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## LIFESTYLES

# In the shadow of conformity

**Norms: UK's gay community talks about matrimony**

By Ashley York  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

James Obenshain used to imagine getting married. But now he sees marriage as a religious, heterosexual institution — and he's not interested in the church bells and rice.

"Lots of people want to get married because they subconsciously feel they need to be legitimized by society ... I don't need that," the media specialist at LCC said.

There's no definitive opinion on same-sex unions in UK's gay community. Students, faculty and staff embrace different opinions on the institution of marriage, the legal benefits of getting married and who deserves the right to marry.

Obenshain, a history and Japanese studies senior, said gay couples shouldn't imitate straight couples.

"Gay couples have this idea of traditional marriages and we model our relationships after that," Obenshain said. "I don't think that's how it should be."

### A space between

When Jeff Jones' straight friends discuss marriage, they talk about weddings, showers and gowns.

"They don't think about the legal benefits going into it," said the research administrator in the School of Public Health.

But when his gay friends talk about marriage, Jones said they are more concerned with legalities and lawyer fees.

"It's not a big romantic gesture like it is for straight couples," he said.

Jones said they don't  
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Tied up in 'nots'

Katie Jones, a foreign language senior, and Stephanie Robinson, a biology senior, stand on the deck of Katie's apartment Wednesday morning. The two have been dating for nine months.

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## LEGISLATURE

# Bill would limit soliciting credit cards on campus

**Debt woes: Students could get financial counseling in UK 101**

By Andrea Uhde  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Under a bill that will be considered by the state Senate Education Committee Wednesday, students might not have to deal with the hassle of credit card solicitors on campus.

The provisions in the bill, KRS 287.385, would require any credit card solicitor to register with UK administration in order to market the cards on campus. The bill would also prohibit solicitors from offering any gifts, such as T-shirts and water bottles.

The bill also requires UK 101 to include coursework on how to handle credit debt and other personal finances.

Rep. Susan Westrom, the bill's sponsor, said she realized



Charge it

Kyle Curtis, a graphics design senior, pays Rubanatte Wilson with a credit card for his purchases at the UK Bookstore.

COLIN ANDERSON | KERNEL STAFF

See CREDIT on 3

# Credit card debt can pile up quickly

By Andrea Uhde  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Before she graduated high school, Allison Morris had already collected a handful of credit cards.

Morris, a political science sophomore, says she regrets getting three credit cards.

She's just one of many students who have ventured into the deep, dark world of credit debt.

"I got the credit cards right when I turned 18," she said.

"I was really responsible with them at first," Morris said.

"But then I went to college and one thing led to another. I had charged them all up."

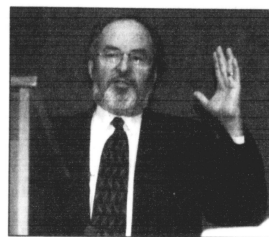
The debt began with a few pots and pans to cook with when she moved onto campus.

And then came the occasional trips to Tolly-Ho for dinner. Later, a \$1,000 plane ticket to South America bolstered the debt.

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## DISCUSSION

# Speaker stirs reparations controversy



David Horowitz, conservationist and author, speaks on slavery reparations Wednesday night in the Whitehall Classroom Building.

NICK TOMCEK | PHOTO EDITOR

**Arguing: Speaker says most Americans are misguided about compensation for slaves**

By Sonya Lichtenstein  
STAFF WRITER

When David Horowitz arrives, controversy follows, as was the case Wednesday when Horowitz spoke at UK.

As expected Horowitz cited reasons why today's America

should not be held responsible for yesterday's slavery.

"If your grandfather was a murderer, we wouldn't put you in jail," Horowitz said. "Students are getting a skewed view from the (political) left. Use your heads a little."

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## SPEAKER

# Education is key to black progress

**Speaker says: Drugs, diseases and violence more prevalent, but people shouldn't give up**

By Jimmy Nesbitt  
STAFF WRITER

To gain prospective, Courtland Milloy told the audience to ask themselves a question: "Can I envision the world for my great-grandchildren—the 22nd century?"

Milloy, a writer and columnist for the Washington Post, spoke last night at Memorial Coliseum to a crowd of about 40.

He regularly appears on Black Entertainment Television's "Lead Story," a public affairs program focused on national and international issues of importance to blacks.

When he arrived in Lexington, Milloy visited with students and toured the campus. He noticed something. "I didn't see that many black students."

Milloy said although quantity is an issue that continues to concern him, the quality of those involved is not. He said black students "have really got something going on here." He pointed to the numerous black organizations on campus and said black students, although small by number, are making an impact on campus.

To make America a better place, for blacks and whites, Milloy said more people have to

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## MONEY

# Boosters provide vital dollars for Athletics

**Game time: Members provide manpower and other services at UK sporting events**

By Heath Tingle  
STAFF WRITER

The recent investigation into the athletic programs at UK has also sparked interest in the role of booster clubs.

Kathy DeBoer, senior associate director of Athletics, says that boosters play a vital and necessary role assisting with UK student-athletes.

The Wildcat Touchdown

Club caters to the UK football fan, providing lunches for members before home football games.

"We help out the program through donations ranging from furniture for dorms to vacuum cleaners for the students to use," said Dale Creech, associate member of the Touchdown Club.

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ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

# The Low-down

## CAMPUS NEWS

### Med Center honors blacks with display

The Chandler Medical Center Minority Affairs Office is hosting a display of African-American history in honor of African-American History Month this week. All employees, students and patients, as well as community members, are invited to the display. The display is located in Kentucky Clinic's Hall of Fame across from the Wildcat Cafe (formerly Big Blue Deli), located on the third floor, just before the pedestrian bridge to UK Hospital.

### Leadership society seeks applicants

The UK Chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa is accepting applications for membership. ODK is a national leadership honor society. The chapter of ODK is one of the oldest in the nation and would like all interested students to apply. A few members include President Lee Todd, Coach Tubby Smith, Mayor Pam Miller, Former Governor Ed Breathitt and William T. Young. Academically, students must rank in the upper 35 percent of their college and must show leadership in at least one of the five phases of campus life. Applications are due at 4 p.m. March 1 at the Student Center Room 209. Applications are also online at [www.geocities.com/wmralleljr/index.html](http://www.geocities.com/wmralleljr/index.html).

### Conference to focus on humor, no joke

The McConnell Literature Conference, "Humor. Seriously." is set for Feb. 22-23 at the Radisson Plaza Hotel in Lexington. In the final session of the conference that begins at 1:45 p.m. Saturday, students in grades two through six at Mary Queen of the Holy Rosary School will talk about their favorite books. The conference is sponsored by the School of Library and Information Science and Book Wholesalers, Inc. For more information, call Sandra Ireland at 257-5926.

## STATE NEWS

### Committee approves bill on DUI law

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The House Judiciary Committee on Wednesday approved a bill to change a portion of the state's drunken-driving law that has drawn challenges in courts. The measure would simplify the warning given to drunken-driving suspects before they are given sobriety tests, said Rep. Rob Wilkey. The bill would restore the warning that was routinely given before the DUI laws were rewritten in 2000, Wilkey said. That warning advises suspects that they can lose their drivers' licenses and might be subject to jail and fines. The bill also would restore a minimum six-month license suspension



### I AM THE WALRUS

Staff at a central England marine center have turned to the "Walrus of Love" to try to get their shy sharks in the mood for mating. The love ballads of soul legend Barry White — known as the Walrus of Love by his fans — are being pumped in to tanks containing dogfish, starry smooth hounds and tope at the National Sea Life Centre in Birmingham.

Marine center officials said they view the music — which also includes other collections of love songs — as a last resort. It is commonly thought that sharks detect sound through their internal radar system, which they interpret as vibrations. But new research by U.S. scientists at the Rowland Institute for Science in Cambridge, Massachusetts, has found that fish can appreciate and identify different types of music. The verdict is still out on whether White's flow has given the sharks good vibrations. But they still plan to eat their young.

for first-time DUI offenders who refuse to take the breath test or blood-alcohol test, Wilkey said. The 2000 law lowered the blood-alcohol level at which drivers are presumed intoxicated to 0.08, down from 0.1.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Case shows disparity in cremation law

The ghostly discovery of scores of bodies discarded in the woods near a Georgia crematory has illustrated what consumer advocates say is a lack of state regulation and oversight of the industry. Eight states have no laws at all, and most of those that do — including Georgia — lack adequate enforcement, consumer advocates say. Georgia lawmakers moved quickly this week to tighten rules for crematories and treatment of the dead after rotting corpses were found near the Tri-State Crematory in Noble. The bodies had been taken there for cremation but were left in garages, vaults or the woods. Twenty-five percent of the 2.3 million people who died in the United States in 2000 were cremated, according to the Cremation Association of North America.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Hormone-free imports increase to E.U.

BRUSSELS, Belgium — European Union experts recommended lifting stringent testing for U.S. imports of hormone-free beef products Wednesday, saying recent tests had found no traces of hormones or other banned substances. A senior U.S. trade official welcomed the move, saying it should help set the stage for resolving the much-bigger trans-Atlantic dispute over hormone-treated beef. In a statement, the EU said that U.S. authorities had taken enough precautions and guarantees to ensure that hormones were not present in beef labeled as hormone-free. Currently, around 20 percent of all U.S. hormone-free beef entering the 15-nation EU is tested, but that will be scrapped and replaced by the same random testing that applies to any other country, officials said.

### Passenger train catches fire, kills 373

REQA AL-GHARBIYA, Egypt — A train crowded with Egyptians leaving the capital for a religious holiday caught fire and sped on in flames for miles Wednesday, killing 373 people, including some who died as they jumped from the burning cars, police said. The fire was reportedly started by a cooking gas cylinder that burst and it swept through the last seven of the train's 11 cars. Workers in gloves and masks pulled charred and twisted bodies from the wreckage. Firefighters said some of the corpses were found curled up under seats and dozens more lay alongside the train tracks. Officials called it the worst train accident here in decades.

Compiled from wire reports

## HOROWITZ

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Horowitz said that slavery is a moral issue, not an economic one and that blacks should not seek compensation. "Slaves were provided with food and shelter," Horowitz said. "It is estimated that if you had a slave, you didn't start to make money until they were 27." He said that by today's standards, the payment to slaves would add up to 12 percent in unpaid wages. Horowitz not only spoke of reparations but also his support of racial profiling. He discussed concerns with contemporary black America. "The number of black Americans is directly proportional to the number of blacks that commit crimes," Horowitz said.

Disagreeing with vocabulary Horowitz used, Joanne Pope Melish, associate professor of history, said the number of blacks convicted of crimes compared to blacks actually committing crimes differs.

She said there could be many variables that lead to unfair convictions.

"Horowitz is the master of half truths," Melish said. "He cites his authorities as if they are the ultimate truth." But many who attended agreed with Horowitz's message. "I already knew where I stood with reparations," said Chris Hunt, a political science sophomore. "I think they are a bad idea."

Horowitz blamed left wing media and universities as the reasons ill-informed black Americans vote Democrat.

But many black Americans "find his message insulting." Lee Conrad, a political science sophomore, said he did not agree or disagree with Horowitz's speech.

He mainly thought that bringing speakers like this to campus is what college is all about.

"It marks how far we've come and how far we still need to go as a nation. It is shocking he still holds these kinds of views in 2002," said Gilbert Singletary, a graduate student.

## MILLOY

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be educated. He said public records should be based around education. "We've got ignorant people, black and white," Milloy said. "Drugs, diseases and violence are more prevalent than ever, but people shouldn't give up. Life shouldn't be so hard that we cannot deal with the problem (whatever it may be)."

Phillis Ramsby, the Program Coordinator for the King Cultural Center, said she thought the speech was "very relevant to the times we're living in." Ramsby said she was most impressed by "the sincere hope he has in you." Antoine Jennings, a marketing senior, enjoyed Milloy's speech but wasn't happy with

the turnout. "I think more people should be here," he said.

Despite the low attendance, Jennings said Milloy's presence will be felt. "(Milloy's visit) will have a positive impact on campus."

Along with education, Milloy said putting together families, husbands and wives, is key to economic progression in black America. "If you're 15 generations behind, you've got to learn quickly."

Milloy said his mother tried to shield him from some of the ills of segregation. "My mother didn't want me to see colored this, colored that," he said. "She didn't want me to grow up a hateful person."

One half of black America is under 30-years-old, Milloy said. Their future depends largely on the power of the mind, he said.

"What this group is going to need is the wisdom."

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the importance of teaching responsible use of credit cards when she met a student with a \$10,000 debt.

"I think a lot of students are ill-prepared for the responsibility of credit," Westrom said.

She said that on average students graduate with \$7,500 in credit debt on top of student loans.

A similar bill was proposed in 2000, she said, but only made it through the House.

Westrom said she thinks it will pass this time.

If the bill passes through the Education Committee, it will proceed to the Senate floor for a vote. The House has already approved it.

Victor Hazard, the dean of students, said he hopes the bill will pass. Hazard said he does not approve of solicitors on campus and that he promptly makes them leave whenever they come.

"There has to be control or we'd have a flea market mentality on campus, where anyone could come and make money and leave," he said.

Hazard said the regulations from the bill would help him stop the solicitors before they even appear on campus.

He said the only solicitors allowed on campus are at football and basketball games.

Hazard has no authority over these solicitors.

He said he isn't sure whether the Athletics Department makes money from the deal.

Athletics could not be reached for comment.

Ray Forgue, an associate professor in Family Studies, said college students are primary targets for credit card solicitors for

three reasons:

College students don't shop for the lowest interest rates, students are better at paying bills than the public, and students tend to run up a balance and not pay off the debt.

"They get in debt, stay in debt, and that interest rate is very lucrative for credit card companies," he said.

## DEBT

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"When you're in debt, you think, 'well, what's another \$100?'" she said.

Morris said that she is often the target for credit card solicitors on campus.

Under the provisions of a bill that will be considered by the state Senate Education Committee next week, solicitors would need approval of UK administration to be on campus and they would not be able to entice students with gifts.

The bill would also require that students be taught how to handle credit card debt in UK 101, the freshman introductory course.

"I think the education would be useful," said Emily Rigdon, a senior majoring in Latin American studies and economics.

Rigdon said she rarely has credit debt, and when she does go into debt, she pays it off as soon as she can.

But for some students, it takes longer to get rid of the debt.

Cheri Bowman, a sophomore philosophy major, said it's likely to take her up to three years to pay off the \$2,100 of debt she's accumulated.

"I never have time to work and get the money to pay the debt off until summer, so it takes forever," she said.

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## SAMESEX

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romanticize the union because Kentucky, along with 35 other states, has laws prohibiting legislation that would recognize same-sex marriage.

"And when they tell people 'Hey we are going to get married,' instead of saying congratulations, people say, 'Is that legal?'"

While a religious ceremony is legal for any couple, Jones said same-sex partners don't gain any of more than 1,000 federal benefits that are granted to heterosexual couples.

"That's everything from tax breaks to inheritance laws, to hospital visitation and property rights," Jones said.

As a commissioner on the Human Rights Commission in Lexington, Jones has worked with the issue of same-sex marriage for years. And while he and his partner, Chris, intend on being together for the rest of their lives, and say they would marry given the choice, Jones said the ceremony wouldn't involve the two of them walking down an aisle.

"We would not do it to make a social statement, but for the benefits," Jones said. "We would do it (to) know that if one of us got sick, we could be at the hospital. We would do it to know that if one of us died, we would have rights."

### 'Unjust' discrimination

Joan Callahan, though suspicious of the institution of marriage, sympathizes with Jones.

Callahan, the director of women's studies, has been with her partner, Jennifer, for 14 years. Neither Jennifer nor Jennifer's son, whom the two raise together, can be insured through UK's insurance policy.

"I submit that as an employee of this institution, I am treated unjustly," she said. "My compensation is less than my married colleagues because I have to pay more to purchase inferior insurance."

The fact that same-sex couples can't insure each other seems profoundly unjust to Callahan.

"Why should people get things like health care benefits because of who they sleep with?" Callahan asked, "especially when it's mandated by the law that they have to sleep with someone of a certain sex."

Since UK won't insure Callahan's partner or their son she said they have no other choice than to purchase insurance in the open market. Insurance Callahan said is more expensive and inferior.

While the benefits concern her most, she criticizes the institution of marriage because of its patriarchal traditions — making women the ultimate property of their fathers and husbands, she said. Even though she is skeptical, as she suspects a lot of people in the gay community are, she said the benefits that go along with it make it worthwhile.

"A lot of people who may be

reserved about the institution of marriage would still like to participate because that's the way you get the benefits," she said.

Irrespective of the benefits, gays should be able to marry, Callahan said.

"The point is, whether most people would do it or not is that it's wrong to deprive gay citizens of these benefits."

"Go figure," she said. "It just shows the government is partial to heterosexual couples."

But she is optimistic.

"The law used to say that people couldn't marry (interracially), but those laws have been broken down," Callahan said.

And she certainly hopes that will be the case for gays.

"I hope there will come a time when the kind of rules and practices we have now are unthinkable to us," she said.

Cheryl Chastine, a Latin American studies senior, agrees with Callahan and said denying same-sex couples the right to marry is sex discrimination.

"What business is it of the government's to say that I can marry a man but not a woman?" she asked.

The laws concern Chastine because without legal marriage, same-sex partners can be denied insurance coverage through their partner's employer, parental rights over their partner's child and access to their partner's in emergency rooms.

While she supports the legalization of marriage to same-sex couples, she questions it.

"Some say the purpose is 'procreation.' Then why do we permit infertile people to marry?"

She said post-menopausal women be forbidden to marry? Surely these people are even less capable of procreation than same-sex couples.

### Looking for answers

Chastine asks these questions among her peers at a meeting of the Lavender Society, a campus group that strives to promote positive change for lesbians, bisexual women and transgendered people.

The topic frustrates Sara Morris, an art history junior.

"It's not as much about getting married in a church as it is getting recognized in society for having a partner," said Morris, president of Lambda, a lesbian and gay club on campus.

She has been dating her partner, Heather, for more than one year and wants to be legally united with her, but doesn't want marriage. She said a civil union would do. A civil union is an agreement that would allow gay couples to receive all the benefits that married couples do. Vermont is the only state that recognizes civil unions.

"If we as a community fight for civil unions instead of marriage, we have a better chance of getting ahead," she said.

The union would allow gay hospital and adoptive rights — rights that don't have anything to do with marriage, she said. Despite the expense of attaining some rights, she and her partner are considering beginning the process.

She expects it will be difficult, especially in Kentucky.

"I've talked with my partner about moving to San Fran-

cisco, but she says if we don't stay here and fight we will never have change," Morris said.

Hawaii, Massachusetts, California and New York are the four states that allow domestic partners to register.

Morris said she just wants fairness.

"We just want the same rights as straight people. I don't think that's too much to ask," she said.

Katie Jones, a foreign language international economics senior, would not quite ready to get married, said she supports civil unions for anyone — straight or gay.

"Anything that heterosexuals can have and homosexuals can't is unfair," Jones said.

Lindsay Clouse, a linguistics junior, agrees. She expects the United States will model the same-sex marriage policy of the Netherlands, which in 2001 became the first country to allow same-sex couples to marry.

"Hopefully things are going to change really fast," she said.

"Hopefully people will see things working well in comparable countries."

### Not too hopeful

But John Youngblood, a communication graduate student, sees the controversy surrounding same-sex marriage as inevitable.

"In a place where interracial relationships were just accepted, I don't expect the legalizing of gay marriage," he said.

He smokes a cigarette while pontificating on the issue and the discussions he and Jason, his partner of nine months, have had about marriage. The two have discussed a ceremony and exchanging rings.

"We are more concerned about adopting children than actually marrying," he said.

Youngblood said he chooses not to waste his energy on worrying about something that isn't likely to happen. He blames society for falling to accept gay and lesbian relationships.

"Society focuses on one aspect of gay lives — the wrongness of a man and a man," he said. "It hasn't considered the sacrifices made to be in a gay relationship. It hasn't considered the naturalness that gay individuals feel when entering a relationship, which is the same naturalness straight individuals feel."

And though he hopes for a social movement that would allow he and Jason to marry, it's not an issue he looks for the government to solve.

"I would rather see a societal movement because the laws will follow it," he said.

For now, Youngblood said, he and Jason will continue to unconditionally love each other and their cat, Zoey.

Victor Maze, a journalism senior, agrees that society is ultimately responsible for changing its perceptions about the gay community.

"I could live with a man for 20 years and be committed, but if he died his family would have the rights to overrule any of his wishes," he said. "All we want is to be guaranteed the same things as everybody else."

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**CAMPUS CALENDAR**  
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LECTURES Safety Beyond Racial Profiling, 3:00-5:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 231 ACADEMIC Math Tutoring, 2:00pm-5:00pm, 966 Classroom Bldg. Math Tutoring, 5:00-9:00pm, Kirwan-Blandford Complex Commons, 3rd Floor Ballroom History Tutoring, 10:00-12:00am, Kirwan-Blandford Complex Commons, 3rd Floor Ballroom Biology Tutoring, 7:30-9:30pm, Kirwan-Blandford Complex Commons, 3rd Floor Ballroom SPORTS Kirwan Self-Defense, 6:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft Kirwan Self-Defense, 9:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft SPECIAL EVENTS "Art in Bloom, noon-5pm, UK Art Museum" "Texas Gallery Series: Kim Scott, Plans, 12:30pm, Little Fine Arts Library, Rm. Niles Gallery, Open to Public" "UK Symphony Orchestra, 7:30pm, Singletary Center, Free!	<b>Fri 22</b>
MEETINGS International Christian Fellowship: Friday Fellowship, 7:30pm, St. Augustine's Chapel, Rose Street LECTURES Nothing Fancy, a lecture by Le Swanson, 5:30pm, Pizzardi Hall, College of Architecture, Free! ACADEMIC Math Tutoring, 2:00-4:00pm, 966 Classroom Bldg. SPECIAL EVENTS "French Residence, 8pm-9pm, Basement of Kanehwell Hall" "National Paddling Film Festival, 7:30pm-10:00pm, 9:00pm-6:00pm, Health Sciences Learning Center, Rm. 201, Admission: free Friday, \$12 Saturday" "International Talent Night, 7p.m., Memorial Hall, \$3 to advance, \$5 at the door, tickets available in Rm. 205 Bradley Hall" ARTS/MOVIES "Art in Bloom, noon-5pm, UK Art Museum" "Texas Gallery Series: Kim Scott, Plans, 12:30pm, Little Fine Arts Library, Rm. Niles Gallery, Open to Public" INTRAMURAL RECREATION "UK Tae Kwon Do Club, 5:30pm-7:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft"	<b>Sat 23</b>
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GIVING

# Students reap 'good' feelings from volunteering near campus

**Just do it: Good work habits, learning about others is only a small part of the experience**

By Heath Tingle  
STAFF WRITER

Experience the world around you — by volunteering. Katy Stone, an arts administration senior, helps out with Movable Feast, a program that delivers home cooked meals to HIV positive patients.

At first, Stone didn't expect the experience to be rewarding. "I really didn't expect to enjoy it, but after helping for a while, I now plan on helping out until graduation," she said.

Stone represents many students who volunteer, said Mary Bolin-Reece, director of the Counseling and Testing Center. "People who help out generally get a good feeling about themselves when helping," Bolin-Reece said.

Bolin-Reece said students usually volunteer for three reasons: self-satisfaction, career experience or a job on a trial basis.

"Whatever the reason, students can gain good work habits. If you help provide food, then you are responsible for people each day you help," Bolin-Reece said.

Stone said that her experience with Movable Feast has helped her in the kitchen.

"You don't have to be Julia Child in order to help out with our program," said Michael Thompson, executive director of Movable Feast.

While volunteering can last over a period of time, some students opt for a one-time volunteering experience.

Angel Lee, an English ju-

nior, recalled her one-day excursion with the Salvation Army.

"We helped by repainting some of the cans that people used to collect money," Lee said. "Also, we helped serve lunch and clean a shelter for homeless women and their children."

Lee also helped organize a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society last semester.

She said her experience with the Salvation Army eliminated a stereotype that she and many others hold.

"You think about the homeless not helping themselves, but I got to see that they are trying, but it's difficult," Lee said.

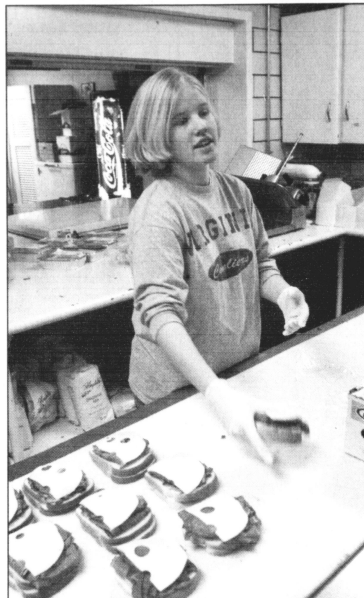
Students looking to volunteer can venture to the Office of Experiential Education. "We provide an orientation for students, helping them to see what opportunities are out there," said Fred Marr, program coordinator of the office.

The orientation lasts for about an hour and begins a process for the potential volunteer.

"We cover the steps and requirements involved in helping during the orientation, then the students return to be assigned," said Louise Stone, director of the office.

Groups or individuals are welcome to attend the orientations in order to find a place to volunteer.

"Students mostly have positive experiences, in which they begin to take an unselfish approach to life after volunteering," Marr said.



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## Food on the go

Katy Stone makes sandwiches at Movable Feast. Stone didn't expect to enjoy the experience, but now says she'll volunteer until graduation.

## Searching for the lost, found

By Laura Bogenschutz  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

It has happened to everyone. After a long hike from campus, that elusive set of keys is nowhere to be found.

Many wonder where to look.

Students that are looking to find a misplaced item on campus should be prepared for a frustrating hunt.

With no official centralized lost and found, UK students find themselves in a bind when it comes to retrieving lost possessions.

"Trying to find a lost and found is more work than looking for the actual thing you lost," said Emily Blaeser, an ISC freshman.

UK has no specified lost and found, said Victor Hazard, dean of students.

Hazard said the closest UK comes to a centralized area for lost and found is the UK Police Department, the security office at the Medical Center or the Student Affairs Office at LCC.

Hazard said the Police Department is where most students call to try to find lost items. But students can also check out individual lost and founds that are in a number of buildings on campus.

The Student Center's lost and found is in room 209 and the Commons Market has one in the Plus Account Office. If students lose something at

William T. Young Library, there is a window next to the circulation desk where valuables can be retrieved. Most residence halls rely on posted signs in the lobby to alert residents of a recovered item.

Many of the items turned into the Student Center are claimed within a few days, said John Herbst, director of the Student Center.

Most of the lost items recovered at the Student Center include wallets, keys and IDs.

"If there is any way to contact a person that lost a belonging, we will make every effort to get in touch with them," he said. "We keep small things like keys for several months."

Brenda Woods of the Commons Market said if the lost and found articles there are not claimed within a reasonable amount of time, they often find their way into the garbage.

"We'll just tear the licenses up and send the student IDs to the Student Center," she said.

Often people who want to reunite with a lost belonging must rely on luck. "A friend of mine lost her ID at POT and found it because a sign was posted," said Megan Schweizer, an animal science freshman.

### Lose something?

To get in touch with the lost and found division of the UK Police, call 257-5770, ext. 235.

## BOOSTERS

Continued from page 1

Committee of 101 is a service-oriented club.

"When UK needs manpower at an event, it's usually us," said Committee President Van Florence.

Most clubs charge dues and membership fees.

The largest booster club is the Blue and White Fund.

Started in 1973, the fund helped recover construction costs of Commonwealth Stadium.

"We use the fund for student-athlete scholarships, totaling nearly \$5 million," DeBoer said.

UK offers 22 varsity sports. But only two show a revenue gain: men's basketball and football, DeBoer said.

Collegiate athletics face a unique problem when compared to other sporting teams in having to support many sports that run at a deficit.

DeBoer said, "At UK, we have to fund the remaining 20 sports with revenues generated by football and men's basketball."

The fund generates revenue as a priority-setting fund. Donors contribute to the fund in hopes for season tickets to either or both football and men's basketball.

"You have to have a de-

sirable ticket, one that people value beyond face price," DeBoer said.

To determine which boosters get what seats, DeBoer said the decision is made based on accumulated giving.

The fund holds 10,000 tickets for football and 3,500 tickets for men's basketball: 2,600 in the lower arena and 900 in the upper arena.

"As a guideline you need to be prepared to reach an accumulated amount of \$100,000 of giving to get prime, lower arena seats," DeBoer said.

Once a person is awarded tickets, they then have to pay a fee for their seat above the face cost of the ticket, ranging from \$250-\$1,000 depending on seat location.

"We are not talking about your typical ham and eggs," DeBoer said. "It takes a substantial commitment and substantial resources."

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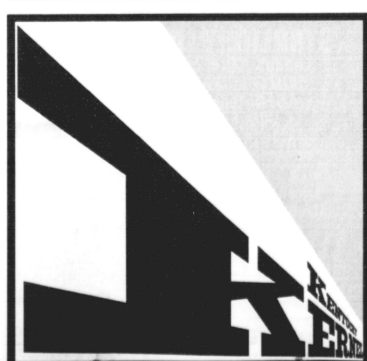
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IN THE AIR

# Sleeping guard brings airport to standstill

**Security breach: Snoozing employee causes headaches**

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LOUISVILLE — Early-morning flights out of Louisville International Airport were delayed Tuesday so passengers could be rescreened because a security employee was reported to have fallen asleep, the Federal Aviation Administration said.

An employee reported that he thought there had been a security breach, said Rande Swann, an airport spokeswoman.

"Of course the standard procedure for that is to bring everyone back and rescreen them again," Swann said.

"The screener was found to be sleeping at his post at 6:30 this morning. We believe that he was asleep for just a couple of minutes. The National Guard discovered the person sleeping," said Kathleen Bergen of

the Federal Aviation Administration in Atlanta.

Jim Mitchell, a spokesman for the federal Transportation Security Administration, said that the employee was fired by Globe Aviation, the company that handles airport security.

The airport has 34 scheduled departures between 6 and 10 a.m., and almost all were held, Swann said. Nine of the flights had already departed before the delays began and were not affected, she said.

Bergen said about 1,000 people had to go through the security screening a second time. Passengers and the crew from one plane had to leave the aircraft and go through the screening again, she said.

A total of about 1,500 passengers were affected, including those who were delayed, Swann said.

Airport General Manager Jim DeLong said Globe was right to fire the worker.

"It is never acceptable to be 'asleep on the job' or to compromise the safety or security of passengers in the air or the

public on the ground," DeLong said in a statement from the Regional Airline Authority.

A line of passengers stretched more than 200 yards through the terminal at about 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, out past the ticketing stations where it doubled back on itself.

"That just happens, I guess," said Rick Ahlrichs of Cincinnati, interviewed when he was next-to-last in line.

Ahlrichs had left home 2 1/2 hours earlier to drive to Louisville for a lower fare to Baltimore. He said the wait was still worth it.

Ahlrichs remained in good humor because he didn't have to be in Baltimore until the next day. Told a worker had fallen asleep, Ahlrichs said, "I guess you can't blame him."

Susan Rider of Louisville, vice president of sales for a local software company, was headed to Atlanta on business Tuesday.

The frequent business traveler was nearing the security checkpoint after standing in line for 2 1/2 hours.



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**Waiting**

Passengers line up to be rescreened Tuesday morning at Louisville International Airport after flights out were delayed because a security employee was reported to have fallen asleep, the FAA said.

CULTURE

## Talent show will offer multi-national flavor

**Around the world: International students will demonstrate a variety of native arts**

By Hye-Kyung Chun  
STAFF WRITER

Memorial Hall will be filled with a cultural atmosphere Friday night. Dancing, singing and sword play will be among the array of different cultural activities from around the world.

It's international talent night, an event sponsored by the International Student Council and Cosmopolitan Club.

Abe Koki, a chemical engineering graduate student and president of UK's Kendo club, will demonstrate Kendo, the Japanese art of the sword, with two other members.

"We will do what we do in our practice," the professional Kendo player and native of Japan said.

They practice hard-to-build

good spirit, which is the purpose of Kendo. Koki said he received first place at the Detroit Open Individual Tournament and at the East Central Kendo competition. Koki said he and his partners have been looking forward to showing UK what Kendo is.

"I thought it would be a good time to show our activity to everyone at UK," he said.

Carolina Fernandez, a music performance and arts administration sophomore from Venezuela, decided to participate in the talent competition because her voice teacher, also from Venezuela, suggested it would be good to represent Latino music's presence in America.

"There are always things I



Members of the Thai Student Association practice a dance in the basement of the Cooperstown Apartment for the International Talent Night in Memorial Hall Friday.

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can learn to improve my performance," Fernandez said.

While she will use talent night for practice, she said practicing her music is always a huge pleasure.

With 17 performances scheduled, Tan Jing, a foreign language and international economics junior, said two and a half hours might not be long enough.

"It is hard to keep those lots of acts within that short time," Jing said.

**Interested?**

International Talent Night is 7 p.m. Friday at Memorial Hall. Tickets can be picked up in 205 Bradley Hall.

STATE

## Telemarketers face new hard-nose legislation

**Sick of the calls?: Bill offers 'zero call' list, variety of penalties to those who violate it**

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FRANKFORT — Senate Republicans weighed in on the telemarketing debate Wednesday, pushing a bill through committee to create a "zero call" list with fewer exemptions than a House-passed version.

Kentuckians would call a designated number to add their residential phone numbers to the list, maintained by the attorney general's office.

Telephone solicitors violating the zero call list would face civil fines and even criminal charges for repeat offenses.

Senate President David

Williams said the measure would be one of the nation's toughest telemarketing laws. Democratic Attorney General Ben Chandler concurred, and a spokesman for AARP, an influential group, also praised the bill, which cleared the Judiciary Committee.

The bill would, in essence, let Kentuckians post privacy signs on their telephones to keep telephone solicitors away.

Chandler said the bill reflected a groundswell of support across Kentucky for a tough law to limit calls by solicitors.

Chandler said the law

would bring "a lot of relief to the citizens of Kentucky who are bothered" by telemarketers.

Chandler is featured in Democrat-sponsored radio ads that criticize GOP senators for dragging their feet on the telemarketing issue.

On Wednesday, the bill won unanimous committee approval after the GOP-led committee revamped the bill that cleared the House last month.

The action came after hearings the past two weeks when a federal regulator and the attorney general of Missouri, which has its own tough anti-telemarketing law.

"This is a tough telemarketing bill," said Sen. Marshall Long of Shelbyville, a lead Democrat on the issue.

The committee's version would create a single zero call list. Telemarketers would be barred from calling numbers on the list.

The bill creates exemptions for existing business relationships, when a person on the list gives permission for a call and for bill collections. It also exempts business-to-business calls.

Ray Roundtree of London, representing AARP, predicted that officials would be "pleasantly surprised" by the large numbers of people joining the zero call list.

"You are going to be doing the citizens of the Commonwealth a great favor," Roundtree said.

(The legislation is House Bill 47.)



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Please stop by Room 209 Student Center for additional information. Applications are available in the same room and are due no later than 4:00pm

Friday, March 1, 2002

WORLD CLASS

# U.S. makes history at Olympics

**Top ranking: Black athlete wins gold for the first time in Winter Olympics; first medal in bobsled since 1956**

## Women's bobsled

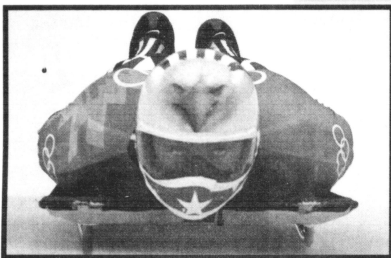
On Tuesday, arguably the greatest day for Americans at the 2002 Winter Olympics, Vonetta Flowers made history.

She became the first black athlete ever to win a gold medal at a Winter Games when she and Jill Bakken won the inaugural women's bobsled event. Their dramatic victory also ended the United States' 46-year medal drought in the sport.

"Hopefully this will encourage other African-American boys and girls to give winter sports a try," said Flowers, a 28-year-old former college track star from Birmingham, Ala.

A record start led to a victory over two German squads that had won every World Cup race of the 2001-02 season. USA-1 wound up fifth, undone in part by bobsledder Gea Johnson's hamstring injury.

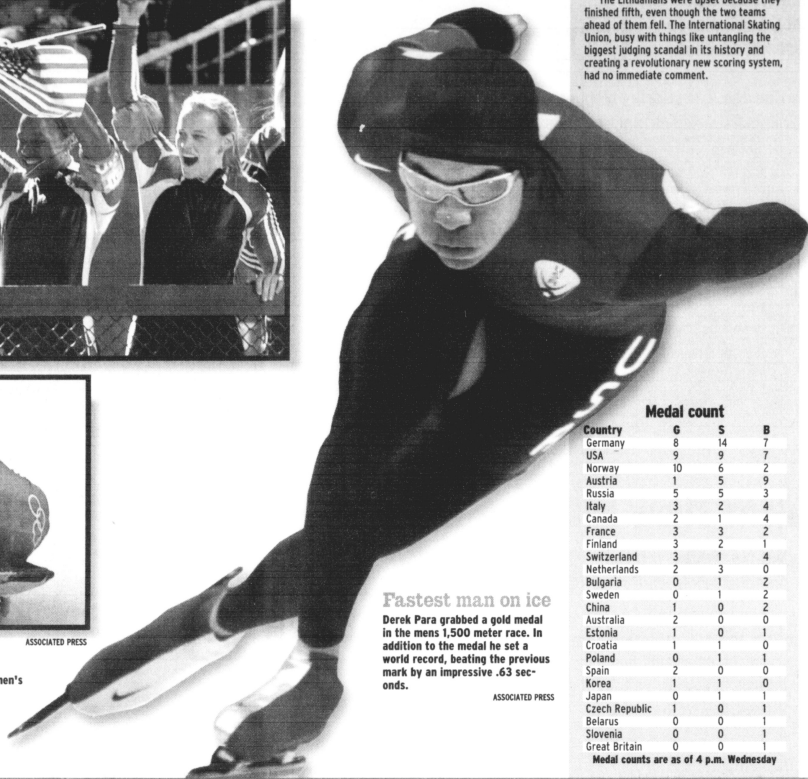
"It's amazing," Bakken said. The United States had not won an Olympic bobsled medal since Arthur Tyler took the four-man bronze in 1956 in Cortina, Italy, and had not won gold since Tyler's brother, Francis, took the four-man in 1948 at St. Moritz.



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## Jimmy Shea's winning ways

Jim Shea of the United States starts his first run during the men's skeleton final at the 2002 Salt Lake City Winter Olympics in Park City, Utah, Wednesday. Shea took Gold in the event.



## Fastest man on ice

Derek Para grabbed a gold medal in the men's 1,500 meter race. In addition to the medal he set a world record, beating the previous mark by an impressive .63 seconds.

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## Protested judgments

Everyone's doing it - from Lithuanian ice dancers to Russian aerialists to German cross-country skiers.

Russia's complaint about biased judging in aerials was thrown out, and Germany's protests over improper lane changes in the men's and women's races were rejected.

The Lithuanians were upset because they finished fifth, even though the two teams ahead of them fell. The International Skating Union, busy with things like untangling the biggest judging scandal in its history and creating a revolutionary new scoring system, had no immediate comment.

Medal count			
Country	G	S	B
Germany	8	14	7
USA	9	9	7
Norway	10	6	2
Austria	1	5	9
Russia	5	5	3
Italy	3	2	4
Canada	2	1	4
France	3	3	2
Finland	3	2	1
Switzerland	3	1	4
Netherlands	2	3	0
Bulgaria	0	1	2
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Spain	2	0	0
Korea	1	1	0
Japan	0	1	1
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BREAKING THE CYCLE

# Speech's objectives stress the reality behind profiling

Find out the facts: Talks to open doors that allow for a better understanding of race

By Amy Jo Gill  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

With concern over racial profiling burgeoning after Sept. 11, professors, city officials and others will discuss racial profiling in the Student Center Theater today.

The panel includes Beth Rompf, director of field education in the College of Social Work, Mildred Bailey, UK's Director of the Governor's Minority College Awareness Program, Chief Anthony Beatty of the Lexington Police Department and guest speaker Cynthia Neely from Chicago, Ill.

Neely, a Christian Science practitioner and teacher, plans to talk of the healing experiences that have occurred in her life as a result of racial profiling with a talk entitled "Safety Be-

but said people have to change their attitude before the panel will be effective.

"I think it's a good thing, but until people make up their own minds that you can't categorize a person by their color but by what they do, the panel won't help," she said.

Minority groups experience racial profiling everyday, Bailey said.

"It is important for students to know that the things minorities experience are very real and exist on campus," she said. "They must be aware and watchful so to develop ways to intercede when someone is being mistreated. When one person is being mistreated, we are all being mistreated."

To end racial profiling, we must understand all humans, Bailey said.

"We need to be able to relate to one another better and realize that racial profiling is a nation wide problem," said Bailey.

"We need to find out the re-

ality, because sometimes we live in a dream world and accept things as being all right when they are really not," Bailey said.

Ashley Chilton, a foreign language and international economics junior, looks forward to the speech as a way of joining different views on campus.

"I think it's a good opportunity to unite our campus."

**Check this out**

The racial profiling speech will be from 3 p.m. to 5, tonight in the Student Center Theater.

The panel's discussion will focus on topics such as racial profiling in terms of the negative characteristics and stereotypes of a group.

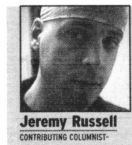
The panel will show why racial profiling is harmful and degrading to certain groups.

The speech is free to attend and all students, faculty and staff are welcome.

STRANGERS

# Search for the aliens around you

They walk among us: Finding the unearthly learned beings can bring about a greater appreciation for the world of art



Jeremy Russell  
CONTRIBUTING COLUMNIST

One of my sociology professors once shared with the class an exercise he'd done in graduate school. The idea was to imagine interstellar beings were here on earth, and it was your job to write them instructions on how to make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. The intent behind this exercise was to prompt you to think about all the cultural codes embedded in something as innocent as fixing snacks. You'd be forced to ask yourself about the cultural history of such seemingly unexceptional items as the utilization of the bread-tie and, if only for a moment, you'd be jostled out of the complacency needed to take this marvel for granted.

What would you be liable to think, though, if I told you the aliens were here already?

They walk among us, sorry to say. And, at least, one of them walks among us every day at UK.

"How did this happen?" I can almost hear you asking me. "How did we fail to notice?"

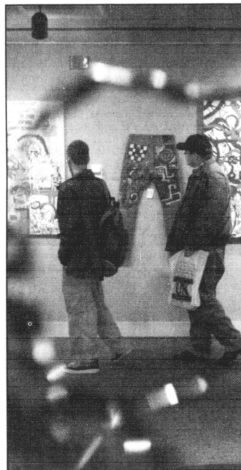
"You need not be so tough on yourselves," I fancy myself replying. "You could not have expected to be any match for the cosmic creatures chameleonic wiles."

Not only does it know how to make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, but it blends in by aping a great deal of the rest of our customs.

So, how could one ever hope to recognize such a being? There must be points at which its camouflaging stratagems are weak. For instance, it might possess a pronounced affinity for chalk and have found ways to manipulate this material to incorporate its cryptic communications into our environment.

It might, also, have learned to wield a slender cigarette holder with the melodramatic dexterity of an upper-echelon sophisticate, taken its style cues from Hunter S. Thompson or have, inadvertently, become conspicuous in its very mastery of mimicry. It takes a cocky chameleon to brave the kaleidoscopic mélange of our plastic arts because, here, the risk of being caught changing colors is at its highest.

Would it go some little way toward making up for the shock of this discovery if I were to tell you where to find the thing? Its real name is probably unintelligible, but, here, it operates under the alias John Spradling. It poses as one of our peers in the form of a junior majoring in English. It is displaying its wares, which it passes off as art, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Rasdall Gallery, 257 Student Center until Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Rasdall Gallery. It poses as one of our peers in the form of a junior majoring in English. It is displaying its wares, which it passes off as art, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Rasdall Gallery, 257 Student Center until Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Rasdall Gallery.



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John Spradling, an english junior, displays his art in the Rasdall Gallery in the Student Center.

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Stunts

Best of jackasses

In honor of the students who were arrested last week for performing a stunt found on MTV's 'Jackass,' I'd like to list some of the best pranks and stunts from the show...

Best Stunts and Prank from Jackass

Riding a bike with a baby doll in a children's safety seat and getting into a big wreck right in front of people.

Jumping from one trampoline to another placed a good distance away.

Making their cameramen wear one of those invisible fence dog collars that shocks you and telling him that it's a microphone antenna.

Driving away with an infant car seat on top of their car in a crowded parking lot.

Rigging a human slingshot to propel them into a pond, even though it didn't work very well.

Mid-winter jousting on BMX bikes, dressed in full armor.

Having carpet specialist clean up a fake bloody scene with noticeable evidence of a struggle.

Playing basketball in 1980's style jerseys in a sporting goods store.

Two-man bodysledding with grocery carts, tight uniforms and all.

Johnny Knoxville tries a punt return against the University of Tennessee's defense.

Dressing in a fairy costume to become the 'Mister Fairy' and putting change in parking meters, which is supposedly illegal.

Sledding downhill on a large block of ice.

Testing super glue with a hard-helmet and an I-beam, just like a commercial.

Riding on a skateboard ramp in an office chair.

Driving around with a broken windshield covered with fake blood.

Painting themselves bronze and pretending to be almost nude sculptures.

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IN OUR OPINION

Let the public in to open meetings

Passing of Bill 136 is flawed in allowing agencies to close active public involvement at decision making meetings

The Kentucky Senate passed a bill last Tuesday that would allow public agencies to close some of their meetings to the public.

Bill 136 is being sponsored by Dick Roeding (R-Lakeside Park), who said that a law such as this one may have prevented the deaths of police, emergency workers and firefighters in the Sept. 11 attacks.

In the bill, meetings that include discussions of hospital emergency plans, communication plans and airport security plans could be closed to the public.

Agencies could talk about anything else in these meetings as well. This is a dreadful flaw in the bill.

State Sen. Tim Shaughnessy (D-Louisville), said the bill would have a negative effect on the state. The security plans for the Kentucky Derby are released, and Shaughnessy said their publishing has led to a hindrance of crime at the event.

If the bill passes, public agencies could close meetings that were before open to the public, closing information that concerns the public and is now accessible.

Where will it stop? Can the Urban County Council close a meeting in which they discuss the security of a dog show only to also decide on other important bills that should be open to the public? Public agencies will have a bit of room to wiggle other information away from the public.

The public would have less of an idea of what the agencies are doing. These are agencies the people elects and pays for through taxes. The agencies decide on measures that change the governing of the society. These agencies decide on things that can affect the common women and men.

This is why these agencies' meetings were open to begin with. It is why there is the right to gather the information.

These days, the government is considering changing many things for safety. And, obviously, safety is important to the well being of the nation.

But there needs to be a balance of security and freedom. Closing full meetings to the public is not the answer. If it is apparent that issues concerning safety truly need to be closed to the public, then so be it. However, meetings that contain these issues should not be closed in their entirety.

Safety issues exist on this campus. Should the students, faculty, staff and other taxpayers get a chance to hear and debate about putting safety cameras in classrooms? It is the public's right to be able to hear about the decisions people who represent them are making. It is the public's right to know so they can take action through letters, campaigns or even re-elections. That's part of how democracy is supposed to work.

Why do they want to change that?

Murdering your children isn't a game

The Houston mother accused of drowning her five children in June began trial this week. Andrea Yates has pleaded guilty by reason of insanity to the charges for the deaths of Mary, 6 months, Luke, 2, Paul, 3, John, 5 and Noah, 7. According to a July 14 Associated Press article, the autopsy reports on the children indicated the four boys struggled with their mother. Mary, the infant, was probably too young to fight. Different cuts, scratches and bruises on the children's bodies indicated the struggle. John was found with wrinkled hands, which indicates that he was in the water for 15 to 30 minutes. Luke's bruises indicate he was held down by the wrist. A cut on Paul's lip lends to the idea that he hit his mouth on the side of the tub. Noah had a scraped nose and bruising on his arms, legs

and near his hips. And then you wait. Eight months later, your trial begins, and you have launched a whole disease into the public eye. Lawyers say Yates has postpartum psychosis, a disorder that can develop from postpartum depression through traumatic events. The disorder is characterized by someone wanting to kill themselves or their children. Victims of this disease can have hallucinations and sometimes hear voices.

According to www.postpartum.net, the disease is not included in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. A categorization for the disease came about in 1979 and has evolved since. Can she have a disorder that isn't included in the book that defines mental disorders? The charges are also puzzling. She has been charged with two capital murders, according to www.crime.about.com. One is for Mary, a murder charge made capital by a 'children under the age of six' rule. The other is for Noah and John, a charge made capital by a 'multiple murders rule.' What about Paul and Luke? Why were they forgotten? It often takes only one capital offense conviction to receive the maximum punishment. Still, shouldn't Paul and Luke be justified by at least having their murderer charged for their murders? It seems diminishing that they be left off the list. Everyone, of course, is blaming each other. Yates' husband, Russell Yates, blames the quality of medical care his wife received. Yates was depressed after the birth of their fourth child, yet the couple still went on to

have a fifth. Many blame the husband himself for not seeing any 'signs' she may have exhibited or left. When do people become accountable for their actions? Is it a doctor's job to know intuitively that a woman needs more help? Is it a husband's job to find more help for a wife who seems to be having a rough time? If the jury does decide Yates is insane, what should be done? Should she go to a mental institution? Should she go home? Is that safe to Yates herself, not to mention her family? Shouldn't she, a 37-year-old who was deemed competent to stand trial, also be deemed competent to face up to the fact that she killed her five children, which she admits to already? Mary, Luke, Paul, John and Noah will never have a chance to be rescued by Child Services or to be in a family that is safe. Five lives were lost and the killer might be freed. It makes me sick. Stacie Meihaus is a journalism sophomore. Her views do not necessarily represent those of the Kernel.

I'm not one to talk about race

I seldom write about issues of race; they make me uncomfortable. I used to discuss them freely and openly, but through the years I have grown more tight-lipped on the sensitive topics surrounding race in America.

I have grown to believe that as a young, white male from a somewhat privileged background, I don't have much to add to the discussion. I cannot understand what it is like to walk through the world wrapped in a black skin any comments I make are steeped in ignorance.

Yet with the appearance at UK of conservative activist David Horowitz, whose ads condemning reparations spread anger and controversy through college campuses, I feel compelled to toss my hat into the ring. Anyone would be hard-pressed to argue that black people don't deserve reparations. As a columnist pointed out in an earlier column, no one raised a fuss when Jews were given reparations for the atrocities committed in the Holocaust.

It would be ridiculous and fruitless in equal measure to argue over which group suffered more greatly, European Jews during four years of genocide, or American blacks through centuries of violent repression and enslavement.

If money could ever repay such suffering, blacks deserve repayment. Who can deny that the unpaid sweat and toil of exploited blacks helped America rise to world power and prominence so quickly?

If you know that humans were deprived, tortured and mutilated, that women were raped and families were ripped asunder, how can you argue that no repayment is due? As a human with a conscience, I cannot.

Those who think that America has become an unbiased virtuous land of equal opportunity, prosperity and plenty for all races are either fooling themselves or simply not paying attention. The scars have not healed, memories have not been forgotten, and the playing field is anything but level.

Yes, America has come a long way. But the inequality brought about by years of social, economic and educational oppression has yet to fade away. Social, psychological and economic stumbling blocks brought about by our cruel and body past still exist in American society.

Racism still exists, though in ways it has gone underground. If you doubt it, recall the Texaco executives caught on tape comparing black people to black jelly beans, the ones who — I paraphrase — 'get stuck to the bottom of the bag because no one wants them.' Remember the racist images found on posters on campus the day before Horowitz spoke.

Recall the black man, chained to a truck, slowly lacerated to death as they dragged him through the streets of Texas. Clearly, overt racism, as well as subtle discrimination, lives and thrives in America. I would like to support almost any measure that works to correct both our past and present inequities.

Yet the luggage that reparations brings is enough for a nation of bellhops. It is not enough that morally blacks deserve them. Fairness and morality aside, reparations must be distributed fairly in a murky world. This race, so many difficult issues and in the end may cause more discord than their intrinsic worth merits.

What standards, for example, would we use to distribute them? It seems that someone seeking reparations would have to prove their descent from slaves to receive them. Descent in America has become so garbled that almost anyone would find it difficult to conclusively prove their roots. It doesn't help either, that slaves were forced to adopt their master's name, and that many blacks changed their names after finding freedom.

Would someone descended more directly from slaves deserve a greater portion? Would someone who is a quarter black deserve more than someone who is a sixteenth? Should we revive slavery's one-drop rule?

I can see it now: we will abandon the whole issue of proving descent, and use skin tone charts. In government offices, officials will compare a person's skin and hair to bureaucratically prescribed charts to determine if they merit reparations.

And that government policy will have somehow smacks of Nazi Germany and the Jim Crow laws of the South's bad old days. Blending the two is like opening a can of snakes, not worms.

These are the kind of ugly issues that reparations raise. It would take a more intelligent, morally elevated person than me to sort them out.

America is unfair and sometimes brutal — but reparations may not be the answer.

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Eastern Kentucky  
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Marshall  
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Alabama  
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6 p.m. April 13  
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Western Kentucky  
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South Carolina  
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Louisville  
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Florida  
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1:30 p.m. May 19

### A brand new look: Bat Cat players excited with idea of playing in a top notch stadium

Jimmy Nesbitt  
STAFF WRITER

When the UK baseball team takes the field for its first home game, it will be playing on Shively Field at the brand-new \$4.2 million Cliff Hagan Stadium.

Entering his 24th season as head coach at UK, Keith Madison said the stadium was "not a lot different from a high school field" when he arrived.

The stadium was renovated in 1988. After a little more than a decade, Madison believed it was time for another major upgrade.

"Basically every SEC team has built a new stadium or had some major renovations in the last ten years," he said. Madison met with Athletics Director Larry Ivy last year and made his argument for the new stadium. Ivy agreed to build it and process began by discussing plans with an architect.

Among the renovations are: a two-story brick clubhouse adjacent to the first base dugout; 2,000 new chair-back seats; two sky boxes; brick walls that extend down both the left and right field lines; and a 30-foot wall in right field.

"As far as appearance, (the new stadium) puts us in the top three or four (in the Southeastern Conference)," he said.

Madison said the new stadium will help him bring talent to the university.

"One thing you can really sell to recruits is facilities," he

said. "It should be a tremendous tool."

Madison said UK's facilities had fallen to last in the league when Vanderbilt upgraded last season.

"I think it was something they needed to do to keep up with the rest of the SEC," said Bryan Felkel, a senior pitcher. Senior pitcher Jarrod Reynolds agreed that a change was needed. He also said the new outfield wall that Madison named "The Blue Monster" will aid UK's pitching.

"It looks more like a college baseball stadium," he said. "Those line drives are going to hit the wall."

Madison said UK had an opportunity build a new stadium near the UK Softball and Soccer Complex on Alumni Drive, but he preferred renovations to Cliff Hagan Stadium.

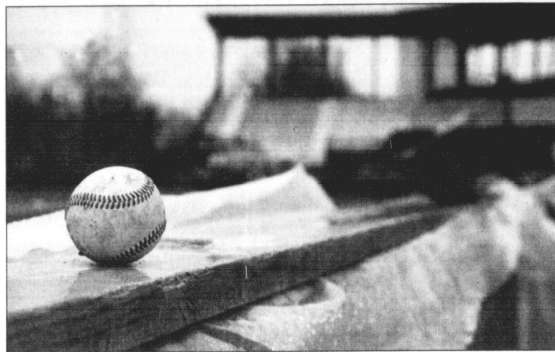
Madison said Shively Field's playing surface ranks among the nation's best and the stadium's location allows for students to walk to games between and after classes.

"We're less than a block away from thousands away and we feel our fan base should be students," Madison said.

Senior first baseman Robert Newton has toured the SEC for four years and realizes what UK is up against.

"It's good to be equal facility-wise," Newton said.

Now the Bat Cats can focus on impressing the rest of the SEC in between the lines.



### If you build it ...

The new \$4.2 million Cliff Hagan Stadium will be home to the 2002 Bat Cats this season. The stadium was renovated in 1988, but after more than a decade 24-year UK Coach Keith Madison said the university's baseball facilities needed another upgrade. Madison said Cliff Hagan Stadium should be one of the top facilities in the Southeastern Conference this season.

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