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Staff still seeking more representation at UK

By Jennifer Smith
Campus Editor

University staff members do not think they have an adequate voice on campus. But UK President Charles Wethington disagrees.

Staff representatives went to the University Senate yesterday for the second time in six months seeking support for establishing a staff congress. The congress would act as a legislative and advising body to the administration on staff matters.

For the staff to establish a leg-

islative body, it must be approved by Wethington and the Board of Trustees. In January, the staff went to the University Senate Council to gain support for its case. The council approved the staff's proposal.

However, when the resolution was presented to Wethington, he said a governing body for the staff was not necessary.

"I did not support a staff senate because they already have proper representation," he said. "We are spending a great deal of time, money and effort on developing and bettering the human

resources department to serve the needs of the staff."

Wethington suggested that if the 9,213 staff members want further representation than what is available, then they should explore other avenues.

"As I've indicated to them, (the staff) needs to look for more staff representation on University committees, maybe a representative on the University Senate or within the community college system," Wethington said.

He said he recognizes the staff's interest and has specifically appointed a staff member to the

chancellor search advisory committee.

When the proposal did not get administrative approval in the earlier attempt, the staff representatives went to the full University Senate for its backing.

The Senate approved the measure yesterday, and it will be forwarded to Wethington for further action.

Senate Council Chairman Raymond Cox said giving the staff a voice is "simply the right thing to do." He acknowledged that the Senate does not have the power to mandate a staff congress, however,

he said every little bit helps.

A staff association has been established to address staff concerns and develop a staff congress, but it does not have any governing power.

The association established its own constitution and bylaws based on the system at the University of Louisville.

Kim Blair, co-chairwoman of the staff association, said U of L has had a staff congress for 20 years.

"A staff congress would give us a voice to let the administration know our concerns," Blair said.

"The decisions that are made now are made by higher bodies who do not ask staff opinions on matters that affect us."

Blair said the human resources department Wethington cited does not represent the staff. She said there have been times when staff members get reprimanded by their superiors for going through the department.

"A lot of decisions do not get funneled to us, and there's not information going up," Blair said.

"We do not have any place to go. We're not asking for any power, just a voice."

Student breaks barriers through music

By Carrie Morrison
Arts Editor

The four walls of a residence hall room or even a lobby cannot contain the proud sound of Scottish Highland bagpipes. So Cammi Payne often goes outside to play them, drawing many impressed passers-by. What they will realize if they chat with Payne is that being legally blind cannot contain her.

Completely blind in her left eye, with right eye vision of 20/200, Payne's eyes dart back and forth with vivacity, though not with sight. She has been blind since birth; her mother suffered kidney failure when she was pregnant.

"I'm thankful to God for what vision He did give me," Payne says. "I know He made me the way I am for a purpose. . . . I haven't figured it out yet."

The vocal performance and German freshman from Memphis participates in a multitude of activities — UK choral groups, a local medieval music group called the Center for Old Music in the New World, campus Celtic band Fianna Rua and Campus Crusade for Christ. Payne plays the oboe and the bodhran (a Celtic drum) in addition to the bagpipes. Juggling these activities with her disability, she earned a 3.6 GPA last semester.

"This campus is pretty accommodating," she said of UK's provisions for blind students. "The English department has been pretty helpful so far."

Payne's English 102 instructor has typed out notes for her student in large lettering, which she can read fairly well. Payne also has a Braille writer and a Toshiba laptop that "speaks" the letters as she is typing. She was able to get the computer through an agreement between the Kentucky Department for the Blind and UK. She recently found out that she qualifies for a seeing-eye dog and will receive one in the summer.

"When I was in high school, my parents and grandparents . . . for the longest time didn't want me to learn Braille . . . or use a cane," Payne said. "They wanted me to latch on and ask everybody for help. I was kind of ashamed. I didn't want anyone to know I had a problem. I didn't know I was qualified for any rehabilitation stuff until I came to Kentucky."

Colleges in Tennessee, Payne said, "wouldn't sponsor her for equipment because they considered her intended major, music, an 'unstable' profession."

Payne proves all the time that she was meant for music. She loves almost every kind — "Whatever will feed me," she said.

Payne particularly is interested in Celtic music



GRANT SCOTS Vocal performance and German freshman Cammi Payne finds strength and peace in music and poetry.

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because of her heritage. Her mother's side of the family descended from a major Scottish clan.

"I really have a passion for history and genealogy," she said. "The culture in general I'm enthralled with."

Payne has travelled to the glens of Great Britain and spent a summer with a German family during high school. She has picked up a little Welsh, Scots Gaelic and a few Irish phrases.

"What I enjoy is getting off the beaten path and meeting the people," Payne said. "The people of this world are so fascinating."
Her travel, as well as life in general, has inspired Payne to write many poems. Her poetry is descriptive, often touching on nature's beauty, her ancestry and friendship. She often recites her own lines to herself when she needs strength and reassurance.

But her main reassurance comes from God, whom Payne describes as "the ultimate man. He rocks."

Payne, though strong in her religious convictions, doesn't believe in pushing her Christian faith on others. In the fall, when a family of evangelists preached in the Free Speech Area behind the Student Center, she poked a little fun at the hellfire and brimstone.

"Somebody said, 'Hey, Cammi! Go get your

pipes!' So I did. I went under a tree and started playing and totally drowning (the preacher) out," she said. "People applauded."

Payne is sharing her knowledge of bagpipes. She is teaching a music instructor as well as a few students who approached her as she played outside. Usually it takes a year on the chanter, which trains the player to use his/her breath. Payne has been playing for three years. Payne often is surprised that people are impressed by her talents.

"People think that's amazing. They shouldn't — that's life." She herself is amazed by her Blazer Hall neighbor and best friend, Maria Delgado, who is completely blind and speaks mostly Spanish.

Payne's dream is to get married and live on the Scottish moors, teaching music to local children.

"Maybe God put the desire in me to know so much (about Scotland) because he has a plan for me there."

Perhaps Payne's life mission can be summed up in some of her poetry:

"I heard the ancient battle cries of my ancestors/Then the wind carried me on upwards. . . I stood motionless for in that brief floating moment/my spirit told me that I was home."

NEWSbytes

WORLD Police seize gas that killed 7 in Japan

TOKYO — Police in protective gear seized five packages of nerve gas that spread death yesterday through Tokyo's crowded subway system, hunting for clues in a chilling new chapter in urban terrorism: the use of chemical weapons.

No one claimed responsibility for the chilling attack, which killed seven people and sickened nearly 4,700 others. It paralyzed one of the world's busiest subway systems and stunned the Japanese, who consider their country among the world's safest.

The attack drew new attention to earlier, unsolved cases of chemical poisoning, including the deaths of seven people in the central Japanese city of Matsumoto in June. As in the subway attack, authorities blamed sarin, a nerve gas developed by the Nazis in World War II.

NATION Buchanan kicks off campaign

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Commentator Pat Buchanan cast himself yesterday as the true conservative in the presidential race, kicking off his GOP campaign with pledges to look out for "our own country first" and to rid America of the "purveyors of sex and violence." Buchanan portrayed himself as the champion of working Americans, and a crusader in a "cultural war" against lewdness and violence in the media, music and museums that "welcome exhibits that mock our patriotism and our faith."

CAMPUS SGA debate at Newman Center

Students have an opportunity to hear from both SGA presidential and vice presidential candidates tonight at the Catholic Newman Center. The event, scheduled for 7:30 p.m., is an effort to encourage more student participation and increase student awareness of the candidates. Students should meet in the Newman Center lobby at 520 Rose Lane.

Namedropping

Queen revisits different South Africa

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Queen Elizabeth II is older and South Africa is a lot wiser than during her last visit 48 years ago. The queen arrived Sunday on a historic visit, her first trip back to South Africa since she was a 21-year-old princess.

About 50 onlookers and scores of journalists attended the Queen's low-key arrival at the airport Sunday, where she was greeted by Deputy President Thabo Mbeki and a 3-year-old girl bearing peach-colored roses. The queen is expected to address the parliament elected last year in South Africa's first all-race vote.

Compiled from staff, wire reports.



Elizabeth II

Unassuming Benson looks to assume SGA throne

By Carrie Morrison
Arts Editor

Todd Benson has a shy, unassuming smile. He flashes it briefly toward the end of a lunchtime interview at Ramsey's, looking down and pushing his catfish around with a fork.

"I'm really average," he said. "There's nothing fantastic about me."

But what the Student Government Association presidential candidate had revealed earlier showed he has had unique experiences and a few hardships.

Furthermore, he's learned from them.

Benson is from Fort Mitchell, a small Northern Kentucky town. He and his 17-year-old sister grew up living with their grandparents so they could be in the district of Beechwood High School. His parents have been divorced for several years, but he remains close to them.

"My mother and I are really good friends. Whenever I get in trouble, she's the first person I go to. . . . I think that's something a lot of people miss out on."

Benson was a leader in high school. He played basketball and golf, and he was the vice president of his senior class. But the 19-year-old marketing sophomore is quick to downplay his accomplishments.

"Beechwood's real small, so it's easy to be popular," Benson said.

When Benson came to UK, he led his Phi Gamma Delta social fraternity pledge class. At the advice of his parents, though, he de-activated last fall. He is still close to his former brothers, who actively support him and his running mate, Brian Perkins, in the campaign.

"Politics is not a goal of Benson's; in fact, his life-long dream is to own his own restaurant or sports bar someday.

"Politics is really risky," he said. "You're not set for the future. With a business running smoothly, the possibilities are endless."

The Benson-Perkins ticket has a platform that includes installing better lighting in the Seaton Field area, changing the full-time SGA office secretary position to part-time and using the salary toward child care grants or scholarships, and activating the proposed Call and Ride and Live program.

He and Perkins also said they may try to put a motion through the Senate to disband SGA and start from scratch — due to general ineptitude.

The CARAL program was first brought up in the Senate in October. The program would give free transportation for UK students who don't feel safe driving home after drinking.

Benson will push for CARAL especially hard if he is elected; he had an experience only a month and a half ago that makes the whole idea hit home.

Benson was best man when his father got married in Covington, and he and his sister were celebrating late at night. At about 1 a.m., Benson wanted to drive back to Lexington.

"I felt like I could handle it," he said.

Somewhere near Grant County, Benson was pulled over for driving 80 mph in a 55 zone. The officer smelled alcohol on his breath and made him take a field sobriety test. He passed, but police still felt he was intoxicated and Benson was arrested.

"I spent the night in the Grant County jail," Benson said. "It scares you a lot. I was put in a cell with a guy who had just gotten done beating his wife."

Benson said he has since been to court and the charges probably will be dropped. But the experience weighs heavily on him.

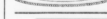
"I haven't had a drink since that night — I haven't had a sip."

Benson believes CARAL, despite the controversy it stirred in the Senate last fall, can work.

"We need something more than just saying, 'Drink responsibly,'" he said. "SGA has the chance to make a difference. . . . You're saving lives in the long run."

Coffee Talk

a six-part look at the people behind the platforms



Benson/Perkins Campaign Highlights

▼ Eliminate the position of SGA secretary, using that money for scholarships or child-care grants.

▼ Let students choose whether their names and addresses go into the campus directory.

▼ Improve campus safety by putting lights on top of emergency call boxes.

▼ Activate the Call and Ride and Live program, which would help decrease drinking and driving.

▼ Cut funding for the Student Organizations Assistance Committee and give the SGA Senate more power in deciding funding for organizations.

▼ SGA shows no improvement over the course of the year, dismantle it and build a new organization.



Benson

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SPORTS

Cats' foes remembering '93

By Brett Dawson
Sports Editor

MEMPHIS — If it's beginning to look a lot like 1993 to you, then join the club. Over the weekend in The Pyramid, it was looking that way to UK's opposition too.

"That was the year that the Cats swaltzed to the Final Four on the shoulders of Jamal Mashburn, mowing down everything in their path in being named the favorites for the national championship.

Until Michigan spoiled UK's fun, that is.

This year, things are shaping up much the same way.

"Take it from Mt. St. Mary's coach Jim Phelan.

"We knew that we were going to have to play a tough team (in the first round) — either North Carolina, Arkansas or Kentucky," Phelan said. "And we go and get probably the best of the bunch."

Phelan wasn't the only one singing UK's praises. Tulane coach Perry Clark tabbed UK as the favorite to claim the national title.

That's no news to ESPN commentator Dick Vitale, who's been picking UK since the brackets came out, or to Tulsa head coach Tubby Smith, whose team is in the Sweet Sixteen.

The former Rick Pitino assistant also picks the Cats as the favorite.

Why?

"It's actually pretty simple — this UK team is favored because it has absolutely everything and nothing in common with the 1993 edition.

Here's why:

The constellation theory

That is, it's harder to stop a bunch of smaller stars than one big one.

UK doesn't have one guy to concentrate on stopping. Though some teams have been successful with one stud and a nice cast of supporting players (i.e. Kansas with Danny Manning in 1988), each of the last five national champions had at least three players who demanded the attention of defenses.

For Arkansas last year, it was Corliss Williamson, Scotty Thurman and any of three or four others who could step up on any given night. For North Carolina the year before? Eric Montross, Donald Williams and Derrick Phelps were all capable of erupting.

Duke, the champion in 1991 and '92, had Christian Laettner, Grant Hill and Bobby Hurley.

UNLV and Michigan, champs in 1990 and 1989 respectively, had entire teams that were stacked.

But specifically, the Runnin' Rebels Larry Johnson, Stacy Augmon, Greg Anthony and Anderson Hunt all were nearly unstoppable on any given night, as were Michigan's Rumeal Robinson, Terry Mills and Glen Rice.

And UK?

"Take your pick," Tulane guard LeVeldro Simmons said. "There's five guys on that team who could beat you."

And that could be an understatement. Where in 1993 the Cats relied on Mashburn and got contributions from other players when he was double- or triple-teamed, this team has more evenly-balanced talent.

Tony Deik is UK's prime scoring threat, but try and shut him down, and Rodrick Rhodes, Walter McCarty, Jared Jett, Antoine Walker or Mark Pope could burn you for big numbers.

"There's really nobody to concentrate on," McCarty said. "And we're always looking for the guy who gets hot."

Dee-fense

"Defense wins championships in every sport," Rhodes says. "You look at Vegas when they won the title, and they played great defense. So did Duke."

"Even the Bears and the Giants in football — they played great defense."

So did UK in '93. And so does UK now.

For proof to the postulate, look no further than the Tulane game, where the Green Wave looked nothing short of lost against UK's tight "D."

"With Kentucky's defense, it's hard because you see all these openings and you want to go after them, you want to jump on them," Simmons said. "But the thing is, they're not really there."

Huh?

"It's like, you see the opportunity to go for it, but then it's closed up on you," Simmons said. "They're everywhere."

And they're not just everywhere on the press, the defensive element for which the Cats are best known. Once the opposition gets the ball across half court, things don't get any easier. Opponents are shooting only 40.2 percent, just 31 percent from three-point range.

"You put so much emphasis on beating that pressure," Clark said, "that once you get past that, you don't focus enough on executing in the half-court offense."

And though the Cats still are

susceptible to immovable objects on the inside (Tulane's Rayshard Allen burned Andre Riddick and Pope for 29 points), the rest of the halfcourt game can be a pain.

That's because not only have UK's players become better defensively as individuals, but have learned to communicate as a team on defense.

"You might beat one guy out front, but then somebody else cuts you off," Simmons said. "They close up the holes."

When Tulane guard Corry Childs slipped past Rhodes on the way to a spectacular reverse dunk, the UK forward scolded his teammates for not playing great team defense — after all, nobody slid over to pick up Childs.

"Defense is something we want to do all the time," Rhodes said. "We have to want to play great defense."

All work or no play

With all due respect to James Brown, the Cats might be the hardest-working team in the business.

Asked over the weekend if his team "wins ugly," UK coach Rick Pitino was taken aback.

"That's certainly not ugly to us," Pitino said. "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder, and to me (the Tulane game) was very beautiful."

"When you've got guys working this hard, to me, that has to be beautiful."

Pitino is known far and wide for his talents as a motivator, and that isn't lost on his fellow coaches, especially Clark, who was beaming over UK's work ethic all weekend.

"It's very admirable what he's done," Clark said. "It isn't easy to get an entire team to work that hard."

So how does Pitino do it? That's a no-brainer.

"You either work your butt off," Pope said, "or somebody just as good as you, or better, is coming to take your minutes."



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1995 football staff set

Staff report

The UK football team announced the hiring of another new coach and realigned the ones that were already on the staff.

Dave Magazu, a former assistant at Colorado State University, will be joining the UK football staff as an assistant coach.

With spring practice set to begin on Saturday, Curry announced yesterday the alignment of his coaching staff.

Defensive staff

- ▼ Mike Archer, defensive coordinator/linebackers coach/assistant coach
- ▼ Bill Glaser, defensive tackles coach
- ▼ Calvin Miller, defensive ends coach
- ▼ Rick Smith, defensive backs coach

Offensive staff

- ▼ Elliot Uzela, offensive coordinator/tight ends coach
- ▼ Ray Dorr, quarterback coach
- ▼ Dave Magazu, centers and guards coach
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TIPoff

Times for Thursday's NCAA Tournament games:

Southeast Region
Jefferson Civic Center, Birmingham
7:40 p.m.: Georgetown vs. North Carolina
30 minutes following: Arizona State vs. UK.

West Region
Alameda County Coliseum, Oakland
8:05 p.m.: Mississippi State vs. UCLA
30 minutes following: Maryland vs. Connecticut

Times for Friday's games:

East Region
The Meadowlands, East Rutherford, N.J.
8:05 p.m.: Wake Forest vs. OK State
30 minutes following: Tulsa vs. UMass

Midwest Region
Kemper Arena, Kansas City
8 p.m.: Memphis vs. Arkansas
30 minutes following: Kansas vs. Virginia

DiVersions

Painter combines art, design

By Claire Johnston
Assistant Arts Editor

The Central Bank Gallery at 300 W. Vine currently is featuring the art of former UK professor and renowned architect Vito Girono through Friday.

Born in 1910, the son of a mason from Florence, Italy, Girono was the first American-born member of his family.

Girono worked his way through the Newark School of Fine and Industrial Arts during the Depression, he switched to architecture and worked nights to support himself. While at New York University, Girono also studied at the Beaux Arts Institute of Design in New York and the Fontainebleau School of Architecture in France.

"When I was in school at New York University, I was required to take a course in watercolor and the history of painting and sculpture," Girono said.

Injuries suffered during World War II caused Girono to abandon designing for teaching at the University of Notre Dame for 19 years. He was then appointed to the School of Architecture at UK for 10 years.

"When I taught at Notre Dame, I taught with charcoal and watercolor so students could design quickly, which is a good development of concept," Girono said.

Simple charcoal lines does not mean that Girono prefers an obscure approach. As an architect, Girono prefers to draw to abstract design.

"I like realism," he said. "I like things how they really are."

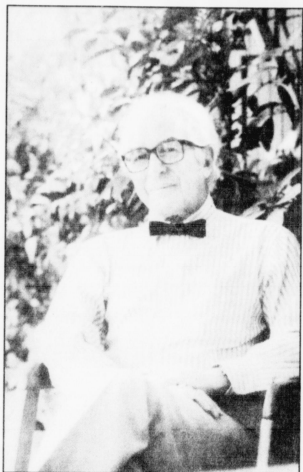
Girono's realistic paintings are as detailed as a building design and is as lasting, according to the artist.

"Paintings last," he said. "Too many people create a piece of art that doesn't last. Money is spent on too much abstract nonsense."

In keeping with that philosophy is the content of



The Central Bank Gallery at 300 W. Vine will hold the work of Vito Girono until Friday.



VITO GIRONO will hold his exhibit until this Friday.

Girono's paintings of structures of Italy and Lexington.

"Most of the works are of site drawings in Venice, Florence and Rome during my sabbatical in 1974," Girono said. "I would apply some colors on site, return to my room to finish it, then compare it with the site to make sure it was finalized."

The meticulous design of Girono's paintings is a departure from popular abstract art but has found an audience and a warm reception from curators and art fans.

"He is the most prominent artist that we have had," said John Irvin, curator for the Central Bank Gallery.

Denfeld examines feminist order

By Alison Kight
Staff Critic

When I first picked up "The New Victorians: A Young Woman's Challenge to the Old Feminist Order" by Rene Denfeld, I mistak-

only thought it would hold my interest for only a few chapters.

Denfeld's intelligent, well-

researched look at what has become of the feminist movement and what needs to be done to revitalize it and allow it to fulfill the needs of the majority of women in society.

Such books as "The Beauty Myth" by Naomi Wolf and "Backlash" by Susan Faludi seem to lay blame rather than offer solutions.

Some feminist authors don't seem to be able to come up with solutions for problems like sexism and discrimination without using radical theories.

Leading feminists, such as Wolf, Faludi, Mary Daly, Andrea Dworkin and Catherine Mackinnon, are out of touch what Den-

feld thinks the average young woman needs — adequate child care, available forms of effective birth control, abortion rights, political parity and appropriate consequences for sexual violence. Some extremist views have contributed to the lack of interest in feminism by young women today and are connected with the anti-phallic campaign, female sexual assault victim mythology, goddess worship, anti-heterosexuality and the throwback to the Victorian conception of women's moral superiority to men.

Illustrated in Denfeld's book is

the fact that many modern feminists have a decidedly anti-male standpoint included in their cause. An example is Louise Chernin, the Seattle co-president of the National Organization for Women, who proclaimed "men are the enemy" and left it at that.

One young woman Denfeld cited claimed, "I think that gays and lesbians have a right not to be discriminated against. But I've heard that there is something wrong with me because I am decidedly heterosexual. That because I like to get naked with men, I'm not a feminist."



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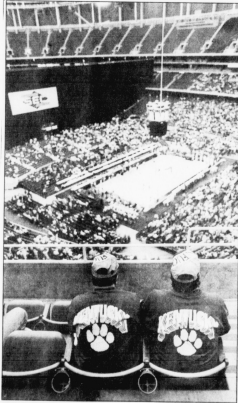
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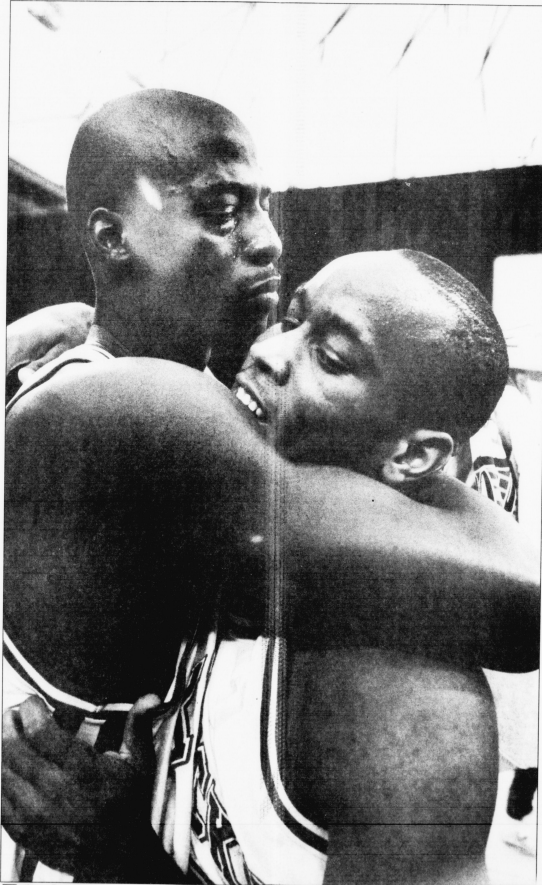
A behind-the-scenes look at the UK Wildcats' 1995 Southeastern Conference Tournament title run



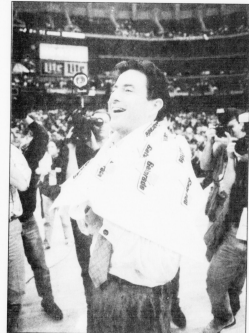
UK fans turned Atlanta into Cat-landia all week, watching their team beat Auburn, Florida and Arkansas for the SEC championship. Some fans came early, such as (top photo) Tony and Sandy Dean and Jean and Waldo Gollmer, from Knoxville. Some fans (right) started the cheering outside the dome. Meanwhile, others didn't exactly have the best seats in the house, such as (bottom) Gus Petro from Lexington and A.B. Conley from Salyersville, Ky.



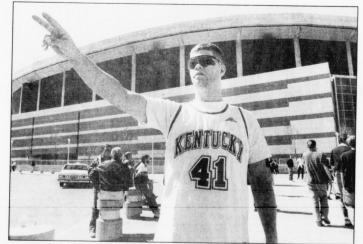
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Anthony Epps consoles Rodrick Rhodes after the Cats' win over Arkansas. Rhodes missed two free throws at the end of regulation, which would have won the game, but all was forgiven as UK came out ahead in overtime.



Though the scoreboard (top photo) shows just how tight it was, the Cats eked out a 95-93 overtime win over Arkansas in the title game. In celebration, the Cats pulled out a football trick in dousing Coach Rick Pitino with Gatorade (left). The action was so exciting that everybody wanted to get in, including Billy Joe Coleman from Russellville, Ky., (bottom) who was looking for tickets.



ViewPOINT



Taxpayers victims of universities' research system

The specters of tenure and academic research have raised their ugly heads again. Before we talk about this system, which grants faculty permanent employment with almost no chance of being fired, let's look at the latest scandal.

A researcher at the University of Washington spent significant time and money investigating a drug being used to combat high blood pressure. Though the drug is not one of the most popular for the purpose, many Americans do take it.

As a faculty member and scholar employed by a "research university," this doctor was expected to publish the results of his research in a "scholarly journal," not in the popular press. After completing his work, he had several colleagues review the results, and then submitted an article to an acceptable journal in the hopes of having it published.

There was a snag. The national media got wind of the basic conclusions of this fellow's project. The upshot of the press leak is that this medicine, which thousands of Americans take in good faith, may lead to an increased risk of heart failure. The people who take this medicine do so in hopes of lowering their blood pressure, thereby reducing their risk of heart failure, which may be the exact opposite of the actual effect.

So what's the big deal, you may ask? The deal is that the researcher will not speak to anyone in the media about the detailed results because the journal that is reviewing his paper for publication wants exclusive rights to the information. "Scholarly journals" work slow, so the article may not appear in print for six to nine months. If the national media scoops the story, the journal fears that its prestige and readership will be lowered, if only slightly.

The researcher is being held over a barrel by the journal because he has to publish the results of his work to please the University of Washington. Why? Because acquiring tenure and continuing to move further up the academic ladder entails publishing papers in accepted scholarly journals.

The university wants its faculty to publish results of research so that it can enhance its prestige. Meanwhile, the people who funded this man's work are kept from gaining access to the results, which may have dire implications

upon their health. Yes, that's correct. The research conducted on this drug was funded entirely by money from the federal government, which in turn came from the pockets of American citizens.

The faculty of America's universities are pawns of the "research institutions" and publishing industry who capitalize upon their efforts at the expense of students and taxpayers. The taxpayers lose access to information that they pay for because the universities and publishers are propagating a self-perpetuating system.

To increase their prestige, universities want faculty to become known through publishing. By increasing their prestige, the universities don't want to attract better students, (how many high school kids read these journals?) but rather hope to bring in already famous faculty from other institutions.

Students lose when schools require faculty to concentrate primarily on research. At universities that care about educating students, faculty spend much more time in the classroom than at places like UK. Full professors at "teaching universities" conduct four courses every semester, often without the aid of graduate teaching assistants.

At UK and other "research universities," faculty often teach only one or two courses each semester, and students are shafted into having courses taught by TAs. Students pay their tuition, but are not given full value in return.

The dilemma all boils down to the deception of the public, most of whom support funding of state-run institutions because they perceive them as existing to educate citizens.

The institutions pull a bait and switch, using the money to further their own agendas. Administrators look good when their schools look good to other colleges, and faculty are at the mercy of these sugar daddies. Information is not free to be dispersed, but is trapped in the morass of the publishing industry created by the need to put research into print.

In the end, the taxpayers lose.

Staff Columnist Kevin Cullen is a library science graduate student.

Kevin Cullen
Kernel Columnist

Still just a dorm

Simply put — a residence hall should be a free and open place to live.

The people who reside in them should have the ability to come and go as they please, and should be able to entertain guests any time they want. Additionally, residents should be safe from the scrutiny of unwanted intruders in their rooms.

UK's residence halls have none of this. Visitation rules make it so that those of the opposite sex of those they are visiting are kicked out at midnight (2 a.m. on the weekends), and snoopy resident advisers conduct mandatory room checks once a week, presumably for reasons.

It kind of hard to be proud of the place you live when it has the ambiance of Alcatraz.

Placing all that aside, this has been dubbed Residence Hall Association Week.

Leah Roth, coordinator of the event, said it is designed to "create a sense of pride and unity among the halls."

To create this sense of "unity," Roth and the rest of the RHA gang plan a number of events: movies, a nutrition program, singing groups, a

talent show, a lip sync competition and something called the "Crazy Olympics" where residents will participate in any number of wild and wacky events (one can only imagine).

Sounds like fun, and we encourage those in the residence hall to attend and participate. (After all, they are the ones inevitably paying for it whether they like it or not.)

However, fun is all that it is.

UK's residence halls are not a hippie commune, and those who live in them don't run around in beads and sandals talking about high-minded concepts of unity and peace among their residence hall brethren. Rather, they just want a place to stay while they attend school. In short, they want to be left alone.

There's nothing wrong with fun and games, but a more important goal would be to get the University off the backs of the students. Twenty-four hour visitation would be a good start.

Mumbo-jumbo like "unity" is fine, but students will never have pride in residence halls until they are free from outdated University regulations.

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READERS' forum

Column defending race preferences short on logic

To prognosticate an accurate weather forecast in Kentucky from day to day is about as easy as understanding what a liberal believes in from day to day. Although in this example, it's sentence to sentence.

In Staff Columnist Nyeneweh Kieh's column on March 8 about affirmative action, she used the following quote from Plato: "The equal treatment of inequalities is the most unequal thing to do." Then she wrote, "I agree." A few paragraphs later she writes, "Discrimination is a good experience ... I think that everyone should experience it at some point in their life ... Affirmative action ensures that those who historically have been excluded from the oppressive world of systematic discrimination can also experi-

ence this life-force behind the motivation to overcome."

The column makes no sense. The concept that Plato was warning his reader's about is now known as affirmative action. Affirmative action is the treatment of inequalities as equals. It's so typical of a liberal to interpret Plato's words as otherwise. Furthermore, writing that people should experience discrimination is pure bigotry.

In addition to her column, Kieh wrote that any hard work done by minorities goes unrewarded. That's silly. The United States of America is a free country. So, Nyeneweh, don't tell me that people are wasting their time by working hard and trying to make themselves better.

The activities of hard working Americans of all colors, not the activities of government, have made this country great. The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. is proof of that fact.

In Kieh's next column, maybe she should use quotes from "which-direction-is-the-wind-blowing-today" liberals, like Jesse Jackson, President Clinton or the

"Quota Queen" herself, Lani Guinier.

Students need real candidates

I am writing to say why I did not vote in the past Student Government Association elections.

Point blank, the attitudes of the people who are in office and running for re-election year after year have not changed since I have attended this University.

We need people who will get into office and restate the purpose of SGA — this purpose has been lost in the mire of "politics as usual." The purpose of SGA is to protect student rights and serve student interests. No one involved in the current SGA has proved that he or she can or will serve this purpose.

I know a lot of people agree with me, and I hope to see their letters. I also hope to see some real candidates — soon.

Perry Neuman
Business management sophomore

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Patrick Walsh
Chemistry junior

Silence the voices of dissent, America: It's time for cuts

If you perk your ears up, you should be able to hear their cries. They're in the newspapers, on network news, radio broadcasts, talk shows and all over Washington D.C.

And their soundbites sound deceptively sweet, even appealing. "Oh, of course we need to cut the deficit, only our program matters most to the overall well-being of America both now and forever to come, so don't take it away just yet." I hear them say (a worthy argument if it were not already taken by every other taxpayer-assisted agency lobbyist).

It's easy to recognize them. Just recently, they were the same ones who shamelessly hid behind Barney to rally sympathizers in the face of threatened federal cuts for public broadcasting

(conveniently neglecting the fact that federal subsidies represented only 16 percent of the total budget).

You also can find them acting like beggars on the steps of Capitol Hill, defending everything from Medicaid to financial aid for college students.

For those of you who may be considering the frantic appeals of the left, let me shed some light on the more important issue at stake.

In November, a landslide Republican victory and overwhelming popular support for shrinking the deficit seemed to send a crystal-clear signal to national policy makers. Start cutting. Some surveys reported that 70 percent of you wanted the national deficit (estimated now in theoretical math) cut, no matter what the cost in taxpayer-funded

programs.

Sometime between the autumn rhetoric and the winter reality, a mood change occurred. It was subtly noticeable from those who now are not quite withdrawing their support for cutting programs, but hold more of a wishy-washy commitment to seriously cutting the federal budget.

This modern exodus seems to have started just about the time that the Republican majority started doing the job that the majority of the people elected them to do. As they gripped their budget axes, a chorus of sickening soundbites

leapt into newspapers throughout America.

Perhaps what has swayed this segment of the population is that it is difficult to convince ourselves that we don't have a need for most federal programs, which have basically noble and worthy purposes. From the New Deal to the Great Society, liberal-minded politicians with good intentions began an avalanche of government subsidies.

On came America's Age of Entitlements, a curious concept for a democratic, free-market system of government.

And it's not easy even for the cold-hearted conservatives to argue that the American people don't have a need for relaxing, commercial-free entertainment or education programs to help our young.

However, all these programs that make us live more comfortably now come at a cost. The budgets of the Social Security and welfare programs alone could bail out several small countries, and this runaway train doesn't appear to be slowing anytime soon.

You have to wonder if we can luxuriously afford these programs for ourselves at the expense of bankrupting our country, and our children, down the road.

You see, in theory, we could always keep adding onto the deficit with the zeal of New Deal economists by borrowing more cash from ourselves under the assumption that the next generation has the prosperity to pay off the interest.

Switching now from theory to real world math, the concern is that, sooner or later, the interest

payments will have mushroomed beyond a country's ability to pay. The interest is currently hovering around \$230 billion a year, which could be used for other things (like 46 fully-funded Head Start programs).

During the past 50 years, covering six Democratic and four Republican administrations in the White House, America has gained whatever prosperity it now has on the mortgage value of the next generation.

The problem here is, we could be that "next generation."

Now is the time to cut — sparing no program from scrutiny. Let the lawmakers do their job and pay no heed to the voices of dissent.

INFORMED SOURCES "I DON'T think rich people need the money as much as kids need the lunch and our students need the education."

Hillary Rodham Clinton, accusing the Republican Congress of cutting programs that benefit poor women and children to pay for high-society tax cuts.



Stephen Trimble
Executive Editor

Executive Editor Stephen Trimble is a journalism sophomore.

Advisers ready with wide range of advice

By Jennifer Smith
Campus Editor

Advising advice can come from anywhere.

Middle school education junior Sara Skees said she would have been lost without advising her freshman and sophomore years.

"If I didn't have my adviser at the beginning, there is no way I could have figured out everything I needed to know," Skees said. "Most of my friends knew about as much as I did, so I couldn't really rely on them."

Mary Sue Hoskins, director of the Central Advising Center, said now that fall schedule books are

being distributed and student advising has started, students need to know where to get proper advising.

"The most important thing about advising is it gives students a sounding board concerning their careers and majors," Hoskins said. "They can try their ideas out on a professional."

She said the Central Advising Office mainly deals with transfer students and non-degree students, students who are changing their majors and undeclared Arts and Sciences students.

Students should seek specific instructions for advising from the dean's office in their respective

colleges.

"Advising in the best sense of the word is not scheduling," she said. "Although most colleges require an adviser to lift the hold for the UK-VIP system, she said that is not the only purpose for an adviser."

She urged students to know their options and go for advising early. Get to know your adviser because he or she there to help you, Hoskins said.

The advising center, established in 1993, offers 10 professional advisers.

"Those people are paid to advise. This is their whole job," Hoskins said. "They are here solely

to advise and help students. They do not have any other job to distract them from students."

Joe Davis, an adviser in the College of Agriculture, said an adviser can not only help students during their college years, but also can help them when they begin to pursue careers.

"Advisers are sources of information students always need to be aware of," Davis said. "They can assist in placement in the business world and more."

Davis said the earlier advising is completed, the better. "Early advising gives students a chance to look over and ingest what the adviser has done," he said.

Sherman's Alley by Gibbs 'N' Voigt

Next on The Filler Channel, "Army Training Film Theatre." Today's movie is "Don't Let Trenchfoot Become Hitler's Toehold On You."



I loved the 1950s junior high hygiene film they showed this morning. I had no idea we're supposed to shower four times a day.



The Filler Channel, eh? They showed a great documentary on the history of socks. Shhhh! I'm missing important dialogue!



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