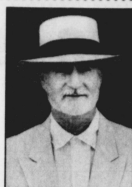




**WEATHER** Sunny today, high near 70; partly cloudy tonight, low near 50; sunny tomorrow, high near 70.  
**MOSE BETTER BLUES** Legendary musicians to boogie down in Memorial Hall on Saturday. See story, page 3.



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## 500 walk out to protest tuition increases

### Angry students stop traffic, march on president's office

By Stephen Trimble  
Executive Editor  
and Scott Drake  
Contributing Writer

Angered by a likely increase in tuition next year, students turned an organized protest into a three-hour demonstration yesterday as protesters blocked traffic near campus and marched into UK's Administration Building.

More than 500 students walked out of classes at 11:30 a.m. and rallied in fountain square outside

turnout and added that at some point the crowd just "took control."

Dean of Students David Stockham advised student leaders to move the crowd to the Student Center as planned because the noise was disrupting nearby classes in White Hall Classroom Building.

Patterson Office Tower as part of a planned protest by the Student Government Association.

SGA leaders fired up the crowd with a chorus of chants demanding a halt to tuition increases.

Council on Higher Education officials are expected to propose a 3.7 percent tuition increase for the state's public universities at their next meeting on Monday in Owensboro.

Senator at Large Alan Aja, who organized the event, said he was "dumbfounded" by the large

Building to attempt to "call President (Charles) Wethington on the carpet," said student leader Gerald Coleman, and Wethington's for his support.

However, Wethington apparently was in meetings across campus, Stockham said.

In a statement released five hours later, Wethington said the University supports the students' right to "express their concerns in an orderly and responsible manner."

"I hope we all can work together for the support of our public universities and to keep tuition as low as possible to provide maximum access to higher education in Kentucky."

Student leaders called for the state to adopt legislation restricting tuition increases to every other year, said Alison Crabtree, SGA Governmental Affairs chairwoman.

The crowd gained numbers from passersby who joined the demonstration.

College of Business and Economics Senator Greg T. Watkins said Stockham told him to tell the demonstrators to leave the area or "risk arrest."

The plea was met with cheers by the demonstrators.

"You don't even know who's raising tuition, and you're out here protesting," Stockham said.

But the announcement prompted the protest leaders to move the crowd down Administration Drive to South Limestone Street.

At first, students only waved at passing cars and demonstrated by the roadside.

Then students rushed into the middle of the street and stretched across in a wide line that blocked traffic for blocks on both sides of the street.

Aja said he was warned by

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## T.A. Jones returns for rally

By Jennifer Smith  
and David Turner  
Staff Writers

He's baack!  
T.A. Jones stood with bongo drums in hand among the crowd of about 500 students who gathered yesterday in fountain square for a Student Government Association-sponsored tuition increase protest.

Shouts of approval and applause greeted the former SGA president as he received the microphone to speak.

"We have a need for education," Jones said. "We have a desire to succeed."

After he handed off the microphone, Jones started a chanting and clapping session with the crowd.

Leading a crowd of protesters is not the only leadership role Jones is planning on taking since his resignation.

"Now that I'm not president," Jones said, "I hope I can finally get something done for the students."

Jones said he is planning "a statewide rally for students."

He also said he plans to form a committee to focus on ways to voice student concerns to the Council on Higher Education. He said the committee would be formed to write letters daily in protest of tuition increases.

He said he thinks yesterday's rally was a positive step in communicating with the council.

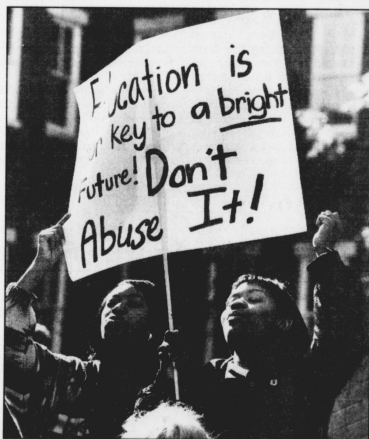
"I was really impressed with the turnout," he said. "It showed we've got a strong student body. It's obvious that the New Spirit is still alive."

Jones said this year's rally was much more effective than past efforts.

"Last year's (rally) really sucked," he said.

He cited bad weather and a poor location as reasons for last

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PHOTOS BY JOSEPH REY AU KERNEL STAFF

**CRYING OUT LOUD** Students express their distress about a possible statewide tuition increase yesterday. The students gathered near Patterson Office Tower before marching on the Administration Building and blocking South Limestone Street. Members of UK's Student Government Association organized the walkout, which had the largest turnout of any tuition rally since 1986.

## Student presidents doubt benefits of protests

By Jennifer Smith  
Staff Writer

Student body presidents across the state say student rallies are not enough to stop the proposed statewide tuition increase.

"Rallies and petitions have been done over and over again," said Rob Evans, student government president at Western Kentucky University. "We've found out in doing past rallies and petitions that they only tend to make students apathetic and kill trees."

Paul Wingate, student government president at Northern Kentucky University, agreed with Evans and said the Council on Higher Education does not pay attention to student demands.

"Every student in the state of Kentucky could show up on the front doors of the councilmen and nothing would happen," Wingate said.

NKU held a tuition rally last month when the council met on their campus. Wingate said he still has not seen any positive results.

Evans said the board proposed a resolution rather than organizing a rally or petition.

The resolution calls for the council to limit tuition increases to be less than or equal to the cost of living

index. The resolution also asks that the amount of state support to universities should be equal to or greater than the cost of the living index.

Brian Van Horn, chairman of the Board of Student Body Presidents and student government president at Murray State University, said he thinks the board's resolution is important because it offers an alternative to tuition hikes.

"I think the Council on Higher Education hears the student voices," Van Horn said. "But I do not think they understand."

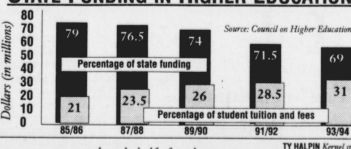
Van Horn said his board understands why increases in tuition are necessary but wants to see the increases regulated.

"I understand tuition has to go up," he said. "But I think they need to increase it in smaller increments."

In their resolution, the board also said it wants to see a reverse in the trend of universities in the state as being state-assisted instead of state-funded.

When the council meets on Monday in Owensboro, Ky., to vote on the proposed increase, Van Horn said members of the board will be there to

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speak on behalf of students.

"We may not be handing them 2,000 signatures on Monday," Van Horn said. "But I think we are handing them something very professional. The Council on Higher Education is used to dealing with numbers and statistics, so we are giving them some."

Evans said the resolution should make the council recognize the student point of view.

"Unless it is written down, the Council on Higher Education will not even pay attention to it," Evans said. "They usually want something in writing, something concrete. They want figures and things they can work with."

### NEWSbytes

#### NATION Clinton approves help for Gulf War vets

WASHINGTON — Declaring that a lack of diagnosis should not block efforts to help, President Clinton signed legislation allowing compensation payments to Persian Gulf veterans suffering from mysterious illnesses.

The new law gives the Department of Veteran Affairs the authority to compensate any Persian Gulf veteran suffering from a chronic disability that became evident during service in the region or a specified time thereafter.

Since the 1991 war, some veterans have complained of fatigue, joint pain, hair loss, memory loss and heart and respiratory problems.

#### Hill convicted of killing abortion doctor

PENSACOLA, Fla. — A jury deliberated just 20 minutes yesterday before convicting a former minister of murder in the shotgun slayings of an abortion doctor and his bodyguard.

Paul Hill, 40, could receive either life in prison or death in the electric chair. The jury will return today to decide.

Hill, acting as his own lawyer, offered no defense during his three-day trial, refusing to make any statement or question any witnesses.

Circuit Judge Frank Bell had barred him from arguing that the slayings were justifiable homicide to save fetuses.

#### Christian Coalition distributing guides

WASHINGTON — The Christian Coalition will distribute 33 million election guides to voters this weekend and already is facing criticism from Democrats who say their views are being distorted in an effort to help Republicans.

A sampling of guides shows that in the overwhelming majority of cases, it is the Republican candidate whose views are most in line with those espoused by the coalition, the offspring of religious broadcaster Pat Robertson's 1988 presidential campaign.

#### Recruits see instructor commit suicide

PARRIS ISLAND, S.C. — Dozens of Marines sought counseling yesterday, trying to understand why one of their drill instructors shot himself to death in front of dozens of recruits.

The single biggest question is why — why did it happen and why did he have to do it in front of us?" said Marine Chaplain Charles Quarles, who consoled the recruits, many of them teen-agers, at Parris Island Marine Corps Training Depot.

On Monday, Sgt. Richard E. Stumpf Jr., an M-16 combat rifle in hand, climbed a 5-foot diving platform at a base pool.

As stunned spectators shouted for him to get down, he put the gun to his chin and pulled the trigger.

About 200 people were at the pool for water survival instruction when Stumpf killed himself.

### NAMEdropping

#### Marsalis takes break from 'Tonight'

LOS ANGELES — "Tonight Show" band-leader Branford Marsalis is taking five.

The sax man is taking a leave from the show early next year but said it isn't a sign of unhappiness with the show or host Jay Leno. Rather, Marsalis wants to tour more and spend more time with his 8-year-old son, spokeswoman Annie O'Hayan said yesterday.

Base player Kevin Eubanks, who has filled in for Marsalis before, will be band-leader during the indefinite leave.

Leno supports Marsalis' decision, spokeswoman Haley Sumner said.

"Jay said to him, 'Yeah, go for it. The spot is yours when you want to come back. Take the time, do what you want,'" Sumner said.

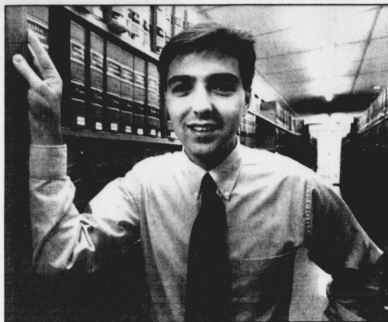
Marsalis has conducted the NBC Orchestra for nearly three years, since Leno replaced Johnny Carson.

Compiled from wire reports



Marsalis

# Butler finds small town living suits him best



By Kathy Reding  
Contributing Writer

Growing up in a small town can set the foundation for a big future. Just look at the case of Wes Butler.

Butler, a first-year UK law student from Bonnienville, Ky., is the recipient of this year's Edith Schwab Memorial Scholarship.

The scholarship is awarded annually by the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission in Frankfort to the one student in graduate school in the UK College of Law. Bachelor's degree in history, from UK. Recent Award: Edith Schwab Memorial Scholarship. Family: Parents, Marion and Martha Butler, two brothers, Greg, 26, who also works Mammoth Cave, and 17.

Butler was chosen through an application and an interview in Frankfort to receive the \$1,000 award.

"It was one of the biggest honors I've received at UK," he said.

As an undergraduate, Butler was president of the Student Activities Board and was named outstanding male graduating senior, his best moment at UK.

This year is different. "With law school, you don't have time to do a lot," Butler said. "If there's any time in my life I've had to be sort of selfish, it's this year because (law school) requires it. If you spread yourself thin, you just can't do it."

Butler's career goals after finishing law school include establishing a small law firm in a small Kentucky town.

"So many of these small towns have no bargaining power.

The attorneys they do have have interests other than what should be for the communities," Butler said. "I would really like to go back to smaller communities and give something back."

Butler said the value of helping out others is something he learned while growing up that can help explain his success.

He remembers when a third-grade classmate's home burned down. A jar was passed around in school to collect money, and even those who did not have much still

gave something. "There was always the sense of helping someone else," Butler said. "You don't find that in other places, only in the small towns."

Butler said his parents have been his major influences because of the work ethic and common sense they have given him and the environment they provided.

When Wes was a young boy, he and his father were standing in a field on the family's five-acre farm in Bonnienville, Kentucky. Marion asked Wesley, "If I told you to do it I told you to jump or run, would you do it?"

At first, Wesley said, he thought, "boy, what an ego!" He answered his father truthfully, however, saying, "I guess I would ask you why."

Marion shook his head at Wesley, and then proceeded to tell him sternly about the value of trusting the people to whom you are close.

"If there was a snake in the field near you," the elder Butler said, "and I told you to run, or I told you to jump, and you stopped to ask me why, you would probably get bitten."

When someone who cares about you asks you to do something, you do it, within reason, and ask questions later."

That advice has remained clear in Wesley's thoughts ever since the two of them left the field that day.

So clear in fact, he had to become a bit guarded when he left Bonnienville and came to UK.

Upon his arrival in Lexington, Wesley learned quickly the disparities between rural and urban life.

Sometimes, he said, you cannot be as trusting in the city, but his mother said she attempted to foster a sense of self-confidence in her son.

"Being independent, making his own decisions, and having a close family are things I've tried to pass on," said his mother, Martha Butler.

She said he may have been more sheltered coming from a small town, but it helped instill values.

"He's made it (parenting) easy." "The environment that you're in makes or breaks you," Butler said.


## CAMPUSleader

Wesley Butler  
Age: 22  
Education: First-year student at the UK College of Law. Bachelor's degree in history, from UK.  
Recent Award: Edith Schwab Memorial Scholarship.  
Family: Parents, Marion and Martha Butler, two brothers, Greg, 26, who also works Mammoth Cave, and 17.

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First-year law student

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# Jones' bills still around in SGA Senate

By Sara Spears  
Senior Staff Writer

Even though T.A. Jones is no longer the Student Government Association president, his name remains in last night's SGA Senate meetings.

The first bill was for \$3,500 that Jones had promised orally to UK's Student Activities Board at the beginning of this semester. The money was to fund the Student Center Spectacular event that is held every fall semester during the weekend of freshman orientation.

The event is to familiarize

freshmen with the Student Center and what various campus organizations have to offer. The Spectacular includes free Student Center food, live music and campus organization displays.

SGA funds the event every year, and the bill usually comes to the Senate before the event.

The Senate tabled the bill until the next Senate meeting. "I don't feel I have a representative from SAB here, nor do I have enough information on the bill," Senator at Large Alan Aja said.

The Senate also tabled a bill requesting \$345 to pay for a print-

er for the SGA office.

College of Nursing Senator Dean Brothers made a motion to table the bill until the Senate found out where it can send the new printer back and repair the broken one. The Senate will re-examine the bill at the next Senate meeting.

The Senate allocated \$1,037 to the American Advertising Federation to pay for video editing software. The software will be used by advertising students to prepare material for a national competition. It also will be made available to the entire College of Communications and Information Studies.

The Senate also passed a resolution supporting the placement of a crosswalk between Seaton Field and the Lexington Community College campus. Lexington Community College Association of Students Vice President Sabrina Blake was present to speak on behalf of LCC students.

"This is very important to LCC students because this is a very dangerous place in the road," she said. The Senate passed a bill allocating \$1,150 to repair golf carts donated to SGA by the Department of State Parks. The carts will be used to transport temporarily disabled students to classes.

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# NAACP asks members for cash

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — The NAACP appealed to its members yesterday to contribute hundreds of thousands of dollars as it seeks to erase a \$3.8 million deficit that forced it to lay off almost all of its national staff.

The organization asked each of its 64 board members to donate at least \$5,000 to the organization. It asked all chapters, state conferences and youth councils to raise at least \$1,000 apiece.

Interim Senior Administrator Earl Shinhoster said officials also

would visit 22 corporate donors who have withheld their usual contributions this year because of the NAACP's problems.

"The sooner we can establish fiscal confidence the more money we can raise," board member Joe Madison said.

On Tuesday, the nation's oldest civil rights group announced a two-week layoff of 88 employees at its national headquarters in Baltimore and nine other offices across the country. The layoff began Monday.

Yesterday, the union representing about 40 of the laid-off

employees filed a labor grievance, calling the layoffs "insensitive and uncaring."

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has blamed its deficit on former executive director Benjamin L. Chavis.

He was fired Aug. 20 after it was disclosed he agreed without the board's knowledge to pay \$332,000 in NAACP money to settle a former employee's sexual discrimination allegations.

Chavis said his predecessor, Benjamin Hooks, was responsible for the deficit. Hooks denied that.

# White couple moving after lawsuit

Associated Press

CHICAGO — A white couple agreed to sell their home to settle a \$10 million lawsuit accusing them of harassing their next-door neighbors with racial slurs and death threats.

The neighbors who filed the federal civil rights lawsuit are a Chicago police officer of black and Puerto Rican descent and his Puerto Rican wife.

"Close this chapter in your lives," U.S. District Judge Ann Williams told both families Tuesday when the settlement was reached. "Get over it and move on."

The white couple, John and Marie Kraft, have lived in their northwest side home for two decades. Isidor and Minerva Ramos moved next door in 1985.

The lawsuit alleged that a year later, the Krafts, their three children and a son-in-law began hurl-

ing racial insults and obscenities at the Ramos family. The harassment eventually escalated to death threats, the lawsuit alleged.

The Krafts denied the allegations, but to avoid a costly legal battle, agreed to move out, said their attorney, Gregory Alamski.

"These are nice normal people and they had a long-range dispute with their neighbors," he said. "To move away from a neighbor they didn't like anyway is not a big loss."

Jeremy Margolis, an attorney for the Ramos family, said the sale of the Kraft home "will forever remove this cancer from the community."

The agreement, reached after two days of negotiations, gives the Kraft family 60 days to sell their three-bedroom house. If a buyer can't be found in 180 days, the house will be auctioned.

"I'm going to miss the house," John Kraft said yesterday. "But if I

stayed there, I'd still lose because we couldn't get along."

Kraft disputed the Ramos' allegations race played a factor in the feud.

"It wasn't about civil rights," he said. "We were ready to fight it. If I had money, I would have fought it."

The Ramoses' phone number is unpublished and their attorney said they won't be commenting on the settlement.

After the sale of their house, the Krafts are forbidden from coming within 200 feet of the Ramoses at home or work or "intentionally approaching" them.

Williams found the Krafts in contempt of court Friday after allegations that two family members entered the Ramoses' yard last week in violation of a temporary restraining order.

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# KENTUCKY ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

## WHAT'S YOUR SIGN?

By John Abbott

**Aries** (March 21 - April 19) An Aries paid me \$50 to write a nice horoscope. Sadly, a bitter Capricorn I know who just broke up with an Aries paid me \$100 to write something malicious. Money talks, schmucks. Your Raisin Bran has just one scoop of raisins.

**Taurus** (April 20 - May 20) Flush the stash! The cops know, man! The cops know!

**Gemini** (May 21 - June 20) This might be the week that the rest of the world finally recognizes your genetic predisposition toward greatness and submits to you unconditionally. Then again, it might take a little longer; you must excuse your inferiors for being a little slow on the draw.

**Cancer** (June 21 - July 22) You will find a small sack of nickels and a can of Raid.

**Leo** (July 23 - Aug. 22) You should never betray your friends, unless they're stupid, of course, because then you can get away with it. Club a deserving Virgo over the head with a lead pipe.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Watch out for Leos with lead pipes. And Gemini's, for that matter. I never told them to stop either.

**Libra** (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You will have a great week. No, you won't. Yes, you will. Damn this Magic 8-ball! Keeps switching answers on me.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You are invulnerable. Really. If you jump in front of a speeding bus, you won't get hurt. Fry it. You'll be fine. Really.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Skip all of your classes, spend the time meditating, and find God. But make sure you get a signed excuse note from God before you come back. Remember: It doesn't matter if you understand the secrets of the universe. No note, no makeup test.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) That same guy slipped me an extra 10-spot to write a nice Capricorn horoscope, so here goes: Life won't suck quite as much as usual. (You get what you pay for, loser. Try \$100 next time.)

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Ask again later.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20) I swear, I'm going to throw this damn Magic 8-ball against the wall! It keeps saying "Kill your parents." I didn't know Magic 8-balls even had a "Kill your parents" window. Creepy.

**If your birthday is today:** I would not plan on it. Ask again later. Ask again later. Yes. Yes. No. Yes. I would not plan on it. Kill your parents. Worship Satan. Vote Republ... (smash). What a piece of junk. Time to shell out a few bucks for some Tarot cards.

## 'Stargate' opens up new worlds

By Charles Sebastian  
 Staff Critic

The sci-fi of old, where the human cause meets the otherworldly and the individual is propelled headlong into a journey of strength and newfound knowledge has found its revival in the film "Stargate."

"Stargate" opens with an archaeological finding of the Stargate, an ancient and arcane object, in the year 1928. Moving quickly to the present day, the object has fallen into government hands, with a team led by Col. Jack O'Neil, played by Kurt Russell.

The aged woman who was on the 1928 expedition that found the object is the head of the project now. She hires Egyptologist Daniel Jackson (James Spader), as a translator. Jackson, thought by his colleagues to be a whacko, somewhat skeptically joins the group, deciphering hieroglyphs that the government has spent years trying to crack.

He is sent through the Stargate, which teleports its travellers to the other side of the known universe with special effects that make "Star Trek" look like a "Plan 9 from Outer Space" rip-off.

The other side has an identical Stargate, which opens in a pyramid. Outside lies a civilization much like the Egypt of 3,000 years ago.

This primitive society still worships the gods of old Egypt, and Ra, the Sun god, becomes the chief bad guy in this whole scenario. What follows is a battle of wits between the crew and Ra's henchmen.

The tale, as far-out as it sounds, is brought to the screen in a believable way, without being too corny. The only setback being that Russell's and Spader's characters are rather one-dimensional and really take the background for the effects.

Jaye Davidson plays the Sun god Ra devilishly, with a spooky mystique. "Crying Game" fans will remember Davidson for his gender-bender role that shocked audiences two years ago.

Neil Jordan, who directed "The Crying Game," directs this film with a zeal and relish, as the spirit of the old sci-fi meets the technology of the new.

## Blues musician Mose Allison to perform at Singletary Center

By John Dyer Fort  
 Senior Staff Writer

In the grand southern tradition, Mose Allison is a failure—a country sophisticate who left the Mississippi Delta of his boyhood to become (Ladies, cover your ears) a musician.

Born in 1927 on his grandfather's farm, Allison abruptly stopped the piano lessons that began at age 5 when he discovered he could pick out the blues by ear and the boogie tunes he heard on local jukeboxes. And that was it.

Instead of Homer, Shakespeare and Milton, the "William Faulkner of jazz" heard Fats, Duke and the "King" Cole Trio and traded in the interior monologue for the rhythm and blues.

The Mose Allison Trio will perform Saturday at Memorial Hall as the next artist in UK's highly acclaimed Spotlight Jazz Series.

Conjuring a host of favorite musical influences as wide ranging as Nat "King" Cole, Thelonius Monk and Percy Mayfield to Bela Bartok and a unique type of country and western blues, Allison's musical style defies description. While critics agonize over musical labels, enthusiasts give up and call it just *Mose*.

After almost 40 years of playing, with 20 albums to his credit, the 67-year-old Allison has composed more than a hundred original songs, including several recorded by The Who, The Clash, The Yardbirds, Bonnie Raitt and Van Morrison.

Allison grew up playing the delta blues and jazz styles of his home state and nearby New Orleans, and was drawn to the music of Louis Armstrong, Louis Jordan and Fats Waller. In the years before and after arriving in New York in 1956, he began blending his Southern blues style with the contemporary jazz of Thelonius Monk and Al Haig.

Playing and recording with jazz greats Stan Getz, Al Cohn and Zoot Sims, Allison released his first album in 1957 to

unanimous critical acclaim. Recording for the Prestige, Columbia, Atlantic, Electra and Blue Note labels, Allison's albums include the 1983 Grammy-nominated "Lessons in Living" and 1988's "Ever Since the World Ended," nominated for Best Jazz Album by the New York Music Awards.

Over the years, the Mose Allison Trio expanded its musical base even further, incorporating influences from old pop tunes and the music of composers Bartok, Ives and Hindemith. Meanwhile, Allison refined his vocal style, a sort of country and western blues combination in which he delivers a homespun philosophy and wry humor that delighted his audiences.

On any night, Allison can be heard singing such rare gems as John Loudermilk's "You Call It Joggin' (But I Call It Runnin' Around)," the Tin Pan Alley tune "Sleepy Lagoon" or Percy Mayfield's "Stranger in My Hometown."

Allison's original lyrics speak to the human condition, the joy and pain of romance and the simple things in life with the down-at-heels wit of an existentialist cowboy with the stone blues. He sings the philosophical blues with southern charm and a nonky-tonk piano.

## Williams provides stylish lyrics

By Nick Rhoton  
 Staff Critic

Perhaps the greatest tribute that can be paid to an artist is a tribute album. Recently, everyone from Jimi Hendrix to Tom Petty have heard their music re-recorded by artists who consider themselves affected by their original artists talents.

Such was the case with Victoria Williams. Williams had released two albums, in 1987 and 1990, but was never really introduced to the public until 1993. *Sweet Relief* featured some of the biggest names in rock performing.

The album had contributions from Pearl Jam, Soul Asylum, Lou Reed, Matthew Sweet, Evan Dando, Micheal Penn and Buffalo Tom. Riding on the coattails of

Williams has released *Loose*. Williams' extensive network within the music industry is again displayed on her newest album. Dave Pirner of Soul Asylum co-wrote and sings on "My Ally." R.E.M.'s Mike Mills joins Williams on "Hitchhiker's Smile." Both of these songs are on the above average side of the album.

"The best track on *Loose* is "You Are Loved," which features a toned down voice from Williams. R.E.M. also contributes to this piece, as Peter Buck harmonizes. It is on this song that Williams' falsetto voice does not irritate after three minutes.

Williams is one hell of a songwriter. Her lyrics possess depth, truth and enough flexibility to make the music match them successfully.

That music is usually acoustic, often lazy, and always whimsical. The tracks that best display her lyrics are "Harry Went to Heaven" and "Happy to Have Known Pappy." Both of these tracks are present in eulogy of two prominent people in Williams' life.

Pappy was a saloon owner/musician that Williams met in the California desert. His recent death coincided with the passing of Williams' dog, Belle. Williams truly does cut on *Loose*, and her talents as one of America's most profound songwriters are displayed.



Photo courtesy of William Claxton  
**VICTORIA** shines on latest album.

## CHARTtoppers

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## FILMclips

Movies showing in Lexington theaters this weekend starting tomorrow.

<b>Airheads</b>	L.A. rock band takes a radio station hostage. PG-13
<b>A la Mode</b>	Coming of age Italian romance. R
<b>Barcelona</b>	Two young men in Spain face anti-Americanism. PG-13
<b>Clear &amp; Present Danger</b>	CIA cracks down on drug trade. PG-13
<b>Double Dragon</b>	Movie version of popular video game. PG-13
<b>Ed Wood</b>	The story of B-rate movie maker in the 1960's. R
<b>Erotique</b>	Series of stories of sex in the '90's. NR
<b>Exit to Eden</b>	Cops dress in sadomasochistic gear to solve crime. R
<b>Forrest Gump</b>	Dim-witted man gains fame through positive attitude. PG-13
<b>Frankenstein</b>	Kenneth Branagh's of Mary Shelley's classic. R
<b>Fresh</b>	Young boy involved in New York city drug scene. R
<b>I Like It Like That</b>	Urban NYC comedy. R
<b>Jason's Lyric</b>	Tragic story of two brothers. R
<b>Killing Zoe</b>	Bank robbery turns into violent killing spree. R
<b>Love Affair</b>	Beatty and Bening star in this love story. PG-13
<b>Little Giants</b>	Little league football team struggles for success. PG
<b>The Mask</b>	Wimp gets superpowers from an ancient mask. PG-13
<b>Natural Born Killers</b>	Psychotic couple becomes famous in a media feeding frenzy. R
<b>Only You</b>	Woman goes to Venice to find true love. PG-13
<b>Pulp Fiction</b>	Bloody Quentin Tarantino directed gangster movie. R
<b>The Puppet Masters</b>	Aliens invade bodies of government officials. R
<b>Quiz Show</b>	Docudrama about corrupt game show. PG-13
<b>Radioland Murders</b>	Crime comedy about radio station murders. PG
<b>Raising Arizona</b>	Slapstick about kidnapping of a quintuplet. PG
<b>River Wild</b>	A rafting expedition gets hijacked. PG-13
<b>The Road to Wellville</b>	Matthew Broderick goes to a 1920s health farm. R
<b>The Shawshank Redemption</b>	Morgan Freeman stars as an inmate. R
<b>The Specialist</b>	Sharon Stone hires Sly Stallone to do a murder. R
<b>Silent Fall</b>	Boy witnesses murder of parents. R
<b>Squanto</b>	Disney's new film about Native Americans. PG
<b>Stargate</b>	Kurt Russell stars in futuristic thriller. PG-13
<b>Timecop</b>	Van Damme chases villains across time. R
<b>The War</b>	Kevin Costner stars with Elijah Wood in this tearjerker. PG-13
<b>Wes Craven's New Nightmare</b>	Freddy Krueger comes to life. R
<b>Zero Patience</b>	A musical comedy about AIDS. R

**MOVIEreview**

★★★

'Stargate,' directed by Neil Jordan, is now playing.

**RATINGS**

★★★★ Excellent  
 ★★★ Good  
 ★★ Fair  
 ★ Poor

**MUSICreview**

★★★

"Loose" by Victoria Williams (Mammoth)

**RATINGS**

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# SPORTS

## Cards win battle of Bluegrass

### Cardinals down lifeless Wildcats in four games

By Doc Purcell  
Senior Staff Writer

If there is one word to describe the UK volleyball team's performance this season, it seems inconsistent would work best.

The Wildcats have been riding a roller coaster all year long, playing brilliantly in one stretch of matches and miserably in the next.

And last night's home meeting with intrastate adversary Louisville was no exception to that trend, as UK lost its third straight contest, falling 15-9, 15-5, 9-15, 15-5.

The Cats, whose overall record fell to an unimpressive 10-15, 7-5 Southeastern Conference, turned in lack luster play all evening against a talented Cardinal team that raised its record to a sparkling 22-4 on the season.

"If you are going to beat a team like Louisville, you must be willing to lay yourself and your ego on the line," UK head coach Fran Ralston-Flory said. "We just weren't willing to do that, and Louisville was. That was the difference in the match tonight."

The Cats came out competitive early, holding on to a 6-6 tie in the match's first game, but their early spark quickly withered away as the match rolled on.

Led by the tandem of senior

middle blocker Tina Naehr and senior outside hitter De Singleton, the Cardinals cruised for much of the evening.

U of L's only true test came during the Cats' third game victory.

Naehr, who has been a high-light for the Cards all season, did not disappoint the hoard on U of L fans that packed Memorial Coliseum. She collected 18 kills and two digs on the night, while Singleton added 14 kills and an impressive 20 digs.

UK, on the other hand, was again led by junior middle blocker Molly Dreisbach who garnered a game-high 21 kills and 13 digs in the match.

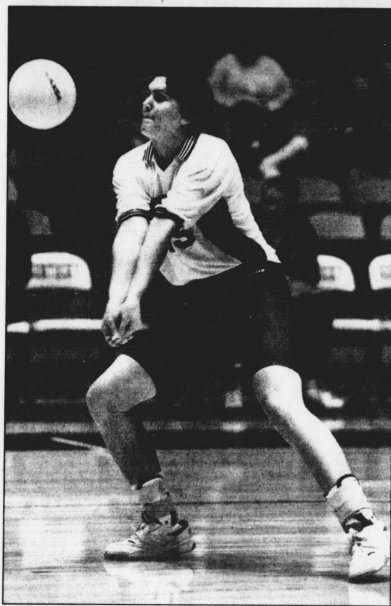
Despite those statistics, Ralston-Flory said the squad's overall performance was lacking.

"I am really not excited about anyone on our team's play tonight," she said. "We are a big team, and we are a physical team; we should be a strong offensive team, but we are just not."

Ralston-Flory pointed to a lack of heart on part of the Wildcats as a major problem of late.

"We didn't play very well tonight," the coach said. "We just weren't willing to play well enough to win."

The Cats will try to erase the memories of the past several matches next week when they hit the road for a match at Houston on Sunday and at Texas Monday.



JAMES CRISP/Kentucky

**KILLER CARDS** Senior outside hitter Melody Sobczak prepares to pass the ball during the Wildcats' four game loss to Louisville last night.

## 'Roadkill' temporarily grounded

By Jason Dattilo  
Assistant Sports Editor

A loss rather than a win brought Lexington disc jockey "Roadkill Kessler" down from atop his 25-foot-high billboard on Nicholasville Road.

When Kessler ascended the "Big Blue Monument" almost three weeks ago, he vowed not to come down until the Wildcat football team won another game.

On Tuesday, however, Kessler joined his family for funeral services following the death of his great aunt who died last Saturday. Fellow WKQO staffer Keney Douglass assumed the position until Kessler returned immediately following the funeral.

Actually, Kessler said his tenure on the scaffold has not been uncomfortable. His cramped liv-

ing area is equipped with a tent, an air mattress, a cellular phone, and almost everyday local restaurants bring him complimentary meals.

"The best thing about this whole deal has been all the free food," Kessler said. "But the thing I miss most has been sitting in a chair with a back."

Despite having a name like "Roadkill," which suggests a foul stench, and living on a sign, which does not have running water, Kessler insists personal hygiene has not really been a problem.

The disc jockey showers three times a week at a nearby car dealership. In fact, Kessler said he bathes in the owner's personal shower, located in the owner's office.

Appearance remains important even though listeners can't see him on the radio. Cautious citizens

often drive by or even stop and chat. But the real reason behind Kessler's attention to cleanliness is his hope of attracting the attention of attractive females.

"I'm just kind of bitter that the cheerleaders haven't come out to visit yet," he said.

Each day Kessler broadcasts briefly from his post, but today the DJ will head a gimmick intended to inspire spirit for the Wildcats' football game against Vanderbilt on Saturday afternoon.

Kessler has invited any interested Wildcat fans to bring their old pumpkins from Halloween to the

billboard anytime after 7 a.m.

The leftover pumpkins will be hurled from the sign into a trash bin filled with old Commodores' records.

Kessler predicted a UK victory this weekend against Vanderbilt and an end to his self-imposed imprisonment on the sign.

But he said WKQO officials do not like for him to listen to the game on the radio because the broadcasts of UK's football and basketball games are aired on a competing network.

"I'll be cheering, though," he said.

### SPORTSbytes

#### Baseball players invited to trials

UK sophomores Chad Green and Curtis Whitney will be competing in the USA Baseball Fall Trials held in Homestead, Fla., tomorrow through Sunday.

The 72 selected players have been divided into four teams, which will play each other to determine the best possible combination of athletes for the 1996 USA Baseball Team.

Green, an outfielder, will play for the white team, while Whitney will see action for the red team as a pitcher.

#### Bagwell named MVP

Jeff Bagwell, who cracked most of Houston's hitting marks before a broken hand stopped him, was honored yesterday as major league player of the year by The Associated Press.

Bagwell, recently chosen as only the third unanimous MVP in

NL history, batted .368 with 39 home runs and a major league-leading 116 RBI. The 26-year-old first baseman received 31 votes in a nationwide poll of 58 sports writers and broadcasters.

Chicago White Sox first baseman Frank Thomas, a two-time AL MVP, was runner-up with 16 votes and San Francisco's Matt Williams, who led the majors with 43 home runs, was third with three.

#### Tabasco Cat early favorite

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A record 94 entries were accepted yesterday for seven Breeders' Cup races on Saturday at Churchill Downs. Each of the races drew full fields of 14 except for the Breeders' Cup Distaff, which had 10 fillies and mares. The previous record was 92 entries in 1992.

Track oddsmaker Mike Battaglia said he actually made Tabasco Cat the favorite in the Classic. Tabasco Cat, the Preakness and Belmont winner, was listed at 7-2, starting from the No. 4 post position under Pat Day, while Devil His Due was listed at 4-1.

Compiled from staff wire reports.

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# Appalachia conference begins

By Glenda N. Ethington  
Staff Writer

The mountains of Appalachia extend from Quebec to Northern Alabama in the United States. Perhaps the most fertile stretch of this range lies in Eastern Kentucky.

The history and culture of the people of the Appalachians is as harsh, rugged and beautiful as the mountains themselves.

The UK Appalachian Center is presenting its Ninth Annual Conference on Appalachia this week in an attempt to bring awareness of the region to UK and the surrounding community.

"Women in Appalachia" is the theme of the conference, which begins today and continues through Saturday.

The conference is free to all UK faculty, staff and students with ID, and all events will take place on campus at the Student Center. There is a \$5 fee for the reception and performance tomorrow evening starting at 7, in the Center Theater. The reception features composer/musician Gabrielle Mattingly Gray followed by the play "Kinfolk, Cornbread and Hillbilly Women."

The conference will address the emerging roles of women in Appalachia said Conference Coordinator Phyllis Braun.

"Women are not only the change agents for what is emerging in the community, they are changing and redefining their roles within the community," Braun said.

"In theme with our conference

"Women in Appalachia," we are merely responding to what we see are issues of public policy today."

Five exhibits will be on display in the Rasdall Gallery from 10 a.m. today until the close of the conference Saturday at 12:30 p.m.

The first guest speaker will open the conference at 1 p.m. today in 230 Student Center.

"Eula Hall will set the pace for the rest of the conference," Braun said. "She is like the Mother Teresa of Appalachians."

Hall was born and raised in Floyd County, Ky., and runs the Mud Creek Clinic, Braun said.

"She is going to talk on 'Women and Their Freedom' from the top of her head," Braun said.

Braun and Gurney Norman will moderate a discussion after

tonight's presentation of readings from Bette Peterson's play, titled "Desert Flower."

Also of note is a luncheon at noon tomorrow.

The luncheon is \$5 in the Student Center and will feature a celebration of Helen Matthews Lewis.

"Helen Matthews Lewis has been a trailblazer in Appalachian studies," said Darlene Wilson, a graduate assistant at the UK Appalachian Center. "She defined the parameters of Appalachian studies."

Registration for the Ninth Annual Conference on Appalachia registration and coffee will be today, tomorrow and Saturday at 9 a.m. Session times vary daily.

For more information, call 257-4852.



GOAL MINER'S WRITER Helen Lewis, a trailblazer in Appalachian Studies will be celebrated during the Ninth Annual Conference of Appalachia

# Simpson attorneys: O.J. no Jekyll and Hyde

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — O.J. Simpson is no "Jekyll and Hyde" personality, his attorneys told potential jurors yesterday, while a prosecutor implored panelists to resist Simpson's famous image and ignore the "odd-ball theories" about other killers.

The comments, sounding more like opening statements than a session on jury selection, set the stage for peremptory challenges, which allow either side to excuse up to 20 prospective jurors without stating a cause.

"There's been a question here of whether... he's far different off camera than on camera," defense attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr. said. "You understand there is no evidence that O.J. Simpson is a Jekyll and Hyde personality."

Deputy District Attorney Marcia Clark also discussed the image of the actor and former football star. "This is not a popular case for the prosecution to bring," she said.

Clark acknowledged that she laughed when she saw Simpson in a "Naked Gun" movie.

But she urged prospective

jurors to ignore his popularity and focus on evidence.

Simpson is "such a famous guy, he's such a sympathetic guy, there's going to be a real pull to do something different than the law requires," she said.

Superior Court Judge Lance Ito said he now wants 12 jurors and 15 alternate for the trial.

He also indicated it will take until Dec. 1 to seat a full panel. Questioning of a second pool of about 100 people is to begin on Tuesday.

Outside the courtroom yesterday, the sister of Simpson's slain ex-wife went on the syndicated talk show "Geraldo" to read a statement saying that Nicole Brown Simpson had managed to hide from the public and her family the "private hell" she suffered as a battered wife.

The statement was in response to a Tuesday night report on "Dateline NBC," in which Simpson's friends said he wasn't violent toward Nicole Simpson.

"Their assertion that Nicole was not a battered wife is as painful as it is wrong. Yet we understand how they could be so very mistaken," Denise Brown

said.

"When my sister was murdered so brutally, there were widespread news accounts alleging that she was a battered woman. I strongly refuted those stories and told the world that my sister was not a typical battered wife," she said. "I know now that I was wrong."

Brown family members haven't said whether they believe Simpson is guilty.

Of the 42 prospects who had passed the first in-depth round of questioning, two were dismissed yesterday. One admitted he had seen a news report on a controversial book about Simpson's slain ex-wife. The other said she believed Simpson must prove his innocence, though the judge and attorneys said that wasn't correct.

Attorneys ran out of time Wednesday to begin using their peremptory challenges, and are expected to begin them today.

Defense attorney Robert Shapiro asked Simpson to stand and face the potential panelists at one point during the defense presentation.

"If you or someone near or dear to you was accused of first-degree murder," Shapiro said, "would you

like to have somebody like yourself on the jury?" All of the prospective jurors in court nodded.

Cochran told them that Simpson's lawyers will not be required to "solve" the case as fictional attorneys often do on television.

"If you've heard the evidence and conclude that Mr. Simpson is innocent, will you have the courage to find that, even if we haven't identified the person or three or four people who have been involved?" he asked.

The prospects nodded at the question.

Clark said it isn't the prosecution's job to try to shoot down the rumors that someone else killed Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman on June 12.

"You've heard them," she declared, "that the drug dealers did it, the Mafia did it, the Colombian cartels did it."

"I've even heard one that Ron and Nicole are not dead. The next thing will be space aliens."

"Do you expect me to shoot down all these odd-ball theories?" she asked. "I'm not going to (prosecute) a trial of People vs. Colum-

# College ceases funding for gays

NACOGDOCHES, Texas — The student government at Stephen F. Austin State University voted yesterday to stop funding of the school's gay student association.

The student senate voted 30-26 to halt funding support for the Gay and Lesbian Student Association beginning next school year. This year it received \$106.

Those who argued for the funding cut said group members probably were violating the state's century-old sodomy law. The misdemeanor, punishable by fine, isn't enforced.

"We didn't want to have a group on campus that might in some way champion violation of Texas law," student senator Bryan Simmons, who led the effort against the gay group, said last week.

The constitutionality of the law has been questioned in several court cases, and a state attorney general's opinion on the matter is pending.

Keith Roberts, president of the gay group, said its opponents were "confusing sex with sexuality."

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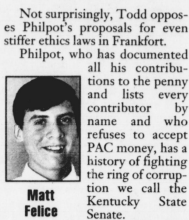
Shooting stirs gays' fears of violence in San Francisco

ASSOCIATED PRESS
SAN FRANCISCO — Just 10 blocks from the Castro district, the very center of San Francisco's gay community, Victor Bohana was pinned to a wall with a tear sheet, driver vehicle and shot in the chest, apparently because he was holding hands with his boyfriend.



Democrats offer poor leadership; give GOP a chance

It doesn't take much more than a high school civics course and a regular dose of C-SPAN to know that Congress, not the president, is responsible for the bulk of legislation and spending.



Matt Felice, Kernel Columnist

Voters have given one party, the Democrats, complete control over tax revenue and public policy for the past quarter of a century because Democrats promised prosperity and peace in return for our votes and a bigger chunk of our income.

Not surprisingly, Todd opposes Philpott's proposals for even stiffer ethics laws in Frankfort. Philpott, who has documented all his contributions to the penny and lists every contributor by name and who refuses to accept PAC money, has a history of fighting the ring of corruption we call the Kentucky State Senate.

Now the voters are pretty miffed because all the Democrat-controlled Congress has delivered on that are bloated bureaucracies, which have created an intricate welfare state, which has in turn created a dependency class, which of course has required a heavier tax burden on the working class.

In March 1992 Philpott filed suit against the Senate to "test the constitutionality of the rules which allow a single chairman to totally kill legislation," he explained, noting that several bills which had passed overwhelmingly in the House were never even voted on in the Senate.

Bar in mind that the dependency class doesn't just include welfare recipients, but the wealthy bureaucrats who created the whole thing as well. They live at the expense of the working class, which includes everyone from Lee Iacocca to your dishwasher repair man.

The Supreme Court ruled that indeed, the Senate ought to change its rules to comply with the Constitution. But that wasn't the end — Philpott went on to insist that committee members actually meet when scheduled, instead of partaking in the current "let's not and say we did" policy.

The same can't be said for Speaker of the House Tom Foley, a prominent member of the dependency class since a time I was wearing Underoos and watching "Superfriends" every Saturday morning.

This is the man Todd and Democrats, including Scotty Baesler, and state senators have blasted as "ineffective."

Unlike private sector workers and faithful public servants, which include the military, postal employees and elected Republicans devoted to slashing the bureaucracy one tax cut or spending cut at a time, Congressional Democrats are parasitic bloodsuckers who exist only to perpetuate themselves.

Their definition of "effective" means joining the insiders and maintaining the status quo, even if that happens to be illegal. In that regard, they can call Philpott ineffective all they want — it's a compliment.

Can you think of one particular locality where this is especially true? Frankfort, of course. Now who really believes that the ethics laws created by the criminals themselves could possibly be effective? Kentucky Democrats still accept obscene sums of money from special interests, even when they haven't been elected yet.

But it doesn't end there. Todd has even gone so far as to call Philpott a racist. That's funny — last I checked Philpott was the most successful civil rights lawyers in the Bluegrass. In addition to several other sex and race discrimination cases, Philpott won the famous suit against UK in '92 by Donald Douglas, who had lost his spot in a medical residency program due to discrimination.

Don Todd, the Democrat running against Tim Philpott for the 12th district senate seat, has accepted more than \$10,000 in campaign contributions from "anonymous sources" (meaning about two-thirds of his campaign funding is undocumented) along with several thousands more from Political Action Committees and other sources, including labor unions from other states like Indiana.

Philpott is being attacked because the Senate wants to be rid of him. Other local Republican candidates like Ernest Fletcher and Larry Brandstetter (who incidentally favors ending an LCC student to the UK Board of Trustees) also have been attacked because they, too, threaten the Democrats' Frankfort power base.

As Nov. 8 approaches, Democrats from here to D.C. tremble over names like Oliver North, and there's one thing that explains it all: They're afraid of change. Staff Columnist Matt Felice is a telecommunications freshman.

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Activism not dead

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As the idea of student activism actually been revived at UK?

As uninvolved and apathetic as students have been in the past, we think a turnaround might actually be the case.

Yesterday, an opportunity arose that allowed students to stand up and speak out. To make their voice heard. To let administrators and politicians know that they won't accept rising tuition costs, which make higher education constantly more expensive without a fight.

Is this the same SGA that, just last year, could only get about 200 students to turn out to rally against a tuition increase, even with political bigwigs from around the state on hand to speak? Obviously not.

It is unfortunate that the rally is unlikely to change the minds of members on the Council on Higher Education, but it does say something about the student body.

For one reason or another, they have been revitalized.

The Student Government Association gave students a chance to get involved and show their care, and students, by the hundreds answered the call.

The question now becomes, can we as students keep up this intensity in the future?

We were shocked and amazed when 11:30 rolled around, and students stood up and walked out of class. Students have not shown much interest in taking part in these sort of activities in the past several years, but something was different this year.

Tuition is likely to rise again and again. Will we continue to sit on the sidelines an just let it happen? Or will we take part in the process that ultimately decides our futures.

We hope this walkout was not a fluke. It would be nice to think that there has been a genuine change in the mindset of students at UK.

Kudus must go to SGA for setting up the event. In a period of turmoil and scandal, SGA showed unprecedented leadership and enthusiasm by getting students to the rally.

Otherwise, we will continue to let others make decisions for us, without ever hearing our voice.

SOUNDbytes

Will the class walkout persuade decision-makers not to raise tuition?



"No, I don't think they're going to listen to students."

Clark Shuman, Undeclared sophomore



"I don't think it will help. The CHE has their own reasons for an increase. I don't think it's much of an increase anyway."

Jennifer Liggitt, Communication freshman



"I just really believe they had their mind made up before the walkout even occurred."

Dan Wells, Political science senior



"No, not at all. The University is in the business of making money. For the last two or three years they've raised it. It doesn't make a difference."

Mexico Hayden, Economics senior



"I think it will bring attention to the school and higher education."

Echo Chang, Spanish senior

Putting ideas on paper much harder than you think

Hey, this is my first time. Be gentle. I don't have a clue what I should write about this week.

This has never happened to me before. I'm pretty sure that, as a writer, I'm supposed to make a sacrifice to one of the muses to get over this hurdle. A live goat or something.

There are two problems with that course of action. First, I dunno whether to sacrifice to Melpomene, the muse of tragedy, or Thalia, the muse of comedy. I make a fool out of myself in print one week — is that funny or tragic?

Anyway, the other problem is that I'm allergic to goats. I discovered that particular fact quite a few years ago in an incident that I don't think anyone wants repeated. Especially the goat. So the sacrifice is out.

Oh, I've had ideas. I've even gotten into some of them to the tune of one or two paragraphs before slapping that delete key for various reasons.

I was going to write about my views on homosexuality, for example, but I was silenced by a feeling of profound futility. It seemed to me (and still seems, now, though I hope to get better) that discrimination against and hatred for homosexuals both depend on a basic ignorance so deep that can't be argued away.

Another problem I ran into as I tried get a handle on this issue was my apparent need to work in a disclaimer that I'm not gay myself. I don't understand why I feel the need, and I'm disturbed by the implications.

It's just a little too close in spirit to "some of my best friends are fags" for me to be comfortable



Jeff Wilder, Kernel Columnist

with that part of my psyche. I'll mull it over and get back to you in a future column, maybe. The University is in the business of making money. For the last two or three years they've raised it. It doesn't make a difference."

waiting until I know what's going on before I begin condemning people or condoning actions. In this particular case, that means I intend to wait until the I learn more about the investigation and its findings before I run my mouth ... whatever my feelings about the reality of institutionalized racism.

In a lighter vein, I wanted to

write about UK's varsity volleyball team. I was going to try to puzzle out why thousands of people go into the cold to watch our horrible football team get mauled each home Saturday, while only a handful visit Memorial Coliseum for home volleyball matches.

Maybe I would have mentioned that volleyball is an incredibly exciting sport — at least as exciting as basketball, albeit in a different way — or the fact that our volleyball team is very competitive, in stark contrast to their gridiron guys.

In fact, I'm pretty sure our volleyball team could kick our football team's ass in rushing yardage.

The problem is that if I go on too long with this, the editors are gonna wanna stick my column on the sports page, and none of my 17 loyal readers would know to look there.

Computers were a possibility, which isn't surprising, since I practically live on-line. Specifically, I was going to discuss the fear and distrust so many people seem to have for the machines that have become so important to our society.

That came out all right, but it goes downhill from there. I ended up doing nothing but making fun of technophobes and of the mind-bogglingly stupid questions they ask. While that's rewarding in the short term (especially when you're a snob like me), it really doesn't accomplish much when all is said and done.

I honestly think that it's extremely important for people to realize that computers are tools, machines for making tedious tasks easier and faster to perform. They aren't magical, they don't just suddenly work or not work without

reason, and they don't "not like you." Computers do what they're told to do, when they're able to do it. I promise. That said, please stop asking so many mind-boggling, stupid questions, okay?

Those are some of the things I was going to talk about, but never could get fully developed on paper. What do you, my 17 loyal readers, want me to write about? What do you not want me to write about? Maybe you want me to shut up and get out of your face. (Not likely, but you can ask).

Here's my e-mail address: wilder@mik.uky.edu.

Please use it, if you know how and would like to comment. And if you don't know how to use e-mail — well, asking how isn't one of those mind-boggling, stupid questions. Staff Columnist Jeff Wilder is an English junior.





HERE'S A QUARTER... SGA Senator Greg T. Watkins attempts to speak with Gov. Brereton Jones during yesterday's tuition rally. Jones was 'unavailable.'

## Walkout

Students block street in demonstration

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Stockham that he would be responsible, as the protest's organizer, for any injuries or accidents by motorists.

"Give me \$80 and I'll leave," shouted an unidentified student on the street, referring to the possible 3.7 percent tuition increase for the 1994-95 academic year.

"If they are going to arrest us they are going to have full jails," said Scott Medley, an undeclared sophomore.

"I think the people who are going to raise tuition are going to hear this."

After blocking the street for 25 minutes, the students quickly left when UK Police Chief W. H. McComas asked them to let a blocked ambulance come through.

"We have responsible students," McComas said. "They've got some cool heads."

However, students moved back halfway across the street when, after a few moments, no ambulance had passed.

McComas said an ambulance still was moving forward and cautioned demonstrators marching back across the street.

"Lexington (police) were going to come up, and they were going to arrest them," McComas said

later. "They're a whole lot harder than we are."

The demonstrators, then numbering about 400, left the area and marched back to the Administration Building.

This time, about 150 crowded inside the lobby and again demanded that Werthington hear them.

Robert Lawson, the president's special assistant for administrative affairs, said Werthington was still across campus in meetings.

SGA President Benny Ray Bailey used a phone in the lobby and called Gov. Brereton Jones.

He spoke into a bullhorn so the students could hear his half of the conversation.

## Jones

Jones helps lead rally against tuition raise

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year's unsuccessful rally. Last year's rally only about 100 people in attendance, Jones said.

"Anything can happen when you get good people excited about something important," he said.

During the march, SGA Vice President Heather Hennesl thanked Jones for his participation and support.

At the rally, participants went

to the Administration Building to tell administrators they were "tired of spending more for less."

Then the protesters gathered onto South Limestone Street, where they stopped traffic.

The police arrived, and Jones moved to the front of the crowd holding up one end of a banner reading, "DON'T RAISE TUITION."

As students returned to the Administration Building, Jones stood by the side of the main door and beat out a steady rhythm on his bongo drum.

"I think," Jones said, "this is the best thing to happen to UK in a long time."

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