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The UK drumline, along with the marching band, will perform at the final home game tomorrow at 1 p.m. at Commonwealth Stadium.

# Drumline's different beat

Outrageous nicknames, football played on a bus and wild costumes highlight one of the loudest groups on campus — the UK drumline.

on campus — the UK drum-line.

"I describe us as a group equivalent to a mul-let," said Matthew Bentley, a civil engineering sopho-more. "Business up front and a party in the back."

The drumline consists of students of all years and majors. Between practices, games and various other ensemble. performances drumline spend quite a bit of time together. A few even live together.

"If you live on the first floor of Keeneland (Hall) and wondered where all the yelling is coming from, a couple of the guys got ad-joining rooms," Bentley said.

"You don't have to be a

said.
"You don't have to be a
music major to be in (the
drumline) ... you just have
to be able to play and play
well," said Jon Doty, a music education sophomore.
Traditions and inside
jokes are entwined with the

drumline; many have been around for several years.

"Being in drumline is one big inside joke, even while we play," said Davy Anderson, a music education sophomore. "There are some jokes that many on the inside don't even know."

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One of the better-known traditions of the drumline lighting nicknames, done even year for "as long as sanyo year for "as long as said Chartie Olivera, a cusic education freshman.

During Early Week, better known as band camp, he veteran members determine what nicknames will be bestowed upon the new-comers based on embarrassing moments and actions.

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rassing moments and actions.

If newcomers turn down the name given to them, they are typically given something more embarrassing, of the current nicknames include Goat, Slurpee, Muffin, Peepers and Shrek, said Collin Berner, a music education senior and the bass drum section leader.

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# **NCAA** self-study seeks to elevate graduation rate

By Adam Sichlo

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With S NCAA self-study steering committee debated ways to improve graduation rates among student-athletes ways to improve graduation rates among student-athletes yesterday after approving much of its draft report. The NCAA requires its self-student self-stude The final report is due in January.

The group has not fully developed a recommendation for improving student-athiete graduation rates. The student athiete is report shows the graduation rate for the student athietes in "revenue sports" such as football and baskethall is significantly lower than rates for UK as a whole, or even other student-athietes. The report said the low rate may be due to other factors besides poor "academ-low rate the preparation of the program of the program designed to help students who typically leave UK after their athiete eligibility has expired, without earning a degree" program, designed to help students who typically easier than the summer of the students who typically the provides and the summer of the

### Input forum only draws one student

Jason Orning was the only attended at an open forum for Lexington citizens and UK students, faculty and staff to learn about UK's NCAA certification self-study last night.

Orning is a graduate student in sports management and said he hoped to learn more about the certification. "I came tonight because I want to learn more about the certification process works, because I in light apply my masters to the company of the community a chance to make See NCAA on page 2

# **UK** appoints new partnership provost

By Shanon Mason
THE HATCH MEANS
John Yopp has been appointed associate provost for educational partnerships.
Yopp is a current senior scholar in residence at the Council of Graduate Schools in Washington, D.C., and was a vice president for graduate and professional education at the Educational Persing Service in Princeton, N.J.
The position of associate provides the provided in Princeton, S.J.
The position of associate provides a new one. Nietzel said. It actually combines two jobs and two different partnerships is a new one. Nietzel said. It actually combines two jobs and two different partnerships a federally funded program that seeks to improve math and science education in Appalachia. This job has existed for two years and is currently held by Wimberly Royster, who is retiring.
"I have so much respect for the current director (Royster)," Vopp said. "It's an honor to follow in his footsteps, although I can't replace him."

Yopp has been a member

of the National Advisory Board for the partnership since the program started.

The second job is to extend attempts to develop better relationships with elementary, middle and high school outreach, middle and high school outreach. The goals are to make a substantial of the position.

"The goals are to make AMSP a national model for outreach," he said, "and to grow the university's capabilities of being a partner with K-12 education."

Yopp said that he expects he "very dedicated" staff of the partnership to accomplish many goals of the program and that he has been "absolutely amazed" in working with them so far. absolutely amazed in working with them so far. absolutely amazed in working with them so far. So with the same that the gap between Appalachia and the rest of the country in math and science will be reduced and that there will be much better teacher preparation in these areas.

Nietzel said Vopp was the right choice for the job.

"He has an extensive background experience in administration and academic See Provot on page 2

See Provost on page 2



# Keeping Faith

By Jeff Patterson | The Kentucky Kernel

Hours before kickoff, text messages flood his cell phone.

The quarterback studies them for encouragement. One verse always resonates more than the rest.

It's the one that's carried him through every game in a trying season.

SCASON.

The passage can be found in the Bible he reads before each game in the locker room. But whenever friends and family send Deuteronomy 31.6 to his phone. Shane Boyd makes sure to read it.

"Be strong and of good courage, do not fear or be in dread of them: for it is the Lord your God who goes with you; he will not fall you or forsake you." the scripture reads.

"Unit secripture reads." The strong shows a sure of the Lord." Boyd says. "As long as I'm playing for him, as long as he's clapping.— that's the only thing that matters."

In spite of a disamentation.

See Boyd on page 4

# Mother looks for answers after soldier son's suicide

another question, not about how her husband died but how he is remembered. After 17 years of military service, after a Bronze Star awarded, where the human of James Coons not counted among the Iraq war dead?

"That really makes me anyr How can he not be put in there as a casualty of war? I don't understand that." Ro! In don't understand that, Two! I don't understand that with the that to himself, he's forgotten."

and dream about them, and it rifelt like he was in a night-mare."

At first he couldn't sleep. According to Coons' medical records, he went to a doctor on June 1 complaining of headaches and stress. The doctor diagnosed depression and prescribed an antidepressant, possible counseling and a follow-up visit in two weeks. Coons was close to going home. The unit was scheduled to return at the end of the month, and he had trained his replacement. He would be reunity and the state of the country's Sergeant Majors. Academy, the realization of his longtime dream. He would start in January.

But he was haunted by the multilated face. When he looked in the mirror, according to his medical records, he saw the face of the corpse instead of his own. On June 17, he took 10 sleeping pills and then had his stomach pumped at the base hospital. "I just wanted to make it stop," he said, according to his medical records.

Lt. Col. Anthony R. Williams, commander of the

records.

Lt. Col. Anthony R. Williams, commander of the 54th Signal Battalion, went to the hospital that night. When doctors told him that Coonshad tried to hurt himself, "I was blown away." Williams said. "I saw him every day and he performed above and beyond. I never saw a sign of someone under stress. He was our Rock of Gibraltar."

Doctors labeled it a "suici- december of the self-others." A 'mental health casualty Carlot 2005. A 'mental

"At about 2:15 a.m., lady called who said she was the wife of Rn 179 (copn)... She wanted to know if anyone had seen him since he checked in on the 30th. I saked housekeeping to go over and check it out. Door

dal gesture" and admitted Coons as a psychiatric patient for four days. At first, Coons denied that he had intended to kill himself and seemed anxious about how the incident could affect his military care.

Exhibit 6 of the report clear of a strong smell of decay then saw the body of a men manual countries. The said he realized that he needde help. Under constant observation, Coons isolated pifor hours and refused to participate in ward activities.

He was evacuated to Germany where he stayed for several days.

Robin said she last spoke to her husband on June 28. He to the subject of the constant his power of the constant on the power of the power of the constant on the power of the power of

Washington Post staff re-searcher Bobbye Pratt con-tributed to this report.

was not bothered that just one person attended the forum.

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She said that higher institutions are typically asking for feedback from the computing and a lot of work, but I think they level for institutions are typically asking for feedback from the computing and a lot of work, but I think they level for institutions to complete a self-study every ten years, Ray said.

The study has been presented to the programs, was as let to grams, she said.

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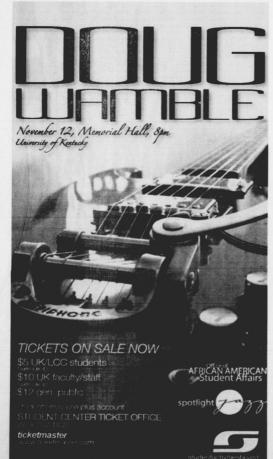
# **Provost**

yopy was the former dean of the graduate school at Southern Illnios University in Carbondale, Ill. He received his bachelor's degree cum laude at George-

town University and his doctorate in biology at the University of Louisville. A Paducah, Ky, native, Yopp said he is excited to return home to work in the outreach of these partnerships.

"You can't have education reform unless it comes

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# **ADVENTURES | ABROAD**

# 'Could you help me zip my pants, please?'



But footinued to my gate with relatively little complexity telling myself all the white that humility is a virtue, and nurried to the desk, where I was curtly instructed to wait. It was an unnerving wait, of course — I just had to see what the in-flight movie would be — but I finally concluded that they must be defogging the airplane after a

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can barely control your excue-ment.

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You're only human, after all.

passing landscape, wondering what the next few months will have in store for you.

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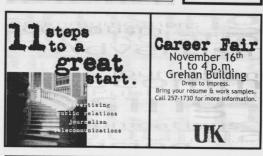
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UN Dance Ensemble vice president Tessa Harris (left) and president Ashley Holbrook rehearse the dance "Torn Mechanix" last night. The UK Dance Ensemble will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday in the Recital Hall at the Singletary Center. Tickets cost \$10 for students, \$12 for general admission, and \$3 for children under 10.

# Author classifies the classless masses

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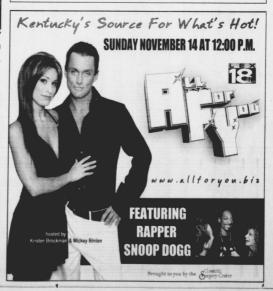
On a recent night, writer
Robert Lanham and his wife
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In our world, we see people who vaguely annoy us or

make us wonder what the deal is lie Lanhami's wordt he sees "Stretchibitionists," those peculiar gymgoers who never seem to actually work out but simply claim a high-traffic spot to do a stretch routine with the sees of th

The book wouldn't be as funny or eerily accurate were it not for early accurate were it not for artist Jeff Bechtel, aborator: artist Jeff Bechtel, whose sketches bring to life the "Jock Teases" (loud women in bars who fake sports fandom to attract men) and "Ammosexuals" (i.e., Ted Nugent, and all men whose professional or personal mandard to fire the state of the st

with something about women who hate pretty girls," Lanham said. "They're out there, but a name hasn't come to me."



# Seniors: seen it all

Winning is easy.

Not the physical act of which is the physical act of winning, but everything that comes with victories.

Going to the games, walking on campus, cruising ar oun a do town—all of it comes so easy when you're winning. When you're not, everything changes.

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These seniors have seen
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on the line. Each week,
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the right way with pride and
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# Potts cooks up 83-50 exhibition win for Cats

After the first subilition game for the UK women's basketball team, head coach Mickle DeMoss said she wanted to see more intensity on her defense and the coach substitution game for the team of the coach substitution game last night, holding the West Coast All Stars to 28 percent field goal shooting en route to their 83-50 win in Memorial Coliseum.

"It was encouraging to see their improvement," DeMoss said. "I was pleased to see their drills in practice transfer to the game."

The Cats had seven steals and forced 12 turnovers in the first half. Although they weren't great at handling the

press, the Cats didn't get out of position and made it tough for the All Stars to get open, DeMoos said.

UK also had no trouble stepping up on offense. Senior forward Sara Potts came out firing, scoring the Cats' first 12 points on four straight three-pointers. Potts shot 8-for-15 from the field and led all scoring with 24 points, but that's not all she's worked on.

"All we did was work on defense the past week, "Potts sat. Preshman guard Saman-tha Mahoney stepped up as well, adding 13 points.
"Of all the freshmen, (Mahoney) is the most game-ready," DeMoss said. "She is a great addition to (Angela) Phillips. Phillips has the

speed and quickness, and Mahoney has power She handled the pressure well tonight."

Junior forward Jennifer Humphrey also contributed on both sides of the ball, recording nine rebounds and 17 points. After sitting out most of last season, DeMoss expects a strong contribution from Humphrey this season. "My confidence is growing with her," she said. "Her whole approach is different and she is more receptive to coaching."

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While DeMoss had a look at all 13 players tonight, she is unsure of who her starters will be in the opening game. "I'm still getting a feel," she said.



Freshman guard Samantha Mahoney (11) scored 13 points in UK's 83-50 win Coliseum, The Cats will open the regular season against Butler on Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. at Memorial Colise-

# Boyd

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Boyd's attitude remains positive.

He credits his faith for that.

"Things may not go the way I want them to go." Boyd says. The got to continue to focus, because life is going to go on after this."

Maintaining focus

The Arizona Diamond-backs wanted to fly him out for a workout in early June. Shane Boyd had other plans.

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Scherer Boyd, Shane's mother, watches in anguish as her son's team started the season with a 28-0 loss at Louisville Sept. 5.

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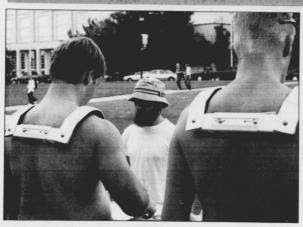
Baseball could wait. This was more important to him.
The Minnesota Twins ended up drafting Boyd, who has pitched for the UK baseball team, in the 12th round of the 12











drumine practice near Stoll Field.
Some of the drummers said they are looking forward to the end of the marching season. the end of the marching season, which comes Saturday in UK's final home game against Vanderbilt. Practice and performances take up much of their time. Some players, however, will perform with the UK Pep Band during basketball season.



## **Drumline**

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The "Bus Bowl" is a more recent tradition, having been played over the course of the past two decades. It is similar to the Super Bowl, complete with opening and closing ceremonies and even a halftime show, all put on by the newcomers. The actual football game is a game of the "new guys v. the

The only difference is that the event is not played on a field, but on a charter bus during road ridge.

"We always manage to have fun," Anderson said. "Rehearsals, football games and parades can get pretty monotonous after a while. But we always find ways to make things interesting."

"Drumline is like a fraternity. Except for the hazing," Doty said.

One member seems to stand out the most during drumline practice on Stoll Field.

Isaac Liljequist makes it a point to dress in costume for practices. Some

days he dresses like a rabbit, others as a pirate and still others as a leprechaun. Sometimes it's even a combination of the three.

The members of the drumline are allowed to play for the pep band during basketball season, since they are part of the marching band. Only four drummers are selected to play.

"The opportunity to play for the pep band is one of the biggest perks of being in the drumline." Berner said. "What could possibly beat free UK basketball?"

# 'Dinosaur' seniors lead the college game

Fyracuse forward Hakim Warrick was talking with reporters during last month's Big East preseason news conference in New York, when he looked around the room and saw Providence forward Ryan Gomes and Notre Dame.

"College seniors, especially the ones that make an impact, they're dinosaurs," Warrick said.
"A lot of gough service services as a special team, because of their four services. Who already have won 87 games, including a largely because of their four services who already have won 87 games, including a largely because of their four services. Who already have won 87 games, including a largely because of their four services who already have won 87 games, including a largely because of their four services. The Jayhawks even as a high this season, have styling only one or two seasons, Hewitt said next services are as high this season, have styling sent as high this seasons, a largely because of their four services. The Jayhawks even as a high this season, have set players, such as the season of the Wilden services of the Mark at a season we feel we have a special team, because of their four services. This college basketball season is about the upperclassmen — players such as Warrick, Gomes and Thomas — who all spurned the lure of NBA riches and in-stead remained true to their schools and will play for one more chance to win games."

The Jayhawks aren't the only team banking on its experience. Oklahoma State, raiked No. 5 in the preseason, have gireat year, because they are latented but they know how to win games."

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make the Final Four in St. Louis next April.

From Gonzaga to Marquette to Vermont, there are realistic NCAA tournament hopes because star players returned to play one more year.

At Kansas, seniors Wayne Simien, Keith Langford and Aaron Miles each delayed turning pro after nearly advancing to their third Final Four last March. Georgia Tech, the team that beat the Jayhawks in the NCAA regional finals last season, welcomes back four of five starters because guards B. J. Elder and Jarrett Jack stayed in school.

The Yellow Jackets are one of six ACC teams ranked in the preseason Associated Press top 25 poll and one of three in the top five.

Wake Forest and North Carolina, ranked second and fourth, respectively, have all five starters back.

The Carolina State is ranked because all American to the starters back.

Mississipsi State forward Lawrence Roberts, the reigning SEC player of the year, nearly entered the NBA draft but returned to school.

Seniority is the reason Kansas is ranked no. 1 in the preseason Associated Press top 25 poll and one for the first time since 1956-57, when Will chamberlain led it to the national

have joined their teammate in the pros.

Tubby Smith Washington. a surprise team in the NCAA tournament last season and picked to finish second in the Pacific-10 behind Arizona, returns its top 50 behind Arizona, returns its players from last season. Overli
all, the Pac-10 returns 39 of its top 50 seconds.

top nine players from last season. Overall, the Pac-lo returns 39 of its top 50 scorers.

"In this day and age, senior leadership can make a big difference at tournament time," Arizona Coach Lute Oison said.

Two programs that will be forced to rely on youth are defending national champion Connecticut and perennial champion Connecticut and perennial champion Connecticut and perennial champion Connecticut and perennial champion Connecticut all-Americans.

The Huskies lost all-Americans Emeka Okafor and Ben Gordon, the second and third picks in June's NBA draft after leaving school as juniors, and senior point guard Tallek Brown.

The Wildcats lost senior guards Gerald Fitch and Cliff Hawkins, and could start as many as three newcomers.
"No one has lost as many seniors as the SEC," UK head coach Tubby Smith said. "Every year is a new challenge, but with the loss of the majority of our experienced players, it's going to be even more challenging."

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IN OUR OPINION

# Records should be released

Anyone researching the merit of open records laws can find all the evidence they need by examining the actions of UK legal counsel.

Earlier this year, UK legal counsels Barbara Jones denied The Kernel access to victims' names on police incident reports. But counsel was forced to reverse that decision after The Kernel appealed to the attorney general's office and won. Counsel then denied part of Student Government Sen. Braphus Kaalund's open records request for any documents, memos, personal notes or e-mails among UK's administration regarding Referendum Ones one said e-mail and personal notes did not have to be released. "There are e-mails, but he can't have

access to them under Kentucky's Open Records Law," she said.

There are narrow exemptions that protect e-mails if releasing them would invade personal privacy for if the recommendation and correspondence is not intended to be the final action of a public organization.

Kaalund has now filed an appeal with the attorney general's office. And he should win the decision.

Although we do not endorse some kind of campaign against SG. he should be free to peruse correspondence between administration in Stration was actively involved in some kind of campaign against SG. he should be free to peruse correspondence between administration officials. The stration was actively involved in suspicious motion of the stration was actively involved in suspicious motion of the stration was actively involved in suspicious motion of the stration was actively involved in suspicious motion of the stration was actively involved in suspicious motion of the stration of the stration of the substitution of the stration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly lausible that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly lausible that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly disable that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly disable that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly disable that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly disable that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly disable that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly disable that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly disable that administration of personal privacy. Furthermore, it seems highly also privacy.

### **LETTERSTOTHEEDITOR**

### Letter about racial differences was logically unsound

This is in response to Angel Careaga's Nov. 10 letter critiquing the argument advanced by Samuel Gaines and Todd Newbern concerning The Kernel's "racial insensitivity."

First, Careaga charges that the use of the UK Black Student Union moniker at the end of the letter was contrary to the theme of the letter written by Gaines and Newbern. I found this argument compared to the contract of the contract of the second that the contract in the purpose of these organizations is not to create lines of separation between racial minorities and the rest of the student populous. The purposes of these groups are to foster understanding and tolerance about our differences while also allowing for the discovery of common values and ideas.

It is simple-minded and impossible to ask a

ideas.

It is simple-minded and impossible to ask a group of people to ignore the historical experiences that may shape the paradigm in which they view the world and, to an even further extent, completely disregard the racial identity that makes them a unique member of our interrelated committy.

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Many racial groups do not want the main-

stream to cater to them but rather to acknowledge their existence and the distinctive contributions (outside of stereotypes) that they bring to this country. That idea is not only achievable in a toler-ant society but also necessary for its continual de-

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### President has obligation to ensure a united America

This is in response to Stephen Burnett's Nov. 9 column. "President Bush deserves support of his detractors." I am not calling for a perfectly united America. It is impossible for us all to agree on national issues. But as for foreign policy issues, I think it is a different story. When I say I want a united America, I want an America that is united in terms of decision-making and that will listen to its people and other nations.

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An America that is eager to listen to what other countries have to say, that communicates with NATO and that respects its opinions and decisions, and that understands the importance of having alliances for a war on an intangible object: terror.

I do not want an America that does just what America wants, whenever America wants it and however America wants it. That promotes domination over democracy.

I do not emocracy the control of the president on television declaring war on terrorism as follows: "America has united with other countries to declare war on terrorism. We will be focusing on Iraq right now because it is the most dangerous. But we will keep our eyes on other potentially dangerous countries" has such a nice, non-aggressive sound to it. Why are we not doing that now?

Is Iraq our only concern right now? What about Afghanistan? Isn't Iran starting up a nuclear arms program? And what about North Korea? Those are a lot of tasks to look over and take care of. The properties of the proving to be incredibly hand. We receive continuational help, which Bush does not see as necessary. But I see it as a necessity.

These are all foreign issues on which we need to be united. We are the United States. So yes, we should be united, especially on major foreign policy issues such as these. As for issues we should be divided on, some examples are capital punishment, abortion and taxes.

Bush is our president, fair and square, for a second term, and this is an important time for American and the care of the condition of the province of the province of the condition of the province of the condition of the condition of the province of the condition of the condition of the province of the condition of the condition of the province of the condition of the condition of the province of the condition of

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With so many foreign policy issues and domestic problems that need to be solved. Bush has the
potential to be one of the greatest presidents that
the United States of America has ever had.
But if his second term is like his first, America
might not be united, because that term has lost its
meaning.

# Democrats should work to be more like social conservatives

It's been over a week since George W. Bush put John Kerry in his place and retook the White House, and I'm still smiling. With the highest voter turnout in years, the American people have overwhelm-ingly spoken in favor of their presi-dent.

dent.

And that's not all — Democrats lost seats in both the House and the Senate, giving the already-commanding Republicans even more of an edge.

Some party leaders are in denial. But with results like this, the Democratic Party has no choice but to re-examine itself. How did it manage to lose so much power? After all, Democratic idols like Michael Moore made it seem that everyone in the country hates Bush.

Bush.

In this election, it was all about morals, the economy and the sobering reality of what the Democratic Party has become.

Contrary to what the Democrats had hoped, this election was not about Iraq. According to the exit polls, the No. 1 deciding factor for voters was morality.

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Sure, there is a large percentage of Americans who believe the war in Iraq is morally reprehensible. But there is an even larger percentage believing that such the such as the precedent over any concern about the war.

These feelings were especially important in voters' minds this election year, as it's looking more and more likely that a new Supreme Court justice will be named within four years. Bush has made it clear that he will seek to appoint justices who believe in the sanctity of human life — an idea that most Americans appear to support.

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Call us puritanical, but the people of the United States are still some of the most morally driven in the world. Had Kerry been more in tune with the average American as opposed to his liberal, elitist friends from Massachusetts, he might have noticed that the faith of a mately for him, he didn't get the memo until the second debate, at which time it was too late to make his "belief" in God convincing.

The Democrats also made the mistake of relying too heavily on the issue of the economy, which truly turned out not to be an issue at all for the voters.

In the months leading up to the election, the Kerry campaign accused Bush of damaging the economy and losing thousands of jobs, but the American people kiew better.

Home ownership is at its highest levels since the 1960s. Millions of middle-class families are receiving hundreds of dollars in tax cuts. And the financia genius of our time, Alan Greenspan, endorses Bush's tax plan.

plan.

Sorry Mr. Kerry, but just because you said Bush destroyed the economy doesn't make it true.

Finally, thanks to heroes like Zell Miller, the Democratis lost this election because the average American realized what the Democratic Party is really about. Behind the pro-faith and pro-family values facade is a party that has, in recent years, all but forsaken the principles on which this country was founded.

Slowly but surely, the leadership of the Democratic Party slipped out of the hands of working-class social conservatives and into those of people like Ted Kennedy, Al Gore and John Kerry.

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Rennedy, At Gore and John Kerry.

Gone are the days when the biggest issue dividing Republicans and Democrats was Social Security. Today. A mericans are realizing the stakes are much higher. A vote for a Republican is a vote for traditional values; a vote for a Democrat is a vote in support of America haters like Michael Moore.

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haters like Michael Moore.

These claims can't simply be dismissed as Republican rhetoric anymore. Even top Democratic strategist James Carville, who helped Clinton win in 1992, as said that Democrats have to reinvent themselves.

When you have more support from Barbara Streisand and Eminem than from your traditional base, it's time to change.

If the Democrats are going to have any chance of regaining even some of what they lost, they better sever all ties with the loony left and start representing Americans again.

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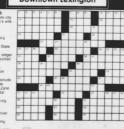


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"I've got too many good things around me. I'm loved by my teammates.



(The 2002 UofL game) "I was part of the fumble cause. Being a part of a 7-5 season, we overcame a

Claude Sagaille

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ever since we came in five years ago. From Coach Mumme to Coach

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Clint Ruth

The thing I'll always remember is the camaraderie, especially the class we came in with, the seniors who stayed together."

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Morris to Coach Brooks."





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(The 2002 Louisville game the Cats won 22-17) "No one gave us a chance and it set the tone for that



24 ck DeVastey

"We're all family now. I feel extremely fortunate and blessed to be here. I'm going to cherish it."



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"I probably will be crying. It might be the last time I ever play football. It's going to hurt.



52 Justin Haydock

"I'll probably have some emotion. I nut in five years, so it's been a long



61 **Matt Huff** 

"It's been a rough five years. It doesn't make it a bad five. I wouldn't

change anything if I had a chance to do it over."



99 Ellery Moore

"It's going to be an emotional day. I don't want to



23 Eric Ogletree

(On his first game)
"I cried on the bus ride over to play Louisville. never felt anything like

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**Gerad Parke** 

'It's rewarding because I've been through so much. We've all been through so much."



37 Keith Shelton

"I don't think I'll be crying. I'll be smiling more There's nothing to cry about. I've enjoyed my





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15 Adam Tom

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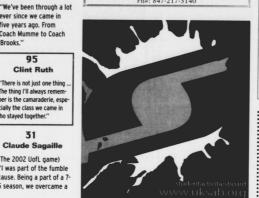
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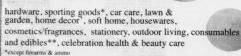
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