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Little Kentucky Derby kicks off weeklong activities

2 free shows, ping-pong drop highlight 34th annual event

By SHARLA HENSLEY
Staff Writer

New activities along with increased publicity and advertising has organizers excited about this year's Little Kentucky Derby.

"The committee has been working extremely hard to make this year's LKD quite the extravaganza for students," said Luci Gutermuth, LKD chairperson.

The "Dating Game" kicks off the 34th annual event at 8 tonight at Memorial Hall as students use charm and wit to try to win dates. Door prizes to be given include autographed basketballs by basketball coach Rick Pitino and footballs by football coach Bill Curry.

Otis Day and the Knights, which played in the movie "Animal House," will give a free concert Friday night.

The band is "geared more toward college students" than past LKD bands, Gutermuth said.

Saturday, 10 Lexington restaurants will participate in "A Taste of Lexington," a food fair at E.S. Goodbarn, which is across from Commonwealth Stadium, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Athletic Exhibitions is another addition to LKD. Four special exhibitions are included from the Ultimate Frisbee Club, the Volleyball Club, Hacky-Sack Enthusiasts and Phillip Gall's Professional Kite Flyers.

FM radio station KAT-103 will provide live remote from E.S. Goodbarn from 2 to 7 p.m. Saturday, at the Ping-Pong Drop Thursday

and the Run for the Rodents Friday, Gutermuth said.

On Thursday, more than 3,000 ping-pong balls will be dropped from the Patterson Office Tower at 12:15 p.m. More than 200 winning numbers will be drawn for prizes from the numbered balls.

At 8 p.m. Thursday Let's Active, a Southern alternative band, will perform a free concert in the Student Center Ballroom.

In the Run for the Rodents on Friday, organizations sponsor mice to compete in the annual race.

Nineteen balloonist from across the country will compete in the hot air balloon races, the Hot Air Balloon Key Grab and the Hare and Hound events on Saturday.

Spectators can take 10- to 15-minute balloon rides of 30 to 50 feet for \$3 per person at the Hot Air Balloon Tethered Rides Friday from 8 to 10 p.m. at E.S. Goodbarn.

The week will be capped off with the Bank One The Blue-White football scrimmage. Kickoff is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Commonwealth Stadium.

Throughout the week Harper Amusements will provide a mini carnival featuring about 15 rides.

The carnival, which will be in the Commonwealth Stadium parking lot, will be open from 6 to 10 p.m. today through Friday; noon to 10 p.m. on Saturday; and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

1990 LITTLE KENTUCKY DERBY

Tuesday, April 17		
Carnival	6 p.m.-10 p.m.	Commonwealth Stadium
Dating Game	8 p.m.-10 p.m.	Memorial Hall
Wednesday, April 18		
Carnival	6 p.m.-10 p.m.	Commonwealth Stadium
Thursday, April 19		
Ping-Pong Ball Drop	12:15 p.m.	POT Fountain Area
Carnival	6 p.m.-10 p.m.	Commonwealth Stadium
Let's Active	8 p.m.	Student Center Ballroom
Friday, April 20		
UK Day at Keeneland		
Run for the Rodents	12 p.m.	Student Center Patio
Carnival	6 p.m.-10 p.m.	Commonwealth Stadium
Nostalgia Concert	8 p.m.	E.S. Goodbarn Field
Featuring "Otis Day & the Knights"		
Hot Air Balloon Tethered Rides	8 p.m.-10 p.m.	E.S. Goodbarn Field
Saturday, April 21 All events at E.S. Goodbarn Field		
Run for the Trees	9 a.m.	
Hot Air Balloon - Key Grab	7 a.m.-10 a.m.	
Carnival	12 p.m.-10 p.m.	
Run for the Rosé	1 p.m.	
A Taste of Lexington	11 a.m.-6 p.m.	
Kite Flights	12 p.m.-4 p.m.	
Volleyball Games	12 p.m.-4 p.m.	
Ultimate Frisbee	12 p.m.-4 p.m.	
Hacky-sack	12 p.m.-4 p.m.	
Hot Air Balloon - Hare and Hound Race	5:30 p.m.	
Bank One Blue/White Football Game	6:30 p.m.	
Sunday, April 22		
Carnival	12 p.m.-6 p.m.	
Hot Air Balloon Race - Rain Date		

FRESH HAPPENING/Kernal Graphics

Lithuania asks for Gorbachev meeting

Associated Press

MOSCOW — Lithuania asked Mikhail S. Gorbachev yesterday to meet with the republic's president to provide details of Moscow's threatened economic sanctions so that Lithuanians can be prepared.

It would be Gorbachev's first meeting with Lithuanian President Vytautas Landsbergis, who was elected after the republic declared itself independent March 11.

In a telegram to the Soviet president, Lithuanian Prime Minister Kazimieras Prunskiene said Lithuania wants to explain to its people just what difficulties they might face if they ignore an ultimatum Gorbachev issued Friday.

He gave Lithuania 48 hours to rescind some of its pro-independence laws or face a cutoff of products the Kremlin supplies. Gorbachev did not say which items would be stopped, but Lithuania is dependent on the Kremlin for such crucial supplies as oil, gas, machinery, raw materials, chemicals and automobiles.

The deadline expired Sunday night with no visible cut

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WRFL, Kentuckian get new leaders

By MICHAEL L. JONES
Editorial Director

The UK Student Media Advisory Board selected Tracey Boyd as editor of the 1990-91 *Kentuckian*, the school's yearbook, and renamed Mick Jeffries as program director for WRFL-FM, UK's student-run radio station.

The board interviewed two candidates for WRFL general manager but did not make a decision.

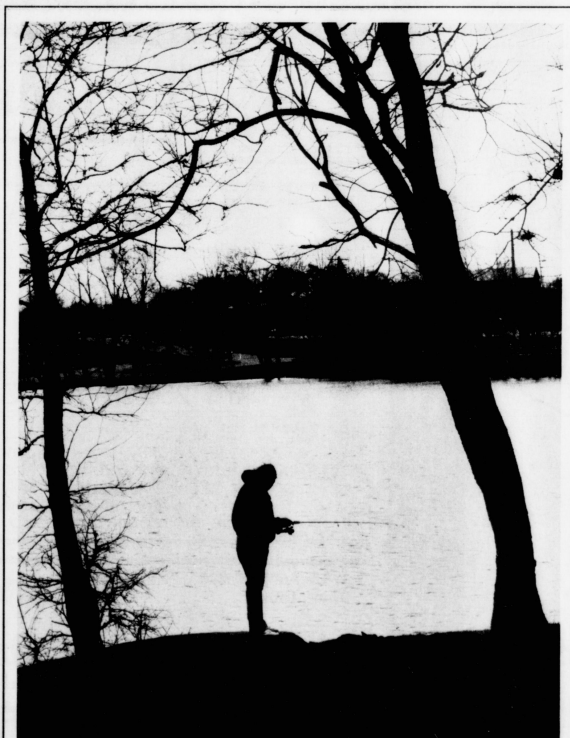
Boyd, a native of West Carrollton, Ohio, has been on the *Kentuckian* staff for two years as a staff writer, portrait and index editor, business manager and sports editor.

Boyd said that she will build on the foundations laid by her predecessors.

"Basically, we've got a good groundwork established and we need to keep going with the book," Boyd said. "I don't know so much that a lot of changes need to be made."

Boyd, a journalism and psychology junior, said that she will concentrate on "increasing sales and making our name known. Even if

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STEVE SANDERS/Kernal Staff

GONE FISHIN': A man fishes recently at Jacobson Park. With a 30 percent chance of snow forecasted for today, ice fishing may be more in order.

Advising conference draws honor students

By SHARLA HENSLEY
Staff Writer

University officials hope that a little personal attention this weekend will persuade more than 200 top high school seniors to enroll at UK next fall.

The students and their parents will register for fall classes and attend the Blue-White football scrimmage Saturday as part of the University's first annual Academic Honors Advising Conference.

Students from several states — including Maryland, New Jersey, Tennessee, Virginia and Ohio — are expected to attend the event, according to Don Witt, director of advising conferences.

Students with a 25 or 26 American College Tests composite or a 1020 to 1090 combined Scholastic Aptitude Test score who have applied to UK and their parents will meet with administrators, faculty and students.

Chancellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway will welcome the students at 8:30 a.m. at the White Hall Classroom Building. Other activities include sessions with Student Health, financial aid, residence life, Food Services and a panel of UK students.

Students also will meet with academic advisers and register for classes.

The conference will replace the regular advising conferences these students would normally attend during the summer, Witt said.

Because Saturday's conference will be smaller than the summer sessions, administrators, faculty and students will have more time to spend with prospective students and parents, Witt said.

Witt said that the personal attention should dispel some myths about students getting lost in the

crowd at UK.

"(UK) is really made up of a group of helpful faculty, staff and friendly students," he said.

"People like the chancellor and people from all the different academic units are really proud of these top students and want them to attend UK."

Enid Waldhart, who received an excellence in teaching award in the College of Communications, will conduct a session on academic life.

Mike Nichols, director of UK Counseling and Testing, will speak to parents about apprehensions they may have about their children going away to school.

"Parents really relate to what he has to say," Witt said.

"When they leave the conference, parents always have such a good feeling that 'This is a good place to leave my son or daughter. I feel comfortable with all aspects of the campus.'"

The visitors also will tour the Lexington Campus on tour bus "Old Blue," view the campus from the 18th floor of Patterson Office Tower and visit some of the residence halls, Witt said.

At the end of the day, students and their parents will attend the Blue-White football scrimmage.

UK also has a Merit Day for students with an ACT composite of 27 or higher, Witt said.

About 95 percent of the students who attend the merit programs enroll at UK, he said.

"I think the honor's conference will prove just as successful and probably become another tradition here at UK," Witt said.

Diversions

Nick Lowe satirizes rock.
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Sports

Rod Bolton named SEC player of the week.
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Weather

Today: 30% snow.
High 40°.
Tomorrow: Partly cloudy.
High 53°.

SPORTS

Barry Reeves
Sports Editor

Bat Cat ace Rod Bolton named SEC Pitcher of the Week

Staff and AP reports

UK pitcher Rod Bolton was named the Southeastern Conference Pitcher of the Week yesterday after his 5-4 win over the University of Mississippi Rebels Saturday at Shively Field.

"I'm surprised," Bolton said. "I knew I had a good game, but I did not know how everybody else in the conference did."

"I'm glad Darrin (Rieman) hit the home run," said Bolton, referring to the game-winning hit in the bottom of the ninth inning.

In going the distance for the sixth time this year, Bolton earned his fifth win against four losses. All four runs scored off Bolton were unearned. Bolton's 1.64 ERA leads the SEC.

Bolton struck out 12 strikeouts Saturday to tie him for the league lead at 85. The senior from Chatta-

nooga, Tenn., is five strike-outs short of the UK single-season record of 90 set by Charlie Loyd in 1961.

Bolton is not new to the SEC honor as he received the honor last year after striking out 10 batters in a 6-3 win over the then-No. 1 Mississippi State Bulldogs.

The Bat Cats continue their homestand tonight against Morehead State University. First pitch at Shively Stadium is scheduled for 7 p.m.

"We're looking to kind of get on a roll and keep the momentum going for the LSU series this weekend," Bolton said.

Sophomore right-hander Billy



BOLTON

Wildcat WRAPUP

Vanlandingham will make his second start of the season for Keith Madison's Bat Cats.

Golf

The 17th-ranked Lady Kats, paced by three players in the Top 10, finished third in the Lady Buckeye Invitational Sunday in Columbus, Ohio. Placing in the Top 10 were Dolores Nava (fifth), Mandy Quatdebaum (eighth) and Margie Muzik (ninth).

The Lady Kats finished 16 strokes behind winner Indiana, who had a three-day total of 887.

"The UK men's golf team shot a final-round of 299 but was only able to move up to 11th place in the Marshal Invitational in Huntington, W.Va. The Cats were paced by senior captain Greg Lehmann, who carded a three-round 227.

Kent State took the team title with a 875, while Johnny Owens

winner Dave Morland of Kent State shot a 5-under-par 66 in the final round to take the individual title by two strokes.

"The runner-up at the Kentucky state golf tournament last year, Johnny Cain, has signed a national letter of intent to attend UK, Coach Tom Simpson announced yesterday.

A native of Somerset, Cain has been the low medalist on Somerset High School's golf team since 1986.

Track

The UK track team continued to get a feel for the outdoor season with its performance in the Dogwood Relays in Knoxville, Tenn.

Senior Valerie McGovern recorded a second-place finish in the women's 3,000-meter run with a time of 9:31.13. The women's 4-by-800-meter relay team of Donna Combs, Dana Dietz, Khalilah Muhammad and Shannon Steiner finished runner-up.

Junior Charlie Kerne was the top performer on the men's team as

he won the open 1,500 meters with a time of 3:52.06. The distance medley relay team and the 4-by-1,500 meter relay team finished second in their races.

Basketball

RALEIGH, N.C. — North Carolina State point guard Chris Corchiani says he is no longer considering transferring to the UK.

Corchiani's father, Gabe, said Sunday night the lack of a scholarship made the UK transfer unattractive.

Under the NCAA penalty UK was assessed in 1989, it is limited to giving three scholarships a year for the next two years. All three have been awarded for 1990-91. UK was asking Corchiani to walk on next season and accept a scholarship in 1991-92.

The elder Corchiani said if his son doesn't stay with the Wolfpack, he will transfer to Louisiana State, Connecticut, Florida State or New Orleans.

The NCAA Interpretations Committee has refused to hear Corchiani's appeal that he be allowed to play immediately if he transfers. He had originally said he would be

willing to sit out a year at UK.

Corchiani is considering a transfer from N.C. State because of that school's recent decision to release Coach Jim Valvano.

Racing

The Red Mile is attacking all fronts in hopes of attracting harness-racing fans this spring.

The track's board of directors last year considered dropping the spring meeting after a 17 percent decrease in attendance. They cited the lottery and intertrack wagering at Keeneland as the primary reasons for the declines.

The spring meeting, which begins its 58-day run April 27, will offer reduced admissions, more stakes races and a new entertainment area. The track also applied to the Kentucky Harness Racing Commission to receive simulcasts from Ellis Park in Henderson for intertrack wagering.

The new admission policy will set a single price of \$3 for parking, a program and general admission. The package had cost \$4.50.

The track will offer more than \$300,000 in 29 stakes races.

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Other LKD Events include:

Thursday, April 19	Ping Pong Dip 12:15 p.m.	POT 8 p.m.	S.C. Ballroom
	Let's Active Concert 8 p.m.		
Friday, April 20	Run for the Rodents 12 p.m.	S.C. Patio 8 p.m.	E.S. Goodbar
	One Day & the Knights 8 p.m.		
	Tethered Hides 8 p.m.	E.S. Goodbar	
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	Athletic Exhibitions 12 p.m.-4 p.m.	E.S. Goodbar	
	Run for the Rodents 12 p.m.	S.C. Patio	
	Hare & Hound 7 a.m.-10 a.m.	E.S. Goodbar	
	Hot Air Balloon Race - Kay Grab 7 a.m.-10 a.m.	E.S. Goodbar	
	Bank One Blue/White Game 8:30 p.m.	E.S. Goodbar	

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DIVERSIONS

Nick Lowe hopes other stars appreciate humorous satire

By DAVID BAUDER
Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — It's important, Nick Lowe says, for musicians to have a sense of humor. He's hoping English pop star Rick Astley feels the same way.

"That's because Astley and his hit song, 'Never Gonna Give You Up,' is the subject of a verse on 'All Men Are Liars,' a cut on Lowe's new album. Since Lowe rhymes 'Astley' with 'ghastly,' it's not exactly a tribute.

"I didn't really go after him, I went after this horrible song that he sang — 'Never going to tell a lie, never going to do anything horrible to you. I'm always going to be this lump of jelly, this pathetic creature,'" Lowe said.

"They tell me — I've never met Rick — that he's a very nice man and will think this is quite amusing," Lowe said. "I hope so."

Lowe's humor — sometimes perverse, sometimes cornball — is never far from the surface. This is a man who's written songs such as "Time Wounds All Heels" and "Hey Big Mouth" Stand Up and Say That." When David Bowie released an album called "Low," Lowe retaliated with "Bowi."

Critics, however, accuse Lowe of being glib and not showing enough care in his craft. For every joke that

hits, several fall flat. After two minor classic albums in the late 1970s, and a hit single with "Cruel to Be Kind," Lowe's name hasn't been seen on too many record charts.

The back cover of Lowe's 1987 "Pinker and Prouder Than Previous" album shows Lowe with his back to a brick wall, gazing mournfully at an out-of-reach sign that said "Marketplace." Not many people noticed the irony, since few people bought the record.

"I've made some really terrible records," Lowe conceded. "I've done my best, but if you're no good, you're no good. That's the way it goes."

The 40-year-old Liverpool native said he spent much of the last two years watching television, suffering from a crisis of confidence.

"I went through a pretty desperate time," he said. "My hand packed in... I couldn't work out how I fit into the music business... How is it that on paper I'm a washed-up old has-been? Yet, personally, I feel I haven't started yet?"

Lowe, who favors country and blues-inflected records that sound as if they were cut live in the studio, said he watched with dismay as music became more mechanized through the 1980s. Music by typists, he called it.

His first step in a "comeback"

came when pal Elvis Costello invited Lowe to be an opening act on a solo acoustic tour. Standing in front of an audience with just a guitar teaches you quickly whether a song is working or not, he said. It made him take the craft of songwriting more seriously, he said.

And luckily for Lowe, in the audience for a solo show at London's Mean Fiddler club was an old friend, Warner Bros. Records executive Andrew Wickham. Lowe's contract with Columbia Records in the United States had just run out.

"It was a tough crowd, a lot of hecklers and drunken Irishmen," Wickham recalled. "He won them over immediately just through sheer wit. He held the room, he commanded the room. It's not many people who can do that. That's one of the main reasons why I signed him."

Lowe quips that he "sneaked into" Warner Bros. on Elvis Costello's coattails. Costello, who's had several of his albums produced by Lowe, recently switched from Columbia Records to Warner Bros.

The 11 compositions on "Party of One" are the same frothy pop confections for which Lowe is known. Despite songs such as "Jumbo Ark" and "Shing-Shang," Lowe's choice of colleagues shows a seriousness of purpose he's not always had. Dave Edmunds pro-

duced "Party of One" and Ry Cooder and Jim Keltner also performed. Lowe likes material that is funny, even when it's not overtly comical. The sneak attack on Astley is not unprecedented. His first album similarly ridiculed the Bay City Rollers.

"I can only do and say what I think," he said. "I'll get up some people's noses, perhaps, but if I get up some people's noses, they've really got to be insecure."

In the course of a 30-minute interview, he mocks Phil Collins ("Why doesn't he just get out of the way and let someone else have a go?"), Richard Marx and Bad English. And Nick Lowe.

For instance, he said the songs on "Basher," his recent compilation CD, were chosen by taking a list of all the songs he's ever recorded and "crossing out all the ones that under no circumstances did we want to be reminded of."

Commercial success is nice, but he's not willing to sell his soul for it, Lowe said. It heartens him to see someone whose work he respects does well, such as when Bonnie Raitt won four Grammy awards last month.

"I spoke to her last week, and she's cool enough not to be cool about it," he said. "She's just grooving out. She was so charming. I said to her, 'Bonnie, this is

great for all of us, you getting rich. It makes all of us look cool. If people find out that I hang around with you, it's going to make me look fabulous."

Lowe has no band now, but he's thinking about forming one to tour later this year. He turned down an invitation to join Edmunds' tour with Dion, Graham Parker and Kim Wilson because he didn't think his old friend would be able to organize it.

He's philosophic about how "Party of One" will fare.

"I hope people will hear it, because it's got the ring of truth about it," he said. "If they don't, too bad. We'll just do another."

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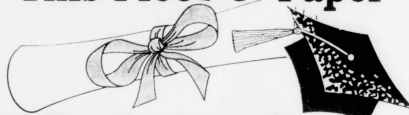
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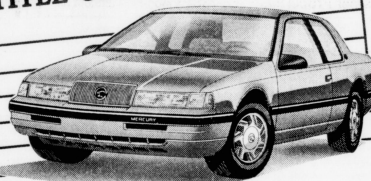
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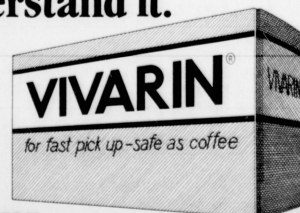
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Student support needed for LKD to be successful

Today, one of UK's oldest traditions begins. Although it is 34 years old, few people associate the Little Kentucky Derby with University life. Most people recognize the ping-pong ball drop, but for the most part campus participation in LKD has been dismal.

This year the Student Activities Board has taken a different approach to LKD by promoting it better and letting the campus know about it's events. But the ultimate success of LKD rests with the campus. While the Lexington community certainly should be encouraged and welcomed to become a part of LKD, the primary purpose should be to serve the student body.

Some of the events this week include carnivals, concerts and the Blue-White football game.

And the best thing about this week is that all of the events are free with no risk to buy anything. You couldn't ask for a better deal. And what's better, at the end of this week, \$2,500 in scholarships will be given away.

Toward the end of the spring semester, things get pretty harry. Papers, oral reports and other assignments all seem to be due within the last two weeks. And then there's finals.

But after spending a long day in the Margaret I. King Library looking for a book that doesn't exist or trying to study in one of those friendly cubicles, spend some time at one of the concerts or carnivals.

In addition to blowing off some steam, LKD is a good opportunity to meet people from other disciplines and majors.

One of the Lexington Campus' major drawbacks is that there are few events other than football and basketball games that bring all students, faculty and staff together. LKD is one way for the campus to come together as a community and bridge some of the gaps that academics places between us.

Suicide not answer to your depression

Sara and John broke up over three months ago. Since that time Sara has been moping around her apartment sure that she'll never find someone else. She's been neglecting her classes and her friends and has lost 15 pounds off her already slender figure.

Greg will be a junior this fall. He entered UK with the intention of graduating in accounting. But this semester he is failing accounting-202 and barely passing statistics-291. He is certain that he's a failure and that he has disappointed his father, an accountant. He's so afraid and ashamed that he has contemplated suicide. "After all," he thinks, "I can't do anything right in this world, why bother?"

These students are suffering from depression. *Psychology Today* calls depression "the most commonly identified mental health problem among university students."

Depression occurs when one's distressing emotions take over. It is a distortion of normal emotions, such as sadness and anger, that affects one's body, thinking, emotions and spirit.

People suffering from depression often have such physical complaints as fatigue, change in appetite, sleep problems, aches and pains, digestive problems and loss of sex drive. Many depressed people complain of weakness, dizzy spells, chest pains and headaches.

Other symptoms of depression include poor concentration, dwelling on the past, irritability, over-reaction, social isolation, hopelessness and suicidal thoughts. Of course there are many others depending on the individual and the situation.

Often it is difficult to recognize the depressed person. Out of shame or guilt they hide their emotions, possibly even from themselves. However, there is one symptom recognizable in all depressed people — lack of joy and pleasure in life.

For those suffering from depression, there is hope. One cannot solve all of his/her problems at

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once. By taking small, positive, self-care steps, a depressed person can begin fighting depression.

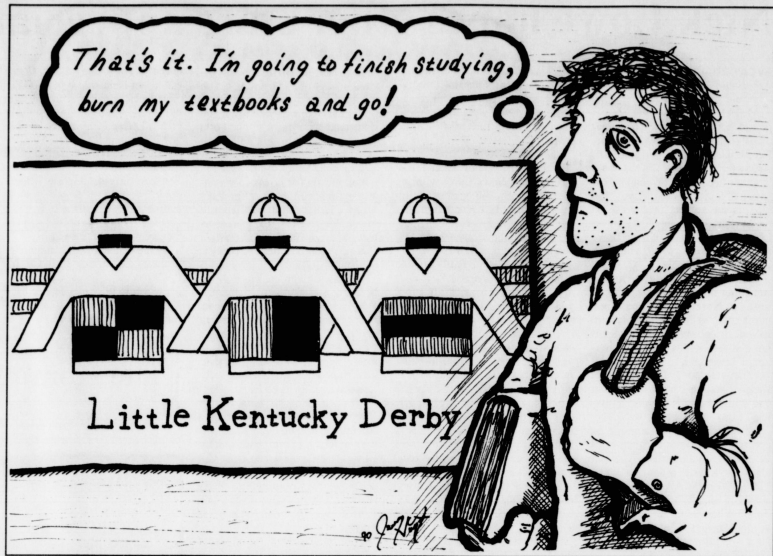
For example, just picking a shower in the morning and taking out something nice to wear can boost one's self-esteem. Also, remember that no situation is so hopeless that a solution cannot be found.

One can start with letting go of the past and adopting a positive outlook for the future.

Also, make an appointment to see your doctor or stop by Student Health. It is possible that your depression could be the result of a medical problem or may be causing physical symptoms.

If you are contemplating suicide, remember: Suicide is a permanent solution to temporary problems. It is forever, not just for the victim but for those around the victim, the friends and family. Life is too precious to be wasted. Count your blessings and seek help for your troubles — solutions can be found.

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Freedom of expression Controversy is overpowering content in art world

I knew it was going to be a good day when no one called with a death threat. When the phone did ring, it was my art manager, Kelly Maynard.

"Mike, I have to tell you," Kelly said. "There is no market out there for Etch-a-sketch drawings. I've tried to sell them to modern art collectors, small museums and even kindergarten classes, but no one is buying. No one thinks that etch-a-sketching is art."

"Not art," I said. "I bet they said the same thing to Dali and Mapplethorpe. I'll show the world what a man and his Etch-a-sketch can do."

Kelly hung up and left me kind of depressed. I'd spent weeks of my life mastering the Etch-a-sketch and now it seemed to have been for nothing.

Just when I was about to give up or do something radical like cut off an ear, my good friend and fellow artist Hugo Hamilton came over.

"What you need is publicity," Hugo said. "I bet if you did an exhibit in the Student Center Free Speech Area, everyone would see your work."

I told Hugo he was a genius, wished him luck on his mushroom sculptures and ran off to the Free Speech Area with 75 of my best etch-a-sketch pieces.

Most of them were pictures of my friends or my dog, Cannabis, but seven of them dealt with controversial subjects. One depicted the nude figures of George Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev sitting across a table from one another passing missiles.

I knew there was no way this exhibit could fail! Flies were passed and there was even a story in the Kernel, but almost no one came to see my exhibit. After a week, I felt down-trodden, but then once again Hugo came to save the day.

"Man, you need a little controversy," he said and I was off again. I congratulated Hugo on his switch from working in mushroom shops to working with tie dye on fabric and went to the nearest phone.

"Hello," I said. "Can I speak with Jesse Helms. Yes, Mr. Helms, I'm the Marqui De Sade from Good Americans Against Society (GAAS) in Lexington, Kentucky, and I just wanted to tell you about the filth they are calling art here."

"Michael L. Jones, a known leftist supporter, has a so-called art exhibit on University property that not only picture the President of the United States in his birthday suit, but encourages child pornography."

Sen. Helms said that he was appalled and would get on it right away. Within the hour I got a call from the National Endowment for the Arts saying that my request for funds was denied. I called them cowards. Then I got a call from Kelly, my manager.

"Mike, turn on your television, the Moral Majority has officially denounced your art and asked the



University to close your exhibit down," Kelly said. "The phones have been ringing off the hook for the last 20 minutes, every museum in the world wants you to give an exhibit."

The next day my exhibit was surrounded by local religious groups protesting my work and other groups protesting the protesters. Signs read "You'll burn in hell for this Jonesie," "Go to Russia if you don't like the President" and "You suck." The counter protesters had signs that read "Don't tell me what I can see," "Protect the First Amendment" and "Up yours, fascists."

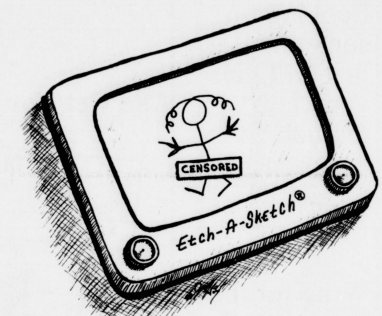
I booked showings at museums in Louisville, Washington and Detroit the first day after the protest. The following week Steve Vance wrote an review of my exhibit in *Newsweek*.

"The important thing about Jones' work," he wrote, "is that he is able to take objects that we regularly overlook and mold them in a way that forces us to reconsider them and our relationship to them. His tool is an Etch-a-sketch, but Jones, like Kubrick on film, is working with ultra-reality."

"He is an heir to the throne vacated by the late Andy Warhol and even the older realist painters of the early 19th century. He might be the greatest artist of our time, because his tools and his style of realism could only come out of the '90s. ... They are not protesting Jones' work, but the true image of themselves."

Every museum that showed my work made a fortune off of the exhibits and more shows were planned. Kelly was on my back constantly to produce more work. The company that made etch-a-sketch offered me millions to be their spokesman and sales jumped 300 percent after the first commercial debut.

At the beginning of the third week after the protests I decided to change my name to simply Michael. T-shirts started appearing with my Etch-a-sketch drawings on



Artist's illustration of *A Nude Girl Named Buffy*, one of the controversial works of art by local artist Michael L. Jones.

them and I made the cover of *Rolling Stone* magazine.

Finally I was interviewed by Bryant Gumbel on the "Today" show.

"Hello, I'm Bryant Gumbel and today I'm here with controversial new wave artist Michael, whose disturbing realism is causing a big uproar in the art world. Now Michael, how would you describe your art?"

"Bryant, I say it is a cross between Picasso and Lego toys. I recently finished a piece I called Mr. Rogers meets Godzilla and I believe it is my best piece."

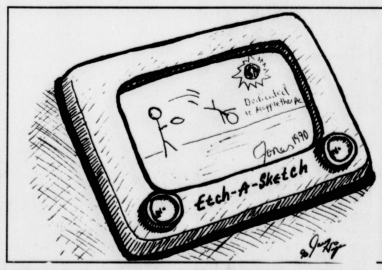
After the show my assistant Steve Sanders told me that one of my pieces had just sold for \$4.2 million to an Iraqi oil baron. I told

Steve to invest \$2 million in Jamaica and he predicted a profitable return on the investment.

At the beginning of the fourth week I was banned from even entering the states of Utah, Indiana and Iowa. And then ...

Public Service Announcement: The remainder of this article has been censored by the members of GAAS. GAAS would like you to know that none of this was true, it was only the ramblings of a mad man. Thank you for your time and God Bless America.

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in deliveries. Pranskiene's telegram said broad economic sanctions would damage the Soviet economy as well as Lithuania's. She suggested the best way to clarify the threat would be in a meeting in Moscow with a Lithuanian delegation, headed by Landsbergis.

There was no immediate response from the Soviet president.

Another Lithuanian leader was quoted as saying the republic would be willing to pay hard currency for Soviet goods but would expect Moscow to do the same for items Lithuania exports.

Vilnius Radio quoted Pranskiene as saying Lithuanian leaders decid-

ed that "until we see definite physical measures against Lithuania's industry and economy, all contractual obligations to the U.S.S.R. must continue to be carried out by all our enterprises, so there should be no pretext for possible disruption of supplies by the Soviet Union."

The telegram was sent to Gorbachev after an emergency meeting of the Lithuanian Presidium — the leadership of the legislature — yesterday afternoon.

Journalist Vilius Kavaliauskas, who spoke to a Presidium member after its meeting, said the leadership was told the republic has just two weeks' supply of natural gas and six weeks' supply of oil.

It has only enough newsprint to publish Lithuania's newspapers for four or five days, he said.

Lithuania receives all its oil and gas from the Soviet Union at prices just a fraction of those on the world

market. The small Baltic republic has very little foreign currency to buy fuel from the West.

Some economic sanctions against Lithuania could backfire on the Soviet Union, Kavaliauskas quoted the official as saying.

For example: "If Moscow cut off chemical fertilizers for Lithuania, it would mean less meat and dairy products for the rest of the Soviet Union.

"If a natural gas pipeline were shut down, the Russian district of Kaliningrad, which also relies on the line, would be hurt.

"A cutoff of supplies for the Drob textile mill would disrupt deliveries to a Leningrad factory that employs more than 18,000 people.

Kavaliauskas said the Presidium member told him: "If Moscow will ask us to pay for goods in hard currency, we will agree. But we will ask for hard currency from Mos-

cow for our products, and in balance, it's not so bad for us."

Deputy Prime Minister Algirdas Brazauskas told Vilnius Radio that "political decisions" about Gorbachev's ultimatum would be made today by Lithuania's parliament.

Vilnius, the Lithuanian capital, was quiet Monday as the predominantly Roman Catholic republic celebrated the final day of a three-day Easter weekend. Most factories and businesses were closed, according to a worker in the information office of the Supreme Council.

Western correspondents have been barred by Soviet authorities from reporting from Lithuania.

Romualdas Ozolas, Lithuania's deputy prime minister, went on Lithuanian television and told the republic's 3.8 million people to brace for a "hectic" week as Gorbachev's deadline expired Sunday night.

Ozolas said another pro-independence Baltic republic, Estonia, would name an ambassador to Lithuania and that Lithuania would reciprocate, according to Aidas Palubinskas of the Lithuanian Parliament's information office.

Estonia's permanent representative in Lithuania is Mart Tarmak, a member of the leadership of Estonia's Popular Front, said Harri Tiido of Estonian Radio. Tarmak was appointed to the post last week by the republic's Supreme Soviet. Tiido said in a telephone interview.

Palubinskas noted that previous demands for Lithuania to revoke its March 11 declaration of independence seem to have been dropped from Gorbachev's ultimatum threatening economic sanctions. He said that would permit more practical discussions.

Gorbachev said Friday that Lithuania's leaders must rescind "anti-

constitutional" actions.

In earlier orders, Gorbachev specifically demanded a withdrawal of the independence declaration. Landsbergis repeatedly has said Lithuania would not do that.

Since Lithuania declared its independence, the Kremlin has alternated between threats and conciliatory statements. Soviet troops have occupied some buildings in Vilnius, and conscripts who refused to serve in the Red Army have been seized. Some were beaten.

Landsbergis said Lithuania was trying to contract directly with enterprises in various parts of the Soviet Union for its supplies, according to Edward Tskenis, a parliamentary spokesman.

WRFL

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it's just posters."

Boyd was chosen over *Kentucky* Managing Editor Elizabeth Moore, a journalism senior.

Jeffries, a journalism junior, was chosen by the board over Dave McConnell, an advertising junior, mainly because of his radio experience, according to Student Media Adviser Michael Agin.

Jeffries was a "bridge between the founders (of WRFL) and the new generation," Agin said.

WRFL is will lose a \$15,000 start-up grant next year from the University and the Lexington-

Fayette Urban County Government, Agin said. Jeffries will be able to run the station with such a "restricted budget," he said.

"Mick was the most qualified person and the most experienced," Agin said. "He should be able to lead WRFL through what may come to be a very difficult year. We're in our third year, and if it's not done right, the chances of RFL continuing into a fourth year could be slim."

Losing the grant should give WRFL more freedom, according to Maria Braden, a journalism professor and chairman of the board.

"Now they have a chance to be an independent station," Braden said. "They have to find ways to support themselves."

Braden said that the board selected Jeffries because "he's had a good start. We felt that he had a great understanding of the station's audience."

The board did not make a selection for WRFL general manager. Theater junior Donna Thorndale and physical therapy sophomore Kevin Cooper applied for the spot.

"The board felt they didn't know the applicants well enough to make a decision," Agin said. "They saw

two people who had different types of qualifications for the job. They wanted to get to know them better."

The board will meet Thursday to decide on a new general manager.


Choosing between the two was "very difficult decision because they were both so good," Braden said. "It's a pleasure to have that job when there are so many good people."

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