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SGA justices hear senators' case

Chief Justice Walker says he will resign

By Rob Thorne
Staff Writer

The SGA Supreme Court, presided over by Chief Justice Ken Walker for the last time, heard arguments over the use of presidential executive orders last night in the law school building.

Senators at large Misty Weaver and Heather Hennel asked the court to state that executive orders could not be issued without recourse by the senate and asked the court to keep President Pete November from issuing an executive order against the senate.

The debate sprang from an executive order November issued recently, which froze the senate's

money. November said that the order was used to make the senate more responsible in its spending.

Though November repealed the order last Wednesday, Weaver and Hennel decided to still take the case before the Supreme Court in order to stop potential abuse of power in the future.

November said that he supported much of what Weaver and Hennel were doing.

"I don't want future presidents to abuse this power, which could hurt the organization," November said. "In this case I feel it was justified

and that it did not hurt the organization."

However, Hennel argued that a veto would have been more responsible than an executive order.

The court was still meeting at press time. Walker said that the decision would be released today.

Walker, who has served as chief justice for 4 1/2 years, is resigning to take over as campaign manager of Lance Dowdy's bid for SGA president.

Walker said that he believed he could do both jobs effectively but decided to step down anyway.

"I didn't want any appearance of impropriety or conflict of interest," he said.

Walker, a business administration and law graduate student, said he believes that helping Dowdy become president would have a lasting impact on UK.

Even more of a lasting impact has already been made by Walker in his efforts to increase the power

and visibility of the judicial branch.

"Before I took the position, essentially no one knew who the justices were," Walker said. "By rendering solid opinions we were able to establish (the court) more firmly."

Before becoming chief justice, Walker served as an SGA executive director and elections board chairman.

Walker said that his work on the SGA Constitution, which was approved last semester, is his biggest accomplishment as chief justice.

"It's a bittersweet feeling," Walker said. "It has been a distinct pleasure serving as chief justice ... and I'm going to miss it."

The court also was scheduled to vote on Walker's successor last night.



WALKER



Undecided sophomore Josh Harper, 20, punches a bag Monday night.

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Dowdy to run for SGA presidency

By Caroline Shively
Staff Writer

Fifth-year business management senior Lance Dowdy said he will officially enter the race for Student Government Association president today, the deadline for submitting petitions for candidacy.

Sociology senior Amber Leigh will be his running mate.

The ticket plans to formally announce its candidacy March 23 at 4:15 p.m. at the Delta Delta Delta social sorority house.

Dowdy, 22, a former president of Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity, served as an SGA senator his freshman and sophomore years. He also

has served as a member of Interfraternity Council for the past two years.

Leigh, 21, has been the SGA Senate clerk for the past year and is a member of Chi Omega social sorority. Leigh ran an unsuccessful campaign last year for SGA senator.

Dowdy said that they only have a tentative platform now and plan to build on it over Spring Break.

"We'll really just open up SGA," Dowdy said. "The key is getting



students to open up to it. SGA is doing a lot of things that are good but aren't getting PRed right."

He said that if he and his running mate are elected, they will bring a different approach to the leadership of the senate and would change the "elitist-type atmosphere" of SGA.

"I've been trying to get more involved," Leigh said. "I've had hands-on experience, and I know how SGA works and how all the committees work."



LEIGH

Dowdy also stressed how his experience with student government would make him an effective president.

"Legislature-wise, I know what SGA has done," Dowdy said. "I've got

the know-how to get in there and get things done."

In the two years Dowdy has not been a senator, he said that he has remained involved with SGA, aid-

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VOGUE



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TOP: Accounting sophomore Sanquetta Johnson, junior Toyi Price and telecommunications sophomore Ebonique Dishman model 1970's-style clothing at the Food Services fashion show yesterday in the Student Center. RIGHT: Sociology sophomore demonstrates a suit made from raw silk.



PETER MOORE/Kernal Staff

Harassing phone calls on rise, UK police say

By Kimberly Brown
Contributing Writer

The number of harassing and obscene telephone calls reported to the UK Police Department has been steadily increasing for the past five years, police officials said recently, and indications are the trend will continue.

Fifty-nine reports of harassing telephone calls were made in 1988, and 91 reports were made in 1992, according to the annual totals report at the police department.

There already have been 16 harassing telephone calls reported since Jan. 1, which indicates a possibility of another increase by the end of the year.

"As soon as you determine it's a harassing phone call, the best defense is to just hang up," said UK Police Lt. Terry Watts.

"Basically they want an audience," Watts said. "The longer you listen, the more likely they are to call back."

Most of the harassing telephone calls are random, said Stephanie Bastin, crime prevention coordinator for UK Police.

"If you receive a threatening phone call, and the caller indicates he's been following you, you should call the police," Bastin said.

If the person continues to call back, keep a log of what time they called and what was said, Bastin said.

Jenny Rosenbaum, a sociology junior, said the scariest harassing telephone calls she's ever received on campus were the kind "where people would call and ask for you because they knew your name to begin with."

Melanie McPhee, a political science junior, said a lot of residents on her floor in Blanding III have received harassing and obscene calls.

"The ones I've gotten are explosive graphic," McPhee said. "The

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Wilkinson testifies in nephew's trial

By Charles Wolfe
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Former Gov. Wallace Wilkinson testified yesterday that he appointed an arbitrator in a race track dispute without being influenced by his nephew, who was a top aide.

He said that Bruce Wilkinson, who was his appointments secretary, "could very well have" completed a list of possible appointees. "It would have been standard operating practice for him to do so," the former governor said.

But he said "it was my idea" to eventually hire Linda Thomas, a partner in a Bowling Green law firm that supported him politically, Wallace Wilkinson said.

He took the witness stand in U.S.

District Court on the second day of Bruce Wilkinson's trial on extortion-conspiracy and mail-fraud charges.

The government alleges that Bruce Wilkinson demanded \$20,000 from Riverside Downs, a Henderson harness track, after claiming he fixed the arbitration in the track's favor.

Bruce Wilkinson, 40, of Richmond, was director of appointments to state boards and commissions throughout his uncle's administration, which ended in December 1991. He allegedly got the cash a month later from Jay Spurrier, a lobbyist and racing-industry power broker.

Asked outside the courthouse if he believed his nephew had taken money, Wallace Wilkinson said: "I

have no idea. He says he didn't, and Bruce has never lied to me. I have to believe him."

The defense contends there was no payoff and Spurrier lied to implicate Bruce Wilkinson after being caught by the FBI with extortion money.

Spurrier pleaded guilty to related felonies and agreed to cooperate with investigators. So did two other scheduled witnesses — former state Rep. William McBe, whom the defense says worked with Spurrier for years to extort money from Riverside Downs, and John Hall, a former state senator from Henderson who delivered \$30,000 to Spurrier's Frankfort hotel room.

At the time, Spurrier and McBe

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Boxing club battling opponents, attitudes

By Sean McGuirk
Contributing Writer

A student hunched over a desk and huddled face first in the pages of a textbook is an unlikely image in the school of hard knocks.

On a week night, you can find a band of Wildcats who have temporarily traded their textbooks for boxing gloves, and switched their pen strokes to stinging uppercuts and jarring left-handed jabs.

In this school, mirrors line the wall, reflecting a long row of assorted punching bags of various balloon shapes that teach boxers how to clobber an opponent without being clobbered back.

Situated on the wall-to-wall carpet, which is littered with loose head gear and spare boxing gloves, is the focal point of the room, the reason everyone is here — the boxing ring.

While the students shuffle, circle and trade licks inside the ring, they have already won what they consider the toughest fight of all — establishing themselves as the UK Boxing club.

The club began in October with the help of the Office of Minority Affairs, said club president and third-year art studio major Victor Hagens.

"We had a hard time getting started because the administrators thought it was cruel," Ha-

gens said. But after relentless persistence from Hagens and other boxers, the UK administrators agreed to go along with it.

"We had to prove boxing wasn't a bunch of thugs beating on people. We convinced them the boxing club could be a positive program," he said.

Training sessions are held during the week at the Kentucky Central Boxing Gym.

This location for practice may very well be the reason the club has hammered out a victory streak, said UK boxer and Spanish professor Jenero Abraham.

"We recently beat Miami of Ohio. We beat Xavier, a college that's had a club for years," Abraham said. "A lot of it may have to do with the fact that the UK boxers get to practice with the state's best amateur and professional boxers."

Although the UK boxing club has battered their opponents inside the boxing ring, they have been forced to fight outside the ropes against a general negative image people have of the sport, Hagens said.

"People always ask me if there's blood, like the sport is psychotic and crazy, but amateur boxing is no more dangerous than football," Hagens said.

Like football, the boxing club takes many safety precautions,

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SPORTS: UK Bat Cats play Dayton this afternoon in home opener at Shively Field. Story, Page 3.

DIVERSIONS: "Arnos and Andrew" wants to be taken seriously as a hard-hitting film tackling contemporary issues. It also wants to make you laugh. Review, Page 5.

WEATHER: Mostly cloudy today with a 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms; high around 55. Mostly cloudy tonight; low around 35. Mostly cloudy tomorrow; high near 40.

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King takes stand in trial of officers

By Linda Duetsch
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Rodney King took the witness stand yesterday for the first time since his videotaped beating and said he was "attacked" by police officers, including one who screamed, "We're going to kill you nigger, run!"

King, speaking in a soft voice, said that he never attacked the officers accused of violating his civil rights.

"I was trying to stay alive," King told the jury. He said that during the beating he was "coughing and laughing blood out of my mouth."

King's testimony was his first detailed public account of the night his speeding car was pursued by California Highway Patrol and Los Angeles police officers and he was beaten after finally coming to a stop.

The testimony in the federal trial of four white policemen came two years after the March 3, 1991, videotaped beating that led to a state trial, acquittals and three days of deadly rioting.

King, 27, said the officers asked at one point how he felt. "I said I felt fine. I didn't want them to know what they were doing to me was really getting to me. I didn't want them to have the satisfaction."

Under questioning by Justice Department attorney Barry Kowalski, King insisted he never resisted arrest and suggested that a woman Highway Patrol officer who first tracked him down for speeding on a freeway could have handcuffed him if Los Angeles police had not intervened.

He said he was face down on the ground, trying to cooperate when officers leaped upon him and "one of them applied pressure like he was trying to snap my wrist in half." He said he screamed out in pain, demonstrating his shout for the jury, and then heard someone shout "Back!"

"They all backed away from me and I'm still on the ground waiting to be handcuffed and shortly after that I was shocked

by a Taser (stun gun)." Asked what the Taser darts felt like when they hit him, he said, "I got shocked and it felt like my blood was boiling inside of me."

Moments later, as he was on the ground he said he heard the shout of, "We're going to kill you nigger, run!"

"I ran closer to the Hyundai (his car) and I was struck across the right side of the face again," King said pointing to his temple. "To this day there is a bump right here."

Kowalski asked what King heard while being clubbed and kicked.

"I'm not exactly sure but I heard while they were hitting me chants of 'killer, nigger, how do you feel killed?'"

He was asked whether he truly remembered the officers say "nigger" or "killer." King said he wasn't sure which word was used.

"I was trying to put my hands over my face. I wasn't trying to hit any police officer," King said.

Outside court, defense attorney Harland Braun said: "Now he's drawn the racial line. He's the only one to say he heard these racial epithets. It makes this much clearer for us."

King directed most of his comments to the jury, using his hands for emphasis. At first he seemed nervous, licking his lips, but as his narrative continued he appeared to grow calm.

He recalled being taken to a hospital, then being transferred to yet another hospital in a police car. He said an officer, previously identified as defendant Timothy Wind, sat in the back seat with him.

"I was bent over in the back seat of the police car from the pain. He kept snatching me by the collar of the shirt and saying, 'Stay with me now, stay with me.' ... It was very painful from the injuries and I wanted to curl up."

King admitted he had too much to drink that night but said he has never taken PCP and had not used marijuana for some time before the beating.

Clintons rebel against 'life in the bubble'

By Ron Fournier
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It was sunny and warm, and Bill Clinton was where he likes to be — out. Out of the White House and out with old friends — but not out of range of a gaggle of photographers.

He and wife Hillary Rodham Clinton still rebel sometimes against "life in the bubble" of presidential publicity. But on this walk to church he giggled, pointed at the photographers and said, "I don't even mind them that much today."

Friends say that the Clintons are getting used to living at the White House — or, as some of them call

it, "the compound."

"I think despite all of this, they've really adjusted as well as any human being can adjust," said Chief of Staff Mack McLarty, who has known Clinton since kindergarten.

The couple is trying to maintain as normal a life as possible. Their goal: Get out of the White House as much as possible.

Bounding down the steps of her plane in Little Rock, Ark., last week, Mrs. Clinton scanned the crowd for a familiar face — somebody to remind her of simpler days. "I must confess, when I went home last week it was really nice to land there and see all the people I know," Mrs. Clinton said later. "I

was even glad to see all the reporters there."

She said that she loves Washington and her new job, but misses life outside the bubble in Arkansas.

"It's just different. It's so much easier to have a normal life and get out and actually see people and have a sense of what's going on. It's really important," she said. "I don't want to get cut off from the real world."

The Clintons have gone out to dinner several times, at least once with Vice President Al Gore and his wife, Tipper. But even simple nights are complicated for the First Couple: when they walked into the trendy Red Sage restaurant last month, the dinner crowd stood and

cheered.

During a recent trip to California, Clinton shook hands in a crowd of hundreds of people who waited for him to leave a restaurant late at night. Secret Service agents had been monitoring the crowd.

But then the president decided to stop the motorcade and plunge into a crowd on a darkened street. Secret Service agents — stiff-backed and wide-eyed — were obviously concerned for his safety. "We can't have him walking around in the dark," one agent mumbled afterward.

As governor of Arkansas, Clinton mingled in public and jogged in downtown streets, usually without an escort. Fearing for his safety, his staff put out the word that he was being protected.

Today, Clinton jogs with a high-security motorcade. He can't leave home without notifying his staff and security detail first.

The \$30,000 jogging track under construction on the South Lawn is a symbol of his new life. The track will allow him to run inside the fenced White House grounds.

After a long stretch of 18- and 20-hour days, Clinton took most of last weekend off. He visited with college buddies, walked with them to church on Sunday and played golf that afternoon.

"The objective was to give him a weekend away from the political environment and allow him to be around some old friends — people away from the administration," said Jim Moore, a Clinton roommate at Georgetown University who spent the weekend at the White House.

As much as he enjoys his job, Clinton still pines for Arkansas.

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were unaware that Hall had been caught taking bribes and was working with the FBI, which supplied the cash and had marked it with a fluorescent spray. Also, the briefcase contained a hidden transmitter.

Spurrer admitted taking \$10,000 to split with McBee. Prosecutors have not said what happened to the \$20,000 Bruce Wilkinson allegedly received.

They also say that there is no evidence Bruce Wilkinson had any effect on Thomas, the arbitrator. Instead, they allege he claimed credit for Thomas' ruling in order to defraud Riverside Downs.

During his 25 minutes on the witness stand, Wallace Wilkinson said that he learned from his nephew of

the dispute that eventually required an arbitrator. The state commissions that governed harness and thoroughbred racing were at an impasse over the division of inter-track-wagering dates between Riverside Downs and Ellis Park, a thoroughbred track in Henderson.

He twice refused requests for an arbitrator, each time ordering the commissions to reach agreement. Wallace Wilkinson said. He said he relented when a third request for an arbitrator was relayed, again by his nephew.

Ellis Park had demanded exclusive rights to conduct wagering in Henderson County on televised thoroughbred races. Thomas ruled that Riverside Downs was entitled to at least 40 percent of the dates.

Thomas testified yesterday that she never met or talked with Bruce Wilkinson and never construed any

action by the governor's office as an attempt to influence her.

Thomas said that a packet of material she received from the governor's office after taking the assignment included a proposal for ruling in Riverside Downs' favor. She later learned it was drawn up by Elijah Hogge, a former Court of Appeals judge who was an attorney for the harness racing commission.

It is not unusual for both sides in a civil case to submit proposed findings or orders to a judge, Thomas said. Nor did she suspect anything about Hogge's draft at the time, but "looking back at it today, I think it was unusual," she said.

The prosecution alleges that Bruce Wilkinson's fingerprints were on some documents in the packet.

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Boxing

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the club's vice president, Dave Solomon, said.

"There's never any real injuries. The worst hit to take is a body shot. The head gear keeps you from taking a full head shot," Solomon said.

Regardless of safety equipment, many people still contend that boxing is anything less than brutal. Abraham said. "This is a rough and tough sport, but some people fail to realize there is a lot of finesse to boxing. Anybody can throw a punch. But to slip a punch, to move from a punch and to score is the art

of boxing."

Although boxing requires the graceful mastery of movement in the ring, the boxing fans become hysterical when the punches start flying. Hagans said. "You try to tune the people out when you're concentrating, but when you're drained, the cheering gets you motivated."

The UK Boxing Club, sponsored by the Office of Minority Affairs, will be hosting the Midwest Regionals of the National Collegiate Boxing Association at Tattersalls Arena on South Broadway. Tickets for UK students with a validated ID cost \$1. Students who are interested in the club can call Dave Solomon at 258-1616.

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strangest part of all is that they're in the middle of the day."

McPhee said she just hangs up when she realizes she is receiving an unwelcome telephone call.

A poster at the department office

is used to make people aware of the seriousness of harassing telephone calls. It offers this advice on how to handle the situation: "Hang up, no conversation, no emotion, no reaction."

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SPORTS

Gym Cats face NIU; Hansen confident

By Ty Halpin
Assistant Sports Editor

It's a problem lots of coaches have. After winning a big game or meet, it is difficult for a team not to experience a letdown.

The UK Gym Cats face Northern Illinois tonight at Memorial Coliseum. They hope to avoid any lull in their play, UK coach Leah Little said.

"I'm concerned a little bit with a letdown after a big victory," she said. "What's important now is to get another good score and bump up our standing. Our goal for this week is to perform well. I don't want them to look ahead to the Florida meet."

The last two weeks have been difficult for the Cats with a heavy academic load, UK freshman Jenny Hansen said.

"It's been a very stressful week, with all these midterms and papers," she said. "Everyone's been kind of crazy."

Hansen said the loss Feb. 27 at Towson State was a result of the added pressure from school.

"When we were at Towson State, we were really down because of midterms," she said. "Then we came back home and did what we had to do."

Even with the added work load, Hansen and her teammates managed to set a school record in last Friday's meet against Louisiana State. Hansen also scored a 39.75 in the all-around, which was just five-hundredths away from the NCAA record.

"It was kind of an extra boost to have my parents there," Hansen said. "It gave me a lot of energy. I'm just really excited about (being that close to the NCAA record)."

Pressure hasn't been put on Hansen to lead the Cats, Little said. She has flourished without this pressure.

"I really don't push things with her," Little said. "Whatever happens, happens. It's her freshman year, so we're just going to let her



DANIEL VAN DALSEM/Kernal Staff

UK's Carrie Culp tries a vault against LSU Friday night. The Cats face Northern Illinois at 8 tonight at Memorial Coliseum.

go out and enjoy what ever success she has."

UK will travel to Gainesville, Fla., to compete in a four-team meet next weekend, which includes Southeastern Conference foe Florida. Then on March 20, the Cats will compete in the SEC Championships in Tuscaloosa, Ala. Hansen said that she is just happy to be in these meets.

"It's the toughest region and it will just be a great experience," she said.

The region, considered one of the toughest in the nation, shouldn't be given too much credit, Hansen said.

"It's tough, but it's not as tough as everyone makes it out to be," she said.

As for UK's chances at the SEC Championships, Hansen said she feels confident. After scoring well against Georgia, Alabama, LSU and Auburn, UK knows they are at

that level, she said.

Hansen said the Cats will treat the SEC Championships just like any other meet.

"If we stay cool and say it's just another meet, we'll do fine," she said. "We'll just go down there and do the best we can."

Notes:

•UK will honor senior Sharon Smith tonight in the Wildcats' last home meet of the season. Smith was suffering a fractured left ankle earlier this season while competing against Alabama.

•The Cats have broken every team record this season, with a 48.45 on vault, a 48.40 on bars, a 48.65 on beam, a 49.05 on floor, a 194.30 team score and a 189.30 road score. All of the individual scores have been broken as well, with Hansen owning all five. Twenty-four other individual career-high marks have been set or tied.

Madison likes improvement; Wildcat home opener today

By Jeff Drummond
Senior Staff Writer

UK baseball coach Keith Madison makes no bones about it. He's feeling good about his team's early-season progress.

After losing to Indiana in the first round of the Big Four Classic last weekend, UK looked impressive in winning three straight games at Louisville's Cardinal Stadium. The Cats swept Dayton, Louisville and Indiana to bring home the championship trophy in the second annual tournament.

"I feel a lot better about the team than I did a week ago," Madison said. "We played really well in Louisville and did a lot of nice things."

"But we've still got a lot of work to do in a number of areas. Our defense must improve and we've got to start making better contact at the plate, to name a couple."

The Cats (6-4) seek to continue their improvement today as they open their home schedule against Big Four-opponent Dayton. The Flyers visit Shively Field for a 3 p.m. contest.

Dayton won the consolation game of the Big Four, crushing Louisville 13-3. After watching the Flyers score 10 runs against the Cats, Madison is impressed with their offensive firepower.

"(Dayton) put a lot of runs on the board in Louisville," he said. "They've shown us that they're a very aggressive team at the plate."

Unlike its Ohio counterparts, UK has been inconsistent at the plate. In 10 games this season, the Cats have been held to three or fewer runs on five occasions.

Madison said the team has produced several run-scoring opportunities, but many players are struggling to make contact in those situations.

"We've got to start putting the ball in play," Madison said. "We're striking out far too many times in key situations."

As a team, the Cats are batting .278. But UK has struck out 73

times in 331 at bats for an average of one strikeout every 4.5 trips to the plate.

Junior outfielder Matt Bragg and freshman third baseman Chris Gonzalez have provided the team's most solid offensive production. Bragg is hitting .395 with nine RBI and six extra-base hits. Gonzalez is hitting at a .406 clip with a home run and seven RBI.

Where hitting has been a bit of a disappointment, UK's pitching staff has picked up the slack. The Cats' pitchers have a 2.09 ERA and are limiting opposing hitters to a .190 batting average.

Senior righthander Scott Smith (0-3, 1.21) will face Dayton ace Tom Harrison today.



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UK head coach Keith Madison (foreground) and associate coach John Butler take in a practice. The Cats play today at 3.



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Jones goes perversely techno

Jesus Jones
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SBK Records

By John Abbott
Staff Critic

I don't like techno. I find most techno songs immensely repetitive and mechanical. When I heard that Jesus Jones, a reasonably amusing English guitar-pop band, had decided to experiment with techno, I wasn't very happy.

"Blast!" I thought. "So Mike Edwards wants to fiddle with the pretty computer knobs now! What a terrific way to ruin a perfectly good band."

Thus, I was eagerly awaiting the opportunity to slam Jesus Jones deep into the pavement when I got ahold of the band's new album *Perverse*. Even before I heard one song, I'd already composed a long list of unflattering remarks about how their new style sent the album into the dumpster.

As I listened to one song after another, though, I realized that



I'd have to throw my long list of remarks into the dumpster instead. This was a much, much better album than I expected.

Good stuff? Plenty here. I think "The Devil You Know" is a very cool song, even though massive MTV overplay has driven me to where I get that slight "Oh no, not again!" reaction every time I hear the opening chords.

"Get A Good Thing" is another excellent song. Of the 12 tracks on the album, 11 of them are pretty downbeat affairs as far as lyrics go, and this is the exception: a love song. Breathlessly positive and laden with some really gorgeous hooks, it's a nice, uplifting break in the action.

It only seems fitting that, considering *Perverse* was made using the latest in modern technology, some of the songs on the album are comments on "progress" and how it affects our lives for better

or worse. The band doesn't take one side or the other specifically. On one hand, the terrifically catchy "Magazine" complains that everybody is in such a rush they can't slow down and take a breath. "Zeros And Ones" (referring to the binary code used by computers) is fairly neutral, though, matter-of-factly stating that, "This time, the revolution will be computerized."

Though the album's lyrics are solid, the true strength of the band lies in the excellent songwriting and singing of Mike Edwards. His lyrics are always intelligent and generally on the mark, and his voice is forceful and brims with confidence. If, at a show, the other four guys in the band packed up and went down to the pub while he sang showtunes and nursery rhymes on stage, I'd still be paying attention. I thought running all the instruments through a computer would take the edge off, but it didn't. The guitars, instead of ringing with a warm, live-on-stage feel, came out of the computer banks sounding like icy-purifier banks sounding like icy-purifier banks.

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PHOTO COURTESY OF NONCHALANT

Nonchalant is comprised of Mike Joyner (drums), Blake Cox (bass, vocals), John Nudd (guitar) and Bill Nudd (lead guitar, vocals). They are playing tonight at Breedings at 8 p.m.

Bands exposed at Breedings

By Dave Lavender
Arts Editor

Local band Nonchalant is a group of *Blooming Idiots* wanting to expose themselves tonight at Breedings.

No, the Lexington-based roots rock 'n' roll band is not bent on opening trench coats for the audience. More accurately, the local band is in the finals tonight of the "Decent Exposure" contest sponsored by Breedings, WKQQ-FM and Miller beer.

The annual contest, which has its finals tonight at 8, shines the spotlight on local bands. Tonight's show includes Nonchalant, The Greyhounds, Grimace Piece and

Cyclone Rangers. The winner gets played on WKQQ-FM.

Blooming Idiots is Nonchalant's six-song EP that they put out in the fall after John Nudd (rhythm guitar) and Mike Joyner (drums) joined the band.

Bill Nudd, the band's lead guitarist said that the group really began to take off creatively and musically when his younger brother and Joyner hooked up with Nonchalant this past summer.

"That's where we really consider this band starting, although we had a band with the same name before," Bill Nudd said.

"There's a lot of people there that haven't seen you before, if you can get out to five or 10 more people it's worth every bit of it," Bill Nudd said about the contest.

For Decent Exposure, the sets are 30- to 35-minute long, which in musical terms translates into about six or seven songs.

"It's just fun," Bill Nudd said. "I haven't been trying to look at it in a competitive way at all."

Bill said that it would be hard to pick a winner with the abundance of talent he's heard at the contest.

"I really feel like that all the bands are good bands, they all deserve to be in there playing," Bill said. "It's hard to say one's better than the other that's why it is a weird thing, 'cause I like all the bands we've played with. It's weird to put it all in a relative sense and say this band wins."

Although the band said that they could use some more local exposure, they are already fanning out around the region as far away as Akron, Bowling Green (Ohio), St.

Louis and Baltimore.

Unlike some local bands who only look at music as a secondary past time done solely on weekends for pleasure, Nonchalant is trying to make a career out of it.

"Everybody's got real flexible jobs," Bill Nudd said of Nonchalant, which also includes bassist Blake Cox. "The main focus for us is getting followings in different cities, writing new stuff and hopefully pursuing some label interest which is always difficult it seems."

Nudd described their music as guitar-oriented rock.

"Guitar rock is what we are all about," Bill Nudd said. "We try to include sophisticated three-part vocals in as many places as we can."

The lead vocal responsibilities fall on the shoulders of both Blake and Bill Nudd, who divide the songs equally.

Nudd also added that lyrics were an intricate part of Nonchalant's presence.

"Try and have some content to your music, making an effort to talk about something rather than just having a lip flapping in the wind," he said.

"Our show isn't like non-stop dance," he said. "We are playing a few ballads and some songs that are more for the mind. A lot of times people on a week night will just sit back and listen. That doesn't bother us at all as long as they are paying attention. Then again there's been a lot of shows where it's been a drunken dance fest. It can go either way."

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Unbelievable characters make social statements seem out of place

"Amos and Andrew"
Starring Nicolas Cage and Samuel L. Jackson
Columbia Pictures

By Greg Laber
Staff Critic



"Amos and Andrew," the new film starring Nicolas Cage and Samuel L. Jackson, wants desperately to be taken seriously as a hard-hitting film tackling contemporary issues. It also wants to make you laugh. This combination of comedy and drama is a tricky one. A few talented film-makers have been able to pull it off. In recent memory, Barry Levinson's "Good Morning, Vietnam" took on the same war-time issues with a sense of humor and amazing good taste. Lesser films, like "Amos and Andrew," cannot achieve this delicate balance. They shift from one scene to the next from preachy melodrama to ridiculous farce.

wealthy black leader, moves into his ritzy home on an all-white island. His nosy neighbors (who aren't aware he has bought the house) see him installing his stereo and think he is stealing it. It's not long before the police are involved. Veteran comic actor Dabney Coleman plays the part of the police chief. When he arrives on the scene, he takes the neighbor's word at face value and begins a rescue attempt to free nonexistent hostages. Soon, he realizes his mistake and tries to save himself from a major embarrassment in an election year. The chief turns to Amos, a small-time con artist played by Nicholas Cage. He offers to set Amos free if he'll break into Andrew's house and take him hostage, then give himself

up and make the police look good. When the press shows up, the police chief sees an opportunity for national exposure. He turns his back on Amos and decides to treat him like a regular criminal. Before he knows what's going on, Amos finds himself making demands. The notion of an everyday event turning into a national race scandal has been done before in "Bonfire of the Vanities." That film, which lacked the subtlety of Tom Wolfe's novel, suffered from many of the same problems as "Amos and Andrew." Writer/director Max Frye chose to portray the characters with broad stereotypes. Neighbors Michael Lerner and Margaret Collin are pot-smoking ex-hippies who never seem to know what's going on. Character actor Brad Dourif ("Exorcist 3") is wasted as a Barney Fife-style deputy who takes his job too seriously. With all these silly, unbelievable characters running around, it's hard

to take the central issues seriously. Jackson begs for sympathy as a man who has been arrested in his own home just because of his race, but everyone else is doing pratfalls. Admittedly, "Amos and Andrew" has its moments. Nicolas Cage, hot off "Honeymoon in Vegas," continues to get laughs with his dumb-guy-next-door charm. He never seems to realize exactly how much trouble he's in. In one scene, after being charged with corruption of a minor, he attempts to seduce the 17-year-old pizza delivery girl. For all its good intentions and high ambitions, "Amos and Andrew" never quite gets off the ground. It's a film that tries to make you laugh while you cry. In the end, you won't do much of either.



PHOTO COURTESY OF CASTLE ROCK ENTERTAINMENT
Samuel L. Jackson and Nicolas Cage star in "Amos & Andrew," a social comedy about a black playwright and a crook.

ABC's 'Sirens' sounds off tonight

By Scott Williams
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Get past the lame title and "Sirens," the one-hour police drama debuting tonight on ABC, still is only pretty good. It falls far short of its potential. The series is about three rookie policewomen starting out on the Pittsburgh PD, so the title refers to the warning device on emergency vehicles. ("Sirens" plays also on the sea nymphs of Greek myth whose seductive songs lured sailors to their doom on the filmy shores of the Aegean. This has nothing to do, however, with Pittsburgh or policewomen.) "Sirens" stars Jayne Brook as Sa-

rah, the Married One with the Underemployed Husband; Adrienne Joi-Johnson as Lynn, the Divorced One; and Liza Snyder as Molly, the One Who Comes from a Cop Family. "They are assigned partners and street beats," says the ABC publicity material, "and learn, first-hand, how to reconcile their private lives and relationships with the demands of their new, male-dominated careers as police officers." I know what you're thinking: How dull and predictable! Why don't they just do a series about an all-girl World War II bomber crew? As long as one of them is named Ski, the TV gods will be satisfied! Relax. "Sirens" is not that bad. It's a little too "correct," but not in-

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cold buzzsaws. Before I listened to this album, I kept wishing that Edwards would become violently technophobic and

return the band to the pleasant, uncomputerized sound of their previous album, *Doubt*, but that doesn't seem necessary to me now. Though I still don't like techno very much, I think *Perverse* is a very solid album, and I wouldn't mind a bit if Jesus Jones made a few more albums just like this one.

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curably so. First, none of the women is "Hollywood pretty." They're physically attractive, sure, but they don't look as overdressed in blues as, say, Heather Locklear in "T.J. Hooker" or Megan Gallagher in "Hill Street Bluing things about "Sirens." "Sirens" tries to treat, in a realistic manner, the issues, hassles and cheap male behaviors inflicted on women by unenlightened people in a conservative, paramilitary organization. Although the characters in co-executive producer Ann Lewis Hamilton's pilot script are a bit too familiar to anyone who's watched TV since 1970, they show a good deal of growth by next week's episode.

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SGA Supreme Court should have dismissed case against November

EDITORIAL

The Student Government Association Supreme Court met to discuss the constitutionality of SGA President Pete November's executive order last week, which froze the senate's money. Two senate leaders — senators at large Misty Weaver and Heather Henkel — asked the court to review November's actions and decide whether it was constitutional. There's only one problem — November has already lifted his order.

So why did the Court even meet? In their complaint, the two senators ask for injunctive relief from the order, but November actually gave them their relief when he lifted the order. While November set a bad precedent with his actions, the court's hearing this case is an equally bad precedent.

The court cannot try a hypothetical case. There's no case now that November has lifted the order, and the court should have dismissed the case altogether.

The method to right November's wrong and clear up ambiguities in the SGA Constitution regarding executive orders is through legislation.

At press time, the Supreme Court had not yet reached a decision regarding the case, but it is hoped that no decision will ever be reached since there's really nothing to hear anymore.

CONTINUING EDITORIAL

The Kentucky Kernel Editorial Board is continuing efforts to disband the Student Government Association. We are encouraging students to sign the petition below to create a student referendum to abolish the Student Government Association and replace it with a more accountable student council.

Sign your name to the ballot below and get your friends to do the same. Mail it, free of charge in campus mail, to the Kentucky Kernel office (26 Grehan Journalism Building, 40506-0042), or drop it off during business hours. A more efficient system of student representation awaits.

- As students at UK, we, the undersigned, request a referendum on the following questions:
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 - *Do you believe SGA puts your student fees to good use?
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LETTER

Trade bikinis for rod, reel during break

To the editor:

Fishing in puddles with a branch and a piece of string was a hobby of mine as a youngster. Now, expensive equipment and an abundance of all the right tackle has replaced the string and twig combination. At 23-years-old, the joy and excitement of large mouth bass fishing is in my bloodstream to stay. This spring break, while most other students will be purchasing new bathing suits, cases of beer and Ray Bans, I'll be cleaning my reels, making camping arrangements and buying plenty of big bass baits.

Bigger baits equal bigger fish, and where I'm going there are some monster bass. Lake Fellsmere is the name of the lake which I'll be fishing this Spring Break, better known as Stick Marsh. Yes, it looks precisely like it sounds, sticky and marshy. It's located near Vero Beach, Fla., about an hour and a half south of Daytona Beach.

The Icky, as I call it, is the most heavenly place on earth. That's a pretty bold statement considering that I've visited Hawaii, the Yukon, Jamaica and yes, even Big Bone Lake State Park. Actually, the heavenly part about The Icky is the unbelievable bass fishing. This place holds more big bass than Daytona

Beach holds string bikinis and frat boys.

Last March was my first experience at the Icky, and as I fished on my last day, I vowed to return in 1993. If the weather cooperates, as it did last year, then all of us Florida-bound students are sure to have a blast.

For those of you who are going to Daytona, Panama Beach or any other party, I have something to tell you. Florida has more to offer than you can begin to imagine, from grey training baseball games to spring training races. So use your imaginations a little bit to find other entertainment away from the beaches, even if it's only for half a day.

Being creative on a vacation makes the entire trip much more enjoyable. If you don't plan on being creative this spring break, the you'll probably wake up each and every morning with the same old hanger. While you're fighting that dreaded headache from bonging too many beers the night before, I'll be fighting that trophy bass that I traveled to Florida to catch.

Be safe, have fun and enjoy your time off.

Scott Hait
English Junior
March 5, 1993



Don't kill SGA — just revitalize it

An electric pencil sharpener sits on my desk.

It's battery powered and very efficient when properly utilized, but I never use it.

It's not used because it requires four double AA batteries that I'm too lazy to go out and buy. But I know if I went out and bought the batteries, the machine could be used to produce something that could lead to better things — a sharpened pencil.

The UK Student Government Association is a lot like my pencil sharpener. Problems that surround SGA lie not in the setup of the organization itself, but the people who are running it. It could be great — if it only had the right combination of batteries from which to operate.

The campus could get along without SGA — just as I could get along without my pencil sharpener. Abolishing it is an option, but not the right one. How often do people tear down the foundation of a house to build on it or remodel? Rarely, if ever.

Most students may believe that SGA is ineffective. I myself believe this on many occasions. How often do students find themselves faced with a problem they cannot handle themselves? Not often, but it does happen, and when it does SGA is there.

University must wake up, face problems

Large classes make success hard to attain

Bad, bad University.

You should be nicer to the students with whom you play.

The students that you play with come to you for help. Your playmates come to you for help, so treat them with dignity. You will probably have each playmate for four years or more.

University, you force your playmates to endure several of your problems and eccentricities.

You expand some of your classes to ungodly sizes in efforts to play with more students. You then expect some of your other playmates, the teachers, to suffer through your efforts to accommodate students. In these classes, all your playmates suffer. You eliminate any individual attention, which is a rarity many students would welcome and many teachers would love to offer — if it were possible.

Maybe more teachers and more abundant but smaller classes would help. Your playmates know you have budget cuts, but you also have a tuition hike to work with. University, please give us a break.

You give us some teachers that cannot play well with the material you give them. However, this is a teacher problem. The teachers should make classes interesting. Some of your servants do not care at all about the students because they know that for every student that leaves, there is usually another

Joe Braun
Editorial Editor

Simply because SGA has had a bad year or two we shouldn't call in a backhoe before trying a shovel and some manual labor. Throw the bums out of office, put in some new faces and see what happens.

involved. SGA President Pete November spent the fall working on a restructuring committee for the University, and both he and the senate traveled across the state to attend various tuition forums sponsored by the state Council on Higher Education.

Students, not administrators, must run our SGA and distribute our student money. Students must have a voice from which they can speak when they choose and to whom they can bring their concerns. The current SGA Senate isn't the greatest, but what's to say next year's won't be fanatic and fight for student rights?

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Do we really need the Student Activities Board to provide us with

entertainment at our expense? The duties of the Interfraternity Council or the Panhellenic Council could all be taken away from students and handled by some administrator.

These are all extreme and unnecessary solutions to a problem that's really very simple. Students at UK have the unique power of electing new people each semester to be their representatives. Reform SGA before we lose everything on our investment.

The solution to making my pencil sharpener work isn't throwing it away and buying a new one. The solution is just getting out of my chair and buying some new batteries.

Editorial Editor Joe Braun is a political science and journalism sophomore and a Kentucky Kernel columnist.

Jimmy Gish
Kernel Columnist

To take his or her place. They treat students as statistics. But, University, you have instilled this attitude in your teachers.

Whether you realize it or not, you are giving your students the same point of view. The Student Center speech last week by T.A. Jones for the Student Government Association presidency displayed this. The announcement was really just a shouting down of the poor souls like me caught in the wrong place at the wrong time.

Apparently, they forget that more flies can be caught with honey than vinegar. The lunchroom tactic was a good idea, but it was carried out totally in the wrong way.

These two could have gone from table to table, introduced themselves, and gotten to know the voters in this election. Instead, they treated us as numbers instead of people. The University has taught its playmates well.

The University has not corrupted all its playmates. In classes with a bit more individual attention, like the English courses and many of the classes in the College of Fine Arts, some of the teachers still care about their pupils. However, this subspecies of playmate is quickly becoming extinct.

For its playmates who come from far away to play, University, you should give us a few more comforts of home in those things that you call residence halls. MicroFridges would be nice. (For

Some of us think the good points of the University outweigh the bad ones. Others of us cannot leave because this is where we have our scholarships and/or this is the only in-state school that offers our majors.

those of you who do not know, a MicroFridge is a combination of a microwave and a refrigerator/freezer. The University is considering supplying them in each room for a hike in room and board rates or renting them next year.)

Food prices should be lower, too. For these prices, the food made available to some of the athletes at places like Blazer Courtyard and Donovan Oak Room should be served to the little people, too. Or maybe the Security does not think the rest of its playmates matter so much.

These are just some of the methods by which the University hurts its playmates. Some people would tell the unhappy playmates to leave. There are reasons why some of us do not.

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