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New chief presents plans

By Megan Boehnk
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McDonald Vick knows that he won't have all the police officers he wants when he begins his first day as UK's new police chief Monday.

But then, Vick has a record of being patient and persistent. In his 10 years at North Carolina Central University in Durham, N.C., Vick helped his police force grow from 19 sworn officers to 31.

"As far as the manpower



A department in transition

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Vick
Police Chief Kevin Franklin's 60-officer ideal.

"Some of the challenges that face the department right now are the manpower shortage —

numbers up."

If UK were to also grow its force by the same 63 percent, it would add 28 officers to its current roster of 46, well exceeding acting UK

we're going to have to increase those numbers," Vick said.

Vick also said he's ready to help the station renovate after UK Parking and Transportation Services moves out this summer.

"It's going to be very important that we redesign the facility," he said. "I want to make it more accessible to the students."

Even with the understaffing and facility challenges, Vick said the department will still be able

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Fletcher undergoes emergency surgery

Doctors remove blood clot, say governor should be fine

By Dariush Shafa
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Kentucky Gov. Ernie Fletcher underwent an emergency surgical procedure in Lexington's St. Joseph Hospital at 3 p.m. yesterday, just hours after he noticed a blood clot in his arm.

Fletcher, a doctor by trade, first noticed some swelling and that some veins in his left arm and hand were more pronounced. A CT scan later confirmed the presence of a clot, which stretched from his upper left arm, into his chest and partially up into the jugular vein into his neck.

"This is a relatively acute event that occurred over the last 16 to 24 hours," said Dr. Charles Kennedy who first advised Fletcher to get immediate treatment. Kennedy saw Fletcher yesterday as part of the follow-up work from Fletcher's gallbladder removal and subsequent blood infection last month.

First Lady Glenna Fletcher, a nurse by trade, said her husband at first felt good during the early morning, but later noticed the beginnings of the problem.

"I told him to not say he was feeling great ever again," she said she told him after the procedure.

Though doctors said Fletcher was not at risk for a heart attack or a stroke, treating him quickly was still a concern because a slight risk of thrombosis, where a piece of the clot can become lodged in the lungs, though that most often happens with clots from the legs and not the arms.

"The earlier you get to that lesion," Kennedy said, "the better."

Dr. Dale Absher, a specialist in interventional radiology, explained that a small tube was inserted into Fletcher's upper arm to attack the clot and remove it, through a combination of clot-thinning drugs, water to loosen the clot and suction to remove parts that came free.

"It wasn't a very difficult procedure,"

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Fletcher

UK 71, Ole Miss 57

A NEAR MISS

Cats trail at halftime but rally to advance in SEC Tourney

By Josh Sullivan
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — There was nothing musical about most of the UK men's basketball team's Southeastern Conference Tournament debut yesterday.

With an NCAA Tournament bid potentially hanging in the balance, it took the Cats 34 minutes to get tuned-up against an Ole Miss team it trounced 80-40 last month in Rupp Arena.

Midway through the first half they had had racked up nearly as many turnovers (seven) as points (eight). But with 6:30 to go in the game and the score tied at 46, the cylinders revved up, and the Cats fired off a 25-11 run to end the game, knocking off the Rebels 71-57 and setting up a rematch with Alabama in today's quarterfinal match-up.

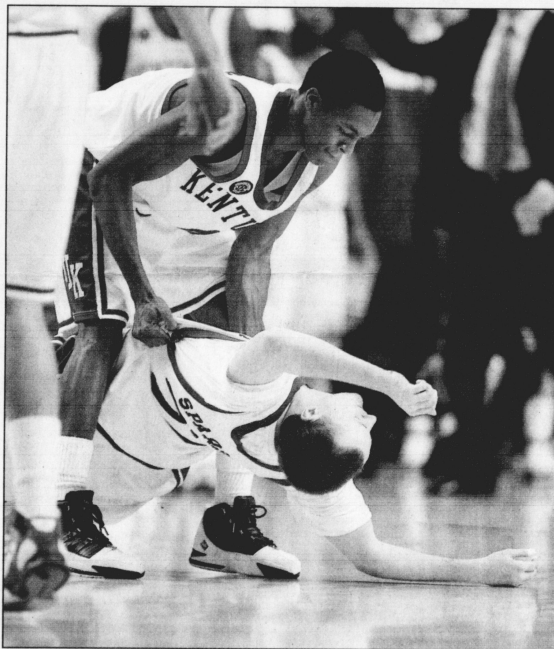
"We just really focused in on defense," sophomore guard Joe Crawford said of the late-game spurt. "We got some big stops and some rebounds and just turned it around."

The Cats held Ole Miss to four field goals in the final six and a half minutes. They got a shot in the arm from sophomore guard Ramel Bradley who returned to the court for the first time since breaking a bone in his hand during practice Feb. 21, the day before UK's first game against the Rebels. Bradley came off the bench to score 11 points on three 3-pointers, two of which found the net early in the decisive run.

"We love having (Bradley) back," senior guard Ravi Moss said. "He brings so much intensity. Those shots were huge."

Bradley's bombs sandwiched another key 3-pointer from Rajon Rondo, who pulled up from NBA-range and pulled the trigger as the shot clock expired, drawing a collective roar of shocked joy from the highly-

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Sophomore guard Rajon Rondo picks senior guard Patrick Sparks up after Sparks was called for a foul during UK's 71-57 win over Ole Miss yesterday in the first round of the Southeastern Conference Tournament in Nashville, Tenn.

Healthy Bradley remedies Cats' ills

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — In sports especially, success is the antidote to a lot of ills.

All this season, UK has had ills. A rebounding headache.

Crippled in the low post. Intensity-challenged.

Offensive sets more painful to watch than "The Bachelorette."

But all was well when someone would catch fire and start the contagious streak of making 3-pointers.

Ramel Bradley was suffering a different, physical ailment — he broke a bone in his hand late last month. But, in his return yesterday, making three 3-pointers changed it all.

And after UK's 71-57 win over Mississippi, he was healed.

Well, almost. "It hurts a little," Bradley said. "It hurts when I try to put the ball on the floor with my left hand. But it never hurts when you shoot the ball

and it goes down."

It must have hurt plenty before the game.

In the team warm-up shoot-around about 20 minutes before, Bradley went through drills and took his shots. At one point, seven consecutive shots fell short, hitting the front rim or the side he was shooting from.

Then he chucked up two on his first offensive possession of the game.

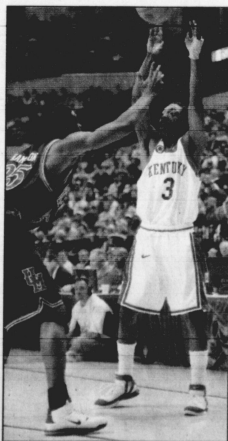
One fell, a percentage microcosm of the rest of his night.

It's safe to say his confidence wasn't shaken by his injury or the trend that developed during the shoot-around.

"I feel like anytime I come off the bench, my job is to provide a spark," Bradley said. "It's been tough on the bench these last two weeks — not getting off the bench and (still) going through the ups and downs with my team."

His teammates felt the spark. "We love having him back," Bob Perry said. "It's a lot more fun when he's out there."

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Sophomore guard Ramel Bradley passes over Ole Miss freshman forward Trey Hampton during UK's win over the Rebels yesterday. The game was Bradley's first since breaking his left hand in practice last month.

Business school pushes for revamp

To help recruiting, Gatton College seeks new building

By Dariush Shafa
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

UK's Gatton College of Business and Economics is just one of the business schools around the world suffering from a shortage of qualified faculty, but administrators are focusing on ways to bring faculty members to UK and keep them.

"The demand for qualified business faculty is growing faster than faculty are coming out of Ph.D. programs," said D. Sudharshan, dean of the Gatton College of Business and Economics. "It's taking longer to recruit and it's taking a lot more money to recruit — and the facilities are also not on par with the schools (UK) is competing with."

Sufficient facilities and ample space are the greatest worries, Sudharshan said. "We need a new building very badly," he said. "We don't have the facilities to serve students adequately."

New facilities will not entirely solve the problem however, and a little extra focus and work will be needed, Sudharshan said.

"It means very simply that we are going to have to work very, very hard to have the faculty strength to serve (students), he

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Holocaust survivor describes research, work in Rwanda

UMass prof relates his Holocaust experiences to Africa's genocide

By Blair Thomas
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

When Ervin Staub, a professor of psychology at the University of Massachusetts, spoke to UK students last night about genocide, he was talking about a subject that he is more closely acquainted with than most people.

Staub, a child survivor of the Holocaust, began his work in Rwanda in 2001 and has dedicated much of his research to helping victims cope in the aftermath of 1994 genocide that took place in a tribal war between the Hutu and Tutsi tribes.

Last night, Staub talked to students about the difference in passive and active bystanders and their impact on steering a country away from violence.

"Good leaders move a society in a direction away from what they are used to. Change, even a positive change, is disorienting. But in difficult times, people need a hopeful vision," Staub said.

While in Rwanda, Staub found that in many situations of widespread violence, it is difficult to prevent the re-occurrence of malcontent because the victims never fully recover from their experiences.

"Groups suffer together because of victimization and that treatment becomes a trauma, an open wound that if not healed will lead the victimized to violence," Staub said.

It is Staub's childhood experiences that motivate his work in Rwanda.

"I will not be a scarred person for the rest of my life. I take my experience for what it was — an experience

that helps me to help the people of Rwanda," Staub said.

Students attending the lecture talked about the relevance of Staub's work and research.

"I think what he had to say was important," said psychology junior Alexis Woodford.

"It wasn't so much about his experiences there, but what he learned from helping those people, things that all of us can use to help keep such hatred from happening here."

Staub emphasized that this genocide effects everyone, not only in their responsibility of helping the victims recover, but also to take preventive measures against violence throughout the world.

"We are all scared of our own endangerment if we stand up and speak out to protect others," Staub said. "But everyone is effected by hatred, even the perpetrators have been significantly effected and we have to stop violence and heal the wounded so they do not become perpetrators themselves."

Staub also said the work Staub has done helps people realize the causes of genocide.

"I think the most important thing anyone can take out of Dr. Staub's experiences is a better understanding of what causes things like this to start," said political science sophomore Adam Gentry. "We all blame everyone else for our problems and are unwilling to take responsibility for anything. Dr. Staub represents those few individuals who are willing to reach out and help even those who may not deserve it."

Staub said, "I don't foresee any (complications)," Absher said. "You never say never, but I think the risk is extremely low."

Though the clot has been mostly dealt with, doctors are going to continue treating Fletcher with blood-thinning drugs for the next three to six months.

"I anticipate the vast majority of the clot will be gone by morning," said Dr. Gary Grigsby, a cardiologist who administered the clot-busting medications to Fletcher. "He'll be fine."

Until Fletcher is ready to resume his duties, Lt. Gov. Steve Pence has taken over gubernatorial power.

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New UK Police Chief McDonald Vick, center, talks with Carol Jordan, director of Center for Research on Violence Against Women and acting Police Chief Kevin Franklin last month after Vick officially accepted the position at a news conference.

Vick

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to accomplish some of his initial goals — including the visibility and accessibility of its officers.

"I think that with the number (of officers) we have, we can increase our visibility," Vick said. "What has happened traditionally nationwide, is that everybody has a tendency to ride in the car and just accept calls."

"I believe in parking the car, getting out and walking around and just being more visible and being more accessible to the community than just driving to one place."

He has also already talked with members of the police department about the same issue and said that it's important for officers to go where students are on campus.

"We need to be in areas where we know students congregate," he said. "If nothing else, just walking through or standing around holding conversation with students so they can get to know us better — that's one thing we will be concentrating on is visibility."

"I want the students to feel comfortable not just approaching the police when there's a problem, but any time."

Because he wants students to be able to approach him, Vick also said he plans to eat lunch in the Student Center with some of his officers.

"We will meet and assess (the department's) visibility and I will hold my administrative staff accountable for making those people more accessible," he said.

While visibility is something Vick promoted at NCCU, other issues he faces at UK are a little less familiar.

"We didn't really have an alcohol problem," he said. "But with UK's past two fall semesters beginning with an alcohol-related death, Vick said he

recognizes the importance of addressing the issue at UK.

"I see that as a challenge to try to change people's attitudes and students' attitudes about drinking on campus and around campus," he said.

"Basically, I think it's an educational problem — we're going to need to educate the students and people in the community that's close around the campus about what can occur and what will occur if they continue to use alcohol in that way."

Vick also said NCCU did not have a problem with women's safety, and that during his tenure, only one student was a victim of sexual assault on campus. The city police handled off-campus incidents, he said.

He's already talked with Carol Jordan, the director of the Center for Research on Violence Against Women, about the issue.

"Hopefully, Carol and I can work together to educate the females and males on campus how to be more safe and responsible," Vick said. "We want you to have a good time, but we want you to be safe doing it."

UK President Lee Todd reallocated \$1.25 million in general funding for women's safety on campus, resulting in the CATS Path, landscape changes and additional lighting on campus.

Vick said that he wants to invest in and expand these efforts, especially coordinating after-hours services for students.

Right now, Student Government offers a student escort service. Parking and Transportation Services offers a shuttle and the police department offers rides to students who call and request it.

"We have a number of opportunities for students out there as far as after-hours and using escorts," said Lance Broeking, UK's director of Finance for campus services. "But I think our coordination has been disjointed to a certain extent."

"It's just a matter of getting everyone together and to work together to

make one system that uses all these part but is easier for the students to access."

Vick said that he wants to work with SG specifically on this, as well as other issues facing the department.

"We're going to have to work very closely with Student Government because the police department definitely needs SG's support in any effort we try to accomplish here," he said. "I would like to develop a liaison between the police department and SG."

"I know this semester's almost over but with the new SG president coming in, I'd like to sit down with him or her."

A working relationship with an SG representative could help relay students' concerns with UK-related issues to the department.

Another area Vick said he didn't have much experience in is working with an athletic department the size of UK's. The police department provides officers to oversee football games, basketball games and other events. It also prepares for post-tournament celebrations every year, Broeking said.

"We typically will have pre-tournament discussions and preparations on the off-chance that we make the Final Four," Broeking said. "We haven't had that discussion that much this year."

But with the team potentially receiving a bid in the NCAA tournament, Vick said those discussions will probably happen soon.

"Once I get here next week, you may win. You can never tell — I might be your good luck charm," Vick said with a laugh. "We may have to be planning for parties and celebrations."

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Absher said. About 75 percent of the clot was removed.

"He had some flow around it," Absher said, "but there was some swelling and the flow was slower."

The clot itself was not significant in its size, Absher said, and was not a threat as a cause of heart attack or stroke.

"I would say it was a medium-sized clot," he said.

Absher also said Fletcher should also be free of any major complications through his recovery. He is expected to remain in Cardio-Thoracic Intensive Care into tomorrow and stay at St. Joseph's for about another two days,

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said. "It's not just working hard. It takes a significant effort and a continuous attempt at recruiting faculty and retaining them."

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STAFF REPORT

Barnes bids farewell

UK's win marked Rod Barnes' last game coaching at Mississippi. Barnes, who was a guard for the Rebels from 1984-88, spent eight seasons as head coach. During that time, he earned a 141-109 record. He was named the Naismith National Coach of the Year and SEC Coach of the Year in 2001 after leading the Rebels to a school-record 27 wins and the school's first-ever Sweet 16 berth.

"Rod is a man of principles and integrity, and he's going to be missed," UK head coach Tubby Smith said. "I sent my son there to play for Rod and be part of the Ole Miss program."

Cat's face Tide in rematch

Alabama awaits UK in the second round, a game scheduled for today at 3:15 p.m. The Crimson Tide turned back the Cats in Rupp Arena 68-64 on Jan. 14. Jermaine Davidson led the his team with 26 points on 10-14 from the field.

"They're a very talented team," said UK sophomore center Randolph Morris. "Last time, we had a couple of chances to close the game out, but we didn't."

Alabama finished second in the SEC West with a 17-11 (10-6 SEC) record.

"They have one of the best point guards in the nation," Smith said. "Ronald Steele can control the entire game, offensively and defensively, he's that talented."

You won't see that again

Instant replay will only be shown inside the Gaylord Entertainment Center this year on remarkable plays, not controversial calls.

"Our policy's been that our officials are right most of the time," said SEC spokesman DeWayne Peavy. "It's not a situation where we're trying to hide. Lots of times when the fans think there was a foul or something, we'll show a replay that shows the fans were wrong and the call on the floor was right. It

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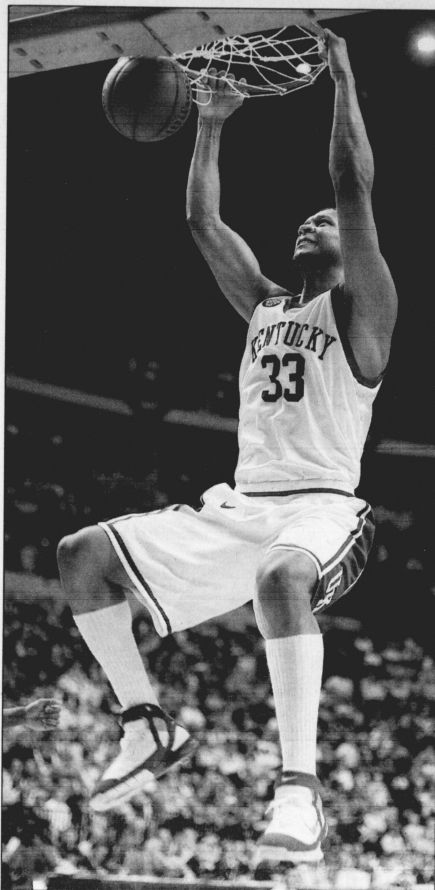
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Smith defends LeMaster's late 3-pointer

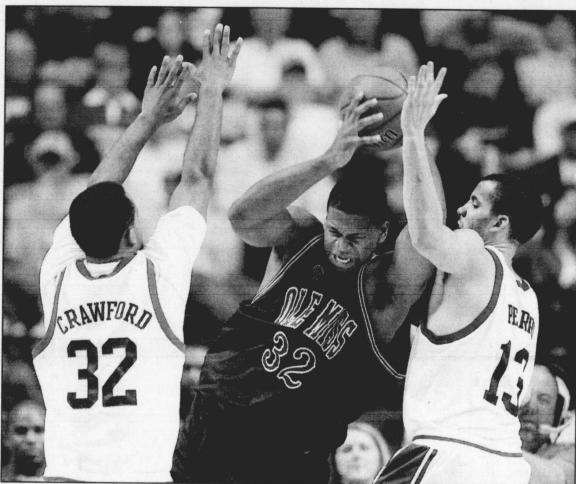
UK senior guard Preston LeMaster drained a 3-pointer with 1.8 seconds left in the second half to set the final score. But, Smith said, it wasn't meant as a dagger in the heart of the Rebels.

"The game was won, and Preston doesn't get in a lot of games," Smith said. "He's a senior that's been in our program and a well-respected kid. He wasn't trying to rub it in or anything like that."

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PHOTOS BY KEITH SMILEY | STAFF
Above: UK sophomore center Randolph Morris scores two of his team-high 17 points yesterday in the Cats 71-57 win over Ole Miss.
Left: Sophomore guard Joe Crawford and junior forward Bobby Perry put pressure on Ole Miss sophomore forward Jermaine Davidson yesterday during the first round of the Southeastern Conference Tournament in Nashville, Tenn.



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partisan UK crowd.

"When he pulls up like that it's usually good," said Crawford. "Sometimes you can just see that he's really confident."

Perhaps as important as the hot shooting was the absence of Ole Miss' leading scorer Dwayne Curtis down the stretch. The big man went to the bench with 11:30 to go after drawing his fourth personal foul. Curtis missed the game against UK in Lexington because of the death of his brother, but he was a key reason the

Rebels hung around for so long yesterday in just 17 minutes of action he tallied 13 points and seven boards, including half of Ole Miss' first 18 points.

With Curtis on the bench, Randolph Morris took over down low, scoring 11 of his game-high 17 points in the final 10 minutes of the game. Morris' 7-of-8 shooting performance keyed the Cats' 58-percent mark from the field in the second half.

"Randolph was great," junior forward Bobby Perry said. "When he hit that 'and one' and got that reverse layup, that was huge."

Morris returned to the starting rotation along with Rondo and Crawford for the first time since last month when head coach Tubby Smith instituted a

new grading system and gave the lineup a facelift before the Georgia game.

"Every game is rated and evaluated and we passed the test today," said Smith. "I'm more concerned with how we finish the game than how we start it."

With the win, the Cats improved to 20-11 on the season and moved one step closer to securing a NCAA tournament invitation.

"I think we're in," said sophomore swingman Joe Crawford of the Cats' chances of making the Big Dance. "But I'm not really focused on that right now. I want to win the SEC Tournament."

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huge."

And they were. His second triple of the night gave UK a 40-37 lead, and his final 3-pointer stretched a 49-48 lead to 52-48 inside of six minutes to play.

It was also the kickstart to a 10-0 run that put the game out of reach for the Rebels.

But it's not that he stayed out on the arc the entire night, like the lazy guy everyone hates at the Johnson Center.

He stayed involved in the offense, even driving to the basket and getting fouled at one point. But, even with a pin in his paw, Bradley continued to be the only Cat who can make containment defense energetic, frenetic and tenacious.

Bradley had zero steals or forced turnovers on the night, but UK head coach Tubby Smith saw Bradley's de-

fensive play as a sign of encouragement.

"His defense today is what was impressive," Smith said. "He's always engaged, he loves to play the game and he comes to practice that way."

Love of the game can mean a lot of things.

In this case, it means playing, sparking your team and helping them get off the NCAA Tournament bubble for good, all with a broken hand.

"We feel confident that with 20 wins and the schedule we've played...we should be in," Smith said.

Bradley should be fully healed by next week, and putting on the show he usually does in the NCAAAs.

And if he's on his shot, he could be healing a lot of ills come Final Four time.

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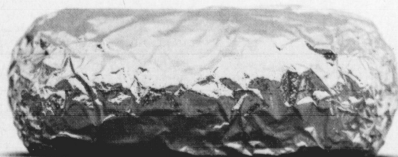
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IN OUR OPINION

Laud DeMoss' UK hoops success

UK women's basketball coach Mickie DeMoss was recently voted Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year by the SEC's 12 coaches.

DeMoss, who has coached UK Hoops for three years, led the Cats to a 20-7 regular season record, including a 9-5 record in the tough SEC.

She is also the face of the largest sports marketing campaign at UK outside of the two major sports. The team's attendance ranking has been in the national top-25 for the last two seasons, even in Memorial Coliseum, which has seen restrictions because of the construction of the practice facility.

"It's an honor to be recognized by your peers for your hard work and accomplishments, but it all boils down to the players buying into what you want them to do," DeMoss said in a UK press release.

She also gave credit to her staff, saying, "It always boils down to the people who are working under you and for you."

DeMoss has been, to date, Mitch Barnhart's best hire as athletic director at UK. The coach's mere presence has been the breath of life for a program that was dormant during the days of Bernadette Locke-Mattox.

And her team is really good. The 2005-06 season has been a banner year for UK women's hoops, which has accomplished a series of remarkable feats.

The Cats' nine SEC wins are the most in school history. Their 20 wins represent the highest total in seven years. They also finished fourth in the SEC, their highest finish in 23 years.

Also notable is the fact that in the two years prior to her ar-

rival, UK women's hoops had won a total of 20 games.

Perhaps most impressive is this season's accomplishments came with a team composed of nine freshmen and sophomores, and just one senior.

No one will soon forget the Cats' 66-63 victory at Rupp Arena over then-No. 1 Tennessee on Jan. 26, the first win over a No. 1-ranked team in UK women's basketball history.

In the SEC Tournament in North Little Rock, Ark., the Cats defeated Florida convincingly 88-70 before falling to conference champion Louisiana State University 79-52.

They will likely enter the NCAA Women's Tournament next week for the first time since 1999. Fans can join the Cats on Monday in Memorial Coliseum for an NCAA Selection Show party.

Doors will open at 6 p.m., with the Selection Show airing on the big screen at 7 p.m. Concession areas will serve free refreshments while supplies last. Season ticket holders will also be able to purchase tickets to NCAA Tournament games from the ticket office.

Kudos to Barnhart and the UK athletics department for hiring, and putting their full marketing strength behind, DeMoss and achieving a successful women's basketball program at UK.

Also, congratulations should go out to DeMoss and her Cats for turning around the UK women's program.

In a state where basketball reigns, true blue fans need to show support to both UK teams as they enter the two NCAA tournaments.

With increasing tuition, remember aid deadlines

The cost of a UK degree is steadily rising — this year's 12.5 percent tuition increase, and next year's proposed 12 percent hike attest to that.

Most students can use all the financial assistance available, including grants, scholarships and loans.

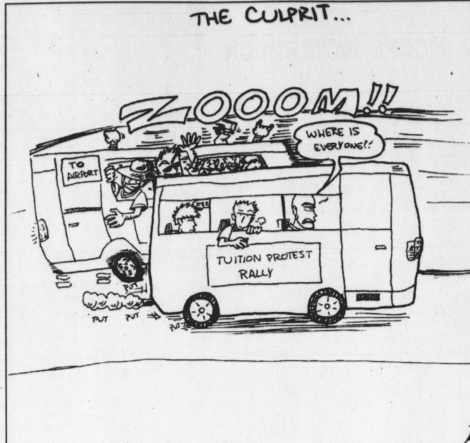
Simply put, money for education is important. So, in between bouts of drunken Spring Break debauchery and fervent prayers for our men's and women's basketball teams, keep in mind that the state deadline for

the Free Application for Federal Student Aid is March 15, and the university's FAFSA deadline is April 1.

FAFSA awards include federal and state grants, work-study and loans.

Forms are available at the Office of Student Financial Aid, in room 126 of the Funkhouser Building.

You can also apply for free online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>. For more information, visit the Web site or call 1-800-4-FED-AID.



BRAD STURGEON, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

'Vagina' a worthy trip outside my comfort zone

If you had asked me a week ago what I was doing Saturday night, I wouldn't have said, "Seeing 'The Vagina Monologues.'"

Not because I hadn't already planned on it, but because my short-term memory is atrocious and it would have slipped my mind.

Nonetheless, this past weekend I sat among a significantly crowded Worsham Theatre to see the ever-so-talked-about theatrical celebration of vaginas.

Through the sometimes intense but oftentimes hilarious series of testimonials from women about their holiest of holies, I found myself running the gauntlet of typical male reactions to uncomfortable situations: I slouched in my chair, sweat cascaded down my palms, I chuckled nervously during humorous routines about menstruation and I blushed every time I heard a new euphemism for "vagina."

And this was when the play was being light-hearted.

It seemed as though once I started to feel comfortable with subject matter of the play and the idea that women joked about their body parts as much as men do, things got serious.

Although I was aware of the

practice of female circumcision in African countries, the subject is one, which deserves to be brought to the attention of the public often.

In a time when we are often confronted with morality as a rationale for drastic action on the part of this country, we often turn a blind eye towards the sorts of violence against women and ethnic cleansing that occur in regions where the U.S. national interest is low but the humanitarian need is high.

"... instead of a war cry I heard the female variation of what guys usually talk about in locker rooms ..."

It was a complete 180. One minute your face is red because a woman on stage is describing her first experience with a hand mirror, and the next your blood is boiling because of the oppression the Taliban dealt upon women during their reign in Afghanistan.

By this point, I'm worn out.

My nervousness hasn't subsided, I've become desensitized to the word "vagina" because I've heard it so much, and I hadn't eaten dinner yet, so my blood

sugar was low. Then came the segment where four women acted out a vast array of female orgasms. Oh my God.

In all seriousness, I found the play to be highly enjoyable. I have to admit, going into it I thought that I would be confronted with a two-hour long feminist manifesto in which I would be inundated with speeches about how men are expendable and how penises are evil.

But the angst that had prepared myself for never truly manifested itself, and instead of a war cry I heard the female variation of what guys usually talk about in locker rooms and on road trips.

After being exposed to such blunt and honest language, I felt like somehow I had snuck into some secret meeting of the female gender or had been granted a glimpse into the female psyche, and was able to more clearly see the similarities and differences between the two genders, other than the obvious ones.

I also got "I Will Survive" stuck in my head after the play, which was fine up until the point that I was trying to sleep later that night.

So thank you to all the ladies who performed this past weekend (and the one that convinced me to venture forth out of my comfort zone). I am more of a man now because of you. I think.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No staff means no UK

In "Different Markets Mean Different Raises," The Kernel Editorial Board argued that since we compete for faculty on a national level, and for staff only at a local level, the raises are bound to be unequal.

While the grasp of the crude economics of the situation is true enough, what the article failed to mention was the number of staff UK lost and hasn't replaced over the past five years, and how the workload to make it to top 20 status has increased with fewer people to get it done.

Without staff, no one can see a class list, because it hasn't been entered into the system. Without staff, no one receives financial aid. As a member of the library staff, I'd like to note that Young Library is kept open 24 hours by circulation staff, whose numbers have been reduced by nearly half over the past few years.

The Kernel should also note that the issue is not a 3 percent raise for staff — it is a pool of funds from which some staff members may receive raises of higher than 3 percent, and some may receive nothing. The issue is not simply that we think our raises should be equal to that of faculty; the greater issue is that though much lip service is paid to staff effort and value, none of that helps us pay the rent, feed our children, or pay for our parking tags.

COLLEEN HARRIS
W.I. Young Library Circulation

Diversity efforts pointless

I am writing in response to Josh Burke's March 8 letter ("UK Sorely Needs to Embrace Diversity").

The purpose of UK's approach toward diversity, as well as programs such as affirmative action, is to level the playing field for all people, regardless of race. It is disappointing to see a respected institution spending unnecessary amounts of time and money to cater to the preferences of a specific color of people.

If I am not mistaken, establishing a quota for a group of applicants based on skin tone is racism. Do you think it is a coincidence that UK's freshman enrollment was 89 percent white when 91 percent of Kentucky's population is white?

Is it a coincidence that fewer blacks are on television when only 13 percent of our country's population is black? This is not racism; it is the law of probability.

If you guys want to see progress in accepting diversity, you should consider ridding our society of exclusive black organizations rather than creating more. You are drawing your own line in the sand.

AARON BUSH
food science junior

Fox as diverse as others

This letter is in response to Josh Burke's

March 8 letter. I am not responding to his overall theme, which I largely agreed with.

Rather, I am responding to his characterization of Fox News as a "white network." I'd like to suggest to Mr. Burke that Orlando Salinas, Andrew Napolitano, and Wendall Goeller, each prominent reporters for the network, would take issue with his assessment.

While it seems clear that Burke is likely referring to Fox's lack of diversity behind the anchor desk, before he lambastes the entire network, he likely ought to consider the kaleidoscope of diversity behind the desks of ABC news (Bob Woodruff and Elizabeth Vargas), CBS News (Bob Schieffer), NBC news (Brian Williams), CNN (Wolf Blitzer, Lou Dobbs, Anderson Cooper) before he fires off an editorial. It seems clear to me that each of these networks has serious diversity issues to overcome, not just Fox.

The point I'm attempting to make is this: Burke's irritation with UK's diversity issues seem quite well-founded, yet I fail to see why, in many instances, angry liberals (I'll take a liberty here) feel the need to bash Fox News when making a point. The ritual has become tired.

While Fox clearly has conservative leanings in its "soft news" segments, its hard news programs such as "Special Report With Brit Hume" and "The Fox Report" are as professional as any other network.

With this in mind, we should encourage each network to be more diverse. And in the meantime, we might be more careful in our characterizations, more original in our at-

tacks, and less patently absurd in our insults (seriously, "cross burning").

DAVID COMBS
psychology graduate student

Involve non-Greeks in SG

In the discussion about reforming Student Government elections, no one has centered on one of the most critical issues: how to involve more students in the process.

Greeks have always played a major role in SG elections: candidates visit houses on chapter nights, and the candidates endorsed by GPAC are most often those who win. But more should be done to involve the "independent" students, who make up three-fourths of the undergraduate population.

More open campus events and speeches, along with chances to hear a candidate's platform, would encourage the flow of information to the rest of the student body making it easier for students to vote in an informed way. By reaching out to students, instead of hoping that a Facebook group and a GPAC endorsement will ensure their win, candidates could rope in the largest voting group on campus.

Combined with election reforms, such as methods of voting, SG would increase student participation in not only elections, but in SG issues as well.

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Music REVIEW

Limbeck album fun but all too familiar

By Nathan Thacher
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

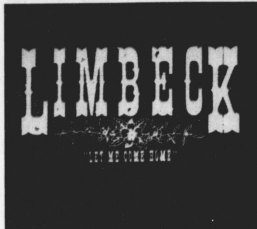
California-based band Limbeck has perfectly encapsulated the sound of sugar cookies, sunshine, smiling puppies, apple pie and chaperoned dances in musical form. In fact, listening to Limbeck's album "Let Me Come Home" is saccharine enough to cause diabetes, and cheery enough to make you rethink suicide.

Robb MacLean (guitar, vocals), Patrick Carrie (guitar, vocals), Justin Entsminger (bass) and Matt Stephens (percussion) are joined by several other folks playing a dozen different instruments and contributing vocals, and you can certainly hear them all playing. The songs on "Let Me Come Home" are all full, rich country-pop-rock ballads that Tom Petty or The Boss would love.

The basic construct of the guitar/bass/drums compositions will sound very familiar to fans of the aforementioned rock icons, and the sound is lightly spiced with additional female vocal harmonies, piano, mandolin, accordion and glockenspiel.

The melodies stay right on track from start to finish in each song, chugging steadily along. Songs like "People Don't Change," "Long Way To Go" and "Watchin' The Moon" are hard to separate from one another.

It's music that makes you want to be outside on a warm, bright day while throwing a Frisbee, or cook-



California rock group Limbeck found a familiar groove and stuck with it in its latest release, "Let Me Come Home," but the tracks still work as incessant mood elevators.

ing out, or fishing. It has the feel of an old pair of worn-in sneakers tramping over a freshly mowed yard (if you hear it, you'll understand). "Parking Lot," "91 Honda" and "Names For Dogs" are a little less active and are sparse on the drums. The mandolin, glockenspiel, harmonica, keyboards, and MacLean's Liam Gallagher-esque voice shine through on these tracks, as the jangly guitars get thinned out and replaced with several different instruments.

The country flavor is not as strong in these songs, and an even more poppy sound emerges. The additional instrumentation and MacLean's nasal voice coming to the fore do a lot to make these songs sound more diverse than your standard-issue country track, and here the band approaches the sound of Wilco's "Being There."

"Television" is the only slightly offensive, attention-grabbing song on the album, with a low grumbly bass line and a heavily stomped kick drum along with some acerbic lyrics. As hard as the song tries to have a bad-ass feel, it's still too cheery and polite to achieve that George Thorogood drunk-in-a-bar swagger.

Limbeck would be a great band to see live or at a bonfire in the middle of a corn field. You'll drift in and out of listening to the album, as the music isn't obtrusive, and only the honky-tonk rhythms will keep your toes tapping. If you were to listen intently to "Let Me Come Home" from start to finish, you might permanently lose the ability to frown or stay out of the sun.

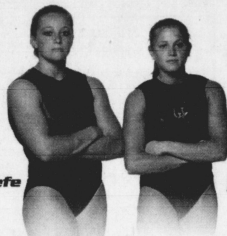
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Peru tries to recover its gold from Yale's ivory tower

By David Montgomery
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON That day dawned unpromising, cold and drizzly, in the jungle foothills of Peru 95 years ago. The guides wanted to sleep in, but the explorer insisted on pressing deeper into the land of the Inca.

Which way are the ruins? demanded Hiram Bingham, a tall, thin, handsome product of Yale in a battered gray fedora.

The guide pointed straight up the mountain.

They climbed more than 2,000 feet along narrow paths, dodging poisonous snakes, inching across slippery logs spanning a raging river.

They rounded a promontory — and the stunning explorer beheld his future and humanity's past.

"It fairly took my breath away," he recalled later. "What could this place be?"

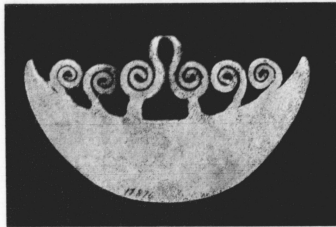
It was Machu Picchu, a terraced and cut-stone wonder that ranks somewhere with the Pyramids among examples of ancient technological prowess.

It is the pride of modern Peru, a major tourist attraction — and subject of a bitter dispute that erupted this month between Yale and Peru over who owns hundreds of artifacts Bingham collected during three expeditions. Many of those objects — bones, pottery, tools — reside at the Yale Peabody Museum, which has them on display in a major exhibition called "Machu Picchu: Unveiling the Mystery of the Incas."

Peru wants the objects back. Yale wants to keep them.

This showdown over national patrimony, private property and academic inquiry comes as Alejandro Toledo, the first indigenous president of Peru, is scheduled today to meet with the Yale graduate who inhabits the White House.

The Machu Picchu artifacts are not on the official agenda, but Toledo will likely raise the topic with President Bush, said Peruvian embassy



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Peru may sue Yale for the return of Inca artifacts from Machu Picchu. Many of those objects — bones, pottery, tools — reside in Yale's Peabody Museum.

sources. Toledo considers the dispute a matter between his government and Yale, not between Peru and the United States. The White House agrees.

Toledo — because of his Indian heritage but also on behalf of all Peruvians — has made it a priority to recover the objects. Peruvian Ambassador Eduardo Ferrero charged last week that Yale has "not acted in accordance with the principles of good faith," and he threatened a lawsuit. The university asserted that Peru had "broken off negotiations ... instead of working out the framework for a stable and long-term resolution."

This story is thick with Yalies on both sides. Gilbert M. Grosvenor, chairman of the National Geographic Society, is a Yale graduate. The biggest blow to Yale's case came last week when the society — which co-sponsored with Yale two of Bingham's expeditions — concluded the artifacts belong to Peru and called for their return.

The irony at the bottom of this ruckus is that 95 years ago, Bingham, Yale, National Geographic and Peru appeared to recognize the inherently unequal and morally fraught relationship between bankrolled explorers and bankrupt peoples.

They tried to do something about it. Laws were passed, words were inked, in hopes that 95 years later there wouldn't be a dispute

over who owned what. That didn't work out so well.

Even though this case comes amid a rising tide of seemingly similar disputes and settlements, its documentary record makes it unique.

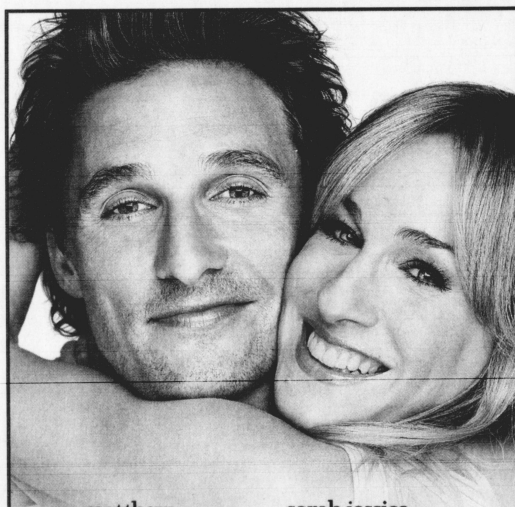
Seated in a wing chair in his spacious office on Embassy Row, Ferrero allows a little passion to slip between the lines of his diplo-speak. Referring to Bingham, he wags a forefinger in the air: "I say 'rediscoverer' not 'discoverer' because Machu Picchu was already known by people" in the area, he says.

"There is a legal obligation and a moral obligation of Yale University to give back all these objects."

The ambassador leans through pages of records — photocopies of Peruvian decrees passed in 1912 and 1914 to regulate Bingham's expeditions.

He reads aloud from a Bingham letter dated Nov. 28, 1916: "Now they" — the artifacts from the third expedition — "do not belong to us, but to the Peruvian government, who allowed us to take them out of the country on condition that they be returned in eighteen months."

In statements, the university contends that under an 1852 law it is not obligated to return material collected on the first two expeditions. But Peru cites a 1912 decree in which it "reserves its right to request" return of any artifacts Bingham might find, or had found.



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