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## Proposed salary hikes could raise conflicts

By Sean Rose  
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UK President Lee Todd wants to give both faculty and staff raises — but some UK officials fear the difference in the amount of money involved will cause conflict and send the wrong message.

Todd said last week he's proposed a 5.5 percent salary pool increase for all faculty and a 3 percent salary pool increase for all staff. Both faculty and staff salary pools work on a merit-based system, which rewards those who work harder than others with a larger salary increase.

Todd said he's also proposed to allocate \$5 million from UK's general fund to the staff employee benefits committee, to "try to keep staff compensation competitive."

"Instead of a salary pool for distribution, we'd let the benefits committee look at what would be best to do with that \$5 million," Todd said.

"The point that I make is ... we're in a situation where we're recruiting nationally and internationally for faculty and you really have to be competitive

with national salaries," he said. "We are still committed to being competitive with staff salaries and looking for ways to use that \$5 million to help along with that 3 percent raise."

Staff and faculty have received the same raises in previous years. Last year, both groups received a 4 percent raise.

In the three years before that, however, the average percent salary raise was 1.3 percent, according to data from UK's budget office. One of those years included no extra compensation.

The differentiation this year comes from UK's Top-20 Business Plan efforts, which aim to make UK faculty salaries competitive with its benchmarks' average salaries.

Leading staff members are concerned that the lower raise, compared to the faculty raise, will send the wrong message to the staff.

"I'm saying now, it's a bad idea," said Russ Williams, staff representative to the

Board of Trustees and a senior training specialist for UK Human Resources. "It just sends — and I don't think this is intentional — an unfortunate message to the staff."

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"People are going to start to doubt their value and how much they are valued," Kyle Dippery, chairman of the Staff Senate's executive committee, said UK is doing its best with limited resources and priorities.

"I think it's not enough money to do everything and that the priority is to get the faculty salary up so we can be competitive with our benchmarks," Dippery said. "If there was enough money to go around, I'm certain that the staff would get the same raise."

Dippery said people could choose to see the lower raise as a troubling sign for the future, although he added that he doesn't believe that's the case.

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## Don't expect hiring freezes again this year, Todd says

By Sean Rose  
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President Lee Todd said he doesn't foresee needing to implement a faculty or staff hiring freeze — a scenario that's played out in two of the past three years.

"I'm going to be looking at ways for us to reduce costs as part of the (Top-20) Business Plan ... but I don't see a freeze," Todd said in a recent interview with The Kernel. "In the past, when we've had the freezes ... those are as part of cost-cutting moves and budget cuts."

Adding faculty is the first step in the top-20 plan, Todd said.

"The one big thing about

the plan is that we want to frontload with additional faculty because we want to get our student-faculty ratio back down to where it should be," Todd said. "We need to add faculty before we increase the size of the freshman class any further."

Todd said UK must cut \$2 million of its costs next year. Since the state automatically funds certain "general fund" staff positions, UK currently possesses salary monies for any unfilled positions, UK spokesman Jay Blanton said during last year's hiring freeze.

A hiring freeze two years ago saved UK between \$12 million and \$13 million.

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PHOTOS BY KEITH SMILEY | STAFF  
DanceBlue participants performed their last line dance Saturday night as the dance marathon ended in Memorial Coliseum. The participants learned the dance Friday night and performed it once each hour for the next 24 hours.

## Dance 'till you're blue in the feet

UK's first dance marathon is a record amount for children battling cancer at UK's hospital

By Shannon Mason  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Journalism junior Brittany Pennington had never been so excited to sit down.

But it was the 24 straight hours of dancing and staying on their feet — and not sleeping — that the participants of UK's first-ever dance marathon fundraiser event found more rewarding.

Pennington and about 180 other dancers set out to remain upright for 24 straight hours over the weekend during the first annual DanceBlue, a dance marathon to raise money for the pediatric oncology clinic at UK's Chandler Medical Center.

The event began at 9 p.m. Friday and ran until 9 p.m. Saturday. DanceBlue imitates a 48-hour dance marathon called "The Thon," which takes place annually at Penn State University, the site of the first-ever dance marathon.

"Physically, I'm exhausted," Pennington said. "Emotionally I'm exhausted."

"But seeing the kids here changed everything," she said. "Seeing what all they have

gone through made my sore feet feel like nothing."

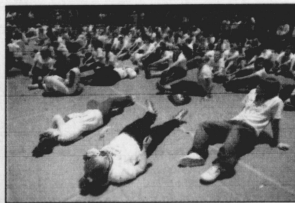
Pennington and Sarah Compton, a psychology junior, were two of 18 dancers from the Kappa Delta sorority.

"This is the best experience I've ever had," Compton said. "I had so much fun seeing how much this means to (the kids)."

DanceBlue raised \$123,323 for the Pediatric Oncology Clinic — a record among college fundraising dance events.

"In our first year, we raised more money

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KEITH SMILEY | STAFF  
Above: After standing for 24 straight hours, DanceBlue participants finally had a chance to sit down and rest their tired legs Saturday night.

Left: Mackenzie Sorensen, 6, waits to go on stage during DanceBlue. Sorensen was diagnosed with leukemia April 28 and was one of the Golden Matrix children at the event.

## Exhibit honors freedom 'warriors'

Collection shows roles of women in the Underground Railroad

By Dariush Shafa  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

They were all soldiers, whether black or white, slave or free, and they fought not with guns, but with their basements and cellars.

They took part in what became known as the Underground Railroad, a network of hiding places run by people who put their lives on the line to help slaves reach the North, where they could be free.

Now their story is being told through an exhibit, "Warriors in the Shadows: Women of the Underground Railroad," on display in the W.T. Young Library gallery through the rest of February and March.

Doris Wilkinson, a UK professor of sociology, is also the exhibit curator for the collection of photographs and other materials.

"I began thinking of fighters, strugglers, activists," Wilkinson said. She didn't like any of the terms and went for her thesaurus, she said, where she selected the term "warrior" for the people made up the Underground Railroad. Because much of their work was in secret, she called them "warriors in the shadows."

"The exhibit on display at UK is about one-third of the entire collection. The only venue where there has been enough space for the entire collection was the Morland Gallery at Transylvania University in 2003,

it held the first exhibition of the collection. Speakers at the Friday grand opening of the exhibit said this is a part of history that isn't well known.

"You would think ... this was a story that had long since been told. We're studying what really should be seen as one of the greatest human rights movements of all time."

Blaine Hudson, associate dean, University of Louisville

"This is new, groundbreaking history," said Alicestyne Adams, director of the Underground Railroad Research Institute at Georgetown College in Georgetown, Ky. "It's important because women of the Underground Railroad have never been documented."

By telling this story, more of American history overall is told, said J. John Harris III, master of ceremonies at the event, UK education professor and scholar-in-residence with

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## Salaries

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Ernie Yanarella, chairman of the University Senate, said UK has not made much progress in recent years regarding faculty pay but that this year's raises showed promise. The Top-20 Business Plan, unveiled in December, calls for several years of 5.5 percent salary pool increases or more.

"UK has, over the last couple years, moved from the bottom of our benchmarks in terms of salary to next to the bottom," said Yanarella, a political science professor.

"I certainly applaud it (the salary raise), and I think other faculty members agree with me that this is a very important issue in the context of the Top-20 Business Plan," he said.

Yanarella said since faculty salaries are judged on a national level and staff salaries are judged on a local level, it was "not surprising to me that there should be this differential." He also said he knows many staff members who are underpaid and merit higher pay.

Williams said UK staff salaries are "clearly" not what the local market would pay. In fact, staff salaries overall are at 87 percent of the local market, he said.

Todd said the 5.5 percent increase was needed to catch up to UK's benchmark competition, and he reiterated that he's also committed to keeping staff pay competitive.

"We'll need a 5.5 (percent) increase in the faculty for a few years in order to catch up with the median of our benchmarks, which we're committed to," Todd said.

"My two highest priorities this year are adding additional faculty and giving raises," he said. "That's what the (Top-20) Business Plan calls for, the challenge is that we really won't know until we get the final budget what money we have to deal with."

Because of UK's tight economic situation and its plans to cut cost where possible, Williams said employee lay-offs have been on his mind — although no such discussions have occurred, he said.

"There aren't many places where you could cut cost, except in our place of personnel," Williams said.

Dippery and Yanarella both saw positives out of the \$5 million that would go toward staff benefits. Both advocated a "cafeteria" system where employees can pick and choose benefits that would help them, such as free tuition for relatives or insurance packages. The Employee Benefits Committee will decide how to spend the money.

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## DanceBlue

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than any other major college dance marathon in their first year," said Emily Pfeifer, a finance senior and DanceBlue chairwoman.

Pfeifer said the event exceeded a lot of expectations, even though no fundraising goal was ever set.

"Our main goal was to have a personal impact," Pfeifer said. "I think we really hit home with what DanceBlue is all about. We really helped a lot of families."

Pfeifer said the highlight of the event for her was when a 9-year-old girl took the stage to sing a song during the talent show put on by some of the oncology clinic's patients.

"There wasn't a dry (eye) in the house," Pfeifer said.

More than 180 dancers signed up to participate in DanceBlue, and 32 student organizations had representatives on the dance floor, Pfeifer said. People from



KEITH SMILEY | STAFF

About 180 dancers spent 24 hours on their feet as part of DanceBlue, which started Friday night. The dance marathon benefited patients and their families in the UK Children's Hospital pediatric oncology center.

other organizations showed up to cheer the dancers on. The organizations had independently been raising money for the event throughout the past year.

Many other students and guests filtered in and out throughout the 24 hours to cheer on the dancers from their organizations and provide moral support for

everyone involved.

Pfeifer said she expects DanceBlue to become a long-running tradition at UK.

"I hope it becomes one of the biggest events every year," Pfeifer said. "I can't wait until next year."

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Need a Valentine?

The UK Student Center Cats Den is hosting Valentine's Day Singles Night on Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 7:07 p.m. Bingo will be played, as well as other Valentine's Day-oriented games. Also, there will be free pizza and a chocolate fondue fountain. The event is free and open to all UK students.

### Gatton College earns top-20 ranking

The information systems faculty in UK's School of Management, part of the Gatton College of Business and Economics, earned a rank in the top 20 in the world for research productivity in the Association for Information Systems research study of 2005. The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, Carnegie Mellon University and the University of Michigan also made it into the top 20 and

UK is tied with Stanford University and the University of North Carolina in the study's ranking.

### Faculty sought for UK 101

UK is searching for faculty members to teach UK 101, the academic orientation course for first-year students. Most of the 72 class sections are in nine and a half week, one-credit-hour, pass-fail class format and certain UK 101 sections are associated with specific colleges or majors. Any faculty members interested in teaching a course should contact Phil Kraemer by March 15 at 257-3027 or by e-mail.

### Mardi Gras at the Cats Den

The UK Student Center Cats Den will host a free Mardi Gras night on Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. The UK Jazzcats will provide live music and food — including jambalaya and "King" cake will also be provided.

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the African American Studies and Research Program at UK.

"It just represents the untold story, basically," Harris said. "American history is full of African-American history and it's intertwined."

"I think the future provides us ample opportunity to reflect on history so we have a better understanding of our current situation," he said.

Many of the people on hand said this information carries great importance today.

"It's a vital part of our history," said UK President Emeritus Charles Wethington. "It's a part of our history we must learn from, that we must not forget."

"It's reclaiming our humanity," said Bill Campbell, professor emeritus of English, who attended the opening. "It's really heroic (on each side), both black and white."

Understanding history also helps comprehend issues today, said Bill Turner, UK's associate provost for

multicultural affairs and vice president for university engagement.

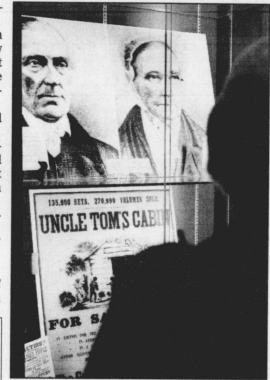
"To best know where we are in America in race, we must know where we were and how we got there, and this exhibit is (about) one of the starting points in the run toward freedom," Turner said.

Wilkinson said she's benefited from her work on this project.

"(It's been) exhilarating, inspiring, intellectually stimulating and depressing, when you see what they've gone through," Wilkinson said. "It's a mix of emotions."

But in the end, it's all about educating people, she said.

"I found another way to teach," she said. "Through exhibits."



TRICIA SPAULDING | STAFF

A visitor peers into a display case containing pieces from "Warrors in the Shadows," an exhibit focusing on women's roles in the Underground Railroad.

### If You Go

What: "Warrors in the Shadows: Women of the Underground Railroad"

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Allison Binger (left), a theater freshman, puts the final touches on a snow woman in Stoll Field while Ashton Miller, a nursing freshman, brings more snow on Saturday night.

## Democrats question Bush's authority to order spying

By Walter Pincus  
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — Two key Democrats yesterday called the National Security Agency domestic surveillance program necessary for fighting terrorism but questioned whether President Bush had the legal authority to order it done without getting congressional approval.

Rep. Jane Harman (Calif.), ranking Democrat on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and former Senate majority leader Tom Daschle (S.D.) said Republicans are trying to create a political issue over Democrats' concern on the constitutional questions raised by the spying program.

At the same time, the Republican chairmen of the Senate and House Intelligence committees — Sen. Pat Roberts (Kan.) and Rep. Peter Hoekstra (Mich.), who attended secret NSA briefings — said they supported Bush's right to undertake the program without new congressional authorization. They added that Democrats briefed on the program, who included Harman and Daschle, could have taken steps if they believed the program was illegal. All four appeared on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Roberts said he could not remember Democrats raising questions about the program during briefings that, beginning in 2002, were given to the "Gang of Eight." That group was made up of the House speaker and minority leader, the majority and minority leaders of the Senate and the chairmen and ranking Democrats of the House and Senate intelligence committees.

At the briefings, Roberts said, "Those that did the briefing would say, 'Do you have questions? Do you have concerns?'" Hoekstra said if Democrats thought Bush was violating the law, "it was every tool possible to get the president to stop it."

Harman countered that Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., vice chairman of the Senate intelligence panel, had voiced his concerns to Vice President Dick Cheney in a classified letter in July 2003, but if he had shared that letter publicly, I think he would have been in violation of the Espionage Act, the disclosure of classified information."

Harman said the briefings she received concerned "the operational details of the program," which she supported. "However," she added, "the briefings were not about the legal underpinnings of the program."

She said it was not until Bush publicly spoke about the program, after it was revealed in the New York Times in December, that she was free to discuss it with House staff and constitutional lawyers.

Daschle said he wants the program to continue but maintained that the warrantless wiretapping of calls that came into the United States or calls made overseas, even those involving suspected terrorist sources, violate the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.

He recalled that after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks Bush asked Congress to revise the surveillance act — to initiate wiretaps and get warrants after 72 hours — to make it easier to use against terrorists. Those changes were made. But in the authorization to fight al-Qaida, Bush was denied language that would have covered activities on U.S. soil.

Harman noted the House and Senate intelligence committees were briefed last week on domestic wiretapping. "We're only 36 members total that we're talking about, and those members should decide whether this program fits within the law, and if it does, which I think it does, we should all declare victory. If it does not, then we should be changing the law or changing the program."

The three current intelligence committee members talked about the article in Foreign Affairs by Paul R. Pillar, the former senior CIA intelligence analyst on Iraq. He criticized the Bush administration for "cherry-picking" intelligence to justify a decision it had already reached to go to war, while ignoring assessments that problems would emerge after Saddam Hussein was removed.

Roberts said Pillar did not give his committee that kind of assessment. Hoekstra questioned why Pillar was speaking out now.

Harman said: "He was trying to get everyone's attention. Intelligence was ignored. Yes, everyone agreed there was (weapons of mass destruction) in Iraq, but the weight of the (intelligence community's) recommendation was Saddam was contained and he wasn't going to use it."

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## TECHCHECK | not just for geeks

# Legal, legit tunes for less money: AllofMP3.com

With the music industry constantly dishing out lawsuits and Digital Millennium Copyright Act notifications, the pressure has been on Internet service providers and organizations such as UK to control the amount of illegal downloading.



**Roger Chui**  
KERNEL COLUMNIST

Now that it's more difficult and less safe to download from peer-to-peer sources, more and more people have been turning to legitimate sources for music, including Apple's iTunes Music Store, eMusic.com and Napster.

Yet most people are still reluctant to dish out \$0.99 a song or \$9.99 for an entire album on iTunes, especially when Digital Rights Management (DRM) prevents them from previewing it and curtails their ability to listen to it on multiple computers or MP3 players.

The solution is simple: AllofMP3.com.

AllofMP3 is a Russian site with a huge catalog of music. Because it's Russian, the cost of the music is significantly lower than that of any US-based music store. For \$0.02 per megabyte, you can download any album in their collection. One megabyte is approximately equivalent to one minute of music, so an entire album costs somewhere in the neighborhood of \$1.50.

The two best features about the AllofMP3 service for me, however, are the absence of DRM — meaning

you can use your music files anywhere, on however many computers or iPods you want — and the ability to preview the music before you buy it.

With the rise of popularity of AllofMP3's service, there has been an ever-intensifying debate about the legality of the service. No worries, though: AllofMP3 has signed agreements with the Russian equivalent of the Recording Industry Association of America, so to purchase an album from AllofMP3 from within Russia is guaranteed to be legal.

United States import laws also allow importing of compact discs and non-restricted data from a foreign country for personal use. Therefore, one is essentially buying the music in Russia and importing it to the United States over the Internet.

AllofMP3 has been spared investigation in Russia, but doubters claim that the reason for this is that AllofMP3 has Russian mob connections. While this claim may never be validated, the Web site itself does not take your credit card number — the transactions are done through an escrow service, so you won't have to worry about your credit card number falling into the hands of Russian mobsters, should the site have mob connections.

If you're looking for a way to get your music legally, \$0.02 a megabyte is a very inexpensive way to go legal. For one, the music is easier to find, and also because there is no risk of getting busted by the university, or worse, getting a lawsuit from the music industry.

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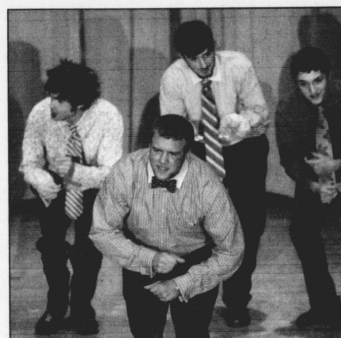
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Spanish senior Jessica Curry sings a song from the movie "Chicago" during "Paws and Kats After Dark" on Friday. The show was put on by two a capella groups at UK — Acoustikats and Paws and Listen.

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# Nor'easter dumps serious snow on Northeast

By Michael Powell and David Fahrenthold  
THE WASHINGTON POST

**NEW YORK** — A Nor'easter snowstorm rumbled over New York City and New England over the weekend, dumping record quantities of snow and bringing this densest of urban corridors to a silent stop.

The snow totals acquired a prodigious quality as one weather station after another weighed in yesterday afternoon: Central Park stood at an all-time record 26.9 inches, Hartford at 21 inches, Boston at 20 inches and the falling flakes still thick and accompanied by the rare peel of "thunder snow."

Airports closed from New York to Maine, turnpikes posted 35 mph speed limits, and winds howled and blizzard whiteouts descended for hours at a time from Brunswick, N.J., to the Hamptons to Rhode Island, Cape Cod and Maine. Nantucket recorded wind gusts of more than 60 mph and hundreds of thousands of people lost power from New Jersey to

Massachusetts.

"This is a good, intense, classic Nor'easter," said Bill Simpson, at the National Weather Service's office in Taunton, Mass., outside Boston. But, despite its ferocity, he said the storm was not of historic proportions.

"It's unusual but nothing record-breaking," he said. Nor'easters are legendary monsters that move up the East Coast and draw their howling power from the comparative warmth of the winter Atlantic. Over the centuries hundreds of fishermen in Maine, Massachusetts and Rhode Island have died in these storms, which can toss up 50-foot waves. Along the south shore of Long Island, the storms washed away some summer castles of the wealthy.

What was striking this time around was the nonchalance with which these northern cities and

suburbs endured the weekend storm.

Mayors Michael Bloomberg of New York and Tom Menino of Boston donned their sanitation department jackets and headwear and summoned their fleets of plows and salters. New York had a battalion of 2,000 plows and 350 salters laying down tons of rock salt on 6,000 miles of road.

By mid-morning yesterday, few New York streets had not seen or heard at least one plow moving through snow falling at a rate of three-inches-per-hour.

There are, of course, the usual many thousands of New Yorkers and Bostonians who, defying the elements, safety, and common sense, take to their cars and fish-tail around the corners and pile into snow drifts.

"Ah man, I love this stuff almost as much as my kids," said

Ray Candalera, a burly 50-year-old MTA bus driver as, by hand and with one glove, he dug out his car in Brooklyn. In another hour or two, he was due at the Michael Quill Garage to begin his shift.

"And give the sanitation department credit — they've got the secondary and tertiary roads pretty clear."

He smiled. "Tertiary. I've always liked that word," he said.

In New York, only the subways moved reliably. Trains carried thousands of parents and children toward the city's parks and an afternoon of sledding, angel-making and snowman construction.

"I have some legal briefs, but those I can do any day," said Gersh Borenstein, who works for an Orthodox Yeshiva in Brooklyn and was trailed through an F-train subway station by five three-foot-high children wrapped in orange and blue snow suits. "If I didn't bring them outside, my wife was going to leave."

On the streets of Cambridge, Mass., snow draped cars and roadways. "It's not really bad," cabdriv-

er Munir Salah, 37, said with a shrug. "I think it's a baby one."

In Sunset Park, Brooklyn, a hardy party of five-year-olds and harried parents poured into Melody Lanes, a venerable wood-paneled bowling alley, for a birthday party. Klara Carames had called around and found six parents ready to do almost anything to get out of their apartments.

By afternoon teams of teenagers, shovels over their shoulders, roamed door to door in Windsor Terrace, Brooklyn.

Hey, Sean Hurley, make money?

"Hell yeah — \$75 dollars, not bad, huh?" said the husky 15-year-old who says he started shoveling for money when he was a "kid." He and his buddy Christian McCarthy wanted another job before nightfall — then they would go home and root for the public schools to close today.

"I'm hopin' here," Hurley said. "Maybe when the board of ed guy comes around, I'll push a little snow into the streets."

**"This is a good, intense, classic Nor'easter. It's unusual but nothing record-breaking"**

Bill Simpson  
National Weather Service

# Al-Jafaari retains post as Iraqi prime minister in close vote

By Borzou Daragahi  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

**BAGHDAD, Iraq** — Iraq's interim prime minister, a mild-mannered religious scholar accused by critics of lacking charisma and effectiveness, narrowly fended off a challenge within his coalition yesterday and appears certain to retain his post in the country's first permanent government since the fall of Saddam Hussein.

Ibrahim al-Jafaari, a Shiite Muslim physician who has been leading Iraq's government since April, defeated economist Adel Abdul-Mahdi by one vote after weeks of unsuccessful attempts within the alliance to come up with a unanimous candidate.

The nomination battle took place within the 120-member legislative bloc of the Shiite-dominated United Iraqi Alliance, the largest political group in the 275-seat parliament elected Dec. 15. The parliament still must choose a presidential council, which will approve the prime minister and his Cabinet, a process that will take weeks.

"The victory is not that this person or that wins," al-Jafaari said, standing with Abdul-Mahdi and other alliance figures at a news conference. "The victory of

the United Iraqi Alliance is by its unity and equanimity."

Al-Jafaari's nomination solidifies the dominance of the Shiite alliance, which many of its rivals had hoped would fall apart over the leadership battle. It disappointed his critics, including those who saw his government as ineffective or who preferred Abdul-Mahdi's nationalist credentials as a one-time supporter of Saddam's Baath Party.

Al-Jafaari's nomination could complicate efforts to negotiate a broad-based government that includes all Iraq's major groups, given the wide perception among Sunnis that the current al-Jafaari administration has been too close to Shiite militias and has purged Sunnis from middle-level positions in the civil service.

As part of a power-sharing agreement within the coalition, al-Jafaari's selection means the Interior Ministry is likely to remain in the hands of Abdul-Mahdi's party, the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution of Iraq.

With al-Jafaari's nomination Sunday and the certification Saturday of results from the December election, the Sunnis must now begin negotiations with Iraq's Kurds and Sunnis to form a government and assign cabinet and other min-

isterial posts.

U.S. officials have pressured Iraq's political leaders to form an inclusive, broad-based government drawing in as many factions as possible.

Al-Jafaari's selection appeared to assure that followers of militant cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, the United Iraqi Alliance's most restless faction and a strong critic of U.S. policy in Iraq, would remain in the fold.

In recent days, speculation had mounted that Abdul-Mahdi would get the post. But Baha Araj, an al-Sadr loyalist in the Shiite bloc, said the cleric's followers had managed to persuade 10 independent legislators to switch their allegiance by opening the floor to debate about al-Jafaari's tenure.

"Eventually, there was a very frank dialogue among everybody with Dr. Jafaari regarding his weaknesses," he said. But the key issue that hurt Abdul-Mahdi, Araj said, was the decades-old "lack of harmony between the Sadr people and the SCIRI people."

Critics of the current government said al-Jafaari had failed to improve security, the economy and the delivery of essential services such as electricity.

"Our desire was to have Dr. Adel Abdul-Mahdi as prime minis-

ter and not Jaafari," said Wael Abdul Latif, a judge who serves in former interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi's secular party "(Al-Jafaari's) government failed in all directions and did not get along with all Iraqi social components. I am puzzled that the alliance made the same mistake again."

Kurds, who accuse al-Jafaari of shunting aside President Jalal Talabani, a Kurd, have complained that the prime minister failed to do enough to hasten the return of Kurds driven out of the oil-rich city of Kirkuk by Saddam.

"We had bad experiences with Jaafari," said Mahmoud Othman, a Kurdish legislator. "We wanted a change."

But Sunnis, even those backing Abdul-Mahdi, bluntly dismissed complaints about al-Jafaari.

"We have respected the Kurds' decision for president, so they must respect our decision on the prime minister," said Abbas Bayati, a member of the Shiite alliance.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice yesterday downplayed U.S. concerns about the influence of al-Sadr within the Shiite alliance.

"There are many forces behind the apparent selection of Jaafari for the UIA candidate for prime minister. But there are many

forces in Iraq. ... The good thing about a democratic process is that you have many voices, not one," she said on ABC's "This Week with George Stephanopoulos," adding that, in her estimation, "what Iraq is driving toward is a government of national unity."

By law, a government must be formed within 30 days of the designation of the prime minister. But Iraqi political leaders in the past have generously interpreted laws regarding deadlines, and few expect a government to be formed in less than two months.

Abdul-Mahdi, in an interview last month, said he wasn't worried about his own political fortunes, saying he doubted the new government — under pressure to enact economic reforms mandated by the International Monetary Fund that might prove unpopular — would last a full parliamentary term.

"It's not four years — the parliament is for four years," he said. "The government will last maybe months, maybe years. I don't know."

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"The victory of the United Iraqi Alliance is by its unity and equanimity."

— Ibrahim al-Jafaari, interim prime minister of Iraq, on his recent election victory.



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# Sports

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## Cats fizzle with no fire

NASHVILLE — Heart. Ramel Bradley never stops talking on the court, and is the second-best player on the team, after Rajon Rondo, at creating his own shot. Which takes effort and confidence.



**Chris Johnson**  
SPORTS EDITOR

But there's a difference between Rondo and Bradley. Passion. Playing with discipline and playing like a robot are two different things. You can be disciplined and still have a burning desire to win.

Bradley said he was chomping at the bit to get in Tuesday's loss to Tennessee, but didn't for a mysterious rule violation. He missed bringing what he brings to the table.

"Fire," he said, describing his best attribute.

Sometimes it's OK to have a little more passion at the expense of a little discipline—especially if the former is what your team is lacking.

It may be the sword for this Gordian knot. Nothing else has worked. Tubby Smith seemed to be turning over his bag of tricks and smacking the bottom of it like an empty Heinz bottle Saturday.

He made a conscious effort to be more positive, to be more encouraging. Less yelling, more clapping.

After earlier in the season resolving to be himself, to trust his 30 years of experience, and be as aggressive as he feels necessary.

He seemed perplexed, and kept going back to the rules.

"Today I tried to be calmer," Smith said. "It still didn't work."

What he really doesn't get, as a defensive-minded coach, is why SEC teams keep shooting over 50 percent against his team.

"Defense is all about second effort, having the discipline and heart to do it," Smith said.

"We're lacking communication," Bradley said. "And heart."

Rondo is part of that problem. Sure, he's clutch. Yeah, he can dribble like a Globetrotter.

But his shots aren't falling. And it doesn't seem like he cares.

"You win some, you lose some," Rondo said flippantly, when asked if he was upset about not making two free throws after being intentionally fouled at what was to be the end of an almost-historic comeback.

Lately, they've been losing some. And now, firmly planted on the slippery slope that is the NCAA Tournament bubble, with six games left the 15-9 Cats have three future opponents who are in the top 25 or have beaten them earlier this season.

They're starting a sub-500 SEC season full in the face.

Right now only a back-against-the-wall sense of urgency is keeping UK out of the National Invitational Tournament in New York.

The Cats showed that urgency Saturday—in just over a minute of play, UK forced three straight turnovers to trim a 10-point deficit to three.

Then Rondo missed two free throws and an open 3-pointer, and Bradley missed a much tougher look on the final play.

The two reacted quite differently after the game.

"You can't let somebody dunk or get a layup," Bradley said of UK's lack of heart on defense. "You gotta foul them, knock them on their butt."

"I'm just not making (free shots) ... but I'm not going to get my head down about it," Rondo said.

The difference between good players and great players is that the better ones don't take losses with a shrug. Defeat is a personal affront to them.

With its post-season hopes against the wall, will the Cats come out fighting or how a "You win some, you lose some" mindset?

If they do, it's going to be a short month of March. In New York.  
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## Lapse-ody in Blue: 'Dores light up UK

By Josh Sullivan  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

NASHVILLE — When UK senior guard Patrick Sparks and his teammates returned to Lexington Saturday night, they may have felt like they were floating, but the sensation wasn't caused by the elation of a Music City victory like they'd hoped.

"5 in the (South-eastern) conference — I'm sure we're on the bubble," Sparks said.

He was referring to the metaphorical boundary that separates teams who earn NCAA tournament bids from teams who get stuck with a dreaded consolation trip to the National Invitational Tournament.

After dropping a third straight game for the second time this season, UK is unsure of its post-season future. Vanderbilt was the latest opponent to shred UK's defense, shooting 58.8 percent for the game to knock off the Cats 84-81.

"I mean, where's the defense?" asked guard Ramel Bradley, the Cats' second-leading scorer Saturday with 14. "Where's the good contest, the good communication?"

The Commodores' shooting performance was the best against UK since Syracuse hit 60 percent from the field to beat the Cats almost 12 years ago.

"Anyone can play defense if you have the desire and the heart to do so," said head coach Tubby Smith. "I was really disappointed because that's one of the things we've built our success around."

Despite yielding easy points throughout the game, UK (15-9, 5-5 SEC) had a chance to pull out a victory at the end and avoid being swept by Vandy for the first time in 32 seasons. After falling behind 80-71 with 1:37 to play, the Cats mounted a desperate comeback.

The Cats had hung with the Commodores (13-8, 4-6) all afternoon with some sharp shooting of their own, hitting 54 percent of their attempts in the first half and 46 percent for the game, but they experienced a defensive epiphany in the final minute and a half that netted three turnovers and a shot to win.

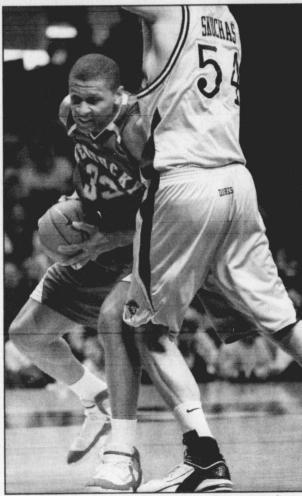
After a driving layup by senior Ravi Moss, UK forced a five second violation on Vanderbilt's inbounds play. Moss got open underneath for another close bucket to draw the Cats to 82-76.

After another turnover led to a Sparks 3-pointer, Rondo slapped the ball away from Gordon with 24.7 seconds left in the game and broke toward UK's basket, but Gordon grabbed his jersey from behind, drawing an intentional foul.

The Cats had two foul shots plus possession of the ball, giving them the chance at a four- or even five-point trip.

Rondo stepped to the line in front of a stunned sellout crowd at Memorial Gymnasium. His first foul shot barely drew rim. The second attempt was too hard. The crowd exploded.

"It doesn't give you many options



NILLY SCHIFFER | STAFF

Sophomore center Randolph Morris pushes past Vanderbilt junior center Ted Skuchas during UK's 84-81 loss Saturday in Nashville. Morris played 15 minutes because of foul problems.

when you miss the two free throws," said Smith. "Now they know you're going for three."

"I know Rajon's a capable free throw shooter," Bradley said. "I'm not going to look down on that. We shouldn't have been in that situation in the first place."

With one last chance to tie the game, the Cats set up a play for Sparks or Bradley to get open for an outside shot.

But Vanderbilt defended the possession perfectly, forcing Bradley to heave up a desperation shot from the corner that drew nothing but air as time expired.

"It hurts, man, I'm not going to lie," said Moss. "I don't have any answers, I don't know where to go."

"We want to win, we don't want to have interviews like this where everybody's asking 'Why?'" he said.

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NAME	mi	ft	3pt	tr	rb	tp
Moss	28	5-8	2-3	0-0	2	12
Bradley	22	4-11	2-5	4-4	3	14
Rondo	30	3-8	1-3	2-6	2	9
Obrzut	13	3-3	0-0	0-0	2	6
Perry	21	3-5	2-3	0-0	4	8
Sparks	34	6-15	0-0	0-0	2	17
Crawford	15	1-4	0-3	0-0	2	2
Morris	15	3-7	0-0	2-2	5	8
Thomas	22	2-4	0-1	1-1	5	5
Team	200	30-65	12-27	9-13	28	81

Vanderbilt (64)

NAME	mi	ft	3pt	tr	rb	tp
Carroll	34	9-12	0-0	4-6	12	22
Foster	34	6-10	4-7	0-0	1	16
Ferrill	29	4-9	0-0	3-4	2	11
Gordon	26	2-3	1-1	5-6	2	10
Byars	36	6-12	2-4	3-3	5	17
CAPE	23	3-5	2-2	0-0	0	8
Nwankwo	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0
Skuchas	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0
Team	200	30-51	9-14	15-19	27	84

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# Cool Cats end season with sweep of Hokies

By Jonathan Smith  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

For the Zaremski family, a decision had to be made.

Support Brian, the younger budding star for Virginia Tech, or Chris, the veteran, playing in his final UK hockey game on Senior Night.

The Zaremski family sported sweatshirts that read "Kentucky Tech." For Chris, the anticipation was great.

"It was fun to play against my brother," said Zaremski, captain of the UK hockey team that won 6-2 Saturday night at the Lexington Ice Center. "It popped up on the schedule, and we had fun with it. The family talked about it a lot."

Freshman Tommy McCurrie's two goals and one assist led the Cool Cats (19-12-2). Fellow freshman Tony Valerino chipped in a goal and two assists.

"That was a real good game," said Valerino, who scored a team-high 32 goals this season. "Everyone played tough. It was great to get a win for the seniors."

The Cats got on the board first, on sophomore Pat McAdams' goal at the 14:43 mark of the first period. Two penalties on Virginia Tech (2-7-2) gave UK a five-on-three power play advantage. McAdams' goal came off of a Mike Barnes assist.

The Cats pushed their lead to 3-0 during the second period. Barnes scored with 10:39 left in the period, followed shortly thereafter on a goal by McCurrie with 6:50 left.

"We played with a lot of intensity (Saturday)," UK head coach Rob Docherty said. "We had to earn every goal."

Virginia Tech mounted a slight comeback on a goal from Tyler Murdock at 18:03 in the third period. After Murdock's goal, the Hokies controlled the puck in the



KEITH SMILEY | STAFF

Sophomore forward Aaron Leichty tries to avoid a Virginia Tech defender during UK's 6-2 win Saturday at the Lexington Ice Center. With their week-end sweep of the Hokies, the Cool Cats finished the season 19-12-2.

Cool Cat zone for several minutes.

"Virginia Tech never gave up," said Docherty, who took over the team after Winter Break, directing them to an 8-1 record. "They worked so hard. They just kept on coming and coming."

The Cool Cats iced the victory after Virginia Tech's short rally on goals by McCurrie and sophomore Aaron Leichty. Valerino scored the final goal for the Cool Cats.

Four seniors were honored before the game, although only two played. John Royalty and Josh McConnell were sidelined with injuries. Dustin Hamilton joined Zaremski as a senior starter.

"Seniors are always special," Docherty said. "These are young men that are going to graduate, and go on in life. They're not going to play hockey anymore."

"It was a pleasure to work with these kids," he continued. "I wish it was September tomorrow. I wish we had 10 more games. We would be a ranked team. I would take our team up against any

team in Division II hockey." Zaremski acknowledged how special it was to play hockey at UK, and to beat his younger brother during his final game.

"I made some great friends," Zaremski said. "The fans were great. I couldn't have picked a better way to end my four years."

With a lineup predominantly made up of freshman and sophomores, the outlook is good for the future of the Cool Cats, Valerino said.

"Everyone wants to skate and get stronger in the off season," Valerino said. "Our goal next year is to compete for a national title. We are so young. We definitely have the talent to do it."

On Friday night, the Cool Cats scored the three goals in the first ten minutes to thump Virginia Tech 7-1. McCurrie scored three goals and had three assists. Barnes scored two goals and added five assists, and Valerino also scored twice. The win was the Cool Cats' seventh win in eight games under head coach Rob Docherty.

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"I wish it was September tomorrow. I wish we had 10 more games."

- Rob Docherty, Cool cats head coach

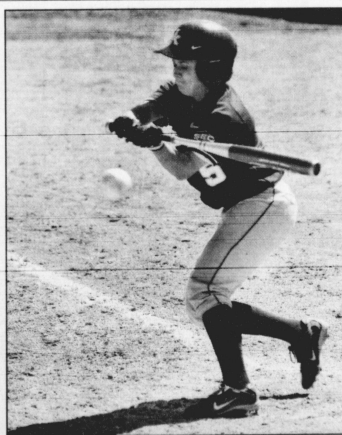
## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Women's basketball posts record SEC win

Eleia Roddy had her fourth career double-double and UK outscored Arkansas 50-16 in the paint to cruise to a 29-point blowout victory over the Lady Razorbacks, 79-50. Roddy finished with a career-high 17 points and 11 rebounds in the win, and freshman point guard Carly Ormerod also tied a career high in points, with 18, as the Cats (17-6, 6-4 Southeastern Conference) got their first-ever win at Fayetteville's Bud Walton Arena. UK shot 54 percent from the floor, and held Arkansas to 27.9 percent shooting. Up 34-24 at half-time, the Cats came out of the intermission with a 9-0 run to break the game open.

### Softball upsets Washington

UK (3-2) used a complete-game three-hitter from starting pitcher Jessica Trueblood to upset No. 13 Washington, 6-1, in its season opener Friday in Las Vegas. The Cats finished the tournament 3-2, posting victories over Illinois-Chicago and Long Beach State and dropping matches to No. 12 Oklahoma and UNLV. Against the Sooners, the Cats nearly had their second upset over a top-15 team in the same day, but gave up two runs in the top of the seventh inning and couldn't come back in the bottom half. Sophomore Alli Eckman hit a grand slam against Illinois-Chicago to give the Cats a 5-4 lead in the top of the top of the



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UK infielder Cina Florence swings in a game last year. The Cats beat No. 13 Washington 6-1 in a Las Vegas tournament Friday. They finished 3-2 on the weekend, and have their home opener next Saturday.

sixth, and was followed by Junior Ashley Ferric's solo shot to set the final score.

### Track sets provisional marks at Iowa State

Five UK athletes had marks at Iowa State this weekend good enough to provisionally qualify them for the NCAA championships.

Sophomore Justin Harrison qualified in the 400-meter run, setting a 47.06 mark, and qualifying for

the second consecutive season. Junior Georgeanne Way and sophomore Lavera Morris qualified in the women's 800 meters, running times of 2:06.49 and 2:07.88, respectively, to hit below the provisional time. Junior Gavin Ball threw a provisional mark in the shot put to qualify Friday, senior runner Allison Grace ran a 16:43.09 in the 5,000 meters to qualify and set a new personal best.

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## IN OUR OPINION

### Free societies must protect speech rights

Plares of discontent have shot up around the Middle East in recent weeks over the publication of cartoons depicting the Prophet Mohammed.

The 12 cartoons, which first ran in the Danish newspaper Jyllands-Posten last September and subsequently in other European publications, have been widely criticized by Muslim and Western leaders alike.

Some Muslim leaders have called on the Danish government to apologize for the cartoons. But there's nothing rotten in the state of Denmark. The Danish government didn't commission the cartoons, nor does it have any say over what material can run in a free press.

Unfortunately, Muslim fundamentalists and some Arab governments have exploited the issue, and inexcusable bedlam has resulted. Protests have turned violent in several countries, the capstone being the burning of the Danish and Norwegian embassies in Syria.

In fact, Arab extremist groups have done all they can to stir the pot. Islamists have inflamed discord by secretly circulating three cartoons of a much worse nature than those published by the Danish paper. In other words, they defiled their own religion on the pretext of defending it.

The Iranian government has blamed Israel for the cartoons, and its state newspaper is sponsoring a Holocaust cartoon contest even though Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad claims it never occurred. (It shouldn't take a genius to see the fundamental difference in a controversial cartoon critical of a religious sect printed in an independent publication and a state-sponsored cartoon contest depicting genocide by a racist government.)

In order to further sort through the issue, several misconceptions have to be cleared up.

First, it seems that most Muslims, however offended by the cartoons, disapprove of the violence. It's unfortunate, but the most extreme voices tend to get a disproportionate amount of print space and sound bytes.

Second, the prohibition on depicting the Prophet Mohammed isn't universally agreed upon by Muslims. In fact, depictions of Mohammed done by Muslim artists can be found dating back to the 16th century.

However, the most grandiose discussion is that criticism of a religion is tantamount to persecution, and that Islamic religious values and Western secular values are mutually exclusive. They can coexist peacefully, but only in pluralistic societies that protect individual liberties, such as freedom of speech and the press.

Looking back on the origins of American democracy, one is reminded of its firm rooting in the classical-liberal ethic of criticizing institutions, both religious and political. Because of that, religions and secular liberties for those of all creeds has flourished in the United States.

It's time for the responsible Muslim majority to retake the religious banner hijacked by jihadis, and for Western leaders to stop wringing their hands whenever sacred freedoms are attacked.

Of course, defending the right to publish the cartoons is not tantamount to agreeing with them. Indeed, while The Kernel clearly opposes government censorship or mob intimidation to prevent papers from running these cartoons, we have decided there is no reason for us to engage in needless religious and ethnic provocation. The right to offend does not always entail a duty to do so.

One can disagree about whether the cartoons are tasteful. But the decision to either run or not run the cartoons is an inviolable right of a truly free press.



BRAD STURGEON, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

## We need leadership, not rhetoric

I have been asked by numerous news organizations and citizens for my response to Mayor Teresa Isaac's Jan. 25 State of the Merged Government Address. As a candidate for mayor, I ought to campaign with more than just sound bytes on the local news, so I want to address Isaac's remarks in a more substantive fashion than brief interviews can permit.

In short, Isaac's speech summed up the way she has tried to lead Lexington. It was long on rhetoric but short on results attributable to her efforts, and it offered no goals, ideas or vision for the future. We should never confuse activity with progress. In a community that is starved for mayoral leadership, on Jan. 25 we once again found our plates empty.

Although she took pleasure in accepting the title of "Master of Disaster" because of her satisfaction with the city's disaster relief efforts, most Lexingtonians would find the title fitting for other reasons.

Let's not forget, the mayor who delivered the rosy picture of local government activity is the same mayor who oversaw, among other disastrous administrative decisions, the garbage collector's overtime pay mess, the loss of 66 police officers in 2004 alone, and the water fiasco that has divided our community and cost taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars. Unquestionably, this administration has been one of the most divisive, poorly planned and poorly executed mayoral tenures in our city's history.

However, what struck me most was Isaac's failure to use the address to tackle the tough issues that lie ahead of us — issues such as

creating economic opportunity, managing our growth, protecting our citizens, improving our traffic and uniting our community. That failure leaves Lexington with no reason to expect anything other than more of the same acrimonious and confrontational leadership style in the future.

So, the question for voters this year is straightforward: Is the status quo — Isaac's approach to the job of leading our city — good enough, or can we do better? The answer is obvious. Lexington needs new ideas, new creativity and new leadership to not only do a better job of delivering basic services, but to also do a better job of uniting our community to address the tough issues ahead.

Where do we begin to address those tough issues? Let's start with providing our young people with opportunity.

In April, I sat on the UK campus and met a handful of our state's best and brightest students who aspire to be engineers. They love Lexington, yet they all plan to leave — simply because Lexington's economy doesn't offer them the kind of jobs they need in order to stay, and I can't tell you how many parents have told me about their children leaving Lexington to find employment elsewhere. To me, that sort of brain drain is unacceptable.

So, what do we do about it? In the first week of my term as mayor, I will begin to plug the brain drain by convening a working group comprised of representatives from the business community, our horse and health care industries, UK, Transylvania University, the Bluegrass Community and Technical College, and our local government to focus Lexington's economic development efforts on horses, health care and high-tech opportunities.

UK is one of our community's greatest assets. The presence of its faculty and researchers makes Lexington a major source of intellectual horsepower for our state and na-

tion. Our community must provide faculty members and high-tech companies with the financial, managerial and other support they need to take their intellectual property from the lab to the market.

Moreover, we must invest in our people and be certain that all Lexingtonians have access to the education and training necessary to compete in a rapidly changing global economy. BCTC, Transylvania and other institutions can enable us to have the globally competitive skills necessary to work for our globally competitive employers.

During my first week as mayor, I will direct the Mayor's Office of Economic Development to give fast-track treatment to projects involving the horse, health care and high-tech industries so that we can create these jobs without undue delay. In the coming weeks, I'll address other important issues, but there's no better way for a mayor to start a term than creating greater economic opportunity for our community.

Lexington's challenges are significant and numerous, but we can overcome them if we work together. I am running for mayor to fundamentally change the way we do business — to provide leadership that unites our citizens as we achieve common goals.

To do that, we need a mayor who can lead, who can inspire, and who can help Lexington craft its vision for the future — a mayor who can unite us and not divide us. My opponents have both worked in our local government for 10 years or more, and they have repeatedly demonstrated their inability to lead, inspire or provide direction for our community. They have repeatedly shown that they know how to divide us but don't have a clue how to unite us. It's time we tell them thanks for their efforts to serve our community, but it's now time for a new approach and lots of new ideas.

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### Downloading enforcement helps protect students

Last week, The Kernel reported that UK administrators are now able to identify students who are engaging in illegal file sharing and downloading on the campus network. In addition to being able to see who was using the network to obtain and share files by means of peer-to-peer programs and the like, university officials also revealed that, given their ability to identify individuals who are sharing or downloading illegal files, disciplinary action would be taken against violators.

Students who are found to be engaging in illegal downloading activities will first be given a warning and told to delete all illegal files and their file-sharing programs, and to refrain from any future illegal file sharing or downloading. A second offense will bring about a meeting with the dean of student

affairs, a scenario that's already occurred twice this semester. If a subpoena is issued, UK administrators can and will hand over names to the FBI.

Although the idea of UK administrators being able to monitor who is doing what on their computers may seem somewhat unsettling, UK students should reconsider their involvement in illegal downloading. Students may be able to rationalize illicit file-sharing to themselves, but their claims are unlikely to stand up in court against the Recording Industry Association of America. The new UK policy may restrict students' freedom on the Internet to some extent, but it will end up saving students from themselves. Besides, a meeting with the dean would be much preferable to a six-figure lawsuit from the recording industry.



Jim Newberry  
GUEST COLUMNIST

## LETTERSTO THE EDITOR

### Don't oversimplify Iran issue

In the Feb. 9 Kernel, Brenton Kenkel discussed the Iranian nuclear weapons program and possible U.S. responses to it. While I believe that the intent of his article was to foster a dialogue on possible ways to peacefully curb (or halt) the Iranian weapons program, throughout the article the author demonstrates a poor knowledge of the foreign policies of Middle East states and thus offers an unlikely solution to the current nuclear dilemma that states in this region must face.

At one point, Kenkel claimed that "heads of state [in the Middle East] often act on religious motivations rather than rational ones." This is to put it bluntly completely incorrect. While some Middle Eastern rulers may use religion as a form of regime legitimacy, seldom does faith dictate foreign policy. What actually guides foreign policy decision-making in the Middle East is a theory known as omni-balancing, popularly espoused by Raymond Hinnebusch and Anoushiravan Ehteshami in "The Foreign Policies of Middle East States." This theory takes into account three main factors as the basis of policy: 1) Domestic challenges, including threats to regime legitimacy; 2) external threats and pressures emanating from both the regional and global level; and 3) economic concerns. To assume that religion is the sole motivation for foreign policy is to neglect the other dynamic forces acting upon the leaders who actually develop the policy.

However, in Kenkel's proposed solution to the Iranian nuclear crisis, he seems to take these factors into account. He argues that the West should coerce Israel into reducing its nuclear arsenal, which would give Iran the incentive to halt its own nuclear program. In addition, the United Nations should propose sanctions against Iran, should it not wish to cooperate. This solution (regardless of its likelihood) assumes that Iran would take into account both external threats and economic considerations in deciding the

appropriate course of action, yet says nothing about how religion might influence the Iranian leadership.

I admire Kenkel's solution, but it simply will not work. Israel is not going to give up its nuclear arsenal, and even if it were to do so, it likely would not have any effect on Iran's decision to continue its own program. Iran sees nuclear capabilities as a way to heighten its own position in relation to the rest of the Middle East and the global community at large, and it will take more than "amateur" suggestions to divert them from this course.

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### Columnist wrong about Islam

I would like to correct and respond to some of the false clichés used by Wes Blevins in his Feb. 8 column. First, Blevins claimed that the Islamic world is still living in the Middle Ages awaiting the secular enlightenment. Little does he know that Islam was the enlightenment that converted the Middle East from seafaring, uncivilized tribes to a thriving civilization that flourished in science and culture. While the medieval European churches executed scientists, Islamic law encouraged and developed several universities to teach all facets of science, from medicine to optics.

Furthermore, Blevins described women in the Islamic countries as second- or third-class citizens. Islam was the only religion that provided women with the right to inherit, the right to approve a marriage and the right to a divorce — in addition to the lengthy verses in the Koran that encourage respect of women. So, let's not be so superficial as to judge women's rights based on their apparel.

Blevins also wrote that U.S. mosques are built and funded by Saudi Arabia, portraying Islam as a foreign religion to the United States, sponsored by external powers. This is not correct, because most U.S. mosques are built and funded by

American Muslims, who are an integral part of this nation's social texture.

Islam defines itself as the third heavenly religion, after Judaism and Christianity, where Jews and Christians are considered as "believers" in God — not "infidels," as Blevins referred to them. I recommend that he read the history of Jerusalem to learn that during the Islamic reign, no churches or synagogues were dismantled or harmed. One such book is "One City, Three Faiths" by the British nun Karen Armstrong. And if he doesn't know of any churches in Saudi Arabia, I don't know of any mosques or synagogues in the Vatican City.

Blevins accuses the Islamic nations of publishing anti-Semitic, anti-Christian material in their newspapers. These accusations are completely unfounded because most of these nations are Semitic (Arabs are the sons and daughters of Ishmael, the first son of Abraham) and include both Muslims and Christians (40 percent of Lebanese are Christians), so these nations did not and cannot attack their own identity or religions.

Finally, I would like to say that having the legal right and the physical ability to do a certain action doesn't necessarily justify doing it. Freedom of speech and many other legal rights are given to us to use with discretion toward achieving good for the society. So, let's have a responsible freedom of speech that practices tolerance rather than just preaching it.

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