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## After you finish reading

An idea that was sent in via e-mail was to give ideas for what to do with the Kernel when you are finished reading it. Well, besides cutting out LOC and framing it, here are some other ideas you could use.

## Fly far, far away.

Find a very high place on campus like Patterson Office Tower or one of the towers on South Campus. After folding the front page into a lift creating device (a paper airplane for those not into the whole theory of the lift thing) find a way to get to the roof or an open window. This is not supported by the Kernel, those afraid of heights or people without an inner ear for balance. Toss out window and watch. For added enjoyment, put confetti or gas in the tail. For even greater enjoyment, light the gas (again, not endorsed by the Kernel, firefighters or severe burn victims).

## Papier maché

May require saving more than one previously used Kernel. Make a frothy bath of flour and water and other stuff that goes into a papier maché mixture and dip strips of paper into it. Find something really cool you would like to make a model of and go to it. Suggestions include a larger than life toothbrush, telephone or toilet. Is it a gift? Make a life-size model of your significant other. Even if it looks like crap, remind them it is the thought that counts.

## Spit balls

Find a straw at any on campus eatery. Make little balls out of Kernel using finger dexterity and spit. Aim and shoot. Targets may include squirrels, birds, teachers or windows. Added fun, try to write your name on the window with them.

## Recycle it!

There are many places on or around campus where you can recycle newspaper. I wish I knew a joke but I don't.

## -Ron Norton

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There must have been an alignment in the planets because the e-mails have been rolling in here recently. Keep up the feedback, good or bad.

## THE 411

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## ELECTION 2000

## Education important in election

**On the ballot: UK students give their opinions on the importance of higher education in this year's election**

By Casey Hamilton  
STAFF WRITER

Tax cuts, free tuition and cheaper student loans. These could all be benefits of voting in this year's election.

Of the three main candidates running for president this year, each have different opinions on what should be done about rising tuition costs.

Ralph Nader of the Green Party stated that he believes college should be equally accessible to all young people with the qualifications.

If Nader is elected he said he wants to see free tuition to all public universities and

community colleges. Such a program is already established in the state of Georgia where any high school student with a 3.0 grade point average is awarded free tuition to any state-funded school. Besides making college more affordable, Nader believes it would inspire more students to work harder and cut down on racial profiling and quotas.

"I think equal opportunity should mean equal opportunity. We shouldn't discriminate against any race or gender and everyone should have an equal chance of going to college," said Brian Brownfield a political science sophomore who is leaning toward Vice President Al Gore or Nader.

Gore, on the other hand, doesn't believe

college tuition should be free, but rather tax-deductible. The Democratic candidate believes that each middle-class family should get up to \$10,000 of college tuition tax-deductible.

Along with this policy, if elected, the Vice President would like to see more HOPE Scholarships awarded and increase the number of annual Pell Grants. The Vice President would also like to lower the interest rates on student loans and have more programs to make receiving the loans easier.

Gore hopes that by making tuition tax-deductible it would allow more middle class families to afford college and believes his proposed middle-class tax cut would help make college more accessible to a large number of people.

"I do think tax breaks are a great incentive to get more people in college and help

the universities as well," said former Kentucky Gov. Bereton Jones.

The Republican candidate, Gov. George W. Bush, of Texas, believes that granting more scholarships, along with tax breaks, is the best method for helping college students. Bush wants to establish a \$1.5 billion "College Challenge" that would cover one-third of state costs for students who take an advanced or recommended curriculum.

Bush also wants to make it easier for parents to save early for college by granting complete tax exemption to all qualified pre-paid and tuition savings plans. Bush also believes his across the board tax-cut will provide ample relief for families with college bound students.

"I think that by offering more scholarships it helps reward those who worked hard for their grades in high school," said Lee Miller a business freshman voting for Bush.

## Changing colors

It's officially fall in the Bluegrass and what better way to tell than by the beautiful shades of red, orange and yellow taken on by the ordinarily green leaves on trees around campus.

The colors won't last too much longer because the leaves will begin to fall off the trees. This happens because of the shortening days and declining intensity of sunlight. The veins that carry fluids into and out of the leaf gradually close off as a layer of cells forms at the base of each leaf. These clogged veins trap sugars in the leaf and promote production of anthocyanins. Once this separation layer is complete and the connecting tissues are sealed off, the leaf is ready to fall.

Needles and leaves that fall are not wasted. They decompose and restock the soil with nutrients and make up part of the spongy humus layer of the forest floor that absorbs and holds rainfall. Fallen leaves also become food for numerous soil organisms vital to the forest ecosystem.

None of the other environmental influences - temperature, rainfall and food supply are as unvarying as the steadily increasing length of night during autumn. As days grow shorter, and nights grow longer and cooler, biochemical processes in the leaf begin to paint the landscape with Nature's autumn palette.

-Source: <http://www.willow.ncfes.umn.edu/leaves/leaves.htm>



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## EDUCATION

## Paducah gets more degrees

**Grades: Paducah students can earn engineering degrees**

By Tracy Kershaw  
NEWS EDITOR

Students living four hours away from Lexington can now earn mechanical and chemical engineering bachelor degrees.

The Board of Trustees approved the degree programs for the UK extended campus in Paducah, Ky. Tuesday.

The engineering degree program is a cooperative effort of Murray State University, Paducah Community College and UK.

One hundred and twenty students are enrolled in the program and four have already completed the degree requirements in mechanical engineering, said Thomas Lester, engineering dean.

"The Paducah engineering degree program will enable UK to sustain the current economic base in Western Kentucky and to support initiatives that will broaden that base," Lester said.

Eight UK faculty members and five jointly appointed Murray State University faculty members teach the engineering courses.

Students earn their first two years of credit at Paducah Community College.

Lester said he believes the enrollment in the Paducah engineering program will grow to 200 and generate 50 graduates each year.

Georgia Tech has used the program as a role model to extend its courses to Savannah, Lester said.

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## EXTRACURRICULAR

## Put the power of the pen in your wallet

**Making money: Program promotes creativity and research among students, students can win up to \$350 for 1st place**

By Paul Haker  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

UK students who have a flair for writing can use their creative abilities to do more than make a good grade on a paper.

They can make money. Students entering the Oswald Research and Creativity Program, a program designed to stimulate more independent research and creativity among students, could win up to \$350. Categories include: biological sciences, design, fine arts, humanities, creative, physical and engineering sciences and social sciences.

"The Oswald Program is a great op-

portunity for students to work on something independently and go beyond their regular class assignments," Philipp Kraemer, director of undergraduate studies, said.

Awards will be presented at a ceremony in April. Papers submitted will be critiqued on originality, clarity of expression, validity, scope, depth of investigation and scholarly or artistic contribution. A committee of experts in each particular field will judge each entry.

Entries will be assigned a number and will be identified by title and number only to ensure fair judging. Although only one entry per category will be accepted, stu-

dents may submit separate entries in two or more categories. Any undergraduate student is eligible to participate, and the projects do not need to have been assigned for a class.

Entries in the Design and Fine Arts categories will get an added bonus: their projects will be displayed in the Raddall Gallery. However, all indications of the artist's identity must be removed from their entries prior to judging.

Students seemed excited to hear about the program.

"I believe it is a great idea to challenge people like this and tap creative juices. The fact that you could win money is an added bonus. Everyone should give it a shot," Kyle Watkins, a communication junior, said.

Communication freshman Molly Longenecker agreed.

"This would be a good program for anyone wanting to expand their writing abilities and earn money at the same time."

The program began in the 1960s and is exclusive to UK students.

"This competition is unique on college campuses and provides an excellent academic work in a serious, professional light," Kraemer said.

## To get registered

Registration forms are available in the Office of Undergraduate Studies, 206 Gillis Building, or on the Internet at [www.uky.edu/ugs](http://www.uky.edu/ugs). Deadline for registration is Dec. 8. The deadline for submission of projects in all categories except design and fine arts is Feb. 2. For more information call Retha Higgs at 257-5448.

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

# The Low-down

## Report questions education in Texas

WASHINGTON — A report questioning George W. Bush's Texas education "miracle" was vigorously rejected by his presidential campaign yesterday. Democrats said the report undermined his leadership claims. The issue paper, by Rand, a California-based think tank, concluded that huge increases posted by Texas school children on their high-stakes, state-administered test have not been evident in national testing of students from the Lone Star State. Offering no definitive answers, the paper suggested that schools, pressured by policies that reward or punish them for the scores, could be "devoting a great deal of class time" to test preparation.

## Gore, Bush spar over bureaucracy

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Al Gore said yesterday he had worked for eight years to reduce the bureaucracy and he said he would try to shrink the government to the smallest share of the economy in a half-century, but rival George W. Bush said voters shouldn't believe it. "He wants to increase the size and scope of the federal government," the Texas Republican said two weeks before Election Day, as both candidates cast wide nets in search of compelling homestretch issues. Gore, the Democratic vice president, was campaigning in his home state and Bush was visiting once-friendly Florida — a sign that this closely fought race has pushed both candidates to the brink, even in their political backyards.

## Barak pushes coalition; 3 die

JERUSALEM — Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak stepped up his urgent quest for the political allies needed to save his fragile government, and the army warned Tuesday that it was bracing for extended clashes in Palestinian towns. For Palestinians, Tuesday was a holiday marking the ascension of the Muslim Prophet Muhammad to heaven from Jerusalem. Rain-drenched streets and cold weather helped dampen — but did not extinguish — confrontations in the West Bank, while clashes carried on in the drier Gaza Strip. Three more deaths were reported, bringing the toll from nearly four weeks of fighting to 127 — the vast majority Palestinians.

## Palestinian children victims of clashes

RAMALLAH, West Bank — Palestinian youngsters killed in clashes with Israeli soldiers have become a fast growing statistic: the Israeli human rights group Betsaleem says at least 26 of the 109 Palestinians killed in 27 days of fighting were minors. Israel and the Palestinian Authority have been arguing bitterly about who is re-



**PLAYHOUSE:** Looks like Pee-wee Herman, had been attached to host the project until January, when he bowed out to pursue other projects.



**ABSENT:** Prosecutors say they don't expect Whitney Houston to attend a hearing on a marijuana-possession charge. The arraignment was set for Thursday, but was pushed back to Nov. 2. If convicted of possessing marijuana, the pop star would face up to 30 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

sponsible for the deaths, a debate that could determine which side gets the world's sympathy. Israel accuses Palestinian leaders of exploiting children for just that reason. The Palestinian Authority says the riots are difficult to control.

## Ivory coast soldiers fire on protesters

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast — Security forces fired on unarmed demonstrators in Ivory Coast on Tuesday, as thousands took to the streets after the military junta leader declared himself the winner of presidential elections intended to restore civilian rule. At least one person was killed. Waves of demonstrators wore blackened faces and leaves in their hair as signs of protest. They marched through otherwise deserted downtown Abidjan streets toward barricaded government offices, retreating when soldiers and military police fired machine guns and tear gas at them, then regrouping and surging forward again.

## Discovery lands in California

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. — Space shuttle Discovery and its seven astronauts landed in California's Mojave Desert yesterday after dangerously high wind prevented a touchdown in Florida for the third day in a row. The shuttle swooped through a clear sky and touched down on the runway at Edwards Air Force Base about 2 p.m. PDT, ending a 13-day flight during which the astronauts got the international space station ready for the arrival of its first full-time residents next week.

## Dow ends up 121; Nasdaq falls 49

NEW YORK — Blue chip stocks surged yesterday, but technology issues fell back after an earnings warning from National Semiconductor revived worries about high-tech profits. The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 121.35 at 10,393.07. On the NYSE, gainers led losers by a margin of 12-to-11. The tech-focused Nasdaq composite index was off 48.80 at 3,419.79.

## Baseball fines Clemens \$50,000

NEW YORK — New York Yankees pitcher Roger Clemens was fined \$50,000 yesterday for throwing the jagged barrel of a shattered bat toward New York Mets catcher Mike Piazza in Game 2 of the World Series. Clemens wasn't suspended for throwing the broken bat in the first inning of Sunday night's game, and baseball didn't disclose the amount of the fine. But two baseball officials with knowledge of the fine, speaking on condition of anonymity, said it was \$50,000.

Compiled from wire reports.

## OBITUARY

# UK student dies in single vehicle crash

By Amanda York  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

It didn't take long to get to know Donovan Brown. His easy-going ways and laid back personality made him feel like a friend in a matter of minutes. "He was the kind of guy that if you knew him for 10 minutes you knew him better than some people you knew for months," said Brian Straub, a UK graduate and Phi Kappa Psi alumnus.

Straub said he met Brown when he joined the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. Brown was a year ahead of him, he said.

Brown, 23, died in a single vehicle accident Sunday morning in Spencer County. The accident happened at about 12:30 a.m. when Brown's westbound Chevrolet S-10 pick-up truck ran off the right shoulder of KY 48 in Spencer County. Kentucky State Police said Brown overcorrected, crossed both lanes, ran off the left side of the roadway and struck a tree. Police said Brown was not wearing a seatbelt.

He was taken to University Hospital in Louisville where he died at 6 a.m.

Brown was a natural resource and conservation management senior and a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. Straub said members of the

fraternity affectionately referred to Brown as "Doo-Do."

"Just because his last name was Brown," Straub said.

Straub also said Brown was known throughout the fraternity for his country ways. Brown was from Nelson County, and Straub said he would often bring back special treats when he would go visit his hometown.

"When I was a pledge he would go home and visit his relatives and come back with deer jerkey and moonshine," Straub said.

Brown was a member of Bloomfield Baptist Church in Bloomfield, Ky., and a 1985 graduate of Nelson County High School.

He is survived by his parents, Donnie and Donna Kay Brown of Bloomfield; a sister, Donna Joe Brown of Richmond; maternal grandparents, Buford and Gladys Martin of Bloomfield; and paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brown of Bloomfield.

Visitation will be tonight 4-9 p.m. at the Houghlin Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Ky. Funeral services will be Thursday at 11 a.m. He will be cremated. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the American Heart Association.

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Lester made his first trip to Paducah 10 years ago to plan the Western Kentucky engineering program. In 1986, the Kentucky General Assembly budgeted \$1.4 million to support a Kentucky Council on Higher Education resolution calling for UK,

PCC and Murray State to establish the accredited engineering program for Western Kentucky.

The program is located in Paducah because the area is highly industrialized and engineering colleges are so far away.

Paducah viewed the program as a safeguard for its economy, Lester said.

The degree program could be accredited by August 2002, Lester said.

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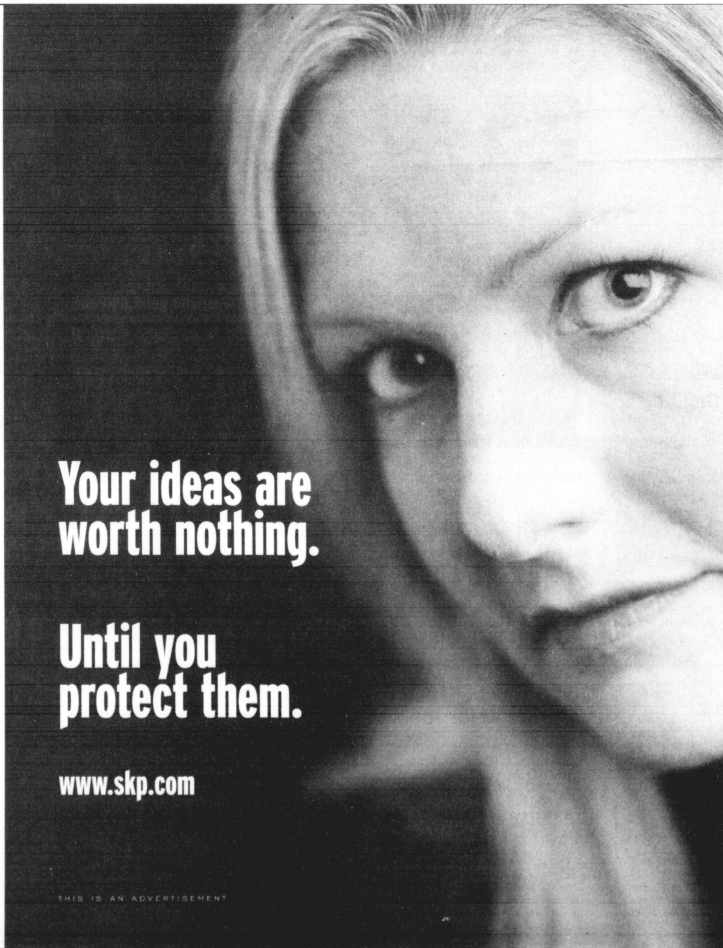
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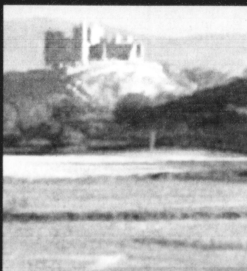


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MOVIES

# Film worth looking forward to

**Oscar possibility:** Problems with the movie score and the logic don't outshine great performances and a moving storyline

By Matt Mulcahey  
SCENE EDITOR

Intelligent moviegoers can spot a phony from a mile away. Cinematic Holden Caulfield's can easily sniff out when a movie tries to push their emotional buttons. But when those emotions come unsolicited, movies can really connect with their audience and truly move people.

*Pay It Forward* is one such genuine film. The story is about a troubled young boy and his relationship with his teacher. But this is not another *Stand and Deliver* or *To Sir With Love*. *Pay It Forward* isn't just about the relationship between young Trevor McKinney (Haley Joel Osment) and his social studies teacher Eugene Simonet (Kevin Spacey), it's about the power of kindness to truly change the world.

Trevor's mother is a recovering alcoholic working two seedy jobs on the Las Vegas strip to support her son. Her no-account husband (Jon Bon Jovi in a small part) has left town again and his return is far from imminent.

Simonet gives Trevor an assignment that will forever change both of their lives. He tells his students they must come up with some idea that will change the world for the better. Most of

the students come up with the same old same old, but not Trevor.

Trevor comes up with the idea of "pay it forward." He starts a web of goodness, like a chain letter of selfless deeds. It starts with Trevor doing three acts of kindness. The act has to be something big, something the person couldn't do for himself. In return, that person must perform three more acts of kindness and so on and so on until the world is a better place.

Director Mimi Leder, whose most known efforts are *Deep Impact* and *The Peacemaker*, does an excellent job of steering the movie away from oversentimentality. This script could've very easily been turned into a shallow, manipulative movie, but Leder's sincerity of vision comes through.

The cast is also excellent. Spacey and Hunt both give dramatically emotional performances, but Haley Joel Osment is the film's center and gives a performance even better than the over rated raves he received for *The Sixth Sense*. I'd have to honestly say I have never seen a better child actor than this kid.

*Pay It Forward* does have a few problems. The subplot, about a reporter (Jay Mohr) tracking the phenomenon from Los Angeles, could've been better developed, and the last scene is a bit

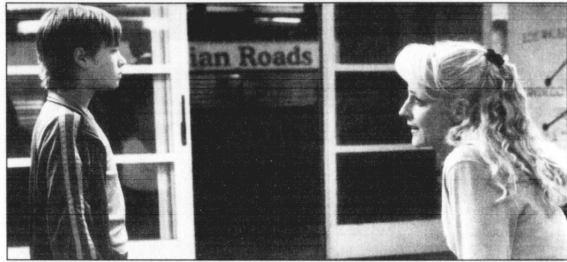


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A trio of Oscar nominees star in *Pay It Forward*, a new movie about a kid who tries to change the world. Helen Hunt, Haley Joel Osment and Kevin Spacey star.

derivative. One small complaint about logic: If Helen Hunt is so broke that she has no car and must work two jobs to get by, why is their house so nice?

The biggest complaint comes in the form of the music. It's not that it isn't good, it's just that it sounds exactly like the music from *American Beauty*. Four-time Oscar nominee Thomas Newman pretty much plagiarizes his own work.

Despite these few problems, the film is still a cinematic good deed. It would be nice if the studio heads would watch this movie and start their own pay it forward web. After seeing the movie they each should have to green light three movies as sincere and emotionally honest as *Pay It Forward*.

Grade: B+

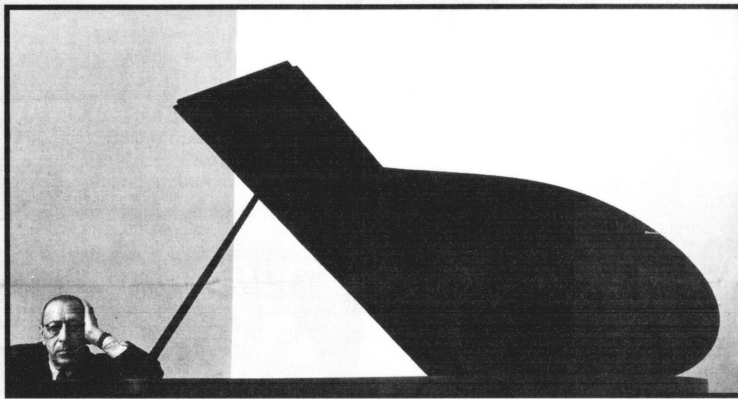


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**Arnold Newman**

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ART

# Landscape painting at its best

Layers of art: UK alumnus Patrick Adams will be showing off 17 new oil paintings

By Tim Staley  
SCENE EDITOR

Leonard Bernstein once wrote that, "Any great work of art revives and readapts time and space." This is especially true of Patrick Adams' paintings that make up the "Layers of Time" exhibition at the Tower Cerlan Gallery. In fact, time is the very thing Adams has tried to incorporate into his work.

Adams, who received his masters of fine arts from UK in 1992, was the recipient of the 1999 Al Smith Individual Artist Fellowship. Adams used the funds from the fellowship to spend a month with his family in the south of France painting the landscapes. After struggling initially to reflect the inspiration and identity of the region in his work, Adams decided he did not need to change the subject of his paintings, but the way in which he created them.

"I decided that what I needed was a new working method,

a way of working that could somehow parallel what I was experiencing in the landscape," Adams said.

Adams was one rich in history; the indelible marks of civilization were present throughout the region. Time was stretched out across the French countryside, from the prehistoric huts that dotted the fields to the Roman roads that still traversed the terrain.

"It occurred to me that what was so fascinating about this part of the world was not just its beauty but its history, its uninterrupted story," Adams said in an artist statement released by Tower Cerlan Gallery.

Instead of focusing his work on ancient buildings and roads, Adams chose to convey this sense of time in the sheer physical nature of his work.

"What I eventually ended up with was a manner of working which, instead of aiming di-

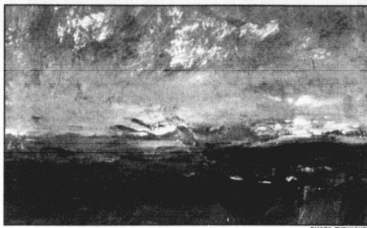


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**Patrick Adams**

Artist Patrick Adams' exhibit "Layers of Time" will be on display at the Tower Cerlan Gallery until Nov. 22. The gallery is open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

rectly at the subject, allowed the landscape to emerge as the result of a lengthy and somewhat mysterious process."

He began to add layers of oils to the gessoed paper then scrape them away, adding a rich texture and unique color patterns to each painting. The time involved in this process of adding and removing layers, Adams truly are layers of time.

marks within the essence of the work, helping to convey this sense of history.

The final results of this effort are beautiful works filled with earthy reds and oranges, deep blues and purples. The paintings, while somewhat abstract, convey the subject and meaning vividly.

The paintings of Patrick Adams truly are layers of time.

MUSIC

# More pitiful pop music available

By Ben Adkins  
CONTRIBUTING CRITIC

The Wallflowers  
*Breach*

The Wallflowers are not exactly an innovative band. However, Jakob Dylan's lyrics help to elevate their sound to the next level.

Musically, *Breach* is no great departure from their six-million selling sophomore album, *Bringing Down the Horse* with its simple, rootsy pop-rock. Mainly this album serves as a showcase for Dylan's maturation as a songwriter.

Nearly all of Dylan's lyrics reflect some of the bitterness, cynicism and self-realization that come with age, but that's not to say this is a depressing album by any means.

On the first single, "Sleepwalker," Dylan plays a brilliant trick on the audience by using an upbeat melody and undeniably catchy chorus to mask his moody lyrics.

The band gives another indication of the direction they're headed on "Up From Under." This is a beautiful, purely string-driven ballad.

Dylan and the Wallflowers

are in many ways reminiscent of Petty and the Heartbreakers in their heyday.

This album is, in many ways, a 'breach' as the Wallflowers further define their sound and Jakob Dylan proves once and for all that he isn't riding daddy's coattails.

Grade: B+

By Paul Haker  
CONTRIBUTING CRITIC  
Innoscence  
*So Together*

When a group's major claim to fame is the fact that Britney Spears was once the lead singer, there's trouble looming. Innoscence just happens to be the latest project from a group of boys from Louisville, Ky. Pearlman of Backstreet Boys and O-Town fame. This time he is attempting to use talented poster girls instead of talented poster boys, but alas, the result is the same: goeey, disgusting bubblegum pop.

With such mindless drivel as "www.fan-fave" and "Beep Beep," Innoscence makes the Spice Girls seem like an intelligent act. The overdose of saccharin will make listeners physically ill.

The saddest thing about the album is the fact that had she not have had the intelligence to quit the group, Britney Spears would have added depth to it.

Backlash to today's radio scene has started, and in another year RCA will be embarrassed to have signed Innoscence to their label in the first place. Record companies take note: Pretty faces plus no talent does NOT make music.

Grade: F

By Patrick Avery  
ASSISTANT SCENE EDITOR

Fuel  
*Something Like Human*

Since the release of their first major album "Sunburn," Fuel has been constantly touring and preparing to go into the studio. What came out of the studio is a hard rock masterpiece.

*Something Like Human* shows a side of Fuel that was not seen on previous albums. With this new album songs like "Bad Day" and "Innocent" show a slower and softer side of the band.

Not all is lost from the



The Wallflowers

sound of their first album. Heavy song favorites include "Knives," "Last Time" and "Down" retain the first album's intensity.

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## UK hockey not just about the posters

**Midnight revelry: Raucous atmosphere coupled with great team makes for a good time**

Last weekend I experienced the tremendous atmosphere of a UK Cool Cats hockey game. If you will excuse the pun, I had a PUCK-ing good time.

I, for one, cannot believe this is only a club sport. The support was unbelievable as the Cats had yet another sellout crowd; mind you, the Lexington Ice Center does not hold very many people in the first place.

I could tell I was not the only one who had a great time, as the crowd was on its feet throughout. Every hip check was met with wild cheers and fighting was highly encouraged.

I thought it was going to be a normal Saturday night — out to a party and then home.

However, the football game during the day had whetted my appetite for hard hitting sports action. I must admit the promise of a Leah Lail poster made attending all the sweeter, though they ran out of posters, it did not spoil the night for me.

Every goal is met with the usual rendition of the "hey" song — "hey you suck!" although after the three verses they added: "We're going to beat the PUCK out of you,"

though I swear I heard an alternate word used once or twice.

The entire crowd sang in unison, competing to be the loudest to yell "YOU SUCK!" at Du Paul's players.

The crowd's heckling alone was worth the \$5 admission fee. Du Paul's number 24 seemed to get particularly harsh treatment as he mistakenly encouraged it by gesturing back on occasions.

The announcer, Jim Hincley, does a great job of getting the crowd excited. From his stereotypical radio personality voice to his choice of music, no one can remain calm in these situations.

I cannot help but wonder what sort of crowds the Cool Cats could generate if they were able to play at a larger facility.

With a little more help from UK — the \$800 the University donates does not last long considering the team spends \$40,000 a year — they could easily get crowd figures in the thousands if they could play in Rupp every week.

With the midnight start, playing nearer to campus would generate huge support. I am sure, with people flooding

from parties and bars to attend. I believe UK Athletics should give the hockey team more money; despite the fact they are only a club team they sell out every game.

I would definitely recommend going to anyone who has not yet enjoyed a game. The fast pace and excitement coupled with the atmosphere and the announcer makes a lethal combination for pure enjoyment.

Most importantly, the Cool Cats have not lost a game yet, winning five straight after tying their opening game.

They destroyed Du Paul on both nights this weekend, winning 11-0 Friday and 5-1 Saturday.

This weekend's game should be especially exciting as they square off with Indiana. The intense rivalry will see hard hitting action to make Bobby Knight look tame, not just from the players and coaches, but from the crowd too, I suspect.

Might I quickly note that, in all the years they've been playing, they have never had anyone in the crowd arrested.

Also guys, I am assured that there will be more Leah Lail posters available this weekend.

Get there early, gates open at 11:30 p.m. Saturday for a midnight start.

eration of its intercollegiate athletics program."

### Ryan hospitalized

Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan is back in the hospital after having chest pains on a recent business trip.

The 53-year-old underwent double coronary bypass surgery in April. He was resting comfortably at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital yesterday after being admitted the day before, a spokesman said.

"The doctors have ruled out a heart attack, and he is undergoing diagnostic testing," hospital spokesman Josh Tietling said.

Hospital spokeswoman Sandra Warner said earlier that Ryan would be discharged in a few days. She added that he was looking forward to watching the World Series with his family.

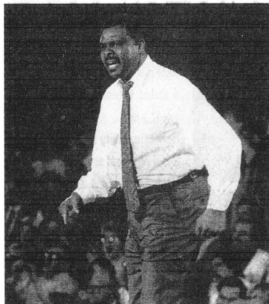
Ryan underwent emergency heart surgery on April 23 at the Heart Hospital of Austin. Tests then showed he had substantial blockage in a main coronary artery, but did not have a heart attack at that time, either.

After the April operation, Ryan planned to cut back on travel and personal appearances but made few changes in business ventures, including a bank, a ranch and a minor league baseball team in which he is part owner.

Physicians who treated Ryan in April said they expected him to make a complete recovery, but noted he would have been in danger of a life-threatening heart attack if he had not immediately addressed his symptoms.

### IN BRIEF

## Sportsbytes



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The Minnesota men's basketball program was placed on four years' probation and stripped of five scholarships yesterday for what the NCAA termed "academic fraud" and some of "the most serious" rules violations in two decades.

The Golden Gophers will not be banned from another year of postseason play, although that was "seriously considered," according to an NCAA news release obtained by The Associated Press.

University officials had hoped to avoid such a ban. In addition, three former university employees, including former coach Clem Haskins, will have to come before the NCAA Infractions Committee if they want to return to college sports. For Haskins, that "show cause" period is seven years.

The scholarship reduction is spread over three years. The committee agreed with the university's conclusions that from 1994 to 1998, a former tutor did some 400 pieces of coursework for at least 18 men's basketball players.

"The violations were significant, widespread and intentional," the NCAA said in its release. "More than that, their nature — academic fraud — undermined the bedrock foundation of a university and the op-

### Busted

**Former University of Minnesota basketball coach Clem Haskins presided over a Gopher program that was reprimanded yesterday for what the NCAA termed "academic fraud" and some of "the most serious" rules violations in two decades.**

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### Body art finds home at jamboree

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One heckuva story: A full-body tattoo

With the world ever-more homogenized, suburbanized and vinyl-sided, people who use their bodies as a canvas say their markings help make them unique. "They're the only thing no one can ever take away from me," body piercer Nathan Bauer said. Denise Bryan, a nurse and grandmother, was also among those showing off her body art. "I liked how it turned out and how it felt," Bryan said of her first tattoo, a hockey-themed engraving done three years ago. She now sports more than 50 tattoos, each a personal hieroglyphic.

That's so cruel...

### 315 pound pumpkin missing from patch

DUNDEE, Mich. — The Harnica's missing pumpkin is the worst sort of Halloween prank. Someone swiped a homegrown 315-pound pumpkin from the Michigan family on Sunday while the Harnicas left their farm for about 20 minutes. "Whoever took it had to come prepared to take it," John Harnica said. "It's too big just to walk away with."



A 315-pound pumpkin would make a great jack-o-lantern

The pumpkin, the largest the family of six has grown, was entered in the Oct. 7 national pumpkin weight-off contest. The winning pumpkin was 791 pounds. "It was special," Harnica said. "We're pretty upset about it. The kids put a lot of time and effort into it."

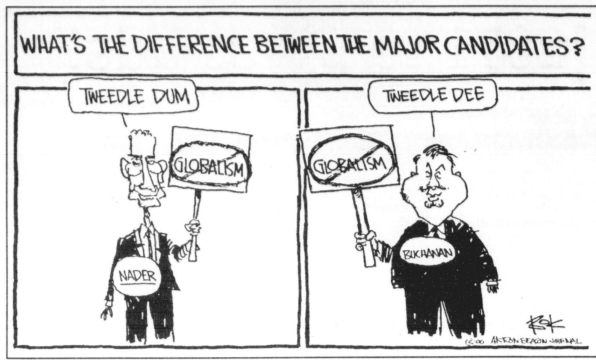
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## Kill Electoral College voting

Time is running short in the presidential election. According to polls, George W. Bush is ahead anywhere from two to eight points in the popular vote. However, when the numbers are analyzed in terms of the Electoral College, the race is even closer. America may see something in this election that has happened only once, in 1888. Our next president just might garner the second highest total of popular votes. What kind of mandate would that be? The president couldn't claim most Americans agree with him.

The Electoral College, as written into our Constitution, should be removed. It serves no purpose other than to confuse and confound the electorate. How will we react if the president gets only 40 percent of the vote, to his opponent's 43 percent? I will be outraged! The purpose of the Electoral College, in historical context, is to protect against sectionalism, to ensure that a candidate especially popular in one area of the nation did not get elected only by that section. At the time, this was a viable concern, as communication from state to state didn't involve electrons flying through the air into our television sets and through our car radios, and through cable into our computers and cable boxes. The only real political discourse at the time came through newspapers, telegraphs and whistle-stopping. Today, candidates routinely cross the country in a matter of hours; back then, it took weeks.

The debates in the election of 1860 didn't get instant satellite feeds to California. It took a while for the text to be wired across the Rocky Mountains. America has changed! We must throw out this archaic system of selecting our highest governmental official. How can we do it? Only by a constitutional amendment. Write your Congressmen and Senators! Tell them to throw out the Electoral College! How, you ask, would a candidate get fewer popular votes and still win? By winning narrowly in the largest states — California, New York, Texas, Florida, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Michigan, and New Jersey — for example. This equals 243 of the 538 electoral votes needed. Add in North Carolina and Georgia the total will reach exactly 270. Eleven states. That's all. The voters in the other 39 states don't matter — just these 11. If a candidate wins these states by two percentage points, that would net a good lead. However, the other candidate could sweep the rest of the

states with a 10-15 percent win. This would put the other candidate ahead in popular vote — losing the election. I will grant that this is unlikely to happen — but we may just get a history lesson this November. It won't happen as I've presented it, but it still can happen. Last week, I eliminated three of the seven candidates from my list. I'd like to cancel a couple more! First, the easiest for me, Vice President Gore. I know, I've tried to stay neutral in my column, but I simply do not want him as president. The Vice President continues to attempt to be elected by scaring the typical Democratic base into voting for him. He has invoked Medicare and Social Security to scare seniors. He invoked the top one percent to scare the lower classes (who by the way don't pay much federal income tax), and has invoked the Supreme Court to scare women. This is politics as usual. And I can't stand it. A real public servant tries to unite the people behind an idea, not against one! Al Gore proves, through this scare tactic electoralizing that he is a power broker of the Washington Political system. He was born and bred in it, and has really never left. Can we expect anything he proposes to be fought for? I don't believe so. After all, he said eight years ago, and again four years later, that he'd fight for Medicare and Social Security reform, to no avail. It hasn't happened at all.

The other candidate I'm going to knock out is Ralph Nader, nominee of the Association of State Green Parties. I gained an intense interest in his campaign over the summer. I signed up for Green Party mailing lists and listened to many of his speeches. One prevailing thing sounds from it, Negativity. I expect his public rhetoric to be negative, after all he is way behind. However, I would also expect his internal campaign information to be positive in its purpose. Instead, the exact opposite has been the case. I believe the tone of internal party-building rhetoric creates a pattern that a prospective administration would continue. I don't want a negative president and will not vote for a negative candidate.

Again, I hope that by seeing why I've decided against a particular candidate, you'll be able to form an opinion, good or bad, about that candidate. Or any other.

Kernel Columnist Ryan Akers is a music education senior. His views do not necessarily represent those of the Kernel.



Each state is given a different number of electoral votes, which means that a presidential candidate could potentially win the presidency without gaining the popular vote.

### READERS' FORUM

## Expressions

### Palestinians are being denied peace

To the Editor:

As a person who was born in the heart of Palestine and lived there during my childhood years, I am very disturbed by the article "Arafat underestimates the power of Israel." Why should it be about power? Why shouldn't it be about humanity, and the fact that more than 100 Palestinians were killed in a matter of two weeks? It seems that whenever somebody mentions the death of 100 Palestinians it's just a matter of numbers and not human lives. Do these people really just want to die to become a statistic, or are they fighting for something that is beyond what any of us can imagine? They are fighting for their freedom, for their life! Do you know what it is like to live in Palestine? What it is like for your country to be captured by someone else, to have someone tell you how to live, how to talk and what to talk about?

For someone to take your land, your house and your family away from you? Do you know what it is like for someone to come and take your father from your house in the middle of the night for a crime he did not commit? Can you imagine the agony of having someone you love get killed for a stone he threw that could not even hurt a bird? Do you know how it is to live in a world where there is no justice, no freedom, no 'peace,' and you don't have the power to do anything about it? What about Jerusalem "the Jewel of Israel"? Is it not the holy land of Jews, Christians and Muslims? During my visit to Palestine last year, the Israeli people would not allow me to visit Jerusalem, not even once.

This is not only my story, but the story of millions of Palestinians who are rejected at the border of Jerusalem and treated without the dignity that is the right of every human being. How can Palestinians know what peace is when they haven't seen it for so long?

IMAN SHALASH  
BIOLOGY SOPHOMORE

### Death of Napster is not death of Internet

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to the article "Napster Discrimination Unjustified," that ran last week in the Dialogue section of the Kernel. At the outset, I would like to state that I understand the frustration of the piece.

If Napster is shut down, I will be sorely disappointed as well. I take issue, however, with the whining/pseudo-argument set forth. The piece states that if Napster is shut down, then it follows that the Internet as a whole must follow suit. Napster isn't the only place to find MP3s, it continues, and if lawsuits are not filed against every single one of these "other" providers, then we are... seems discriminating." If this is in fact the argument preferred, then it is one repugnant to the very heart of our American legal system. Our system is one that is based on the concept of precedent; that is to say, later cases, similarly situated factually, are controlled and bound by earlier decisions.

Applied here, why should the Recording Industry sue the "stepchildren" (other providers) when it can sue the "grandfather" (Napster) of the peer-to-peer file sharing revolution? Guidelines will be laid down, and the "other" providers will be bound to conform their behavior to the law set forth in the Napster case. To make an analogy, where would we now stand if our Supreme Court, in *Brown v. Board*, had refused to hear the case because suit wasn't filed against every school that segregated its schools? It is, simply put, unacceptable in the legal sphere to point fingers and say, "Look, they're doing it too."

Someone always has to be the example, for without new law, change can never take place.

RYAN C. EDWARDS  
SECOND YEAR LAW STUDENT

### Minority scholarships aid racial equality

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Michael Jones' attack last Thursday on the Minority Affairs department at UK. As a direct student, African-American and Caucasian, I was disgusted to read that someone could so easily overlook the positive side of any scholarship; especially one meant to help someone achieve the tremendous goal of getting an education.

Considering that slavery was in effect for well over 350 years, and segregation wasn't abolished until 46 years ago, how could anyone think that Blacks are not at a disadvantage? I am appalled that someone would yell discrimination because of a scholarship meant to help bridge a racist, discriminatory gap spanning more than 400 years. Have we so easily forgotten the Middle Passage, slavery, the rapes, the hangings, the horrible, incomprehensible subjugation of one group of people? Have we forgotten the Civil Rights Movement, the struggle to win equal opportunity under the law? Just because we may not have been there, or didn't see any of these things happen does not mean that they didn't occur. Slavery happened, inequality still happens. We can deny and try to pretend that if we aren't involved it isn't reality, but that does not make it go away. The longer we deny inequality and true discrimination, the longer it will take us to overcome them.

There isn't a cure to stop all discrimination in a day, but the scholarships and aides awarded to deserving Black students each year bring us one step closer to our ultimate goal: racial equality.

HEATHER KENDRICK  
SECONDARY ENGLISH EDUCATION SENIOR

### Bush did make positive changes in Texas

To the Editor:

Peri Conley needs to take a real look at the issues instead of regurgitating Democratic National Convention opinions in this paper. For example, the state of Texas did rank 49th in health care for women and children.

The fact that Peri did not state this in the article is that the percentage of Texas women and children with health care is much higher now than it was when he defeated Ann Richards (a democrat and a female). Also that 49th ranking was derived from 1988 data. Texas has gained ground even since then. As far as hate crimes goes, how much stiffer a penalty would Peri give the men that brutally murdered Byrd? Give me a break, Bush is tough on crime, all crime. Isn't that true justice?

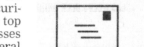
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# Wrestling transcends squared circle, television



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## A healthy bottom line

Professional wrestlers such as "Stone Cold" Steve Austin (center) have extended their reach as their business has achieved unprecedented popularity and profitability in America. Austin has been a regular guest star on the Don Johnson vehicle "Nash Bridges."

## Chokehold: WWF, WCW and ECW stars muscle their way into popular culture, mass media and incredible wealth

Remember those Saturday afternoons watching the Honky Tonk Man, Jake "the Snake" Roberts and Brother Love on "WWF Superstars"?

Whether you like to admit it or not, at least once in your life you have performed a "Flying Elbow Drop" a la Macho Man Randy Savage, marched around like Luke and Butch of the Bushwhackers, or hoped that one day you would be the like the Million Dollar Man or Hulk Hogan.

Yes, professional wrestling is part of American culture and has become a multi-million dollar industry recognized worldwide. Since it is likely many of you have been out of the loop for quite some time, I'll make an attempt to bring everyone up to speed.

The industry is led in most part by three main federations: World Wrestling Federation (WWF), World Championship Wrestling (WCW) and Extreme Championship Wrestling (ECW).

The WWF is currently owned by Vince McMahon and recently went public when it made its stock available on the New York Stock Exchange.

WCW was formerly known as NWA before being bought by Ted Turner, who then changed its name.

ECW is not quite as prominent as the other two and is owned by Paul Heyman. ECW is also considered a "hardcore" wrestling federation due to their more extreme language, degree of blading and wild bumps.

Years ago when wrestling was ruled by the likes of Andre the Giant, Ric Flair, Harley Race and Terry Funk, the only exposure it received was weekly television programs and the occasional Pay-Per-View. Today, however, professional wrestling has expanded to seemingly take over just about every type of media imaginable.

Wrestlers such as Mick Foley, The Rock, Chyna, Goldberg and others have recently published their biographies while many others are in the process of doing so.

Chyna and Rena Mero (Sable) have appeared in *Playboy* and set sales records for the adult men's magazine. The Rock has a major role in the upcoming movie, *The Mummy 2*, and Steve Austin has appeared on "Nash Bridges" numerous times.

The Internet has been flooded with wrestling sites providing news, rumors, photo galleries, live PPV coverage, message boards, etc.

Vince McMahon has even decided to

branch out and begin a new professional football league called the XFL. This league will have more of an "in your face" attitude and will display several features to set it apart from the NFL.

That's enough of the history lesson for today. Now that everyone is a little more familiar with the current state of professional wrestling, next week's edition will focus on current story lines, angles and gimmicks in the "Big Three."

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## Brush up on your 'Rattlespeak

Here are a few wrestling terms you may find useful the next time you're flipping through the channels and catch a few minutes of RAW or Nitro.

- Angle - a wrestler's story or plot
- Blade - to cut one's self with a razor
- Booker - a person responsible for angles, finishes, hiring, firing
- Face - a good guy
- Heel - a bad guy
- Shoot - a REAL fight
- Work - the opposite of a shoot



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The UK Self-Study Committee will hold the second of two public forums on Wednesday, October 25, 2000 from 3:30-5:00pm in room 115 of the Health Science Learning Center (small auditorium).

Several topics for discussion have been generated by our committees. These include:

1. What are the important issues -- internal and external -- that have impacted your work here at UK over the past 10 years (since the last Self Study)?
2. Does the environment at UK support your professional efforts (teaching, research and creative activities, service, support)?
3. Where in the institution have there been successes that can be more broadly applied?
4. What specific improvements need to be undertaken in any of the following areas:  
Academic support services (library, student services, instructional support, information technology); Administrative processes; Institutional effectiveness; Educational programs (at any level and in any format)

There will also be an opportunity to discuss additional topics of interest. Please plan to attend and bring your questions!