



Calendar ideas

No Big Whoop!

How easy would it be to extend fall break a day or two? Starting classes earlier would be a small price for a break comparable to Spring Break. In honor of a desired change, here are a couple of reasons why Fall Break should be like Spring Break.

The water is still warm enough to take a dip as far up as Myrtle Beach.

Hotel rates are so cheap it makes driving there look expensive. So what if the beds are more used than the Lincoln bedroom. Few will have a very hard time passing out in them.

For that matter, everything is cheap. How 'bout 75% off sales at the junky tourist traps?

Can you say 80 and sunny. No really, say it right now, out loud. Now doesn't that sound like a good idea?

More time could be spent studying for the LSAT.

Aloe and Sunscreen sales are so low at this point; maybe Panama Jack could sponsor UK. Just think, everyone would be walking around with golden tans, in nice Nike apparel smelling like the tropics. We could be the best looking campus in the Mid South states between Tennessee and Indiana — oh wait, we already are!

Everyone needs a break once in awhile.

Dream with me for a second. A UK-sponsored fall break complete with 20 buses to Panama City, Florida would love us so much for increased sales that they would probably give us free orange juice and tacky souvenirs. Hey, if we choose, we would be drinking off campus. No harm, no foul! Maybe Westinghouse would float the security deposits!

Critique

How are we doing?

Do you like "Left of Center"? Are we doing a good job at entertaining you for 20 seconds a day? Any and all responses should go to raill_editor@hotmail.com. It is very easy to do, we know that you e-mail at least once a day. It would take all of a minute.

THE 411

Tomorrow's weather



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Hi Lo
April showers bring May... well, a second, it's not April yet. Sunny early next week.

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ACADEMIA

Pushing retention rates up

By Nita Jo Brewer
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Though UK's Strategic Plan Report showed student retention at the University is steadily improving, figures are still low, a university official said.

Even though the numbers show a slow but steady improvement in retention and graduation rates, the gap between students who begin their education and students who receive a degree is still hovering around the 50% range, said Phillip Kraemer, dean of undergraduate studies.

Some faculty members are concerned with the low graduation rates.

"It seems to be that one half of the students who start here, don't finish here," said James Albisetti, a professor in the history department.

"They may finish some-

where else, but we have no way of tracking them."

Administrators say they have a definite plan to continue increasing the number of students returning to their studies each year. Several programs have been implemented to encourage students to continue attending classes and pursuing degrees.

The Office of Central Advising, comprised of full-time advisors who deal with only those students who have yet to declare a major, is the major force in the effort, said Vicky Schankula, an advisor for undeclared students.

Within this office, programs in place to assist students include a peer mentoring program and the Early Alert Student Intervention program, she said.

Advisors in the office also make a point to keep in close contact with their advisees by

making periodic phone calls and setting up meetings to check on their progress.

This personal attention and support is designed to help freshmen stay active and positive, Schankula said.

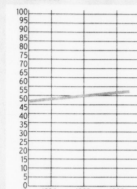
"A very important factor on student retention is whether or not a student makes a connection with a 'significant other' during their first or second semester," Schankula said.

That "significant other" may be an advisor, counselor, instructor, or upperclassman. Support, stress management, and resolution of conflict can all be attained through advisors, Schankula said.

"Good advising is a key ingredient in students' successfully attaining their college degree," she said. "I think it's really important that student's make use of their academic advisors."

Holding on

Overall retention rates for the past three graduating classes:



Class of 1996: 47 percent

Class of 1997: 50 percent

Class of 1998: 52 percent

Series Matchups

By John Dobson
ASST. SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

New York Mets vs. Atlanta

Records:	
New York: 97-65	Atlanta: 103-59
Season Series Record: Atlanta won, 3-3	
Comparison:	
Category	Advantage
Pitching	Atlanta Braves
Batting	New York Mets
Defense	New York Mets
Experience	Atlanta Braves
Series Winner	Atlanta Braves

Arizona vs. Houston

Records:	
Arizona: 100-62	Houston: 97-65
Season Series Record: Arizona won, 5-4	
Comparison:	
Category	Advantage
Pitching	Houston Astros
Batting	Arizona Diamondbacks
Defense	Houston Astros
Experience	Houston Astros
Series Winner	Houston Astros

Houston will have to overcome Randy Johnson's presence in the Arizona rotation to advance — the Big Unit could see action in two of the series' five games."

Texas vs. New York Yankees

Records:	
New York: 98-64	Texas: 95-67
Season Series Record: Yankees won, 8-4	
Comparison:	
Category	Advantage
Pitching	New York Yankees
Batting	New York Yankees
Defense	Texas Rangers
Experience	New York Yankees
Series Winner	New York Yankees

Boston vs. Cleveland

Records:	
Boston: 94-68	Cleveland: 97-65
Season Series Record: Boston won, 8-4	
Comparison:	
Category	Advantage
Pitching	Boston Red Sox
Batting	Cleveland Indians
Defense	Cleveland Indians
Experience	Cleveland Indians
Series Winner	Boston Red Sox



Derek Jeter will help try and lead New York back to the World Series as he and the Yankees will try to defend their world title.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Playoff time in the majors

By John Dobson
ASST. SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

Now, it's autumn — officially. With the regular season complete, baseball is ready to show off the brilliance of its version of October color.

Eight teams have staved off elimination through the rigors of the 162-game season, with the Mets surviving a 163rd game. By the end of the month, one will stand alone as champion of the final World Series of the 1990s.

Which teams have the best chance to withstand October's initial test? My analysis follows.

New York vs. Atlanta
Bobby Valentine has finally reached the postseason — unfortunately for him, the team standing in their way is the best team in baseball — the Atlanta Braves.

The Mets must cast aside the thrill of

last night's wild-card win over the Cincinnati Reds and focus their attention on the Atlanta Braves, baseball's most successful franchise over the past decade.

Atlanta has baseball's best record, and has had little difficulty in the first round of the playoffs since the Division Series' inception in 1965. New York hasn't seen the playoffs since 1968, and was systematically dismantled by Bobby Cox's team in September.

Don't expect a free ride to the second round for Atlanta, however. The Mets are an exceptionally talented ball club; any team that can lay claim to names such as Piazza, Ventura and Olerud should have a decent shot.

It won't be enough, though, as Maddux, Glavine and Smoltz won't allow their team to be eliminated so early. Braves in four.

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STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Their own ad agency at UK

Jessica Story
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

One year after separating from the Ad Club, Grehan Associates, UK's student-run advertising and public relations agency, has experienced a burst of new life.

"The separation has allowed us to become a stronger, more functional agency," said Chris Rogers, a political science and integrated strategic communications junior who is vice-president of the agency.

Integrated strategic communications junior Eddie Groves, president of the agency, said that before the separation, their advisor, Rick Roth, would announce during Ad Club meetings that he needed volunteers to work on an advertising project for a client.

The student members would then plan a time to meet and work on the project in their spare time, in addition to the other activities that the Ad Club

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Making change

By Brian Granger
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

One Million Pennies. That's what the United Way is trying to raise at UK in the coming months. The Million Pennies Project, which kicked off today, is an attempt to raise \$10,000 for the organization, and is sponsored by the Student Development Council.

"We're trying to encourage students to donate to charities at a young age so that it'll become second nature to them when they're older," said Tyler Powell, council co-chair of the campaign.

UK is one of six schools in Kentucky to participate in this project. Eastern Kentucky, Georgetown, and Transylvania are all trying to raise \$10,000 each, while smaller colleges Asbury and Berea will attempt to raise \$2500 each.

Papa John's donated pizza and soda for yesterday's kickoff. While it wasn't necessary to donate money to receive pizza, Powell said students should try to give whatever they can.

"I don't have a lot of money, but if I did I'd give more money to charities, as I have in the past," said junior, Michael McKay, a history major.

Nickels, dimes, quarters, and bills will also be collected, despite the project's name.

"We ask that people give whatever they can. There is no minimum to donate, but we do like to see money that folds," Powell said.

Students aren't the only ones who are allowed to donate. Faculty and staff are also encouraged. How the money will be used has yet to be determined.

"The donations will be turned over to the United Way, and they will disperse the money however they see fit," said Powell. Money could go towards development of a YMCA or to a battered women's shelter.

The project will be an on-going event running through mid-November, with collection jars being spread throughout buildings on campus, and at various events that take place.

Many students are strong supporters of charity organizations, although they might not necessarily be the United Way.

"Charities are a great thing because they raise money to help find solutions to problems," said Kristen Queen, an accounting sophomore. "I give money annually to the Jerry Lewis telethon, which raises money to fight muscular dystrophy."

While the overall goal is to raise \$10,000, Powell said that UK is in a competition to get the entire million pennies.

"We'd like to beat the other schools participating in this event, and the only way we can do this is with support from everybody on campus," Powell said.

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down

Russian plane shot down in Chechnya

GROZNY, Russia — As Russian tanks and infantry thrust deeper into Chechnya yesterday, Chechen forces shot down a Russian warplane, killing the pilot, the Interfax news agency reported. At least four regions in eastern Chechnya were hit by rocket fire, and two areas of central Chechnya were bombed, the territory's Deputy Prime Minister Kazbek Makhashev said. Russian forces have been advancing steadily to establish a security zone along the borders of the republic's mountainous borders. But the military buildup has raised fears that there could be a repeat of the 1994-96 civil war in the republic.

Clinton: Uninsured rise expected

Illegal drug use is wrong. The district government and the United States government should never condone it, regardless of the professed purpose."

Republican Sen. George Voinovich, who introduced legislation on Monday to overturn a referendum in which District of Columbia voters overwhelmingly approved legalization of marijuana for medical uses.

WASHINGTON — President Clinton said yesterday that no one should be surprised by the increase in the number of Americans who lack health insurance. "What has happened is exactly what we said would happen," the president said, referring to Congress' refusal in 1994 to enact the universal health insurance plan written by his wife.

Apartheid doctor goes on trial

PRETORIA, South Africa — Conflicting pictures emerged yesterday when Dr. Wouter Basson, a brigadier who headed South Africa's chemical and biological warfare program under apartheid, went on trial for murder and other charges. Prosecutors depicted a man who committed monstrous acts against opponents of white rule - while colleagues described a caring doctor they maintain is being made into a scapegoat.

Voucher supporters hail court ruling

WASHINGTON — Supporters of school vouchers yesterday lauded a Supreme Court decision to allow Arizona to give tax breaks to people who donate money for scholarships at religious schools. Opponents called the Arizona program a flagrant violation of the constitutionally required separation of church and state. The action comes at a time when the political debate over tuition vouchers is heating up, sparked by Florida's adoption of the nation's first statewide voucher program.

State Farm ordered to pay \$456M

MARION, Ill. — In a lawsuit accusing the na-



PLAYBOY VENTURA: MINNEAPOLIS — Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura's state popularity dropped sharply from 73 points to 54 following his *Playboy* Magazine interview in which he belittled those in organized religion plus a variety of others, a poll released by the Minneapolis Star Tribune on yesterday showed.



TERMINATOR: Arnold Schwarzenegger is quieting on rumors that he plans to run for governor of California. "I have thought about it many times, but I'm in show business," said Schwarzenegger, 52. "I am in the middle of my career. Why would I go away from that and jump into something else?"

tion's largest car insurer of using inferior parts for auto body repairs, a jury yesterday ordered State Farm to pay \$456 million to 4.7 million customers. The case dealt with State Farm's use of "aftermarket" parts, which are modeled on the original door panels, fenders or other parts but are not made to factory specifications.

West Bank-Gaza Strip accord near

JERUSALEM — Terms for the first-ever safe route between the West Bank and Gaza Strip were agreed on by Palestinian and Israeli negotiators yesterday, leaving final approval of the deal with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. Prime Minister Ehud Barak has approved the terms, chief Israeli negotiator Shlomo Ben-Ami said. Ben-Ami, who is also Public Security Minister, said the agreement brought a "new atmosphere" to the talks, which were revived last month.

Study: kids may smoke to lose weight

CHICAGO — Youngsters who want to lose weight are more likely to experiment with cigarettes, researchers reported in the October issue of the journal *Pediatrics*. "Girls who were unhappy with their appearance were twice as likely to think about using tobacco," said Dr. Alison Field of Harvard Medical School, one of the study's authors. Children were asked questions about their weight, including what, if anything, they were doing to lose weight. The study looked at more than 16,000 children, ages 9 to 14.

IBM, AT&T to offer businesses web

NEW YORK — IBM and AT&T Corp. are pooling their considerable market heft to offer small- and mid-sized businesses a combined package of products and services to help them set up Web sites for handling transactions, sales and communications. IBM plans to sell computers and software for running the Web sites while AT&T will provide Internet connections to customers. The price for the package starts at \$35,000, said a source familiar with the alliance, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Stocks end 128.23 higher

NEW YORK — Stocks rose sharply yesterday, led by financial and telecommunication issues. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 128.23 to close at 10,401.23. On the NYSE, gainers led losers 1,729 to 1,263. The Nasdaq was up 59.14 at 2,795.99.

Broncos' Davis out for season

DENVER — Denver running back Terrell Davis, the NFL's MVP, will miss the rest of the season because of a knee injury, a crushing blow to the 0-4 defending champion Broncos. Davis tore ligaments and cartilage in his right knee while making a tackle Sunday.

GREHAN

Continued from page 1

held, such as resume workshops, agency tours and securing public speakers.

By separating from the Ad Club, the agency is free to concentrate solely on maintaining clients and performing services for them on a regular basis, Rogers said. Also, the Ad Club typically met only once a month, while the Grehan Associates now meet weekly.

Due to such changes, membership in the agency has jumped immensely.

"When I joined three years ago, there were only three members," Groves said, "now attendance has increased quite a bit, depending on people's schedule."

At the agency's first meeting, the officers announced that the current client list now includes the UK Career Center, Lexington Children's Museum, UK Central Advising and Student Transfer Center, and other non-profit organizations.

"Clients are generated through Integrated Strategic Communications faculty referrals, as well as member's prospecting," Rogers said.

The agency is working on flyers, newspaper advertisements, questionnaires, and press releases for a project for UK Advising Week in October.

"The agency can handle a variety of services for clients, ranging from creative design to press releases," Rogers said.

Grehan Associates is a non-profit organization, so services are performed at no charge to the client, excluding the cost of supplies, she added.

It is a win-win situation for both clients and members of the agency, Rogers said.

"Students profit by gaining an impressive credential to add to their resume, in addition to accumulating pieces to enhance their portfolio and clients greatly benefit from having all publications produced at no cost," she said.

Grehan Associates continues to raise its membership, through flyers and announcements at Ad Club meetings, and more and more students are discovering the benefits the agency has to offer.

When first-year member Jane Ashley Pace found out about the organization this year, she joined up.

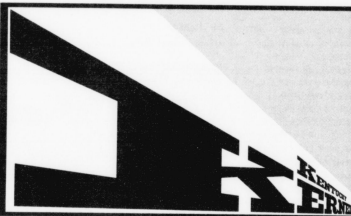
"Since I have not had the opportunity to perform an internship yet, this is a perfect way for me to gain advertising and public relations experience," she said.

GOOFS

Corrections

An item in Friday's "Left of Center" should have said Oct. 23 is the last day to withdraw from a course. Sept. 23 is the last day to withdraw from a course and still get a refund.

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Todd Burriss, psychology major at UK, surveys El Horrendo, the toughest section of the Russell Fork River. Many whitewater enthusiasts say the Russell Fork is one of the toughest runs to navigate when fall dam releases unleash a torrent of water into the river.

GOOD TIMES

Helping the Russell Fork

By Andrew Feight
STAFF WRITER

This past weekend UK students joined hundreds of other outdoor enthusiasts from throughout the nation at the Russell Forks River Rendezvous.

"It's all about music and no cops," said Aaron Lasley, a UK architecture sophomore.

"The right people, right energy, and right location."

Organized by Brent Austin, a UK Law School alumnus, the river and music festival was really more than just an opportunity to party. The festival raises money for non-profit organizations that help the people and environment of Appalachia, Austin said.

A number of UK students took advantage of their Fall Break and showed up early on Friday afternoon at Kiwanis Park, which sits above the coal-mining town of Haysi, Virginia. Some students came to paddle the river, others to relax and enjoy the twelve bands that played throughout the weekend on the park's stage. Some

brought their own bongos and joined the drumming circles that surrounded the festival's three bonfires.

The Russell Fork River is one of the top three whitewater rivers in the eastern United States. Chris Higrave, a nationally renowned paddler, won the annual river race, the highlight of Saturday's activities.

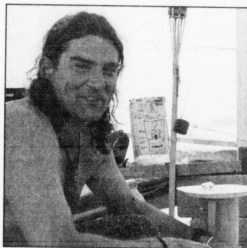
The Rendezvous raised money for three non-profit organizations: Appalshop, the American Whitewater Affiliation, and the Headwaters Association.

Appalshop, which began as a War on Poverty project in the 1960s, is a media arts and cultural center designed to celebrate the culture and voice the concerns of people living in the Appalachian Mountains.

American Whitewater, through educational programs and lobbying efforts, seeks to "conserve and restore America's white-water resources and to enhance opportunities to enjoy them safely," said Barry Grimes, a board member of the organization.

Organized as a result of President Clinton's American Heritage River Initiative, Headwaters maintains and improves the quality of environmental, historic, economic

and cultural resources within the Big Sandy Watershed of Kentucky and Virginia, said Jerry Elkins, a board member and founder.



Andrew Feight | KERNEL STAFF

Brent Austin, the Rendezvous organizer - attorney by day, kayaker by weekends.

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TUESDAY 10/5

Academics:
Free Math 109 and 123 Tutoring, Rm 119 Student Center. Sign up in Advance, call 7-6959 for more info.
International Creative Writing Workshop, 8:30-9pm, Rm 302A of the Commons, FREE
Rm Life Tutoring: Eng 101, 6:30-9pm, Holmes Study Lounge and Commons 308B
Rm Life Tutoring: Spanish, 7-9pm, Holmes Classroom and Higgins Lounge
Rm Life Tutoring: French, 6-9pm, Commons 306
Rm Life Tutoring: Math, 6-10pm, Commons 306A
Rm Life Tutoring: History 108/109, 6-9:30pm, Commons 306
Orientation for Internships: Cooperative Education and Shadowing, 2-4pm, Rm 111 Student Center
Arts/Movies:
P. 4:15 Meeting, 7:30pm, Baptist Student Center
Rm Life Tutoring: Chemistry, 7-9pm, Commons 306A
Golden Key National Honor Society Meeting, 7:30pm, Rm 228 Student Center
Bourier Board Meeting, 7pm, Rm 203 Student Center
Krewe Thump Recycling Meeting, 7:30pm, Rm 106 Student Center
Religious:
Rm Life Tutoring: Life is Beautiful, 7:30pm, Wortham Theatre, \$2, sponsored by SAB
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UK Theatre Dept presents: DESEGRATION, 8pm, Briggs Theatre, call 257-4929 for ticket info
Recreation:
Intermarriage Recreation
Ultimate Frisbee Club Practice, 6-8pm, Band Field
Intermarriage Swim Meet Entry Deadline for meet on 10/17, enter in Room 140 Student Center by 4pm
Sports:
Rm Life Tutoring: 3:30pm, Baptist Student Union
UK Rugby Practice, 6-9pm, club sports field
Special Events:
UK Women's Volleyball vs. LSI, 2pm, Memorial Coliseum, FREE; call 7-4929 for ticket info

WEDNESDAY 10/6

Academics:
Rm Life Tutoring: Eng 101, 6:30-9pm, Holmes Classroom and Commons 308B
Rm Life Tutoring: Chemistry, 7-9pm, Commons 306A
Rm Life Tutoring: French, 7-9pm, Commons 306
Rm Life Tutoring: Spanish, 7-9pm, Commons 306
Rm Life Tutoring: Math, 6-10pm, Commons 306A
Rm Life Tutoring: History 108/109, 6-9:30pm, Commons 306
Arts/Movies:
SAB Indoor Activities Committee Meeting, 5pm, 203 Student Center
Auditorium
UK Life Advocates Meeting, 7-9pm, Call 7-4709 for details
SAB Environmental Concerns Meeting, 7pm, Rm 119 Student Center
Religious:
UK Theatre Dept presents: DESEGRATION, 8pm, Briggs Theatre, call 257-4929 for ticket info
Recreation:
Ultimate Frisbee Club Practice, 6-8pm, Band Field
Krewe Thump Recycling Meeting, 7:30pm, Rm 106 Student Center
Sports:
Free Bowling, 3pm, Baptist Student Union
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UK Rugby Practice, 6-9pm, club sports field
Special Events:
National Depression Screening Day, W. Young Library, Inside Univ. Drive Entrance, 10am-3pm, call 257-8708 for more info

FRIDAY 10/8

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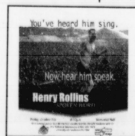
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LCC

Fund created as memorial

By Jaqueline Bradley
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Lexington Community College's Athena Club established the Stanley Howard McGowan II Scholarship Fund at a ceremony this weekend.

McGowan, a quadriplegic, died in March from injuries sustained after being struck by a car while crossing South Limestone. He attended LCC for three years before transferring to UK, where he was a sociology senior.

Athena Club president Bonnie Jean Hurn presented LCC president Jim Kerley with the initial check for \$500 to establish the fund.

"We're celebrating someone's life that will continue to

live on through the gift we're receiving today," said Dr. Kerley. "This gift will continue to grow and grow."

McGowan's parents, Stanley H. McGowan Sr. and Mickey S. McGowan, traveled from Maysville to be in attendance and were presented with a memorial plaque. The McGowan family added contributions to help start the fund.

"We're so grateful people appreciated him as much as we did," said Mrs. McGowan.

The money will go into a permanent fund in LCC. Administrators set the financial goal at \$10,000, which they plan to solicit from student groups, family, friends, and businesses. Interest from the fund will be used to award scholarships covering books and supplies for

students at LCC.

Todd Collins, a longtime friend of McGowan's, was on hand to witness the birth of the new scholarship.

"It was more of a celebration than a sadness turning a tragedy into something positive," he said.

A plaque will be placed in LCC to remind students, faculty and staff about McGowan and the scholarship fund, but many question the efforts of UK in responding to the tragedy.

McGowan had just left Holmes Hall, home to many students with disabilities, and was not crossing at a crosswalk. Residents of Holmes complained after the accident that the existing crosswalk down the street was ill-placed in relation to the entrance to Holmes

and the areas across South Limestone where many students frequented.

"It's a time issue (having to travel the distance to the current crosswalk)," said Jason Lambert, a geology junior.

Lambert added that even once disabled students made it to the crosswalk, it could still be dangerous.

"Even the crosswalk that is in place isn't safe," he said. "People will turn right on red even though they're not supposed to."

Safety along South Limestone and along other parts of campus is an issue that UK is investigating, said Jake Karnes of the Disability Resource Center.

"There was a meeting held to discuss not only that area but

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Please stop by Room 209 Student Center for additional information. Applications are available in the same room and are due no later than 4:00pm Friday, October 8, 1999.

EXTRA CREDIT

Solicitors continue using campus

By John Wampler
NEW EDITOR

The sign yesterday said "Free T-shirts" in big red letters. All students had to do was fill out an application for a credit card. In a short while, however, students wanting to get a freebie were being told, "Sorry I'm getting ready to leave."

The reason the man left was a UK police officer, who had come over to let him know this sort of activity was not allowed without prior permission being given.

"We are a free marketplace of ideas, not a free marketplace

for business ventures," said Victor Hazard, associate dean of students.

Hazard explained that for solicitation of any kind, credit card or otherwise, companies had to go through either the dean of students or the Student Center.

Companies typically are only granted permission if the solicitation is raising money for an organization on campus, Hazard said.

The problem, Hazard said, is that every year representatives from companies looking to make a buck off students will come to campus, whether they have permission or not.

Hazard says that when he has to confront a company soliciting, he tells them that they have ten to fifteen minutes to pack up and leave, and then he is reporting them to campus police.

While companies sometimes comply, they often just move to another location on campus, Hazard said.

But even when the companies do leave, they have often already reached a large number of students, Hazard said, noting that UK has over 24,000 students concentrated in a relatively small area.

Omar Knox, a sophomore biotechnology major, said that

by luring students in with free gifts, credit card companies benefit from the financial inexperience that many college students have.

"Many students, especially freshmen, can't handle the responsibility," he said. "They think it's free money."

However, psychology freshman Will Mills said that instead of the credit card companies exploiting students, some students have taken to exploiting the credit card companies.

"I got my free drink cooler from Mastercard," Mills said adding that he had no plans of actually activating the card he signed up to be sent.



Experts walk through a rice field with full grown rice as radiation tests continue particularly focusing on the farmlands beneath the JCO uranium processing plant in Tokaimura, northeast of Tokyo Sunday. The plant's uncontrolled atomic reaction sputtered radioactivity into the air on Sept. 30.

INTERNATIONAL

Japan steps up probes of nuclear companies

ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOKAIMURA, Japan — The government announced plans to search the offices of 20 nuclear facilities around the country yesterday as it intensified the probe into practices that ignited Japan's worst nuclear accident.

The government also said the operating procedures of all nuclear power companies will be examined after discovering that the company that ran the uranium-processing plant did not follow government-mandated procedures.

The Science and Technology Agency inspected the site of Thursday's accident and questioned officials of JCO Co., the private company that ran the plant in Tokaimura, 70 miles northeast of Tokyo.

The three workers responsible for the accident were using bucket-like containers to mix the uranium, the national Asahi newspaper reported Monday. They were also on the assignment for the first time and skipped some steps to get the job done as quickly as possible, it said.

The Tokaimura accident sent the three workers to the

hospital — two suffering potentially lethal doses of radiation. Forty-six other people were also exposed to radiation.

Japanese officials have often scoffed at the idea that an accident like the ones at Chernobyl in the Ukraine or Three Mile Island in the United States could ever happen here.

But revelations that corner-cutting led to Thursday's accident have dampened that sense of infallibility. Workers at JCO put in too much uranium, setting off an uncontrolled atomic reaction that continued for hours, sputtering radioactivity into the air.

JCO, a wholly owned subsidiary of Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., has admitted that it had for years deviated from government-approved procedures by having its own illegal manual.

The company was not required to be prepared for possible atomic reactions because the uranium-processing plant was in principle not supposed to set any off, Japanese media reports said.

By using the bucket-like containers instead of more sophisticated equipment, the mixing could be shortened from three hours to just 30 minutes,

the Asahi said, citing a hospitalized worker's statement to police.

The company's reaction to the accident also is under investigation.

Firefighters called in to help injured workers were never warned of a potential release of radioactivity and went in without protective gear.

The speed of JCO's warning to town officials is also being examined. According to information provided by the company and Tokaimura municipal officials, nearly two hours elapsed between the accident and any notice to residents that something was wrong.

Japanese media reports said JCO knew within the first 10 minutes that an atomic reaction had begun.

In Tokaimura, meanwhile, schools filled once again with children and shops opened for business Monday.

But signs of the accident remained. Two Greenpeace activists were testing for radiation outside the hobbled uranium reprocessing plant. The plant operator, meanwhile, held counseling services for worried residents and farmers in the area feared returning to their fields.

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SOCCER

Cats claim two wins

On a roll: Cats snap
three-game losing streakBy Travis Hubbard
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The UK men's soccer team rose from the dead to end their three-game skid with wins over Marshall and Bowling Green this weekend.

After suffering a three game losing streak and a drought in which they scored only one goal, the Cats rebounded with a 6-0 win over Marshall Friday and a 1-0 win against Bowling Green Sunday.

The team let out all of its frustration against Marshall and received an extraordinary performance from sophomore forward Marc Theriault.

Theriault scored three goals, recording a hat trick for UK. Theriault's three goals were also his first three goals of his career, to make the performance even more impressive.

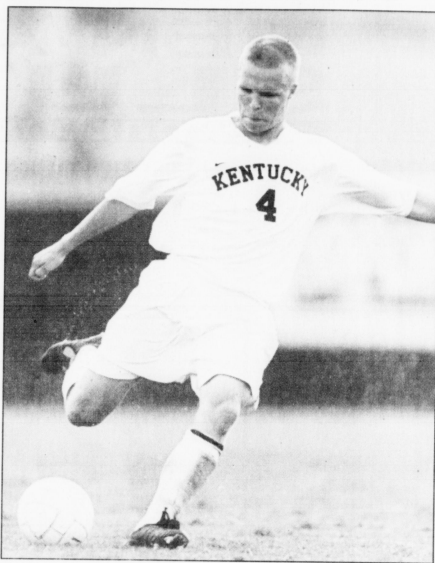
Senior midfielder Lee Baker, junior defender Tyler Cook and senior forward Brent Rainey also added goals in the lopsided matchup. Senior forward Jason Bell assisted on three of the scores.

On Sunday the Cats did not produce as much scoring, but still managed to start a winning streak by defeating Bowling Green 1-0 on the road.

UK scored on a 30-yard chip shot by senior defender Todd Stonestreet in the 66th minute of play. Stonestreet's goal sailed over the Bowling Green goalkeeper's head and the defense held on for the remaining 24 minutes to preserve the win.

"Our guys really wanted this win. Bowling Green has knocked us out of [the conference] tournament four years in a row," said UK coach Ian Collins. "Our guys felt like we owed them one."

Senior goalkeeper Brian O'Leary recorded two shutouts, extending his season total to four, but the UK defense made it easy for him.



FILE PHOTO

The Wildcat soccer team snapped a three-game losing streak this past weekend by defeating Marshall and Bowling Green. UK returns to action Friday against ECU.

O'Leary was only forced to save three shots over the two games.

The two wins were the Cats' first over Mid-American Conference opponents this season. They improve their record to 6-3 overall, and 2-0 in the MAC.

By getting off to a perfect start in their conference, UK has put itself in great position to win the regular season

MAC title and qualify for the NCAA Tournament. However, they are only halfway through the season and the Cats will need to avoid any more slumps.

UK's next opponent will also be from the MAC. They kickoff at 7:30 p.m. against Eastern Michigan Friday at the UK Soccer Complex.

DOBSON

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Houston vs. Arizona
More than any of the other series, the outcome of the Diamondbacks-Astros matchup will hinge on pitching.

Houston will have to overcome Randy Johnson's presence in the Arizona rotation to advance — the Big Unit could see action in two of the series' five games. If he is in his usual, dominating form, he could almost doom Houston single handedly.

The Astros will counter with their tandem of 20-game winners,

Jose Lima and Mike Hampton. 16-game winner Shane Reynolds will also see action.

Prediction: Houston will see the NLCS for the first time since 1986, riding their strong rotation to a 3-2 series win.

Texas vs. New York
The Yankees will cruise to the ALCS over the Rangers, just as they have in two of the last three Octobers.

New York is not the force it was last season, but Joe Torre's team still has the upper hand in a series with the Rangers.

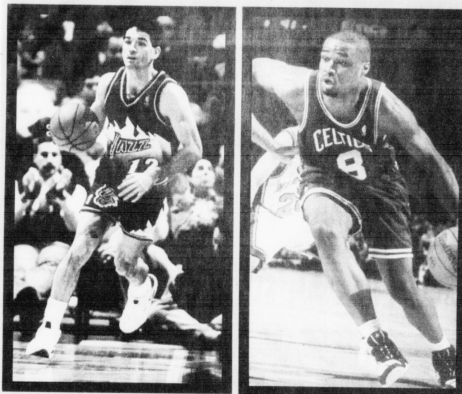
Texas, despite the presence of Rafael Palmeiro, Pudge Ro-

driguez and Juan Gonzalez, will lose the series 3-1.

Boston vs. Cleveland
If not for the presence of Pedro Martinez on Boston's staff, this would be an easy win for the pitching-rich, hitting-poor Tribe.

Unfortunately for Cleveland, Martinez will be on the mound for Boston twice in the short five-game series, leaving one game for his brother Ramon or Bret Saberhagen to pick up to give the Sox the win. That would bring the Fenway faithful the matchup they've always wanted — an ALCS matchup with the hated Yankees.

Red Sox 3, Tribe 1.



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"Toine coming back to town"

Former Wildcat star Antoine Walker and his Rick Pitino-coached Boston Celtics will take on the Utah Jazz in Rupp Arena on Oct. 23. The Celtics will also feature former Cats Wayne Turner and Walter McCarty, while Scott Padgett will be playing for the Jazz. "I'm looking forward to the tremendous excitement Kentucky basketball fans generate," Pitino said.

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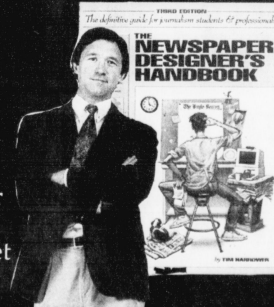
We would like to invite Kentucky journalists as well as college and high school journalism students to be a part of the 85th anniversary celebration of our school.

Wednesday, Oct. 13: design guru Tim Harrower will hold a newspaper design workshop from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sheraton Suites on Richmond Road in Lexington.

Thursday, Oct. 14: From 9:30 - 11 a.m. in the UK Student Center Theatre, professional journalists and the assistant director of the Pew Center for Civic Journalism will be on hand to discuss "Civic Journalism and Economic Development in Your Community."

Thursday, Oct. 14: From 1 - 2:30 p.m. participants will return to the Student Center Theatre for a panel discussion titled "Winning the Pulitzer Prize."

This discussion will involve UK alum Angelo Henderson of the Wall Street Journal, the 1999 winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Feature Writing.

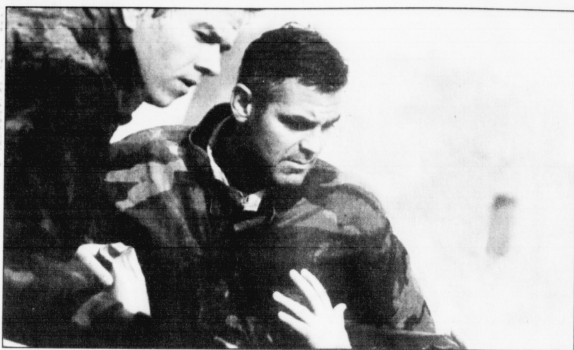


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NEW MOVIES



George Clooney heads up a strong and diverse cast of characters, including Mark Wahlberg, Ice Cube and Spike Jonze in David O'Russell's new action-packed war adventure, *Three Kings*.

'Three Kings' cashes in

This ain't no John Wayne:
Three Kings sets itself apart

By Matt Mulcahey
SENIOR STAFF CRITIC

Most war films strive for realism. They want to put you so close to the action you can smell the gunpowder and experience the range of adrenaline-fueled emotions of the soldiers. *Three Kings*' divergence from this goal is the reason why it's both enjoyable and why it inevitably falls short of the great war films of the past.

Three Kings examines a relatively untapped subject: the Persian Gulf War. Other than *Courage Under Fire*, no other major film has explored this fuzzily motivated conflict.

With the last days of Operation Desert Storm as the backdrop, *Three Kings* gives us a predictable morality play with one-dimensional characters, as four American soldiers have to choose between stolen Kuwaiti gold and helping persecuted refugees (question: why is the movie called *Three Kings* when there are four of them?).

The playful nature and rapid changes in tone that drive writer/director David O'Russell's story sets *Three Kings* apart, as does the frenetic, vibrant cinematography.

Three Kings doesn't want *Saving Private Ryan* realism. Instead, you are a voyeur invited on a frantic, jolting joyride through the desert. The highly stylized violence, full of inventive angles and changes in speed, would make even Scorsese envious. The movie even has a bullet point-of-view shot that takes you inside a body cavity as it fills with bile.

Avoiding the stereotypical depiction of the enemy as faceless devils is also a necessity that O'Russell realizes. This isn't another "the Great Americans defend liberty and freedom against tyranny." It's more of a "the self-involved Americans defend their oil against crazy Saddam."

In his previous films, *Spanking the Monkey* and *Flirting With Disaster*, O'Russell proved to be adept at comedy but nothing



The talented group of actors play a group of American soldiers faced with a moral dilemma in the aftermath of the Gulf War. Thanks to good writing and directing, the film separates itself from other war flicks.



in these films prepares you for the visceral wizardry of *Three Kings*. Stylish but not polished, O'Russell avoids the sleek, music-video style that is in vogue and instead opts for a grainy, diffused quality of images.

O'Russell even manages to squeeze out three excellent performances from Wahlberg, Clooney, and Ice Cube (not exactly DeNiro, Pacino,

and Nicholson). Sadly, the finale can't live up to the high-octane entertainment of the rest of the film, as O'Russell falls back on overly sentimental heroics. The forced epilogue, in particular, seems tacked on.

Too shallow and morally simplistic to rank with the best war films, but too original and enjoyable to be easily dismissed. Rating: B

ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS

Arts clips

Carrey depressed by
absence of love



Carrey

NEW YORK — Hollywood funny man Jim Carrey admits in a *Vanity Fair* magazine interview that what depresses him most is his current lack of a special love. "Comedy doesn't depress me," said Carrey, the star of a series of low-brow comedies before impressing critics with his dramatic performance in last year's *Truman Show*.

Supreme Court allows Titanic tours

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Supreme Court Monday allowed sightseeing tours and the taking of pictures of the Titanic, handing a setback to the company with exclusive rights to salvage artifacts from the famous shipwreck. The court without any comment or dissent rejected an appeal by RMS Titanic of a ruling that had allowed tourists to visit the site of the wreckage 12,500 feet below

the ocean's surface as long as they do not interfere with salvage operations.

Bruce Willis pimpin' on latest co-star

LOS ANGELES — Bruce Willis, the wisecracking action hero, had trouble preparing for an atypical role as a family man married for 15 years in his latest film, "The Story of Us."

He hit on an answer, which involved hitting on co-star Michelle Pfeiffer. "I asked Michelle about it, and I said, 'Look, the only way I'm ever going to pretend or act like I know you or we've been married all this time, is, if it's OK with you, I'm going to flirt with you every day that we come to work,'" Willis said. Pfeiffer laughed and said fine, Willis said in an interview to promote the Rob Reiner comedy.

Tom Hanks enlists again

HOLLYWOOD — Tom Hanks is signing up for another tour of military duty, executive producing "West Point," an hour-long drama series being developed at Fox for next sea-

son. "West Point" will follow the lives of freshmen and sophomore cadets as they progress through the rigorous military institution located on the Hudson River, about 50 miles outside of New York City.

ER saves the day

NEW YORK — CBS Friday rookie "Now and Again" has again performed like a potential hit, but NBC's promising Saturday freshman "Freaks and Geeks" got pounded by the Nielsen bullies in its second week. Thursday, meanwhile, the season premiere of "ER" brought a ratings booster to that NBC lineup, with rookie sitcom "Stark Raving Mad" making an especially remarkable recovery thanks to "ER's" arrival.

New site swaps for new and used CDs

CHICAGO — Internet retailer SPUN.com Monday launched a used record store-like Web site (<http://www.spun.com>) to allow users to trade in old unwanted music CDs for new or used titles online. SPUN.com gives users access to a large inventory of used CDs and offers more than 200,000 new music titles. No cash is needed — all transactions can be done as swaps, the company said.

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THEATER

New play brings twist to issues

UK's new play 'Desegregation' is intended to enlighten audiences and create discussion

By Jennifer Sciantarelli
STAFF WRITER

Keeping with the year's theme of UK's 50 years of integration, UK Theater Department's original production, "Desegregation," opens tonight.

The Theater Department commissioned playwright Herman Daniel Farrell III to write a play in conjunction with this fiftieth anniversary of African-Americans at UK.

The play illustrates UK's enrollment of its first African-American student, Lyman T. Johnson, in 1949 and delves into the long history of tension between blacks and whites.

The script covers slavery, segregation and "the Rodney King question, can we all get along?" of Kentucky and the entire United States, Farrell said.

"It's not a Southern problem," Farrell said.

Farrell wrote the script this summer after a great deal of research. He had written many plays about racism before writing this one for UK. Having grown up in Harlem, the son of a white woman and a black man, one of the characters in the play echoes Far-

rell's own interracial background.

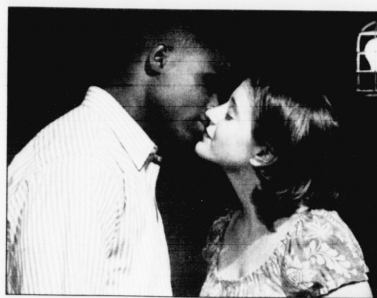
The premise of the play revolves around ten students at UK in 1969 cast in a play about the desegregation of UK in 1949. Five of the actors are black; the other five white. The director abandons the production, leaving the actors to cast themselves and rehearse the scenes. Role reversals take place as white actors portray black characters and vice versa creating a perspective on racism both audience and actors have never experienced.

The scenes concentrate on the treatment of African-American educational opportunities throughout history. The scenes depict trials, race riots and hate crimes.

While the fictional students rehearse the fictional play, they begin to discover their own prejudices and presumptions. The real students realized presumptions through the course of rehearsals.

"I am naive to black and white hate wars," said Jenny Drexler, stage manager. "I didn't know as much as I thought I did."

Drexler, a theater senior, said she had not heard about a recent



Let's get together

Evan Yarbough and Michelle Grafalo heat up the stage in Desegregation.

race-related incident on Aylesford Drive, in which a black and white student were attacked earlier in the semester, until it came up during a play rehearsal. Drexler said the entire cast and crew talked several times about their own feelings about race relations. She said those discussions really opened her eyes to what was going on in the community.

Angel Moore, a theater sophomore, said she was not surprised that several cast members were not aware of the incident. She said that a few white cast members did not realize race-related crimes still happened on the UK campus.

Moore, who plays a black student who's quite proud of her heritage, said racism occurs daily on campus, but since most white students don't experience it, they don't know it is going on.

Farrell said he hopes people will leave his play in conversation. He said he expects strong reactions from audiences. People might say he is stirring up trouble by bringing up race issues, he said.

"I'm bringing this up because it is here," Farrell said. "I'm

putting drama that I see everyday on stage. We don't all get along."

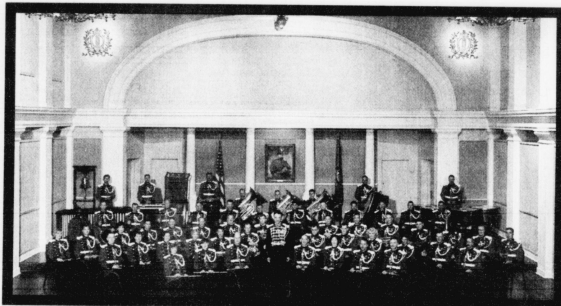
Director Alicia Vince-Howard, head of the theater department at Berea College, said the material is challenging and will open people's minds.

"This show is not just about one incident," Vince-Howard said. "(Farrell) took the whole gamut of history and condensed it into a two-hour play." "Desegregation" is Vince-Howard's directorial debut at UK.

Farrell said audiences should be prepared for serious conversations about issues between blacks and whites. He said these conversations must happen in order for society to move forward, explaining that any relationship with an unresolved history cannot go forward until that history has been resolved. The lack of dialogue creates animosity and tension.

He added that the play might not change relations in Kentucky or even on this campus, but it will spark discussions.

"It's not about resolution," Farrell said. "It's about conversation."




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Col. Timothy W. Foley, director

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Playing catch up
Here's some of the news that happened last Friday while we were enjoying our Fall Break.

China celebrates its golden year under the red flag

This past Friday, China celebrated its 50th year as a communist state with a \$36 million extravaganza. It was on October 1, 1949, when Mao Tse-tung stood atop the Gate of Heavenly Peace and declared the founding of the People's Republic of China.

Friday's festivities included a military parade, dozens of patriotic parade floats, mass performances and a fireworks display in the evening.

The invitation list to the day's events included communist party officials, tycoons and even movie stars like Jackie Chan. However, pro-democracy legislators from Hong Kong and the ordinary people of China were noticeably missing.

Pizza Hut and Russian rockets

Last Friday it was reported that Pizza Hut will pay the cash-starved Russian space agency about half the price of a 30-second Super Bowl TV ad — currently \$2.5 million — for the right to paint its logo on a Russian Proton rocket.

The rocket is scheduled to blast off in mid-November with the living quarters for the International Space Station. The segment carrying the Pizza Hut logo will be cast off and burn up in the atmosphere before it reaches orbit.

Nevertheless, Pizza Hut marketers are counting on the minutes leading up to liftoff and the sight of the engines firing under the company's red-roof logo to give them enough film footage to fuel years of future advertising campaigns.

Compiled from wire reports

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IN OUR OPINION

Jesse's honest talk is refreshing

Gov. Jesse Ventura's frankness is better than watered-down political rhetoric

Once again, Minnesota Gov. Jesse "The Body" Ventura has opened his mouth and consequently opened the nation up to more debate on issues such as organized religion and sexual harassment. While the majority of the media has criticized this latest round of comments from Ventura as politically incorrect, it is very possible that remarks we've come to expect from Ventura are precisely what this country needs.

One of the primary reasons democracy succeeds is because it allows ideas to be heard, exchanged and, if unpopular, rejected. The ideas and beliefs are free. If one doesn't care for a message, he or she can quit listening to it, or even more appropriately, voice their disagreement.

However, in a society where politicians sanitize statements and water-down opinions and ideas, we have forgotten that it is acceptable to be different, even if the point being raised is a ludicrous one. Maybe that is why when Ventura makes outlandish comments so many individuals become upset, or at the very least are shocked by the governor's remarks.

Ventura has shown time and time again that his controversial stand on many issues is capable of starting a debate in the public arena. Contrary to his claim of being anything but a professional politician, he could very well be the most effective and real one America has to offer. Unlike most politicians, Ventura actually knows how to take a definitive stand on issues. As a result, whether you agree or disagree with the view, he has you talking about issues that wa-

tered-down professional politicians never could.

These discussions are the ones that do more for the public good and welfare of this country than 100 Senate hearings ever could. The general public, whether talking about political statements at the water cooler in response to Ventura. Only when we discuss our disagreements as a whole, can we ever progress towards any kind of solution to societal problems. Ventura, no matter how misguided his remarks may be, has a way of forcing America into accomplishing that goal.

Inevitably, "politically incorrect" statements raised in the public forum rattle many groups, but not for the reasons one might think. Ask yourself the following questions: Are those who are up in arms about Ventura's positions truly voicing disagreement with him? Or are they insecure in their own ability to defend or voice their own viewpoints?

The idea of democracy encourages an exchange of ideas — even unorthodox ones. In Ventura's case, the whole issue is probably best summed up by paraphrasing one of his former colleagues from the wrestling world, you can like him or you can not like him, but you have to learn to love him, because he's the one real thing going today. Keep talking Jesse. The comments seem to have a way of making a political world dominated by shades of gray a little more colorful.

Shannon Frankel

DAILY COLLEGE

Higher education keeps social classes

Like many of you seniors out there, I am at the point where I am trying to plan my life after Penn State. I have been looking at law schools, studying for the LSAT, and in the midst of all this, going broke. This brought back memories of applying to undergraduate schools four years ago, only then it was something my parents took care of for me — \$50 here for an application fee, another \$1,000 there for an SAT prep course.

Now, as an "almost" adult who feels somewhat responsible for the investments my parents make on my behalf, I am realizing how absolutely ridiculous the higher education system is in the United States.

When I was in London last semester, I learned that in the fall before I arrived there had been student protests on college cam-

puses. The reason was due to an increase in tuition — from being free to being roughly 1,000 pounds, or about \$1,600 a year. By the time I left, the government in Scotland was already in the process of abolishing college tuition fees altogether. When I told people there how much I pay to go to college, they could not believe it. I must be rich, they said. For being a country that prides itself on equality and equal opportunity, I think that the cost of higher education today is blatantly contradictory.

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, average in-state tuition for public universities is about \$26,000 during four years. It is also worth mentioning that during the past 15 years, the cost of a public four-year college education has increased by 234 percent, while the

average family income has increased only by 82 percent.

All of us have made it here, probably some with much more difficulty than others. All of us are among the "lucky ones" that comprise the future leaders and middle class of America.

Those that aren't so lucky have virtually no chance to achieve the success that we can. True, many people elect not to attend college, but many are denied the right purely on a financial basis, which only maintains the cycle of keeping the poor poor and the rich rich.

It doesn't stop after paying college tuition fees. To be marketable after graduation, internships are a must. Some internships pay very well. Others pay nothing at all. Future employers don't decipher. For those that need to work in the summers to

pay off college loans, an unpaid internship, regardless of prestige or experience, is not an option.

Discrimination against people with less money has become more evident beginning the application process for law school. To go to law school one must take the LSAT, which is \$70. One must also register with the national Law Service — another \$100. Application fees generally run \$80 a school, and with the difficulties of getting into law school, it is recommended that applicants apply to at least seven schools to ensure being accepted somewhere. Then of course there is the LSAT prep course, which is \$1,000. It is true that taking the course is not imperative, but the fact remains that those that can afford it will have the upper hand on the test, which will then get them into a better school, which will only re-

inforce the cycle.

When I really thought about it, I was surprised that the American public has accepted this status quo. Then it dawned on me that those who are adversely affected by the system are the most unlikely to have the resources to get to a position to change it.

Scholarships, financial aid and student loans exist to eradicate some of the unfairness of America's higher education, but they can only do so much for only so many people. In America's society today, the blatant discrepancy between opportunities for rich and for poor in higher education is embarrassing.

Daily Collegian Columnist Shannon Frankel's views do not necessarily represent those of the Kernel.

Amanda Thompson

CONTRIBUTING COLUMNIST

Don't forget childhood's simplicity

Somewhere between childhood and puberty lies a magical land filled with promise and creativity.

Questions that sprung from playing pretend and fairy tales are left unanswered. The constant worries of deadlines and tests are left behind in that red satchel or dinosaur backpack we lugged to and from school everyday.

As we grow older, however, the stresses and torments from self-inflicted frustration become the object of importance while our deeply loved action figures and teddy bears are left on the shelf to be played with only when time is truly convenient.

It is a sad thing to see a teddy bear on a shelf waiting to be touched as the dust collects on its furry coat.

As children we see things differently. Work is really play and pretend kings and queens rule the world as opposed to politician-filled governments. The simple rules of childishness are guarded by every heart of each individual from the age of twelve and under. I am sure we all remember the rules:

A particular blanket or toy can and will protect us from any danger.

There are monsters hiding in the closet and under the bed when we go to sleep at night.

We can fly.

I always believed that, even during time off from being a superhero, I still had the capability to fly.

We create dreams that reach through our minds and become the simple answer to each question of "what are you going to be when you grow up?"

However those perfect dreams are all too often not followed due to various causes.

A dream or goal can and does often appear to be so simple, though a child's eyes while in reality it may deal with complexities that are unimaginable to that child.

It has become obvious that in most cases the fantasies so desired are forgotten and believed to be unreachable.

What happens to us when that dreamed (in some instances) event known as puberty begins to emerge in our bodies? Where have the simple games of hide-and-seek and ring-around-the-roses gone?

Somewhere between the books at bedtime and midday snacks of peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, we began to grow up.

When I was a kid all I wanted to do was become the first female astronaut to walk on the moon. I would lie for hours on the crumpled grass

of my front lawn and stare at the sky.

The clouds were mesmerizing and would soon fade away into the dark, star-filled night.

I prided myself on being able to pick out at least three or four constellations from the view through my window each night.

Those days of yesteryear are far from being dumped into an endless trashcan of childhood fantasies, however they are also far from reality. I did study as hard as a ten-year-old with a short attention span could.

But when I couldn't reach that straight A's goal, I found myself wanting to be an astronaut not because I had given up the dream; it was from the notion that I could not and would not be able to make the grade.

The area of math sent my high hopes in the heavens crashing down in a spiral descent to the hard Earth. Gravity proved itself to be both realistic and metaphorical.

This is just one of the events where I began to note the loss of my childhood innocence. Yet I never lost faith that maybe one day we would all live on space stations and then I would be able to travel to the moon any time the weather permitted.

One may wonder why I have gone to all this length just to stroll down memory lane one more time.

I feel that we have gone too far away from our childhood. As crazy kids, we didn't worry about the clothes we wore or who liked us or not.

Rather, we lived for the moment and attempted to put the most fun into each minute of every day. We were not concerned about the tests and term papers due at set deadlines.

We were free to simply live without any more stress than what kind of toy to play with while watching our favorite cartoon.

I am sending out a concern for my fellow classmates: please, do not let the stress get to you, remember your childhood and the good times that went with it.

I think it is about time we pulled out the old G. I. Joe's and brushed the dust off those teddy bears.

It is time to have a little fun. After all, we're not grown up yet, are we?

Contributing Columnist Amanda Thompson is an art studio junior. Her views do not necessarily represent those of the Kernel.

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PIKEVILLE, Ky. — A Perry County sheriff's deputy who trained and took care of the department's drug dog is charged with selling drugs.

Freddie White, 44, of Chasties was arrested at his house last week. He's charged with distribution and intent to distribute Tylox and marijuana. The amount was not disclosed.

White and the department's drug dog, a German shepherd named Valco, frequently searched local schools for

drugs. White also handled Valco during drug raids.

White went to a special academy to learn how to handle police dogs, and Valco lived at White's house.

White, who is on disability, is an unpaid auxiliary member of the sheriff's office. He's worked there for five years.

The arrest was the result of a six-month undercover investigation prompted by an anonymous tip, said Kentucky State Police Trooper Tim Kilburn.

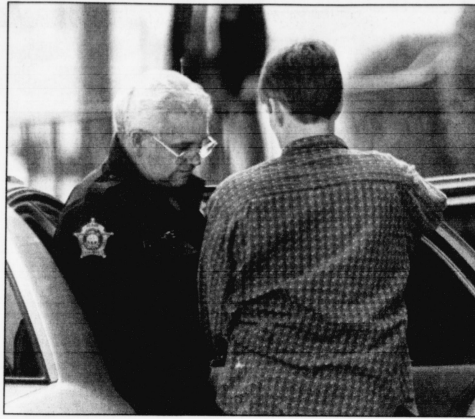
Kilburn said he's unsure what will happen to Valco.

John Paul Amis, superintendent of the Perry County

School District where White often searched for drugs, said he was in shock Thursday when he heard about White's arrest.

"I know it's going to be hard for adults to explain to children that things like this happen, unfortunately, and I'm sure it will cause some mixed up feelings with some of our students," Amis said.

In November, another drug dog that White handled named Donja was shot and killed by a 38-caliber handgun outside of White's home by an unknown person. Kilburn said to his knowledge no arrests were made in the case.

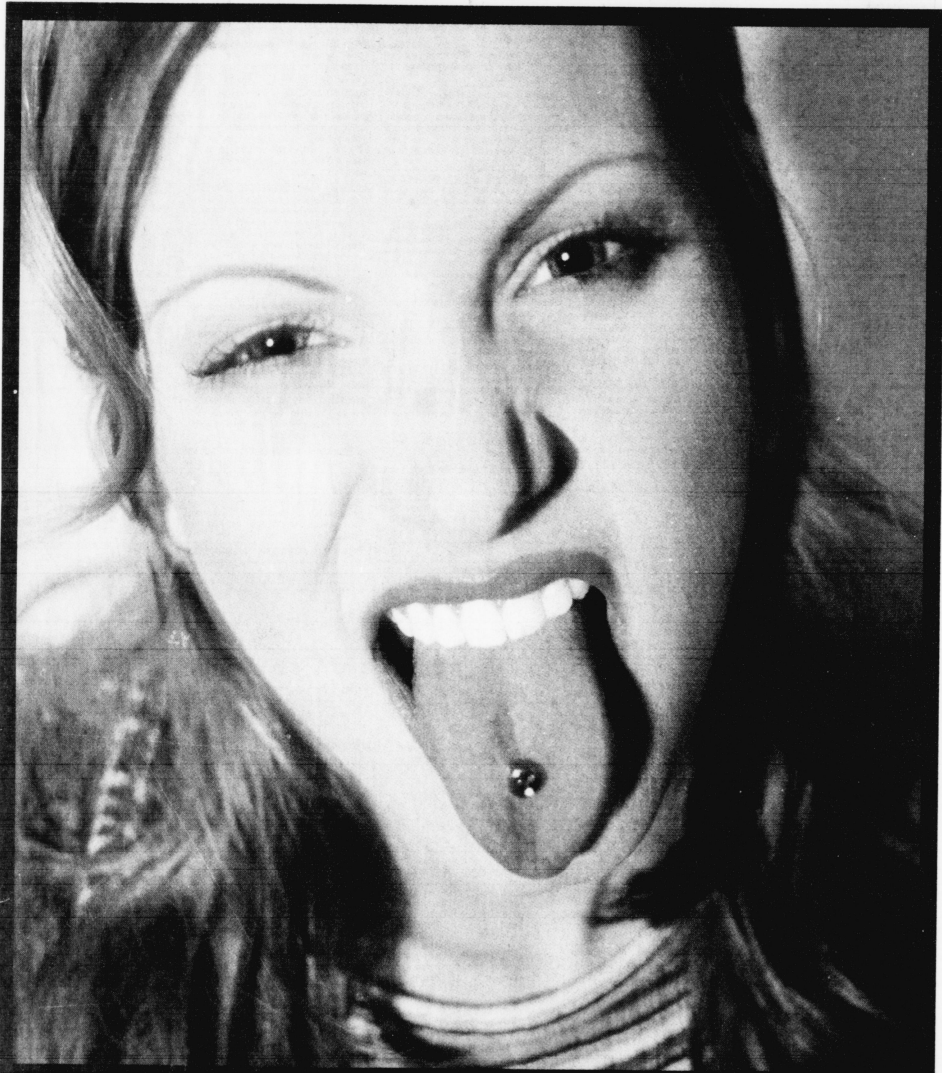


Freddie White, left, Perry County sheriff's deputy, is escorted into the federal courthouse in Pikeville, Ky. White, who handles the county's "dope dog" was arrested on drug-related charges Thursday. He faces a maximum of 20 years and a \$5 million fine on each count if convicted.

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