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SG tables Senate president's request

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At a Student Government committee meeting last night, seven student organizations' funding requests were approved. One request, however, was not approved.

The Appropriations and Revenue Committee tabled, or delayed voting on, a Senate special project to provide funds for a "Support the Troops" event. A&R Chair Jesse Parrish tabled the request because there was not enough information, he said.

Senate President Tyler Montell sponsored the legislation and was not at the meeting to explain his project. Montell said he regrets that the request did not go through.

"If anything it was miscommunication," Montell said. "I should have been there and followed through."

All Senate special projects must go through the A&R committee before reaching the full Senate, but senators sponsoring projects do not have to attend the committee meeting. Montell said this is to simplify the procedure.

"We wanted to generate interest and make the process as easy as it can be while still being effective," Montell said. "We are still working on the process."

Student organizations can receive SG funding through grants or Senate special projects. Grants require an organization to write out a request and present it at the A&R meeting. If approved, A&R reimburses the group for the approved amount.

Senate special projects involve a senator working closely with a particular organization and creating legislation to request funding. The legislation must pass through A&R before moving to the full Senate. The senators must then present their project on the full Senate floor, which is why Montell said senators do not have to present at A&R meetings.

Although Montell did not go to the committee meeting to support his project, he said it would be beneficial for senators to follow their legislation from beginning to end.

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UK travels through state to recruit students

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When agriculture education senior Britney Wilkenson was considering colleges, she wished she had someone to guide her. "I had a lot of questions about college and majors, and it was overwhelming," Wilkenson said.

Now, she's helping high-school students around the state prepare to choose a college at the annual See Blue Preview Nights that began last night in Pikeville, Ky.

"Many of these students don't know if they want to go to UK," said Wilkenson, a College of Agriculture ambassador. "But they have an interest, and we are able to answer so many of their questions and help them explore the different majors we offer."

Campus organizations and representatives from various colleges at UK will travel to nine communities around the state throughout the next month to meet high-school students and answer questions about UK.

Prospective students will be able to meet with representatives from campus departments including financial aid, campus housing, undergraduate admission, Greek life and Army ROTC. Ambassadors from many of UK's colleges will be available to speak to students about what to expect from college life.

"That is what is most important about this event," Wilkenson said. "It's a good way for these students to meet with other students face to face and get a real idea of what the university is about."

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FROM TRASH TO TRANSPORTATION



Jakub Toborek, a senior nutrition major, spray-paints a bike frame yesterday in the Reynolds Building before it joins the Wildcat Wheels fleet of rental bikes. Toborek has worked for Wildcats Wheels since it's beginning in 2004.

Where there's a wheel, there's a way

Wildcat Wheels plans to expand free bicycle rentals on campus

By Britney McIntosh
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There is a good chance that the abandoned bike on the side of the road will reappear on campus 90 days and a few paint jobs later. Wildcat Wheels is in the business of rebuilding UK Police-impounded bikes to get students rolling.

"We turn potential trash into transportation," said Shane Tedder, founder and coordinator of Wildcat

Wheels.

Tedder, a conservation biology graduate student, started the program because of his love for cycling.

"Biking is the only thing I've done in my life consistently that every time I do it reminds me of being 8 years old," he said.

Tedder began Wildcat Wheels in October 2004 to rent out his first set of yellow bikes to UK. The basement of Blazer Hall is home to Wildcat Wheels' fleet of blue and yellow

bikes, but people interested in renting them need to apply through the Cats Den.

The blue bike fleet is available for faculty and staff to rent, with a limit of one for each department. The yellow fleet of bikes is divided into semester-long and daily bike rentals, all free of charge for students. However, once a student has rented one for a semester, he or she cannot do so again.

"I'm not in the business of giving people free bikes," Tedder said. "I'm in the business of getting them on one."

He said that if they want a bike after a semester of renting one, it would be in the renter's best interest to purchase one of their own.

Wildcat Wheels received about \$3,000 from Student Government this semester, which is \$1,000 more than it received at the beginning of last year.

"Student Government has been the primary funding source for Wildcat Wheels since we started in 2004," Tedder said.

SG increased the program's fall-semester funding so it could stay open longer and obtain more bikes, SG President Nick Phelps said.

"I feel that the program is instrumental to helping us have better transportation, and a more friendly environment," Phelps said.

Tedder said he hopes that with

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Football telecast not worth the cost

Some things are worth paying \$30 to watch on pay-per-view. I'd pay \$30 to watch a championship boxing match, or a mixed martial-arts extravaganza, or maybe even WWE Royal Rumble.

I'd pay \$30 for some other things on pay-per-view as well, but since my mom reads my column, I'll refrain from listing them. The point is, some pay-per-view programs are worth the cost and can be of value to the viewer.

The UK-Kent State football game is not one of them.

But if you live in this state and don't have a ticket to Saturday's game, you'll have to fork out \$30 for the privilege of watching it live in your living room. That's a bigger waste of money than spending \$1,500 to put cameras in the Johnson Center so students can check if their favorite machine is being used.

Or, as the woman with bright red hair says in the Wendy's commercial, "The world has gone mad."

If the goal here is to prohibit low- and middle-income Kentucky families from watching live broadcasts of the most talented UK football team in decades, it's being accomplished. The game will be available for free on tape delay, and fans can always tune in to the radio, but \$30 to watch the game live? There must be a better way.

It's hard to blame UK Athletics, which, due to Southeastern Conference broadcast regulations, has little choice but to place the game on pay-per-view. Pay-to-watch is common for similar games at other SEC schools.

But the SEC isn't alone in this shift to pay-to-watch sports. Last week marked the launch of the Big Ten Network, and that conference continues to haggle with cable providers in an attempt to extort money from every cable subscriber in the country.

Much of Big Ten Country in the nation's Midwest (including the majority of Ohio) does not get the Big Ten Network, which means Ohio State fans in the Buckeye State will be unable to watch as many as four Buckeyes games this season.

That news should make those of us in the Bluegrass thankful that the SEC isn't thinking of starting its own network — except that the SEC is thinking of starting its own network. If the conference gets its way, games currently broadcast by Lincoln Financial on free network television could be made available only to those willing to pay extra money to watch them. That's a scary thought.

Like it or not, television has made the sports industry what it is today. To be more precise, network television has made the sports industry what it is today. Look through history — profit margins increased exponentially and salaries shot up soon after sports became commonplace on mainstream TV. Sports that aren't commonplace on mainstream TV have died a slow death. When's the last time you watched a horse race outside the Triple Crown or a boxing match?

I'm sure economists smarter than me have determined that the shift of free televised sporting events to specialized channels on digital tiers will make college conferences and professional leagues even more millions of dollars. But at what cost?

Are those extra millions worth it if basic sporting events become

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Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

To get the advantage, check the day's rating; 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21 - April 19) Today is a 5 — Domestic squabbles are not your favorite form of entertainment. Help them all settle down and work together, to accomplish great things.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Today is an 8 — You'll be thinking about creative projects more for the next few weeks. Do the planning and get the patterns. You can save a lot of money on gifts this year.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) Today is a 7 — There's money coming in, perhaps due to a change at

the top. If there's a promotion you'd like to have, apply for it now.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22) Today is an 8 — You're entering a very creative phase. You may not be very interested in social activities though, unless they're held at your beautiful home.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Today is a 6 — You can tell that you're accomplishing things when the money starts coming in. It will, so don't slow down.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Today is an 8 — Friends will be glad to help you find anything you need. They can even lead you to the right person for an important job. Ask and ye shall receive.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today is a 5 — Finish an old job quickly and a new one follows on its heels. Don't let yourself be overwhelmed.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Today is an 8 — You're good at keeping secrets, that's why you get

told so many. Keep the one that comes under discussion now.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is a 5 — You're more interested in philosophy than finances and yet, as you know, it's nice to have some pocket change. Take care of your business and your business takes care of you.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Today is an 8 — Even if you're not working for tips, the same rules apply now. The better you do the job, the more money you'll be paid.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today is a 5 — This job requires great sensitivity. And, it doesn't pay very well. Should you delegate it to somebody else? Nope, that's not an option.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Today is an 8 — You are incredibly special in somebody else's opinion. At moments like this, it's always a good idea not to argue.

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HOT STUFF

Jessica Simpson — Jealous of John & Cam

the Dish

Jessica Simpson's new color is green. A source close to the singer tells Hot Stuff Simpson is "really jealous" that ex John Mayer is seeing Cameron Diaz. "She had her mouth open a mile wide when she found out," says the source. "She just freaked." Simpson, 27, parted ways with Mayer, 29, in May after dating him on and off for seven months, and "she thinks about him all the time," says the source. "She is so not over him."

Meanwhile, Simpson seems to be a distant memory for Mayer, who has continued his summer romance with Diaz, 35, in NYC. Though they spent August 22 and 23 apart (he hit the gym and recorded at a studio; she shopped and then lunched at Mary's Fish Camp), they finally squeezed in quality time in the few hours of August 24 at hot spot Socialista. The pair — who left at 4 a.m. through different exits — "were very cozy," says a witness. Echoes a source close to the new couple. "They're happy."

Reese & Jake — Dinner Out!

From undercover sweethearts to unabashed squeezes! On Aug. 25, Reese Witherspoon and Jake Gyllenhaal dined at Santa Monica, California's trendy Brasserie. "They were openly kissing," a witness tells us. "Jake was resting his head against Reese's and whispering." Gyllenhaal, 26, ate his pasta, but Witherspoon, 31, picked at her Dover sole. Skipping dessert,

they slipped out the back door, only to spend the next day together, barbecuing with friends at Witherspoon's home in L.A.'s Brentwood.

Will the PDA continue at the Toronto Film Festival (starting September 7), where their film, *Rendition*, debuts? Says a source, "They're worried about the international press making a spectacle of their relationship."

Elisha Cuthbert: She's Single!

Elisha Cuthbert's relationship with New York Rangers hockey pro Sean Avery, 27, is on ice, says a source close to the 24-year-old star. "She wants to focus on her work," explains another.

The actress, who will shoot "The Six Wives of Henry Lefay" in Connecticut this fall, toasted the single life with girlfriends at L.A.'s Les Deux August 17.

Jessica & Justin's Sexy Texts

Seven months into their romance, Justin Timberlake and Jessica Biel are — to quote Timberlake's latest hit single — love-stoned. Or, as a Biel source tells Hot Stuff, "this is the real deal."

On August 21, Biel, 25, watched from the front row as the 26-year-old singer performed a concert in Toronto. A short private jet ride later, the pair were in NYC, where they worked out the next day at the Four Seasons

Hotel gym.

And even apart, the duo kept the romance alive. Two days later, at the opening of the Ivy Hotel in San Diego, Biel partied with friends — but kept texting on her phone and excitedly exclaimed to her gal pal at one point, "Oh, look what Justin just sent me!" Says the source close to Biel, "It is love, love, love."

Jessica & Cash's Road to Reunion

Jessica Alba and Cash Warren seem to be headed back toward couple-hood. Just four weeks after *Usmagazine.com* broke the news that she ended it with him via phone (some sources say she wouldn't marry him, others contend he couldn't commit to her), the duo were spotted together four times in one week.

They were arm in arm on L.A. beach on August 22, ate dinner at Taverna Tony in Malibu on August 25 and had lunch at Le Pain Quotidien in Beverly Hills on August 26 (where she sat on his lap), followed by supper that night at Nobu in Malibu. Tony Kourasaris, owner of Taverna Tony, tells Hot Stuff, "I said to them, 'I'm so happy to see you here!' And they both said, 'We're happy to be here too!'"

What brought them back together? "Cash has been miserable since they broke up," says a friend. "And I guess she's missing him."

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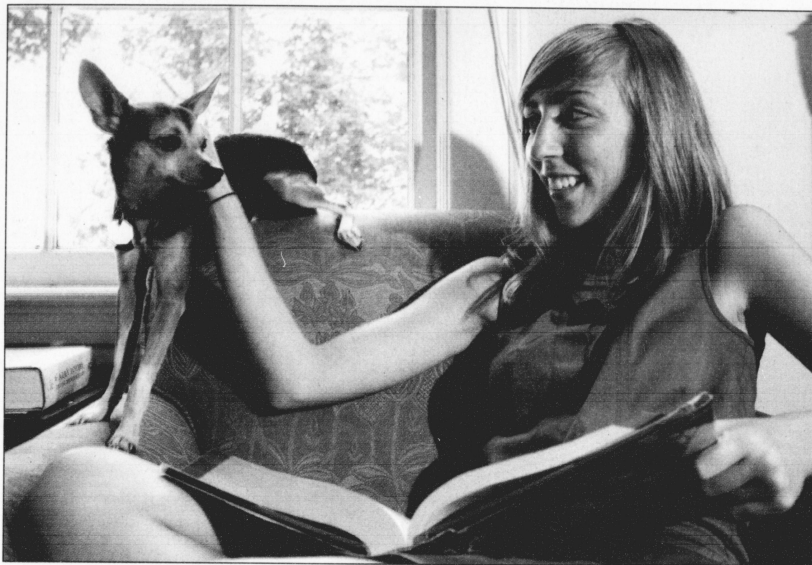
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Pop takes a look at the vintage clothing and old records at Pop's Resale

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HUMANE SOCIETY HISTORY

William Sayre originally created the Lexington Humane Society in 1889 to protect animals and children from cruelty. Throughout the years, the focus honed in on just the protection of animals. Since the 1970s, the shelter has protected and cared for animals, and it has provided a control service for the Lexington government. The shelter currently cares for about 11,000 animals a year and has placed over 16,000 animals in homes in the past three years. LHS is always looking for volunteers. Volunteers must be at least 14 years old. For more information about volunteering, call 233-0044, extension 231.



Senior music performance major Rachel Farrar poses with her dog Ludo yesterday in her living room. Like other students who are first-time pet owners, Farrar was surprised at the amount of time and money it took to care for a dog. **ED MATTHEWS | STAFF** ecoverter@kykernel.com

A dog-eat-student world

Spay's the Way

The Lexington Humane Society encourages all pet owners to spay and neuter their animals. The shelter takes care of it if the pet is adopted there, but the Humane Society is able to do the surgery for a low cost if the animal is obtained elsewhere.

Those who think they can't afford the surgery for their pets can call 233-0044 and dial extension 228 for more information. Spaying and neutering pets can help them live a longer life and be more affectionate while reducing their risk of running away, biting and marking territory.

Prices of adoption at the Lexington Humane Society:

\$58 for dogs over one year old
\$98 for puppies under one year old
\$49 for cats over nine months
\$74 for kittens under nine months

These prices include adoption rate, spaying or neutering, microchip identification, mild de-worming, vaccinations, general flea, treatment and veterinary exam.

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By Emily Coovert

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A call from a friend made Rachel Farrar a pet owner far quicker than she'd expected.

Farrar, a music performance senior, had been considering getting a small dog for a couple of months — and when a friend of hers rescued a stray dog, Farrar was the first person she called.

"He had no collar, no tags and wasn't microchipped," Farrar said. "I put up a couple signs, but nobody ever called about him."

Farrar, like many students who are first-time pet owners, quickly found out that caring for an animal isn't as easy — or cheap — as it looks. But with some foresight, it's possible for students to have pets without going crazy or broke.

When Farrar got her dog, Ludo, in May, the price of dog ownership hit her right away. Because she didn't know Ludo's medical history, she had to take him to the vet for vaccinations and to be neutered. And since her parents were opposed to her getting a pet, she had to foot the bill.

"He's not expensive to maintain, especially since he's such a small dog," Farrar said. "I took him to an expensive vet. The spay-and-neuter clinic down the street can do everything for like \$60, versus \$400."

For students who are looking to save money, adopting a pet from a shelter can end up being less expensive than taking one off the street.

"We have so many unwanted and homeless animals," said Karie Shrader, the adoptions manager for the Lexington Humane Society, a no-kill shelter located on Old Frankfort Pike.

The adoption fee at LHS covers

spaying or neutering, microchip identification, mild de-worming, vaccinations, a general flea treatment and a veterinary exam. Fees are \$58 for dogs over one year of age, \$98 for puppies under one year, \$49 for cats over nine months and \$74 for kittens under nine months.

There are still expenses students need to prepare for that go beyond vaccines and adoption fees, Shrader said.

"(Pets need) training classes, food and toys," she said.

And like adoption fees, those costs begin right away, said Craig Blair, a veterinarian at the Clays Mill Veterinary Clinic.

"A very common mistake is not starting training at a very young age," Blair said. "Most people don't worry about it until their dog is tearing up everything they own. It doesn't matter if you're training a two-pound poodle or a 200-pound mastiff. You can spend 10 to 20 years with a dog."

Shrader said adopting from the LHS is definitely cheaper in the long run, but Blair disagreed.

"Depending on the breed of the dog, everything pretty much evens out," Blair said. "The Humane Society doesn't necessarily give you everything your dog is going to need."

Barring any emergencies, a pet will require approximately \$600 in veterinary care, Blair said, adding that pets are cheaper when they're young. Grooming can also cost up to \$200 a year, he said, depending on the type of pet.

Students' pet pockets don't just affect their own pocketbooks —

they can also make a major difference in the animal's quality of life. For instance, Blair said cats should be kept inside since indoor cats tend to live twice as long.

The size of the place where the animal will be living is another factor prospective pet owners should consider, Shrader said. High-energy animals like Labradors and Dalmatians should live in houses because they require more exercise and a backyard, Shrader said, while low-energy pets like Pomeranians and Chihuahuas are better suited for apartments.

Pet ownership can also have ramifications for safety. When girls are looking to adopt a dog, Farrar said, they should definitely have access to a backyard so they don't have to walk the dog alone at night.

"It never would have crossed my mind," Farrar said.

Students should not rush into pet ownership, Shrader said.

"Think it completely through," Shrader said. "People come in during summer classes because they don't have much going on. Then during fall semester, they have too much (going on) and not enough time for the animal."

"The biggest thing is making sure you have the time to devote to them and the space, and that you can afford them," Blair said. "It's sad to see a puppy come in with (a serious virus) that could have been prevented with a \$12 vaccine."

But overall, Farrar said, having Ludo is worth the cost and time commitment.

"He's a pain sometimes, but I love him," she said.

Festival features foreign flicks

By Meghan Cain
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Samurais, wealthy Parisians and a warm-hearted gambler are making their home on screen at the Kentucky Theatre this week.

The fourth annual Rosa Goddard International Film Festival, which begins tonight and continues through Sept. 13, features a new foreign film every day, with two or three showings.

The festival is named after Rosa Goddard, a patron of the Kentucky Theatre and lover of international film and culture.

When Goddard's great-niece Mary Ord moved to the Lexington area in the late 1980s, Goddard — a Plymouth, Mass., native who died in 2003 — jumped at the opportunity to see the Bluegrass, said Mary Kay Weymouth, Goddard's niece.

"She attended the Kentucky Theatre and enjoyed the movies we played here," said Fred Mills, the theater's manager. "When she passed away, she put the Kentucky Theatre in her will with no strings attached. We could do whatever we saw fit to do with the money, and so we decided to recognize her with a yearly event."

Goddard was passionate about world travel and theater, Weymouth said.

"Even when she went to Europe, she would go to the theater," Weymouth said. "She would always pick the hotel in the theater district. She would go to the matinee in the afternoon and the theater at night. She liked live theater and movies."

The international theme of the festival reflects Goddard's passion for seeing the world, Weymouth said.

"I think she would be very happy with the theme," Weymouth said. "She traveled extensively, and this is a nice way to remember her."

This year, the festival is showing films from France, England, Germany, Spain, Brazil, Japan and the United States.

The festival is unique within the Lexington community, Mills said, adding that foreign-film events normally take place in big cities like New York and Los Angeles or on college campuses like New York University and the University of California at Berkeley.

"To be able to see these films in a movie-theater setting is special," Mills said. "UK and Transy seem to be very receptive, and we try not to do it before school resumes."

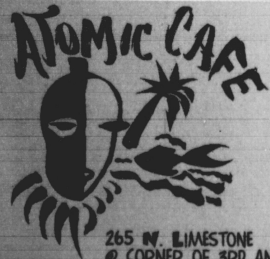

The Kentucky Theatre used to show more foreign films, Mills said, because the audience was more receptive to that genre.

"As the industry began to change, we began to change, and foreign films weren't as available," Mills said. "This opportunity (the festival) makes it possible for people to see films they once really liked or have never seen before. It gives younger people the chance to experience films that have lasted the test of time."


The Goddard festival can broaden students' horizons and can give them a chance to open their minds, Mills said.

"If you haven't seen a movie with subtitles, this is a good place to see it. Give it a try, and don't sell it short," Mills said.

Show times can be found on the Kentucky Theatre's Web site (www.kentuckytheatre.com). Tickets cost \$5.

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Fifty years later, 'On the Road' keeps the beat

By Alfred Lubrano
The Philadelphia Inquirer

From its start, America was a westward-leaning country. The notion that a person could always head west to pursue his dreams, find himself, or start over is a basic tenet of American myth and tradition.

For Jack Kerouac, the idea of staying in motion on a westward trajectory was vital to his survival as a person and a writer.

The novel that described his urgent, high-energy journeys, "On the Road," was published 50 years ago yesterday.

The anniversary is prompting appreciations — and reinvigorating old criticisms — of a book many say defined the 1950s Beat generation and served as a template for hipster iconoclasts of every stripe who rejected the 9-to-5 status quo in favor of go-man-go sensation (the now-clichéd sex-drugs-rock-and-roll troika), endless curiosity, and indulgent self-exploration.

"On the Road" is a major novel," wrote Gilbert Millstein in a New York Times review that appeared on Sept. 5, 1957. There are sections of writing "of a beauty almost breathtaking," Millstein continued. It is, he wrote, "the most beautifully executed, the clearest and the most important utterance yet made by the generation Kerouac himself named years ago as 'beat.'"

Since that review, academics, critics and others have argued endlessly about the book's place in the American canon, and in the culture.

Decided as too narrow, naive and adolescent to be considered the Great American Novel, "On the Road" nevertheless reverberates for readers of several generations for its jazzy, hopped-up writing and its messages of lighting out for the territory, and striving to live a bright-burning life.

"The only people for me are the mad ones," Kerouac writes in a celebratory line from the book, "the ones who are mad to live, mad to talk, mad to be saved, desirous of everything at the same time, the ones who never yawn or say a commonplace thing, but burn,

burn, burn like fabulous yellow roman candles exploding like spiders across the stars.

When it appeared 50 years ago, the book made some noise.

"It was this huge slash in the consciousness," said Anne Waldman, a poetry professor and co-founder with Kerouac contemporary Allen Ginsberg of the Jack Kerouac School of Disembodied Poetics at Niagara University in Boulder, Colo.

"On the Road" entered the culture in the time of the company man, the highly structured, conformist, low-wattage Eisenhower years, Waldman said.

"Here was an energetic book, breaking with writing form," she added, "written in a highly fluid style, by a curious seeker, a troubled figure with an innate music in his head — the sounds, the rhythms, the syllables."

Kerouac was an honest, soulful presence at the core of the book, Waldman said. He explored the theme of buddy love, with a homoerotic tinge. He wrote about jazz, drugs and promiscuous sex. Here was a protagonist more interested in getting loaded than getting rich, more concerned with Buddhism and expanding consciousness than acquiring a house in the suburbs.

"He certainly was an interesting mongrel," Waldman concluded.

Kerouac came from a working-class French-Canadian family in Lowell, Mass., and got an athletic scholarship to Columbia University.

There he met Ginsberg and formed the core of the Beats, the non-yawners whose incandescence lit up the skies.

Kerouac famously wrote "On the Road" in a caffeine-jangled 20 days in April 1951 on a 120-foot scroll of art paper he had taped together. (Kerouac said he was on Benzedrine as well, but friends refuted that as the hyperbole of an author out to burnish his wild-man image.)

The speed and virtuosity reminded Kerouac, biographers say, of jazz riffing.

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8 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$15.

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MONDAY, Sept. 10
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9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$5.

TUESDAY, Sept. 11
Railroad Earth w/ Shannon McNally
9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$15.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 12
Jucifer
9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$6.

Eric Bibb w/ Otis Gibbs
9:30 p.m., The Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$15.

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A local wine vineyard is having its annual summer event, which combines wine tasting, live music and a buffet dinner, on Saturday. Equus Run Vineyards is in Midway, about 15 miles from Lexington. The wine tasting is \$2 per person; it includes a sample of all the current wines and an Equus Run glass. Reservations and advance ticket purchases are required because space is limited. The gates open at 4 p.m., and the live music goes from 7 to 9 p.m. For tickets, visit Equus Run's Web site (www.equusrunvineyards.com), or call (859) 864-9463.

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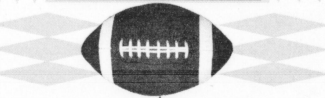
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The event serves "to give (prospective students) basic information about UK, show them what it's like to experience life here and garner an interest to come to UK and visit," said Amy Jones, a UK spokeswoman.

"It allows students from these areas to come and find out more," Jones said. "It's about

having that personal contact."

Although Wilkenson thinks it's important for prospective students to visit UK, she said the Preview Nights are a way for UK to reach out to Kentucky communities and introduce them to the university.

Stephen Barnett, associate director of undergraduate admission and associate registrar, said one of the main goals of the See Blue Preview Nights is to show high-school students the importance of higher education.

"We encourage the students who come to pursue every possible opportunity to learn more about what a college degree can mean for their future," Barnett said. "Specifically, we bring these representatives from the colleges and from campus groups to show them how UK can help them reach their goals."

Preview Nights will make its second stop tonight at the Community Center in London, Ky.

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"A senator has the opportunity to be at the committee meeting, but they have to make a presentation to the full Senate anyway," Monell said. "I want to start encouraging senators to go to A&R meetings, though."

The Internal Relations Committee also met last night and approved the recommendations of two amendments to the SG constitution and two confirmations for SG positions.

First-year dentistry student Elliot Neuman was confirmed as nominee for the College of Dentistry senator, and Joe Garamone

was confirmed as nominee for Senate clerk. The full Senate must approve the nominations before the two can assume these positions.

The proposed amendments updated information about the Leadership Development Program and changed the Graduate Senate Seats requirements.

The committee tabled a piece of legislation confirming 20 executive nominations. Ten out of the 20 were at the meeting, but Internal Relations Chair Tom Rauf decided to table the legislation until each nominee met with the committee. The committee will meet again Tuesday to vote on the legislation. If passed, it will move to the full Senate.

WHEELS

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this year's funding, Wildcat Wheels will be open four days a week. Its current hours are Monday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Friday from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tedder would like to add a shift on Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. and a shift on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Tedder also plans to hire two interns this semester to help him and the organization's one other employee.

"Our goal is to be an educational resource," Tedder said, "where people can learn bike maintenance skills."

"I think bikes are great for recreation and fitness, but the true glory of a bike is as a mode for urban transportation," he said. "Traveling by bike is cleaner, healthier, cheaper and often faster than traveling by car."



Federal policemen lead off a terror suspect (center) at the Federal Supreme Court (BGH) in Karlsruhe, Germany, on September 5, 2007. German and Danish police thwarted separate large-scale terror plots within 24 hours this week, both involving nationals who were in possession of bomb-making materials.

Foiled bomb plots in Europe may be linked to al-Qaida

By Matthew Schiefel
McClatchy Newspapers

BERLIN — A potentially "massive" terrorist attack against U.S. installations in Germany linked to al-Qaida was doomed to fail from the day that anti-terrorism police broke into a rented garage in Germany's picturesque Black Forest and found barrels of bomb-making chemicals, police said Wednesday.

Police had found the garage by tracking the movements of three men after one of them, a German national who'd converted to Islam, was spotted in December casing a U.S. military barracks at Hanau, in central Germany, they said.

Authorities suspected that this man, another German national who'd converted to Islam and a Muslim Turkish resident were the core of the German cell of the Islamic Jihad Union, a terrorist group set up in Uzbekistan in Central Asia that has ties to al-Qaida and training camps in Pakistan.

Twelve blue barrels that police found in July contained a solution with 35 percent hydrogen peroxide, enough to make a bomb with the power of 1,200 pounds of TNT. To avoid tipping off the suspects that they were under surveillance, police drained the barrels and replaced the contents with a 3 percent solution — the same stuff found in first aid kits, essentially useless as a bomb component.

As police monitored their travels, the suspects moved one of the barrels last Saturday from the forest hiding place to a tourist cabin in Medebach-Oberschedorn, a village of 900 in central Germany, and allegedly began constructing bombs with what they thought was an explosive chemical. This week, they learned why their experiments weren't going the way they'd anticipated, police said.

After a chance encounter with a traffic cop, they lost their nerve and decided to flee, police

said. At 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, 600 anti-terrorism police moved in and arrested them, making them the latest in a long line of home-grown European terrorism suspects to be caught before they could act.

In Copenhagen on Wednesday, Danish police announced the arrests of nine people on charges of plotting terrorist attacks. Danish Police Intelligence officer Jakob Scharf said the nine "had international contacts, including leading members of al-Qaida."

Although the two cases don't appear to be directly linked, in both instances the alleged plotters are said to have connections to Osama bin Laden's organization.

U.S. officials described the attempted bombings in Germany as a significant plot.

The al-Qaida network is thought to have re-established a presence in recent months — including training camps — in northwest Pakistan along the border with Afghanistan.

U.S. officials also allege that the German plotters were aligned with the Islamic Jihad Union. "There are connections between al-Qaida and the Islamic Jihad Union, according to a senior U.S. intelligence official who requested anonymity because the issue is classified. The group, which splintered from the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, is on the State Department's list of foreign terrorist organizations."

In Berlin on Wednesday, Wolfgang Schauble, the German interior minister, warned of a new wave of "home-grown terrorism, not just here but across Europe." "The fact that they had obtained military fuses tells us they were not semiprofessional, but fully trained terrorists."

The German suspects were identified only as Fritz G., 28, of Ulm; Daniel S., 22, of Saarbrücken; and Adem Y., 29, of the central German state of Hesse. The Danish plotters

weren't identified, beyond being grouped as both Danish nationals and immigrants, and being ages 18 to 33.

Federal Prosecutor General Monika Harms charged Wednesday that the suspects were the "core members" of the German cell of the Islamic Jihad Union.

"We watched them for months, and as a result thwarted a serious bombing attack," she said during what took of the tone of a celebratory news conference in Karlsruhe.

"We discovered and prevented what would have been one of the most damaging attacks ever in Germany," she added. This is a good day for German security, but it has also shown that Germany is a target, not just a resting and plotting place for terrorists."

The bomb materials were similar to those used in the July 7, 2005, attacks in London as well as the failed attacks on London and Glasgow this summer. Here, though, the plotters were using much more of them.

Police found what they called a wealth of bomb-making materials, information from computers and cash.

Rainer Griesbaum, the head of the federal prosecutor's anti-terrorism department, said authorities were still tracking down the group's financial backing. All three suspects were unemployed and on state benefits.

"They were full-time terror plotters," he said, adding that their potential targets included German sites associated with U.S. soldiers and citizens.

Said German terrorism expert Karl-Heinz Kamp of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, a right-of-center research center in Berlin: "The appearance of homegrown terrorists — people who lived inconspicuous lives and grew into terrorists — represents a new stage for Germany. It is encouraging to see how vigilant our authorities are."

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Start of season end of long road for Allen

By Travis Waldron
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Even before Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans in August 2005, Moncell Allen made plans to leave his hometown.

Allen, then a star running back at New Orleans (La.) Holy Cross High School, committed to play at UK earlier that summer. He planned on following the path of Dicky Lyons Jr., a high school teammate and friend who had joined the Cats the year before.

"I didn't really want to go to any of the home schools," said Allen, who's now a freshman at UK. "When Lyons committed, I knew his dad came here and he wanted to follow in his footsteps. I was like, 'This is a great school in the Southeastern Conference, a growing program.'"

College coaches across America had taken a liking to Allen, who amassed more than 4,000 total yards and 56 touchdowns in three seasons at Holy

Cross. Allen eventually chose UK over UCLA, Nebraska and Mississippi, but not before a hectic recruiting process.

"Every day I'd have like five coaches coming into school, telling me I looked good at practice or they liked my tapes," Allen said. "I had so many coaches coming around that I didn't know what to do. I had my eyes on Kentucky because I knew I could play and it was a growing program. I had a friend coming here, and his family would be out here most of the time."

But shortly after Allen decided on UK, Katrina changed his life.

Hurricane Katrina made landfall in New Orleans on Aug. 29, 2005, and the resulting floods left millions — including Allen — homeless.

With his senior football season just days away, Allen and his family fled to Charlotte, N.C.

"It was very emotional, es-

pecially for my family," Allen said. "My friends, we all had to part from each other."

"Hearing 'Katrina,' it's just disaster."

After playing his senior season at Providence Day School in Charlotte, Allen thought he was ready to head to Lexington.

But another obstacle stood in his way: Amid the struggles of the previous year, he didn't earn a high enough ACT score to enroll at UK.

His next stop was Fork Union (Va.) Military Academy, a prep school that allowed him to play football while he improved his grades. It's not uncommon for high-school graduates to attend a prep academy for a year before moving on to college, but for Allen, it was another change in an already unstable life.

"At first I was kind of hesitant about it," Allen said. "I didn't know what I was getting myself into. I had to take a visit. I was pretty much just shipped off

(to live) on my own."

On the football field, Allen rushed for nearly nine yards per carry. Off the field, he said, he morphed into a man.

He was a squad leader in Fork Union's military system, responsible for the actions of the players and students ranked below him.

"I'd never taken responsibility for somebody," Allen said. "It was my first time saying, 'This is my group and I have to take care of them. And if they don't do it, I get in trouble.' It made me become more of a leader."

That growth was evident to Lyons when he and Allen became teammates again this summer.

"He had to grow up real quick," Lyons said. "He lost his home; he had to move; he went to three schools in three months. Everything made him realize how blessed he is."

Two years after Katrina forced him from his home,

Allen enrolled at UK, becoming the first member of his family to attend college.

Allen's two-year journey ended Saturday when the Cats played Eastern Kentucky in the season opener. For Allen, it was an arrival with what he called his new family.

Despite playing with a broken right hand that's kept him from competing for the starting fullback position, Allen rushed for five yards on two carries.

"It was a relief," he said. "That was my goal: to get here and play."

UK offensive coordinator Joker Phillips said he expects Allen to be a part of the offense all year, even though Rafael Little, Tony Dixon and Alfonso Smith already comprise one of the SEC's deepest backfields. Phillips moved Allen to fullback to give him a chance to play right away.

"I'm not sure he couldn't be a tailback," Phillips said. "We're just so loaded at tail-

back, we had to find an opportunity for him to get on the field. It says a lot for him, because he's a talented kid that will compete."

If Allen's hand heals, Phillips expects him to compete at fullback.

"If he's healthy, he has a chance to compete for the starting fullback position," Phillips said. "He's a real explosive kid that can help us if he's healthy."

Allen is just happy to be playing.

"I just want to be on the field," he said. "I want to get on the field, help on special teams, just do anything I can to help the team win."

Katrina forced Allen to take the long road to UK, but now that he's in Lexington, he can't get football off his mind. After his first taste of college football, he didn't hide his excitement.

"He loved it out there," Lyons said. "He loved every minute of it."

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unavailable (and unaffordable) for the average citizen?"

And if money can be made from exporting \$30 for UK-Kent State in football, what about basketball? What happens if the SEC starts broadcasting UK basketball games on its specialized network? And how would fans respond to that?

I can't answer that question, but I'll bet there would be a Royal Rumble well worth my \$30.

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Impossible dreams live in college football

By Tim Cowlishaw
The Dallas Morning News

When I caught up with Dale Earnhardt Jr. late Saturday afternoon, the first thing he wanted to talk about was Appalachian State's upset of Michigan.

And this was with Leeanne Tweeden standing across from him.

Sunday afternoon I was sitting around with some of my peers — you know, Brent Musburger, Brad Daugherty, Rusty Wallace — and we were all trying to register the magnitude of the Mountaineers' 34-32 conquest of Michigan in Ann Arbor. The first thing Musburger mentioned was Buster Douglas'

knockout of Mike Tyson in Tokyo. Daugherty offered Chamaine's upset of Ralph Sampson's Virginia team during the 1982-83 season.

Of course, the USA "Miracle on Ice" victory over the Soviet Union in the 1980 Olympic semifinals was tossed out.

My mention of Wallace winning the 1989 Winston Cup drew a mixed response.

The point is that everybody is trying to find something to compare to Appalachian State's stunning triumph. There was no betting line on the game.

Finally, it occurred to me that this is what makes college football such a special thing. Deep into its second century, the

game still delivers magical upsets like no other sport.

And now, transitioning from the name-dropping portion of the column to the actual point to be made this morning, we hope to illustrate why five of these all-time special upsets that are drawing comparison to Appalachian State are no longer even possible.

"Miracle On Ice" — It's everybody's favorite upset even though it's hockey — which makes it even more of an upset.

Before the New York Yankees came to represent the Evil Empire in some minds, a real one existed in the Soviet Union. For U.S. college kids to beat the

veteran Soviet players was almost unthinkable.

Now? The New York Islanders only wish Alexei Yashin had stuck with socialism.

With the end of the Cold War, Russians have shed their Communist roots and proven to be rather adroit capitalists, collecting some of the NHL's largest paychecks. While Olympic hockey is a great event (carefully hidden by NBC), it's just American pros vs. Canadian pros vs. Swedish pros vs. Russian pros. While USA gold would be nice, it would not take a miracle.

Buster Douglas KO's Mike Tyson.

It's hard to remember the invincibility we ascribed to Tyson in his younger days. No one was going to beat this ruthless hitting machine, certainly not a 42-1 long shot we had never heard of.

Tyson ended up on his back, just the beginning of his downward spiral with no end.

And today? Quick, name the four (yes, four) heavyweight champions.

Of course. It's Wladimir Klitschko, Oleg Maskaev, Ruslan Chagaev and Sultan Ibragimov.

If you've heard of any of these other than Klitschko, you need to get out more. It's hard to register a big upset when sports fans don't even know the players.

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With two goals in two games, transfer fills void of graduated star

By James Pennington
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In his second game at UK, junior forward Aaron Swanson scored two goals to lead the men's soccer team to a 3-0 win against UNC-Asheville on Sunday. His first goal, a one-timer from sophomore Mark Halma in the 64th minute, marked the end of one long, winding path and the beginning of another.

Such an emphasis is placed on soccer there because they're too small to have a football team," Swanson said.

After high school, Swanson chose to attend the University of Dayton, where he was a member of the varsity soccer team for three years.

However, the program replaced its head coach after Swanson's freshman year, and before long, the staff that recruited him had been revamped.

To add to the issues on the field, Swanson was not pleased with life off the field.

"Through my first three years of college, I hadn't accomplished a lot of things I wanted to," Swanson said. "I had to ask myself what was important to me. I felt like I was cheating myself by not fulfilling my aspirations."

When Swanson started

searching for a new college, UK was the first and only school he strongly considered. One of his roommates at Dayton, Matt Troop, transferred to UK after his freshman season. Troop, a junior goalkeeper, convinced Swanson to look at UK.

"I immediately fell in love with everything here," Swanson said. "I knew right away that I shouldn't be anywhere else."

The timing of Swanson's transfer worked out well for the Cats. UK graduated star forward Riley O'Neill, who scored 17 goals last year and helped lead the team to a 14-5-2 record.

"With the loss of Riley up top, we needed someone to step up," senior defender Nathan Marks said.

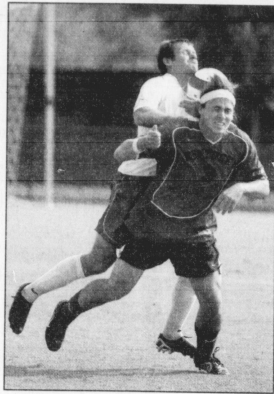
"Aaron plays similar to Riley because they're both more physical forwards," Marks said. "They both know how to score."

Head coach Ian Collins was also quickly impressed with Swanson right off the bat.

"I knew he was a very talented player that could definitely help us out," Collins said.

As a transfer student, Swanson couldn't begin training with the team until the beginning of this season. However, he enrolled at UK for the spring 2007 semester to start training on his own and building relationships with his new coaches and teammates.

Once Swanson started practicing with the team, Collins was immediately impressed with



Junior forward Aaron Swanson is pushed from behind while going for a header against UNC-Asheville on Sunday.

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his work ethic.

"He works very hard," Collins said. "He puts the defense under constant pressure with his consistency."

Swanson was instantly drawn to his new head coach's attitude.

"His passion and intensity for winning is like nothing I've ever seen before," Swanson said. "He knows that in Division I athletics, not winning puts you under the micro-

scope. He knows his job is to win."

With Swanson's two goals in two games, expectations for the rest of the season are high.

"If he stays healthy, he can score 15 goals this year," Collins said. "It's a tall order, but it's obtainable."

Swanson knows his team.

"I just want to help the team win any way that I can," he said. "That means scoring a lot of goals."

Women's soccer aces Evansville

By Bobby Raagan
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The UK women's soccer team extended its winning streak in home games to 10 last night, defeating Evansville 4-1 at the UK Soccer Complex.

The Cats (2-0-1), known more for their defensive prowess, showed they can win with offense as well.

Senior forward Callie Lanphier first put the Cats on the board 8 minutes into the match.

On the scoring play, junior midfielder Nicola Holdsworth fed senior midfielder Sarah Gaunt a pass down the left sideline. After waiting for her teammates to set up inside the box, Gaunt delivered a cross that found Lanphier, who nudged the shot to the left of the goalie.

"I know I was able to run in and get my hip on the ball," Lanphier said, "and I guess that was enough."

The Purple Aces (2-1-0) wasted no time to recover from the deficit, as they knotted the score less than 4 minutes later. Junior midfielder Nicole Moyan fired a 30-yard shot to the upper right corner of the net.

Moyan's goal was the first allowed by the Cats this season. They set a school record by not allowing a goal in the season's first 212 minutes.

Despite the goal, freshman keeper Laura Baker gained confidence from her first home game and continues to believe her defense is as strong as ever.

"I feel very comfortable with the four girls in front of me," Baker said. "They never give up and communicate very well."

The Evansville goal seemed to wake the Cats, as the UK offense began to pick up at the end of the first half. Freshman defender Kelly Browning placed a cross along the goal-front as Evansville goalkeeper Theresa Bagby misplayed the ball. However, there were no Cats in the area, and the Purple

Aces cleared the ball.

Sophomore forward Cindy Abbott's first career goal came with 4 minutes left in the first half and gave the lead back to UK. Abbott collected the ball at midfield before daring through the defense and firing a shot from 20 yards out. Her initial shot bounced off an Evansville defender before senior forward Kate Rowlands collected the loose ball.

Rowlands immediately passed it to Abbott, who blasted a 15-yard shot into the left corner of the net.

The Cats wasted no time extending their lead into the second half, as freshman forward Laura Novikoff scored her second goal of the season 44 seconds after the whistle.

"It's good to see everyone get in the mix and knowing we can finish," Lanphier said. "Having different goal scorers allow us to kick the ball around and have someone just rip a shot."

Zbikowski's hits will be only for Notre Dame

By Bernard Fernandez
Philadelphia Daily News

PHILADELPHIA — With a season-opening, 33-3 loss to visiting Georgia Tech already in the books and Saturday evening's nationally televised matchup with Penn State in Beaver Stadium fast approaching, Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis still can't quite decide who his starting quarterback should be. But Weis has no reservations about a decision he made during the summer.

Weis enthusiastically agreed to allow Tom Zbikowski, an All-America strong safety for the Fighting Irish, to make his professional boxing debut on June 10, 2006. But even though Zbikowski stopped Robert Bell only 49 seconds into the first round of the much-hyped bout in Madison Square Garden, Weis was adamant in his refusal to allow the former Golden

Gloves standout from Buffalo Grove, Ill., a suburb of Chicago, to step inside the ropes again this year.

"What happened was, Tommy bulked up (to 214 pounds) for boxing," said Top Rank founder Bob Arum, who promoted Zbikowski's pugilistic debut as sort of a novelty lead-in to a pay-per-view card headlined by then-WBO junior middleweight champion Miguel Cotto's unanimous decision over Paulie Malignaggi. "As a result, he was not nearly as effective on the football field last year."

"Tommy did want to fight again, and we were going to use him in our show at Madison Square Garden on June 9, but when the time came Charlie Weis told us he absolutely was against it. He said it was harming the kid's football career because the time he put into boxing training had made him less quick than he would have been

had he trained exclusively for football."

It's difficult to find fault with Weis' rationale. In 2005, as a 200-pound redshirt sophomore, Zbikowski was a playmaking demon, returning 27 punts for 379 yards (14.0 average) and two touchdowns, also scoring on two of his five interceptions.

Playing at perhaps an overly muscled 214 pounds in 2006, the six-foot Zbikowski's production dipped to 16 punt returns for 144 yards (9.0 average) and one TD. He did not have an interception.

So Zbikowski, who was paid \$25,000 for his night's work against Bell, slimmed down a bit and focused solely on football this summer, although the benefits of his renewed dedication were not especially evident in the bumper against Georgia Tech.

"When I saw Tommy at the (Erik) Morales (David) Diaz fight in Chicago on August 4, he

was at least 10 pounds lighter than he was a year ago," Arum said. "He looked like he could have gone into the ring right then and there. But we certainly were not going to interfere with the Notre Dame football team."

Zbikowski's priority for now is to have a strong senior season for the Irish and then to go on to play in the NFL, but at least he has boxing as a fallback position, if it comes to that.

"That's probably true," Arum said when asked if Zbikowski's high visibility as a Notre Dame star made him a more attractive boxing draw than if he were playing for, say, Kent State or Northern Arizona. "All of Notre Dame's games are televised and after the terrific season he had in 2005, everyone in college football knew who Tommy Z was. But this kid has real potential as a cruiserweight. He's got quick reflexes and a great punch."

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■ KERNEL EDITORIALS

Rushed updates to online system were a step back

When students were signing up for classes in March, the Kernel reported they were having trouble using the new myUK computer system for registration.

And when students had to make changes to their class schedules at the beginning of this semester, they ran into many of the same problems.

While any major technology transition will inevitably have a rough period, it's time to smooth out the problems with myUK. While the new system might be a cosmetic improvement over the old webUK interface, it's a step backward in usefulness.

Perhaps one of the biggest problems right now is with class wait lists: Neither students nor their advisers can see where someone is on the wait list. Without this key information, it's impossible to know whether a student is at the No. 1 position — and likely to get into the class — or the hopeless No. 20 position.

Kathy Hamperian, director of information management for IRIS, which myUK is a part of, told the Kernel last week that students could have called her office to get their wait-list positions. That is hardly a substitute for having the information readily available online, students who desperately need to get into a class will most likely want to check the wait-list number several times a day and not necessarily during regular business hours.

Some problems with myUK have already been ironed out. Although the "Unofficial Transcript" link didn't work when the system was first launched, the feature has now been added in.

Before the switch to myUK — and the IRIS project as a whole — the university's online computer systems hadn't been updated in nearly 20 years, Hamperian said, and it was time to integrate the various UK computer systems.

We can certainly understand the need to upgrade an archaic computer system, especially when it is holding the university back. But to put the system into service before it is effectively finished is irresponsible.

If UK had waited another year to unveil myUK so that it had all of the features students were accustomed to and had less bugs, it most likely would have been warmly received. WebUK was clearly outdated, and as Hamperian told the Kernel, students are generally quick to adapt to changing technology.

But when the change makes it more difficult for both students and their advisers to register for classes, the system will be received much differently.

The registration system will get its next test in November, when students register for the spring semester. We hope that by then myUK will be at full strength.

Students showing well-earned loyalty

Students have appeared in record-breaking crowds of blue and white to snatch up season tickets for UK football.

With last year's Cats scoring such major wins as the Music City Bowl, students are energized to see their team do well again. As of last week, students had purchased more than 4,800 season tickets, trampling the 2005 record of 3,549 sales.

The relative ease of buying football tickets probably contributed to the record-breaking sales numbers. When football tickets go on sale, students can simply walk up to Memorial Coliseum and immediately purchase tickets. Students even have the option of buying an entire season's worth of tickets at one stop.

Contrast that with the process of obtaining basketball tickets, where students must wait for hours in ticket lotteries in hopes of receiving a ticket to the game, and it's clear why football tickets have become so popular.

If UK Athletics wants to keep seeing large crowds of students at football games in future years, it needs to maintain easy access to tickets for students.

UK students deserve praise for "believing in loyalty" and exhibiting their support by buying season tickets, while the athletics department should be applauded for making the ticket purchasing process as pain-free as possible.

■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Use free speech area for peaceful activities

There is more to hate than hate. So why is it that hate seems to be the only voice dedicated to its cause enough to crawl out of bed at dawn, organize its legions, and make its way to spew vile and vomit on the students of UK?

Nearly every day of this new school year, radical Christians have dominated the free speech area. In contrast to the peaceful tone of Jesus Christ, these "ministers" are screaming at passing students about how sinful it is to wear shorts and a tank top, be gay, or drink a beer!

The free speech area is available 24 hours a day, on a first-come, first-served basis, and the sound system is available with a short 30-minute notification.

It is embarrassing that messages of peace, hope and unity fall silent to apathy. I challenge all my fellow students to turn off their iPods and tune into what is happening on campus.

Not many of us would enter our favorite store having our sensibilities, morals and intelligence insulted and mocked without complaining to management! So why are we as consumers of higher education accepting this harassment?

Free speech is not harassment. However, when "ministers" single out and accost innocent passersby, telling them prostitutes dress better and that their choice of clothing is sending them to hell, free speech has crossed the line. It becomes personal.

As co-president of the Social Work Association, I am challenging not only my student group but also yours to speak up and drown out the hate. Show up and read a book, have a sing-a-long, or stand there in silent protest of the war. For God's sake, show up so the forked tongue of hate has no room to strike!

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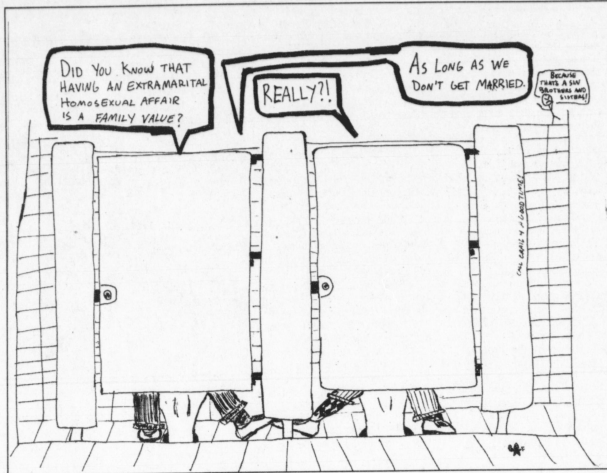
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BRAD FLETCHER, Kernel cartoonist

Scandals must end to restore public faith in government

Few people can defend Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, and his recent lewd-conduct scandal.

Craig received almost no support from fellow Congressional Republicans shows how little confidence they have in Craig's case.

Craig pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct after making apparent sexual advances to a police officer in a Minneapolis airport bathroom in June. We can only assume that, as a U.S. senator, Craig was fully aware of his rights and the meaning of a guilty plea.

His desperate attempt to reclaim his innocence afterwards by reversing his plea, as the Associated Press reports he is trying to do, is only an insult to the public's intelligence and a pathetic joke on himself.

The public should not be startled by Craig's questionable sexual orientation. Instead, people should be shocked and outraged by the painfully obvious hypocrisy Craig displays in his anti-gay voting records. Craig supported the Federal Marriage Amendment, which would have prevented the extension of rights to same-sex couples; he also voted to exclude sexual orientation from the federal definition of hate crimes.

There are two possible explanations for Craig's anti-gay voting record. One is that his greed for power made him a twisted, unscrupulous politician; the other is that he has a sick sense of masochism. As tough a choice as it may be, I hope it is the latter, for a twisted human be-

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ing is a product of his or her surroundings, while a twisted politician is a product of the political system.

Unfortunately, other scandals in Washington show that Craig is not the lone rotten egg in the basket. The congressional rape scandal involving Rep. Mark Foley, R-Fla., is another appalling example of hypocrisy in its highest degree.

While serving in Congress, Foley was a staunch opponent of child pornography. He also served as chairman of the House Caucus on Missing and Exploited Children, and he successfully introduced a legislation to toughen federal sex-offender laws.

When Foley's 10-year history of sexually inappropriate conduct with teenage pages was exposed, he con-

veniently put the blame on alcoholism and entered rehab. Again, Foley's contemptible attempt to link alcoholism to pedophilia is only an insult to the public.

Here is irony at its finest: Federal authorities said the explicit messages could result in Foley's prosecution under the same laws he helped to enact, according to an ABC News article from 2006. Justice comes full circle, indeed.

Other examples of recent political scandals are commonplace and involve both Democrats and Republicans. Who can forget Democratic Rep. William "Dollar Bill" Jefferson's peculiar method of storing his bribe money in the freezer, giving the term "frozen assets" a whole new meaning?

What punishment did Jefferson receive after the scandal from voters in his home state, Louisiana? As unbelievable as it may sound, Jefferson defeated 11 challengers and was re-elected in 2006.

All these indiscretions by elected public officials only generate outrage and cause political apathy among the public. The fact that these corrupt politicians don't seem to receive the punishments they deserve can only further smear the already questionable image of the government. With politicians like Craig, Foley and Jefferson, it's no wonder that voting turnouts in this country are woefully low.

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Democrats committed to equal opportunities for all

I wonder a lot what the term "Democrat" actually means. I've spent time studying the history of my political party, and I have decided that the Democratic Party in the United States has meant a lot of things to a lot of people, and that there is very little that unifies it throughout its history. But since I'm the surrogate for the Democratic Party on UK's campus, I will use this space to describe what it means to me to be a Democrat.

At the last UK College Democrats meeting, I asked our members what they thought it means to be a Democrat. After discussing what the Democratic Party has meant historically and why we each individually were Democrats, we decided that the way to best describe it was as the party that desires to give all people in the world a chance to make a respectable life for themselves.

We reviewed historical events and discovered the Democratic Party has held this aim in numerous manifestations, as its chief goal since its founding in 1794 — and it is reflect-

ed in the Democrats' foreign and domestic policies today.

Democrats realize that we are doing no one a favor by remaining at war in Iraq, and the Democrats in Congress are working hard to bring our troops home as soon as we can. Iraq has been torn apart even further

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by our involvement, and it is in the best interest of Iraqis to have the United States leave.

Soldiers serving in Iraq have been stretched too thin and deserve to be at home. In other foreign-policy issues, such as the genocide in Darfur and the debate about trade, the Democrats will seek answers that lead to our final goal: a respectable life for everybody.

In our domestic policy, Democrats seek to give marginalized people a leg up. We recognize that there are basically two Americas — one for those who have enough money to do whatever they want, and one for everybody else. We see the lack of a universal

health-care policy, the outsourcing of American jobs, stagnant wages and the wealth disparity in this country as major problems. Our presidential candidates have all produced new and exciting solutions for them.

When Americans elect a new Democratic president in 2008 to complement the Democratic Congress we elected last November, we will finally have a chance to work on these problems that have been largely ignored by the Republican majority for the past decade.

Democrats have historically tried to give all people a chance to make good lives for themselves. If you share this value, then the Democratic Party has a place for you.

Election Day is coming up very soon, which means we are about to have our collective voice heard.

We have the chance to say that we stand for these Democratic principles by electing Democrats in Kentucky. I encourage all who have not registered to vote to do so, and if you want to support Democrats actively, I urge you to come to a UK College Democrats meeting on any Thursday night at 7:30 in room 359 of the Student Center. I really hope to see you there.

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Contributing columnist

ONE MAN, NOT A BAND



BRITNEY MCINTOSH | STAFF
Brad Skitimas, a solo artist also known as Five Times August, performs last night in the Memorial Hall Amphitheater. "How many people thought that Five Times August was a band?" asked Skitimas. "All you guys that posted 'you guys rock' on MySpace can go back and take away that 's' now."

Tent city to house trials in Guantanamo

By Carol Rosenberg
McClatchy Newspapers

The Pentagon is building a \$10 million military tent city on an abandoned airfield at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to hold the first war-crimes trials since World War II, a senior military official said Wednesday.

The plan has been dramatically scaled back from an earlier blueprint that envisioned a huge legal compound at the remote Naval base in southeast Cuba... housing for 1,200, dining facilities for 800, a 100-car motor pool and conference center with projected costs of up to \$125 million. That plan was abandoned amid controversy about the costs.

The new blueprints feature hurricane-resistant, air-conditioned tents that look like small aircraft hangars to accommodate service members and civilians working on the trials... including media and legal observers.

"It's quite an undertaking to try these cases on a rock out in the Caribbean," said the official, who spoke to The Miami Herald

on condition that he not be named and that the reasons for shielding his identity not be explained.

The expeditionary-style warcourt compound will array about 60 tents around McCalla Field, an abandoned airstrip overlooking Guantanamo Bay where an experimental blimp station once stood.

In the 1990s, the Pentagon likewise transformed McCalla Field into a tent city. Then, it was a "family camp" housing tens of thousands of Cuban rafters while Clinton administration diplomats negotiated an interdiction and repatriation policy with Havana.

The tent city, scheduled to be ready in March, is close to the current Military Commission headquarters, a once abandoned, but now retrofitted, office building and control tower where the Pentagon has held the war-crimes trials in fits and starts since 2004.

No commission trials are being held at the moment. In June, military judges dismissed charges against Canadian cap-

tive Omar Khadr, 20, and Yemeni Salim Ahmed Hamdan, 36, saying their charge sheets did not comply with Congress' 2007 Military Commissions Act.

At issue: The law requires that only "unlawful enemy combatants" be charged with war crimes. Pentagon panels currently classify Guantanamo captives either as "enemy combatants" or "no-longer enemy combatants" but do not distinguish lawful from unlawful combatants.

The Pentagon's chief prosecutor, Air Force Col. Morris Davis, has said he expects to charge up to 80 of the 355 war-on-terror captives at Guantanamo with war crimes, some of which can be punishable by death.

Bush administration lawyers have asked a Pentagon appeals panel to instruct the Khadr case judge, Army Col. Peter E. Brownback III, to decide for himself whether the Canadian accused in the July 2002 grenade killing of a soldier in Afghanistan is an "unlawful enemy combatant."

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Governor says trustee appointments are legal

By Jill Laster
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Gov. Ernie Fletcher's office sent a harsh response to Attorney General Greg Stumbo, who demanded that some of the Republican members on the Board of Trustees at UK and the University of Louisville be removed.

"It defies the law, common sense and simple arithmetic to claim, as you do, that there must be exactly 10 Democrats on both boards at all times," said Fletcher's general counsel, David E. Fleanor, in the letter to Stumbo.

The letter, released to the media Wednesday and received by the attorney general's office yesterday, is in re-

sponse to Stumbo's calls for the resignation of three members of UK's Board of Trustees and two members of U of L's Board.

Stumbo, a Democrat, said the Board's Republican majority violates a state law, which requires the Boards of Trustees at the state's public research universities to reflect the political affiliations of registered voters.

In response to Stumbo's letter, sent Aug. 27, Fletcher spokeswoman Jodi Whitaker said the governor has followed the law. The response letter to Stumbo also said Fletcher is acting within "the spirit and

letter of the law."
"It is in the position of the Office of the Governor that your conclusions are in error both factually and legally," Fletcher's response said.

Stumbo will take legal action against Fletcher, although he will not announce a plan of action until next week after he reviews his options, said Stumbo spokesman Corey Bellamy.

"I gave the Governor the opportunity to correct his unlawful actions, but he has chosen once again to waste taxpayer dollars in a legal showdown," Stumbo said in a

statement.
In Kentucky, 56.9 percent of registered voters are Democrats and 36.6 percent are Republicans, according to the Kentucky State Board of Elections.

The UK Board has 16 gubernatorial appointees. To parallel the state's partisan makeup, it should have 10 Democrats and six Republicans, Stumbo said in the letter.

Currently, UK's Board of Trustees has seven Democrats and nine Republicans, Stumbo's letter said.

Fletcher's response disputes Stumbo's numbers, saying there are eight Republicans and eight Democrats on UK's Board, and that when faculty and

staff representatives are counted, it is "readily apparent" that both UK and U of L's Boards have a Democratic majority.

"Your mathematical computations are wrong," Fleanor said in Wednesday's response. "Even according to your hypertechnical reading of the statutes, 56 percent of 16 is at most nine, not 10."

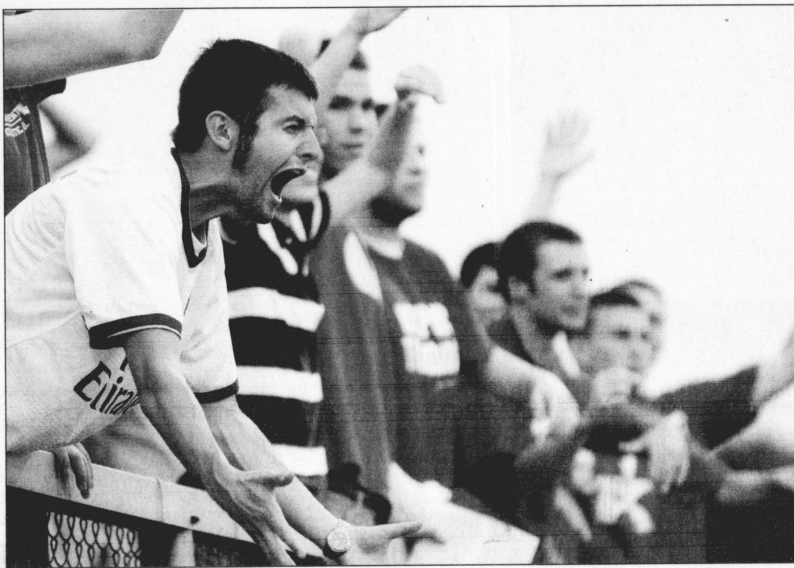
The letter from Fletcher's office also said for Stumbo to demand 10 Democrats on UK's Board is "as self-serving as it is wrong."

"The law does not — and plainly cannot — require strict compliance with a precise proportionality formula," Fleanor said in the letter.



Fletcher

HIGHS AND WOES



Chris Sullivan, a fifth year history and political science major, yelled in disgust last night as Louisville scored their third goal of the night. Louisville won the game 4-2.

UK picks location for retirement community

By Jill Laster
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The 89-acre retirement community UK has been planning for years will be just south of the Fayette-Jessamine county line, university officials announced yesterday morning.

Limestone Crossing will be located about 10 miles from campus near the Brannon Crossing retail center and is expected to house about 400 seniors. The gated community will have around 200 apartments in three- or four-story buildings and between 40 and 60 free-standing homes.

The facility is projected to open in 2012 or 2013, said Don Holbrook, Limestone Crossing's director of life planning.

Limestone Crossing will promote continued connections to the UK community and lifelong learning opportunities for its residents, said Gail Sasnett-Stauffer, an associate dean at the University of Florida Levin College of Law, who will be working with Limestone Crossing.

"The intergenerational learning there is important," Sasnett-Stauffer said.

UK students can become involved with Limestone Crossing through internships, externships and volunteering when the community opens, Sasnett-Stauffer said.

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Cats storm out early but fall to Cards

By James Pennington
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UK drew first blood against in-state rival Louisville but couldn't stop the Cards' explosive offense as it fell 4-2 in yesterday's match.

Emotions ran high for the Cats, who played the match in front of 2,307 people at the UK Soccer Complex, the fourth largest crowd in school history.

"We had a huge turnout tonight, and I feel like we disappointed the fans," senior forward Aaron Swanson said.

The Cats (1-2) were eager to get out on the field and carried some momentum from Sunday's 3-0 win over UNC-Asheville. Early in the game UK looked in full control and en route to a consecutive victory when freshman defender Tim Crone dribbled past his defender at mid-field and scored the game's first goal in the fifth minute.

"Scoring in the first five minutes is pretty rare," Swanson said. "It usually shows that you'll be in control for the rest of the game, but not tonight."

Once UK got on the board, its rival quickly rallied back.

In the 12th minute, Louisville senior forward Marco Termini took a corner kick and sophomore defender Phil Edgington headed the ball to equal the score.

The Cards (2-1) weren't finished. Just one minute after its first goal, Aaron Clapham headed in another goal from a crossed ball from freshman midfielder Kenney Walker.

"That was a very unfortunate series of events tonight," Swanson said. "I guess I just saw this game unfolding differently than it did."

Louisville found the back of the net twice more in the first half. Freshman

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UK's freshman defender, Tim Crone, dribbles the ball against Louisville's sophomore midfielder, Fred Braun, last night at UK's 4-2 loss to Louisville.

City festival celebrates black culture

By C.J. Conkin
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Chester Grundy never imagined when he helped found the Roots and Heritage Festival in 1989 that it would blossom into the cultural event it is today.

"When I started the festival with a small handful of other people, I didn't think it would become as successful as it is," said Grundy, director of multi-cultural student programming at UK.

The annual festival, which kicked off yesterday, runs through Oct. 20 and celebrates African-American art, culture and

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BRAD LUTTRELL | STAFF

Ann Nsafoah, an agricultural biotechnology senior, hands mugs out in the Student Center yesterday to show appreciation for the custodial staff.

Sorority thanks staff, encourages green thinking

By Erica Mitchell
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Members of UK's custodial staff were pleasantly surprised yesterday when members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority presented them with gifts as part of their "Think Green Day."

"It was great," said custodial worker Phillip Smithers, who has worked at UK for 19 years. "I really wasn't expecting it."

Alpha Kappa Alpha members held "Think Green Day" at the Stu-

dent Center to promote environmental preservation and show appreciation for a group of workers they felt work hard to keep UK clean and green, said Alpha Kappa Alpha public relations committee member LaShauna Smith.

"We want to motivate people to be conscious about their surroundings," said Smith, an English senior. "It's about what we can do now to save the world later."

Sorority members passed out 50 ceramic mugs with candy and a short, hand-written note to custodi-

al employees working in the Student Center and other areas on campus.

The members also handed out pamphlets that suggested 10 ways to "go green" and offered green appeals to those walking by.

Several tips for sustainable living included riding bikes instead of driving vehicles, turning off the lights and observing the three R's of the environment — reduce, reuse and recycle.

Showing appreciation for custodial workers was part of their "Think

Green Day" because the staff is often overlooked, Smith said.

"We wanted them to know that we appreciate what they do," said sorority member Eloho Ufomata, a biology and psychology senior. "They might not think we notice, but we do."

Alpha Kappa Alpha is dedicated to serving their community and preserving the environment, Smith said. The 10 suggestions listed on the pamphlet are practices the sorority members engage in on an every-day basis, she said.

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Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

To get the advantage, check the day's rating; 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21 - April 19) Today is a 7 — Suddenly, even the most terrifying assignment starts to look doable. It's a thin line between terror and thrills, as you well know. Proceed with confidence.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Today is a 7 — Confer with the others and figure out who's going to do what. This next project will go much better if the whole family's involved.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) Today is a 7 — Reading is one of your favorite hobbies, but don't get stuck at that level. You also have talent at writing. Start the Great American Novel.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22) Today

is a 7 — All that hard work is starting to pay off, and not a moment too soon. Gather all the goodies you can get, while the getting's good.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Today is a 7 — Your luck has improved and so it appears, has your attitude. This evening and the whole weekend will be especially good for romance. Act on those impulses.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Today is a 7 — You have a list of "honey-do" chores that you've been avoiding. Get into that this weekend, and you'll become a much happier person.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today is a 7 — Your friends applaud your recent efforts. They admire your wit and your perseverance. Gracefully accept their applause.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Today is a 7 — Great wealth is already yours, but you can have even more. It's OK. You can have more and more and more. More is better, right?

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

Today is a 7 — Conditions for expansion are excellent. This ought to be fun. Your success is practically guaranteed so set forth with confidence. You always do that anyway, but this time, even more so.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Today is a 7 — If you need something, just ask. An old friend is there for you. Remember, however, you will have to pay this back, and payback can be rough. Find the best interest rate.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today is a 6 — Now you can talk to a person who has certain skills you lack. Explain the situation clearly, in no uncertain terms. Yes, you can hand this mess over now, without a twinge of guilt.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Today is a 7 — Less time talking, more time acting — that's today's agenda. Focus on your work and you will learn to love it. Stranger things have happened.

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THE DISH

By Kevin O'Leary

Jet-set parents Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie may always look camera-ready on their family tour of the world, but on September 2, the actor admitted that becoming a dad to four kids in just two and a half years has meant sleep is "nonexistent." Settling in for a press conference at the Venice Film Festival in Italy to promote his new movie, *The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford*, Pitt, 43, said of fatherhood: "It's the most fun I have ever had and also the biggest pain in the ass I have ever experienced. I love it, and I can't recommend it any more highly."

Which is a good thing, since the family — which already includes Maddox, 6, Pax, 3, Zahara, 2, and Shiloh, 15 months — is taking steps to add at least one more. Asked by a reporter whether the couple are ready for a fifth, Pitt replied, "Yeah, we're ready." As he announces in the October Details: "We're not done."

Hands-on Mom

Before their stop in Italy, the family, who flew to a film festival in Deauville, France, on September 3, hit New York City — where Dad is filming the drama *Burn After Reading* with George Clooney — for some downtime, including an August 30 visit with Mom to the Central Park Zoo. "When Angelina came up to the front to pay for everyone's tickets, I didn't rec-

PLANS FOR A FIFTH CHILD

Move over, Shiloh! Brad Pitt makes a surprise announcement

ognize her," zoo staffer De-shawn Salley tells Us. "She was holding little Zahara, and I said, 'Your baby looks just like Angelina Jolie's baby.'" The actress, 32, let out her trademark laugh, says Salley, "and I realized it was her."

Toy vendor Jose Perez recalls an earlier visit to the park's carousel, during which Jolie showed she's no pushover. When Maddox and Pax grabbed some star-shaped sunglasses, she pointed out a sign reading don't touch the toys and sternly said, "Now you have to buy the glasses!" Perez tells Us, "Sure enough, a dollar came out of each of their pockets! They had their own little wallets."

The happy scene, which also included Maddox with his arms around his little brother, is exactly what warms Pitt's heart, he tells Details. "You just look at them and go, 'My daughter's from Ethiopia, two sons from Asia, a daughter who's born in Namibia — and they are brother and sister,'" says the actor. "They are a bond, they are a family. And I want to see those bonds and that family grow."

Just how much will the family grow? Pitt has joked he wants a soccer team's worth of kids, and in June, Jolie told *The Daily Show*'s Jon Stewart they plan "fluctuates between seven and 13 or 14." The new arrival may very well come from Africa, since Jolie wants each of her kids to have someone to relate to. "We had Mad and Z, and neither looked like Mommy or Daddy," Jolie said after the birth

of Shiloh. "Then suddenly somebody in the house looked like Mommy and Daddy. It became clear to us that it might be important to have somebody around who is similar to the other children." As for the new arrival, the actress has said, "Four is kind of kicking our ass, but we kind of feel like, 'Damn it, we're up for the challenge!'"

Superparents!

That is, if they're not too busy saving the world. "They are so great together," supermodel Christie Brinkley cooed to Us after attending an August 25 benefit for New Orleans, where they were the VIPs. Pitt admits doing a 180 in his attitude toward humanitarian work since meeting the mother of his kids. "It's something that brought Angie and I together," says the man who, while promoting the movie *Seven Years in Tibet* in 1997, famously told Time not to ask him about world matters because he was just "a f—king actor." Now describing himself as "well-studied," he says, "I have completely changed my opinion on this. . . . I believe you can make a difference."

"Case in point?" Jolie. "She's absolute evidence for me of someone facilitating change for the better." And that change, he says, starts at home. "Right there, sitting in our kitchen, is how I want to see the world," he says of his international family. "It's how I want the world to be."

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THE STATE

“Considering some of the things that have been going on since I have been in the league, especially this past year, I am a saint. I think you guys don't give me enough credit.”

— Terrell Owens, Dallas Cowboys wide receiver, pointing out that he's never caused a problem involving illegal activity

Keeping it in the family

Florida transfer makes UK golf a mother-daughter affair

By Laura Pepper
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One special waiver request, denial, appeal and chance phone call later, marketing junior Mallory Blackwelder began the transition from one Southeastern Conference school to another.

As a standout athlete on the University of Florida's golf team, Mallory Blackwelder never thought about playing for UK's golf team during her college years.

Even when her mother, Myra Blackwelder, a former UK great, was named as UK's head coach, Mallory still figured she would remain at Florida.

"When my mom got the job, we talked about me applying, but I didn't think that I would transfer," Mallory said.

The SEC almost placed her arrival at UK on an indefinite delay because of a rule stating that a student transferring from one SEC school to another must sit out a year before playing. Since Myra would be coaching her daughter if Mallory transferred, the mother and daughter requested a special waiver from the SEC.

The SEC originally denied the request, and after an appeal, the Blackwelders didn't receive a response.

With two weeks left before classes started at both UK and Florida, Sandy Bell, the compliance director at UK Athletics, called the SEC about another athlete. The SEC then told Bell that Mallory, winner of the Women's Western Golf Association National Amateur Championship and recipient of two SEC Academic Honor Roll awards, could play her first year at UK.

The news was a relief to Mallory, who believes her golfing skills will continue to improve as she returns to her mother's watch. The Blackwelders, who both live in Versailles, Ky., said they spend the majority of their time on the golf course instead doing typical mother-daughter activities like shopping at the mall or going out for lunch.

"My mom is not much of a shopper," Mallory said with a

laugh. "She tries to stay away from the stores as much as possible."

While Myra was on tour as a professional golfer for the LPGA, and her daughter began competing in tournaments, the Blackwelders traveled together frequently.

As a result, Myra was able to work with her daughter as a swing coach and share her personal experience. During her playing career, Myra Blackwelder won 10 invitational titles and two Kentucky State Amateur Championships as a part of UK's first varsity women's golf team from 1975-78.

The time they spent together helped fuel Mallory Blackwelder's

desire to golf. Despite being around the sport year-round, as a child, she was not hooked right away.

"I grew up on it," Mallory said, "but I was never really interested until I was 11."

It was not until Mallory was about 13 years old that she took a real interest in playing in school and professionally.

When she watched Duke University's Jenny Chausiriporn nearly win the U.S. Open Championship as a college student in 1998, Mallory became intrigued with her potential to succeed in the game.

Since then, golf has increasingly brought the mother and daughter together.

The best bonding experience for the two came when Mallory won the Kentucky State High School Tournament her senior year at Woodford County High School, Mallory said. It was an honor her mother shared years earlier.

"It was the first time a mother and daughter won the tournament," Mallory said. "She was crying after I won, and I was crying. It was a special moment for my family. It was cool that it happened that way."

The Blackwelders hope to share more success in their first year at UK together.

As a transfer, Mallory has additional challenges to face. Though she isn't worried about her teammates view of her as the coach's daughter, Mallory is still unfamiliar with many things about UK.



Women's golf head coach Myra Blackwelder, left, played at UK from 1975-78 before finding success on the LPGA tour. Now her daughter, Mallory, right, will follow her steps after transferring from the University of Florida.

"I feel like a freshman again," Mallory said. "I don't know everybody."

At Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart's annual meeting with every athlete, Mallory said she

looked around and saw unfamiliar faces. At Florida, she knew many people, but right now she only knows a few at UK, and one of those is her mother.

Mallory said she's embracing

her new surroundings one step at a time.

"Golf is a long process of involvement," Myra Blackwelder said. "It takes a lifetime. Not much can be defined easily."

Young Cats make big strides to start season

In the world of sports some things should never be mixed together, and just the thought of combining a dash of this and a pinch of that will lead to a sure meltdown in the clubhouse.

Youth and inexperience together are two ingredients that leave coaches cringing before games, nervously awaiting what will be unveiled. Hoping his or her team received the message and definitely feeling the heat from what once was a quiet kitchen but now feels like a furnace.

However, it's no sweat for volleyball coach Craig Skinner, who can confidently throw his freshman into the

heart of the fire without even blinking.

In just his third season as head coach at UK, Skinner has fewer seniors on this team (2) than his first two teams that both appeared in the NCAA Tournament, and more freshmen (6) this year than any prior.

He said he hasn't really paid much attention to the thought of having a younger team this year because the Cats have "a very mature group that works really hard and is selfless."

With an obvious swing in experience Skinner isn't nervous about continuing through this season, and it shows in the wins column for UK.

The Cats' 7-1 mark on the season puts them on pace for the best start under Skinner.

A sweep at the Georgia Tech Classic in Atlanta with a victory tonight against Arizona (4-2), and wins tomorrow against Western Carolina (3-3) and Georgia Tech (2-1) will put the Cats at

10-1, which would be UK's best start since 1993.

It's a tall order for the Cats, but 6-foot-3 freshman Lauren Rapp is up for the challenge.

The middle blocker from Indianapolis is tied for third on the team in offensive kills with 62 and is a reason why UK is in position to make noise early this year.

After arriving at UK she had to make the transition from playing back row in high school, to being a defensive stopper on the front row and taking some of the responsibility of hammering down kills for the Cats. Her high level of play and Skinner's confidence in her is something she didn't anticipate coming in as a freshman.

"I wasn't really sure," Rapp said. "I worked hard coming in and was hoping. You never know."

But Skinner knew early on.

"We have 13 players, and the play-

ers performing at the highest level are going to be in there," he said.

"There are 13 athletes with numbers on their jersey and they're all wearing Kentucky blue," Skinner said.

"Whether they're seniors or freshman, whatever it is, if they're making a difference out there, they're going to be on the court."

Rapp fits into that category. She has started every game for the Cats this year and joined junior Queen Nzenwa and senior Nicolette Britenriker to make a powerful front row.

Britenriker, who is the Cat's team captain for the second straight year, said it's easy to lead with the group she has on the team because "they all want to be led."

The feeling is mutual from wall to wall in the Cats' locker room and Britenriker feels the same as Skinner when looking over the team and the contribution of the freshmen.

"We have some young players on the team and they really haven't showed it," Britenriker said. "It's hard to tell that they are freshman."

But there are elements to the team chemistry that still need time to jell.

Although the team is winning games, Britenriker said they are still learning to play together and all her teammates are accepting their role.

Because freshmen are put on a large unfamiliar stage when making the transition from high school to college, some may lack confidence. That's when the team rallies behind them and encourages the younger players when "they're not having their best day."

The support from the smaller veteran group is what keeps the young team going, pushing for a third NCAA berth.

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UK VS. KENT STATE: POSITION BY POSITION

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Quarterbacks

Advantage:



When a quarterback can throw for 250 yards and three touchdowns in under three quarters of work and yet play under his potential, that's saying a lot. Quarterback Andre Woodson did exactly that last week against Eastern Kentucky. Kent State quarterback Julian Edelman won't scare anybody with his arm, but his ability to run could pose a problem for the Cats' defense. The junior quarterback ran the ball 18 times for 75 yards last week in an upset victory over Iowa State.

Running Backs



The Golden Flashes ran for just over 200 yards last week against Iowa State, but a big chunk of those yards were on the feet of the aforementioned Edelman. Kent State has a steady running back in Eugene Jarvis, but the Golden Flashes are clearly overwhelmed this week against the Cats' depth at tailback. UK's combination of Rafael Little, Tony Dixon and Alfonso Smith made the storyline for the Cats' offense in week one. Expect this week to be no different.

Receivers



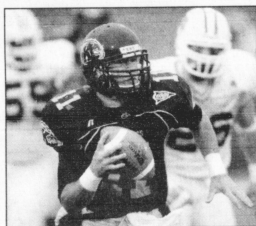
This one wasn't even close. Kent State wide receiver Shawn Bayes is a speedy threat on the outside but he leads a group of inexperienced wide outs. No receiver caught the ball more than four times last week for the Golden Flashes and just one receiver had more than 40 receiving yards. UK wide receiver Dicky Lyons Jr. continues to get better and better, catching six passes for 113 yards in week one, including a 51-yard touchdown pass on the Cats' first offensive play of the year.

Offensive Line



The Golden Flashes have just about everything on the offensive line. Led by senior Joe Marzafra, Kent State brings talent, experience and depth. With the spread offense Kent State runs, the Cats will be more concerned with covering the Golden Flashes' skill players than penetrating this experienced wall. The UK offensive line played surprisingly well last week. After losing a senior-laden line from last year, the Cats were extremely impressive up front against EKV, giving up just two sacks while leading a strong running attack. Still, the inexperienced line will have to prove more against a tougher opponent this week.

Kent State quarterback Julian Edelman runs from Ohio University pursuers during first half action at Dix Stadium in Kent, Ohio, Saturday, Oct. 28, 2006.



LEW STAMP
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Linebackers

Advantage:



Fierce is the only way to describe the Kent State linebackers. The starting trio of Jameson Konz, Stevon Moss and Derek Burrell is probably the most punishing group of tacklers in the Mid-American Conference. Behind them though, the Golden Flashes have very little experience. As intimidating as the Kent State linebackers are, UK linebacker Micah Johnson is just as fierce. The sophomore recorded seven tackles last week and is pushing junior Braxton Kelley for the starting middle linebacker position.

Defensive Backs



Giving up just 148 passing yards to Iowa State last week after losing Usama Young to the NFL Draft was quite a feat for the inexperienced Golden Flashes' secondary. But Woodson is light years ahead of Iowa State's quarterback Bret Meyer and should give the Golden Flashes secondary fits tomorrow. The Cats were equally as impressive, allowing just 72 total passing yards while adding a pick.

Special Teams



Kent State kicker Nate Reed was only 1-of-4 on field goal attempts last year and wasn't much better last week. The sophomore missed his first extra point try but did kick a 24-yard field goal. The Cats' on the other hand were outright sloppy against EKV. Little lost a fumble on a punt return and UK kicker Lones Seiber missed two extra-point attempts to go along with a missed 40-yard field goal attempt. Expect special teams coach Steve Ortmyer to whip his unit back into its normal solid form.

Defensive Line



Kent State didn't give up an overwhelming amount of yards against Iowa State, but 51 carries by the Cyclones offense means the Golden Flashes' defensive line had a tough time getting them off the field. Stopping the run won't get any easier for them this week with Little and company running the ball. Meanwhile, the Cats have run-stopping issues of their own. Although the Cats only allowed 130 yards on the ground last week, at times they looked vulnerable, giving up a couple of long runs to their Division I-AA opponent. Myron Pryor will be a huge boost at defensive tackle after missing the first game with a suspension.

Overall



Kent State is good — very good. Don't let the mid-major label fool you the same way it fooled Iowa State last week. The Golden Flashes bring a potent spread offense, which has given the Cats headaches in the past. Look for this game to be a lot closer than it looks on paper with the Cats finally opening the game up in the fourth quarter behind a steady running attack. Kent State will put up points, but at the end of the day, UK will be 2-0 for the first time since 2002.



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Louisville senior forward Frank Jonke, left, goes for a header against UK sophomore defender Matt Weiler in last night's game.

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midfielder J.T. Murray picked up a loose ball on the left side of the field and beat UK goalkeeper Dan Williams in the 32nd minute to make the score 3-1.

U of L finished its scoring in the 44th minute. Red-shirt freshman Simeon Steward picked up a pass from 50 yards out and scored his first goal of the season, spreading the score to 4-1 at halftime.

Despite a demoralizing first 45 minutes, the Cats came out and played a fiery second half.

"Nobody quit tonight, and that is a definite positive we can pull from this game," Swanson said.

Swanson brought the Cats back in the game. In the 55th minute, junior midfielder Chad Hagerty crossed the ball and Swanson one-timed the ball past U of L sophomore goalkeeper

David Simolike. Swanson's goal, his third of the season, made the score 4-2.

But the Cats didn't capitalize again.

"We had a ton of opportunities in both the first and the second half that we should've capitalized on," Swanson said.

After last night's loss, the Cats are looking to put the game behind them.

"We have a couple of days to regroup until our next game," Swanson said. "We've trained well and we have the fitness, we just need to toughen up mentally."

"Nobody quit tonight, and that is a definite positive we can pull from this game."

AARON SWANSON
senior forward

The Cats will try to bounce back at home on Sunday afternoon against Cleveland State.

Until then, Swanson hopes the team will learn from tonight's mistakes.

"We need to take it in stride," Swanson said. "If we can take tonight as motivation for the rest of the season, we'll be fine. We embarrassed ourselves tonight and now we just need to work to show the fans who we really are."

Ravens remain amused by Bengals receiver's antics

By Jamison Hensley
The Baltimore Sun

Last season, Chad Johnson said he would hit Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis in the mouth.

During Thursday's conference call, the loquacious Cincinnati Bengals receiver took aim at another Raven — linebacker Bart Scott.

"When you see Bart, you tell him he don't have to be so damn rude," Johnson told Baltimore reporters. "Bart is mean. I'm just trying to talk friendly (during games) and he's just cursing me out, telling me to get my (butt) back in the huddle, (expletive) me, you know, (stuff) like that."

"And this year, if he tries that again, I'm gonna hit him in the mouth."

Scott, probably the Ravens' biggest trash talker, responded with tongue firmly pressed against his cheek.

"No, I'm a nice guy," said Scott, who was wearing his "Madbacker" T-shirt. "This shirt is actually an oxymoron. I'm actually the 'Nice Happy Backer,' and whenever I see Chad I'm al-

ways shooting him comments, like: 'Nice gold (teeth). 'Hey you look good in blond.' 'Cool Mohawk.' (Pop singer) Gwen Stefani's mohawk is nothing compared to yours.' All that good stuff."

But what about Johnson's threat to hit him?

"Oh, that's Chad," Scott said. "He's such a nice guy, he wouldn't bust a grape in a food fight. I always call him the Dave Chappelle of football — non-stop entertainment — and I wish him the best in his career outside of football when he gets to that comedy stage."

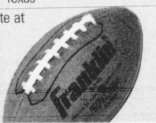
Johnson finished his conference call by promising he would put on a show Monday night.

"I don't know if y'all allowed to have popcorn wherever y'all sitting at, but you need to get some," he said. "It's like going to the movies. When you watch a horror movie, you sit on the edge of your seat and you don't know what's coming. That's the same thing when I'm playing — you don't know what's coming. You know something's going to happen."

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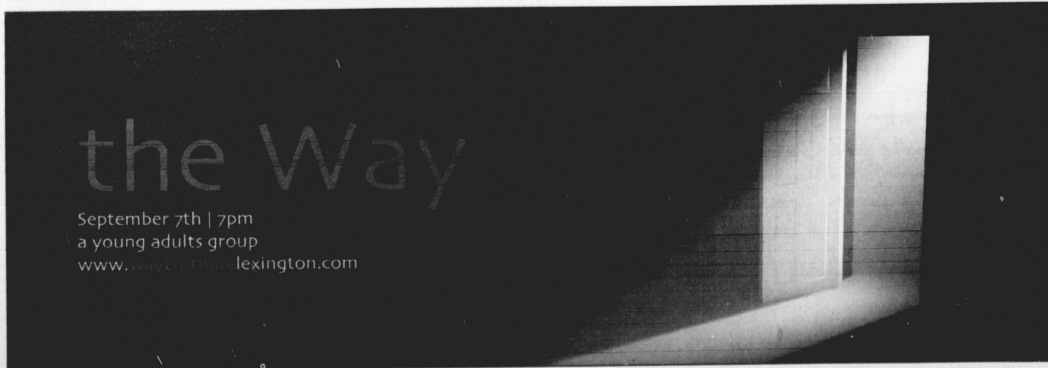
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framebyframe | This week's box office hits and misses

New 'Halloween' provides all tricks and no treats

By Ricky Simpson
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Halloween

starring Malcolm McDowell,
Dag Farcir

An old monster lives again and this time a zombie created him... Rob Zombie (The Devil's Rejects) decided to revamp the 1978 John Carpenter script, Halloween, though for the most part the story stays the same. Except for the fact that they spend the first hour of the movie watching the young Michael Myers spiral into his deranged butcher-knife-wielding state, the movie is the same as the original.

Audiences will sit through stabbing after stabbing while promiscuous teenagers become unexpected victims of the psychotic Myers. Zombie actually toned down the gore for this film but still made his mark on the reprisal with his trademark vulgarity. There is uncomfortable and unnecessary language in this film with every character dropping the f-bomb at least once. Also, almost every significant female character in the movie removes her clothes. There is so much unnecessary crudeness in this script it is actually distracting. Despite the raunchiness,

Myers strangled the competition in the film's opening weekend, grossing over 30 million dollars. Don't be scared of Zombie's "Halloween," it's not worse than the original, it's just not any better. Grade: C

Opening Today
3:10 to Yuma
starring Russell Crowe, Christian Bale

A rancher agrees to hold a captured criminal as he waits for his train to Yuma. Eventually the criminal attempts to outsmart his captor as a mental battle unfolds.

Shoot 'Em Up
starring Clive Owen, Monica Bellucci, Paul Giamatti

A gang of hit men take aim at a young mother (Bellucci) until a not-so-common bystander (Owen) jumps in to rescue the woman and her child.

The Brothers Solomon
starring Will Arnett, Will Forte, Jenna Fischer

Two brothers want to give their dying father a grandson before he passes but are absolutely socially incompetent and have no chance of finding a mother for their child in the traditional sense.

Psychedelic 'Apples' to oscillate on campus

By Whitney Waters
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Lexington will get a bite out of a different kind of apple this weekend. Psychedelic, electronic rock band Silver Apples will perform, along with The Moon Upstairs and two Lexington-based bands, Warner Milks and Diagram A. The show is tonight at 8 in Memorial Hall and is sponsored by WRFL.

Silver Apples stemmed from the five-member, 1960s rock group, The Overland Stage Electric Band, after singer, Simeon Cox, who goes by Simeon, began to use a pre-World War II oscillator during shows. An oscillator is an electric device that measures input and output in order to produce a signal or wave used in electronic music.

The introduction of the oscillator sparked waves through audiences but hit a sour note with the rest of the band as slowly, one by one, members left the group. Eventually, only drummer Danny Taylor remained.

"Me and the drummer were perfectly happy with the sound," Simeon said. "We just tried to find a way to do this with just the oscillator and drums."

Simeon and Taylor performed their first show as Silver Apples in 1967. The name Silver Apples came from the final stanza in the William Butler Yeats poem, "The Song of Wandering Aengus."

"It's a trippy, psychedelic poem," Simeon said. "As a kid, I had it on my wall as kind of an inspirational thing."

The poem mentions "the silver apples of the moon, and the golden apples of the sun." Being in New York City and not California, the band thought that "silver apples" was more fitting as a name. Simeon said.

"If we had been in California, I'm sure we would have went with golden apple instead," Simeon said.

Silver Apples was one of the first bands to use the sounds oscillators produce. The instrument Simeon uses now was designed by him and consists of two old analog oscillators and a modern sound sampler.

"I was one of the first in a rock band," Simeon said. "The pure electronic sound was the reason why I was attracted to it."

Since the 1960s, Silver Apples has gone through many changes, some of them tragic. Simeon was in a car accident in 1999 that resulted in a spinal cord injury limiting the use of his limbs, and Taylor died in March of 2005.

Over time, Simeon has been able to regain the use of his limbs, though he has had to alter the way he performs on stage.

"I lost some dexterity in my fingers, so I don't play the keyboard very well anymore," Simeon said. "But I've made up for it by doing a lot of the older songs I did before Silver Apples."

The accident made him go back toward his original sound, Simeon said.

The opportunity to tour again came when Gifted Children Records asked Simeon to go on the road with Moon Upstairs to support the record label and both bands' new material.

The love Simeon had for his music helped him decide to tour again, this time as a solo artist.

"Musicians love to perform their music," Simeon said. "So far it's working out fine."

"I'm not your everyday rock band," Simeon said. "I'm close to unique if not unique."

Church holds holy 'quest' this weekend

By Jana Atcher
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Instead of its namesake's reputation for alternative bands, Questapalooza brings some Christian acts to Lexington.

"We're throwing a party for the city of Lexington that we love," said Amy Watts, event publicity team leader, who has been a member and volunteer at the church since May 2002.

The event will be held Sunday from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Quest Community Church campus on Sporting Court behind the Meijer on Nicholasville Road.

"From the minute people park, they are having fun," Watts said.

The event features TobyMac, a Grammy award winning music artist, and other recording artists such as Starfield and Foolish Things. It also will include a freestyle motocross performance by Thomas Alves, fair rides for all ages and a giveaway of a 2007 Honda CRV.

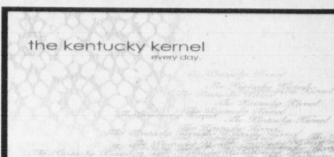
Questapalooza drew in an estimated 3,000 people last year and organizers hope to attract more students with increased publicity.

"We want to reach out to the college community," said DeWayne Tador, college ministry leader, who has been a church member since Sept. 11, 2005. "It is a big, broad stroke of people and (Questapalooza) has only grown on its ability to create fun."

This event also has a canned food drive for God's Pantry Food Bank to help feed the homeless population of Lexington, Watts said.

Tickets are on sale now at the official Web site (www.questapalooza.com), at Quest's bookstore located within the church, at Joseph Beth Booksellers in Lexington and at Serenity Bookstore in Nicholasville.

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KERNEL EDITORIALS

Don't patronize hookah lounge's student patrons

In Lexington, smokers inside public establishments are a rarity because of the city's smoking ban. But that changed slightly with the opening of one place: Prince Hookah Lounge on South Limestone Street.

Although some may view this store's opening as a sidestep around the smoking ban, polluting public air, we see it as a positive move for the community.

Prince Hookah is Lexington's first hookah lounge and is not controlled by the smoking ban because more than half its sales come from tobacco products, a recent Kernel article reported.

If the ban's purpose is to protect those who don't want to be exposed to smoke in public places, it seems appropriate that the ordinance shouldn't apply to Prince Hookah.

Because the lounge is practically a designated smoke-free area, and because it markets itself around smoking hookah, no person with common sense would go to the lounge not expecting a smoke-filled room.

If a person wants to enjoy a coffee shop without smoke, there are multitudes to choose from in Lexington and this establishment can act as one of the

few places that doesn't force smokers outside.

Further, some have suggested that the hookah lounge and its proximity to campus would attract more students to start smoking regularly. This is an insulating statement.

The vast majority of UK students, many of whom have grown up in a tobacco state, are well aware of the health consequences of smoking tobacco. It doesn't make sense to suggest a student would not make the same connection with hookahs.

Whether or not students choose to smoke — cigarettes or hookah — is their choice. Although it may not be a healthy decision, it is one they make conscious of the health hazards and is not something they're lured into — especially through hookahs.

If anything, Prince Hookah gives Lexington a new option for smokers while introducing some culture to the nightlife landscape that wasn't seen before. In addition, a UK student is a co-owner of the lounge, showing that young entrepreneurs can contribute to this city.

The health aspects, good or bad, are the users' choice and have no place in the judgment of the lounge.

Don't waste potential of SG freshman group

The overhaul of Student Government's freshman program is a good idea in theory, but it could become a revision in name only if SG leaders don't execute it carefully.

What used to be the Freshman Representative Council is now the Leadership Development Program — a renaming that SG officials say reflects the program's new focus.

"I didn't think the name FRC really summed up what it was," said SG Vice President Brittany Langdon in an Aug. 31 Kernel story. "It is not really a representative council, but about leaders on campus. We wanted to change the program as a whole."

It's sensible for the program to emphasize leadership instead of representation, especially since there are already spots reserved for freshmen in the SG Senate. What SG officials need to do now is ensure that the LDP's role lives up to its name.

Under SG's guidance, LDP members should be planning events, dealing with administrators and working with a budget — the kinds of things campus

leaders do every day. Hearing guest speakers and networking with upper-classmen can be worthwhile, but what prospective leaders really need is hands-on experience.

SG President Nick Phelps said he expects the revamped program to help with freshman retention. To do that, the program should be oriented outward — that is, LDP members should be interacting with fellow freshmen from all kinds of social circles and bringing their thoughts back to SG. If SG officials don't know what freshmen — especially those who are most at risk of dropping out — are thinking, they won't be able to work on the retention problem.

Above all, Phelps and Langdon need to recognize that the LDP is only the start of the overhaul process. They should take an active role in reshaping the program by evaluating its progress throughout the school year and making adjustments as necessary.

If students from outside SG aren't seeing the LDP involved in campus life, that would be a good sign the new program is failing.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Recent violence statistics aren't reassuring

A recent article on the slight drop in sexual assaults on UK's campus emphasized that the amount of women who feel safe on the campus has jumped from 16.4 percent to 31.7 percent. In the following paragraph, it says that the amount of sexual assaults has fallen slightly, but that the drop was not statistically significant enough to get excited about the changes taking place.

My question is this: If women feel safer at our parties, in our dorm rooms and walking around the campus, but they essentially have the same probability of being assaulted, is that really hitting the mark? I want to go to a school where perception is not seen as reality.

Also in the article was a quote by Carol Jordan, the director of the UK Center for Research on Violence Against Women, who said, "Too often

it is another student committing the assault, which signifies that we need to do education about what is appropriate and what is not." To the contrary, we know that a very small number of men are committing this violence against women, and that, according to the Department of Justice, nine out of 10 of them are repeat offenders.

Knowing this, I do not think that telling them what they should and should not be doing will be sufficient to convince them to stop abusing and stalking women.

Rather, it is up to us — the men and women who are not perpetrating the violence but witness it in covert and overt forms every day — to step up and make sure that this campus actually becomes safer.

Shea Leibfried
Social work freshman

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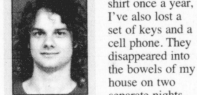


BRAD STURGEON, Kernel cartoonist

Losing that cell phone could gain you some freedom

My house has been known to eat things.

On top of a couple pairs of socks now and then and maybe a T-shirt once a year, I've also lost a set of keys and a cell phone. They disappeared into the bowels of my house on two separate nights, never to be seen again. I tried to find them — I looked for two solid days. Nothing.



SEAN ROSE
Kernel columnist

Losing the keys was hard, but losing my cell phone was harder. Suddenly I was thrust into a world of social darkness. I had friends, but they couldn't reach me, and I couldn't reach them. Theoretically, I could contact them through a landline, perhaps. But theory doesn't last long without substance.

I knew these people had phone numbers, but why memorize those when they're easily storable in a contacts list? My situation grew increasingly grim. It would be a long road of recovering numbers. Not all my friends and acquaintances are put together enough to possess a Facebook account or maintain a working e-mail address.

I've recovered nicely since then. There are a few numbers I'll never get back, but it's all right since they haven't warranted many calls recently

anyway. But weeks of regaining numbers opened my eyes to something besides the wisdom of backing up a phone number list: We are a people who thrive on contact.

So what happened when people lacked cell phones? When people were grounded to a landline or, even more primitive in our minds, when people met for face to face contact?

Now you can go anywhere and still be in contact, the advertisements say. But by grounding communication to your person, doesn't that make you less free?

Think about it. When someone meets friends for a party, what's one of the first things he or she does upon arriving? Whip out the phone and verify a location. "Where are you?" "Am I at the right house?" "How late are you?"

Now think about our parents as college students in the same situation. They show up and wait. Or just rely on their friends being there. Or look around. Or meet someone else.

Cell phones are supposed to free people and make communication wireless — now you can go anywhere and still be in contact, the advertisements say. But by grounding communication to a place but to your per-

son, doesn't that make you less free? You're always reachable, and your friends are as well. You're never too far out of your social bubble. Instead of being comfortable with being unreachable — essentially being alone — we've embraced constant contact with this new "freedom" that comes with cell phones.

Instead of relying on running into people or meeting them face to face, this freedom has cheapened that interaction into something considered inefficient or simply not easy enough.

But it's also taken away the experience of being alone. And time alone when the voice of a friend is only a speed dial selection away is never truly time alone. This may not seem like a bad thing, and it isn't. But it is an indication of people's intolerance with being alone, even for a short time. How many of us, myself included, have passed the time between classes with a call home or to a roommate?

Although it's more uncomfortable than being close to friends, a person can learn and see much when alone, mostly how to be comfortable with the feeling. And once someone can appreciate being alone, separated from social familiarities, one can appreciate the times close to friends even more.

Of course cell phones aren't the end of growing comfortable with being alone. But if my reaction to losing mine is typical of other students, we could all benefit from separating ourselves from the freedom of constant communication.

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The fight for sexual freedom didn't end with Plan B approval

Last month marked the one-year anniversary of federal approval of Plan B emergency contraception for over-the-counter sale. While folks



CARRIE BASS
Kernel columnist

everywhere should celebrate this historic and important step in sexual and reproductive freedom, it is necessary to continue to push for our rights in this area.

Access to Plan B continues to be limited by pharmacist refusals to dispense the drug and limited access for those under 18. The refusal of pharmacies and pharmacists to dispense Plan B is most harmful to individuals who are already hindered by socioeconomic factors.

Most middle- and upper-class citizens can order Plan B from the Internet or drive to a pharmacy that does sell Plan B. For those of restricted economic means, who are less likely to have access to birth control, contraceptives or general sexual health education, traveling to a distant locale may not be a possibility.

Access to Plan B is an even greater trial for minors, who are the victims of the ineffective abstinence-

only policies in place in most public schools.

Nor is Plan B the only front on which the battle to restrict sexual and reproductive freedom is being fought. University clinics across the nation have seen a drastic rise in the cost of prescription birth control as a result of federal mandates. Sadly, though the Kernel reported on the impending rise in prescription birth control on UK's campus last semester, few seemed to realize or react to this information.

The rise in prescription birth control in clinics on college campuses and in institutions like Planned Parenthood that offer financially based discounts is deeply troubling. There is a reason that these are the venues that have historically offered discounted prices: College students, citizens under 18 and citizens restricted by economic factors are the most at risk for unplanned and unwanted pregnancies, yet the least able to afford the astronomical prices of prescription birth control.

While access to prescription birth control faces a major setback, the right to an abortion in the first trimester as guaranteed by Roe v. Wade is being slowly chipped away by anti-choice programs and legislation.

Kentucky is one of the many states requiring a waiting period between the initial consultation and the

actual procedure. During this time, women are given anti-choice literature and no information from a pro-choice perspective. No state requires that women be informed of the many health risks of carrying a pregnancy term, and yet women are denied immediate access to a procedure that may be in the best interest of their physical and emotional well-being.

Finally, despite the recent discovery of a vaccination for the cancer-causing strains of human papillomavirus, the public remains largely unaware of the widespread nature of this virus and most insurance companies continue to deny coverage of the expensive vaccination shot. No test has been developed to detect HPV in men, though they can infect their partners, and men carrying certain strains of HPV are more at risk for testicular and prostate cancers.

Let's be grateful for the fact that Plan B, even in its limited availability, is accessible, when it was not just a year ago. However, it is important not to forget that access to Plan B is just one part of one's sexual health and reproductive freedom, which includes equal access to prescription birth control, ready access to a first-trimester abortion, freedom from sexually transmitted diseases and infections, and a complete sexual education.

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achievement. At the heart of the event is a three-day street festival running tonight through Sunday on Elm Tree Lane.

The street festival will have two stages for live entertainment along with a heritage parade Saturday at 9 a.m. from Martin Luther King Boulevard to Fifth Street to Race Street.

About 150 booths featuring vendors from all around the country will be set up selling African-American art pieces, books and other cultural works, Grundy said.

Other events at the festival, which is funded by the Lexington government, personal donations and local businesses, in-

clude plays, stories and a fashion show, said Grundy, who stepped down as one of the festival leaders six years ago.

"Community development is not only on economic levels, but cultural development is important as well," Grundy said.

Kendra Holloman, a student worker at the Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center, compared the festival to a big family reunion.

African-Americans can gather with other members of the community and learn new things about their culture, Holloman said.

"There's something new to do or something new to learn every year," she said. "The festival pulls in all sorts of different audiences, not just African-Americans, but people from other ethnicities as well."

Since its beginning, Grundy

said cultural icons such as Jerry Butler, The Stylistics, Johnny Copeland and many other African-American entertainers have performed on the street festival's stages.

The S.O.S. Band, a rhythm and blues band that had many hits in the 70s and 80s, is headlining Saturday evening's musical performances. Other acts this weekend include Tank and gospel singer Vicki Winans, Holloman said.

The community event is culturally significant, Grundy said, because it gives young African-Americans perspective.

"You have to get a sense of what your past is before you know what your future can be," Grundy said.

More information about the Roots and Heritage Festival is available at its Web site (www.rootsand-heritagefestival.com).

RETIREMENT

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Although there are no definite dates yet, Stauffer said she will be meeting with deans of colleges to discuss how involved each college will be with Limestone Crossing.

Right now, Limestone Crossing is still in the research phase, Holbrook said, which includes gathering information and money.

When 300 people make a \$1,000 deposit to Limestone Crossing, each depositor will be asked to put 10 percent down on a house or apartment, Holbrook said. When about 240 have put 10 percent down, construction will begin.

Construction is expected to take 18 months, leading to the projected 2013 completion date.

A majority of Limestone Crossing's residents are expect-

ed to be UK alumni, Holbrook said.

However, potential residents are not required to be UK alumni nor will they receive any special priority, he said. The first wave of marketing, though, will focus on UK graduates.

"They get the first mailing," Holbrook said. "That's the first target group."

The director of Limestone Crossing's board of directors, Alice Sparks, turned in her deposit check yesterday. The first person on the community's waiting list, Sparks said she is excited to see Limestone Crossing finally being built.

"It's fun when you're doing something you know is going to be great," Sparks said.

Sparks, a former member of UK's Board of Trustees, said the years of work on the retirement community project have been difficult but worthwhile.

"It's been a labor of love, and certainly this is just the beginning of things," Sparks said.

UKPD offers citizen police training

STAFF REPORT

Students can get a glimpse of what it's like to be a police officer by participating in an eight-week police training class that begins Monday.

The UK Police Department is offering its first Citizen Police Academy this semester, free to anyone in the UK and Lexington community. The class meets for three hours each Monday beginning next week.

UK police and other police agencies throughout the U.S. provide the class to improve communication and understanding within their communities. The course covers a tour of the facility, an overview of criminal law and arrest procedures, firearm instruction, self-defense tactics and other police training.

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