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Crawford's 35 points can't raise UK past Golden Eagles



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Peter Warden, an administrative assistant for the Cats, comforts sophomore forward Ramon Harris after UK's first-round loss to Marquette in the NCAA Tournament yesterday in Anaheim, Calif.

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ANAHEIM, Calif. — Joe Crawford buried his face in a white NCAA tournament towel as he sat in the front of UK's locker room. His head dripped with sweat; his eyes with tears.

Crawford scored a career high-tying 35 points in UK's first round bout with Marquette, but the Cats fell, 74-66, Thursday at the Honda Center in Anaheim, Calif.

For Crawford and fellow senior guard Ramel Bradley, the loss marked the end of their careers in blue and white.

"I felt like I gave it my all," Crawford mumbled through tears. "We just couldn't win."

Bradley and Crawford again carried the load for the Cats, combining for 54 points and 19 of UK's 23 field goals. Even though the duo had help from sophomore forward Perry Stevenson, who had 10 points, it was not enough to push them past the Golden Eagles.

The two seniors were UK's best offensive options for much of the season — especially since losing freshman forward Patrick Patterson to injury — but Gillispie was in awe of how his senior duo stepped up even when opposing defenses knew who would be getting the ball.

"The thing about it is, everybody knew they were going to have to play like that for us to win and nobody could do anything about it," Gillispie said. "They knew who had to score for us, and they still got 54 points. That's what makes it even more amazing."

Likewise, Gillispie was impressed with the way both seniors stepped up as leaders in their final seasons.

"Those guys, from the time conference started, they were so clutch it was amazing," Gillispie said. "They made so many big plays offensively,"

"... This is only a start. It's an end for today, it's an end for our season, but it's a start for our program."

BILLY GILLISPIE
head coach

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Partner benefits ban dies in House committee

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A Kentucky House committee struck down a bill yesterday that would ban domestic-partner benefits at public universities, including UK, and other state institutions.

Representatives on both sides of the aisle said the bill would have likely passed had it moved on to the House floor, but Senate Bill 112 was defeated in a 9-6 vote by the House Health and Welfare Committee.

Last month, the state Senate approved a domestic-partner benefits ban in a 30-5 vote. The bill would have needed to pass in committee and then the full House to become law.

"If it got there, those chickens would probably vote for it because they think the folks back home are against homosexuality," said Committee Chair Tom Burch, D-Louisville.

Burch said passing the bill would have been a "horrendous mistake" because a domestic-partner benefits ban goes against individuals' civil rights and the wishes of Kentucky citizens.

Rep. Bob Damron, a Lexington Democrat who voted for the ban, said his constituents in Nicholasville and Lexington supported the ban when he polled residents in the past.

The bill voted down yesterday would have also won overwhelming support in the full House but did not make it that far because the

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India's former president makes his way to UK

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A former president will travel halfway around the world to receive a key to the city of Lexington and an honorary UK degree during a visit to the university this week.

Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam, president of India from 2002 to 2007, will participate in three days of events at UK, including a speech Sunday that is free for UK students, faculty and staff with a ticket from the Singletary Center box office, and a question and answer session with students Tuesday.

During the opening event Sunday at the Singletary Center, Gov. Steve Beshear and President Lee Todd will speak. Mayor Jim Newberry will present Kalam with a key to the city.

About 800 people have already signed up for Sunday's event, said Suvas Desai, one of the event's organizers with the Bluegrass Indian-American Civic Society.

The group's leaders contacted the president after the UK Art Museum told them last year about an exhibition, "Miniature Worlds: Art from

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Greeks endorse unopposed SG candidate

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With virtually no competition in next week's Student Government election, presidential candidate Tyler Montell and running mate Grant Mills used yesterday's Greek Political Action Committee debate as an open forum to voice their platform.

Since Montell and Mills are running unopposed, the GPAC nomination was merely a formality in last night's debate. But even with the election outcome already decided, assuming a write-in candidate does not win, integrated strategic communications junior Julie Meador said the debate was not a waste of time for GPAC.

"I think it's important for the Greek community to share its questions and concerns," Meador said.

During last night's debate Montell and Mills stressed that the candidates will serve more than just the Greek community.

First on Montell's agenda would be representing the student body not only on campus, but in Lexington as well, he said. Montell, who compared a student's place in the community as an onion with multiple layers, promised to represent off-campus students in Lexington's Town and Gown Commission meetings with other UK and city leaders. He also promised to provide a student voice in Frankfort.

"That's what we're here to do, represent you in those facilities," Montell said.

Montell and Mills also presented plans to work toward affordable tuition with legislators in Frankfort and allocate more money to student organizations through SG. Montell, the current SG Senate president, said being part of the Senate for the past two years gives him the necessary experience for handling finances.

The candidates also revealed an idea focused on improving retention at the university. Montell said he would implement a

system that would give students points for attending different events on campus. At the end of the year, students could redeem those points for prizes.

"We'll take events across the board and attach points to them," Montell said. "Once they see the system, they'll want to come back for their third and fourth year."

Vice presidential candidate Mills said another the ticket would also look into setting up blogs on the SG Web site, which would give students another way to connect with SG.

"If you're too busy to stop by or call, you can shoot us a message on the blog," Mills said. "And we'll respond to that."

Though Montell and Mills are running unopposed, biology junior Amory Cox said it was still important for the candidates to speak during the GPAC forum.

"It's good to have," Cox said. "Whether you have two candidates or not, you should not vote blind."

Cats should have no regrets after courageous season

ANAHEIM, Calif. — When Patrick Patterson went down for the season, many fans and members of the media thought UK would go 0-5 for the rest of the year.

Three losses to end the regular season. One in the Southeastern Conference tournament. One in whatever post-season tournament UK was going to.

The fact that UK won two games in that stretch is pretty remarkable.

In the end, this team was so limited. So limited offensively. So limited on the glass. So limited defensively. Yet this team still gave the fans

reason to hope. That hope ended yesterday when the Cats lost to Marquette 74-66 in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

But UK fought through so much, and achieved with so little, that Billy Gillispie's first UK team won't be forgotten anytime soon.

"It was a real tough season," senior Joe Crawford said. "To stick through this was real tough because we didn't have all of our players, people were doubting us, didn't believe in us. For us to continue to believe in ourselves, continue working to get where we're at now means a lot."

"If we were full strength, there's no doubt we would have won this ball game."

But like most of the season, they weren't yesterday. Six of UK's top seven scorers missed at least one game this season. On the year, those players missed a combined 43 games.

No loss hurt worse than when

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Tight primary race gives Ky. votes weight

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The stalemate between two Democratic presidential candidates could give students a reason to stick around campus after finals.

On May 20, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., polls will be open for Kentuckians to cast their votes for local, state and federal governmental candidates, and unlike previous presidential years, Kentucky's vote could play a bigger role in shaping the November ballot.

Republicans already have their nominee, Sen. John McCain, but Democratic presidential candidates Sen. Hillary Clinton and Sen. Barack Obama remain in a tight race that could be loosened by Kentucky voters, said UK College Democrats President Robert Kahne.

A front-runner typically emerges after Super Tuesday, the first day of multiple state primaries, and this year a few political analysts predicted the nomination would be delayed until the Democratic convention, said Kirk Randazzo, a political science professor. But most people thought the contest would be decided by now, he said.

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HOROSCOPES

By Linda C. Black
 To get the advantage, check the day's ratings: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.
Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is a 7 — The competition is fierce and the action is fast. Can you prevail? You can, with the help of good teammates. Rely on one in particular, who's even faster than you are.
Taurus (April 20 – May 20) Today is an 8 — Your dreams will be more vivid for the next few weeks. You'll learn the difference between prophecies and fears. Just because the dream is in color doesn't mean it's true.
Gemini (May 21 – June 21) Today is a 7 — Don't worry about the people who don't share your objectives. Don't even try to convince them now; concentrate on the people

who join you.
Cancer (June 22 – July 22) Today is a 6 — A controversy is liable to bubble up on the domestic scene. Talking won't do it, decisive action is required. Fix the problem, once and for all.
Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22) Today is a 7 — At first, the dilemma appears not to have a satisfactory answer. Don't accept defeat before you even start. Find a way to achieve your goal.
Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22) Today is a 7 — You do have to get what you need, but you don't have to get any more. Watch out for hidden expenses and things that are not really worth the cost.
Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22) Today is a 7 — The mess is almost untangled. You'll have more time for fun and games and wild romance in the next couple of days. Generate something interesting.
Scorpio (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21) Today is a 6 — Things are moving quickly; it may be hard to keep up with all

the changes going on. Stay on course and you'll end up ahead.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21) Today is a 7 — A meeting could turn ugly and noisy if the topic under discussion has to do with money. Instead of worrying that there's not enough, put your heads together and find more.
Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19) Today is a 6 — The pace is picking up. You're under more pressure to make decisions quickly, whether you feel like it or not. Luckily, you can do this.
Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18) Today is a 6 — Postpone travel for a little while. There's too much confusion out there. Most of it will have cleared up by Sunday. Finish old chores before then.
Pisces (Feb. 19 – March 20) Today is a 6 — Review your assets and you'll find you have more than you thought. Something you've kept hidden has increased in value.

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THE DISH

A more steady Spears gets support from famous friend

What's behind Mel Gibson's strange supper with Britney Spears? The Oscar winner — who was arrested in 2006 for a DUI — dined with the singer, 26, at Romanov's restaurant in L.A.'s Studio City on March 15. Gibson, 52, "reached out because he thought he could help her," a source close to the actor tells Hot Stuff. "When it comes to sobriety, no one's better at helping people than Mel."

The meeting comes at a time when Spears' home life already seems to be stabilizing. After a month and a half without seeing sons Sean, 2, and Jayden, 18 months, Spears has visited with the tykes two to three days a week since February 23. "Being around the boys again has made a huge difference," says a friend. "She wants to show the world her kids are safe with her."

Spears has also proved to the public she can go back to work. A source on the set of CBS's *How I Met Your Mother* (the episode in which she costars airs March 24) says Spears was "very polite, saying hello, goodbye and thank you." Her costars agree. "She was lovely, sweet and funny," *Alyson Hannigan* tells us. "We talked about our dogs and clothes. It was just normal."

NICK & VANESSA: Her Mom Hit on Nick!

Vanessa isn't the only Minnillo with eyes for Nick Lachey:

HOT STUFF

Britney Spears: Why Mel Took Her to Dinner

The actress recently joked with pals that her stepmom, Donna, once chatted up the singer when he was still wed to Jessica Simpson! A few years ago, when the two women ran into Lachey, 34, at Miami Beach's Raleigh hotel, Donna "went up to him and started heavily flirting," the source says. When Lachey laughed, telling Donna he was married, "she said, 'So am I! So what?'"

Minnillo, 27, recently relived the embarrassing memory at the Victoria's Secret Pink party at the Raleigh, when she told her beau that her stepmom was coming to the hotel. Says the source, "He replied, 'Oh, where she hit on me?'" Minnillo shared the last laugh. Says the source, "She thinks the whole thing's hilarious."

REAL WORLD'S CRAZY REUNION

When MTV's *Real World* cast members gathered for a taped awards show on March 15, they really found out what happens when people stop being polite and start getting real.

After San Francisco cast member and truck driver David "Puck" Rainey, 39 — notorious for his "snot rockets" — took exception to remarks from the host, comic Jeffrey Ross, he had pals push Ross into the pool. Then Coral Smith, 29, of 2001's *New York* season, threw a fit after winning *Roommate You Love to Hate* and screamed, "I made MTV millions of dollars and you give me this award!" (Says an MTV rep, "At least on

camera, Coral didn't do this.") Although the show went on, the rep says, "we did have to get the host out of the pool!"

SARAH JESSICA PARKER: Sex Secrets

Start pouring the cosmos! with the wildly anticipated *Sex* and the City movie just two months away, Sarah Jessica Parker, 42, spills to Hot Stuff about stepping back into Carrie's sky-high shoes and those wedding-gown photos. "When we were making the movie, we found it was hard to keep under wraps," she says of the NYC shoot. "People were really reading into the pictures and making their own decisions about what was going to happen. But we don't say if they are a dream sequence!" As for Carrie's beloved Manolos, "we were not at all prepared to go run around in heels again," she says of costars Kim Cattrall, Kristin Davis and Cynthia Nixon. "But I would sacrifice comfort for shoes!"

BACHELOR ANDY: Mission Abroad

Where in the world is Lieutenant Andy Baldwin? The Naval medic and ex-Bachelor star — who split from Tessa Horst last fall — tells us he was "offshore near Palau" for two months helping excavate a bomber buried underwater. Next up? The Navy may move him to Washington, D.C. He's "awaiting orders!"

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THE SCORE



They threw their punch, and we threw ours right back."

—Marquette guard Wesley Matthews after knocking down clutch free throws during the final minutes of yesterday's 74-66 win over the Cats.

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World-class archer attempts to popularize sport at UK



ED MATTHEWS | STAFF

Melissa Ash set the world record for International Field Archery Association the same year she was named the top 16-year-old in the nation. Now, two years later, she is focused on creating an archery club at UK.

When Melissa Ash sets out for her morning practice session before scurrying off to class, she's alone.



J.D. WILLIAMS
Kernel columnist

She goes through the normal routine with her bow without a coach giving her insight on how to guide the arrows. She has no teammates to confide in.

As of late, it's just been her and the open gym.

A budding phenom growing up in Versailles, Ky., the freshman psychology major was once ranked the top archer in the nation for her age group. But following her emergence to national prominence, Melissa faced personal obstacles that resulted in her putting archery on the shelf as she attended to family needs.

Her involvement with archery started when she

joined On Target For Life in eighth grade. It's a program that helps introduce archery to youths, but for Melissa it was a gateway to her legacy.

With Melissa's obvious success in the program, Woodford County Middle School started an archery team. Unsure of where her talent could take her, Melissa and her family looked for more experienced coaches and a club to help mold her abilities. With archery not being a popular sport in Kentucky, Melissa joined a Cincinnati-based chapter of the Junior Olympic Archery Development club, which competes across the nation.

She began making a name for herself. Melissa started practicing 25 hours a week and was viewed as a natural in archery, a title that was surprising to her father.

"I asked myself, 'Are they just being kind and polite or does she in fact have talent that could get her to the Olympics?'" John Ash said.

Then the success started to roll.

Melissa was named top archer in the nation among 16-year-olds by both the National Archery

"... I'd rather have her than and have to compete against her"

— Derek Davis, head coach of Columbia University's archery team, which recruited Ash

Association and the National Field Archery Association. After she set the world record for 16-year-olds in the International Field Archery Association with a score of 1072 in 2005, her father's doubts were officially answered. Her success led to her being named the only 16-year-old on the 2006 Junior U.S. Team.

With the accolades and awards piling up, John's questions were just the first of many inquiries surrounding Melissa.

She began to be heavily recruited by Columbia University, which houses one of the top archery teams in the nation and had three members earn All-American honors last year.

The attention from Columbia coach Derek Davis came as a surprise to her. With only two scholarships to give, Melissa was at the top of Columbia's list.

"He said, 'We want you as our No. 1 pick,'" Melissa said. "I felt honored just to be considered."

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Student boxer stinging all competitors

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Meredith Guistina had never been told she hit like a girl. At least not until she reached the women's middleweight national championship fight last week, held in Colorado Spring, Colo.

The elementary education senior trained with coaches from the U.S. Olympic women's boxing traveling team for the biggest fight of her career. Only then did Guistina hear one of the biggest insults a boxer could ever hear.

"When I would punch softer in training, the coaches would tell me that," Guistina said. "They said, 'Now you're hitting like a girl.'"

Despite what her coaches said during training, Guistina punched her way to being a national champion. In what was only her sixth fight of her short career, Guistina scored a technical knockout in the second round and was crowned champion.



BRITNEY MCINTOSH | STAFF

Meredith Guistina practices with the UK Boxing Club in the basement of Alumni Gym on Feb. 5.

"It was incredible," Guistina said. "When it first started I didn't understand what it was. Then they

said I'd be ranked first or second ... then one thing after another. It's a huge jump."

Guistina scored the only knockout in a championship fight this year, said UK boxing head coach George Ginter. The win earned Guistina a spot on the U.S. Olympic women's boxing traveling team, which will have fights in Trinidad, Japan and England, among other countries. The fact that Guistina will be fighting against more experienced opponents doesn't worry the senior.

"You might get knocked around at first," Guistina said. "But if you're not up to par, the coaches will throw in the towel."

But the best advice Guistina received was from professional boxer Ann Wolfe.

"She told me that in your amateur career you have nothing to lose and everything to gain," Guistina said.

Growing up, Guistina played just about any sport she could — volleyball, shot put for track and

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Win puts Cats on verge of breaking record set last year

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The Cats did not just put their names in the record books quietly. They plunged in, nailing run after run in an onslaught yesterday.

Powered by five home runs, No. 2 UK pummeled Xavier 12-1 at Cliff Hagan Stadium. With the win, UK (19-0, 3-0 in the Southeastern Conference) tied the school's record for best start to a season and longest winning streak, marks set by the club only a year ago.

Despite the achievement, senior first baseman Brian Spear, who homered twice and tallied three RBIs in the game, downplayed the significance of the records.

"If you asked every single guy in our locker room what our record was, I don't even know if anybody would know," Spear said.

Spear said the Cats were just happy to get the chance to see some live pitching before traveling to Auburn for a three-game series.

The Cats welcomed Xavier (4-9) to Lexington yesterday after inclement weather postponed and then can-

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Davis said that along with Melissa's skill with the bow, she also possessed leadership qualities. The reigning coach of the U.S. College Archery Team said those are the first attributes he looks for in his recruits.

"Once I met her, I thought she was a wonderful person," Davis said. "Leadership qualities are always first priority to me. I'm a good enough coach, and we attract good players, so skill level is secondary."

Davis offered Columbia's top scholarship for an archer, which was a partial scholarship that covered most of the college expenses but not all. For Melissa to attend a university in New York City, her family would have to pay for some of the cost out of pocket.

Along with the financial issues, Melissa's grandfather became ill and was placed in hospice care, which rerouted the focus to him and the needs of the family instead of archery. Instead of following the arrows to Columbia, Melissa stayed near home to be close to her family and refrain from creating an unnecessary burden.

"I was disappointed as a competitive coach because I'd rather have her than not have her and have to compete against her," Davis said. "She was one of our top recruits."

The choice to stay in Kentucky was tough for Melissa too.

"It was difficult," Melissa said. "I was looking forward to the team aspect of Columbia."

"I thought of my priorities, my family came first."

After turning down Columbia, Melissa took a year off from archery while enrolling at UK. She hoped to join an archery program when she moved to Lexington but was surprised to find that there was no archery team or club at her new school.

She immediately began taking the steps to start a club sport at UK, but safety issues were a main concern for UK's club sports administration.

When Mark Lattin, director of UK's Outdoor Pursuits Program, was approached by Melissa, he "had to understand the safety aspect of archery and if Alumni Gym could accommodate this kind of activity without it creating a risk for others."

"My initial vision was an arrow going through a window," Lattin said.

Melissa response to the dilemma was simple: "I don't miss."

"Once I had a meeting with her as to where she would be shooting in the Alumni Gym layout it was a win-win for us," Lattin said.

Now that Melissa has found a place to shoot, she still faces the challenge of getting people interested in archery. Her goals are to continue practicing and making strides toward the 2012 Olympics, and to create a competitive club at UK that could possibly compete against the likes of Columbia.

Davis said archers can actually "go up a notch when they come back" after a year off. He's seen it before in the players he has coached at Columbia. It's common that archers making the transition from high school to college take time away from the sport to focus on academics in their last year of high school.

But now Melissa faces the pressure of promoting interest in archery in Kentucky, a region the sport is not popular. Now, in another transitional phase in her career, she will rely heavily on UK's ability to start an archery club so she can compete once again.

Although it will be an uphill battle for Melissa to bring in more archers and expand her morning practices, the coach that once heavily recruited her said that if there's one person that can do it, that person is Melissa.

"Melissa is one of the few that can accomplish it, she has work ethics, passion and skill," Davis said.

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field, horseback riding and lacrosse. But boxing didn't enter Guistina's mind until freshman year at UK. In class one day, a female classmate told her she boxed for UK. Guistina found her way to the basement of Alumni Gym and went from there. That was a year and a half ago.

"I enjoyed watching (boxing)," Guistina said. "I didn't even know we had a team. Then I liked it more than I thought I would."

Since her initial fight — a loss — she has improved, Ginter said. In an already sparse field of opponents for Guistina, the senior has defeated almost everyone she's fought. In an effort to get his boxer's focus, Ginter sent her to the regional. They didn't have any women for her to fight there, either. Now with Guistina's new champion status, it could be even harder.

"It's tough to get her fights," Ginter said. "She beats up girls around here."

Now that Guistina is on top of the collegiate women's boxing world, there are a few things she'd like to do in addition to fighting. First is helping the U.S. get a real Olympic women's boxing team, not just a traveling squad. Second is getting more recognition for her teammates at UK.

"I absolutely love to promote it," Guistina said. "Not only for women's boxing as a whole, but for the guys at UK, too."

have been playing good defense," he said. "Obviously our bats have come alive here lately, but they set the tone."

The Cats travel to Auburn for a three-game series over the weekend. With a win in game one on Friday, the 2008 squad has the chance to separate itself from every other team in the program with two wins en route to the season 20-0.

"It means a lot," Cowgill said, "but it's not going to mean as much if we go down to Auburn and drop two out of three, or whatever. We are really just focused on winning these SEC games."

BASEBALL

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celebrated UK's scheduled midweek contest against Morehead State. The team had not seen action since its win over Alabama on Sunday.

But UK showed no signs of rust. The Cats pounded out 16 hits and plated 12 runs against eight different Muskeeteer pitchers.

Junior third baseman Chris McClendon belted the game's first long ball, the first of his career, in the second inning.

Then the team exploded in the fourth, scoring seven runs in an inning that was highlighted by a three-run homer from senior catcher Tyler Howe and a two-run shot from Spear.

Senior center fielder Collin Cowgill and Spear added back-to-back home runs in the seventh, plating three more runs to total 12 for the game.

Cowgill, who finished 2-for-4 with 4 RBIs, said the Cats used the wind, which was blowing out, in their approach at the plate.

"It's really a testament to coach (John) Cohen and his philosophies," Cowgill said. "If

the wind is blowing in, we try to hit ground balls and line drives. If the wind is blowing out, we try to get underneath it a little bit and let the wind take care of it."

And while the offense was scoring, sophomore starter Clint Tilford shut out the Muskeeteers over five innings of work, allowing just two hits en route to his second win of the season.

Cowgill said the pitching performances like the one Tilford turned out yesterday have been the key behind the team's hot start.

"They have just been showing it in the strike zone, and we

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Patterson suffered a stress fracture in his foot late in the season.

When he went down, UK essentially became a team with only two scorers. It was the same way against Marquette.

Ramel Bradley struggled most of the game to get in an offensive rhythm, and he struggled in the second half with foul trouble, but still scored 19 points.

Crawford, conversely, didn't struggle at all. He scored 35 points, which he also did three games ago against South Carolina, and he was doing it from everywhere on the court.

Take this sequence at the start of the second half: He drained a long three. Then he hit a jumper in the lane. Then he capped it off by faking left, then darting to the right, breaking his defender off for a layup.

Together, UK's two seniors scored 54 of UK's points.

"Those guys were unbelievable as far as showing a great measure of strength," Gillispie said. "Every time someone looked at them, body language, facial expression, any word that came out of their mouth, I've never seen anybody be able to do as much on the court, in practice and off the court. They were fantastic."

Crawford and Bradley were great, but they couldn't do it alone. Only two other UK players scored — Michael Porter and Perry Stevenson. Porter scored two points.

Ultimately, that lack of depth cost UK its season. On the other side, nine Marquette players scored. And amazingly, UK still had a chance to win.

When Bradley hit a three with 23 seconds left, UK was down just two points after trailing by eight points 57 seconds earlier. But the Cats wouldn't score again.

Crawford fouled out with three seconds left. His game, his season and his UK career were over.

He went to the bench as fast as he'd be going into the lane. He dropped his head and started crying. In the locker room after the game, he had to gather himself before talking to reporters because he was so upset.

Crawford shouldn't have been. His teammates shouldn't have been upset either. They played such courageous basketball, not just during the game, but during the entire season. They had no reason to be upset.

The real people who should have been upset were the fans, because they won't have a chance to watch this UK basketball team again.

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CATS

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defensively, rebounding-wise. ... They never ran from the responsibility. They accepted it. I really believe they really enjoyed it.

"Every single time something happened, all eyes came on Joe and Ramel. They saw strength."

Crawford and Bradley both fought their emotions in the locker room after the game, and Gillispie fought his at the beginning of his post-game press conference. Though all three were able to gather themselves, it was obvious how much their relationships had grown. Crawford and Bradley both commended their coach on his ability to keep them in the game. Gillispie called the entire season a testament to the toughness of UK's leaders.

The tears were not just for that trio. Sophomore guard Ramon Harris covered his face with his warm-up shirt in the losing locker room, shielding all but his tear-filled eyes from view.

Through all of UK's adversity this season — a new coach and multiple injuries resulting in had losses — the team grew unbelievably close, Bradley said. In the end, that's what he'll miss the most.

"We got so close," Bradley said. "We just really love each other. On and off the floor, we're together. I think that's why we improved so much."

"I never wanted it to be over, and now it's all over. I'm going to miss everybody in this room and seeing them every single day."

Unlike UK's offense, the Golden Eagles used a balanced attack. Junior guard Jerel McNeal led the Golden Eagles with 20 points and Dominic James, also a junior guard, added 15, giving UK fits throughout the game. Junior guard Wesley Matthews went just 2-for-10 from the field but made 9-of-10 free

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BILL

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committee has so many liberal Democrats, he said.

Damron also said he fully supports a Kentucky constitutional amendment passed in 2004, which banned gay marriage and domestic partnerships. To allow domestic-partner benefits violates the Constitution and creates an extra financial burden on the state, he said.

"I think it's a bad idea all around," Damron said. "UK is talking about tuition increase, and they're talking about benefits for people living together."

About 60 UK employees currently use the domestic-partner benefits package, said UK spokesman Jay Blanton. UK added domestic-partner benefits in July, six months after the University of Louisville was the first public university in the state to provide domestic-partner benefits.

Rep. Kathy Stein, D-Lexington, said bills like the ban rejected today come up because of the wishes of some legislative leadership.

"The very conservative members of the General Assembly are successful in getting a boogy-

man out there," said Stein, who voted against the ban. "They were very successful in 2004 with the marriage amendment."

"After that they looked for the next way to say Kentucky is going to hell in a handbasket, and this was it," she said.

Rep. Bill Farmer, R-Lexington, said it "would've been nice" for the bill to make it to the floor. He declined to give his personal view on gay marriage, saying he would wait until he had to vote on the issue to publicly decide.

"I have mixed emotions," Farmer said. "The University of Kentucky has a board of trustees to make the decision. I don't think the legislature has a place to interfere."

The bill could still come attached as an amendment to another piece of legislation in the House or Senate. It could also come through the legislature again, including in the House Health and Welfare committee, which Burch said he hopes does not happen.

"I'm hoping that one of these days we'll have a session where we don't focus on domestic-partner benefits and abortion," he said. "Because of these issues, we can't focus on education, we can't focus on children in danger, we can't focus on health care."

KALAM

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India," planned for this year.

One thing led to another, and in December, Desai was in India helping plead the case for why the former president should visit Kentucky. After working out a schedule, Kalam agreed.

"The reason we were particularly interested in Dr. Kalam is because of his background," Desai said. "He is not just a political figure. He is a scientist, he is a scholar."

Kalam, an engineer and author, is known for his Technology Vision 2020 plan, which aims to make India a fully developed nation by 2020. During his visit, Kalam will give speeches and field questions from students and other attendees at some events.

Kalam does not want to talk about political concerns in India during the visit, Desai said. Instead, he wants to talk about science, technology and culture. Through Kalam's speeches and discussions, students in attendance will get to spend time with a visionary, he said.

"He believes in the young. He stresses education all the time," Desai said. "He feels the future of any country is in the young, in future generations."

PRIMARIES

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"Even the latest primaries, such as Indiana, Pennsylvania, Kentucky and even Puerto Rico may have a say in who becomes our next nominee," Kahne said.

By the time May 20 rolls around, however, students will be out of class, and many registered in Lexington may have left for their hometowns.

Student voter turnout is usually low during the primaries, Kahne said, and that is due to the date, rather than to general apathy among students.

"To me, the issue is registration and voting dates," he said. "Since most voter advocacy agencies try to get people to reg-

Free 'Celebration of India' Events

Grand Celebration of India: A Cultural Celebration of East and West

Sunday at 7 p.m.
Singletary Center for the Arts
Concert Hall

Former Indian president Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam will speak, along with Gov. Steve Beshear, Mayor Jim Newsome and President Lee Todd, at the opening event for his visit to Kentucky. The event is free to UK students, faculty and staff, as well as other teachers and students, with school ID. General admission is \$16. To attend, even with free admission, guests should call the Singletary Center at 257-4929.

Gatton Lecture: Economic Development with a Value System

Monday at 10 a.m.
Student Center's Worsham Theater
Kalam will present the a lecture on India's economic outlook.

Parking impacted: The large Student Center employee parking lot will be closed from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday for events related to Kalam's visit. Employees with E parking permits may park in another nearby lot, such as the small Student Center lot, the Martin Luther King Drive lot or Parking Structure #5, next to Kennedy Book Store on South Limestone Street.

Academic Recognition Ceremony and Talk

Monday at 1:30 p.m.
Singletary Center for the Arts
Recital Hall

Kalam will receive his honorary UK doctorate degree and give a speech on India's international role in the 21st century. Provost Kumble Subbaswamy will also give a speech on UK's plans for internationalization.

Arboretum Visit

Tuesday at 9:15 a.m.
Arboretum on Alumni Drive
Kalam will visit the Kentucky Children's Garden at the Arboretum for the dedication of a tree.

A Presidential Exchange with Students

Tuesday at 10 a.m.
Student Center Worsham Theater
A question and answer session for students hosted by the UK Patterson School for Diplomacy and International Commerce.

ister in the place they will be living during the general election, college students are encouraged to register to vote in the city in which they live while they go to school.

But Randazzo sees apathy as a larger barrier to student voting.

"Certainly we see groups of students who are extremely engaged in the process, but for the most part students tend to adopt an 'I don't care' attitude," Randazzo said.

"It would be nice if individuals became more aware of the world around them — then they might actually think about how different aspects affect their individual lives," he said.

Thomas Roberts, chairman of UK College Republicans and a political science and economics senior, agreed that there is

apathy among college students, but said this election is a chance for students to choose someone who will serve them.

"The next four years and the issues that are really important are going to affect us directly. Especially the people who are about to graduate," said Roberts, who noted that social security and job security are issues that college students need to be thinking about.

To find more information on voter registration, voting locations, absentee ballots and other voter information visit the Fayette County Clerk's Web site (www.fayettecountyclerk.com).

Those students who will not be able to vote in their registered location can fill out an absentee ballot by May 13, which they can get by calling 255-VOTE.

Black women's conference focuses on health

By Leticia James
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Local and national leaders are discussing health inequalities facing black women tomorrow and throughout next week at the 14th annual Black Women's Conference.

The conference's theme is "Sick and Tired of Being Sick and Tired: Addressing Health Disparities Among Black Women." Community-based events with informational and interactive dialogues from scholars around the country begin tomorrow and continue through March 27.

Sociology professor Doris Wilkinson founded the Black Women's Conference 14 years ago while serving as the director of the African-American Studies and Research Program.

At the time the conference was founded, many new and junior women faculty on campus were expressing a need to share experiences and get information about UK culture, promotion opportunities and tenure. Concerns about family life and linking with the broader community were also conveyed.

Many attended the first conference, and a tradition was established that has carried through today, Wilkinson said.

"This is a unique and historic conference,"

Wilkinson said. "This activity is an invaluable part of the African-American Studies and Research Program."

Sonja Feist-Price, director of African-American Studies, selected the timely topic related to health disparities. Nationally, there is a concern with the health of women, Wilkinson said.

Joycelyn Elders, the first black woman to be appointed U.S. Surgeon General, is serving as the conference's keynote speaker at the grand finale at 5 p.m. on Thursday in the Student Center's Center Theater. This event and the earlier lecture presentations are free and open to the public.

Black women face challenges that are anchored in the racially framed social structure and political culture, Wilkinson said. Women of African descent still live in a culture that does not consistently treat them favorably, she said.

"It is important to have programs and conferences directed toward African-American women as well as women of all ethnic and racial populations," Wilkinson said. "Their health needs and social and professional interests as well as their histories differ."

For more information about the conference or the events, visit its Web site (www.uky.edu/AS/AASRP/black_womens_conference).

Conference Events

Saturday
Village Experience
11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Shiloh Baptist Church (237 E. 5th Street)

Wednesday
Town Hall Meeting
6:30 p.m. at UK Student Center

Thursday
Anna J. Cooper Address
10 a.m. (9:30 a.m. Registration) at Stu-

dent Center Small Ballroom
Speaker: Dr. Bonnie Mitchell, professor and chief pathologist
Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Mary McLeod Bethune Luncheon and Lecture
12 p.m. at Student Center Grand Ballroom (Luncheon buffet tickets are \$15)
Speaker: Dr. Yvette Collier
Sloan Epidemiology Center at Boston University
More information: 257-3583

Community Engagement
2:30 p.m. at Student Center Small Ballroom
Speaker: Dr. Regine Washington
director, Division of Prevention and Quality Improvement for Kentucky Department for Public Health

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■ KERNEL EDITORIAL

Campaigning for higher-ed shouldn't stop at first success

Despite some good signs from Frankfort, the fight for higher-education funding isn't over yet.

Earlier this month, the state House of Representatives approved a budget for 2008-10 that would keep UK's funding at its current level — a substantial improvement over the 12 percent cuts Gov. Steve Beshear proposed.

By raising taxes on gas and cigarettes, restructuring the state's debt, and cutting state jobs through attrition — declining to replace workers who retire — the House found enough revenue to make up much of the budget shortfall, the Kernel reported Monday.

The House bill is by no means perfect. It's about \$60 million short of what the Top 20 Business Plan calls for a \$20 million increase in 2008-09 and an equal increase on top of that for the next year. But it's much better than the crippling cuts Beshear proposed, which would have forced UK to adopt unthinkable tuition hikes or significant staffing cuts — or both.

Don't start rejoicing yet: The House's budget has a long way to go before it becomes law. The State Senate will almost certainly tweak the bill, meaning legislative leaders will need to work out compromise legislation. The new bill would need the approval

of a majority in both houses, as well as the governor's signature.

Some good has clearly come out of students' lobbying efforts, both the letter-writing in Student Government's Listen Up Legislators program and the above-par turnout at the annual Rally for Higher Education. If SG and individual students don't keep up the activism and put political pressure on

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Beyond direct funding for state universities, other programs that benefit students could be in jeopardy. For instance, the Senate may decide to cut funds for the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship, which the House budget helps fully fund, said Rep. Jim Wayne, D-Louisville, in the Kernel article.

"That's a nonessential government service, so it's something that could easily be put on the chopping block," Wayne said.

The students across the state who rely on KEEES money to help pay tuition certainly don't see the program as "nonessential." If state senators don't understand the importance of KEEES to their constituents, they'll have few regrets about slashing its funding.

The same goes for higher-education appropriations in general — political pressure is the only way to get results. So now's no time for students to take the pressure off.

■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No oppression in China-Tibet relationship

To talk about the Chinese discrimination and persecution that the Tibetans had suffered, as proclaimed by Tenzin Wangmo in a letter on Wednesday, I want to tell a story in my own life. Back in China, two of my classmates in college were Tibetans. Their academic requirements to enter college were much lower than the established standards for other students. They received a special allowance from our government every month. And unlike most of the other students, Tibetan students don't need to keep a minimum performance to maintain their status at school.

I know that the education system in Tibet wasn't so well-established and that Chinese is the second language for Tibetan students, therefore their intelligence and qualification shouldn't be judged based on the same criteria. But could you find a better way to not "discriminate" them by lowering the standards for them to offer them an equal opportunity for education and an extra allowance in school? Should we treat Tibetan students like American graduate schools treat us Asian international students?

Tenzin Wangmo claimed that Tibetans are now second-class citizens in Tibet, but what I see is the Chinese government spending hundreds of millions of yuan in Tibet every year to improve its economy. If Tibetans like to live without electricity, railway, air transportation, Internet access and better education, then I totally agree that the Chinese government should not spend huge sums of money and make Tibetan-friendly policies in Tibet and the surrounding provinces. Perhaps then the riots and the deaths and injuries occurred by the rioters would have been prevented.

Someone said cultural genocide? What a joke. For hundreds of years, Chinese used to break a maiden's feet and pack them with straws in order to let them look "small and pretty." Anyone who is against the abolition of such old-fashioned and inhumane traditions?

I respect human rights, and so do I respect human lives. But I don't think the Tibetan rioters have any right to attack normal people and the police.

I hope there will be no more bloodshed. Maybe in the protesters' opinion, a life lost during the protest is a life for freedom, but in my opinion, every life should be respected and treasured by one's family, friends, the society and oneself.

Wenjun Zhu
Medical graduate student

Harsh parking enforcement solves nothing

The current UK "parking system" in place is borderline economic rape. There is virtually nowhere to park on campus unless you purchase an overpriced pass for an under-accommodating lot of your choice; it feels like there are less than 20 metered spots. But even these spots encounter problems.

First, most of these meters are 45-minute meters, which is often not enough time for students. Second, and most atrociously, the parking enforcement has reached near Nazi status. These "parking enforcers" seem to make their rounds every three minutes, sticking yellow paper on car after car. After a few yellow "citations" you receive a boot, a rather archaic method of ensuring that the offender make payment. Think of tethering your dog outside for two days to ensure that he urinates. After the boot comes the towing of the vehicle.

This "iron fist" of parking enforcement has gone too far. We need less strong handed ticketing/towing and more compassion toward the student population. We are the one's paying the bills. Let us park without the fear of \$35 of ticketing or even towing. To UK's decision makers: Add more metered spots, and increase the existing ones' maximum time from 45 minutes to 1.5 hours. Parking near or around UK is a joke.

David James Trulaski
English senior

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Compared to other campuses, UK behind in dining, recycling

The last year of my undergraduate college career has taken me to a number of university and graduate school campuses that I had never visited before. Unfortunately, visiting these campuses did not invoke a sense of nostalgia or longing for UK; rather, I only became increasingly disillusioned with the campus that I have called home for the last four years.

I am sincerely worried that UK will not only fail to achieve top-20 status but will also continue to be left behind by all the numerous forward-thinking schools.

Part of the problem is not UK's fault. We are burdened with state representatives who would rather clog up the legislative process with stupid bills, like making congregate the official state sport and requiring all women who have opted to have an abortion to receive an ultrasound without going so far as to provide a source of funding for this expensive new regulation, rather than address the serious economic and social problems that

plague our Commonwealth. However, there are two aspects that I feel are easy for UK to change and that would instantly make UK a more attractive place to current and potential students.

One, I am completely over the dining options. Universities smaller and bigger than UK have somehow managed to create dining options that are healthy and delicious. These schools also don't seem to participate in the same ridiculous price-gouging that takes place here, where salads are exorbitantly expensive yet served in tiny portions, while the less healthy sandwich option is also expensive but at least served in huge portions. I spend a lot of time on campus these days, and it would be nice to be able to pick up a snack every now and then that's not either super-sugary and fattening or a rapidly decomposing fungus.

Aside from shopping around for a new contract with a different, more health- and taste-conscious food provider, UK should also try to go local as much as possible. I am aware that UK does purchase a small amount of food from local farmers and producers, but they could do more. These days, with gas prices climbing rapidly, the cost of food is going up, and local food is more competitive than ever. Prices more when compared to food that is

shipped in. Plus, it is fresher, probably closer to organic and will serve as one step toward making UK a green campus.

Speaking of UK as a green campus, that leads me to my second easy-to-make change: encouraging recycling. Every other campus I have been to recently has, next to each and every garbage can, separate containers for paper, plastic and aluminum. I don't know about you, but I've got a special compartment in my backpack for all the recyclable materials that I bring home to my personal recycling bin since I can never seem to find any place to recycle on campus!

Recycling is the easiest activity to improve the environment there is; even those nutjobs who question global warming can at least get on board with recycling by admitting that not recycling is just plain wasteful. How simple and easy would it be for UK to place recycling bins next to every garbage bin?

P.S. Please don't vote in favor of that silly proposal to make paper copies of the New York Times and USA Today available on campus. UK already has an online subscription to the New York Times. Let's progress and not regress in the area of environmentally friendly practices.

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For the sake of mental tranquility, hold on to your childhood dreams

Recently, the menacing Dr. Doom and the heroic Iron Man were transported back in time to 1963 during a fight with the evil forces at Doom's castle fort.

I don't know why I know this. Why should a 21-year-old college student who is free from sixth grade and the confines of his mom's basement really care? I guess that person doesn't.

Tough to explain then why I spent an hour walking to get that comic book though. I suppose it wasn't me who did it, but the 10-year-old in me who thinks he's the next Stone Cold Steve Austin and just won't go away.

People often talk about how the collegiate experience broadens your horizons and exposes you to diverse ideas, but in the end, it always ends up locking you in. Whether you choose to study science or the arts, you are choosing a path of specialization when you choose a major. As much as we would like to think otherwise, Rembrandt isn't building my car and Isaac Newton is not on the next Kanye West single. Kids love everything, and it often seems that only if the myriad of interests is stifled can tomorrow be reached with even a grain of sanity.

Of course, there are natural side effects of attempting such an act of mental self-mutilation. It starts with thinking that something in another

area of study sounds interesting. You think about pursuing it, but of course you tell yourself that course load is just not a concrete plan of action should not be broken on a whim of curiosity. You have goals. These nagging feelings fester though, and eventually, they start boiling over into a full-blown disease. What if I had done that? Or this? Or the other? Or course, by then it would be quite too late.

The only way you can keep yourself from blowing a gasket is to embrace the person you used to be with your other resources. So I walk to the comic book store each week. I shop on eBay. I go to a convention. All in the vain hope that if I buy enough stuff from my childhood back, just maybe, my mind will quit telling me what a massive mistake I've made. It's all just a temporary fix though. It's just mental morphine. It kills the pain for a while, but it's still there and will soon come back.

At a certain point though, it begins to feel like whatever I am battling isn't even real anymore. I don't yearn for my past dreams after I ace a series of tests. The rest of my life does not appear so bleak entering a break when success has been snatched from the jaws of defeat. Is it just more bandages on a gunshot wound though? Or is it that when things turn bleak, we always reach for what is most familiar and comforting because we just don't believe that it's possible to come through again?

I don't know if whatever I set out to accomplish three years ago when I walked onto campus was a good plan then or is now, but I might as well

drop out the moment I stop being worried about what's to come. Fear is not a bad thing to have. It's only when we let it dig down so deeply that we cannot overcome it that it becomes a detriment.

The dreams of childhood that we defer for the present because of impracticality, lack of skill or even cowardice should never die.

The kid inside me has some good qualities, but he always wants the easy way out. It's simply proof of positive progress as a person to not let fear of the difficult path in front stop the forward march.

In the end, if insecurities are used to drive up their power to destroy, they can also be used to build. The sixth-grader in me isn't wrong. The dreams of childhood that we defer for the present because of impracticality, lack of skill or even cowardice should never die. I'm not Stone Cold. I don't write the X-Men comics, and I'll never make an NFL tackle, but if I had not wanted to be all of the above and failed, then I would not have the drive to succeed in what I want now.

The dreams of the past may haunt us, but without them, there is nothing to test the resolve of what we want today.

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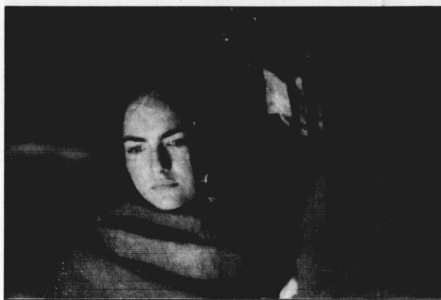
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From left, Camilla Belle as Evolet and Steven Strait as D'Leh in a scene from Warner Bros. Pictures' and Legendary Pictures' epic adventure "10,000 B.C.," distributed by Warner Bros. Pictures.

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frame by frame | This week's box office hits and misses

'10,000 B.C.' falls ages short of epic

By **Ricky Simpson**
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10,000 B.C.

Starring: Steven Strait, Camilla Belle

I can take generic computer graphics. I can suffer through cliché characters, but I just can't make it through copy and paste plot lines and voice-overs that could have been written by a grade-schooler.

D'Leh (Strait) is a young member of a tribe who is seeking placement among his people. When the tribe is attacked and members are kidnapped, D'Leh, alongside his other tribemates, journey off to rescue their hijacked confidants.

D'Leh's primary drive for the paroling expedition is the hope to recapture his blue-eyed love, Evolet (Belle), who is among those strapped to a prehistoric chain gang.

Through the shoulder-length dreadlocks of the hunters, there is a longing feeling of "let's just get to the end and see how he gets her back." We know what is going to happen because we have seen this formula before, and it hasn't been done any better. This film grabs from the plot of "Apocalypse," the dialog of "300," and it comes off vastly more cheesy than the writing of that overly dramatic epic — if you can imagine that. All this film does is make me want to watch "Apocalypse," a movie that actually succeeds in this type of prehistoric, epic quest.

At least the images and vibrant colors can keep your eyes open for two hours, but if "Brokeback Mountain" taught

us anything, it showed us that cinematography does not make a good movie.

This film runs 109 minutes and is rated PG-13 for mild violence, but it is gentle enough for someone of any age to watch. In the end, we have seen this song and dance before. This film needs to take its plot and find a way to evolve.

Grade: C-
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Opening Today

Drillbit Taylor

Starring: Owen Wilson, Josh Peck, Alex Frost

In this slapstick comedy, tired of chronic bullying, tired of chronic bullying, hire a low-budget bodyguard who becomes the students and does his best to turn the hopeless nerds into real men.

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Meet The Browns

Starring: Tamela J. Mann, Angela Bassett

I am willing to watch anything with Tyler Perry's name on it. This soft drama about a single mother who meets a side of her family she has never met after the death of her estranged father. The film looks to have the vintage Perry sentimentality mixed with clever humor and family values.

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Shutter

Starring: Joshua Jackson, Rachael Taylor

From the producers of "The Grudge" and "The Ring," this film revolves around the phenomenon of spirit photography, which is the capturing of spirits on film. Let's see if this is another bone chiller like "The Ring" and not just another film for the Wayans Brothers to make fun of.

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Upcoming DVDS The Kite Runner

(March 25)

Starring: Khalid Abdalla

Adapted from the hit novel, this emotional film follows two young friends and their troubled lives in a small Afghanistan town. This Oscar nominated film won the hearts of critics and viewers alike with its captivating and inspiring story.

Bonnie and Clyde — Ultimate Collector's Edition

(March 25)

Starring: Warren Beatty, Faye Dunaway

This 1967 classic is ranked as one of the 50 greatest films ever by the American Film Institute and was nominated for 10 Academy Awards. It glorifies and immortalizes the deadly lovers on their infamous bank-heist spree.

Local bakery to treat dogs with annual Easter egg hunt

By **Kelly Wiley**
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Every Easter parents stuff colorful, plastic eggs full of candy loaded with sugar for their children, but what about the cuddly canine who is a member of the family as well?

For the Love of Dogs Bakery can help with this dilemma. The store will hold their second annual Canine Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday at 2 p.m. at 113 Clay Avenue for those who love their dog as if it were their child.

"There will be fresh baked biscuits in the eggs and gourmet items, such as cupcakes and sandwiches," said Clayton Harvey, owner of For the Love of Dogs Bakery. "There will also be treats for the humans as well."

Harvey said some eggs will be stuffed with gift cards the owners can use at his store. There also will also be a photographer there to take pictures of dogs with their owners.

Before the hunt begins, Harvey said a student from the Lexington Theological Seminary will give the blessing of the animals. The blessing is a religious tradition that asks for the protection and guidance of all animals.

The bakery came about by chance. Harvey said his dog, Harley, started having health problems due to food allergies. Harvey did some research and realized that no stores in Lexington sold "healthier" products for dogs.

"There are a lot of health issues in dogs that are just like human, and it has to do with the way we feed ourselves," Harvey said.

So on a whim, Harvey decided to open the bakery. "Pretty much anything that has to do with dogs we have," Harvey said. "It's a lot of the things that you probably wouldn't find at Petsmart."

The store features dog goodies that are free of wheat, corn and soy. Besides the bakery, the

store also has a boutique that carries leashes, collars, clothes and bags.

A lot of Harvey's customers are UK students and faculty members. He said they have a great location that is close to campus.

"A lot of young people, if they are not married yet, have dogs as their companion, and it's kind of like their little child," Harvey said.

Harvey said one of their main goals is to reach out to the community through events that are family oriented and pet friendly. He believes that is why the Easter egg hunt has been such a success.

If you go

What: Canine Easter Egg Hunt
When: Saturday at 2 p.m.
Where: For the Love of Dogs
113 Clay Avenue
Admission: Free

Tickets for campus O.A.R. concert on sale

O.A.R., a jam band from Rockville, Md., is scheduled to perform at UK on April 23 at 7 p.m. in Memorial Coliseum.

The band, composed of vocalist Marc Roberge, guitarist Richard On, bassist Ben Gershman, percussionist Chris Culos and saxophonist and guitarist Jerry DePizzo, have released seven albums, sold over 1.2 million albums, and sold out Madison Square Garden in January 2006 and January 2007.

Tickets went on sale for students on March 17 and will continue to be available only to students at the Student Center Ticketmaster office, located in room 258, through today. Beginning March 22 at 10 a.m. tickets will be available to the general public.

Tickets are \$15 for students with a valid UK WildCard ID, and \$25 for faculty, staff and the general public.

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