands results, but one that also takes into consideration the needs and wants of a smaller audience, store by store. After all, who better to request inventory than the people who will buy it off the shelves?

Just as government and industry would probably benefit from localized control, UK is taking incredible strides to personalize the administration of a 23,000 student populous. I must praise President Lee Todd, his wife Patsy, and the developing administration for making a swift and sincere effort to make school officials more tangible and real. So often in a school this large a new student can feel like a number, nothing more. This year has taken UK to a new level of college administration, and as a transfer, I would have known more fully how tangible the President was if he had started sooner.

If companies, governments and educational institutions develop a global vision with a local focus, we may be able to bring back some of that personal business lost by technology and profit margins.

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