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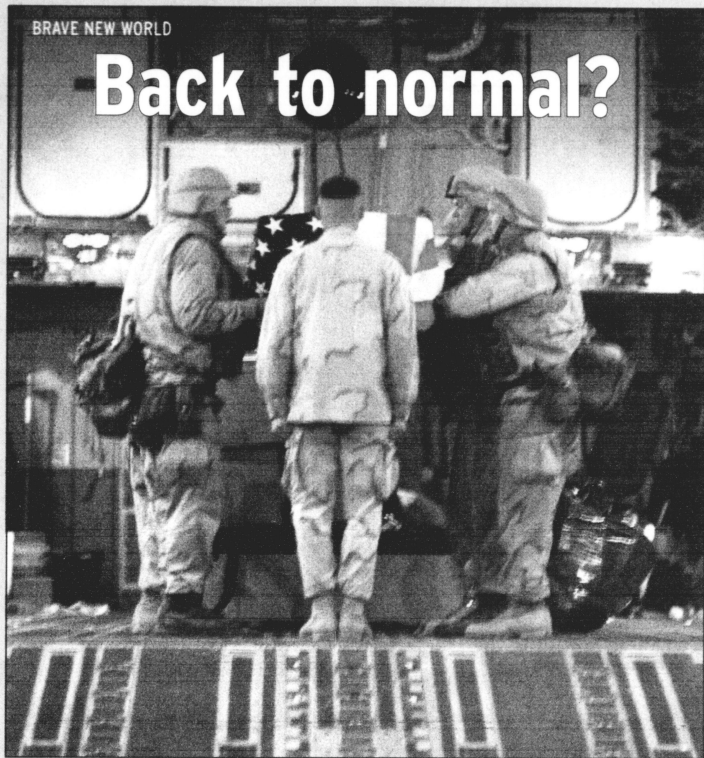


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U.S. Marines transfer the flag-draped coffin holding the remains of the last of seven Marines killed in a crash a week ago onto a C-17 at Kanderbar Airport Wednesday. The remains were flown to Germany en route to Dover Air Force Base. Students no longer fear for their own safety, but for friends and loved ones in the military in Afghanistan.

Back to normal?

By Amber Ashby
STAFF WRITER

The terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C. impacted the lives of many UK students. Now, more than four months later, these same students say their lives are getting back to normal.

"I don't hide out in my house wondering if something big is going to happen anymore," says Ali Cronacher, a psychology junior.

Other UK students say the impact of Sept. 11 is still relevant, but they are no longer concerned about their personal safety. Instead, their anxiety has shifted to others, especially those in the military.

"I have friends in the army that are stationed in Afghanistan," says Rebecca Neal, a broadcast journalism freshman. "I worry about their safety, and I also worry about their families here, should anything happen to them."

Edward Jennings, a professor in the UK Martin School of Public Policy and Administration and acting chair of the political science department, says although Sept. 11 has continued to influence people's emotions and sense of security, the effects

have faded somewhat on a conscious level. "People aren't glued to the television anymore," he says. "Our everyday concerns have returned, and our sense of normalcy has been restored."

Joshua Browning, a finance sophomore, can attest to that. Immediately following the attacks, he says he couldn't stop watching the news and worried daily about his safety.

The initial fear has now worn off, and Browning is no longer concerned about terrorist attacks or anthrax scares.

"I guess I've just moved on with life and am more concerned about usual things — like school," he says.

Michael Desch, associate director and associate professor of the UK Patterson School of Diplomacy, says Browning's response is typical of many people who have adjusted after such a world-changing event.

"As human beings, we have a remarkable capacity to return to normal in abnormal situations," he said.

But Desch says Sept. 11 has forever changed the world in terms of security. Whether it's at airports, businesses, military bases or the Kentucky Derby, he said security measures are always reevaluated when public safety is a concern.

Jennings and Desch say they feel the weight of Sept. 11 every time they enter an airport, and though they are comforted by extra security, it has been an adjustment.

Nevertheless, Desch said that while he might have been enraged at the thought of having his shoes X-rayed in the past, he now welcomes the idea. "Essentially, a lot of things have changed," Desch said. "But we're getting used to those things."

ORGANIZATIONS

E-club could advance young entrepreneurs

Start-up: New UK student organization offers many opportunities to all majors

By Kristin Durbin
STAFF WRITER

Founders of a new organization want to bring an entrepreneurial spirit to campus.

UK has not been encouraging to entrepreneurs in the past, said Chuck Bryant, faculty adviser and director of Research and Instructional Technology for the Department of Communications.

Bryant and several other faculty members have launched E-Club, designed to give students networking opportunities and a place to develop skills in starting a new business.

"The hope is to foster an entrepreneurial environment," Bryant said.

The concept of E-Club is not new, he said. UK's club will be based on similar organizations across the country, including ones at Stanford, MIT and Penn State, he said.

Although most E-Clubs are based in a single department, UK's will be campus-wide, Bryant said.

"We don't want to limit it to one college," he said. "Students who do this are not only business majors."

Bryant credited President Lee Todd with the initiative. Todd will serve as the charter

faculty adviser.

Joseph Fink, professor of Pharmacy and a faculty adviser, said if the E-Club gains ground, a certification program will be available to students. Students will be able to add a certificate of entrepreneurship to their resume.

"Students would have an added dimension to their degrees," Fink said.

A one-hour course is already offered to anyone interested, Bryant said. Students can register late until Jan. 29, when the class begins. The course will consist of a series of guest speakers sharing advice and "success stories."

Bryant said the speaker series will be another way to network with other entrepreneurs.

"If a student has an idea, they will have access to the

right people to help them," he said.

Tim Woods, an adviser to the E-Club from the department of Agricultural Economics, said he wants to expose students to what is already available.

"There are lots of resources students don't know about," he said. "We want to connect them with those resources."

Check it out

There will be an E-Club meeting at 5:30 p.m., Jan. 22 in the Student Center Theater.

TRIAL

UK cheerleader pleads innocent

By Kelley Sears
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

UK cheerleader Fernando Kassel Thomas, Jr. turned himself nearly two weeks after a criminal complaint was filed against him for first degree rape.

On January 3, a female UK student filed a criminal complaint against Thomas, her ex-boyfriend, for allegedly raping her in his Holmes Hall dorm room on October 15. Tuesday night Thomas turned himself in to the UK police.

A member of UK cheerleading's white squad, Thomas was in Florida last week participating in the national competition. The UK cheerleading squad won its 12th Universal Cheerleading Association Championship on Saturday.

Sgt. Greg Hall of the UK police said he called T. Lynn Williamson, the director of human resources and adviser to the cheerleading program on Tuesday morning to inform him that there was a warrant out for Thomas' arrest.

Hall said Williamson assured him that Thomas would turn himself in before the end of the day. Williamson would not comment.

Hall said he believes Thomas learned of the warrant for the first time on Tuesday.

"We did not feel he was at risk for flight," Hall said. "We didn't feel like he needed to be

made aware of it before he came back."

Hall said there is no standard procedure on how suspects are brought in, and that each case is evaluated individually.

He said rape suspects are not brought in until there is a criminal complaint filed against them, because alleged victims must first decide whether or not to press charges.

H. Wayne Roberts, Thomas' attorney, has already entered a plea of innocence on behalf of his client. He said people normally press rape charges immediately and he's not sure yet whether or not the delay will hurt his client's case.

"It is not normal for someone to accuse someone of committing rape months down the road," Roberts said. "My problem is that if a young lady has been raped, she should speak up and step up in a timely manner."

Alexis Bail, a crisis counselor and educator from the Rape Crisis Center, said some victims speak out immediately and others never do. In Kentucky, there is no time limit for rape victims to report the crime.

Roberts said he and his staff have already begun piecing information together to defend Thomas.

"I'm confident from our preliminary background check that Mr. Thomas is innocent," he said.

MONEY

Demand for tickets keeps scalpers busy



A scalper offers tickets at the UK vs. Ole Miss game Tuesday night. Many believe that scalping should be legalized, saying it will happen regardless. From 1992 to 2000, 224 citations were issued by police at UK games.

NICK TOMCEK | KERNEL STAFF

'I need tickets': Officers go undercover to catch scalpers outside Rupp Arena

By Jimmy Nesbitt
STAFF WRITER

As rush hour traffic inches along, men with signs station themselves at the intersections leading to Rupp Arena.

Posters bearing black, red and sparkling blue letters are held high and marched down nearby streets. They all say the same thing: "I need tickets."

Eastern Kentucky University students Jeremy Steele and Greg Harris need tickets. They're here for the UK-Ole Miss basketball game. "We got down here around 5:30," Steele says.

Minutes later they find good seats — lowers. "One guy started at \$120 for one ticket and went down to \$50 in three minutes," Steele says. Harris adds, "More like three sec-

onds."

UK police officer Bill Hayes isn't smiling.

Face value for the tickets Steele and Harris were offered is \$22. Selling a ticket for an amount greater than face value is illegal in Kentucky, Hayes says.

Hayes is in charge of the department's ticket scalping detail. Their strategy: UK police officers dress in plain clothes and attempt to purchase tickets from sellers for greater than face value.

Scalpers cannot be cited unless they make an illegal bid to an officer. "That's really the only way we can charge them with ticket scalping," Hayes says.

The penalty for ticket scalping is \$500.

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The Low-down

CAMPUS NEWS

It is better to be wrong than to be vague.
—Freeman J. Dyson

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Former UK police officer arrested

According to the Kentucky Post, David Cantrell, a former University of Kentucky police officer, is being held on \$50,000 cash bond in the Boone County Jail after his arrest early Wednesday on a charge of first-degree robbery. A clerk at the Courtyard by Marriott hotel in Erlanger told police that a man fitting Cantrell's description came in around 11:30 p.m. Tuesday, said he had a weapon, then demanded money. Shortly after the robbery, sheriff's deputies stopped Cantrell's car near the intersection of Mineola Pike Interstate 275 interchange and requested to search it. Cantrell refused, so a detective was sent to the scene and a search warrant was issued. Through that search police found evidence Cantrell committed the robbery, said Boone County Sheriff's Department spokesman Maj. Jack Banks. Cantrell was working as a fire dispatcher in Lexington.

UK offering GRE, GMAT prep classes

UK will offer a class to prepare students for the Graduate Record Exam on Tuesday evenings for six weeks this semester. The classes run from Jan. 29 through March 5. UK is also offering a class to prepare students for the Graduate Management Admission Test. The verbal review for the GMAT will be offered Thursday evenings, and the math review for the GMAT will be Tuesday evenings. The fee for each of the GMAT and GRE preparation classes is \$80, and a text is required. Register at the Central Advising Service and Transfer Center, located at 109 Miller Hall, or call 257-3383.

STATE NEWS

Missing purse found 30 years later

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — The bright red wallet disappeared from Nancy Rascoe's purse about 30 years ago. Little did she know it never left the building. "It was a little while before I knew it was gone — hours, I think," said Rascoe, now an assistant professor at Western Kentucky University. The wallet, found last week by lighting workers, was tucked away in the ceiling of the school's Academic Complex. Except for \$25, nothing was taken. "It's amazing that 30 years later, it shows up," Rascoe said. "What are the chances of that happening?" The worker who found it, Bill Foster, didn't think it was a big deal. "We always find all kinds of stuff at various sites," said Foster, an electrician. "We wanted to get the wallet back to the owner because she had some pictures of herself and her family." Foster



"K-ED OUT: The truth will soon no longer be out there." "The X-Files," the Emmy-winning sci-fi drama that thrust two federal agents into spooky paranormal situations, will end its nine-season run on the Fox television network in May. Daily Variety reported in its Thursday edition. Series creator Chris Carter decided to pull the plug on the show, whose ratings have been hurt this season by the departure of star David Duchovny and by tougher competition. "It's the ninth inning. We want to go out on top," the trade paper quoted Carter as saying. "We wanted to go out as a strong show." Carter hoped Duchovny would return as Special Agent Fox Mulder for the two-part series finale opposite Gillian Anderson's Agent Dana Scully. Both actors, whose mutual off-screen animosity was well documented, are on board for a sequel to the 1998 "X-Files" feature.

was looking above a ceiling tile in a classroom when he discovered it. He passed it on to his boss. After realizing that the wallet was quite old, attempts were made to contact the emergency number found in the wallet. It didn't work, said Foster's boss, Kim Richards. "I hung on to it. When I got back to the hotel, I found the name, Mrs. Robert B. Rascoe," Richards said. Richards got the wallet to Rascoe's husband, Robert. He decided to place it on the kitchen table to see if his wife would recognize it. She finally did. "My first thought was, 'It's so '70s.'"

Feds up reward for ex-militia member

SOMERSET, Ky. — Federal authorities are boosting the reward for a former militia member who has been on the run since he allegedly shot at a deputy in October. The U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms increased the reward for information on Stephen H. Anderson to \$20,000 on Wednesday. The reward had been \$5,000. The new reward is the largest the agency has offered in Kentucky in at least four years, said Don York, spokesman for the ATF in Kentucky. Anderson, 54, once operated a shortwave radio program from his home in Pulaski County, espousing anti-government, racist, anti-Semitic and violent views so extreme that the Kentucky Militia kicked him out last year. Anderson fled into the woods near Middlesboro, abandoning his truck, and has been missing since then. He is charged in state court with attempted murder, and in federal court with possession of illegal explosive devices.

NATIONAL NEWS

Man who impersonated pilot convicted

NEW YORK — An Egyptian man who flew to Kennedy International Airport in September with a fake pilot's uniform and license was convicted Thursday of lying to investigators about his plans to attend aviation school. But jurors acquitted Wael Abdel Rahman Kishk, 21, on a second charge of trying to impersonate a pilot by carrying a forged document. Kishk faces up to five years in prison on a federal charge of making false statements. A sentencing date wasn't immediately set. Kishk, 21, was detained at Kennedy Airport in New York on Sept. 19 after arriving on a flight from Barcelona, Spain, that had originated in Cairo. During a routine search of his luggage, immigration agents discovered a fake Federal Aviation Administration document purportedly giving him medical clearance to fly. Prosecutors alleged Kishk wanted to use the fake document to pass himself off as a pilot. They also accused him of lying about why he was in the country: to attend aviation classes. He instead claimed he was bound for business school, said prosecutor Dwight Holton. The FBI, fearing a second wave of terror attacks, asked Kishk "over and over again, 'Do you intend to take flight lessons?'" Holton said in closing arguments. "Over and over again, he denied it."

Compiled from staff and wire reports.

SCALPERS

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ing is treated like a traffic ticket. The crime is punishable by a fine of up to \$250, according to Kentucky law. Buying a ticket for more than face value is not illegal.

At the 1998 General Assembly, former state Sen. Tim Philpot made a proposal to legalize ticket scalping. He believed legal scalping would lower competition and create a greater supply, making tickets more affordable.

"It wouldn't make any material difference at all," Hayes says. "That's only my opinion."

Steele and Harris would like to see the law change. "I think it should be legal," Steele says. "They (Rupp Arena) should have some area where you can buy and sell tickets."

"A place where it could be controlled," Harris adds. "It's going to happen anyway."

Although the crowds outside Rupp Arena have shrunk, Hayes says certain games always create a stir.

"The most expensive that I recall was from the U of L game when a guy offered me a pair of lower arena seats for \$700. That's as high as they've been since the 1996 season," Hayes says.

In some cases, scalpers may not be the only party penalized. "A lot of tickets will change hands out in front of Rupp Arena two or three times before someone uses them to go watch the game," Hayes says.

When Hayes comes across the same seat number, he contacts the UK ticket office to find out if it's a season ticket. If it is, he tries to figure out who the scalper bought it from.

If the season ticket holder of a scalped ticket is uncovered, they may lose their privileges to purchase season tickets, according to University policy.

"You figure if a season seat shows up more than once, then probably the holder of the seat is selling the entire season book to someone," Hayes says.

From 1992 to 2000, UK police issued 224 citations for ticket scalping. More than half of the 224 citations were issued between the 1996 and 1998 seasons. After nine regular season home games, 22 have been issued.

Hayes sees a lot of familiar faces over the course of the season.

"There are people we catch more than once a game," he says.

OOPS

Corrections

In a story in Wednesday's Kernel, Chana Atkins should have been identified as an assistant professor in psychology.

The Kernel corrects all significant errors. To report an error, call 257-1915.

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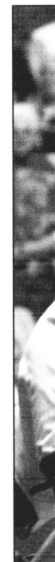
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SEC BATTLE

GymKats confident against Gators

Setting sights: No. 13 UK may enter top 10 with victory over No. 11 Florida tonight

By Travis Hubbard
SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

The GymKats' trip to the Bahamas last weekend was just a glimpse of nirvana before the UK gymnastics team prepares for Florida in a Southeastern Conference encounter tonight at Memorial Coliseum for "Wildcats in Paradise."

The chosen theme for the meet against Florida appropriately follows UK's vacation to Nassau, Bahamas, where the GymKats finished 1-1 against Brigham Young and North Carolina State.

"It was a great trip and something fun," UK coach Leah Little said. "We were able to get some of our younger gymnasts some experience and see what they can do and also rest some of the others."

UK lost to N.C. State by .100 of a point, but Little said the performance was respectable considering UK performed without much of its first string.

Despite the narrow loss, sophomore Julie Joy claimed her second straight all-around title at the Bahama Breeze Invitational and has become a top performer for the GymKats.

"Julie came in the second semester last year and we did not have a lot of time to train her, but having her the entire preseason this year has been a real boost for us," Little said. "She's a real competitor and likes to win."

Joy and the No. 13 GymKats would love to upset the No. 11 Gators.

UK is 1-18 all-time against Florida, and the GymKats see tonight's meeting as a chance to prove to the rest of the SEC that UK is a perennial power.

"We want to be in the top 10 and we want to beat (Florida)," Little said.

A win tonight likely would land UK in the nation's top 10, but beating the Gators is a tough task.

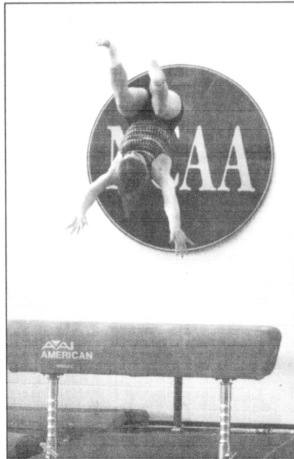
Performing at home in Memorial Coliseum should give UK a mental advantage, Little said, but the GymKats must still perform well.

More than entering the nation's top 10, a win tonight would provide Little and her squad with a relaxed mind and a break from the SEC grind.

"We want this one real bad and we've told them that we think we are just as good as Florida," Little said. "Competing in the SEC is pressure. No matter what team you play, it's pressure."

Other weekend sports

- Women's tennis (home)**
vs. Cincinnati at 10 a.m. Sat.
vs. Marshall at 3:30 p.m. Sat.
vs. MSU at 10 a.m. Sun.
vs. Miami, Ohio at 6 p.m. Sun.
- Men's tennis (home)**
SEC Indoor Championships
- Swimming and Diving (home)**
vs. Arkansas and South Carolina at 1 p.m. Sat.
- Women's basketball (Columbia)**
at South Carolina at 2 p.m. Sun.
Rifle (Murray)
Witrow Invitational, Sun.



Sophomore Melissa Tucker (above) vaults during a GymKats practice Monday. Junior Mindy Smith (left) works on her balance beam routine at practice. She is the GymKats top performer on the beam with a 9.788 average.

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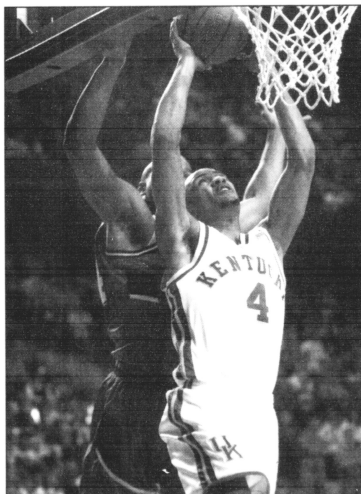
BOTH ENDS

Defense is the focus as Cats travel to South Bend



Junior guard Keith Bogans eludes a VMI defender during UK's 99-57 victory Dec. 5. Bogans will use Saturday's game against Notre Dame as a chance to get out of a recent slump. Bogans, a preseason first-team All-SEC selection, scored seven points in UK's last game against Ole Miss, while being plagued by foul trouble.

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Stopper

Sophomore guard Gerald Fitch has as coach Tubby Smith put it, "set the tone for us defensively all year." Fitch had 11 rebounds against Ole Miss.

No slip-ups allowed: UK players say defensive intensity must stay as Cats venture out of the SEC to play Notre Dame on the road

By Will Messer
SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

For Jules Camara, the reason behind UK's earlier defensive woes is simple.

"We weren't very consistent defensively," the junior center said.

Camara said the lack of constant defensive pressure led to losses to Duke and Southeastern Conference foes Mississippi State and Georgia.

Against Duke and MSU, the Cats' inconsistent play allowed both teams to come back from double-digit second-half deficits.

And at Rupp Arena against

Georgia, the Bulldogs' Jarvis Hayes and Ezra Williams scorched the Cats for a combined 50 points.

But in the Cats' (11-4, 2-2 SEC) last two games, things have been different.

The defensive toughness and intensity coach Tubby Smith's teams are known for returned, and the Cats' two-game losing streak was history.

UK held both South Carolina and Ole Miss to less than 35 percent from the field.

Against South Carolina, defense was the key to a less than statement-making, one-point victory, but UK's stifling defense led to a blowout win

against Ole Miss.

In addition to consistency, sophomore guard Cliff Hawkins said the Cats had to learn they couldn't rely on their offense to win games.

"Sometimes we get caught up thinking we can outscore people," the sophomore guard said. "Or, we get a big lead and let up."

Notre Dame (12-4, 2-2 Big East), should also challenge UK's offense Saturday.

The Fighting Irish allow 62.5 points per game, which ranks them second in the Big East in scoring defense.

Saturday's game could be an ideal situation for a Cat

meltdown.

After beginning SEC play 0-2, the Cats have evened their league record and a non-conference opponent could provide an opportunity for a breather.

But freshman forward Chuck Hayes said he doesn't expect a lack of intensity.

"We're in the middle of the season, January's here and February's right around the corner and after that is March. You can't get real content with where you are right now."

Junior guard Keith Bogans agreed, saying that the losses to Duke, MSU and UGA were the wake-up calls the Cats needed to avoid any further lapses.

"We've had too many let downs," Bogans said. "We've been in a hole already and we're going to keep our intensity up."

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No. 12 Kentucky Wildcats (11-4, 2-2 SEC)

Probable Starters	Min.	FG%	3PT%	FT%	RPG	PPG
G Cliff Hawkins	24.5	44.1	27.6	62.2	2.5	8.1
G Gerald Fitch	25.2	46.5	27.9	70.3	5.7	8.8
G Keith Bogans	27.9	40.4	30.7	65.1	5.2	12.1
F Tayshawn Prince	31.6	51.2	35.6	64.9	6.5	17.7
C Jules Camara	16.1	54.7	0.0	72.7	3.9	5.2

Notre Dame Fighting Irish (12-4, 2-2 Big East)

Probable Starters	Min.	FG%	3PT%	FT%	RPG	PPG
G Chris Thomas	35.5	40.5	42.0	91.5	2.6	15.8
G Matt Carroll	31.8	41.2	35.4	87.9	4.8	11.5
F David Graves	32.8	42.7	42.6	86.5	4.9	14.9
F Ryan Humphrey	34.0	54.9	60.0	57.4	9.1	20.4
C Harold Swanson	26.1	58.3	-	67.5	7.0	8.3



Ha ha hee hee

Late night comedians

"Poor guy, he blacked out and hit the ground and he was out for four seconds. Fortunately, those were the same four seconds that Dick Cheney was conscious yesterday."

"Today coming to work, I saw one of those only in New York scenes. It was a rat who had passed out after choking on a pretzel."

"Earlier today, Bush's cabinet told him that they had nothing to do with helping Enron. Bush had trouble swallowing that as well."

"I just heard George W. Bush's new plan for airline security. From here on out, every plane will now have its own hockey dad."

- David Letterman

"President Bush was munching on some pretzels when he choked and fainted. All this time we were worrying about Osama bin Laden, turns out he was almost done-in by Mr. Salty."

"Over the weekend, the President passed out after choking on a pretzel. Better than the old days, when he used to choke on vowels. Remember that?"

"I guess what happened was, Bush passed out, banged his head on a table, then came to a few seconds later. Today Bush said it was just like being back in college."

"They ran to get Dick Cheney, and they realized nobody could remember the undisclosed location he was hiding in."

"Former President Clinton's dog, Buddy, got run over recently. Very sad. Hillary said today she feels terrible, because she was aiming at Bill."

"Today more al Qaeda and Taliban prisoners were flown to Guantanamo Bay in Cuba. On the plane they are bound, they are sedated, they are chained to their chairs. Or, as Continental calls it, coach."

"I flew this past weekend. I went through airport security and said to the guy, 'Is everything OK?' He said, 'You might want to have that mole on your ass checked out.' That seems a little personal to me."

- Jay Leno

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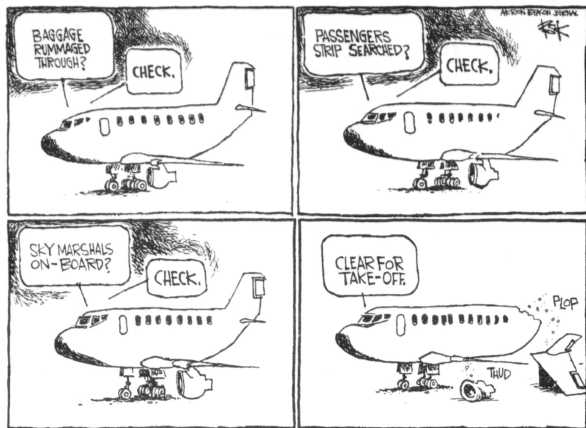
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READERS' FORUM

Expressions

Your Jan. 11 editorial, especially the quibble with banning cell phone usage in cars, was ridiculous. Requiring an adult to wear a seatbelt may be babysitting, but a ban on cell phones — like bans on driving under the influence — protects people outside of the car. I can't count the number of times that I have been cut off or almost ran into by a driver talking on a cell phone; and more often than not, the person was completely oblivious to the accident that almost occurred. So ennobled was he or she in some vital conversation that couldn't wait until the vehicle had stopped.

I'm sure a lot of people will be heartbroken that they can't chat with a friend about, "Hey, what's up?" or make that oh-so-useful call to inform someone they'll be there in 10 minutes, but they'll survive. Better yet, so will my loved ones on the road.

HOLLY GODDARD JONES
ENGLISH SENIOR



Students in Lexington second class

Growing up in Kentucky, I was well-educated in UK sports (OK, basketball), and looked forward to the day I would play for Kentucky, draining threes and leading the school to a championship.

But then I turned four and realized that wasn't happening. I loved UK basketball anyway, and I knew I would go to college here. But since I've been here, all I see is contempt for the students, older folks hating us for being young, reckless and having fun while they are not. In many towns, there are plenty of real crimes to keep the police busy, while here in Lexington, they just love giving out P.I.s, ruining decent parties and putting me in jail overnight for a traffic ticket.

Huh? Exactly. Anyway, four hours and \$168 later, I realized that the town hates young people, and that, amazingly, some people really don't mind sleeping on the floor by a toilet.

The government here is run by older citizens, which normally shouldn't be too much of a problem. They were all young once too, right? Apparently, these people were born old, moved into the UK area

and forgot that students like to live near campus. This is evident by the absurdity that tiny, little Dick DeCamp is representing the UK area in our city government, but he doesn't, in his words, "represent the students."

So, what does this mean, anyway? We go to a school that tells us we can't drink on campus even if we're 21, or at football and basketball games gouges us with \$6 hamburgers, hates Greek life and treats its students as potential parking tickets. Never mind the fact that one of our best sports teams, UK ice hockey, is always a national contender, yet isn't even varsity. In addition, Lexington is telling us that if we have two really good parties within 12 months, the next time we're going to pay \$500 and probably won't even be allowed to let our parents visit for an entire year. Kind of looks like Lexington doesn't want students around, doesn't it?

That's just really interesting to me, as I grew up in good ol' Elizabethtown, or E-town, which is about 90 miles from here. We thought Lexington was the best city ever. That was my freshman year, and I have since decided to leave once I graduate.

I'm an economics and Spanish junior, but I don't need any supply-demand graphs to figure out what would happen to Lexington if all the students and young people from ages 18 to 35 decided to leave. Does the city really want to cut the legs out from under itself?



Barry Stephens
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Gullible readers were like lambs to the slaughter

Ah, my first column of the new semester. The first couple weeks of class always prove to be a time of rebirth, and in my case they awaken both old and new pet peeves and psychotic hatreds which have lain dormant for a month.

Therefore, I hereby warn you that this column may require you to engage in a rather painful activity... remembering something that happened last semester. I know it won't be easy, and believe me, I'm sorry, but my mental serenity is at stake.

In the interest of relieving this nagging annoyance I must ask that you think back nearly six months to the outset of the Harry Potter movie craze.

Some of you may remember a column I wrote dealing with the books, the film and the fanatical religious critics who equate them with Satanism. I thought my stance on the issue was fairly clear, but it seems I failed somewhere.

You see, I did not take into account that individuals who have been indoctrinated to believe that there's only one book worthy of studying and that literature similar to Harry Potter is Satanic probably don't have the capacity to understand what satire is.

Nor do they understand, apparently, when the joke is on them.

I was absolutely horrified when the Dialogue page began receiving letters of praise, commending my anti-Harry Potter beliefs.

My dismay grew as I realized that, since the semester was ending, I would have no way to respond in a timely fashion, thereby avoiding confusion as to my view of these people.

But the arrogant fear for my meager but consistent reputation soon gave way to amusement when I understood that my half-witted "allies" had, in fact, validated my argument that Harry Potter, along with all other fantasy literature, helps provoke a healthy and necessary imagination within children.

You see, these poor sheep who were so inspired by my column that they felt the need to sit down and write a letter about it are so shallow-minded they cannot even comprehend a simple concept like sarcasm. They're the ones that need to read a damn book.

It's not a tough idea to follow. You know when your professor says, "I'm sure everyone thoroughly read the assigned chapter?"

That's sarcasm. I was first introduced to it at age six after I broke the window of my mom's car with a rock, and she said, "I'm sooo glad we didn't use a condom."

These drones are a perfect example of what happens when religious idiocy shapes peoples' concept of good and evil — ignorance abounds.

I heard one caller on a Lexington talk-radio show explain that he was for peoples' right to read Harry Potter if they chose, even though he was against his child reading them because they promoted Satanism. "So you've read the novels," he asked the host. "No, but I know what they're about," he answered. I bet he's got a kid at UK.

It really discourages me to know that such void and thoughtless people are going to graduate from the same university I am.

I can only hope that their stupidity will somehow lead to their deaths so that my diploma might actually mean something, and their DNA will not continue to poison the gene pool.

Do the world a favor, guys. Either read a book and gain a little insight or don't breed.

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Playoffs shape up as best in years

NFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

Philadelphia Eagles at Chicago Bears

Saturday, 4:30 p.m. EST (FOX)
(regular-season statistics)

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div.
Philadelphia	11	5	.688	343	208	4-4	7-1	3-1	8-4	6-2
Chicago	13	3	.812	338	203	7-1	6-2	3-1	10-2	6-2

Individual team leaders

Philadelphia		Chicago		
Donovan McNabb	3,233	Passing yards	Jim Miller	2,299
Duce Staley	604	Rushing yards	Anthony Thomas	1,183
James Thrash	833	Receiving yards	Marty Booker	1,071

Team comparison

Average yards per game

Philadelphia		Chicago	
Offense			
Total yards	307.7	Total yards allowed	293.8
Passing	196.6	Passing	179.0
Rushing	111.1	Rushing	114.8
Total yards	293.4	Total yards allowed	311.1
Passing	184.5	Passing	229.1
Rushing	108.9	Rushing	82.1

AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

Baltimore Ravens at Pittsburgh Steelers

Sunday, 12:30 p.m. EST (CBS)
(regular-season statistics)

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div.
Baltimore	10	6	.625	303	265	6-2	4-4	8-4	2-2	6-4
Pittsburgh	13	3	.812	352	212	7-1	6-2	10-3	3-0	7-3

Individual team leaders

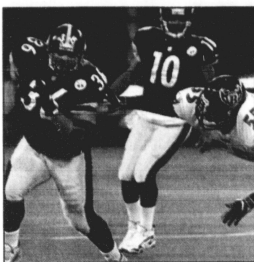
Baltimore		Pittsburgh		
Elvis Grbac	3,033	Passing yards	Kordell Stewart	3,109
Terry Allen	658	Rushing yards	Jerome Bettis	1,072
Qadry Ismail	1,059	Receiving yards	Plaxico Burress	1,008

Team comparison

Average yards per game

Baltimore		Pittsburgh	
Offense			
Total yards	320.3	Total yards allowed	277.9
Passing	207.1	Passing	189.7
Rushing	113.1	Rushing	88.2
Total yards	367.9	Total yards allowed	258.6
Passing	194.6	Passing	183.9
Rushing	173.4	Rushing	74.7

SOURCES: NFL Associated Press



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The Pittsburgh Steeler's hope the return of Jerome Bettis will allow them to move past the defending Superbowl champion Baltimore Ravens on Sunday.

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OWINGS MILLS, Md. — They limited their first-round playoff foe to a field goal and go on the road against the AFC's best team brimming with confidence.

If it seems like the Baltimore Ravens have been here before, it's because they have.

"It's Stephen King-ish how eerily similar these circumstances are for us," Baltimore Ravens coach Brian Billick said Wednesday.

Last year, the wild card Ravens beat the Broncos 21-3. This year, the wild card Ravens beat the Dolphins 20-3. Last year, they played Central rival Tennessee Titans - statistically the NFL's top defense - in the second round.

This year, they play Central rival Steelers - statistically the NFL's top defense - in second round.

Said Billick, "Across the board it's a little freaky."

No doubt, the Ravens are the freakiest of the eight teams in the NFL divisional playoffs this weekend.

Baltimore and Pittsburgh meet at Heinz Field Sunday at 12:30 p.m. The teams split the season series.

After a 10-6 season in which the defending Super Bowl champs never really asserted their dominance, the Ravens have won three of their last four, again peaking for the playoffs. The running game is clicking, quarterback Elvis Grbac is steady and the defense is stymieing opponents again.

"Nobody wants it to end," said Ravens defensive tackle Tony Siragusa.

As was the case with Trent Dilfer last season, the Ravens have asked little of Grbac - and he's delivered.

Grbac has completed 10 and 12 passes the last two games, but more importantly he has not thrown an interception in the two wins.

Veteran backup quarterback Randall Cunningham used one word to describe what the Ravens expect from their five-year, \$30 million quarterback.

"Consistency," Cunningham said.

Meaning you can expect the big plays to come on defense this weekend.

Last week, the Ravens held Dolphins running back Lamar Smith to six yards on six carries and limited Miami to one rushing first down. Baltimore has not allowed a playoff touchdown in their opponents' last 54 drives.

Steelers running back Jerome Bettis, who returns Sunday after missing five games with hip and groin injuries, said the way to beat the Ravens' defense is to "stick to your guns."

"The majority of teams that play them don't stick to the game plan," Bettis said. "That's something we won't do and that we don't do. We understand that there are going to be some negative yardage plays and some 1-yard plays and 2-yard plays. If we keep slugging on them we feel we've got a great chance to win."

AFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

Oakland Raiders at New England Patriots

Saturday, 8 p.m. EST (CBS)
(regular-season statistics)

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div.
Oakland	10	6	.625	399	327	5-3	5-3	7-5	3-1	6-2
New England	11	5	.688	371	272	6-2	5-3	8-4	3-1	6-2

Individual team leaders

Oakland		New England		
Rich Gannon	3,828	Passing yards	Tom Brady	2,843
Charlie Garner	839	Rushing yards	Antowain Smith	1,157
Tim Brown	1,165	Receiving yards	Troy Brown	1,199

Team comparison

Average yards per game

Oakland		New England	
Offense			
Total yards	335.1	Total yards allowed	316.9
Passing	231.7	Passing	192.7
Rushing	103.4	Rushing	124.3
Total yards	305.1	Total yards allowed	334.5
Passing	193.1	Passing	218.6
Rushing	112.1	Rushing	115.9

NFC DIVISIONAL PLAYOFFS

Green Bay Packers at St. Louis Rams

Sunday, 4 p.m. EST (FOX)
(regular-season statistics)

	W	L	Pct.	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div.
Green Bay	12	4	.750	390	266	7-1	5-3	3-1	9-3	6-2
St. Louis	14	2	.875	503	273	6-2	8-0	4-0	10-2	7-1

Individual team leaders

Green Bay		St. Louis		
Brett Favre	3,921	Passing yards	Kurt Warner	4,830
Ahman Green	1,387	Rushing yards	Marshall Faulk	1,382
Bill Schroeder	918	Receiving yards	Torry Holt	1,362

Team comparison

Average yards per game

Green Bay		St. Louis	
Offense			
Total yards	341.4	Total yards allowed	308.6
Passing	235.6	Passing	198.0
Rushing	105.8	Rushing	110.6
Total yards	418.1	Total yards allowed	279.4
Passing	291.4	Passing	192.9
Rushing	126.7	Rushing	115.9

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