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Herald-Leader donates historical negatives

By Darliah Shafa
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

The Lexington-Herald Leader agreed last week to donate a collection of historical photo archives — almost 1.8 million images capturing Lexington's history since World War II — to UK.

"It was something everybody wanted to see happen," said Tim Kelly, Herald Leader publisher and president. Negotiations over the

archives, which had been in progress since October 2004, resulted in the Herald-Leader donating the entire collection, valued at about \$4 million, said Lisa Carter, UK's director of archives, special collections and digital programs.

"It's a donation from the Herald-Leader to the university, and that's why it's such a significant gift," she said.

Though the negotiations were lengthy, Carter said the majority of the time was de-

voted to specifics.

"There were just certain little things like in any agreement that just needed to be worked out," she said, such as questions about privacy issues and intellectual property rights. Re-use rights and access were also discussed.

"We just needed to be very clear in the agreement between the Herald-Leader and the university," Carter said. Although some stipulations were made by the Her-

ald-Leader, they mostly involve commercial re-use and access by the Herald-Leader. Kelly said the end result was something that everyone was pleased with.

"We're glad we're able to conclude this agreement and keep them saved for posterity," Kelly said.

The photos will be moved from the Herald-Leader to a storage space in the Lucille Little Fine Arts Library, Carter said.

Carter said UK hopes to begin moving the archives next month. Over the next two and a half years, about 97,000 "at-risk" items, in danger of deteriorating from age, will be moved.

UK budgeted \$400,000 for these items, which includes a \$160,000 grant from the National Historical Preservation and Records Commission. The money will fund the renovation of a heat and humidity-controlled space and com-

puters to build a database of the pictures.

The budget also pays the salaries of one archivist and several student helpers.

Many of the archived photo negatives, stored alongside newspaper clippings of their stories, require preservation because the acidic newspaper has begun to deteriorate the negatives as well as the acidic envelope paper, Carter said.

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UT 67, UK 49

Lady Vols spoil DeMoss' return

By Lindsey Keith
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — UK head coach Mickie DeMoss went back to where she called home for 18 years, and she was welcomed back by a defensive clinic by the No. 7 Tennessee Lady Vols.

After the fans at Thompson-Boling Arena welcomed DeMoss with a standing ovation, they watched their beloved Tennessee (4-3, 4-0 Southeastern Conference) score 22 unanswered points in the opening minutes of the game.

UK (13-7, 2-3 SEC) could never recover from the 22-0 run, as the Lady Vols won 67-49.

"I liked the way our starters got us out on a defensive mission at the beginning," said Tennessee head coach Pat Summitt. "(Slyra) Ely was taking the challenge of guarding (Sara) Potts."

Ely shut down Potts and held the UK forward to just five points, and two-for-10 shooting.

"That's a role that I have to fulfill for this team," said the 6-foot-3 senior Ely. "I tried not to let her (Potts) get the ball and limit her touches and frustrate her. I think I did a good job."

Ely led the way for the

Lady Vols, scoring 13 points and grabbing seven rebounds in 20 minutes of action.

The Lady Vols dominated UK on the boards and on the defensive end. They out-rebounded the Cats 54-36, and they held UK to just 28.2 percent shooting from the field.

"We couldn't knock down shots early," DeMoss said. "Tennessee's defense was a big part of that. We took some quick shots, and that opened up their running game."

Before DeMoss' frustration began, the 16,471 in attendance honored her in a pre-game ceremony welcoming her back to Knoxville.

"I didn't know they were going to do a ceremony," DeMoss said. "Joan (Croan) pulled a fast one on me. It was nice to be back at Thompson-Boling Arena, and the crowd was very welcoming."

UK continued its struggles on the road by losing their second consecutive SEC game on the road, and continued its 23-game slide to the Lady Vols.

After the frustrating first half, the Cats played even with the Lady Vols in the second half, outscoring them

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UK provost eyes top job in Missouri

Nietzel one of three finalists

By Adam Sichko

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they will be separated from each other and put in separate envelopes; currently many of the negatives are stored in groups. "It's survivability is going to be ensured," Kelly said.

"That's about the sun and substance about it — saving the collection."

After the "at-risk" items are cared for, UK will seek funding for the rest of the archives. Carter said that process could take six years, provided there are no difficulties in getting funding.

"It's a very large, challenging, long-term job, but we're very excited because it's a very rich resource,"

Carter said.

Carter said the donation has great meaning for all people interested in the history of Kentucky as well as UK.

"This donation is incredibly important, and the work we're going to do is significant because we're going to be providing public access for the first time," Carter said.

"Portions of our history will be uncovered, and we'll learn more about Central

Kentucky than we've ever known before."

Access to the photos in the collection will be made available to anyone, not just UK personnel or Herald-Leader staff.

"It just shows they (the Herald-Leader) really care about the community's access to their (the community's) history."

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Cats

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33-32, but still came up 18 points short.

"We could never recover from that early run," DeMoss said. "It was a long night for the Cats."

A lone bright spot for UK was the offensive play of freshmen guard Samantha Mahoney, who scored 15 points and was the only Cat that seemed comfortable in playing in the intense atmosphere.

"I didn't think the atmosphere would bother us," DeMoss said. "We have been drawing pretty well at Kentucky — but of course they are cheering for us."

Now that the homecoming of DeMoss is over, the Cats will have to focus on the tough SEC schedule that awaits them, or UK will have many long nights.

"We tried to look at it like it was any other game, an SEC game that we wanted to win," said UK guard Angela Phillips. "So it was disappointing."

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DeMoss

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"Now go blow them down, all right!" one Tennessee fan yelled following a mid-court presentation honoring DeMoss minutes before tip-off.

That fan couldn't have foretold it any better.

The Wildcats fell to No. 7 Tennessee 67-49 yesterday, and from the outset DeMoss' reunion seemed like it was destined for National Lampoon's vault.

UK squeaked first, on a jumper by freshman guard Chante Bowman, but Tennessee answered with a hailstorm.

UK went nearly 12 minutes without a point, while the Lady Vols streaked to a 22-2 lead.

The first half became a game of "When will UK score?" The Wildcats started one-for-18 from the field, making only six buckets the first half.

It also became painfully obvious how unlucky UK was when senior forward Sara Potts came up with a loose ball at center court, streaked to the basket and missed a wide open lay-up — by a mile.

Even the Tennessee fans felt sorry for the orange crush. When junior forward Jennifer Humphrey connected on the back end of a one-plus-one free throw attempt at the 8:20 mark, Lady Vols fans applauded — UK's side of the scoreboard worked after all. It was 22-3.

"Let's face it," Summit said. "UK got a lot of good looks early, but they just didn't fall."

This is not how DeMoss wanted to return to Thompson-Boling Arena.

DeMoss knows UK is still years away from where she'd like to be — competing for Southeastern Conference titles and making perennial appearances in the NCAA tournament, just like her former boss does at Tennessee.

Heck, it was what she was used to for 18 years. The norm, the usual, just another day at the office.

Yesterday was no office party.

But who said it was supposed to be easy? Tennessee hasn't lost to an unranked team here in more than 20 years, and they're a gaudy 139-9 against Southeastern Conference teams at home.

After the game, DeMoss greeted the Knoxville media with a grin and a quip: "Hello to everybody."

For DeMoss, it was a long night.

especially after Tennessee's game-starting rout.

"Very long," she said. "I was wondering if we were going to score again."

Despite the loss, DeMoss knew she was "home" and alluded to the warm reception by the Knoxville crowd and understood their gratitude.

"I think the fans appreciated the 18 years I was here," she said. "It was a warm feeling."

Even Lady Vol players didn't miss a beat to extol DeMoss.

"We were very excited to see Mickie on the floor," said junior guard Shanna Zolman. "She helped build this program. I was really excited that she got such a warm welcome."

DeMoss returned to Lexington with a loss, but she did so with something else — a sense of where she's been and where she's going.

Still loved in Knoxville where she helped hang six NCAA title banners, DeMoss can move forward with a little project of her own: UK Hoops.

Sometimes a little support from the past can push someone a long way to success.

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Provost

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community, but he struck us as an individual who has strengths in other areas, too. A very strategic thinker," Carlson added.

Joining Nietzel as finalists are David Belcher, provost at the University of Arkansas, and John Sellars, senior vice president for institutional advancement at Syracuse University.

"We were honored that a person who is provost of the University of Kentucky would consider SMS because UK is a highly regarded institution,"

Carlson said.

One of Nietzel's strengths is his knowledge about UK and its workings, which he has accumulated since he arrived as a psychology professor in 1973, said University Senate Chairman Ernest Yanarella.

"In that respect, I've been very impressed with Mike's performance," he said.

Yanarella said many of his colleagues sensed that it was only a matter of time before Nietzel found another opportunity.

"That isn't to say that if he's offered the position that he'll accept, but he certainly is presidential material, and wherever he goes, he'll bring as good a deal of administrative savvy," he said.

Nietzel seems to have been bitten by an academic version of what Yanarella termed "Persimac fever" — the political desire to advance to a higher position in government.

"As a sitting provost, the only silver ring to grab is a presidency," he said.

Despite some differences of opinion, the two enjoy a "good working relationship," Yanarella said.

"If he does go, he'll have many well wishers," Yanarella said. "If he decides to stay there will be many of us — including me — who will hope that we maintain a good working relationship, one that has included fairly adversarial differences when issues clash."

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CORRECTION

In Jan. 19's "Reps: UK should score state funds," The Kernel misquoted Kentucky Rep. Stan Lee as saying Kentucky's budget is \$70 million.

The state budget is \$7 billion.

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MUSIC REVIEW

Rhythm creates 'A Better Place'

By Nathan Thacher
KERNEL MUSIC CRITIC

Hmmm — is this indie rock?

No, they're too precise with their instruments. Oh, it's a synth/prog rock combo not unlike Radiohead!

No, no, they can't sing. It could be a hybrid form of Brit pop — no, they're from Cincinnati.

All right, I have no idea what this album is; let's just call it *The Wolverton Brothers' A Better Place*, shall we?

Tim Schwalle (vocals, guitar, piano, synth), Bill Wol (guitar, organ), Jay McCubbin (bass, effects) and T. Lother Witt (drum kit, congas, best name ever) have put together a widely variegated and an immensely enjoyable album. If you were to put Pink Floyd, Joy Division, Radiohead and an ounce of hash into a blender and hit puree, something like *A Better Place* might come out of the mix.

The guitar work is very good on almost every track, the percussion is catchy, the synth is as original and mind numbing as synth can be, and thankfully Schwalle doesn't sing on every track. The full upshot of all of the instruments, effects and random looped sound bytes is quite trance-inducing in

tracks like "So Beautiful," "Brook X Nymphs" and "Wintery Mix." And the "oops, I can't go that high" vocals are your anchor to reality.

The songs are never very noisy and disjointed as it too often is with a lot of effects and loops; these boys got rhythm. The synth tracks are probably the most enjoyable songs on the album. Herein, they've crafted new sounds that probably haven't ever been made before, and that's pretty admirable.

"Descension," "Sky Trails" and "No Panic Trip" feature a healthy blend of rhythm, effects and guitar. There is a greater sonic variety in these songs, as well as random time changes led by Witt's steady sticks. These songs are the easiest to listen to without all of the clattering, crackling and buzzing of the trance tracks.

"Sky Trails" is the most original and enduring song on the album, featuring feathery-soft guitar strums played over a distorted/renewed loop of a "love chant from North Africa" (you can't make this stuff up). I can't properly describe the sound of a dozen little girls chanting something in a different language over guitars. In a word, "Guh?" "Give Me



PHOTO FURNISHED BY DEARY ME RECORDS
The eclectic *A Better Place* is the Wolverton Brothers' latest album.

Some Lightning," "Appleseed" and "Not Enough" are the standard issue guitar tracks that would fit in nicely as a backdrop for a noisy but or a proper kegger. Abrasive, but ignorable. These are more rock-based and less experimental and would probably sound perfect live. The rest of the tracks require you to listen more carefully to pick up on all the sounds at play.

There is nothing that you can specifically nail down about this album, no particular genre that's consistent from start to finish. The Wolverton Bros. has an independent sound — that's pretty refreshing on its own. For a paltry \$10 you can buy *A Better Place*, and I must say, it's quite a value.

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(The band) has an independent sound — that's pretty refreshing on its own."

KERNELS OF TRUTH | knowing is half the battle

Got wind? Patterson Office Tower does

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Sincerely,
Wandering by White-hall

Dear Wandering, If you're using an umbrella, you'll lose it by POT. If it's raining, you'll be pelted in the face with it. And if it's already below freezing, you're most likely to get frostbite.

The courtyard area of Patterson Office Tower has many people in a state of

meteorological confusion.

Bob Wiseman, vice president for facilities management, gave Kernels of Truth the answer:

"That corner between Patterson Office Tower and the Classroom Building is also the highest point on campus, and it has the tallest building on campus," Wiseman said.

"The prevailing winds come from the southwest, and it tends to act like a dam and shoot those winds through there. It's kind of a 'wind tunnel' effect."

Wiseman said the high

winds have been around for as long as he can remember.

"It's been there since I was an undergraduate," he said. "It's been that way for 30 years."

Sincerely,
Staff Writer Darius Shafa (aka Kernels of Truth)

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WEEKINREVIEW

President Bush inaugurated

President Bush officially began his second term last Thursday in Washington, D.C. after being sworn in by an ailing Chief Justice William Rehnquist. Bush became only the 16th president to be inaugurated a second time. He outlined what most have called an ambitious second-term agenda, including reforming Social Security and the war on terror. Showing their dissent and vowing to fight, many Democrats appeared on the airwaves along with thousands of protesters. And, of course, they had every right to do so. But giving the president one day to relish his victory would have been the opportunity for Democrats and their ilk to show class, which is so rare on either side of the isle these days.

Condemnation nearing end?

The urban county council voted to end water condemnation at last Thursday's council meeting with an 8-7 vote. Councilman Jacques Wigginton has changed his stance on the vote, saying the city got a bad deal from the water company, which offered to give the city ownership of Jacobson Park and Lakeside Golf Course in 2018. He may change his vote back to the side of condemnation if new negotiations are brought to the table. Without his vote, Mayor Teresa Isaac can veto the action and is likely to do so. Apparently the city government feels entitled to a tribute for its act of benevolence so lovingly bestowed on a nasty corporation like Kentucky-American Water. After all, it's only greedy businesspeople — not politicians — that act in their own self-interest.

Better times for UK?

Officials in Frankfort said UK can look forward to better funding from the state legislature this year. Fayette County representatives said higher education is a top priority for them this year. "UK can look forward to doing well in the upcoming session," said Harry Moberly, 81st district representative and chair of the appropriations and revenue committee. UK surely could use better funding given that UK hasn't received a raise in appropriations in three years. In fact, funding has been cut. It would also help if the state gave UK the money it needs to become a top-20 university, especially since the state legislature was the body that mandated the move.

Students protest Bush

About 30 students gathered to protest the inauguration of President Bush and his policies. Some interesting claims were made by protesters there. They included comments claiming the Bush family is a dynasty. Well, dynasties were never elected. Perhaps under such logic the Kennedy family would apply as well, a point perhaps not as readily conceded by Bush dissenters. Additionally, some protesters were annoyed by police presence because they apparently viewed the police as a threat to their civil liberties. But at least four protesters jumped out in the street and would not disperse, so they were arrested. And the "demonstration" quickly turned into disorder, as many protests are wont to do.

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AARON SMITH, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

IN OUR OPINION

Isaac speech ignored inadequacies

If you took Mayor Teresa Isaac's State of the Merged Government Address Jan. 19 at face value, you would have thought her two years as mayor have made all in Lexington just peachy.

And you would be dead wrong. Isaac spent much of the address bragging about Lexington's appeal to business. Indeed, the statistics she cited — the creation of 2,900 new jobs, the No. 9 ranking from Forbes as best place to start or locate a business — are impressive.

But she was altogether silent on the condemnation of the Kentucky-American Water Co. — a process that revealed more unbridled hostility to private enterprise than openness to business.

More shocking than this silence, however, was her state-

ment that "we promised to be excellent stewards of taxpayer dollars, and we have" and her boasting about the government's \$11.1 million surplus.

Stewardship, however, doesn't mean spending all but \$415,000 of the said surplus in a three-hour meeting — which is exactly what the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council did in November.

Nor does it mean spending more than \$1 million on a condemnation effort that, as the Nov. 2 elections revealed, Lexington voters didn't support.

Isaac claimed to have solved "the issue of compensation for public safety employees."

Apparently, she doesn't consider the departure of more than 50 Lexington police officers in 2004 because of inadequate pay a problem.

The institution of a step system for salaries was a start, but besides asserting that the city will hire 70

more police officers in 2005 — still far short of the 196 officers Lexington Police Chief Anthony Beatty said were necessary — Isaac gave few concrete reasons to

believe Lexington's public safety problems will end soon.

She discussed a project to rebuild the Aspendale neighborhood and a development fund for businesses that agree to use abandoned inner-city properties — all without a word about where the funding will come from.

And her tepid promises to try to get state and federal funding for a permanent Emergency Operations Center and a new communications system for emergency personnel aren't encouraging — how much will Lexington have to pay for these, and where will the money come from?

What Lexington needs now is pragmatic leadership, not Isaac's vague rhetoric or fanciful promises.

Judging from her speech, however, that's all she has to offer.

Mayor's State of the Merged Government Address was short on specifics for future Lexington projects.

PETA campaign fishes in the waters of absurdity

Break out your box of Kleenex — People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals have a real tearjerker coming your way. This time they're not targeting those barbarians who eat cattle, chicken or pork. No, this time their new ad campaign goes after those immoral fish eaters.

That's right. If you've ever been fishing or enjoyed the delicious flavor of Van de Kamp's fish sticks, you better get on your knees and beg for forgiveness, according to PETA anyway.

Their new campaign in the seemingly never-ending fight for animal "rights" is the Fish Empathy Project. This new and controversial project by PETA seeks to inform the public that "fish have feelings, too," as their slogan claims. But, to put it bluntly, who cares? Now, before any animal activists out there get mad, let me explain. My beef (no pun intended) with PETA is this: They have

managed to take an otherwise noble cause of ethical treatment of animals and turn it into the quite absurd special treatment of animals that seems to be the goal of modern animal activists.

Webster's defines ethical as "conforming to accepted professional standards of conduct." By this definition one would assume that the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals is concerned with ensuring that no animals are abused at meat processing plants. And who would blame them? No decent person can view undercover video of pigs being repeatedly slammed against a concrete floor and not feel sick.

If this were all that PETA was opposing, I'd support them. After all, animals are God's creations and therefore deserve the proper dignity due anything created by Him — we're to be stewards of the earth. The problem, however, is that PETA's agenda is much more radical. Rather than calling for more strict regulations on the meat industry (which I would gladly support), PETA has decided to target you and me — the average consumer — and label us monsters for eating meat.

As misguided and wrong as it

is to blame the average steak-lover for the isolated incidents of true animal abuse, PETA apparently feels that they need to go even further. With their new fish-friendly campaign, a whole new segment of the population is on PETA's watch list: the PETA supporters who thought they were helping the cause by only eating fish!

Let's see, if it's now wrong to eat fish, I suppose I could save one from evil human jaws by adopting one as a pet, right? Wrong again. According to PETA's Web site, pet fish "suffer miserably when forced to spend their lives in glass aquariums." I think I can feel my heart breaking. Their Web site continues, "Once people understand that fish, although they come in different packaging, are just as intelligent, they'll stop eating them." More compassionate words have never been spoken.

Isn't it ironic that these so-called merciful, intelligent people, who have more sympathy than the average person for the helpless creatures of the earth, would oppose lawmakers who support — gasp — human rights? You know, like the right not to be aborted. Nonetheless, PETA has publicly condemned President Bush for the

crime of owning a fur hat.

Indeed it is ironic, even hypocritical. But that's the way things work with PETA. They're willing to abandon meat for the sake of a cow but won't endorse Bush for the sake of an innocent child.

How much more absurd will the animal rights activists become before the public tells them to get lost? Will we soon be deemed heartless barbarians if we hurt Mother Nature's soil by growing vegetables? Will a new PETA study reveal that celery has feelings?

If PETA really wants to change America's mind about animal rights, they're going to have to be less radical — way less. Just think how much more ground they could gain if they called on the public to oppose animal abuse rather than yelling, "meat is murder" at KFC customers.

It is absolutely necessary that PETA realize animals are here for us. This does not ever give us the right to abuse them, but it sure does give us the right to eat them.

On that note, I'm going to Texas Roadhouse.

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ONLINE POLL RESULTS

Should UK head coach Tubby Smith have allowed freshman guard Joe Crawford to return to the team after he left earlier this month with intentions to transfer?

Yes
[Bar chart showing 76%] (76%; 424 votes)

No
[Bar chart showing 24%] (24%; 131 votes)

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UK 89, LSU 58

Cats clamp down on Tigers' front line duo

By Ben Roberts
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Chuck Hayes called them the best tandem of post players the Cats would face all season.

Louisiana State's all-conference sophomore Brandon Bass and the 310-pound freshman Glen "Big Baby" Davis were expected to come into Rupp Arena Saturday and give the UK frontcourt fits.

When Hayes and Wildcat center Randolph Morris picked up two fouls apiece midway through the first half, it looked like the Tiger big men would have a chance to follow through on those expectations.

But the UK stand-ins didn't let that happen.

Sophomore forward Bobby Perry and 7-foot-3 center Shagari Alleyne combined for 13 points and eight rebounds in 23 minutes of first-half play in place of Hayes and Morris to send the Cats to halftime with a 49-36 lead.

UK continued its dominance down low in the second half to turn back LSU 89-58 in front of 23,073 Rupp Arena fans.

The Cats (14-2, 5-0 SEC) finished the game outscoring the Tigers 42-20 in the paint and limiting Bass and Davis to five-of-14 shooting from the field.

UK head coach Tubby

Smith credited Alleyne's defense for the subpar play of the LSU forwards.

"Shagari is a real force in there," Smith said. "When he gets to the rim, it's hard to shoot over him. I think that's one of the reasons their post players shot poor from the inside."

Alleyne had nine points, six rebounds and four blocked shots in 19 minutes. The sophomore center is averaging more than 17 minutes over UK's last three games, due primarily to Morris' penchant for getting in foul trouble.

Despite having a six-inch height advantage over Davis, the LSU forward outweighed Alleyne by 40 pounds, which led to an awkward matchup for both players.

"He's a big guy," Alleyne said. "I tried to move him off the block because that's where he likes it. And then I tried to pressure him when he had it on the perimeter, so he couldn't get around me."

LSU head coach John Brady said his freshman standout struggled with Alleyne

all day. "He's long, and he bothers us in there," Brady said. "I think Glen had a hard time moving around him or scoring over him. He made it tough for (Davis) to get an angle on him."

But Brady said the real reason UK was able to con-

trol the post was the lackluster shooting performance of his perimeter players. LSU shot 22.7 percent from 3-point range, which Brady said allowed the Cats to retreat and concentrate more on the Tigers' inside players.

UK's guards answered by making 11 of their 20 3-point attempts, pacing a 54 percent field goal shooting display. Junior forward Keleenna Azubuike led the Cats with 16 points and junior guard Patrick Sparks went five of seven from 3-point range for 15 points.

Sparks said UK's shooting made every other part of the game come together.

"It makes everything easier," Sparks said. "It takes out the other team and gives us a lift at the same time. Any time you're making shots at the rate we made them today, it makes everything a lot smoother."

The majority of Sparks' threes came in transition, the area where Brady was most disappointed in his team's play.

UK scored 29 points off turnovers to LSU's 13.

"We gave up too many easy baskets off of turnovers," Brady said. "We can't do that — particularly against Kentucky."

The Tigers managed to trim UK's lead to single digits midway through the second half, but returning freshman Joe Crawford hit two free throws and a 3-pointer to launch a 32-7 Wildcat run to close out the game.

"Kentucky's so good on offense and transition," said LSU guard Antonio Hudson. "We were down 30 in the blink of an eye."

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"I think that's one of the reasons their post players shot poor from the inside."

Tubby Smith
UK head coach on center Shagari Alleyne



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UK freshman guard drives into the lane in the Cats' 89-58 win over Louisiana State Saturday in Rupp Arena. Bradley sparked the Cats with 10 points in the first half, five of which came in a 23-3 UK scoring run.

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LSU (58)

NAME	pts	reb	3-pt	ft-a	ft-rb	tp
Bass	35	4.9	1.1	5.7	10	14
Davis	30	1.5	0.0	7.10	12	9
Mitchell	35	4.14	2.9	0.0	4	10
Minor	26	2.8	1.4	0.0	1	5
Hudson	38	5.14	0.5	1.1	5	11
Whipple	19	1.3	0.1	0.0	2	2
Woffert	2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0	0
Lazare	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0
Nelther	13	2.3	1.1	2.2	2	7
Team	200	19.57	5.22	15.20	37	58

Kentucky (89)

NAME	pts	reb	3-pt	ft-a	ft-rb	tp
Azubuike	27	7.12	2.6	0.5	3	16
Hayes	25	3.6	4.5	4.4	5	10
Morris	18	2.4	5.0	4.4	2	9
Rondo	21	3.9	0.1	1.5	4	7
Sparks	25	5.7	5.7	0.0	1	15
Bradley	16	1.6	2.6	1.1	2	10
Perry	16	3.5	0.1	0.0	4	6
Alleyne	19	4.8	0.0	1.1	6	9
Crawford	9	1.1	1.1	2.2	1	5
Perry	16	3.5	0.1	0.0	4	6
Moss	14	0.0	0.0	0.0	1	0
Stockton	2	1.1	1.1	0.0	0	0
Thomas	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0
Carrier	2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0
Orzut	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0
LeMester	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0
Team	200	32.99	11.20	14.18	32	89

LSU	36	22-58
Kentucky	49	40-89

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