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Opening Remarks

In this issue of your magazine is a story I have wanted to see for some time, a story about clinical trials. Alumna Leah Brown started a company to provide the people power needed to conduct clinical research. Clinical trials are an essential part of American health care and your university conducts meaningful work in this arena. My mother recently participated in a clinical trial regarding treatment of Alzheimer's disease. The results were disappointing in the fact that the controlled test did not show a significant difference in arresting the progress of this debilitating disease. However, it was a success because it provided information and guidance for the next step in the scientific method and because it protected those who need a cure from false hope and needless expense.

Another significant clinical trial at UK is about transvaginal ultrasonography screening to detect ovarian cancer in women over 50 or at risk for ovarian cancer. Early detection of this nearly asymptomatic cancer has proven key in its treatment. Two of the biggest supporters of the program have been the Kentucky Extension Homemakers Association and a dear friend to many at the UK Alumni Association, Nadine Spragens, who championed this cause and took every opportunity to spread the word and encourage women to sign up. In her honor and memory, I include these phone numbers for women and the people that love them to make a screening appointment, 1-800-766-8279 or 859-323-4687. The clinical trial was set up in 1987 by Dr. John van Nagell, named one of America's best doctors in 2007.

Also I urge you to read the UK Alumni Association Annual Report. Managing editor Linda Perry limited the staff to 90 words per topic so you know you are seeing the most succinct review of this year that we have been working for you and the university. Obviously much has been left out, but the bottom line for us is that you enjoyed, learned from, cheered for, took pride in UK's advancements, and made valuable peer connections with other alumni through the benefits and services of the association.

The staff thanks you for your membership, your participation, your generosity of thought, time, and resources.

As the legislature convenes, you may be interested in participating in and/or staying informed about what is taking place through UKAN, the UK Advocacy Network, as it informs legislators about the impact and significance of UK's Top 20 Business Plan to all of Kentucky. UK's legislative priorities can be found on the UK Web site at www.uky.edu/UKAN.

A final note about branding: Last issue I shared with you some of the programming changes implemented as a result of the association's research done in the summer of 2007. Here is a look at the updated UK Alumni Association logo. Three results guided the development of the logos:



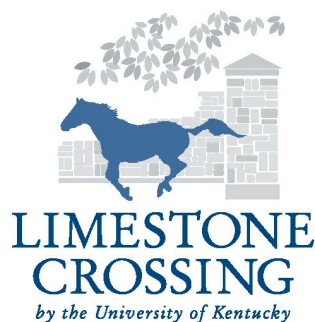
- To alumni, Kentucky blue is PMS 286; no other blue need apply to take the place of Kentucky blue in UK Alumni Association President Richard C. Stoll's necktie in 1911.
- The Memorial Hall Interlocking UK was preferred almost unanimously, citing its use of the familiar, iconic campus building and its unifying symbolism from student recruiting materials to its use for years by the association and the university.
- The UK Alumni Association needs to distinguish itself, what it does and for whom.

Liz



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Presidential Conversation



This is always the time of year when we count our blessings and thank those who make our lives more enjoyable and fulfilling. The same is true for the University of Kentucky. We are certainly thankful to our alumni members across the globe that help support and proudly represent their alma mater each and every day.

It is also a time when we start focusing on the upcoming calendar year. And as we enter the new year, our sights are squarely focused on the 2008 legislative session.

The university's top priority next year is the same as it was during the last legislative session. We will ask the Governor and General Assembly to continue funding our Top 20 Business Plan. Such an investment will allow us to continue to improve the educational experience here at UK. It will help us to continue to add to our world-class faculty and lower class sizes. It also will help us improve our retention and graduation rates, making sure the students who choose to come to UK will be able to walk out of here in four years with a degree in hand.

We will go to the legislature this coming session and ask for additional classroom space through the construction of a new Gatton College of Business and Economics. This building represents a double shot of energy to campus. First, it will help us

produce more business leaders and entrepreneurs – people who will help us create new economic opportunities across the Commonwealth. At the very same time, the new building will free up the existing Gatton College, supplying UK with significant classroom space in the heart of the campus that can be used by students and faculty, as we move forward in our Top 20 push.

We will also ask our leaders to consider building an additional research building on the site of our “Medical Campus of the Future.” This building, like our existing Biological/Biomedical Sciences Research Building, will be home to laboratories designed to conduct advanced research into the most complex health care and science issues. As a high-tech research factory, it will create hundred of high-paying jobs. The new research building will help us discover new ideas and innovations that will be key in our quest to diversify and modernize Kentucky's economy.

I certainly hope that you will support our 2008 legislative agenda. I think it represents something that we, as alumni members, can be supportive of: an unflinching desire to make UK one of the 20 best public research universities in the nation.

Sincerely,

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President Lee T. Todd, Jr.

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Freshman Class Diverse; Higher ACT Scores

This 2007-2008 freshman class of 3,922 students is among UK's most diverse and accomplished. Enrollment of African-American freshmen this year is the second highest in the institution's history with 260 students, 6.6 percent of the freshman class. African-American enrollment at UK also is up overall from 1,392 last year to 1,419 this year, about 5.3 percent of all students.

There also has been an increase in the average ACT score among entering freshmen from 23.9 last year to 24.3 this year. The mid-50 range of ACT scores has moved from 21-26 last year to 22-27 for this year's freshman class.

Overall UK enrollment is 26,625 students, down about 600 from last year. In general, enrollment, particularly at the undergraduate level, coincides with the projections set forth in the Top 20 Business Plan.

First Woman Chair For Board Of Trustees

Mira Ball of Lexington is the first woman in the history of the University of Kentucky to chair its Board of Trustees. In response to making history as UK's first Board of Trustees chairwoman, Ball said, "I'm glad the time has come. I'm very honored."

Ball, who has served on the board since 2004, is a UK alumna, chief financial officer for Ball Homes Inc. in Lexington, and a long-time civic leader.



Photo: Tim Collins

Mira Snider Ball received a degree in business education in 1956.

Safety Improvements Increasing Awareness

The number of women on the UK campus who feel "very safe" has doubled in the last three years. That's one of the more significant results of a groundbreaking study among 2,000 women on campus. Results of the "Women's Safety Study: 2004-2007," which was conducted by the UK Center for Research on Violence Against Women, indicate that 31.7 percent of women on the UK campus say they feel "very safe," compared to 16.4 percent of women who felt that way in 2004.

Since 2004, an eight-point safety initiative has, among other things, expanded counseling and prevention programs through UK Women's Place (now named the Violence Intervention and Prevention Center), increased police resources through additional officers and a new training program, created a self-defense program and formed the President's Women's Safety Advisory Council to evaluate the implementation of new programs and to make further recommendations. In all, more than \$1.2 million was allocated in the year following release of the initial study to expand the eight-point initiative as well as other specific safety initiatives, including additional lighting and a new safety path — the CATS path (www.uky.edu/catspath/) — across campus.

Carol Jordan, director of the UK Center for Research on Violence Against Women, said, "Every college and university campus in America is challenged by the victimization of women students . . . What is important is that, rather than relying on national research or general approaches, UK has taken the time and spent the considerable resources necessary to study the issues here in-depth and then committed to doing something about them through programs and solutions specific to this campus and community."



Listen to comments by Carol Jordan www.ukalumni.net, keyword: Jordan

Scoring A Percussive 'Hat Trick'

UK Percussion Ensemble attained a feat unmatched by any other percussion ensemble in the world by winning the Percussive Arts Society (PAS) International Collegiate Percussion Ensemble Competition three years running. The accomplishment has earned them a rare showcase concert at the PAS International Convention in Columbus, Ohio. PAS is the world's largest percussion organization and is considered the central source for information and networking for percussionists and drummers of all ages.

Under the direction of James Campbell, professor of music and director of percussion studies, UK Percussion Ensemble members also have had the unique opportunity to appear alongside international guest artists like Steve Houghton, John Bergamo, Michael Spiro, Richie Garcia, and Danny Gottlieb, among many others.



Photo courtesy UK PR

The UK Percussion Ensemble, led by James Campbell at far right, maintains a busy and prestigious schedule of performances.

Research Notes

Osteopontin, Obesity, And Insulin Resistance

Obesity is one of the biggest risk factors for type 2 diabetes. One reason for this is thought to be the chronic inflammation characterized by macrophage infiltration into adipose tissue that accompanies obesity, because it has been linked to the development of insulin resistance (which in turn often leads to type 2 diabetes). New data generated in mice by Dr. Dennis Bruemmer, an assistant professor in the UK College of Medicine Division of Endocrinology and Molecular Medicine, and his colleagues provides support for this hypothesis.

They found that although mice lacking osteopontin became obese when fed a high-fat diet, they did not become as insulin resistant as normal mice fed the same diet. This decrease in insulin resistance was associated with decreased accumulation of

macrophages in the adipose tissue leading the authors to conclude that osteopontin has a key role in linking obesity to the development of insulin resistance in mice. Osteopontin is an extracellular matrix protein and proinflammatory cytokine that is required for macrophage infiltration of a tissue during an immune response.

Bruemmer is senior and corresponding author of an article published about this research in *The Journal of Clinical Investigation* entitled "Osteopontin mediates obesity-induced adipose tissue macrophage infiltration and insulin resistance in mice."



Read the full article on osteopontin at www.ukalumni.net, keyword: Bruemmer

Barrett's Esophagus High In Three Counties

Preliminary data from a study in southeastern Kentucky found Barrett's esophagus — a precursor to esophageal cancer — in 25 percent of study subjects. Questionnaires, medical records, endoscopies, patient interviews and biologic samples are being used to gather data.

Severe or chronic heartburn is called Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD). Over time, untreated GERD damages the lining of the esophagus. As a result, one in 10 people with GERD develop Barrett's esophagus, a potentially dangerous change in the lining of the esophagus. Those with Barrett's esophagus may be up to 30 times more likely than the average person to develop esophageal cancer.

"The finding that this cancer precursor is up to five times more common in these counties compared to the national average is clearly an important step in unraveling the mystery," said Dr. Nicholas Nickl of the UK College of Medicine Division of Digestive Diseases and Nutrition.

The study, led by Nickl and Dr. Houssam Mardini of the same department, is part of the Marty Driesler Fifth District Esophageal Cancer Project. The study focuses on counties in Kentucky with the highest risk for esophageal cancer: Pulaski, Laurel and Whitley.

Survival rates for the nation's fastest growing cancer are staggering: Only 16 percent survive five years after diagnosis. The American Cancer Society (www.cancer.org/docroot/home/index.asp) estimates that nearly 14,000 will die from esophageal cancer this year.

\$3 Million NSF Grant For Multidisciplinary Research

UK received a \$3 million grant from the National Science Foundation to support doctoral students developing devices that interact with biological systems. The students' research areas will range from nanotechnology to tissue engineering, to sensing systems, and to drug delivery. The program also will provide specialized courses and workshops for the students and encourage participation in internships, outreach activities and supervised training in instruction.

Kimberly Anderson, Gill Eminent Professor of Chemical Engineering and principal investigator on the grant along with Bruce Hinds, associate professor of materials engineering and co-principal investigator, will oversee the university's second Integrative Graduation Education Research Training program.

The students will come from departments of Chemical and Materials Engineering and Electrical and Computer Engineering in the College of Engineering, the Department of Chemistry in the College of Arts and Sciences, the departments of Anatomy and Neurobiology and Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry in the College of Medicine, the Center for Biomedical Engineering, and the College of Pharmacy.



Compiled from news reports about research at UK.

For more information about research taking place at UK, visit www.research.uky.edu

new developments

\$1 Billion And Counting

UK's first-ever capital campaign has surpassed its \$1 billion goal, with a total of \$1,062,970,712. The campaign officially comes to a close on December 31, 2007. You can still be a part of this historic, record-setting effort by sending your gift by year's end and having your name recorded among the university's loyal supporters. Give online any time at iweb.uky.edu/giveonline.

Did You Know...

- UK is one of only 31 universities in the country that has successfully raised over a billion dollars to enhance academic programs.
- UK's endowment ranks third among Southeastern Conference schools behind Vanderbilt and Florida.
- 85 faculty chairs and 190 endowed professorships were created by campaign funds



2008 Winter College

Join alumni and friends on February 4, 2008 for another term of UK Winter College. This year's sessions will be held at the Naples Hilton in Naples, Fla., and will feature faculty members including:

- Lee T. Todd Jr., president, University of Kentucky
- Everett McCorvey, Alumni Association Endowed Professor of Voice and director of UK Opera Studies
- Dr. Jay Perman, dean, College of Medicine and vice president for Clinical Affairs
- Nancy Cox, College of Agriculture, associate dean for Research and associate director, Agriculture Experiment Stations
- Kenneth Roberts, dean of the College of Pharmacy

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Fellows Society Welcomes 256 New Members

In October UK honored donors who have made significant contributions to the university at the annual Fellows Society Dinner. The dinner, held in downtown Lexington at Rupp Arena, included a formal dinner and dance, and recognition of 256 new inductees into the Fellows Society as well as 42 current Fellows who increased their level of giving within the last year. For more information on joining the UK Fellows Society, contact Paula Pope at 859-257-8137.



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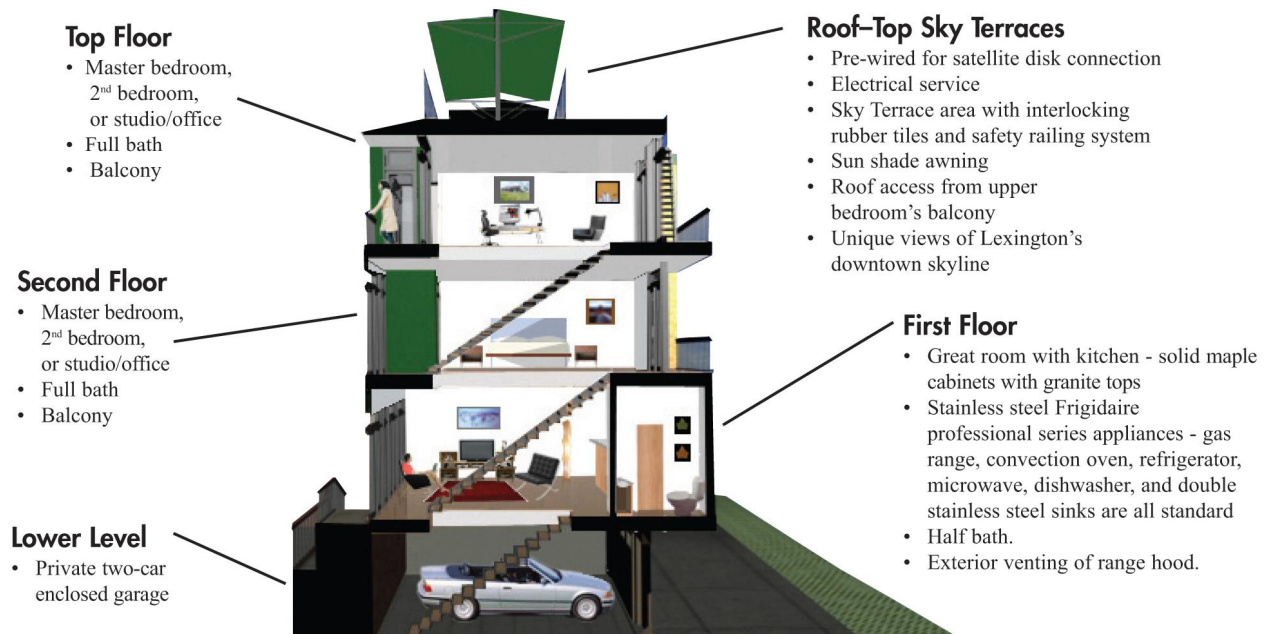


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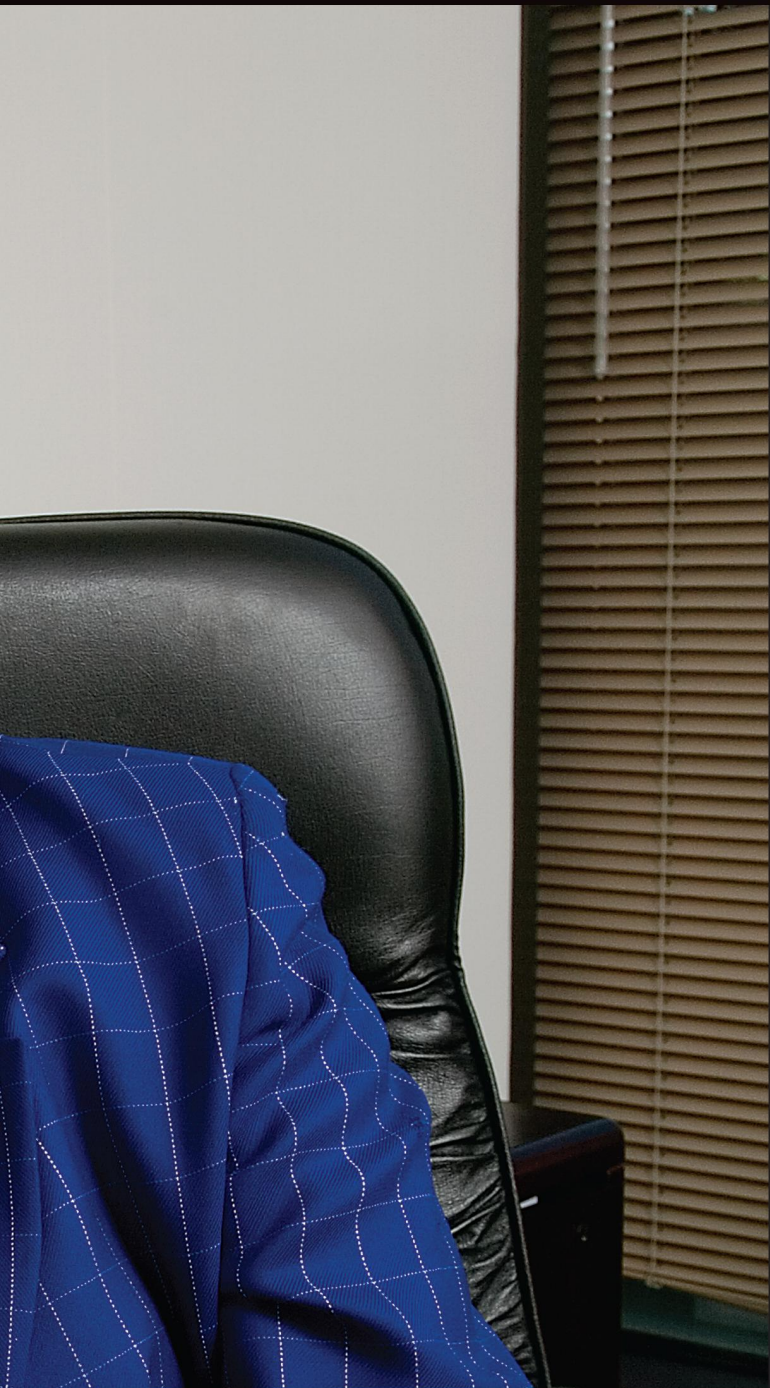
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»»» Leah Brown:
Managing Clinical Trials

1990 UK grad formed Aten Solutions
to provide oversight of drug trials

By Linda Perry



Most of us remember the story about sailors in the 1700s dying from scurvy on long ocean voyages until a surgeon in the Royal Navy experimented with the diet of 12 ill sailors. James Lind divided the men into six small groups and supplied each duo with various items to add to their diet, such as seawater, vinegar, and barley water. The sailors who received two oranges and one lemon showed the most improvement and were cured within six days, fit for duty.

That systematic inquiry was one of the first documented clinical trials and a far cry from the comprehensive scope of scientific research for medical treatments today. Private industry and universities spend billions of dollars over many years while researching possible drugs, hoping to receive Federal Drug Administration (FDA) approval to sell the drugs and begin recovering their investment and earning profits.

As president and CEO of Aten Solutions in Cary, N.C., UK College of Law alumna Leah E. Brown helps these pharmaceutical companies, government agencies and educational units with facets of the modern day clinical trial process. A10 does this as a high-tech outsourcing company that supplies whatever level of staffing expertise a client needs to successfully complete the FDA approval process. This might be experienced individuals who provide project oversight to ensure compliance with FDA regulations, biostatisticians, safety and medical monitors, data analysts and managers, or medical writers, among others.

“It’s a virtual company,” says Brown, who is president and CEO of the young organization. Although established only three years ago, Brown says A10 is helping to staff clinical drug trials around the country and also is about to partner with a pharmaceutical company to provide services overseas. Presently, she has a permanent staff of 12 people, with about 65 contractors in Raleigh, N.C., Philadelphia, Pa., Charleston, S.C., San Francisco, Calif., and also in northern New Jersey.

Brown didn’t grow up hoping she would one day be involved with clinical trials, of course. As one can imagine, her road to owning this multi-million dollar venture has taken a few twists and turns.

▶▶▶ What’s A Clinical Trial?

A clinical trial is a long-term process under the supervision of a qualified investigator — usually a physician — that tests a medicine or medical treatment in a strictly controlled manner for effectiveness and safety. Trials are typically conducted by pharmaceutical companies, government agencies and university medical centers. There are strict laws that are enforced by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) detailing the processes and procedures for conducting clinical research, as well as state laws and institutional policy.

Many drugs are evaluated over an 8 – 10 year period before receiving FDA approval to be used by the public. There are different types of trials, for example, some test new combinations of drugs, new approaches to surgery, disease prevention, better diagnostic tests, disease detection, or ways to improve the quality of life for those with chronic illness.

Before trials start, studies typically are conducted on animals. Then there are five main phases for each trial, phases 0 and I - IV. Each phase increases the number of individuals tested, and phase IV involves continued surveillance of the drug after it is available to the public.

According to the Center for Information and Study on Clinical Research Participation, the FDA has reported that there are approximately 50,000 clinical trials taking place in the United States, but 90 percent are delayed because of unfulfilled participation by volunteers.

That statistic might change as the public becomes more educated about the benefits of clinical trials and the safety monitoring that is in place for those enrolled in a trial.

A native of Maplewood, N.J., she received an undergraduate degree in business information systems in 1985 from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. She later worked in Manhattan, N.Y., in a technical role for a telecommunications company before moving on to Rutgers Law School. A twist of fate led to Brown's arrival at the UK College of Law when her former husband was transferred to Lexington with IBM.

"I didn't want to go to the UK College of Law. But it turned out to be the best thing that could have happened to me," says Brown.

Arriving on campus as a second year student and the only African-American woman in her College of Law class, she expected a tough road ahead because other students had already formed friendships and study groups. She would be the outsider, she said, and was older and had work experience; entirely different from the rest of the student body in the college. "But everyone embraced me and made me feel welcomed, and the faculty really helped me," Brown said.

She received a full scholarship and was determined to succeed. One person who particularly gave her guidance was Father D. Reginald Whitt, an African-American Dominican priest who was also a faculty member in the college. She said there were not that many African Americans on campus to begin with, let alone faculty, and he very much identified with the needs of students. He also was very 'hip' and made sure to take the time to know an individual.

Another person in Kentucky who had a major impact on Brown's life was Lexington attorney Gayle Slaughter, a 1980 UK College of Law graduate.

"I had knocked on a lot of law office doors in Lexington looking for a job and I kept getting turned down. When I went to her office, she told me she didn't really need anyone at the moment but could see that I was probably knocking on a lot of doors and she would give me a chance anyway," Brown says.

Slaughter says she is not surprised that Brown is doing well now. "She exhibited extraordinary talent and intellect and was a very hard worker...She also had more of a global perspective about her," says Slaughter.

Brown worked there for six months until she qualified to apply for a job at Valvoline Oil Company, where she worked part-time and later full-time during the summers.

After a move to Raleigh, N.C., she joined a consulting firm there that dealt with health care compliance and employment law. After 14 years, the national division she ran reorganized and the company pulled out of the Southeast. Brown was once again looking for a job, and had a "light-bulb" moment. "I had made millions for that company. I decided I could go out on my own and do something similar," she said.

After doing market research and putting together a business plan, she started A10 with a business partner, whom she later



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Leah Brown, center, consults with A10 employees Angela Smith, left, office manager, and Susan McCormick, vice president of account management and client services.

➤➤➤ Clinical Trials at UK

Currently, UK is conducting about 60 clinical trials, according to Dr. C. William Balke, director of UK Clinical Research. They cover a wide range of investigation, including Alzheimer's disease, strokes, allergies, heart disease, childhood obesity, fibromyalgia, and identical twins, to name only a few.

"The ultimate challenge is to recruit and retain volunteers to participate in the studies," says Balke. "Without volunteers, there would be no new therapies for diseases and disorders."

Many alumni don't realize they can volunteer for a trial right here at UK. Some studies need healthy volunteers as well as patients

with medical conditions. In addition to knowing that by volunteering an individual is helping others through the advancement of medicine, some volunteers receive compensation for taking part in the study.

Interested in participating in a clinical trial at UK? Review the list of current trials by visiting www.UKclinicalresearch.com and select "clinical trials" or call 859-257-7856.



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bought out. The company name has several origins based on factors significant to the organization, but primarily, Brown says, "On a scale of 1 to 10 for clinical trial support, we are A-10."

Her company, which she initially ran out of her home, focuses on helping large pharmaceutical companies like Johnson & Johnson and GlaxoSmithKline get through the FDA approval process. Merck is her largest client, she says. The drug companies have internal organizations that get reviewed by an Institutional Review Board and get a protocol written up for a drug trial.

"When the infrastructure and plan has been put in place, they call A10 to support that plan, for example, with project management, clinical monitoring, safety monitoring, medical writing and data management," Brown says. Typically, A10 is involved in phase 2 of clinical trials (20 to 300 individuals) and phase 3 (300 to 3,000 or more individuals), during which the continued safety and efficacy of the drug is assessed. Trials can last as little as six months, but are more likely to be 18 months long.

In general, A10 makes sure that the pharmaceutical company does things right. "It's about oversight and reporting," says Brown.

In addition, A10 also helps some clients meet their own multicultural supplier goals because A10 is a certified minority, woman-owned company.

"Every day is unusual; but every day is the same. The cookbook is there. FDA tells you what to do. The quirks are the people, but you have to follow the protocol to a T," she says, hoping that the end result will be that a drug receives FDA approval.

One of her biggest challenges is keeping a steady flow of clinical trial professionals ready when she needs them, wherever she needs them. Bioprocess development technician, cell culture specialist, executive director pharmacovigilance and principal clinical scientist are just a few of the job titles that A10 might recruit around the country.

Not only does Brown want A10 to be one of the top contract research organizations, she also wants A10 to be an advocate for effective therapeutics in communities that have traditionally experienced health care disparities. "We get excited when we have an opportunity to work on therapeutics for HIV, diabetes, and hypertension — things that have a great affect on women and minorities," she says.

Mindful of ethically unjustified studies in the 1900s like the infamous "Tuskegee Study of Untreated Syphilis in the Negro Male," a clinical trial which began in 1932 by the U.S. Public Health Service and the Tuskegee Institute, Brown says that regu-

lations have come full circle. Now there are many safeguards in place, more government monitoring and review boards. "Today any patient can report any acute or minor adverse effect. Also, there is an aggressive and thorough consenting process. Information can be translated into many languages so patients are completely informed of possible side effects," she says. "We want health care advancement but we want to minimize adverse effects."

Brown's end of the year challenge comes as A10 goes international. It's been estimated that Wyeth and Merck conducted about half of their clinical trials last year outside the United States. More and more pharmaceutical companies are doing so. A10 is being sponsored this fall for a clinical trial mission in South Africa. Brown says the project is two-fold in that it allows for a different and diverse demographic to participate in a clinical trial and also there is a large population there, resulting in A10 having access to more individuals willing to be involved in the trial.

Brown, who has two teenage boys, says the one business lesson she has learned is to always expect the unexpected and learn to be comfortable with that.

"People will be surprised to know that despite the challenges of running a multi-million dollar company and the stress of raising teenagers, today I am the happiest I've ever been in my life."

LIMESTONE CROSSING: *Living In A Life Fulfilling Community*

Alumni, faculty and staff will find that 'life' begins at 62 in this UK sponsored community.

By Liz Demoran

When Jean Pival heard the announcement about Limestone Crossing she was thrilled. For her it was a great idea that took 20 years to happen. When she retired from the UK faculty in 1987, she and Lila Boyarksy, wife of Louis Boyarksy who was on faculty at the UK Chandler Medical Center, were on a committee to explore the potential of a retirement community for faculty, staff and alumni. They had almost everything they needed to go forward with a request for proposal.

Now Pival, 85, is among the first to plop down \$1,000 to reserve her spot in the life fulfilling community, to be known as Limestone Crossing, being developed by Praxeis.

This time the idea sprang independently from President Lee T. Todd Jr. Pival contacted Todd to encourage him in the project when she heard about it. For two years, a committee led by Alice Sparks, a former University of Kentucky Trustee, with the assistance of Jack C. Blanton, retired UK executive vice president for finance and administration, William G. Francis, Fernita

Wallace, Don Madden and Gene Cravens had endless meetings and numerous conference calls and a few site visits.

The first choice of location was the Coldstream Research Campus that had been considered by the earlier committee, but was proven to be too noisy from the I-75 traffic. Spindletop Hall was considered next and ruled out. Then the place that is just right was found, an 89-acre tract of land located out Nicholasville Road, off Brannon Road, near the Jessamine/Fayette County line.

The site is a five-mile drive straight down Nicholasville Road from the UK campus. That's important because the university is not only a sponsor but also plays an integral part in defining the culture of this life fulfilling community.

Praxeis Executive Vice President Matt Weaver explains that the early adopters like Pival and Sparks will influence the development of the community. Once the goal of 300 potential members is met, the project will move into its design phase. Agreements will be drawn up with the various colleges to provide educational op-

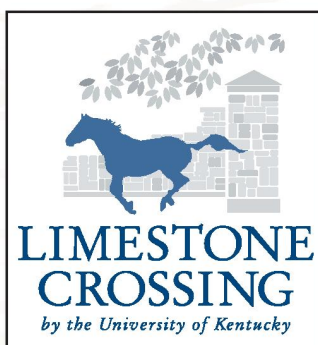


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UK President Lee T. Todd Jr. expresses his appreciation to Praxeis Executive Vice President Matt Weaver, left, and the board of alumni, faculty and friends who are working together to implement plans for an active life fulfilling Limestone Crossing community.

portunities with the members and for the students in everything from health care fields to kinesiology to hospitality and recreation, fine arts and more. Amenities like on-site swimming, tennis, and other opportunities for fitness will be selected. The architects will bring it altogether in a design plan that will include a commons building, patio homes, apartments, and private accommodations in assisted living, memory support and skilled nursing at a considerable discount to the market rate.

"This is a win-win combination, a not-for-profit, truly life fulfilling community operated for the benefit of its members. The early adopters will have a say in how it is developing. They will have first choice of their home at preconstruction pricing and the ability to choose some interior design options and some preconstruction customization that just isn't possible once the architect's plans are finalized for construction. They also will have input into the choices of amenities as we turn to them as our focus group during this early phase of the project."

Weaver has already discovered many alumni elsewhere in Kentucky and in the country want to come home to Lexington and the Bluegrass. This gives them an attractive option that has been limited here for them.

"It will have everything," says Sparks who was the first to sign up. "It was a lot of hard work. The committee took field trips to see other communities, and carefully researched potential developers and managers for the site before settling on Praxeis. I can't praise Praxeis enough. They stuck by us during some bumpy times in the process and I have every confidence in them.

"The committee visited two communities created by Praxeis," she says. "To see these people so happy confirmed that this is going to be wonderful. I am so excited about what is finally happening here."

Sparks considers a move to Limestone Crossing as "guaranteeing for yourself and your spouse wonderful, first class, high quality health care for a lifetime, if ever needed. It's not buying property, but the security of a contract knowing there's a private room in the community's health center and significantly reducing the costs of long-term care if these services are ever needed."

An added personal bonus for Sparks is that this kind of community has been a

Community Overview

Sponsor: University of Kentucky

Development Team:

- Praxies Development, Marketing and Operations
- RDG Schutte Wilsam Birge, Architect
- FORCE Financial, Financing

Board of Directors:

- Alice Sparks, President
- William G. Francis, Vice President
- Fernita L. Wallace, Secretary
- Don Madden, Treasurer
- Gene Cravens, Board Member

Description: Limestone Crossing is an independent, not-for-profit Life Fulfilling Community designed for adults 62 years and older, in a resort-style atmosphere with a focus on lifelong learning, optimum health and personal growth.

Location: An 89-acre tract of land off Brannon Road, just inside the Jessamine County line

Accommodations: Residences and club homes will be from one bedroom to three bedrooms. The health center is planned to include assisted living suites, memory support units and private skilled nursing units.

Amenities: Extraordinary venues for dining, wellness, performing and creative arts, and socialization

Health Care: The health assurance guarantee provides the security that for a lifetime membership fee (an initial entrance fee) and a monthly service fee, community members receive comprehensive services and amenities, plus unlimited access to private accommodations in assisted living suites, memory support units and private skilled nursing units.

University of Kentucky: Limestone Crossing and the university will develop mutually beneficial programming agreements with many of the colleges.

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long-time goal of her big brother who told her, "You gotta make this work, Sis."

To Pival and many of her friends who also have put down their deposits, the big draw for her is the educational opportunities. "As faculty, the reason we went into this in the first place was because we see it as a method of education and providing a place for students to do research and have practical experience serving America's fastest growing consumer group. We see it as an educa-

tional project, which may be different than the way some other people see it, primarily for recreational opportunities.

"We see discussion groups and book clubs and members organizing courses for their neighbors to take," she says. "Limestone Crossing is an opportunity for us to continue some of the discourse and to continue learning and working in our fields."

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Old Tradition Finds New Life, New Look

By Katy Bennett

Coming to UK can be a challenging experience, especially for new students, but a group of UK's brightest student leaders have brought back an old tradition to make the transition to college life a little easier.

As students prepared to come to campus for the first time, the "K Book" began arriving on their doorsteps. The "K Book," written by students for students, is a guide to life at UK and is the "go-to" resource for incoming students. Its 96 pages are filled with everything you'd ever want to know about UK, and a little more, and highlights the wealth of opportunities available to every UK student.

"We wanted to make a book that really covered every aspect of student life and told a new student everything we wish we had known when we moved into the dorms for the first time," Drew Trimble, editor of the "K Book," said.

Reviving the "K Book" was born out of the University Leadership Summit. The Summit, a year long leadership experience for the top 100 student leaders at the University of Kentucky, began with a three-day leadership conference in September 2006 to brainstorm different projects to enrich the UK community. A group of eight leaders took on the project of writing, editing and designing the "K Book."

"K Book" editorial board members are Drew Trimble of Paintsville, editor; Megan Herde of Louisville; Jessica Huber of Glasgow; Scott McIntosh of Lexington; Grant Mills of Frankfort; Britt Pennington of Crittenden; Leslie Simpson of Frankfort; and Ashley Woodruff of Henderson.

"Since 2006, we have been meeting weekly to write and edit content, to organize and arrange the flow of the book and to decide how the book should look. We wanted the book to reflect UK; it's fun,



Photo: Tim Collins

"K Book" editorial board members are left to right, Leslie Simpson, Drew Trimble, Ashley Woodruff, Megan Herde, Jessica Huber, Grant Mills, and Britt Pennington. Not pictured: Scott McIntosh

informative and classy, just like our student body," Herde said.

The 2007 version of the "K Book," the first in 50 years, rolled off the presses in late July.

"Seeing the book for the first time was amazing," said Pennington. "If the book is half as informative as it was fun to work on, then our incoming class will be the best ever!"

The "K Book" traces its history back to 1901, when it was a small pocket-sized booklet published for students by students. It contained freshman rules, school traditions, athletic schedules, and school songs. It continued until 1966, when the name was changed and it began to be published by various campus departments.

"Even though the freshman handbook has been published under different names, we felt as students it was our obligation to resurrect the "K Book" and fill it with important information that every UK student needs to know," said Mills.

The "K Book" brought together several offices on campus including the Office of

Public Relations and Marketing, New Student and Parent Programs and the University of Kentucky Federal Credit Union.

"I am so proud of the work and effort put into this project by our editorial board," said Nancy Stephens, assistant director of new student and parent programs. "The 'K Book,' combined with participating in K Week activities, gives new students the best start we've ever been able to offer at UK."

Only time will tell the impact that the "K Book" has on the student body, but for eight leaders, it has already left a lasting impression on them.

"We have seen nothing but support for this project from every level at the university," said Trimble. "The 'K Book' would not have been possible without the support of the faculty, staff and administration. President and Mrs. Todd have been supportive from the very beginning, and it means a lot to know that they want to make UK the best it can be for every student."



Profiles in **BLUE** Derek Keeling

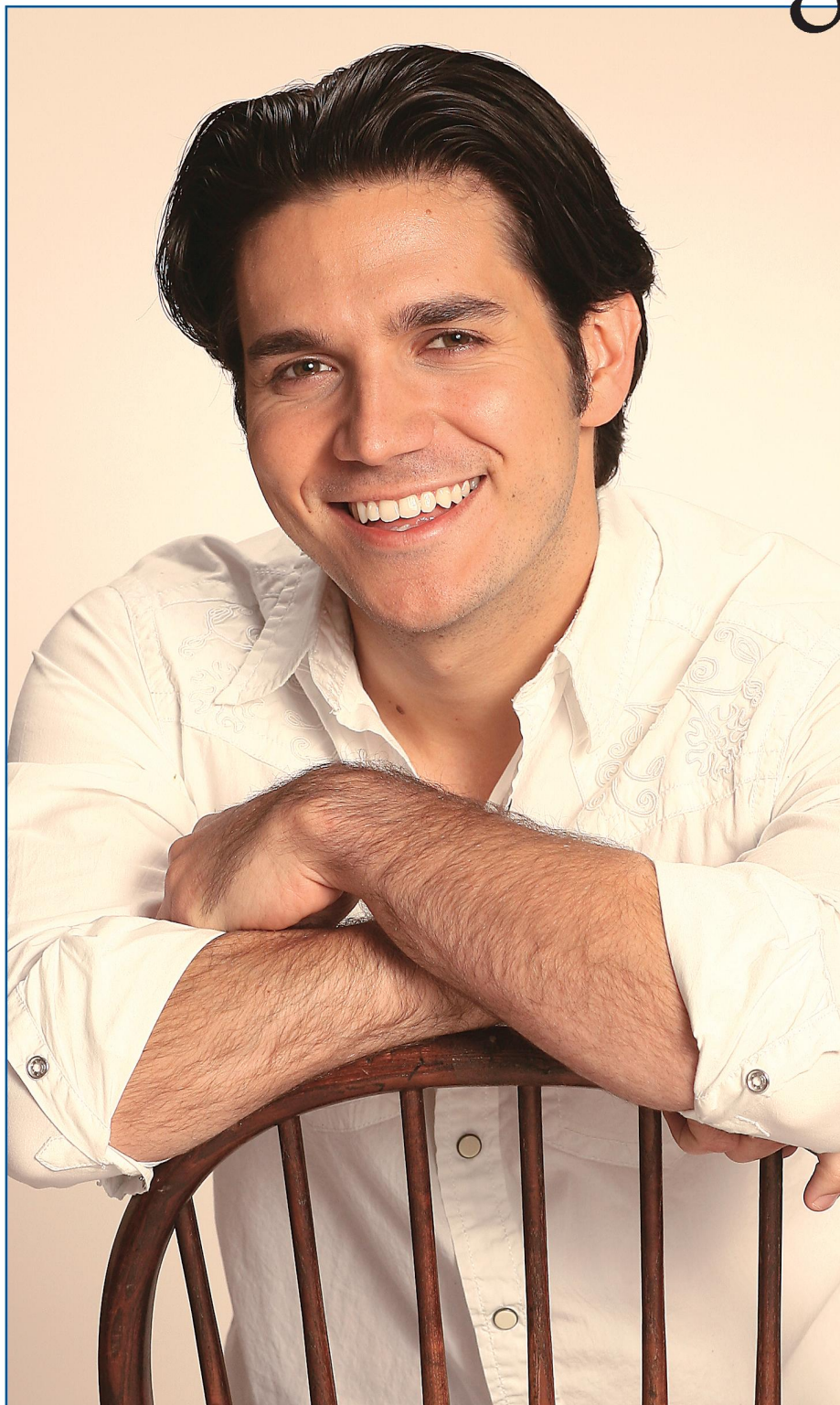


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Derek Keeling makes it sound easy and a lot of fun, but you know that there *must* have been a lot of hard work and practice involved to get this multi-talented actor, singer and dancer to a prominent position in the entertainment industry in such short time. Millions of viewers cheered for Keeling last season when he appeared weekly on *"Grease: You're The One That I Want,"* an NBC reality show that had little-known actors vying for the chance to play Danny and Sandy in the upcoming Broadway production of *"Grease."* Keeling, a 2003 theatre graduate of the UK College of Fine Arts, entered the competition because he had already played Danny Zuko in dinner theatre, regional theatre, and with the national tour for two years with Frankie Avalon and Chubby Checker.

"At first I thought I would never do that! But then I thought if I don't do that show that I know I am qualified for and something big happens to these people's careers, I'm going to be pretty upset with myself," he says. "So going into it, I wanted to take my career to the next level... I was with a small agency and wasn't able to get into certain auditions and I wanted more exposure. But after I got on the show, I wanted to win!"

He made it to the finals, but didn't win.

"But if you told me that the grand prize was getting into a top talent agency in New York and being in the original cast of a new Broadway show, then I feel like I won. I'm with an amazing agency now and I'm originating a role in a new Broadway show. So I really couldn't ask for anything more," he says.

The show Keeling is talking about is *"A Tale of Two Cities,"* in which he appeared recently in Sarasota, Fla., playing the part of Charles Darnay. The play is scheduled to open on New York's Broadway as soon as a theatre is locked down, possibly as early as April 2008.

"My family was always supportive, especially after seeing me attain some success when I toured with Frankie Avalon in *"Grease,"* he says. "But this business is a crap shoot. Just because you're talented doesn't mean you're going to work."

When he's not on the road, Keeling lives in an apartment in New York City with three roommates. He grew up in Charleston, W.Va., and led a fairly normal life doing the things all kids do, he says, with one possible exception. He got into

drag racing stock cars when he was in his early teens, a sport that allowed him to spend a lot of time with his dad, who was the International Hot Rod Association world champion Super Stock racer in 1980.

Also, on a lark in the eighth-grade, he auditioned for the high school show choir. "I never halfway do anything, I always commit totally with whatever I'm doing, but with this, I never gave it that little extra 'oomph' it needed." That went on, he says, until he saw another school choir perform during a competition in Ohio.

"Those kids believed in what they were doing. From that moment, it clicked with me and I got it...that night I gave a totally different performance and really enjoyed it...when I got into college I wanted to pursue theatre because I like that as much as I do the dancing and singing," he says. "And I haven't looked back."

Hobbies

Writes songs

"I've been writing songs ever since I was a little kid. I'm working on a musical now that's still years away. I also play the guitar."

Life Lesson Learned

"Know that everything happens for a reason. Always be positive about whatever is happening and try to make the best of whatever situation you are in."

Two Words That Describe Him

Ambitious and passionate

"I'm definitely going to do what makes me happy...I am fortunate that now I am actually able to do a job that I am passionate about and makes me happy."

Favorite Web Site

Playbill.com

"It's for all the theatre news."

Who Motivates Him

"My parents — they have always believed in me and I want to make them proud."

Flip Flops Or Sandals?

"Neither. I live in New York so I have to wear closed-toe shoes."

Making Money Or Being Famous

"Really, I can't pick either, but fame allows you to pursue some of the jobs you really *want* to do instead of the jobs you *have* to do."

Lucky Number

22

"It's always been my number, coincidentally, when I played a sport and when I was drag racing. My father won his championship with the number 1122 two years before I was born. My birthday is Nov. 22, so that number is significant to me, 11-22. The number has 'haunted' me my whole life, but it's also brought me good luck."

If He Were A Car, He'd Be A...

'98 Trans Am Ram Air

"It was the first car I owned. Before that, I drove my mother's huge, white Lincoln Continental. Everyone called it the mommy mobile. I traded it in and got the 'bat' mobile."

Would Like To Star In A Play With...

Kevin Spacey

Five-Year Plan

"If you had asked me six months ago, I would have said I'd like to originate a role on Broadway. But I'm already on the road to do that. I'd like to stay in New York and do Broadway for two or three more years and then go to LA to pursue television. I'll eventually come back to New York."

First Job As A Teenager

Waiter, cook and dishwasher (all on the same day!) at a golf country club in Charleston, W. Va.

"I'd open the place as a short-order cook. I waited on them, cooked, and at the end of the night, cleaned the whole place up. I did that the entire summer to save money for a car. It's amazing what you'll do at 16 for a car."

Most Discouraging Moment

"We go through so much in our business. You get about one percent of the jobs you go for, so 99 percent of the time you're getting rejected. There's been a lot of big things I've come really close to getting but didn't. When I was doing the television show, people were asking me, 'Is this the closest you've ever come to being on Broadway?' I'm like, 'No, not really.' Even when you get that final call back and you think it's a lock, something happens and you don't get the job. You have to take each audition on its own, do your best, and just forget about it. If you get the job, all the better. There are a lot of discouraging moments for actors. But that's why we do it. There are extreme lows but extreme highs."

Share A Secret

"I don't really like to watch movie musicals! I'd love to do one, though."

A Food Never In His House

Spam

Favorite Movie

"The Shawshank Redemption"

Three Stooges Or Marx Brothers

Marx Brothers

Last Person Who Surprised Him

A clerk in a pharmacy, right after *"Grease: You're The One That I Want"*

"I got back to New York from LA and I went into Duane Reed, a pharmacy, to buy a bottle of water. When the clerk gave me my change back she said, 'Have a nice day, Derek.' It was so weird."

Most Afraid Of

"Disappointing myself by not taking full advantage of opportunities I have and wasting them myself."

Been To Alaska?

"No, it's the only state I haven't been to because they went there right before I joined the tour. I've been to all the other states, including Hawaii, with the tour."

Bungee Jump?

"No, I have a bad back. I'd be afraid it would mess my back up even worse."

When I Need A Good Laugh...

"I call my girlfriend."

Favorite Drink On A Cold Day

Chai tea latte at Starbucks

Friends From College

Has a UK friend at the first talent agency he was with and also keeps up with a buddy from his fraternity, Sigma Pi, who is in LA working on movie productions

If The World Ends In Five Days ...

"I'd have to visit everyone — all my friends and family — and then I'd go to Italy."



www.derek-keeling.com



College of Education

Rachel Hammond: Kentucky School Psychologist Of The Year

As luck would have it, the one year that school psychologist Rachel Hammond '99 '01 ED did not get to attend the Kentucky Association for Psychology in the Schools annual conference was the one year she was honored with several of its most coveted awards.

Hammond was named the 2006 Kentucky School Psychologist of the Year in addition to being named the Regional School Psychologist of the Year and receiving the Organizational Development Best Practices Award.

"I was in Hilton Head on maternity leave when they called to tell me. I was disappointed that I wasn't able to be at the conference but really surprised and happy – I just had a new baby and my work was recognized by my peers," Hammond says.

This award is particularly special to her, she says, because it is chosen by fellow colleagues. "It is an honor, a real honor, to be chosen by your colleagues for your work."

Hammond began her career as a school psychologist for Fayette County and has been a consultant at Oldham County since 2004. Hammond works with students of all ages, as well as their families and teachers. One program that Hammond promotes is designed to help middle school and high school special education students develop important life skills. Along with parents and teachers, Hammond develops an individualized plan of instruction for the student.

Currently she is pursuing her doctoral degree in educational and counseling psychology at the UK College of Education, where her area of specialization is autism in adolescents ages 12 -18.

She is quick to cite faculty Professor H. Thomas Prout and Assistant Professor Kristen Missall, both of the School Psychology pro-

gram area, and former faculty member Deneese Jones for being particularly influential and supportive of her professional development. Of the Educational and Counseling Psychology program itself, Hammond says, "it significantly helped me develop my writing skills. As a school psychologist, there is a different way of writing and the program helped prepare me for that."

Hammond says her experience at the College of Education also helped prepare her to work with children from diverse backgrounds. "It broadened my awareness and understanding of cultural differences," she says.

While Hammond is proud of her accolades, she most enjoys seeing the fruits of her labor in her students' development.

"Overall, the best moments for me are seeing a teacher's or par-

Photos: Tim Collins



ent's face following a successful intervention for that child," she says, "It is a wonderful feeling when I know that a teacher, family, and I collaborated and devised a plan that allowed the student to become a more independent individual."

Grads Excel

By Candace Chaney

Tracy Lambert: High School Teacher Of The Year

Like many undergraduate students, Lexington native Tracy Lambert '97 AS, '00 ED thought she would be something other than what she became.

Studying to be a physician's assistant, Lambert began noticing she enjoyed the teaching related aspects of her science courses more than the course content itself. "I noticed I liked things like coloring in the pictures of muscles," she recalls.

A few career tests and a graduate program later, Lambert became a French teacher at Lafayette High School.

A few years after that, Lambert's work was honored by the Kentucky Department of Education when she was named the 2007 High School Teacher of the Year.

The award comes with a cash prize, but more important, says

Education as an invaluable learning experience crucial to her early success as a new teacher. "The MIC program is superior to others due to the preparation you receive in your content area. After spending a year learning about pedagogy and practicing hands on in a classroom, I felt well-prepared."

She's particularly grateful for the guidance of retired French professor Dr. Larachité for giving her "a hundred different chances to get better and learn from my mistakes," a principal she has passed on to her own students. "They can rewrite as many times as necessary," Lambert says.

Lambert's involvement with French isn't limited to the classroom. "One of the perks of teaching a foreign language is that you get to take students on trips abroad," she says. She enjoys regularly

leading groups of students to France during the summer holidays.

She also is called upon frequently to use her language skills beyond the educational community. "I get a lot of translating inquiries," she says, "and I also hear from a lot of churches who work with immigrants from Africa who speak French."

When asked about her most rewarding moments as a teacher, she cites the continued success of former students among her gratifying moments. "It is nice students come back and say they have been helped in some way," she says. "Some will come back and say they tested out

of the first levels of French in college. And I even have some former students studying to be French teachers."

Lambert, "it is very flattering...it gives you a little bit of street cred with the other teachers and students. Also, I am a young teacher so it's nice to be acknowledged. Some teachers wait their whole career for recognition like this."

Lambert counts the hands-on training she received while earning her master's with initial certification (MIC) in the College of



To see 2008 award winners including
Teacher of the Year Chandra Holloway Emerson '90:
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Message From The Executive Director

Dear UK Alumni Association Members:

During the 2006-07 fiscal year the UK Alumni Association offered many value-added benefits to its dues-paying members and was responsible for planning and offering numerous programs, events, and services in support of the University of Kentucky. In the brief annual report that follows I would like to share some of the accomplishments of our staff and alumni volunteers in carrying out the association's strategic plan. But first I would like to remind us of the Vision, Mission, Values, and Goals that guided the association's work throughout the year.



Sincerely,



Stan Key
UK Alumni Association

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Vision

We will be recognized by alumni and peer associations as the premier alumni association in the nation.

Mission

The UK Alumni Association will provide relevant opportunities to enrich the lives of alumni and facilitate a lifelong connection with the University of Kentucky.

Values

Commitment, Community, Diversity, Excellence, Service, Stewardship

Goals

1. Support the university academic and administrative units in executing the Top 20 Business Plan.
2. Engage, connect, and provide enhanced opportunities to alumni and friends.
3. Cultivate future generations of alumni through student and legacy programs.
4. Provide welcoming and inclusive opportunities that nurture and reflect the diversity of UK alumni.
5. Maximize human, financial, and technology resources to accomplish the association's strategic plan.

Membership Numbers, Benefits, and Services – The UK Alumni Association exceeded all of its membership goals in fiscal year 2006-07. The association ended the year with 35,940 dues-paying members, exceeding the goal of 35,600. Dues income for the year totaled \$888,809, also exceeding our goal. Income from the association's Life Member Sustaining Program, the Wildcat Society, exceeded \$122,000 and surpassed the annual goal of \$76,000.

Homecoming – For 2006 UK Homecoming, the UK Alumni Association and its student group Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow (STAT), participated in a variety of events including the Kitty Karnival, banner competition, Paint the Town Blue, and Homecoming parade. STAT was awarded the Wildcat Cup for taking second place in the non-Greek student organization Homecoming contest for its participation during the week. In addition, the association hosted the Homecoming Hoedown in celebration of the year's theme "My Old Kentucky Homecoming." At the event, alumni had the opportunity to play games, win prizes, enjoy great Kentucky-style foods, get a free caricature drawn, and participate in a cornhole tournament. Little Wildcats enjoyed pony rides and other kid-friendly activities.

Reunions – The UK Alumni Association held a very successful Class of 1956 and Golden Wildcat Reunion in October 2006. We had 133 alumni and their guests come back and take part in a number of events that were offered that weekend.

In April 2007 we also held a Spring Reunion for the following classes: 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, and 1992. We had 123 alumni and their guests participate in the various events held that weekend.



Career Services – Caroline Francis, our Alumni Career Development staff person, met with a total of 658 alumni regarding career services either by phone, via e-mail or in-person. She was able to help more individuals than in previous years and more alumni enjoyed in-person appointments than were able to in previous years.

Clubs – Through the alumni club network, the UK Alumni Association strives to take the news of the university to local communities. Our 49 active UK Alumni Clubs conducted 164 events over a broad spectrum. UK faculty members, administrators, coaches, and students were among the featured speakers at alumni club events. These events also provided opportunities for members to network with fellow alumni, learn more about the university, cheer on the Wildcats, and serve the community, to name a few. Events such as golf scrambles and silent auctions are conducted by many of our alumni clubs to raise money for alumni club scholarships. The UK Alumni Association was proud to award the annual Outstanding Club Awards at the Summer Workshop in June. Awards were given to in-state and out-of-state clubs in the categories of Scholarship, Student Recruitment, Service, Membership, Friend-Raising, and New and Creative Program.



Student Recruitment – UK Alumni Clubs continued their commitment to alumni student recruitment efforts and 15 clubs hosted Student Send-off Parties for incoming and returning UK students and their families. Additionally, club volunteers attended college fairs throughout the country, helping to recruit the best and brightest students from their respected areas for UK. Volunteers also presented approximately 40 book awards to outstanding juniors at high school awards programs. Several clubs also attended the UK Preview Night in their areas to talk with prospective students and parents from their communities.

Legislative Advocacy – The UK Alumni Association supported the university's Office of Governmental Affairs by sending e-mails to alumni about legislative issues and by identifying alumni to work in the UK Advocacy Network (UKAN).

CASE Awards – In 2006, the Membership/Programs team was awarded two CASE Kentucky awards. The 2006 UK Alumni Association Member Calendar was granted the Excellence award for Institutional Publications and the 2006 Life Member Goodwill Mailing campaign received the Grand award in the category of Alumni Relations Projects.

Student Engagement – The association held many student events throughout the 2006-07 fiscal year to engage more students with the UK Alumni Association. Some of our most successful events were the Welcome Back Cookout with over 300 students, two "How Do I Become A ..." Lecture Series with over 700 students total, Senior Salute with over 900 seniors ordering graduation supplies, and Spring Chill, a break from studying for about 100 students who came out to relax and get refreshments in Haggin Field.

Legacy Initiative – The number of children participating in our Legacy Initiative Program has increased to 1,940 as of the end of the fiscal year. We implemented new gift ideas and programs to encourage more parents to enroll their children in this program.

Association Scholarships – The association increased the number of Association Scholarships that were awarded to students from 20 to 42 recipients. We also held a Scholarship Banquet in November 2006 to honor all Association Scholarship recipients, as well as Club Scholarship honorees.

Club Scholarships – Each year about 35 alumni clubs award scholarships to outstanding students attending UK from their club areas. In the 2006-07 academic year 46 alumni club scholarships valued at \$48,386 were awarded. A tremendous sense of pride exists by club members in regard to their commitment to alumni club scholarships.

Traditions – The association has recently initiated new traditions which apply to both students and alumni. The Traditions T was established to unify UK students, alumni and fans, as everyone is to wear the shirt at home UK athletic games. The design of the Traditions T was developed by a UK student and students voted to select the winning design.

International Students Thanksgiving Dinner – To acknowledge the fact that many international UK students don't have time to travel home for the Thanksgiving campus holiday, the UK Alumni Association hosted its first annual International Students Thanksgiving Dinner in November 2006. For many international students, it was their first "taste" of this American holiday. The dinner included traditional Thanksgiving foods such as turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie. The event was a huge success with over 200 attendees and received media coverage in the *Kentucky Kernel* and *Lexington Herald-Leader*.



Alumni Awards – Each year, the UK Alumni Association is pleased to recognize outstanding volunteers for their service. The 2007 Distinguished Service Award winners were Jeannie Livesay, John Rhoades, Linda Norville, Dan Sparks, and Jean Pickard. The Joe Burch Young Alumni Award recipients were Ashley Roberts and Lori Wells.

Great Teacher Awards – The UK Alumni Association awarded six great teachers with the Great Teacher Award for 2007. The recipients of this award included Russell Mumper, College of Pharmacy; Dr. Jeffrey Okeson, College of Dentistry; Jeffrey Osborn, College of Arts & Sciences; Jerry Skees, College of Agriculture; John Watkins, College of Arts & Sciences; and Kim Woodrum, College of Arts & Sciences. Each recipient was awarded a plaque, recognized during half-time at the LSU vs. UK men's basketball game and also given a \$2,000 stipend. (The committee also voted for the 2008 recipients to be given a \$2,500 stipend.)



College Affiliates – We continued our commitment to assist our college affiliate groups with alumni programming. The association provided funding to each college based on UK Alumni Association membership to help assist with the cost of planning college alumni events. The association also committed resources and staff time to further assist some specific college alumni programs, including the College of Education's inaugural Skeeter Johnson Walk, and the collaborative effort between the College of Engineering, Office of Admission, and the Greater Houston UK Alumni Club to host the "Big Blue Preview" breakfast in North Houston, Texas. W.P. Friedrich, association president, encouraged members of the board of directors to meet with their respected college deans to further look at ways we can assist UK colleges. This encourages open communication and critical feedback which helps to enhance association programming.

Young Alumni – This program engages alumni who attended UK up to 10 years ago. Throughout the year, several Young Alumni events were held, including a Day at the Races at Arlington Park in Chicago, a golf scramble and wine tasting in Louisville, and a comedy night and Lexington Legends outing in Lexington.

Lyman T. Johnson African American Constituent Group –

The 16th annual Lyman T. Johnson Awards Banquet was held during Homecoming weekend with over 300 alumni and friends attending. Also, 3 Torch of Excellence and Torch Bearer Awards were given to outstanding alumni and students from each UK college. The Lyman T. Johnson group also hosted receptions for African-American admitted students in Lexington and Louisville with approximately 300 parents and students in attendance. They also participated in the annual Apollo event and the first ever Harambee Celebration, a graduation event to honor African American and other minority graduates.



Alumni Band – The Alumni Band continued the tradition of playing at men's and women's basketball games during the holiday break. Band alumni officers and committee members also met to strategize for the coming year and plan for the biennial reunion, held September 7-8, 2007.

Affinity Partnerships – The affinity partnerships at the UK Alumni Association are a very important source of revenue. These partnerships help support the association in many ways, including programs and scholarships. Thousands of alumni enjoy the savings and benefits our affinity partners offer based on their connection to the University of Kentucky and the UK Alumni Association. Alumni receive mailings from partners such as Chase, our credit partner, or Liberty Mutual, our auto and home insurance partner. Other association partners are Acirris, collegiate lamps; Balfour, frames and announcements; Jostens, the official UK class ring; Marsh, short-term medical and long term care insurance; North American, moving and storage; and Seville Marketing, officially licensed luggage. We encourage alumni to keep our partners in mind when needing products or services similar to the ones offered by these companies.

Alumni Records – Our Records department is charged with maintaining over 265,000 records of UK alumni and nonalumni members of the UK Alumni Association. On average, the Records staff processes over 3,000 address, name, e-mail, and other biographic data changes per month. The Records department receives updates from clubs, UK departments, the Postal Service, our Web page, and several locator services. The alumni Records staff fulfills report requests for the association and other departments of the University of Kentucky in the form of rosters, labels, counts, broadcast e-mail and export files.

Magazine – *Kentucky Alumni* magazine circulation now tops over 250,000. Sent four times a year to members and once a year to nonmembers, the magazine continues to serve alumni and the university, highlighting the sterling achievements of all. On the cover this year were entrepreneur Rob Hill '99 LAW, Brown-Forman Corporation CEO Paul Varga '85 BE, environmental health and safety specialist with Raytheon Polar Services Scott Myers '85 AS, and author and entrepreneur Liz Cornish '75 AS.

Broadcast E-mail – Over 1.6 million alumni contacts were made through the UK Alumni Association broadcast e-mail service as more and more colleges are choosing to contact alumni by e-mail. College e-mail contact with their alumni saved the colleges that use this service over \$50,000 while enabling 156,200 contacts. Broadcast e-mail has been used to request content for e-newsletters and to send them out, for the dean's update to alumni, to promote attendance at college events, to solicit nominations for the college's prestigious alumni awards, and offer holiday greetings and more. At least one college has helped the association build its e-mail list to begin sending out its newsletter electronically to those with e-mail addresses, thereby reducing the cost of mailings. The association's *e-Alum-Wise* newsletter distribution was 655,483.

www.ukalumni.net – Unique visitors (190,551) and hits to the Web page (15,089,734) exploded this year as alumni came to get information about what's happening at the association, the university and in their own hometown alumni club. The site was especially busy in March as alumni and fans bookmarked the UK Alumni Athletics Guide to link to information about post-season basketball tournaments, tickets, travel, on the road pep rallies, and game watch gatherings taking place around the country. The guide also tracks all of those polls that ask for a vote to propel our UK coaches and student-athletes into weekly and post-season award contention.

Online Community/WiredCats – The online UK Alumni Community is the highway to alumni peer-to-peer connections with its lifetime e-mail forwarding, alumni directory, online records update service, class notes section, and the WiredCats social/professional network where you can set up your friends, friends of friends, and friends of friends of friends group, send invitations, participate in discussion groups, and post and read class notes. Registrations in 2006-07 surpassed 11,900 and there were 2,653 records updates.

King Alumni House – The UK Alumni Association surpassed goals for reservations held in the Helen G. King Alumni House for the 2006-07 fiscal year. Reservations for both events and suites totaled 350, a significant increase from 157 during the previous fiscal year. Guest counts also rose from the previous fiscal year from 6,800 to almost 7,500 event and suite guests. The King Alumni House Web site also was updated, including the addition of a Facility Use Policy to govern use of the King Alumni House for both on- and off-campus clients.

Finances – The UK Alumni Association had operating revenues of \$2,628,931 and expenses of \$2,653,189. Only 27 percent of the association revenue was provided by the university. Investment income was \$1,815,443.



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ATTENTION ALUMNI:

The annual election of District Representatives to the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors will run from January 18 – March 14, 2008. As an alumni (completed 12 or more credit hours) member of the UK Alumni Association, your input is critical. Your opinion is valued. Your vote counts.

This is an opportunity to participate in the association's governance through the election of alumni to serve your district. The board consists of 63 elected members representing 18 districts throughout the United States and 48 additional members including the officers of the association, three alumni representatives on the UK Board of Trustees, the UK vice president for Institutional Advancement, the UK director of Athletics, six members at large elected by the board of directors, nine representatives from the college affiliate alumni groups, the past national presidents and two honorary life members. Elected members of the board of directors will serve three-year terms starting July 1, 2008.



The ballot for this year's election will be distributed January 18, 2008, by e-mail only to alumni members who have an e-mail address of record. Alumni who do not have an e-mail address will receive a printed ballot through postal mail.

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Career Corner with Caroline Francis



Portfolios And The Interview

Graphic artists and teachers have long been expected to take a portfolio containing samples of their work to the job interview. Now job seekers in other industries have an opportunity to prove their worth by bringing portfolios or “show me” pieces when interviewing. Portfolios can contain not only work samples, but copies of your resume, brochures that you helped create, promotional material for products you helped launch, pictures of you involved in successful projects, especially with a team, testimonials from satisfied customers/clients, past performance evaluations, sales statistics, and copies of credentials or relevant CEU certificates.

Portfolios are excellent backup documentation to refer to when answering behavioral or situational interview questions. When using portfolios make sure they are professional in appearance and have sections clearly tabbed for quick reference. Always offer to leave your portfolio behind for a few days for the selection committee to review.

Share Your Knowledge

What do you wish you'd known about your career when you were just graduating from college? E-mail us your advice that we will share with UK seniors and recent grads. Include your name (or tell us if you would like to remain anonymous), major and current position/industry and title. Send your advice to cfrancis@uky.edu.

Professional Development Questions Of The Quarter

In order to remain on track professionally and also have balance in your life, ask yourself the following questions and take action:

- How will my resume be stronger next quarter than it is now?
- What new person would I like to ask to lunch this quarter?
- What is one thing I can do to help make my boss's life easier?
- What can I do after work hours to reconnect with an old hobby?

Professional Tip

Never lose an opportunity for networking. Include your full contact information at the bottom of every e-mail.

Upcoming Career Fairs

UK alumni are invited to attend all campus Career Fairs. Mark your calendars for the following events:

- Agriculture Career Fair (E.S. Goodbarn), January 30, 2008
- Spring Career & Internship Expo (Student Center Ballroom), February 26 - 27.

For more information, visit www.uky.edu/CareerCenter. Employers interested in participating in Career Fairs, campus recruiting, or posting job announcements for internships, entry level and more experienced positions, should call 859-257-0550 to speak with Carolyn Williams at the James W. Stuckert Career Center.



The James Stuckert Career Center holds Career Fairs throughout the year for students and alumni to investigate new career opportunities.

Caroline Francis, Ed.S., NCCC is available for in-person, telephone or e-mail consultation. Reach her at cfrancis@uky.edu or 859-257-9323 (voicemail). Alumni Career Services are made possible by a special gift to the Career Center from the Jane I. Morris Endowment to the UK Alumni Association.



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Club Hopping



Alabama got a big dose of blue when the Birmingham UK Alumni Club hosted a luncheon that coincided with SEC Media Days. UK alumni and friends heard from two head basketball coaches and the Student Government Association (SGA) president during this final See Blue tour destination. Some of those present for the luncheon were, left to right, Nick Phelps, UK SGA president; Matthew Mitchell, UK women's basketball coach; Sylvia Betts, Birmingham club president; Jim Bryant, UK Alumni Association Board of Directors member; Deanna Frankowski, Birmingham club secretary; Billy Gillispie, UK men's basketball coach; Rhonda Rutledge, Birmingham club president-elect; and Ramel Bradley, member of the UK men's basketball team.



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Greater Louisville UK Alumni Club

The Greater Louisville UK Alumni Club is one of the largest and most active UK Alumni Clubs in the nation and provides a variety of reasons for UK alumni to get together.

Club president Susan Mountjoy invites every alum to become a member and participate in pro-

grams that interest them. "We purposely plan a wide variety of activities that reflect the many interests of our members."

There is a thriving Young Alumni group in the area that recently began a Blue Loyalty Networking program. Other activities planned under the direction of Ashley Roberts have included game watch parties, wine tasting events, and a golf scramble.

The club is active in student recruitment, staffing area high school preview nights and presenting an annual book award to an outstanding senior in 35 high schools.

Big crowds turn out for the annual football and annual basketball coaches' luncheons and the basketball pep rally held before the UK game played in Louisville each season. A big hit at the 2007 football luncheon with Coach Rich Brooks was the singing of Marcus McClinton and the dancing of Keenan

Burton during a live remote interview between coach and players.

The "Standing Room Only" sign often goes up for the club's Enrichment Series of events with the Filson Historical Society. This year Carey Cavanaugh, director of the UK Patterson School of Diplomacy and a former United States Diplomat, spoke.

The Greater Louisville UK Alumni Club and the Speed Art Museum presented a talk by Robert Jensen, UK art history professor, who brought to life the fascinating story of post-Impressionist art dealer, Ambroise Vollard, credited with introducing many of the world's best loved artists including Paul Cezanne, Paul Gauguin, Henri Matisse, and Pablo Picasso, among others.

In another program, UK professor Dan Smith, chair of the UK history department, presented clips and dynamic commentary from his film "*The Trail of Tears: Cherokee Legacy*," narrated by James Earl Jones and Cherokee film star Wes Stud.

Louisville also has been a source of leadership for the UK Alumni Association. This year Roberts received the Joseph T. Burch Young Alumni Award and Jeannie Livesay received the UK Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award, both awards given in recognition of exemplary volunteer service to the association and the university. The club also was recognized for its community service and its Enrichment Series programs.



The Greater Louisville UK Alumni Club hosted its annual Football Kickoff Luncheon with UK Coach Rich Brooks. Among those in attendance were, left to right, Ashley Roberts, John Ryan, Brooks, Karen Brooks, Susan Mountjoy, club president, and Steve Langford.



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College of Law

UK College of Law has over 400 students, with a 15/1 student/faculty ratio that provides a personalized legal education. Coupled with its small college atmosphere are the advantages of a major university campus and the amenities of



UK College of Law Dean Allan W. Vestal, second from left, congratulated the 2007 Hall of Fame recipients, left to right, Richard W. Spears, Judge Karen K. Caldwell and Judge Roger L. Crittenden.

living in Lexington. The college has an aggressive scholarship program and about 50 percent of each year's entering class receives scholarships of varying amounts.

Graduates are prepared to practice in any of the 50 states. The college has three joint degree master's programs, pairing with the Gatton College of Business and Economics (business administration), the Martin School of Public Policy (public administration, public service or politics)

and the Patterson School (diplomacy and international commerce).

Students may earn course credit in various co-curricular activities. The *Kentucky Law Journal* is the 10th oldest American law review and is edited by students, as is the *Journal of Natural Resources and Environmental Law*. The college fields several Moot Court teams, which participate in national and international competitions. The College of Law Trial Advocacy teams advanced to national title competitions in five of the last six years. In 2006 UK's Kentucky Black Law Student Association Trial Advocacy Team placed second in the nation in the Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition.

"For the 2005 graduating class, 95 percent were employed or in advanced-degree programs within nine months after graduation," says Allan Vestal, dean of the college. A majority of UK Law graduates choose private practice, with 15-20 percent of each graduating class selected for state and federal judicial clerkships.

The college recently was pleased to induct its 2007 Hall of Fame recipients, Judge Karen K. Caldwell (United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky); Judge Roger L. Crittenden (Senior Judge of the Franklin Circuit Court) and Richard W. Spears (former senior vice president, law and human resources at Ashland Oil Inc.).

Did You Know...

This fall, 3,922 students began their college careers at UK. This freshman class has 38 Singletary Scholars — the university's most prestigious scholarship — up from 25 last year.

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Davis Marksbury, Chairman

Documenting the myriad of successes and corporate milestones which Lexington-based Exstream Software has achieved is a daunting challenge—since it's apparent that the Company, co-founded by UK College of Engineering Magna Cum Laude graduate, Davis Marksbury, continues to 'trump' its own amazing history with an announcement of something newsworthy, on a very frequent basis.

To bring readers of this publication up-to-date, a brief recap of Exstream Software's history. At age 26 Marksbury began his quest for developing methodologies to improve business-to-consumer communications. When he started his first company, PDR Information Services in 1985, that Lexington-based consulting group quickly grew to 120 consultants and four locations nationwide. Along with business partner, Dan Kloiber, Marksbury saw the coming of “mass personalization” and the benefit of combining customer relationship management (CRM) technologies with a simpler and more effective way of creating customer communications. Though many told him it was “crazy” to develop a new product for the saturated document publishing industry, Marksbury saw it differently. And, as a true entrepreneur, when Davis Marksbury hears “it can't be done” that's all the motivation he needs to go do it. So, in 1998 Exstream Software was born.

Now ranked among the world's fastest growing technology companies, Exstream develops, markets and sells enterprise software solutions that allow businesses around the world to streamline complex document processes and to improve the customer experience through more effective communications. Companies in the financial services, insurance, healthcare, service provider, telecommunications, utilities, travel and hospitality, retail, government and other industries benefit by getting their communications to market as much as 85% faster, while reducing document production costs up to 80%, and often tripling customer response. With a reputation for providing world class “leap frog” technology and an unwavering commitment to customer success, Exstream has earned a loyal client base in over 20 countries around the world.

The Company continues to lead the market in enterprise document automation advancements with the recent unveiling of its two newest products, **Dialogue 6.0** and **Dialogue Live**. **Dialogue** is a comprehensive platform for companies to build and deploy all types of high-volume, on-demand, and interactive personalized customer communications—from complex statements, policies and bills to marketing, correspondence, proposals and contracts

created in real time or interactively. **Dialogue 6.0** is a major new release with over 250 enhancements and eight new modules, and **Dialogue Live** is Exstream's new solution for intelligent, interactive documents.

In June of this year, American Capital Strategies LTC (Nasdaq ACAS) announced that it had invested \$548 million in the recapitalization of Exstream, noting that "we are pleased to be supporting this Company's entrepreneurial and committed management team as it builds on Exstream's unique position in this dynamic industry."



Renderings of new Exstream Software's home on UK's Coldstream Campus

Having outgrown its current corporate headquarters on Harrodsburg Road in Lexington, but being totally committed to a Central Kentucky home, Exstream broke ground last summer on UK's Coldstream Research Campus for its new worldwide headquarters. The new Exstream building, renderings of which accompany this article, will cover 50,000 square feet in a high-tech, contemporary-styled three story structure, due to be completed early in 2008. It will then be 'home' to 200 team members, with more certain to join as the Company continues to expand nationally and internationally.

This graduate of Harrison County High School told his friends 'way back then' that he planned "to invent something and to make a lot of money." Today, it's apparent that as Exstream's Chairman, he and his team have done all of that

and more. And—all of this is being done from a Lexington base, because as Marksbury explains: "we want to continue to positively impact the worldwide community from right here in Central Kentucky—we're very comfortable here!"



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Before 1960

Evelyn Egner Watson '49 AS is the recipient of the Loevinger-Berman Award for Excellence in Medical Internal Radiation Dosimetry, the only award to recognize excellence in the field of nuclear medicine presented by the Society of Nuclear Medicine (SNM). Watson began her 35-year career at Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) as a record clerk and retired as program director of the ORAU Radiation Internal Dose Information Center. Her previous awards include the Marshall Bruce Award for Distinguished Service to the Nuclear Medicine Community, the highest award given by the SNM Southeastern Chapter. She also was the first recipient of the Lifetime Scientific Achievement Award from the East Tennessee Chapter of the Association for Women in Science, as well as the recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award from the East Tennessee Chapter of the Health Physics Society. She lives in Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Frank E. Clegg '50 BE is the recipient of the Columbia Life Underwriter's Association Lifetime Achievement Award. A former agent with Prudential Insurance, Clegg also served two years in the Air Force before joining the John Hancock Co. in Columbus, Ohio. He now lives in Hilton Head, S.C.

1960s

Jerry A. Taylor '69 EN, '73 DES is a member of the Kentucky Board of Housing Buildings and Construction. The principal architect and engineer for Taylor-Whitney Architects, he is a certified energy manager and certified, indoor-air quality professional and is a member of the American Institute of Architects. He lives in Frankfort.

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1970s

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Terry Birdwhistell '74 AS, '78 CIS, '94 ED has been appointed by Sen. Mitch McConnell to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress, which advises Congress and the chief official overseeing the National Archives and Records Administration on the management and preservation of the records of Congress. A noted oral historian, Birdwhistell also is an associate dean for the University of Kentucky Libraries Special Collections and Digital Programs. He lives in Lexington.

Class Notes

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1980s

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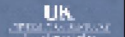
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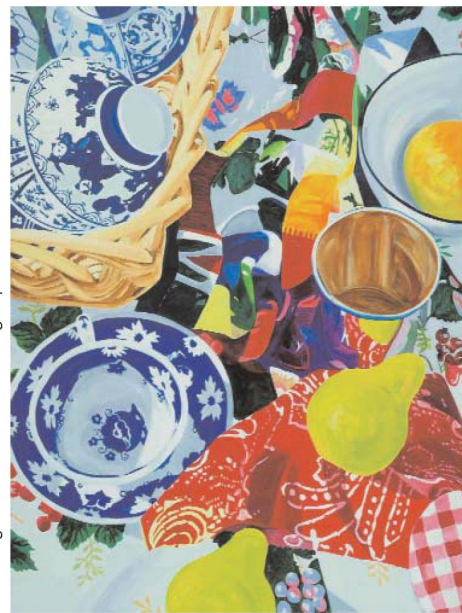
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1990s

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2000s

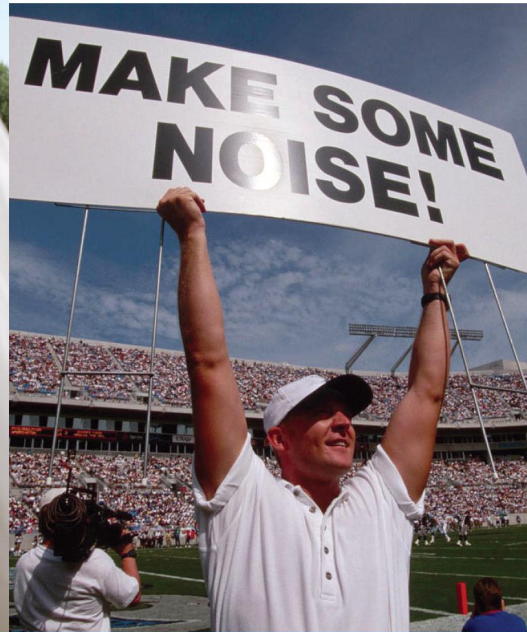
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of Miami, Fla.
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GLEANINGS FROM THE Kentucky Kernel

1933

James Shropshire, secretary of the UK Alumni Association, is asked to make arrangements to incorporate the organization . . . Dr. Cyril Argentine Alington, headmaster of Eton College and chaplain to King George V, addresses UK students in Memorial Hall and stresses the importance of friendly relations between the United States and England . . . Cary Grant and Sylvia Sidney appear in *"Madame Butterfly"* at the Kentucky Theatre . . . the Bell System advertises that its telephone service is available all the time, even after 6 p.m., and all calls are handled with speed and accuracy . . . The Athletics Council submits a report recommending that all salaries under its control be slashed by 10 percent, with the exception of Coach Campbell and Neil Plummer, the publicity director . . . A new two-credit course, the Study of American Arts and Crafts, begins under the direction of Anne Worthington Callihan of the Art Department . . . About 100 county and school executives hear UK President Frank McVey speak at the Lafayette Hotel on the average daily cost of education per person in Kentucky being 26 cents compared to the former national average of 44 cents . . . Coach Adolph Rupp and his Wildcat team are given a rousing welcome home when returning from winning the first Southeastern Conference championship in 12 years.

1958

Gov. A. B. Chandler asks the state legislature to approve a \$29 million operating budget for UK for the next two years . . . The UK House Presidents Council announces that beginning next semester, UK women can stay out until 1 a.m. on Saturday nights and 1 a.m. on Friday nights, if the activity on Friday is scheduled on the social calendar . . . Dean of Men L. L. Martin says UK fraternities have led state university fraternities throughout the nation in four out of five years for scholarship . . . Dr. Walter Allen Price, former head of the Entomology Department and a staff

Moments In History



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Students could make some "cold cash" during the 1982-'83 academic year if they participated in clinical studies at the UK College of Pharmacy for a variety of allergies. Volunteers pocketed anywhere from \$50 to \$140 each to help with an antihistamine drug trial. David Small, at left, a graduate assistant in biopharmaceuticals, recorded the data that lab technician Jenifer Anderson obtained from participant Ralph Bouvelle.

member for 27 years, is named Man of the Year in service to Kentucky agriculture by *Progressive Farmer* magazine . . . A report from the Registrar shows that 49 percent of all UK freshmen and sophomores made below a C average last semester . . . Two male UK students drown in Reservoir No. 3 when the ice one was skating on breaks and the other tries to rescue him . . . President Frank Dickey opposes the proposal of some Southeastern Conference schools to revive the annual basketball tournament. He says additional play isn't needed to select the SEC team in the NCAA meet because all the teams already play each other at least once during the regular season.

1983

UKSX 4600, the new UK phone system, is operational in all departments and UK expects to save 18 to 20 percent on communications costs . . . After 20 years of military service and building one of the nation's largest Army ROTC programs, Lt. Col. John Mitchell retires . . . Raymond Betts, director of the UK Honors Program, announces the upcoming schedule which includes a special speakers program and trips to New York and New Orleans . . . UK radio station WBKY-FM receives a community service grant for about \$42,000 . . . If you are a man and have nasal congestion due to a head cold, you can participate in a one-day UK medical study and receive \$50 for your efforts, as advertised in the *Kernel* . . . The president of Students to Save Robinson Forest charges that the University Senate is abandoning the fight to protect Robinson Forest from the Board of Trustees' proposal to start timber production at the UK preserve . . . The Advisory Committee on Residence Hall Visitation Policies recommends that 24 hour internal visitation be tried in Blanding 1, a coed upperclassmen residence hall, on Fridays and Saturdays beginning in the fall semester.

Compiled by Linda Perry

UK Athletics Adds Six In 2007 Hall Of Fame Class



Photo Courtesy UK Athletics

Members of the Class of 2007 are joined by past inductees into the UK Athletics Hall of Fame.

The University of Kentucky inducted the Class of 2007 into the UK Athletics Hall of Fame. The six-member class includes Marsha Bond, volleyball; Larry Conley, men's basketball; Dom Fucci, baseball; Jim Green, track; Harry Lancaster, coach and athletics director; and Moe Williams, football.

Bond (1980-83) earned All-America honors in 1982 and 1983, the only two-time volleyball All-American in UK history. She led UK to its first NCAA Tournament appearance (1983) and helped the Cats win two SEC Tournament championships during her tenure. A three-year All-SEC and All-SEC Tournament selection, she continues to hold the UK career record for attack percentage (.380), a mark that rates fifth in SEC history.

Conley (1964-66), a member of Rupp's Runts, was a three-time All-SEC selection and an Academic All-American in 1966. He still ranks ninth on Kentucky's all-time assists per game list, averaging 3.62 assists during his career. Conley helped the Cats win two SEC championships, and is known nationally for his work as a basketball analyst, having done

work for NBC, CBS, ESPN and Lincoln Financial (formerly Jefferson Pilot).

Fucci (1948-51), a catcher, was Kentucky's and the SEC's first baseball All-American in 1949. He led UK to its first NCAA Tournament appearances, in 1949 and 1950. Fucci held the school record for batting average in a season (.440) for 45 years.

Green (1968-71) was one of the Southeastern Conference's pioneers of integration and is a member of Kentucky's Athletic Hall of Fame. A two-time NCAA champion, winning the indoor 60-yard dash in 1968 and 1971, he earned All-America honors six times and won eight SEC individual events, including the indoor 60-yard dash (1968, 1970, 1971), outdoor 100-yard dash (1968, 1970, 1971), and outdoor 220-yard dash (1968, 1970, 1971).

Lancaster (1946-75) was a cornerstone in UK Athletics for three decades. As athletics director, he oversaw the construction of Commonwealth Stadium and the multi-sport Shively Sports Center, along with helping plan for Rupp Arena and directing the revival of varsity women's basketball at UK. He also spent

16 seasons as head baseball coach, but was perhaps best known as Adolph Rupp's top assistant, helping the Wildcats win national championships in 1948, 1949, 1951, and 1958. He also is a member of the Kentucky Athletic Hall of Fame.

Williams (1993-95) is second on the UK career rushing list (3,333 yards), fourth in all-purpose yardage and seventh in scoring. He broke or tied 15 school records during a monster season in 1995, during which he rushed for 1,600 yards and 17 touchdowns, leading the SEC in rushing, all-purpose yardage, and scoring. Williams was first-team All-SEC and the SEC Offensive Back of the Year, and was a finalist for the Doak Walker Award. He still holds 10 Wildcat records and has played 10 years in the NFL.

The UK Athletics Hall of Fame was started in 2005 to recognize and honor those persons whose participation and contributions enriched and strengthened the university's athletic program. The charter class included 88 individuals who had previously had their jersey retired by UK.

Witten Continues Success In The Pro Ranks

by Kelli Elam

Jesse Witten is continuing his winning ways. As a tennis player at the University of Kentucky, Witten was a five-time All-American and reached the finals of the NCAA Championships in 2002. Now he is finding success competing as a professional.

Since graduating from UK in 2005 with a degree in kinesiology, Witten has been playing on the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) tour. He has five singles titles, including the USTA Challenger Series event.

Witten said he always thought his career would be sports-related, he just didn't know he would be a professional tennis player.

"I am very lucky that things panned out for me to make it on the tour," Witten said. "It was really about making small steps to eventually get here."

Witten admits that playing on the tour is filled with ups and downs. While he enjoyed a "pretty good" first year, moving up to the 170th ranked player in the world, injuries set him back during his second year. Now he is steadily working his way back up the rankings.

"The tour can be a grind," he said. "There are highs and lows just like with every job."

Along with the ATP tour, Witten, a native of Naples, Fla., is playing with the World Team Tennis (WTT) organization. He was drafted by the New York Sportimes of the WTT. This affords him a break from the regular routine of the tour. "It is definitely a different format," he said. "It is more team oriented, kind of like playing at Kentucky. I really enjoyed that."

He was named the 2007 WTT Male Rookie of the Year. In his first season with the Sportimes, Witten finished the 14-match season with a 49-28 mark earning him a spot at the top of the WTT League Leaders standings in the men's singles with a 0.636 winning percentage.

"It feels great to have your name up there with all the other great players on the WTT," Witten said. "It was certainly a great opportunity for me."

In men's doubles, he helped the Sportstimes to a sixth place finish in the final league standings. During the season, Witten played doubles with tennis legend John McEnroe. "It was a great experience for me to practice with John McEnroe, just to watch his approach to the game."

Witten said his time at UK, especially with Coach Dennis Emery and assistant Coach Greg Van Emburgh, prepared him for life on the tour.

"I would not be where I am today without that experience," he said. "Some people wanted me to skip college and go straight into

the pro ranks. I am so glad I made the decision to attend UK. It was definitely the right choice for me."

Collegiate tennis was an adjustment for Witten.

"Playing college athletics was a big jump. (Before UK) I was playing junior pro tennis where I would have one match a month and practice three times a week. It was definitely an adjustment going from that to playing collegiate tennis."

There were plenty of memorable moments for Witten at Kentucky. If he had to pick one, it would be his freshman year when the Wildcats advanced to the NCAA championships quarterfinals.



Photo Courtesy WTT

Former UK All-American Jesse Witten won the USTA Challenger Series event.

"That was really special to me because we were together as a team," he said. "The other years I was in the NCAA championship by myself. It is more fun when the team is together."

Down time on the tour is spent hanging out, playing cards or video games, or some type of sport. Witten said he gets back to campus whenever he can and likes to stop to hit a few balls.

"I love coming back to campus," he added. "I still keep up with the Wildcats."

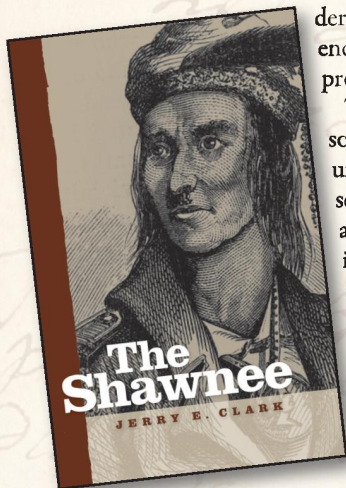
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Jerry E. Clark '74 AS has written *"The Shawnee,"* a book that brings to light the Shawnee presence in the Bluegrass State that has been traditionally overlooked by historians. These Native Americans had only two known settlements in Kentucky, Eskipakithiki in Clark County and a small community near Limestone. Yet despite the lack of established villages, the Shawnee's place in Kentucky's history emerges through tales of attacks on Harrodsburg and Boonesboro, stories of aggression against whites, and the presence of tribe members working in the silver mines.

Clark's book addresses the discrepancies in the historical record and attempts to set straight the hostility-marred reputation of the tribe. He puts forth that the Shawnee's nomadic lifestyle prevented them from establishing large, permanent settlements in the state and insists that land speculators underemphasized the Native American presence in Kentucky in order to lure prospective settlers.

The Shawnee were removed from south of the Ohio River in 1795, but until that time, Clark shows that white settlers also benefited from their interaction with the tribe, such as in learning of early medicinal techniques and discovering the location of salt licks in the region.

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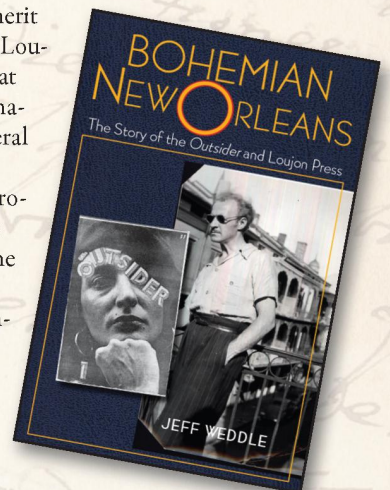


Jeff Weddle '82 AS is the author of *"Bohemian New Orleans: The Story of the Outsider and Loujon Press,"* which chronicles a small publishing house and how it made literary history launching Beat writers. Founded in 1960 by Jon and Louise Webb, the Loujon Press became a giant in the exploding field of independent publishing. The *Outsider*, Loujon's literary review, was heralded as one of the best of its day and included work by Allen Ginsberg, Denise Levertov and Walter Lowenfels, some of the most influential American writers of the 1950s. Loujon also published books by Henry Miller and poetry collections by Charles Bukowski.

Weddle's book shares the day-to-day operations of a small press during the budding underground publishing industry, which can be traced to the invention of the mimeograph machine. This created a proliferation of cheaply-produced journals that emphasized literary merit over sound production values. But Loujon's high editorial standards set that press apart from others, garnering national attention and launching several literary legacies in the process.

Weddle researched back issues, promotional material, correspondence and interviews for his portrait of the Webbs, New Orleans Beat culture, and the underground publishing industry.

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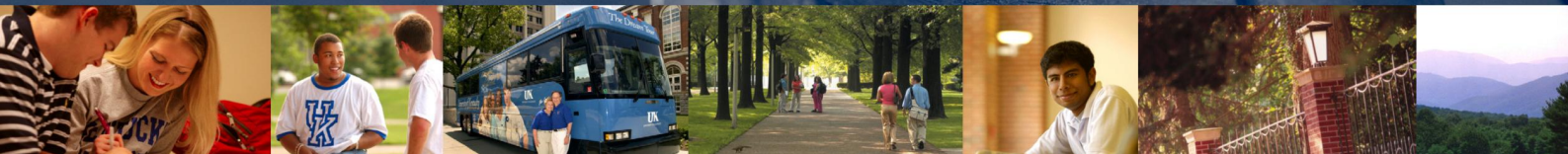
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