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Students to rally in D.C for AIDS money

Fifty UK students will join about 10,000 marchers in Washington, D.C. tomorrow to demand government funding to support programs to combat the worldwide AIDS widewide.

epidemic.

The march aims to move the Bush administration to the Bush administration to live up to a commitment made in 2003 to assist Third World countries struggling to prevent and treat the disease. Christine Weeks, a sec-ond-year medical student, will be part of the group rep-

resenting UK at the march.

Last year, Weeks worked closely with people in Brazil devastated by the AIDS virus.

"It's a commitment by the dent Global AIDS Campaign who conducted research in a zwin probably being in the hospital where people were in serious condition," she said of Brazil's program. She said of Brazil's propertions condition, she said of Brazil's program. She said of Brazil's program. Weeks, a member of the Students Global AIDS Campaign where depresent outs condition, she said of Brazil's program. Weeks, a member of the Students Global AIDS Campaign who conducted research in Zambia concerning the AIDS campaign who conducted research in Zambia concerning the

ment, but I hope it inspires students who are involved to further action."

Tatiana Cardoso, a Brazil native and post-doctorate researcher at UK, said it is the United States' responsibility to support countries struggling with AIDS.

"As a doctor I am involved with patients," she said.

"You see a struggle, and ymake it stop or at least help, on the state of AIDS among women is recessingly high in Brazil. In most African countries plagued with AIDS, 90 to 95

percent of people living with the disease don't receive treatment.

Said she hopes the U.S. government will contribute funding to provide free medication to countries in Africa that cannot provide treatment.

"I think we live in a planet, and we cannot isolate ourselves and think we don't have to worry." she said.

"We have to start taking care of each other, because if we don't, we will all perish."

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A taste of India



Councilman Jacques Wigginton talks with members of the local media last night after the urban county council meeting. Wigginton cast the ninth vote needed to override Mayor Teresa Isaac's decision on condemnation of Kentucky-American Water

Council overrides Isaac's water veto

THE RESTRICT MERSIL

Last night, Second District Councilman Jacques Wigginton east, the ninth work of the council of the council of the council's decision to end condemnation of Kentucky-American Water, under the condition that the council stay the case and court proceedings.

ceedings.
Wigginton requested the establishment of a commitstablishment of a commit-tee of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council to negotiate a settlement with the water company Isaac vetoed the council's 8-to-7 vote to end condemnation proceedings last month. Isaac did not attend the meeting because of family

obligations.

"I have been the ninth man out; now I am the minth man in," Wigginton side following the meeting. Seventh District Councilman Bill Cegelka amended Wigginton's original proposal to halt further spending on condemnation with the exception of settlement negotiations proposed two weeks ago. Cegelka proposed an addition to the motion for the council to halt proceedings. The motion passed by a 16-64 voice. In response to Wigginton, passed with a 94-05 with the proceedings. The motion passed by a 16-64 voice. In response to Wigginton, passed with a 94-05 with the proceedings. The motion passed by a 16-64 voice. In response to Wigginton, passed with a 94-05 with the proceedings. The motion passed by a 16-64 voice with the proposal proposal to the very supposal to the ve



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Mike Scanlon

motion.
"I think the money that has been expended up to now would be totally wasted," he said of the motion.
Scanlon expressed trust in Wigginton's decision and supported the motion.
"I understand Mr. Wigginton to say he is prepared to override the veto," said

at the Commons

New fast-food restaurant to provide Indian cuisine Tuesdays and Thursdays

mentary to the American palate.

Some of its offerings include the Indian entree samosa, a spicy potato and pea recipe, and the chick pea cold salad wrap, a flavorful option made with onion, garlic, tomatoes, apple, lemon juice and cilantro.

The idea for the restaurant came from four UK graduate students from India.

Sreeram Mangalampal-

dia.

Sreeram Mangalampalli, Ramakanth Mudumba,
Santosh Cheekatmalla and
Mudita Arora displayed
their Indian fast-food concept at the "Idea Fair 2003"
E-Club competition fair and
won third place.

In 2004, the team received a fifth-place award during the "Southwest by four UK graduates, opened Monday night in the Commons Strong demand for (indian-style food at UK), and the product evaluation forms many customers forms many customers forms many customers many customers forms many customers many customers forms many forms many customers forms many forms many forms many forms many customers forms many forms many customers forms many forms many forms many forms many customers forms many forms many forms many forms many forms many customers forms many customers forms many forms many customers forms many forms forms many forms many customers for man

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Indi-go

Indi-go is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Commons Mar-ket Food Court.

Pope John Paul hospitalized again for flu

VATICAN CITY — Struggling to breathe, Pope John Paul II underwent an urgent tracheostomy late Thursday after being rushed to the hospital for the second time in less than a month.

The half-hour sugery, in which doctors inserted a which doctors inserted in the pope's neck to ease his respiratory crisis, was termed a success by a Vati-

can official. The pope was recovering in a 10th-floor suite
of hospital rooms.

John Paul suffered serious difficulties in breathing
as complications from a relapse of the flu that sent him
to the hospital earlier this
month for nine days, said the
official, reading a statement
issued by Vatican spokesman
Joaquin Navarro-Valls.

The relapse was especialglytroubling because it raised
concerns that the frail, 84-

where the pope is interned. He took no questions. Gianni Letta, a top aide to Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berhusconi, visited the pope late Thursday after the surgery and said he was "reassured" about John Paul's condition. He said the pope managed a work wave but Chre pope was been about the pope was been about the pope was breathing.

The pope was breathing with the help of a respirator, the news agency Ansa reported.



Chris Rock: Six degrees of Oscar separation Page 3

Oscar Extravaganza: Who should win, who will win

Think Don Cheadle deserves Best Actor more than Jamie Foxx? Rooting for Kate Winslet for Best Actress? Hate 'Million Dollar Baby'? Check out our film critic's list on page 2. For more Kernel staff Oscar picks, visit www.kykernel.com.



Shena Miller, left, an accounting sophomore, talks with the vice president of Indi-go, Muclita Arora, right, as they wait to serve students at Commons Market

Oscar predictions: Wins and snubs

Every reputable critic, from A.O. Scott to Manhola Dargis and Roger Ebert, has



er Ebert, has
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own Oscarprediction
columns,
a d d i n g
their own
caveats on
who they
t h i n k
should win.

Kevin And I, having delusions of grandeur, will try my own hand at the same thing. So, here goes Enjoy, and enjoy watching the Oscars on Sunday

Should win: Sideways. It's an excellent film, and it would be rewarding innovation, something that the notably stodgy Academy struggles

stodgy Academy struggles with.

Will win: The Aviator.

Where Best Director goes, so does Best Picture, and since Scorsese should win this year, so likely will his film.

Should win: Kate Winslet Eternal Sunshine deserved more nots, and Winslet really shone in playing different versions of herself at different pairs in her relationship with Jim Carres;

(Also, if Ralph Macchio didn't win for The Karute Kid when Pat Morita fixed his leg, why does Hilary Swank deserve to win for asking Clit Eastwood to set her broken nose?)

nose?)
Her performance is apparently really memorable.

Best Art Direction
Should win
Snicket's A Series

Will win: Hilary Swank.
Her performance is apparently really memorable.

Best Supporting Actor
Should win: Clive Owen.
His character made Closer, and set the mood better than any other character. He won't win because he opened the character on London's West for wind because he opened the character on London's West for wind because he opened the character on London's West for wind because he opened the character on London's West for wind because he opened the character on London's West for wind because he opened the character on London's West for Will win: Lemony Snicket's Asperies of Unfortunate Exents. Socar loves fantasy dream-scan love

Best Actor
Should win: Jamie Foxx.
He has the hype, clear and simple.
Will win: Foxx. The hype is much deserved.
Best Supporting Actress
Should win: Virgina Madsen. She gave a solid performance in Sideways and stands play in the category.
Will win: Virginia Madsen Sideways and Sideways and

Best Director

Should win: Martin Scoreses. He's made massive contributions to the field and has never been rewarded. Not only that, he conquered his personal fear of flying in order to make The Axiator.

Will win: Clint Eastwood. He's got the stride and hype on the movie. People seem to mistakenly believe that Million Dollar Baby was really good.

Best Art Direction

would be awesome.

Will win: Super Size Me.
The best-known documentary always wins this category.

The 77th Annual Academy Awards

Sunday, 8 p.m. ABC

Will win: Kaufman. Oscar nembers snubs, and he's had script to play spoil

Writing (Best Adapted Scre play)

Should win: It's a tie be-tween Sideways and Finding Neverland. Both were amazing adaptations made into excel-lent, nuanced films that didn't fall prey to being trite or overly sentimental.

win: Alexander
Payne for Sideways. He's a
dark horse for everything else,
and this is a safe category.

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Looking 'Sideways' to American cinema's future

Sunday's Oscar ceremony will be better than last year's. There's no enormous blockbuster with so much social impetus behind it to win that the entire Academy becomes overwhelmed and awards only one film. There's a plethora of talent in nearly every category this year that makes "sure things" not so sure, and I don't need to worry about a Bill Muray loss breaking my heart again.

again.

Why should this year's Oscars be better? The answer to this is simple: Because Sideways should win for Best Picture.

ture.
Paul Giamatti was utterly
spurned for his brilliant work
in favor of two biopic impersonators. Alexander Payne is
all but discredited as a believable Best Director win, though

with good reason. Thomas Hayden Church is a long shot for Best Supporting Actor. Only Virginia Madsen is given a decent shot at winning Best Supporting Actress among them to short the state of the supporting a content shot at winning Best Supporting Actress among them to shot special behaviors and the supporting a content shot supporting a content should be given to differ should make where should make where should make the should m

Establishing this new genre cannot happen quickly enough. The Hollywood feram factory needs new therams. Oscar lowes a blockbuster, and our film cul-ture has excelled at providing one. Gone with the Wind, Gladi-ator, Ben-Hur, Tituntic and Lawrence of Arabia are all ex-amples. And, lest we forget the achievements of this summer, we still are. Sideways should win Best

acmevements of this summer, we still are.

Picture and reward Alexander Payne and his cast for making a stellar, memorable film— if for nothing else, to honor complishments and promote innovation.

The other nomines, while excellent, are merely refinements of what already exists. At the very least, Sidetacors deserves Best Picture.

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NEWS BRIEFS

UK gets federal monies

UK gets federal monies
Sen. Mitch McConnell announced several million dolars in federal appropriations for UK yesterday.
The appropriations saide \$\$3 million for planning and design of a new forage and animal laboratory for UK and U.S. Department of Agricultural Research Service scientists to work on research

into the sustainability of forage-based farming. Projects will focus on both plants and animals, involve several disciplines and range from molecular through whole organism. The lab will be built near UKs plant science building. Another \$2.8 million will support UK research programs affiliated with the USDA Forage Animal Production Unit. Established at UK

CORRECTION

■ Ken Clevidence was incorrectly identified in yesterday's Kernel. He is the director of public safe



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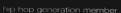


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Gunn grew up in East St. Louis loving the unique sounds of hip-hop and admiring LL Cool J. He now mixes his hip-hop admiration with his passion for the trumpet, creating one of today's most intriguing sounds. Gunn is known for combining traditional jazz music with hard rock guitars, turntable artists and funk bass...sometimes all on the same track. He weaves together elements of Cuban, Brazilian, African, Washington D.C.'s "Go-Go" music and hip- hop into a progressive jazz style.

In past performances, Gunn has played with well-known musicians such as Wynton Marsalis, the Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra, and D'Angelo.

Tonight, Gunn joins the likes of Bela Fleck, Count Bassie, McCoy Tyner, and Herbie Hancock as some of the musicians brought to the University of Kentucky by Spotlight Jazz, the longest-running and most recognized collegiate jazz series in the nation.

The UK Student Activities Board and the Office of African American Student Affairs invite you to enjoy the sounds of Russell Gunn tonight at 8 p.m. in Memoria Hall. Tickets are available now or can be purchased at the door.



AFRICAN AMERICAN Student Affairs



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Seniors close out career

When Sara Potts, Keiko Tate and Danyelle Payne came to UK, Memorial Coliseum was the place where the men's basketball team built their basketball dynasty. But when they walk off the court for the last time Sunday, they will leave Memorial Coliseum as the home of UK women's basketball.

These three seniors have fought through losing seasons and coaching changes, and finally, as they see a glimpse of hope for the future, their basketball stories are coming to an end. But their stories will not come to a close without them all leaving an impression on this program that is knocking on the door of national success. "I think we are leaving

"I think we are leaving the program in a good place; we are definitely on the rise," the program in a good place; we are definitely on the rise." said Potts, a forward from Rochester Hills, Mich. "The attendance is on the rise, and now it is a matter of every-one coming in and being on the same page and continuing to play as a team, and if that happens good things are going to happen for them."

Along with the 3-point queen of UK basketball, Tate and Payne will say adieu to the Cat faithful in their last regular season game against Arkansas.
"I will have a mixture of

Arkansas.

"I will have a mixture of happiness and sadness," said Payne, a guard from Washington, D.C. "But I am ready to move on and start my life."

"They could go all the way," said Tate, a forward from Clarksville, Md. "And I look forward to watching that."

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down the stretch losing nine
the seniors said theyes. But
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the seniors said theyes.
It helps me realize that
all the time and effort I put
into this program is actually
paying off." Potts said. "And
the results are showing in the
statistical figures."

Potts will leave UK leading in every major 3-point
category for her career, one
off the top-lo scorers of all
time, and one of the most
popular players ever to wear
the blue-and-white jersey.
"(DeMoss) will say I was a
great 3-point shooter, but
hopefully she will say that I
hustled and never gave up.
Potts said. "Also, I hope she
says that the kid never quit
and always worked hard no
matter what."

Potts and the seniors have
helped the Cats improve each
year and have already
eclipsed the most wins in any
of their seasons by winning
14 this year.

In addition to the change



seniors have also gained fan support. They now are third in the SBC in attendance. only behind perennial power Tennessee and No. 1 Louisiana State University. The Cats average 5,283 fans per home game. "I think that we play so hard, and we practice so hard, and we finally got the attention of the crowd," Tate said. "That also helps bring in a great freshman class. All the said and the biggest impact we have had is bringing in the fans."

Potts knows all too well about one fan that the Cats have brought in — her dad. Her parents, who moved here from Michigan, have attended every home game since moving to the Lexington area. And they always sit in the first row, facing the Cats bench.

"When they moved here they started to come to every home game. and even the away games! I know they are listening on the radio," Potts said. "It means a lot to me that they care about the side.

14 this year.

In addition to the change in the win-loss column, the line, despite the crowd

South Carolina 60, UK 47

COLUMBIA. S.C. — The UK women's basketball team fell 60-47 at South Carolina's Colonial Center last night.

The Gamecocks improved to 8-19 overall and 2-11 in the Southeastern Conference. UK dropped to 14-14 and 3-10 in the SEC.

USC sophomore forward Iva Sliskovic was perfect from the field, hitting all eight of her field goal attempts. She finished with 16 points to score in double figures for the third conset.

Paced by Sliskovic's career-high 15 rebounds, USC out-rebounded UK 51-38.

The Cats came to Columbia without starting center Jennifer Humphrey and Keiko Tate.

"I used to hear my dad, but now that there is so many fans I can't hear anymore."
Potts said. "He asks me all the time. 'Did you hear me yelling?' And I always say. 'No dad, I can't hear you anymore.'

yelling? And I aways say,
'No dad, I can't hear you anymore.' "
Memorial Coliseum used
to be a ghost gym during
games, where any order Dave
Potts yelled could be heard
from his daughter on the
court.

Potts, Tate and Payne may
not have dreamed their careers would end without ever
winning an SEC title, having
a winning conference record
or never going to the NCAA
these three leave beind storied careers, not because of
what they did on the court,
but because they fought
through the hard times and
did not turn their back on
UK.

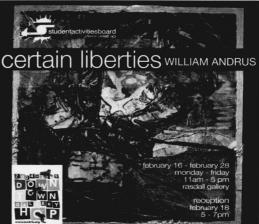
"It was a good four
vears." Potts said. "I learned
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UK.
"It was a good four years," Potts said. "I learned how to be competitive and never quit, even if things don't happen how you dream them to be."

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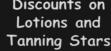
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Loathing the death of a legend

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But I couldn't leave it

America lost its counterpoint this week.
While the NBA cast its all-stars into the spotlight in Denver, sports-fanatic and "gonzo" journalist died in Woody Creek, Colo.
Louisville native Hunter S. Thompson committed sui-

All his own

All his own

I often disagreed with
Thompson politically and
couldn't stand his excessive
drug use — but that defined
him and his culture.
He gave a firm "screw
you" to mainstream society
and dug deep into America to
see what made it tick.
Thompson wrote about

see what made it tick.

Thompson wrote about
the counter-culture of the
1960s. He penned satires and
backseat narratives from the
1972 presidential campaign
trail.

Normally I use this column to expound upon the simple things in everyday life—and make fun of them. B u t there really wasn't anything strikingly funny this week. dream."
Since 2000 he greeted Page
2 readers on ESPN.com. He
stowed up on Late Night with
Conan O'Brien a few years
back, and The Rum Diary,
starring Johnny Depp and
Benicio del Toro is due out
this year.
Thompson rolled till the
end.

Thompson to the end.

He never hesitated to fire off angry rants about Duke Blue Devils basketball and always picked his beloved Kentucky Wildcats to run the table in the NCAA tournation.

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d I sat down and tried to tie this column — but it is no use.
But I couldn't leave it round of last year's NCAA merica lost its counter fatthis week.

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tournament. Thompson gave a titude of the control o

Thompson

benefit of any Hunter anecdotes.

My one and only attempt to get an interview with Thompson was late 2002. After managing to find his agent in New York, they asked for an interview request in writing.

I faxed them. I never heard back.

Startling likelihood

It was almost expected though — for Thompson to pass. He was 67 and not in the best health, but I think I was

best health, but I think I was in common company being shocked he took his own life. One blogger wrote he expected Thompson's death to be headlined, "Gonzo journalist shot by police after consuming hundreds of hits of LSD and attempting to paint murals on Aspen police cars." Not by suicide.

But Thompson was un-conventional, and he never carred what people thought about him to the mass press at-tention his death garnered, it looks like pain may have been the cause. Thompson broke his leg last year in Hawaii and was mostly immobile. He barely went to a local

tavern that he had rrequented for years.
Whatever put him in such a spot, an iconic writer has passed.
Thompson wanted his ashes to be shot out of a cannon on his farm. An odd out for a quirky man.
Tip o' the glass to the Good Doctor. He will be missed.

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By Tricia McKenny
With several days left to
file petitions and paperwork,
two candidates for SG pricially filed
trum for the position.
Becky Ellingsworth and
Will Nash have officially
filed to rum for president,
said Cody Belcher, chairman
of the Student of Supervis
sons.
Students hoping to rum
Grand dates for the president are required to turn in 1,000 signaturns, senator at-large candidates more 400, and college
for any SG office have until

quired to turn in the signatures of 3 percent of their college or 25 students, whichever is greater.

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The polls will be run by paid student workers trained by the Elections. The polls will be run by paid student workers trained by the Elections Board bounderstand the election process.

"Working the polls is a great way for students to raise money for their organizations while taking activations."

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Scanlon "I am prepared to take Mr. Wigginton at his word."

Wigginton and Sixth District Councilman Kevin Stinnent were also appointed to the la.300 signatures needed to the government of the la.300 signatures needed to the members of the regulatory committee, but he anticipates negotiations to be complete within two weeks.

For Local Ownership of Water attorney Foster Ockerman Jr. attended the meeting.

He said that the Let Us store the issue of condemnation on a ballot next fall. "It would appear Mr. Wigginton as found a way to slow down a too-hasty of Water attorney Foster Ockerman Jr. attended the meeting.

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takeover of Kentucky-American, which is owned by German conglomerate RWE. The council, with new members sworn in Jan. 1, voted to end the condemnation last month, but the mayor vetoed the decision.

sion.
Wigginton's vote gives the council leverage to override the mayor's veto.

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IN OUR OPINION

Halting Parkinson's treatment has painful effects

Those who suffer from Parkinson's disease have little relief. There is no way to reverse the gradual loss of nerve cells and decline of motor function brought on by

But at UK, a clinical trial of an experi-But at UR, a climical trial of an experi-mental Parkinson's drug gave some patients hope — until Amgen, the treat-ment's manufacturer, halted it because of concerns about side effects.

Some monkeys that were given the drug developed antibodies and high toxici-ty levels to it.

Understandably. Amgen wants to

ty levels to it.

Understandably, Amgen wants to ensure the safety of trial participants. But the company's actions in this case are ultimately hurting those with Parkinson's.

advance of the risk of sid should continue.

If Amgen is con-cerned about lawsuits, it should ask potential par-ticipants to sign a waiv-er. The drug significantly helped ease the pain of those who took it during the trial at UK; certainly some people who have

As long as participants are informed in vance of the risk of side effects, the trial enced a recovery of motor skills, even though the effects of the disease are normally irreversible.

Rewards of new Parkinson's disease research and treatment research and treatment research and treatment research and readers. outweigh any of the possible risks.

some people who have Parkinson's will think the relief is worth the risk.

In fact, researchers at UK said those who took the drug — glial cell line-derived will also occur in humans without testing.

seriously flawed and rid-den with harmful side effects. But no one will know unless the drug is

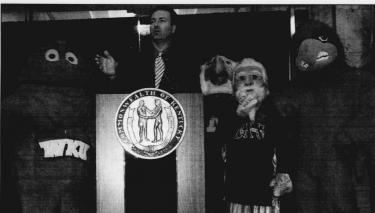
But one thing is for sure: Without GDNF, Parkinson's patients' conditions are only going to worsen. Researchers should be able to find out whether these side effects occur in humans and, if so, whether there is any way—such as by maintaining a low dosage — to control them. trol them.

Meanwhile, those with Parkinson's will

Meanwhile, those with Parkinson's wilbe able to decide whether to accept the possibility of side effects in order to slow a debilitating and ultimately fatal disease.

If people with Parkinson's are willing to take such a risk in order to relieve their pain, Amgen — for the benefit of Parkinson's sufferers worldwide — should let the trial go on.

Q&A with Jonathan Miller



State treasurer Jonathan Miller was joined by university mascots as he addressed college students from around the state Feb. 16 at the State Capitol in Frankfort.

Assistant opinions editor Ben Roberts spoke with Kentucky Treasurer Jonathan Miller about the current state of higher ed-ucation in Kentucky and last week's higher education rally in Frankfort.

Now do you think the state as a whole benefits from money being invested into higher education?

Well, there's an enormous positive economic impact. We talk about deducation, and we usually think about how it affects the kids with the control of the con

Q. Do you feel that higher education has en adequately funded in this state in the past

A. No, I do not. I think that in the very late '90s, the legislature and the governor then made a very important commitment to higher education and really foresaw a future where Kentucky would become a top-20 public institution by the year 2002, and where young people growing up in the state would be more likely to attend college and, as a result, enrollment at our institutions would multiply. Unfortunately, in the past couple of years higher education has become much less of a priority and the momentum that started in the late '90s seems to have stalled.

Q. Do you think that top-20 drive is a re-alistic goal with these cuts in higher education year after year?

A. If they continue—no chance. Only if the General Assembly and the governor make the kind of commitment that was made five or x years ago will we see that kind of growth.

I think the potential clearly is there. We have an outstanding president—I think the world of Lee Todd—and I think he's got the capability of moving in that direction and achieving that goal, but not even President Todd can move mountains

unless the resources are there. The only way we can reach those goals is with adequate resources.

and struggling to make ends meet.

Those are very important con

How do you feel about Gov. Ernie Fletcher's plan this year as it relates to higher education?

As a Again, I think it falls short of what we need. I think the House bill that just passed does a better job. It added \$55 million as a result of the tax modernization.

And to give Gov Fletcher some credit, he did link tax modernization to additional funding for higher education, but I think a lot more is needed. I think right now the additional money just each the state of the

What additional changes would you propose for that plan?

A. I think we need to go back to the concept of full funding for higher education. And I think President Todd and the folks at the Council for Higher Education would be better at figuring out the numbers that are needed for that. But it has to be a priority again and not only must the resources be there but the commitment on behalf of Frankfort for those ambitious goals must be there as well.

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I think there's another important area here in addition to simply funding higher education, and that is student financial aid. We have a relatively lower-income state, and the need for financial aid is greater. As I've traveled around the state, I'm constantly confronted by people who have given cause they don't think they'll ever be able to afford it. And we've got to completely change that mindset so that every child born in this state believes they will be able to attend college.

And that's one of the big goals of this Cradle to College Commission that Secretary of State Trey Grayson and I have started. We would like to investigate the idea of creating a savings account for every child born in the state that will grow as they grow and help pay for their college education. In turn, anybody who wants to redeem the money would need to perform a year of community or military service in Kentucky.

This is the beginning of a very long-term process, and it's going to take several monts, incomposal. But what this has recognized to lat it is the student financial aid system in Kentucky needs a complete overhaul.

And whether we do something like Cradle to College or whether some other new, innovative ideas arise, we've got to get to this problem because it's not just the students who give up on college but the students who are here right now

Those are very important concerns that we need Frankfort to address in a very comprehen-

What has been the response to your romotion of the KAPT (Kentucky Affordable re-paid Tuition) tuition program?

Well, the KAPT program has been great. We've already had 9,000 families sign up their kids or grandkids in this short period. We've already had over \$100 million of individual's money hwested, and I see a very strong long-term benefit for these kids and for the state in general. Unfortunately, because I only took of fice five years ago, KAPT wasn't around for many of the students who are currently in college. And so we need to address their needs as well.

What can students do to convince their legislators to increase funding for higher education during this session?

A. Well last week we had what I thought was an outstanding get together — a rully of students who can be supported by the support of the supp

list.

There's nobody up here who doesn't care about higher education. Everybody views it, whether you're a Democrat or a Republican, as an important issue. But the question is how much of a priority will it be when they design their budget and when they enact their legislations are the properties of the properties o

tion.

And that's why it's so essential for students to make contact with their legislators. The rally was one thing but where I really want to urge students to contact them through e-mail and the Internet.

Internet. So contact them through e-mail and the Internet. So many students are busy and can't drive to Frankfort, but it's so easy to sit in your terminal and send an educated e-mail to your legislator and let them know how important this is. And to share personal stories about how difficult it is to fairly all offord college or how difficult it is to maintain a good standard of living while at college. And it really does affect them.

And so if I leave students with anything, it's to get out to their computer and to find out who their legislators are and e-mail them to let them know how they feel about these issues. It really makes a difference.

If a legislator gets 100 e-mails from students

If a legislator gets 100 e-mails from students talking about tuition hikes, then he's going to be naturally inclined to do something about it.

How to live on no sleep

I've officially given up on sleep.

In a perfect world, people would be able to stockpile sleep, to



would be able to stockpile sleep, to save it up for those nagging times when they don't have time to sleep.

Maybe it's a late night and procrastination is to blame and the project or paper is due tomorrow and you can bet you'll be burning the midnight oil so bright to looks like Uncle Saddam uncapped

ing the midnight oil so bright it looks like Uncle Saddam uncapped a well and flicked his Bic. It would be so much easier if we could just make a withdrawal from the sleep bank, and when you have some left over, make a deposit. But no, that's not how it works. What really happens is I wait-ed until the last minute, and in a fit of desperation, I stayed up until 4 a.m. doing my homework for my 930 am. class.

I think I took a break around 3

I think I took a break around 3 am and wandered down to the kitchen to scavenge for food.

A word of advice: Dort eat Chinese food right before going to bed unless you want dreams with MSG-induced weirdness. I've heard tales from hung-over classmates the morning after their drinking sprees, and none of that holds a candle to dreaming that you're Link in the original Legend of Zelda game on Nintendo in all its 8-bit glory. It was pretty cool until the Golden Giris showed up and Alf tried to eat Gannon. tried to eat Gannon.

The next morning at 6.30, I stumbled over to the bathroom, ran into a doorframe on the way, and then looked into the mirror. It wasn't all that bad until I put glasses on. Next, factor in the 45-minute commute I have from Richmond, 27 miles to the south, and the fact that yesterday morning I had to pick up my dry cleaning.

Cue me, pumping gas at 7.30 in

yesterialy morring i had to pice. We have a compared to the morring in the freezing cold, looking like the walking dead.

Now, you may be asking your-self, "How does he do it?"

Well, it has to do with a healthy admiration of such long-lived stars as Bob Barker, Abe Vigoda and Dick Clark, and there's two things they do, to which I add a third.

First, keep a positive attitude. Dick Clark, and there's two things they do, to which I add a third.

First, keep a positive attitude. Dick Clark stopped smilling once, and he aged 45 years in 13 seconds. Do you ever see any older celebrity not smilling? No, because if they did, they'd die.

Second, stay busy I don't actually do this one; instead, I keep

ally do this one; instead, I keep looking for places to nap during the

day
Third, when in doubt, fall back
on substance abuse.
A couple or three cans of Red
Bull can be an enormous help. Your
metabolism may take to that of a
rabid moose for a few hours, but
those few hours may be just what
you need to survive through classes. Be careful though, because once
your come off that glorious caffeine
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come crashing down fast and hard
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Hopefully those tips will help.
Meanwhile, I'm off to find a place

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KENTUCKY KERNEL **Baseball Preview**

Cohen tireless in rebuilding Cats | Recruiting

Rome wasn't built in a day John Cohen knows that transforming the UK baseball program into a Southeastern Conference powerhouse won't come easily, either.

ther.

"Being a head coach, you understand that every blade of grass, every cap, every uniform, every young man, every grade that a kit your responsibility, and it's own responsibility, and it's the head coach, there are no walls, no limits — you're responsible for everything."

Maybe it's this complete organizational understanding that has earned Cohen accolades from his peers throughout the SEC.

Cohen, who is in his sec ond year at the helm of the Cats, went 24-30 last season, and is off to a 3-1 start this seminated of the season and is off to a 3-1 start this seminated of the season and it is off the season. "He has a very solid vision of where he wants the program to go.

"He's a trieless worker, and he communicates very well with everybody associated with the program."

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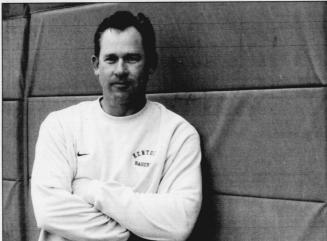
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"Every time you miss a class, you're running," said senior second baseman JB. Schmidt. "It's a big deal to him."

"Our policy is, if you miss class, you're roing to pay severe penalties because that's very important to us. Cohen said.

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"The other part is Michael Stone, who does our academic counseling for baseball and men's basketball, is one of the very best in the country, and every time we have a young man who doesn't do as well as he wanted to on a quiz, or if they're late, we know instantly."



UK baseball coach John Cohen has an ambitious plan to turn his team into a Southeastern Conference powerhouse. Early in his second season at the helm of the Cats, Cohen is 3·1, and is serious about his players going to class and heading back to respectability.

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happens at Applebee's, and we are going to learn some things from them."

Another source of ex-citement for Cohen is the fact that he will be a mem-ber of the coaching staff for the USA Baseball National Team this summer.

"I think it's thrilling."

Team this summer:

"I think it's thrilling."

Cohen said. "Every amateur basebail player in the country at the high school or the college level, wants to play on the through the college level, wants to play on the through the college level, wants to play on the through the college level, wants to play on the through the college level, wants to play on the team. It's one of the college level, wants to play on the team would be a big help with recruiting, as amateur players realize the weight that Team USA carries.

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weight that Team USA carries.

If there is a chink in Cohen's armor, it might be his personality.

"I think everybody on the team would agree that his personality's terrible," Schmidt said. "He kind of keeps to himself, he's a real serious person, and he tells some real lame jokes.

"I'm sure if we wanted oget to know him more, we'd find that he's a good guy. He's definitely a competitor by nature, so that's a good thing for this program, too."

E-mail

made easy by Cohen

Andrew Albers shouldn't be wearing this Kentucky baseball jacket.

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He shouldn't be sitting in the Kentucky should be in Phoenix, where case should be in Phoenix, where it's anything but freezing but freezing outside.

The left-handed ace should be in Phoenix, where it's anything but freezing but freezing outside.

The William outside in Phoenix was the sway up through the Milwau-kee Brewers Jarma system. The Brewers picked Albers and the Brewers' spring-training complex.

Instead he's one of 19 new-comers in the Cats' top-25 recruiting class, and Albers couldn't be happier.

"There were two reasons I came," Albers said. 'I wasn't sure if I was ready for the pros, and these coaches are amazing.'

Both could be understatements.

Albers dominated in his first

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"They have shown the passion level we want." Cohen said.

If they didn't, how could you explain rallying from seven runs down in the bottom of the ninthinning Wednesday to beat the second of the second of the second of the second of the second eight runs without getting an out. How does any team do that?

Yeah, I know it was only Cumberland College. But it was like 30 degrees outside, and the game was approaching its fourth hour. I would have been bundled up in mittens, sitting on the bench sipping hot class were standing at the top of the dugset, further after batter reached base.

The's definitely a passionate guy." Albers said.

Tell me about it. That's ten only word you ever hear from Cohen, not that it's a bad thing.

Talking to Cohen inspires you. He could make anyone believe they could hit a nasty silder or a breaking curve.

How else could you explain the sight of Albers bundled up in a Kentucky jacket."

They made it easy." Albers said, "to turn down the pres."

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