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Todd tells UK to expect changes

State of the University: President will review effectiveness of University Studies Program

By Rebecca Neal
STAFF WRITER

UK needs to re-examine its undergraduate program, including the University Studies requirements, and do more marketing to recruit a more diversified faculty, President Lee Todd said Monday. "I'm not sure if the dis-

covery and excitement is still there," he said of the University Studies program, the required courses for any degree. Todd gave his annual State of the University address at a special session of the University Senate. UK needs to create a strategic goal to help define its priorities, including those

for University Studies, he said.

"We need to define what things are important and how we will do them," he said.

This plan is a departure from previous administrations, and the faculty should accept the change, he said.

"Things are going to be moving fast around here — you're just going to have to get used to it," Todd said.

One thing he said he would like to see is better

marketing. UK has already started sending posters to local high schools.

"We're no longer just 'America's Next Great University,'" he said with a wink.

UK stopped using the "America's Next Great University" slogan last year.

Increased advertising should also help UK attract talented and diverse faculty, he said.

"Our commitment to diversity will not go away,"

he said.

Todd referred to the recent appointment of Steven Reed as Board of Trustees chairman as an example of diversity.

"He's earned this position and just happens to be African-American — that's what's historic," he said.

Many positions are still open at UK, including provost and the deans of the colleges of Arts and Sciences and Business and Econom-

ics. Todd said those appointed to the positions will still contribute temporarily.

"I will not put someone in a position in my tenure to act as a placeholder," he said. Todd also addressed the growth of the campus.

He said facilities such as parking, dormitories and classrooms are stretched to the limit.

"We've got to be smart about growing," he said.

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Campus celebrates Hispanic culture

By Jennifer Mueller
STAFF WRITER

Campus will be infused with Hispanic culture during October.

The Latin American Studies Program is hosting a number of events for all students and faculty to come and celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, which focuses growing Hispanic communities.

With the population of Hispanic students slowly climbing from 138 in 1995 to 183 this fall, Hispanic Heritage Month has become a slightly more celebrated time.

The festivities will occur Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.

Hispanic Heritage Month recognizes the vast impact Hispanics have had on North American culture, said Noemi Lugo, director of the Latin American Studies Program.

"There has always been a heritage here, but not everyone acknowledges the history," she said.

The event has been celebrated on campus for more than 10 years.

"For me, Hispanic Heritage Month is everyday," said Lugo.

The Latin American Studies Program at the University of Kentucky is presenting its semi-annual Film Series, which will include:

October 7-November 4: Art works by Latino Students. Raymond Gonzalez Sloan, a Mexican-American and Isaac Duncan III, a Cuban-American, will be presenting prints and sculpture in the President's Room of the Singletary Center.

October 15: "A Journey of Poetry and Songs of Latin America." Class presentation for Latin American Studies 201, with Yanira Paz of the Spanish department, Cliff Jackson, a pianist with the School of Music, Noemi Lugo, a soprano with the School of Music and Latin American Studies, Singletary Center for the Arts recital hall.

Wednesday, October 16, 6:30 p.m., CB 106. *Like Water For Chocolate*: a woman who can't marry infuses the food she cooks for her family with passion, sadness and laughter.

Monday, Nov. 11, 6:30 p.m., CB 106. *Strawberries and Chocolate*: a movie about two unlikely friends brought together by a failed seduction, shows the struggle for self-expression and fulfillment in contemporary Cuba.



JOHN WAMPLER | KERNEL STAFF

A rose by any other name

Kathy Harris, president of the Friends of the Arboretum, hands Lexington Mayor Pam Miller a rose during the dedication of the Dorothea Smith Oats Visitor Center. The center is the newest addition to the UK/Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government Arboretum, which consists of roughly 100 acres near Commonwealth Stadium.

Eating disorders in males often go unmentioned, unreported

Health: One million males reported to have eating disorders

By Matthew Towner
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It's a common and often ignored scenario: The young student, once full of confidence, is reduced to a shell of his former self. He worries about looking attractive and is no longer happy in school. The images of grandeur that spurred his ego are giving way to self-loathing and feelings of sadness.

If this student is like many others, he has a distorted body image and severe issues with food.

Eating disorders,

whether formally diagnosed or not, are a fact of campus life. Despite what some college textbooks may preach, eating disorders can just as easily affect male students as female students, said Mary Bolin-Reece, director of the UK Counseling and Testing Center.

"I believe it is important that students and others are aware that disordered eating and body image concerns are not limited to females," she said.

One million men have eating disorders, according to the National Association of Anorexia Nervosa and Associated Disorders.

The association reports 86 percent of affected men report the onset of the disorder

by the age of 20.

Many textbooks for courses discussing the subject gloss over eating disorders in males, instead focusing primarily on white, middle-class females, said Tammy Jean Stephenson, a professor of nutrition and food science.

A lower prevalence of eating disorders in males is partially to blame for this trend, but isn't the only factor coming into play, Stephenson said. "Eating disorders tend to be kind of nondescript in males," she said. "Yet males still have the same problems with food that women do."

In her classes, Stephenson explains that men have

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Students get free business advice, dinner

On the house: Dinner series brings successful entrepreneurs together with business hopefuls

By Ben Franzini
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The UK Entrepreneurs know how to dine in style. Once a month, the Entrepreneur Club hosts "Impact Dinners," where successful entrepreneurs from the Lexington community have dinner with a group of UK's own aspiring entrepreneurs.

"It's great to be able to interact with local business presidents and CEOs — it's very inspiring," said Joe Worthington, a fourth year engineering student and the corporate relations officer of the Entrepreneur Club.

At the last dinner on Sept. 19, a group of eight students surrounded Basha Roberts, the CEO and president of LexTech, Inc., at a table in the President's Room at the Boone Faculty Club. Over lemon chicken and lemon meringue pie, Roberts explained what she had done to get where she and her business are today.

The meeting was the first one this year; the dinners began last semester as a way for students to get professional advice they may someday use when attempting to start their own business.

"We want to create a climate that is very encouraging to future business leaders," said Eric Mills, a third year law student and president of UK Entrepreneurs. "Students make possible connections that may someday serve to be very helpful."

The group eats alongside their guest for free. The dinners are sponsored by UK and Lexington businesses.

Roberts said the dinners are a wonderful idea. "When I started business 10 years ago, I was mentored by people who had been in the business for 20 years," she said. "They saved me from many mistakes."

Roberts said she had vowed that when she had her own business, she would do the same for the next generation of entrepreneurs.

"These dinners give me that chance," she said. The group is not just for business majors, said Worthington. He said the Entrepreneur Club tries to attract students from other majors as well.

"Anyone can start their own business, we hope to encourage them to do so." For more information, visit the Entrepreneur Club Web site at <http://club.uky.edu>.



SCOTT LASHINSKY | KERNEL STAFF

Super fans

Jason Ryan, left, of Elsmere, Donnie Gray, of Owensboro and Micky Brady, of Franklin camp out in front of Memorial Coliseum Monday to score tickets to Big Blue Madness, the first basketball practice of the year. Tickets go on sale Oct. 5.

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down



Under the present circumstances, we believe an invasion of Iraq would be unjustifiable and could have potentially horrific ramifications. It would open a Pandora's box which may be impossible to close."
— a British petition to Prime Minister Tony Blair, signed by Naja and Blur/Soriliz frontman Damon Albarn.

LCC professor publishes book

An LCC professor recently had a book published about the technological advances in coal mining. James B. Goode wrote "The Cutting Edge: Mining in the 21st Century," which includes photographs and articles written by experts in the industry. Goode is an award-winning poet and has been teaching at UK for 30 years. He has also published "Ancient Sunshine," "Up from the Mines" and "Appalachian Love Stories."

Volunteer Fair needs volunteers

The UK Volunteer Fair will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 8 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Student volunteers are needed to work at the event. Anyone interested in helping with registration, directing fair participants, serving free pizza and drinks or doing other duties should contact Tammy Howard at 257-6597 or tmhowa@uky.edu. Volunteers are needed for one-hour shifts from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Center Grand Ballroom.

CDC gave Iraq disease sample

WASHINGTON — Iraq's bioweapons program that President Bush wants to eradicate got its start with help from Uncle Sam two decades ago, according to government records getting new scrutiny in light of the discussion of war against Iraq. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention sent samples directly to several Iraqi sites that U.N. weapons inspectors determined were part of Saddam Hussein's biological weapons program. CDC and congressional records from the early 1990s show Iraq had ordered the samples, claiming it needed them for legitimate medical research. The CDC and a biological sample company, the American Type Culture Collection, sent strains of all the germs Iraq used to make weapons, including anthrax, the bacteria that make botulinum toxin and the germs that cause gas gangrene, the records show. Iraq also got samples of other deadly pathogens, including the West Nile virus. The transfers came in the 1980s, when the United States supported Iraq in its war against Iran.



EXECUTIONER: In his new book, former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, writes that he asked President Bush three days after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks if he could personally execute Osama bin Laden if U.S. forces captured him. "I am sure he thought I was just speaking rhetorically," Giuliani wrote. "But I was serious. Bin Laden had attacked my city, and as its mayor I had the strong feeling that I was the most appropriate person to do it." Giuliani is mentioned frequently as a candidate to head the new Department of Homeland Security being set up by President Bush in response to the Sept. 11 attacks. Giuliani also said he expected to re-enter politics, saying another run for mayor was out but campaigns for president, U.S. senator or New York governor were possible. "I've learned that you don't cut off options, and I have no idea of what the future will bring," Giuliani said. "I think I'll want to go back to government again. Maybe it will be appointed office."

Ferry victim count could rise

DAKAR, Senegal — Screaming for help and gasping for air, countless victims of one of Africa's deadliest ferry disasters survived for hours in the overturned MS Joola, rescue divers said Monday — describing scenes of horror in air pockets that had kept the vessel afloat. With nearly 1,000 presumed dead, it appeared Monday the true toll could be even hundreds higher — with ticketing authorities saying all children under 5 would have gone unticketed, and thus apparently uncounted. "Children were found clutching their mothers," said Haidar el Ali, a diver who visited the doomed vessel. President Abdoulaye Wade acknowledged the state-run MS Joola was overcrowded when it capsized in the Atlantic just before midnight Thursday, tumbling under the waves in a heavy gale.

Fast food changes 'overdue'

DALLAS — Dr. Sarah Blumenschein sees a pattern in the overweight children who come to her clinic: They snack more often and they eat out more often — especially at fast-food restaurants. "The kids don't realize the high calorie and fat levels in fast food," said Blumenschein, a pediatric cardiologist at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "The marketing of fast food has been very clever." She applauds the recent announcements by McDonald's Corp. and Frito-Lay Inc. that they will reduce a particular form of fat in making french fries and chips. But she and other medical experts said the move was overdue, and they plan to keep pressing the U.S. food industry to do more to reduce fat, not just substitute one for another.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

Corrections

An article published on Sept. 30 incorrectly referred to Scott Crosbie as a former Urban County councilman-at-large. Crosbie is still serving as a councilman.

To report an error call The Kentucky Kernel at 257-1915.

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This year's freshman class was the largest in UK history, and the university enrollment for the 2002-2003 year is 34,182.

Todd also stressed the importance of research to the university. "We need to make sure our students know they're going to

a research university," he said.

Todd said the students and faculty can use research to better Kentucky.

"We shouldn't be just piling up research dollars but changing the state of Kentucky," he said.

He said that research and overall growth must be planned, as not to stretch facilities to the limit.

"We can't just grow on laboratories; we need classrooms too," Todd said.

EATING

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many of the same problems with body image that women do. In recent years, she has seen more male students approach her before and after class regarding their struggles with food issues, she said.

While a lower rate of incidence and more subtle symptoms are partially to blame for male eating disorders being overlooked, other sociological factors are involved, said Walt Bower, a sociology instructor. He said the gender roles assigned by society could contribute to which problems are examined in each sex.

"We don't always look at how traditional gender stereotypes affect men," he said. Since men are expected to strive for a muscular physique and assume a dominant position in society, behaviors that defy the stereotype are often ignored, Bower said.

Bolin-Reece cites the media, including commercials, and popular retailers such as the Gap as another big factor in the changing male body image.

"The ideal seems to be tall, slim, 6-pack abs, broad shoulders, narrow hips — the image of a model who looks like a high school quarterback turned surfer," she said.

Male students' behavior, including a resistance to counseling, may also be helping perpetuate the myth that eating disorders are only a problem in females, Bower said.

Bolin-Reece said that men often overlook food issues due to other concerns with their perceived masculinity.

"Males often have those concerns, but may be less likely to seek counseling, perhaps because it's seen as a 'women's issue,'" she said.

Campus resources

University Health Service Nutritional Counseling, 323-5823, ext. 238

University Health Service Mental Health Clinic, 323-5511

UK Counseling and Testing Center, 257-8701

Students looking for support without the one-on-one pressures of an individual counselor can join UK CARES, a group that specializes in providing information on eating disorders and maintaining a healthier lifestyle. Anyone interested, male or female, can attend the next UK CARES meeting on Thursday Oct. 10 at 6 p.m. in the Frazier Hall conference room.

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READER RESPONSE

City should purchase Kentucky-American

To the editor:

I want to address a recent Kernel editorial ("Running water not city's job," Sept. 27, pg. 6). Sufficient research on the issue of the water company wasn't done to have an informed opinion.

What can happen if Urban County Government doesn't buy this company? For starters, we can say goodbye to Jacobson Park. How can this be? Well, the Kentucky-American Water Company owns Jacobson Park and leases it to the city.

In the contract, there is a clause which allows the company to sell off that land for development. What interest would RWE, the proposed purchaser, have in keeping a park in Lexington? They are, "A company that exists to turn a profit," a company based an entire ocean away and local concerns over a park in Lexington probably won't register on the radar for them.

Some of the many advantages to our government's purchasing the water company are: ensured local ownership of Jacobson Park, \$7.3 million additional revenue (\$5.3 now paid out as shareholder dividends and \$2 million as hydrant rental), and saved jobs (RWE could cut jobs as they did with Thames Water). What's more important is that local ownership allows for local control, so our citizens' thoughts about planning and local problems will never take backseat to shareholders' demands for profits.

The Kernel expects lower water bills. I'm not so sure based upon RWE's past. With a demand from shareholders for increase in profits, lower quality of service and higher rates could result. The government can purchase this water company and pay off the debt within 25 years without a rate increase and without using tax dollars.

This means that funds won't be diverted from existing city projects, and after the 25 years, that the water company can be a source that adds to the city's net worth. My data comes from Bluegrass Flow's Web site: www.bluegrassflow.org. Bluegrass Flow is a non-profit group working for local control of water. Take a look at the Web site, and you'll see that not only is government purchase of the water company fiscally feasible, that it is imperative for the future of Lexington.

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SG oversteps bounds, neglects its mission

To the editor:

Student Government has again held a large student-wide event, but at what price? Since last year's Gator Roast, which brought about wide student appeal, SG, a tuition-funded organization, has fundamentally changed its entire mission and goal — even its reason for existence. Apparently money and power have become more important than fulfilling its mission.

SG's mission statement, created last year, stresses unity, service and advocacy. Most definitely three important goals for the organization created to represent and voice student opinion to the faculty, administration and community, as well as provide financial assistance to other student organizations.

The SG of today, however, has become another Student Activities Board, holding large campus-wide amusement events, contending with and even vying for power and funding against SAB, another tuition-funded organization. Where is hosting student activities included in SG's mission statement? SAB's mission is to provide the campus with large student activities such as guest speakers, concerts, pep rallies, homecoming parades and other events. Last year's Gator Roast, for instance, was created by a joint SG-SAB venture. More importantly, you do not have to be elected to become an important part of SAB — all students are welcome.

So, with a large, well-funded organization with a sole mission of putting on campus-wide student events already in place, why is SG, an organization with a sole mission of student representation, putting on events as well? The answer is money and power.

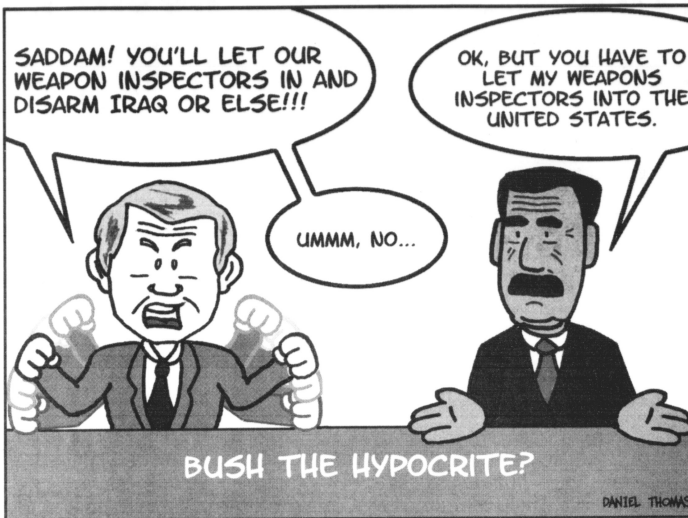
SG wants to amalgamate itself with SAB, consuming SAB to assimilate its role and, more importantly, its funding from your tuition to SG coffers. SG, which already receives half a million dollars a year of your tuition, would stand to receive hundreds of thousands more, making this powerful and exclusive organization even more powerful.

SG, as stated in its mission, should be concerned with representation, for example working to end the Lexington Area Party Plan. Instead, SG has concerned itself with the role of SAB neglecting its real job. How much money and power does SG really need? If students want events like Hoosier Daddy? then SAB should be hosting them. Let SAB do its job so that SG can get back to performing its intended function: student representation.

BEN HAYES
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IN OUR OPINION

Plan envisions a better campus

The proposed master plan for future development of the UK campus is more than just architectural blueprints for more buildings and trees.

It's a vision for a new attitude. The plan, designed by Ayers, Saint, Gross, an architectural firm from Baltimore, Md., suggests changes that would make UK a whole different place by 2020 — both visually and culturally.

In this vision, UK would find ways — more campus housing, remote lots with a reliable bus system, cash incentives — to encourage students, faculty and staff to find alternate transportation to campus.

Bike lanes and tree-lined pedestrian pathways would snake the campus, giving walkers and cyclists pleasant thoroughfares to and from classes.

Buildings would be multi-use, including both classroom space and residential areas. Some resi-

dence halls would be built closer to Central Campus.

Melding the academic and living areas could create a stronger academic community, which is needed especially on South Campus, which, aside from studying in dorm rooms and a few tutoring sessions offered in the Commons, is an academically dead area of campus.

The designers have thought big, painting a picture of a campus many of us would envy. A plan so elaborate will have some problems, but the promise is in the willingness to think beyond the status quo.

The Board of Trustees, who will eventually vote on the plan, will see it at its October or November meeting.

The trustees should put their support and our money behind these big ideas.

We may not be around to benefit, but maybe our children will.

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Celebrity liberals missing the mark

I recall an episode of South Park from several years ago presented in SpookyVision. SpookyVision was no different from any regular edition of South Park, except for images of Barbara Streisand appearing in each corner of the screen. The Spooky One recently held a fundraising concert for the Democratic National Committee, which netted over \$5 million of evil soft money that Democrats have worked so hard to ban from politics.

According to the concert's producer, Barb is so impassioned with her support for the Democrats that she was moved to sing three times as many songs as planned at the concert. Apparently someone considers Barb's opinions important and credible enough to warrant a research staff to inform her on issues, both foreign and domestic, so that she can fax policy memorandums to House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., encouraging that he enact them into law. I'm not sure which is scarier: that Barb has enough extra cash floating around to support a research staff, or that Dick personally reads and responds to every



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KERNEL COLUMNIST

memorandum sent by Barb, while his constituents are sent form letters when they voice their concerns.

Perhaps Barb just doesn't get it. Her concert, as far as I can tell, did nothing to advance her liberal agenda. She essentially structured the concert as an evening of attacks on President George W. Bush. She retitled "Memories," "Miseries" and rewrote the words to focus on the impending U.S. invasion of Iraq. "The Way We Were" is now about the glory days of high taxes and sex scandals from the Clinton administration. That is the way we were, and the American people decided that we are not going back.

I can't imagine this helped the image of Barb, Dick or the DNC. Barb's limousine liberal friends paying thousands of dollars to attend a concert slandering the most popular president in U.S. history, I would hope, alienated presidential hopeful Dick and the Democrats from middle class America, which has given Bush the highest approval ratings for the longest time span, ever.

This brings me to another subject. I am sick and tired of listening to news analysts tell me how terribly good and altruistic rich liberals like Bill Gates and Ted Turner are for trying to involve the United States even further with the United Nations and selected

foreign relief programs.

They fail to understand or appreciate the burden high taxes, contributed to by high-cost international relief programs, place on the middle class families they also claim to defend. Gates and Turner aren't in the least bit altruistic. The programs they push cost middle class families billions in tax dollars. Sure, they've donated money, but either could independently fund any of the causes they support and have enough money left over to remain in the hundred wealthiest men in the world. Gates, Turner and their rich, liberal friends adopted such causes to make them feel better about themselves, and by further involving U.S. tax dollars, the price is now at the expense of middle income Americans.

For too long, Democrats have been allowed to call the Republican Party the party of the wealthy Republicans could not raise \$5 million from a Barbara Streisand fundraising concert, probably because Republicans have better taste in entertainment. But wealthy Republicans are also busy doing something with their money, contributing to the economy, something from which all Americans benefit.

Ben Ditty is a political science sophomore. His views do not necessarily represent those of the Kernel.

Reese makes 'Alabama' sweet

By Steven Hash
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Every year Hollywood gives us a movie that involves a small town girl who for some reason or another has moved to the big city. She's in search of something bigger and better out of life. Usually, by the end of the film, she misses the country life she had.

This formula has been effective in Hollywood. It has given us movies such as *Steel Magnolias* and *Hope Floats*. The latest entry into this genre is *Sweet Home Alabama*, a predictable but funny movie.

Sweet Home Alabama stars Reese Witherspoon as Melanie Carmichael, a fashion designer in New York City whose clothing line is about to become huge. She's also dating the mayor's son, Andrew (Patrick Dempsey), who is the most eligible bachelor in the city.

One night when the both of them are suppose to be going to an event at the Metropolitan Opera House, Andrew instead surprises Melanie by proposing to her in Tiffany's.

After Melanie accepts, Andrew plans on having the wedding in Ireland, over the furious objection of his mother/mayor (Candice Bergen in a very funny role.)

But what Andrew and his mother don't know is that Melanie holds a huge secret. She is still married to her redneck husband, Jake (Josh Lucas). She goes back to her hometown, Greenville, Ala., to get Jake to sign the divorce papers, but ends up getting more than she bargained for when Jake decides that he won't sign the divorce papers. Jake feels that Melanie has turned into a different kind of person than the one he knew when she lived in Alabama.

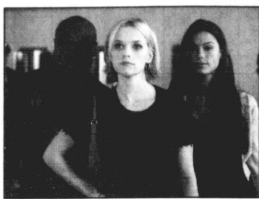


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Reese Witherspoon stars as a fashion designer in 'Alabama' who misses life in the south.

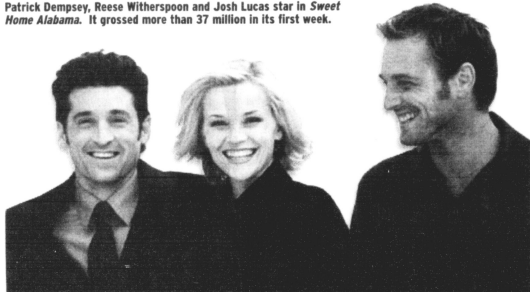
Melanie also ends up having to deal with people from her past, including her southern loving father, Earl (Fred Ward), her beauty pageant mother, Pearl (Mary Kay Place), and a gay best friend, Billy Ray (Ethan Embry).

Like most romantic comedies, Melanie despises having to see these people again. But slowly, Melanie starts to see the life that she has missed since she has been in the big city. While the movie is funny at times, the story is predictable.

Witherspoon is able to carry this movie on her own. The romance that she has with both Dempsey and Lucas is believable, even though you know 10 minutes into the movie who she is going to still end up with at the end. The movie is enjoyable enough for both guys and girls to enjoy.

Grade: B-

Patrick Dempsey, Reese Witherspoon and Josh Lucas star in *Sweet Home Alabama*. It grossed more than 37 million in its first week.



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