



On campus

We love all cultures

Feb. 17 - There will be a discussion of interpersonal communication in Islam at 6:30 p.m. in 359 Student Center.

Food and refreshments will be served. A meeting of the Arab Students' Union will be held afterwards at 7:30 p.m. The UK Muslim Students' Association invites you to attend.

Feb. 17 - Video presentation, "Mike Tyson: The Inside Story," King Cultural Center, UK, noon. For more information, call 257-3593.

Feb. 17 - Movie, *Beloved*, 7 p.m., Worsham Theatre, UK, \$1. Preceded by a "Beloved pre-party" at the Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center, UK, at 6 p.m.

The party will be joined by Dr. Weisenburger from the English department who has written the factual story on which *Beloved* is based. He has done extensive research on the subject of slavery and infanticide.

His book *Modern Medea: A story of slavery and child murder from the Old South* was recently published and we will try to have some copies of the book available (cost \$25 per book).

Please come out and be informed about the real story before going to see the factual story of *Beloved*.

This get-together has been arranged by Phillis Ramsby in the English department.

Feb. 18 - Video presentation, "The Education of Sonny Carson," noon, Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center.

Feb. 18 - Visual Arts Workshop on the theme of desegregation and co-existence on a college campus, 6:30 p.m., King Cultural Center. Sign-up required.

Feb. 19 - Reception for the "Legends of Jazz" exhibit, with live jazz music provided by the faculty and students of the UK Jazz Studies Program. At the Rasdal Gallery, Student Center.

Feb. 19 - *To Live*, Japanese Film Series, 7:30 p.m., Worsham Theatre.

Compiled by Ron Norton.

THE 411

Tomorrow's weather



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The weather continues to surprise, as it keeps moderately warm. But have no fear, nasty rain and snow are on the way.

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CPE REPORT

UK's black enrollment numbers show increase

By Manish Bhatia
STAFF WRITER

And the results are in. The Council on Postsecondary Education on minority enrollment at UK announced its findings based upon UK's 1997 report card. "I think UK has made tremendous progress in African-American enrollment," said Lauretta Byars, vice chancellor for Minority Affairs at UK.

"We doubled our enrollment in the last 10 years," she said. The high enrollment rate, coupled with the wide array of opportunities available to its students has made UK the flagship institution of the state, Byars said.

The Council set specific standards for different aspects of the minority enrollment which a particular state college or university has to meet or show progress. "For UK, the plan's objective is to have at least 7 percent of its in-state undergraduate enrollment to be African American," said Sherron Jackson, a CPE staff member.

UK showed continuous progress in this area, enrolling 6 percent African Americans as opposed to 5.8 percent the previous year, he said.

The second objective of the plan dealt with student retention rates. UK retained 79.4 percent of its black, in-state freshmen, measured between successive Fall semesters.

With respect to the total black student body, UK retained about 70.6 percent, Jackson said. In both aspects, UK outscored the required numbers of 77.6 percent and 66.6 percent, respectively.

The council also set goals for the number of degrees awarded to black students, expecting at least

57.5 percent of the students to graduate within six years. UK showed advancement in this respect, awarding 18 more degrees in 1997 than in 1996, with an overall graduation rate of 42.2 percent.

UK met the final objective of black enrollment in graduate school by enrolling 6.1 percent minority students, as opposed to the cutoff number of 5.9 percent.

"Overall, UK is doing a pretty good job of making higher education accessible to African American residents of the state," Jackson said.

Since the term "minority" only applied to blacks, other groups like Asian or Latino did not come under these objectives, he said. "We are currently looking into total campus diversity and having all under-represented groups looked at."

Nate Brown, Student Government Association president, said there was still work to be done to make UK congenial toward minority students.

"We need more minority faculty members at UK," Brown said. "All students, regardless of race, need to learn from classes taught by minority professors."

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Let the good times roll: New Orleans not the only place for to celebrate Mardi Gras

By Stefan Hendrickson
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It's the greatest free show on earth.

Yesterday was Fat Tuesday. It was the culmination of the Mardi Gras season, a historic annual party held in New Orleans, La., from Jan. 6 to the third Tuesday of February.

The custom we now know as Mardi Gras began in its modern form around 1718 in French New Orleans with private masked balls. The Mardi Gras season itself is filled with humor, mockery and a general sense of hedonism as thousands of people flock to New Orleans to partake in the festivities. There are parades, parties, drinking and displays of raw sexuality everywhere.

In honor of the end of the Mardi Gras season, the Student Activities Board sponsored a Mardi Gras-themed karaoke party last night in the Student Center Gameroom.

The purpose, according to Student Activities Program Assistants Anita McGill and Matt Dwyer, was to help promote the gameroom and give

student a safe place to party. "Since most students can't travel to New Orleans," McGill said, "this is a good alternative and basically, just a good theme for a party."

The gameroom has been trying to host periodic events since its renovation last year. Marissa Fugate, a Spanish international economics and marketing sophomore and chairperson of Indoor Activities, is responsible for the gameroom activities.

"Last semester we did karaoke every Wednesday night," Fugate said, "and we wanted to do something special this semester involving karaoke, and Mardi Gras just happened to be the nearest special event."

Most students do not get to take the trip to New Orleans to experience the party first hand.

However, Ginny Booher, a nursing freshman, did get to visit the celebration this year.

"I heard it can be pretty dangerous but I didn't have any problems," Booher said. "I had a really good time."



Crawfish galore!

Amie Giles (left), speech pathology junior and day manager at Jojo's, prepared crawfish with operations manager Myra Wathen.

Med Center shows talent

By Pat Clem
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Medical students have NO artistic abilities!

That is exactly the opinion that the Medical Center is trying to squash.

UK's Medical Center held its second annual College of Medicine Humanities Festival last night at the UK Hospital auditorium at 3:30 p.m. The event was a display of medical students, faculty and staff, and their artistic abilities.

"It's an opportunity for people to reveal their hidden talents," said Sue Fosson, assistant dean of Student Affairs for the Med Center.

It is a common assumption that those in the medical profession are not artistically inclined, she said.

"That's not where their interests are," said James Schetting, an

architecture sophomore. "They are more concerned with scientific things, things that are exact."

Medical students "probably study" with all of their free time," said Jason Diguind, a communications junior.

Others showed some leeway to those of the medical profession.

"I know some that are normal," said Sarah Walker, an undeclared junior.

The show contained various forms of art, from cello, guitar and piano, to vocal accompaniments and paintings.

Siraj Sayed, a first-year med student, had a painting of an elephant on display. "I think it's a unique opportunity for the medical community," Sayed said. "Everybody thinks that medical people are very cerebral, not talented."

Artists also have their work displayed in the Medical Center Library display case.

Participants were glad for the opportunity to showcase their talents.

"It helps us realize the human side of ourselves," said Meredith Landorf, a second-year med student who performed in a clarinet and flute duet, as well as a solo dance routine. "This is how we get in touch with that."

"We are trying to foster these people's artistic abilities," Fosson said. "They're so diverse, and widely talented."

Observers were impressed by what they saw (and heard).

"It's neat to see another side of them," said Francine Mosley. "And you even get to see what some of your professors do in their spare time."



Meredith Landorf (left) played the flute and Lynn Carrico the clarinet during a talent show at the UK Medical Center's Humanities Festival.

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down

Kurds seize Greek missions

ATHENS, Greece — Kurdish protesters seized Greek missions around Europe yesterday in mass protests over the arrest of a fugitive Kurdish leader. The Kurds accused Greece of allowing guerrilla leader Abdullah Ocalan to be taken from its embassy in Kenya and transported to Turkey. Turkey wants to prosecute Ocalan for waging a 14-year war for autonomy. Protesters took hostages in the Netherlands, Austria, Germany, Italy and the Kenyan Embassy in Paris. U.S. embassies in Europe increased security precautions.

U.S. taking Iraq threats seriously

WASHINGTON — Iraq's threats against Turkey, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia for supporting recent U.S. air attacks are being taken seriously, a Defense Department official said yesterday. A spokesman for Defense Secretary William Cohen said Iraq could try three ways to carry out its threats: Scud missiles, air attacks or terrorist raids. But, he added, there is little chance Iraq's depleted air force could launch attacks deep into neighboring territory.

Trial opens in Texas dragging death

JASPER, Texas — Alleged white supremacist John William King went on trial yesterday on murder charges in the dragging death of James Byrd Jr. Byrd, 49, who was black, was chained to the back of a pickup truck June 7 and dragged for three miles as his body was ripped to pieces. Sheriff Billy Rowles testified that a lighter with three interlocking K's was found along the bloody trail left by Byrd. King, a 24-year-old unemployed laborer, is the first of three white men charged in the crime to stand trial. The jury consists of 11 whites and one black. Jasper County, from which the jurors were drawn, is 18 percent black.

N. Ireland government plan OK'd

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — Legislators in the Belfast Assembly voted 77-29 in favor of plans for a new Protestant-Catholic government for striking their historic peace accord. All 40 Catholics and eight "neutral" politicians voted in favor of the blueprint, which outlines plans for the transfer of some powers from the British government. Protestant leader David Trimble, the new government's designated head, also kept the support of exactly half the Assembly's 58 Protestant members.

Riley backs teacher licensing plan

WASHINGTON — Education Secretary



GUILTY: Scott Weiland, former lead singer for the alternative rock band Stone Temple Pilots, pleaded guilty yesterday to possession of heroin and admitted he purchased the drugs last July at a New York City housing project.

Richard Riley proposed a national model for states to use in licensing teachers as a way to improve schools. Riley devoted much of his annual address on the state of education to describing the model, but insisted it is not an attempt to mandate a federal policy on teacher quality. Under the model, new teachers would get a three-year maximum initial license after passing a written exam and an evaluation of classroom performance. Teachers who perform poorly could be fired.

Tomatoes may lower cancer risk

WASHINGTON — A new study confirms a long-suspected view that eating lots of fresh and processed tomatoes can lower the risk of some kinds of cancer. The summary study in the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute* found there is now enough data to show convincingly "that high consumers of tomatoes and tomato products are at substantially decreased risk of numerous cancers, although probably not all cancers." The data are most compelling for cancers of the prostate gland, lung and stomach, said Dr. Edward Giovannucci, author of the report.

New Orleans marks Mardi Gras

NEW ORLEANS — It was estimated that more than 2 million people, many wearing outrageous and often naughty costumes, jammed New Orleans and its suburbs yesterday for what has been billed as the world's largest free street party. The Mardi Gras party began over the weekend and escalated as Lent, which arrives today, drew nearer. A total of 14 parades were scheduled.

Dow ends up 22.14, NASDAQ dips

NEW YORK — The Dow industrials ended slightly higher yesterday, but the NASDAQ fell amid concerns about Dell Computer's earnings. The Dow rose 22.14 to 9,297.03. On the NYSE, losers led gainers 1,550-1,539. The NASDAQ closed down 7.85 to 2,313.94. After the bell, Dell reported it posted a 49 percent jump in quarterly profit, but sales fell short of Wall Street predictions.

NFL to add L.A. or Houston team

ATLANTA — The NFL will most likely add a 32nd team in Houston or Los Angeles in March, returning to a city that lost a franchise this decade. Commissioner Paul Tagliabue said yesterday the 31 owners seem in agreement on the plan and will vote on it next month in Phoenix. The team, which would be the NFL's fourth expansion club this decade, could begin play in 2002.

Costas to return as 'Later' host

HOLLYWOOD — NBC sportscaster Bob Costas is heading back to late-night television. Costas, the first host of NBC's "Later," has agreed to return to the 1:35 a.m. show in May for several weeks of segments devoted to his most memorable interviews, Daily Variety reported yesterday.

Compiled from wire reports.

It's something that has garnered a lot of attention. The intriguing part in my mind is how he was on the lam for so many years."

— Mark O'Connor, CBS spokesman, on CBS' plans to air a TV movie in March on the case of Alex Kelly, the former high school wrestler who went on the lam in Europe to escape charges of raping a teenage girl in 1986.

MUSIC EVENT

Bands to do battle for kids' charities

By Amber Scott
STAFF WRITER

Rock and roll, coochie coo. It's Battle of the Bands time again, but this time it's for the kids.

Kappa Delta sorority will be hosting its second annual Battle of the Bands to raise money for the Nest, a Lexington-based children's home, and the National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse.

The concert will be held Thursday in the Student Center Ballroom from 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. Tickets can be purchased in advance for \$3 at the Student Center, the Complex Commons, the Fine Arts Building or at the door for \$5.

The Schuers, last year's competition judges, will set the stage for the battle. They will not be actively involved in the competition again this year but will set the scene for the audience. The Norm, Keltik Rage, Poole's Creek Band, Sulfur, Private Blend and Maelstrom will wait in the backstage barracks for its performances after the Schuers.

Most of the bands are alternative, but some of the music borders on punk or heavy metal, said Melissa Brown, a

pre-physical therapy sophomore and Kappa Delta member.

The competition will be refereed by Z-103.3, who will be on-location to do a live remote. Bands will be judged "by crowd reaction and overall musical performance," said Lauren Barrett, KD member and communications sophomore.

The winning band will be rewarded with free recording time, Brown said.

Last year's Battle of the Bands was quite successful, featuring bands such as the Schuers, Catawampus and Barefoot Charlies. The event raised over \$1,000.

"This year we hope to double that," Barrett said. "Bands in this year's competition are all local and were selected long before the event was set to go."

"A lot of us knew them (band members), and we told them about it," said Allison Rachford, KD member and accounting junior. "We advertised to get bands to participate ... and some even sent us demo tapes."

"It is an extremely good way to make a lot of money in a really good atmosphere," Barrett said.

LAISSEZ

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People from all over the world travel to New Orleans for its Mardi Gras celebration.

"I got beads from Jim Belushi," Booher said. "There were all kinds of interesting people there."

Even without visiting New Orleans, you can still get a taste of what it's like. Jozo's Bayou Gumbo is just one establishment in the Lexington area that thrives off of Mardi Gras. "It's the biggest day all

year for our restaurant," said the Jozo's manager Ami Giles. "We start preparing for it a month in advance and try to stick to some of the New Orleans traditions."

"We just try to make sure we have plenty of beer and crawfish."

So, even if you can't quite make it to New Orleans, there are still local celebrations to attend next year. Chances are, there will be something around to fit your tastes.

As political science sophomore Eliz Himmler, who attended the Mardi Gras party at the gameroom, said, "Mardi Gras is just a good reason to party."

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MEN'S HOOPS

UK avoiding NCAA talk

Cats trying to remain focused despite rumor mill as NCAA, SEC tournaments approach

By Jen Smith
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

One game at a time. That's the Cats' plan anyway.

Just about everyone in the Bluegrass is worried about UK's remaining four games. Everyone is thinking about the Southeastern Conference and NCAA tournaments. Everyone is considering seedings and RPI ratings.

Everyone, that is, except UK Coach Tubby Smith, who says he is only worried about the Cats' next opponent, Georgia, who ventures into Rupp Arena tonight at 8.

"We don't even talk about (tournaments and seeding and stuff) in the office," Smith said. "Lord knows I have enough to do. We're a team that has played a tough schedule. We have stomped our toe a couple of times we shouldn't have been beaten. ...It's tough to stay focused, but we try everyday."

Much of that focus this week has been on Georgia (14-10, 5-7 SEC) and its leader, Jumaime Jones, who scored a career-high 34 points against UK in its 91-83 overtime scare in Athens, Ga., Jan. 26.

Jones, the leading scorer in the SEC at 19.6 points a game, is not someone the No. 6-ranked Cats (20-6, 9-3) take lightly. "If you give him a lot of touches," Scott Padgett said, "he gets a lot of points. ... He hits some pretty difficult shots."

But Padgett and his teammates didn't forget to talk about Georgia's other offensive weapon, D.A. Layne.

Freshman Layne, a surprise scoring phenom in the SEC, scored 21 points for the

Bulldogs against UK the first time. He did that shooting 5 of 11 from beyond the arc.

"We know we've got to be ready to defend a good shooting team with Jumaime Jones and D.A. Layne," Smith said earlier this week. "We've not been very good at defending outside shooting."

The team knows it has to be with the Bulldogs, who made 50 percent of its treys in the last contest. The team is first in the SEC in three-point percentages at 38.8 percent.

"(Georgia) has the capability to have a great night," sophomore Saul Smith said. "They know what it takes to win. We have to go out there with a pride, check and say, 'We're going to stop you from outside the arc.'"

Speaking of Saul, it's hard to forget about the subplot of father vs. son vs. brother, etc.

G.G. Smith (Tubby Smith's son and Saul Smith's brother) will be leading Georgia in what is probably his last game vs. the

Cats. That adds extra incentive. He had nine points and nine assists in the last game.

"It's always tough to play against people you respect and know and love," Coach Smith said.

The younger Smith doesn't seem as worried about hurt feelings.

"It's gonna hurt to see (G.G.) leave this league," he said. "But we plan to go undefeated against him. That's what we plan on doing."

The Cats might not do it with offense — the team is last

WOMEN'S HOOPS

UK, Wait shatter EKU's last stand

Cats have 12 players score, force 35 Colonel turnovers during 87-47 romp in Richmond

By Adam Spaw
STAFF WRITER

RICHMOND — The UK women's basketball team got some quality airtime on the Fox Sports Network last night at EKU's McBrayer Arena.

And so did EKU's Lady Colonels, along with a few airballs — about six of them, to be exact — all in the first half.

"That was by far the best Kentucky team I've ever faced," EKU Head Coach Larry Joe Inman said after his Lady Colonel's 87-47 loss to UK.

"I know what Custard felt like now — man, they really came at us hard."

UK made good use of its full-court press, which caused 18 first-half EKU "air-headed" plays, (a.k.a. turnovers), and jumped out to a commanding 18-3 lead in the game's first 12 minutes — from which it never looked back.

Bernadette Mattox's club kept building its lead, capitalizing off Lady Colonel miscues and missed shots — EKU posted a miserable 20 percent from the field in first half.

Eight UK players scored in the first half, lead by junior guard Tiffany Wait's 13. The Lady Colonels went into the locker room down 39-15, gasping for air, after all, they were pressed for 20 straight minutes.

And the cause for UK's domination of Colonel Custard's (a.k.a. Coach Inman) Lady Colonels? Maybe practice really does make perfect.

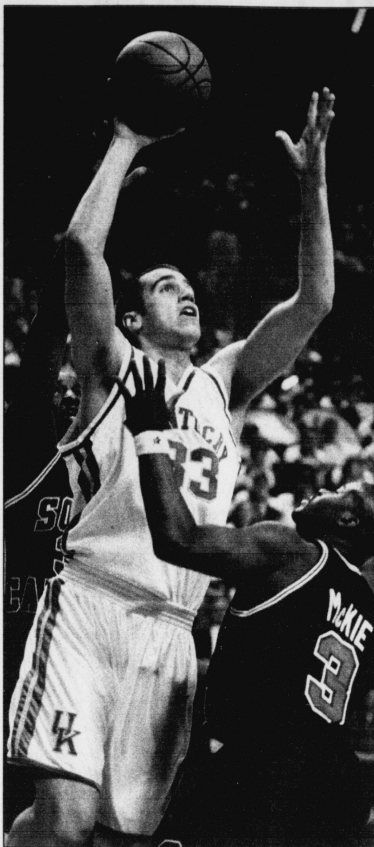
"That's the kind of defense we want to keep playing," Mattox said. "We've been seeing it in practice and it just carried over to the game tonight."

Kenya Young, a sophomore forward who chipped in 8 points for the Cats, said pressing is an everyday routine on the practice floor.

"We hadn't run our press in a while," Young said. "Coach told us this would be a good game to use it, because we definitely know we'll be using it in the SEC Tournament."

If practice is any indication, the Cats have picked a fine time to gel.

With only three regular season games remaining, UK has a legitimate shot to



Center Mike Bradley went up strong over South Carolina's BJ McKie last Saturday. The sophomore center is averaging 11.7 points and 5.4 rebounds.

in three-point percentage at 30.5. But they are confident they can do it with defense.

"Our guys are confident on defense," senior point guard Wayne Turner said, "(good defense) really makes the guys on the team realize that if they're really aggressive on defense they're going to get some easy layups or a fancy dunk, if they can jump that high."

Learning that defense leads to offense has helped the younger members of the team especially.

"Once again Coach Smith got on us at halftime," freshman reserve Tayshaun Prince said.

"(He wanted us to learn) that as far as if you play hard on defense, the offense will come to you."

qualify for the NCAA tournament, as they are 17-9 overall and ranked in the RPI top 20.

"Our practices have been outstanding," Mattox said. Young echoed Mattox's statements.

"We run our press in practice against guys," Young said. "So the press was really a lot easier tonight than it is in practice."

Wait finished with a team-high 15 points, while sophomore forward Laura Meadows contributed 12 points and seven rebounds for the Cats. All but one UK player failed to make the scoring column.

UK junior guard Erica Jackson dished out five assists and scored eight points.

"Erica's a gamer, a warrior," Mattox said. "She brings all the pieces together — we owe a lot to Erica Jackson."

EKU committed 35 turnovers for the game and ended up shooting 32 percent from the field.

"Defense was the big difference," Inman said. "They're a nice club; they've got size, quickness — all the things you like in a basketball team."

Mattox was definitely pleased with her team's performance, but sees greater things for her program down the

Eastern Kentucky (47)

NAME	pts	fga	3pt	fta	reb	st
Sizemore	36	6-22	0-3	4-5	6	16
Foley	17	2-6	0-0	0-4	3	2
Wall	18	0-1	0-0	2-3	2	2
Bond	37	1-7	1-1	0-0	4	3
King	28	2-5	0-1	1-1	10	5
Browning	12	1-6	0-2	0-0	2	2
Diers	20	3-3	0-0	2-2	5	8
Hatcher	21	3-5	1-1	0-0	5	7
Team	200	18-55	2-6	9-16	39	47

NAME	pts	fga	3pt	fta	reb	st
Wall	24	5-6	2-2	3-3	5	15
McDole	21	3-7	0-0	2-2	2	8
Jackson	30	2-6	0-0	4-8	8	8
Owens	22	5-13	0-0	1-4	5	11
Meadows	22	5-14	0-1	2-3	12	7
Matthez	20	2-4	1-3	2-2	7	7
Alexander	19	3-6	0-3	2-2	3	8
Keith	6	3-3	0-0	2-2	1	1
Barnes	14	1-4	0-0	2-4	5	6
Vieth	13	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	2
Young	7	2-3	0-0	4-4	1	8
Seaton	9	3-4	0-0	0-0	6	6
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Wednesday 2/17

- ACADEMIC
• E.A.P. Learning Skills Program, 1-150 and 250 pm, 203 Frazier Hall
- MEETINGS
• Fellowship of Christian Athletes meeting, 9 pm, CF Bldg. (corner of Woodland & Columbia)
• Student Meal and Discussion 5pm, Newman Center
• French Conversation Table 4:30-6pm, David's Cafe
• UK Snowball and Snowboard meeting, 7pm, Rm 228 Student Center
• Psi Chi meeting, 4 pm, Rm. 213 Kastle Hall
• Muslim Students' Assoc. meeting, 6:30 pm, Rm. 359 Stud. Ctr.
• W.S. Webb Archeological Society meeting featuring guest speaker Anita Coleman, 7:30pm, Lafferty Hall
- MOVIES
Beloved, 7pm, Worsham Theatre, 51
- INTRAMURALS/RECREATION
• Aikido Classes/ UK Aikido Club, 6:30-8:30 pm, Alumni Gym Loft, call Chris @ 245-5887 for info.
- SPORTS
• UK Women's Tennis vs. Purdue, 2pm, Hillary J. Boone Tennis Center
• UK Men's Basketball vs. Georgia, 8pm, Rupp Arena

Thursday 2/18

- ACADEMIC
• Math 109 & 123 Tutoring, 203 Frazier Hall, FREE call 7-6959 for more info.
• Job Search, Interviewing, and Resume Writing, 6pm, Rm 248 BAE
- MEETINGS
• Campus Crusade for Christ weekly meeting, 7:30 pm, Worsham Theatre
• UK Lambda meeting for LGBTQI+ persons, 7:30 pm, Room 231 Stud. Ctr.
• Thursday Night Live, 7pm, Christian Student Fellowship, call 233-0313 for info.
• Financial Management Assoc. meeting, with guest speaker Molly Stone, 6pm, Rm 248 BAE
• Pre-Law Assoc. meeting, 4pm, Miller Hall Conference Room
- ARTS
• Senior Recital: Tony Granados, tuba, 8pm, Singletary Center
- SPORTS
• UK Ultimate Frisbee Practice, 6-8pm, Band Field, call Nick at 251-1266 for info
- SPECIAL EVENTS
• Visual Arts Workshop, 6:30pm, MLK Cultural Center

Friday 2/19

- LECLUBS
• Campus and the South-eastern Region of France, 5pm, Blanding I Basement
- ARTS
• Kentucky Jazz Repertory Orchestra: Duke Ellington - The Early Years, 8pm, Singletary Center, call 257-8929 for tickets.
• Lexington Gallery Hop, UK Art Museum and Singletary Center, 5-8 pm, call 7-1706 for info.
• Legends of Jazz, 8-9 pm, Randall Gallery
• Royal Gallery Series presents chamber music concert, moon, Peal Gallery of King Library
- SPORTS
• UK Women's Tennis @ UNC, 2 pm
• UK Softball @ East Carolina, 10am
• UK Softball @ Temple, 2 pm
• UK Baseball @ The Citadel, 1 pm

Saturday 2/20

- ACADEMIC
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• Catholic Mass 6 pm, Newman Center
- SPORTS
• UK Softball @ Maryland, 9 am
• UK Softball @ Ohio, 1 pm
• UK Men's Tennis vs. Alabama, Hillary Boone Tennis Center, tickets avail.
• at Memorial Coliseum
• UK Baseball @ Old Dominion, 10am
• UK Indoor Track @ SEC Championships, Gainesville, FL
• UK Men's Basketball @ Arkansas, 1 pm

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• Sunday Morning Worship, 11am, Christian Student Fellowship
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• High School Honors Wind Ensemble, 2pm, Singletary Center
• Senior Recital: Dan Erbe, tenor, 8pm, Singletary Center
- SPORTS
• UK Women's Tennis @ S. Carolina, 2pm
• UK Softball @ UNC Tournament - Triangle Classic
• UK Baseball @ Richmond, 10am
• UK Women's Basketball vs. S. Carolina, 2 pm, Memorial Coliseum
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OPINIONATED

Knight is a throwback

Bob Knight's weekly run-in, former UK guard Jeff Sheppard, bubble picks and NASCAR



Matt May
SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

Bobby Knight is back in the form only he can make work. After his Hoosiers rallied to defeat upstart Northwestern 69-61 in overtime over the weekend, Knight found himself answering questions about who his daddy is—and I don't mean his biological father.

As is the fad in college basketball these days, home crowds have become merciless in their taunting. Nothing is out-of-line or off-limits to students wishing to make life hell for visiting teams, especially

when schools like UK or Indiana come to town.

Knight's ire was provoked when Wildcat fans used a game-long chant of "Who's your daddy?" or a more fitting "Hoosier-daddy!" toward Indiana players. After holding on for a win, Knight pointed to the scoreboard and asked the section of fans "Who's your daddy now?" in retaliation for the chant. As Knight shook hands with Northwestern Head Coach Kevin O'Neill, the two exchanged words, almost leading to a no-holds-barred fist fight, before later making up.

While a good number of people outside of Indiana and its fans think Knight is a symbol of all that is wrong with college basketball, I tend to think Knight is exactly what the coaching profession needs more of. He's hard-working, disciplin-

ed, tough and a proven winner. Most importantly, Knight is honest. He won't sugarcoat anything for anyone, least of all the media. He's straight-forward to the point of being harsh and downright mean. After the UK-IU game in December, Knight listened to the question of one reporter, then responded with "Does anyone have an intelligent question I can answer?"

Classic Knight. I like Knight's directness, it's refreshing in a sports world full of ego-driven, spin doctors. I used to be among the people who saw Knight as what not to be, but seeing him in person and listening to his interviews with ESPN and others, I can't help but respect the guy.

The college basketball landscape has changed a great deal, but Knight has remained the same—a throwback and traditionalist in a great game. I hope he stays that way.

● I was sorry to hear that

1998 UK title hero Jeff Sheppard was cut last week from the Atlanta Hawks. Word was Sheppard's shot wasn't consistent enough for the likes of the NBA. Don't give up Shep, you'll get another shot.

● This week's NCAA Tournament bubble specials—Louisville, Xavier, Ole Miss, Tennessee, Minnesota and California.

● I am not a NASCAR fan by any stretch of the imagination. But, watching the final 20 laps of Sunday's Great American Race—the Daytona 500—I couldn't help but be captivated.

If there has been a more exciting 20 laps in stock car racing history, I'd be surprised. Winner Jeff Gordon's pass of three cars in what amounts to the emergency lane of the track with a basically stalled car sitting there was both breathtaking and insane.

Reminded me of my driving.

PUCKS

Cool Cats full of cool customers

A look back at the best performances, players of UK hockey's 1998-99 regular season

By Brandon Stapleton
STAFF WRITER

There are plenty of things that could be said about the Cool Cats' season, but the paper only has room for so many.

First, for those of you that must know, the Cats destroyed Tennessee this weekend by scores of 13-1 and 14-3. Due to a personnel shortage for UT, though, the games were considered scrimmages.

Saturday's game represented the last time that four very talented and very likable hockey

players skated at the Ice Center.

(Any stats that are given refer to all games before the UT games).

Brian Graham, a defenseman, proved his superb two-way talent all year. His level-headed play (lowest penalty minute total amongst blueliners) allowed him to lead the UK defensive corps in goal scoring and rank second among D-men in assists and total points.

As a final home ice testament to his offensive ability, he netted four goals in Saturday's game.

Team captain Ryan Hembree was the most dominant offensive force the Cats had in their impressive arsenal this season.

Very few teams found a way to prevent this power forward from scoring at least one point, which was evident in his stats.

He led the team in goals, doubling the total of the second place man, ranked third in assists and first in total points (fifth in the American Collegiate Hockey Association).

Justin Hosie, one of the nicest people you will ever meet and the senior half of UK's deadly goaltending duo, backstopped the Cats to a personal

10-2-1 record. His team leading .893 save percentage and great awareness allowed to Cats to remain competitive in every game that he played in net.

By the end of January his goals against average was four amongst goalies in the ACHA.

Forward and alternate captain Dave Rioux led the team in assists (and was fourth in the ACHA), ranked second in points and third in goals.

His ability to create and see the ice helped generate a tremendous amount of offense for the Cats and his 31 penalty minutes proved that he was more than willing to play physically when he needed to.

SCANDAL

Olympic troubles

The International Olympic Committee urges host of 2000 games to watch profit deals

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — With sponsors skittish over the 2000 Olympic bribery scandal, organizers of the Sydney Games were urged by an IOC executive yesterday to plop a \$66 million profit-sharing deal back into the budget.

Raising money from corporate sponsors for the 2000 Sydney Games has become a major concern in the wake of the Olympic corruption scandals.

With Sydney about \$130 million short of its target for sponsorship revenues, International Olympic Committee marketing director Michael Payne said the controversial profit deal should be reviewed. "There is no way the games should be compromised because of a profit deal that we were opposed to," he told the Associated Press in a telephone interview from IOC headquarters in Lausanne, Switzerland. "This money should be put back into the games."

Payne said the IOC warned the Australians three years ago against projecting a surplus for the games. Sydney organizers have predicted a \$17.7 million surplus.

"The IOC was saying, 'This is crazy to be talking about a profit now. You should wait until the day after the closing ceremony,'" Payne said. "For various reasons, they wanted to lock down issues on profit two or three years ago. Maybe that should be reopened."

Under terms of the IOC's contract with Olympic cities, 90 percent of any surplus goes to the host country and 10 percent to the IOC. Of the 90 percent set aside for the host country, 10 percent goes to the national Olympic committee.

In a deal with the New South Wales government, the Australian Olympic Committee agreed to give up its veto power over key decisions in exchange for a guaranteed

\$66 million.

Later, the NSW government effectively bought out the AOC's right to the money, and the funds go to the AOC whether there is a surplus or not.

The IOC's share of the profit deal was eventually capped at \$8.95 million. The IOC has said it would earmark most of its share to a special fund for sports programs in Australia and the rest of Oceania.

Payne said IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch has made it clear the international committee is ready to help out if the organizing committee and government request it, including reconsidering the IOC's profit share.

"It would seem the first place to start is to look at the whole profit deal, which we thought was a bad idea in the first place," Payne said. "We would never do a deal of this nature again. Never in a million years."

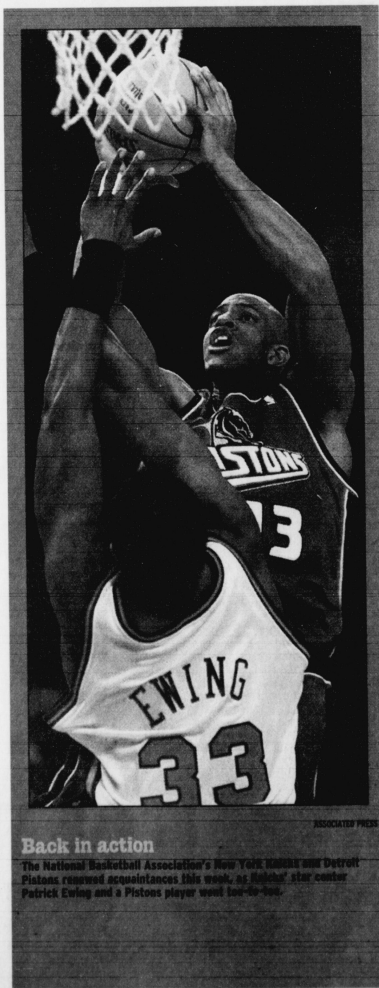
Even before the corruption scandals involving Olympic bid cities, Sydney was struggling to meet its \$1.65 billion budget, falling short of its \$342 million sponsorship target and leading to fears that budget cutbacks could affect the games.

Payne said Sydney organizers erred by setting their latest sponsorship revenues too high.

"It never should have been raised to this height," he said. "It's like a high jumper. You can keep raising the height, but eventually he can no longer make it over the bar."

Jacques Rogge, who heads the IOC coordination commission for the Sydney Games, said he is optimistic that Sydney will raise enough money.

"Yes, there is still some revenue to be found, but it's too soon to be worried," he said in a phone interview from Belgium. "I'm very relaxed about it."



Back in action

The National Basketball Association's New York Knicks and Detroit Pistons renewed acquaintances this week, as Knicks' star center Patrick Ewing and a Pistons player went toe-to-toe.

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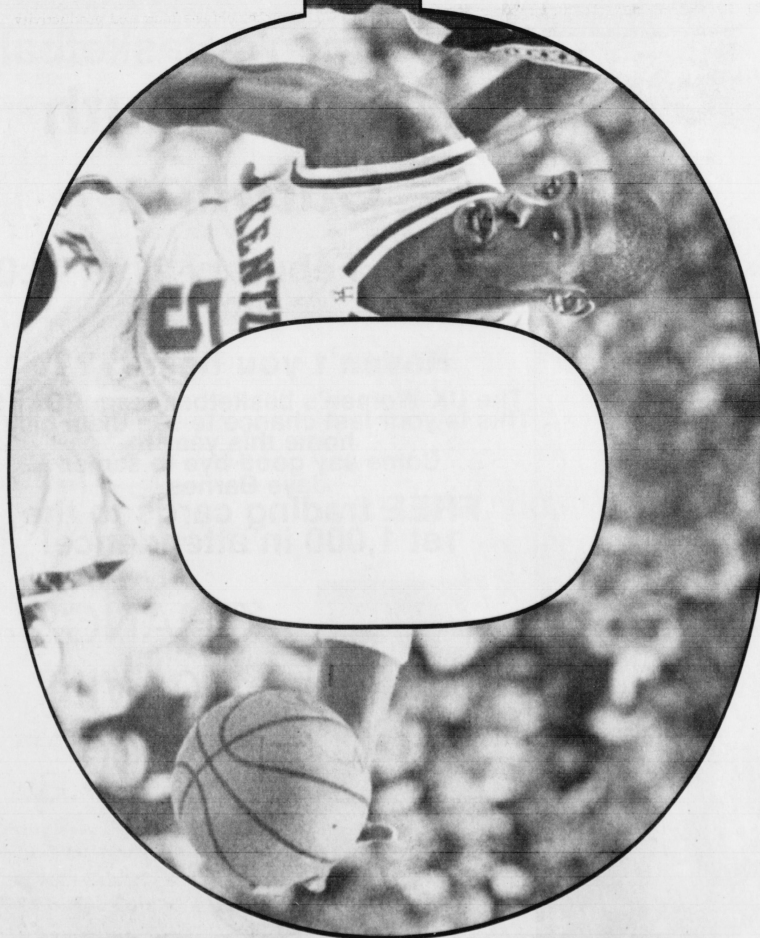
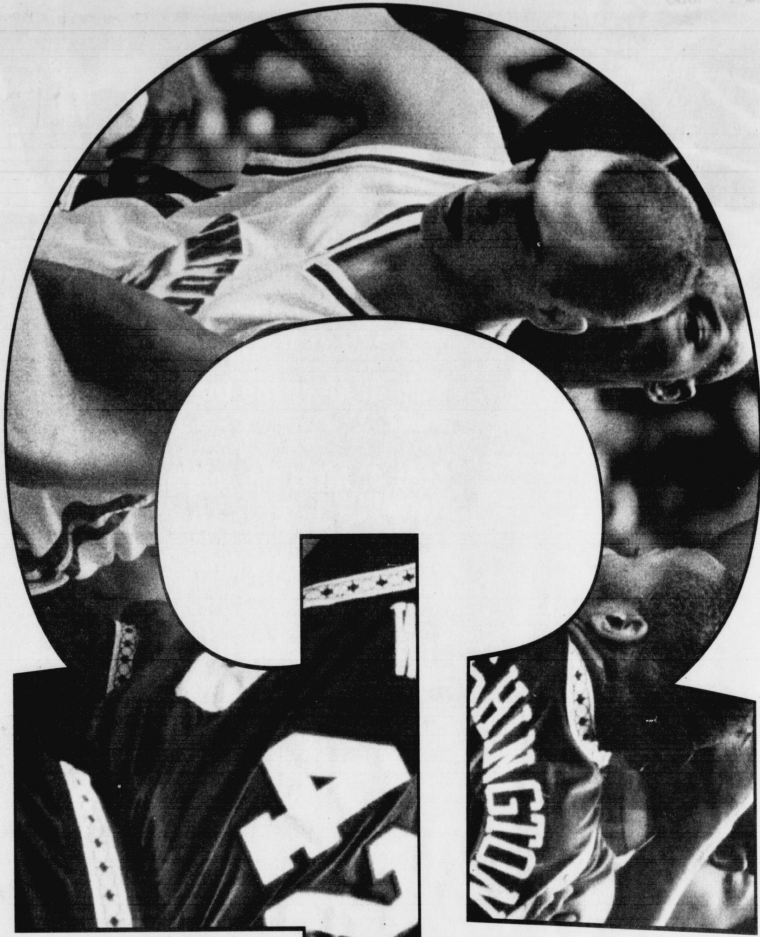
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LOCAL ACT



Funnel will play at Millennium on Feb. 20 and Headliners in Louisville on March 3. The band returns to Lexington on March 10 for a show at Boogie Nights.

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A Funnel for local talent

Homegrown music: Future looks Wide Open for local band with release of debut album

Clark Case
ASSISTANT DIALOGUE EDITOR

Fact is, I've got love for local bands — especially relatively good ones. Funnel is one of those bands. Though I've never heard them perform live, I can hardly help but feel a profound sense of admiration for a collection of musicians who crawl out on a limb to make it in the music industry.

There are tons of good bands out there — tons. Grams of those bands see the light of a fame/fortune saturated day, also known as the day MTV plays their video or radio stations start playing their song. Thereby, to review a band like Funnel merits a brief discourse on the nature of local bands in general — not just in

Lexington, but everywhere — and why you should check them out.

First and foremost, music is best live. Moreover, live music is best when it is getting played in an intimate venue, like a bar or barn — not when you're absorbing the sounds from the rafters of a pro basketball arena. Sadly enough, Metallica, Alice in Chains and STP are tough to catch playing a bar gig for 200 people.

Second, there are tons of local bands that are every bit as good as those national acts with household names. Take, for example, SupaFuzz. I saw them for the third time last Friday night at the Millennium. As I watched and listened to them playing some kick-ass tunes, I realized SupaFuzz is a better band than Green Day, especially musically.

Unfortunately for Supa Fuzz, Green Day is just a wee bit bigger on the national level, even though Green Day strums nothing but power chords and SupaFuzz actually plays some complicated, original tunes.

All this to say, check out the rockin' local bands for surprisingly good music in some cool settings. And from the sounds I've heard on Funnel's CD, its definitely a band you need to check out.

Nonetheless, Funnel's self-produced debut album, *Wide Open*, churns out nine heartfelt, quality tunes. Most importantly, Funnel's sound reflects a group that possesses a musical command of the instruments of modern rock — a stark contrast to the heavily-distorted, power-chorded, I've-been-playing-the-guitar-for-three-weeks-and-look-mom-I'm-in-a-band-sounds of so many rock/alternative upstarts. *Wide Open* varies from song to song, some being slow-

er, some faster — enough to keep the listener from getting caught up in a stagnant sound that can so often plague new bands.

For example, the sixth track on *Wide Open* is a tune called "Reckless." The song is a quick-tempered assault of some solid rock. On the other hand, track two, "Fantasy," is slow and mesmerizing, leaving behind the heavy chords of "Reckless" for more melancholy melody lines.

Funnel is definitely a local band with the potential to break big. In addition to the great songs on *Wide Open*, Funnel has proven its potential by winning WKQQ's "Decent Exposure" competition and opening for several national acts like Third Eye Blind, Candlebox and Better Than Ezra.

The local music scene gives us an opportunity to see and hear the bands of the future on their way up. Armed with a great CD, Funnel is one of those bands you need to give a listen.

WIDE WORLD OF WRESTLING

Where are the wrestling awards?

By Gary McCollum
WRESTLING COLUMNIST

Last Monday night while watching wrestling and the ESPYs, I couldn't help but wonder why there weren't any wrestlers nominated.

If they had been up for any of the awards, I'm sure the winners would have been in some serious trouble. This week, primarily because I can't think of anything better to write about, I will be presenting my own supplement to the ESPYs in the hopes of giving some of these wrestlers the respect they deserve.

David Duval wouldn't have had a chance in the Performance under Pressure category if Val Venis had been nominated. Val finally reached his potential this past Sunday night by winning the Intercontinental Belt.

In addition to this great professional accomplishment, he managed to dump Ken Shamrock's sister the next night.

That feat brings on more pressure to rebound than a Bulls roster without Dennis Rodman.

The final piece that would

seal the deal allowing Val to walk home with this trophy would have to be his relationship to adult film star Jenna Jamison.

That kind of Performance under Pressure would make Duval's putting look less significant than the reunion of Blondie.

The second award that would have inevitably been different had a wrestler been nominated would be the Comeback of the Year honor.

Granted, the Eric Davis return was unquestionably a special and heartwarming moment for the game of baseball, but what about Paul Wight's (AKA The Giant), return to wrestling this past Sunday night armed with a brand-new WWF contract?

Wight's return wouldn't deserve to win, but in the words of Susan Lucci, it would be nice to be nominated.

It's great to see Wight resurface so quickly after his departure from WCW, and he probably fits into the WWF's talent roster anyway.

Instead of being surrounded by a bunch of Luchadore midget freaks, he can now be

surrounded by a bunch of Gothic giant freaks.

Finally, I would like to suggest a couple of nominees for next year's Arthur Ashe Award for Courage.

In case you really enjoy wrestling and missed the ESPYs, or you were too lazy to get up and find the remote control, tennis great Billie Jean King won the award this year.

Two nominees that could emerge as frontrunners for next year's award would have to be from the WWF.

First, Vince McMahon would be an excellent choice for the accolade. After all, he's brought professional wrestling into the mainstream and en-

couraged millions to believe that a steel chair is a viable weapon in any circumstance.

Most importantly, McMahon has never been wavered in his support for wearing bad hairpieces, a subject near and dear to his heart, as well as millions of beer-drinking wrestling fans across the world.

If you have trouble recognizing that as courage, then I must say that you have no idea what excellence in sports is really all about.

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I'm sick of this

WASHINGTON — The 1918 flu that killed more than 20 million people might have quietly percolated for several years, maybe even trading back and forth between pigs and people, until suddenly growing strong enough to become the world's worst pandemic. That's the latest theory from the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, which reported Monday that researchers for the first time have completely analyzed a critical gene from the killer influenza virus. The gene likely "was adapting in humans or in swine for maybe several years before it broke out as a pandemic virus," said molecular biologist Ann Reid, lead author of the study published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. But "we can't tell whether it went from pigs into humans or from humans into pigs," she said.

I'm also sick of this

WASHINGTON — Linda Tripp said Monday night that Monica Lewinsky became suicidal out of fear that President Clinton would learn that the former White House intern had confided their relationship to friends. Appearing on CNN's "Larry King Live," Tripp said that Lewinsky was so upset about being treated badly by the president that she tracked down Tripp and bombarded her with phone calls. "I had to explain to my (then teen-age) children" about Lewinsky's relationship with the president "because of the incessant phone calls," Tripp said.

Campus events

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Cultural Center is holding a video presentation titled "Mike Tyson: The Inside Story." It will take place at noon in the King Cultural Center, located in 224 Student Center. For more information, call 257-3593.

Chain reaction

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READERS' FORUM

Expressions

Clinton scandal a Jewish plot? I think not!

To the editor:

I would like to respond to Firas El Madbak's letter entitled "Clinton scandal smells like a conspiracy." I value and respect differing views and opinions, but I cannot sit idly by and allow someone to insult my religion, my people and my sensibility. To say that his personal life was made public because Zionists wanted to halt the Middle East peace process is absolutely ludicrous and insulting. I feel, as many Jews do, that the situation in Israel is very serious and will take great efforts, compromises and time to broker an agreement that will be met with open arms by everyone involved. Also, it is sad that Judaism is being classified as a religion whose people are historically plotting against other people. The deadlock in the peace process cannot be blamed on any one group. There is

so much friction in the Middle East that must be handled by those who have a desire for an agreement. There has to be respect and understanding before there can be peace.

ADAM MILLER
 ARTS ADMINISTRATION SOPHOMORE

Presidents' Day is the Dangerfield of holidays

To the editor:

It is only just and fitting that UK celebrates Martin Luther King, Jr. with a week-long series of events during the week in which Martin Luther King Jr. Day falls. At about the same time Congress passed the legislation creating the holiday for Dr. King, they combined Presidents' Day, which formerly had been two holidays — Washington's Birthday and Lin-

coln's Birthday — into a single federal holiday honoring all past presidents of the United States.

Yet, from the perspective of an outside observer, Presidents' Day seems to be totally ignored by UK. I haven't heard of any speeches; I saw no concerts or celebrations scheduled, and I know for a fact there is no cancellation of classes in honor of the holiday. Judging from the way Presidents' Day is ignored by the University, one must reach the inevitable conclusion that, to the University administration:

● Dr. King was greater than all the presidents of the United States combined.

● He did more for this country than George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and John Quincy Adams, Abraham Lincoln and all our other presidents combined.

● He did more for his people than Abraham Lincoln, who, as I recall, freed African Americans from slavery.

● His sacrifice for his people and country was greater than that of Abraham Lincoln or John F. Kennedy.

Yes, it is proper to honor Dr. King, but let us not forget that there have been other great men in the history of the United States.

ARNOLD KIRKPATRICK
 LEXINGTON

Check out www.kykernel.com for more letters to the editor.

Katy Crossen

KERNEL COLUMNIST

Sex, lies, and lying about sex under oath

Sometimes one week can be more important than any other. Last week was one of those weeks for Bill Clinton.

Friday slammed the door on any chance of punishment for the president with the wandering eye. The Senate saved Clinton from any crucifixion the right-wingers hoped for by voting in an almost partisan split.

Before the vote, many senators spoke less generously of the president, saying he lied in his deposition to the grand jury. Some senators had the gumption to call him an out and out liar (which he is).

Despite all of this "liar, liar, pants on fire" name calling, only half of the Senate had the balls to put their vote where their mouths are. Why did so many senators vote to acquit the man when they believed he lied? The reasoning is the prosecution did not try their case well enough to prove a lie took place.

Now I don't know about you, but I saw some pretty convincing video to prove otherwise. Remember the "I did not have sexual relations with that woman, Ms. Lewinsky"?

I might not be a member of the grand jury. I might not be famous in political circles (yet), but I can smell a liar from a mile away, and Bill Clinton reeks.

I am a citizen of the United States. I am guaranteed privileged rights until incarcerated. One right of mine is the right to a fair trial. This includes a jury of my peers, counsel, and first and foremost, my right to testify, if I deem it necessary. When I swear by the grace of God that all I say is truthful, you better believe I'm going to tell the truth. Because if I don't, I'm gonna go to jail. The Big House. The Pen.

How come Billy Boy is still in the White House?

He used such carefully woven legalese

during his deposition that it's possible he did tell the truth. I'm not a lawyer, and I don't play one on TV, so I'm not going to debate the issue of the law and to what extent he used the law to get himself out of hot water.

What I'm steaming mad about is the fact he lied to me. He looked into my eyes (thanks to the technical advances of television) and lied. Just like a lawyer, ain't he?

But he didn't just lie to me. He lied to my mom and my dad. He lied to my roommate. He lied to my boss, and he even lied to my friends. He lied to everyone in this country, and that adds up to about 272 million people.

Bill Clinton lied to every citizen of this grand land when he waved his finger and said he didn't have sexual relations with the Divine Miss Monica. He should have to suffer the consequences.

True, the moment I'm basing my argument on took place at a press conference at the White House, not in a sanctified court room or other legally binding setting.

Even so, Clinton should be punished for lying directly to millions of his constituents. But, he won't be. He's not even going to be censured. It's a damn shame he's walking out of this thing scot-free, when he's not even paying his legal bill.

Since the days of Whitewater, loyal Clinton fans have set up a legal defense fund for Slick Willie, and with bills mounting to around \$10 million and assets generously piled at under \$2 million, his pals are going to have to pay this check, no going out with this one.

With the hinges creaking, a case closes and another door opens. How will Clinton's legacy fair? Who is next, looming in the shadows, waiting to cause the country more grief? Who will have the best book sales? Who cares?

Iron Mike should go behind the iron bars



Dave Gorman
 KERNEL COLUMNIST

two old men after they rear-ended his car while his wife was driving?

Instead of exchanging information with them and waiting for a police report like any normal person would, he went back to the "Old Mike." He had a flashback to the Buster Douglas fight and tried to justify getting knocked out. He got out of the car and punched a 62-year-old man in the jaw, and then kicked a 50-year-old man in the fruit basket.

Talk about a mid-life crisis for that guy. That's even worse than Lorena Bobbitt cutting off her husband's penis, at least they could sew it back on. After Tyson kicks you in the groin, it would probably look like someone dropped Gumbly of the Empire State Building. I don't think even Viagra could help the man after that.

Tyson deserves a year in jail, if not more. I have no sympathy for him at all. His poor wife, Monica Turner, has all of this baggage to deal with. What was she thinking? He sounds like a girl before puberty, and he is more out of control than a caged animal. And that's how he should be treated.

I wish I was in the courtroom so I could sing and dance when Tyson got the sentence. What really blows my mind is that the victims and his wife tried to plead to the judge that he was a kind, caring person. What were they smoking in the courtroom? His wife pleaded that he was a "good, kind person."

Monica, you can't be serious. What

she really meant to say was that he was loaded with money, and that she doesn't mind putting up with his antics every now and then, as long as he keeps taking her shopping and buys more fancy cars and houses.

I can't believe the victims told the court that they were satisfied with his apology. What he did is as low as hitting a woman, which he has done before. His wife pleaded with the judge that Tyson was just under a lot of stress because of financial difficulties and a stalled career.

Excuse us, Mr. Tyson. Let me buy you some Kleenex and a flash swirly lollipop that you can suck on. Maybe some diapers, and a pacifier would do for you, you big baby! Look at me, I'm a journalist, and I don't make jack-squat. Do you see me going around body-slammng little girls who walk in my path on the sidewalk?

Mike Tyson doesn't have a warm loving heart. He has sharp teeth in a mouth full of rabid saliva, and he randomly bites off squirrels' heads in the park.

Tyson said, "Jail time would mean I lose everything."

That would actually do him so good though, to lose everything. Forget Don King and all of your corrupt managers, and all of your crying/raving sessions on Roy Firestone's "Up Close and Personal." Who cares if Mike Tyson never fights in the ring again?

I hope and pray he'll stop fighting innocent people when he has flashbacks to his days in the ring. He can either get all of his fighting out of his system in jail (and he seems to have an endless supply of that), or he can come to terms with himself.

We can only hope and pray that he doesn't turn into a cannibal in jail. Maybe he'll be one of those guys who does everybody's laundry out of the "kindness" of his heart.

IN OUR OPINION

Law and order

Illinois must license a racist lawyer

Matt Hale is a skinny little white man with few, if any, redeeming qualities.

After three years of law school, finishing in about the 50th percentile of his class, Hale wants to be licensed to practice law in the state of Illinois.

The problem is, the Illinois Bar Association refuses to proffer the license given Hale's political views. Hale, in true bigot form, feels that the "white race" is superior to all others. In response to the third commandment of his agnostic white supremacist church, he pledges to seek the extinction of other races. Despite his stalwart and ridiculously inconsistent beliefs, he feels he has the constitutional right to practice law and administer justice in the indiscriminate manner our constitution mandates.

While it seems highly unlikely that a racist could be impartial, Hale nevertheless has the right to seek his own happiness and livelihood in his chosen field.

Racists exist in all professions. They are doctors, lawyers, journalists and teachers. At least in Hale's case, he wears his racist views like a beanie on his head and people can see him coming a mile away. Not all racists are that conspicuous. The only difference between Hale and any other racist professional is his vocalization of his views. Speech, especially of this sort, is protected by the First Amendment much in the same way this editorial is. By preventing Hale from following his own path in life, the Illinois Bar sets a dangerous precedent for the future.

Unpopular views stand as a hallmark in this country's history, and without their protection, other important views may be stymied as well. There was a time in this country when abolishing slavery was an unpopular view. What if the powers-that-be would have squashed the right of abolitionists to practice law, medicine or any other profession? By refusing Hale's license, the Bar encourages lying and secrecy. After all, it's better to expose racism and fight it directly.

When enough people see Hale for who he really is, we can put him right out of business by not giving him any business.

PARTY CENTRAL

Mardi Gras kicks in N.O.

Biggest party of the year ends in a bang in streets of New Orleans; now people begin fasting season of Lent

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — Merry makers danced in the streets, bartered for beads and cheered the gaudy parades as angels, cowboys and clowns marched the streets from dawn to dusk in the city's Mardi Gras celebration.

The bash is the final fling before Lent, which many Christians observe from Ash Wednesday to Easter by fasting or by giving up something, like meat or sweets.

More than a dozen parades — not counting the small marching societies like clarinetist Pete Fountain's Half-Fast Marching Club — rolled

from early morning until dark.

"We've got everybody here from Grand-ma on down," said Mike Brou, one of 32 family members dressed as white rabbits along the parade route for Zulu and Rex, two of the largest parades.

"We're here every year. It's a combination family reunion and party."

"There's nothing else like it in the world."

With sunshine and temperature in the 70s, crowds quickly grew. Police believed the combination of good weather and a four-day weekend, thanks to Presidents Day on Monday, would

boost the throng to a record size.

"They're huge crowds, much bigger than last year," said police spokesman Marlon Defilo.

"We had 1.5 million people then. We'll have over 2 million this year."

Arrests were up slightly in the French Quarter, Defilo said, but they were all misdemeanors — nudity, urinating in public, trespassing.

"No problems at all, really," he said.

Satin-clad angels rubbed elbows with clowns and cowboys along St. Charles Avenue, the mansion-lined parade route where

floats rolled for over eight hours.

Children and adults staked out spots before dawn, then clamored for trinkets tossed by costumed riders.

"I spend about \$2,000 on beads and I throw every single one of them before the end of the day," said Stacie Honore, 32, a rider on the Zulu parade.

"You can't believe how much fun it is to throw your money away."

People on balconies in the French Quarter tossed beads to the celebrants below. Although it is illegal, many flashed flesh in exchange for the long strings of plastic beads.

"It's just good clean fun, why would they arrest you for that?" asked Judy Hudson, 26, of Los Angeles.

You can't believe how much fun it is to throw your money away."

— Stacie Honore, a rider on the Zulu parade

BELIEVING

Disabled man: 'We can do anything'

Ezell continues to make plans for the future, both for his 4-year-old daughter, University

By Dave Gorman
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

If it can happen to Superman, it can happen to you.

That's the conclusion UK senior James Ezell came to three years ago after a car accident left him paralyzed from the chest down.

He was a working, happily married 24-year-old with a beautiful 2-year-old daughter. Yet in one moment, his sunny life turned dark.

He and his wife separated, and he began to lose hope about the future.

"I kind of shunned God away in anger," said Ezell, an accounting major.

Three weeks later, on his 25th birthday, Ezell's truck slipped off the shoulder of the road and overturned. He was thrown from the truck; he was not wearing a seatbelt.

Ezell broke his neck at the C5 and C6 level, resulting in a spinal cord injury similar to actor Christopher Reeves'.

"A lot of people would ask, 'God, why me?' But the answer came back to me, 'Why not me?' And I realized that I am not better than anybody else," Ezell said.

The doctors told his family he would never be able to function without help. Ezell was in intensive care with pneumonia for 10 days fighting to breathe. His family responded by blowing up a picture of what he looked like the most, his daughter Katlyn.

After two months of rehabilitation Ezell began to learn again how to do simple things, like brushing his teeth and showering.

"My family's support and my faith in God really helped me through this," Ezell said. "I

really want to send a message to people to count their blessings and to wear your seatbelt."

Ezell is now finishing up school and is living on his own. He has even regained some feeling in his wrists and hands.

As Chairman of the Disabled Student Concerns Committee at UK, Ezell wants to promote awareness of disabled students on campus, fight for their rights and create new activities for them.

Some of his goals include securing handicap parking on campus and improving damaged sidewalks on Central Campus and at Greg Page Apartments.

Ezell has also proposed a wheelchair-accessible fitness facility, as well as an organized wheelchair relay across campus.

Ezell surveyed several fraternities and sororities about the event, and he said 75 percent acknowledged they would participate. He is looking forward to watching other stu-

dents experience what it's like to be in a wheelchair.

Still, when he looks back at the past, it surprises him.

"I have to remind myself that I'm in a wheelchair sometimes," Ezell said. "It's a real shock. I was just as athletic and outgoing as anybody."

And he still is. He enjoys shooting ball and hunting whenever he gets a chance.

"I can get a pretty good hook shot going when I get warmed up," Ezell said.

What Ezell really cherishes, though, is spending time with his daughter, now 4 years old.

"I love Katlyn," Ezell said. "She'll climb up on the counter and get dishes for me. We can't do some of the things we used to."

"But when we put our heads together, we can do anything."

STUDENT SUPPORT

Opportunity to aid Colombia today

SGA committee, Alpha Kappa Psi, College Democrats hold event to help ravaged area

By Chris Rogers
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Nearly 1,000 people dead. Another 4,000 injured. Close to 200,000 homeless. A city 60 percent destroyed.

The devastation is endless.

The statistics from the magnitude-six earthquake that flattened much of Colombia's coffee country on Jan. 6 are disturbing. Citizens of Armenia, the city hit hardest by the quake, have been forced to loot shops for necessary food and supplies.

Students at UK saw the need for help and set about organizing a fun, educational event to raise money for the victims. Student Government Association's Governmental Concerns Committee teamed up

with Alpha Kappa Psi and College Democrats to create "Colombian Aid Day" to be held today from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. on the Student Center Patio.

Although the quake happened last month, there is still a dire need for funds, said SGA President Nate Brown. Support for the victims was strongest immediately following the disaster, but, as often happens in this kind of situation, awareness has lessened as time goes on.

Immediately following an earthquake or other natural disaster, people see media coverage of the issue and are more willing to support aid efforts, said committee chair Paola Murillo, an international business junior.

Many do not realize residents of the stricken area still

are in need of assistance.

"Students need to be concerned about what is happening in the world; people forget about things, but these people still need help," Murillo said. "Just because the media coverage has lessened, it doesn't mean that the needs of the people has also lessened."

"Even though we as students don't have money to throw around, each of us should consider helping out our brothers and sisters in Colombia," Brown said. "Each student at UK can afford to give a couple of dollars for such a deserving cause."

To help educate students about Latin American culture, displays from several countries will be featured at the event. The Spanish department will also perform a skit. There will be merengue, salsa and tango dancing, and Alejandro Palma will be featured on

the guitar.

In addition, Rhythm Latino, a local radio station specializing in Latin music, will be present. A magic show and palm readings will also be offered, as well as refreshments.

Several students have come out ready and happy to help.

"I'm glad we can do something to help the victims," said Heather Combs, a music education sophomore.

"They are unfortunate circumstances, but it is a good opportunity for the college community to come together and show support for other people," said George Huffman, a political science sophomore and president of College Democrats.

If you can't attend the event today, Colombian Aid will be at the Student Center Ballroom on Wed., Feb. 24, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in conjunction with Cultural Diversity Day.

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