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Bailey vetoes LCC students' trip to Chicago

By Stephen Trimble
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Student Government Association President Benny Ray Bailey yesterday vetoed a bill that would fund a field trip to Chicago for a group of Lexington Community College architecture students.

Bailey said he spoke with LCC student leaders and about 20 to 25 other UK students before deciding to veto the bill.

"This veto is not an act of hostility toward the Lexington Community College," Bailey said in the veto order. "After talking to many students and the LCC

Association of Students) President (Kevin Gunter), I find that it is not in the interest of the student body to pass this bill."

The Senate can override Bailey's veto by a two-thirds vote during the next Senate meeting where quorum is present, according to the SGA Constitution.

Asked if he expects the Senate to oppose his veto, Bailey said the senators "have surprised me before. I have no idea what the Senate will do."

The bill stirred controversy in

the SGA Senate last week when LCC's American Institute of Architecture Students asked SGA to pay more than \$2,600 for the trip to Chicago.

The LCC students said they planned on touring the city's architecture and needed money for travel, hotel and tour costs on the trip. Senators amended the funding to \$909, which would cover the cost for the tours.

Bailey said he objected to sending a group on a field trip, instead of an educational conference where their participation could be monitored if questions arose. He added if he were going with the LCC students to Chicago, he'd "probably be laying out partying."

If the students were going to attend a conference in Chicago, Bailey said, he would have signed the bill immediately.

In addition, the wording of the bill asking the Senate to fund "lodging, transportation and conference costs" was misleading, Bailey said, since the students were actually going on a field trip.

Senator at Large Russell Harper, who sponsored the bill, said yesterday some students and senators were in favor of the funding.

"They must have gotten support somewhere because they came up with the required 240 signatures and more, so obviously some students supported them," he said.

However, Senator at Large Beverly Coleman, who opposed the bill in last week's Senate meeting, was happy to see the legislation vetoed.

"I'm all for a bill for educational purposes, but this wasn't set up like

an educational conference," Coleman said.

"I have a problem with groups taking advantage of SGA, and this is a prime example."

Bailey also said the group should have gone through LCC's student government for money before approaching SGA.

In response to Bailey's veto, one member of the LCC group, Jared Ison, said SGA acted properly.

Benny Ray did everything that he was supposed to do," said Ison, who also is LCCAS vice president.

"I did not get the bill moved through the proper channels ... I don't have any harsh feelings for the people over there."



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Man in Kirwan incident won't face charges

By Brenna Reilly
Staff Writer

All charges have been dropped against the man who was accused of stalking a female Kirwan Tower resident.

Brandon Mattingly 19, 1949 Cottonwood Drive, was charged with first-degree stalking, assault, terroristic threatening and harassing communications.

Emily Hunter, 19, filed complaints with UK police in January, but she appeared in court on Feb. 3 and asked that the charges be dropped.

Hunter, a Lexington Community College student, said yesterday she dropped the charges because "the incident got blown out of proportion."

"He has learned his lesson," Hunter said.

She said she and Mattingly dated on and off about five years and dated again after the charges were dropped, but are now not on speaking terms. Hunter denied reports she was pressured into filing a complaint by her roommate, her resident adviser and UK Police.

"It wasn't my roommate or my RA that wanted me to press charges," Hunter said.

Hunter said she decided to press charges because messages Mattingly left on her answering machine were getting out of control.

"It was making me mad that he was getting away with it," Hunter said. "It was getting out of hand."

Hunter said police found out about the threats after they heard the messages Mattingly left on her machine.

"I was gone all day and when I got back the police were in my room listening to the machine," Hunter said.

Hunter also said she decided to press charges because "people made me realize it wasn't a healthy relationship."

"I wasn't in big danger," Hunter said. "I was afraid to talk to him about it."

On Jan. 22, police searched Kirwan Tower for Mattingly after an RA saw him enter the building. During the search, someone pulled the fire alarm, evacuating the building. UK Police Chief W.H. McComas said at the time, police believed the fire alarm was pulled as "a diversion so he could get to her."

Police later learned that Mattingly had checked himself into the UK Hospital on Jan. 20 complaining about kidney problems.

Mattingly left the hospital about 3 p.m. Sunday before turning himself in the next day. Mattingly then pleaded not guilty to the charges Jan. 24.



Dance with the devil
Civil engineering senior Mike Bezold and pharmacy freshman Juliette Tebeau do the bokey-pokey yesterday at the Catholic Newman Center's Mardi Gras celebration.

NEWSbytes

NATION Republicans shy from balanced budget fight

WASHINGTON — In an atmosphere of excruciating tension, Senate Republicans finched yesterday from a final vote on a constitutional balanced-budget amendment. One vote shy, GOP leaders struggled to salvage the centerpiece of their drive to shrink government.

Republicans courted Democrat Kent Conrad of North Dakota for the final, elusive vote they needed. But after feverish, unsuccessful negotiations, Majority Leader Bob Dole decided to postpone the showdown rather than accept defeat.

Senators said the discussions focused on Conrad's insistence that Social Security trust funds be declared off-limits to budget cutters. Several lawmakers said Republicans were proposing to gradually phase out the availability of the funds to balance the budget.

The amendment would require a balanced budget by 2002, unless three-fifths of both houses vote otherwise. The House cleared the measure 300-132 in January as Republicans worked to implement their conservative Contract With America.

Foster nomination heads to Senate

WASHINGTON — A month after President Clinton chose Henry Foster to serve as surgeon general, the White House formally forwarded the doctor's nomination to an uncertain future in the Senate yesterday.

After drawing strong reviews initially, Foster's selection attracted intense opposition from anti-abortion groups and conservatives when he acknowledged performing a limited number of abortions as an obstetrician-gynecologist. Foster also has been criticized for giving varying answers about the number of abortions he performed.

A conservative group claims he was aware of a government study in which black men with syphilis were left untreated. Foster says he did not learn of the study until 1972, when he worked to ensure the men received proper treatment.

Rain doesn't dampen Mardi Gras fun

NEW ORLEANS — Skimpy feathered and beaded costumes gave way to plastic ponchos and slickers as New Orleans' Mardi Gras celebration turned into a huge, sloppy party in the rain.

Intermittent, driving rain flooded streets, drenched floats and parade-goers and pushed hard-drinking Bourbon Street revelers indoors or under awnings and balconies.

Hotel and bar employees in the French Quarter shoveled plastic cups and other debris from clogged drains to help empty shin-deep water from the narrow streets. An estimated 300,000 tourists were in town. The rain appeared to have kept the crowds well below the projected 1.2 million.

NAMEdropping

Classics rock, but 'Stairway' is closed

PENSACOLA, Fla. — There were plenty of Led Zeppelin classics, but no "Stairway to Heaven" when Robert Plant and Jimmy Page kicked off their reunion concert tour.

Plant and Page, backed by a full orchestra, let loose Sunday with their signature styles in "Dancing Days," "Rock and Roll," "Dazed and Confused" and other tunes.

"They didn't heed the crowd's pleas for Led Zeppelin's anthem, 'Stairway to Heaven.'"

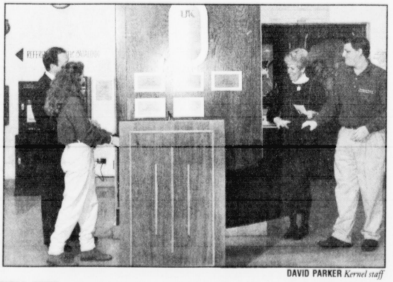
After drummer John Bonham died in 1980, Plant, Page and bassist John Paul Jones announced that the band wouldn't perform again as Led Zeppelin.

Plant and Page reunited last year to produce a short film and soundtrack album, performing nine Zeppelin classics and three new songs. The tour was an outgrowth of that "get-together," as Plant calls it.

The duo will appear in Rupp Arena on March 20.

Compiled from wire reports

Library 'wall of fame' to honor student volunteerism



WALL-EYED Officials unveil a new wall in Margaret I. King Library that will honor student volunteerism. The wall will be moved to the William T. Young Library when that building is complete.

By Jennifer Smith
Staff Writer

A commemorative wall was unveiled yesterday in the Margaret I. King Library to recognize student organizations who have donated time and money to the betterment of campus. The Student Development Council, a student fund-raising organization, developed the donor wall to encourage active student organizations to come forward and be recognized.

"We're hoping it will get more (student) organizations involved," said Kristin Mathis, co-coordinator of the wall presentation. "We know there are a lot of organizations on campus who are bettering UK everyday, and they need to be recognized."

SDC President Scott Covert said he hopes the organizations represented on the wall will serve as examples for the rest of the campus.

"(The wall) encourages pride, and it

encourages organizations to give more to UK," Covert said.

The plaques hanging in the library lobby honor the 20 winners of the council's award since 1990. They will be moved to the new library when it is completed.

"The donor wall will serve as a reminder to all who use the library of the vast number of student organizations available to them," said UK President Charles Weathering, a speaker at the unveiling.

He said the plaques are important because they honor student organizations that are not normally recognized on campus. Campus athletic events tend to overshadow other events, but everyone needs to be recognized, he said.

Marian Moore Sims, UK Board of Trustees member and keynote speaker yesterday, agreed that less-visible students should be recognized more often.

"Volunteerism is a work of love, and you do it out of sure sacrifice," she said.

Wilson: Cuts may affect medical students

Future doctors may practice outside Kentucky, dean says

By Jeff Vinson
Staff Writer

Medicaid fee cuts should have no direct impact on health services for UK students, UK College of Medicine Dean Emory Wilson said.

But the cuts could indirectly influence medical students' decisions about whether to practice medicine in Kentucky.

Last year's Kentucky Legislature, along with Gov. Brereton Jones and the Cabinet for Human

Resources, approved a \$52 million-a-year reduction in Medicaid fees paid to physicians statewide.

Both UK and the University of Louisville expect to lose about 40 percent of their Medicaid payments.

The payments are used at UK to reimburse physicians and support education, Wilson said.

"We will have to look at ways to be more cost effective," Wilson said.

He said that two or three years ago the school was able to handle a 13 percent cut, but this time it is different.

"We have so many specialties and technologies ... we take a major hit," Wilson said.

The medical school cannot handle a 20 percent reduction without reducing staff, he said. Although some programs may be cut to help absorb the Medicaid reductions, University Health Services and the residency programs for medical students should be spared, he said.

Student health services are funded by student health fees,

which are included in the overall tuition costs for attending UK.

While direct student impacts will be limited, some UK medical students say they think there could be adverse impacts on them indirectly.

Paula Hartzell, a fourth-year medical student, said she plans to practice medicine in rural regions of Kentucky, but recent legislative actions have forced her to rethink that decision.

"At the end of my residency training, I will have to

see if it will be feasible to practice medicine in rural areas," she said.

Because many people in rural areas rely on Medicaid and Medicare, the cost of treating such patients would hurt physicians if cuts continue, Hartzell said.

Others like fourth-year medical student Hans Noffsinger think that physicians are being "unfairly" singled out to bear the brunt of health care reform.

The 1994 General Assembly

approved the "provider tax," which taxes the gross revenues of hospitals, doctors and other health-care providers.

The provider tax exists only in Kentucky and West Virginia. Noffsinger said he thinks Jones is hypocritical for pushing health-care reform while the state has a low tax on cigarettes.

He said he thinks cuts would cause set backs in technological advances, which could provide people with future health benefits. Many residents are considering practicing outside Kentucky because of what Noffsinger calls "inhospitable" attitudes toward physicians in the state.

"It's not very inviting," he said.



Wilson

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Paula Hartzell
Fourth-year medical student

Library trying to ease search frustrations

By April Holland
Contributing Writer

Searching the stacks in Margaret I. King Library with a frustrated look on his face, history professor Philip Harling struggled to find the books he needed.

"Everything is so scattered," he said. With good reason, Margaret I. King Library officials acknowledge.

Library patrons still must search through stacks on six different levels and separated into two classification systems.

But the library's current effort for the Lexington Campus, Chandler Medical Center and the Community College System is to use more than \$200,000 to convert all of the books now in the Dewey Decimal system to the Library of Congress system.

The mass library conversion consists of changing five catalog cards each on 134,900 titles.

Librarian Nancy Lewis said the Congress system is better than the older Dewey technique because it assigns a call number to the book as it is needed. The Dewey system expects every book to fall into an outdated set of predetermined categories, she said, which is not convenient for the new types of books being produced today. Lewis said it is to "increase access" to users of the UK library and its branches, as well as all community colleges across the state.

Even library technician Rebecca Noonan said she sees a problem with the current organization. "We need someone self-reading all the time. We don't have the money to do it."

Shelf-reading is making sure books are in their proper places on

the shelves.

Conversion to the Congress system will wipe out all the manual card catalogs currently in the library and switch to the North-western On-line Technical Information System. NOTIS is the electronic card catalog that provides students, who simply type a keyword, author or title, the location and status of any book in the library.

Also linked by NOTIS will be Georgetown College and the Theological Seminary, Lewis said. "The new library will have the capability to have NOTIS terminals in all four corners of four floors," said Judy Sackett, associate director for facilities and planning.

The NOTIS terminals and the newly installed Ariel computer system for inter-library loan connects UK's library with nearly

every similar institution in the country. The conversion project should be completed in two years, Sackett said, which would be in time for the move to the new William T. Young Library. Paula Pope, a library spokeswoman, said the funds for the \$200,000 project were gathered by Vice President for Information Systems Gene Williams from money already set aside for such projects.

"Everything we do in the new library focuses on the patron, not on just taking care of the books," Pope said.

Most students do not even realize that NOTIS does not currently contain all library titles, Pope said, thus losing out on valuable sources. Community college students do not have access to the card catalogs in the library and also are not aware of all library titles.

Police say driver in weekend wreck was not drinking

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — The driver of a car in which four students were killed during the weekend had not been drinking, Kentucky State Police said.

Tests showed no alcohol in Timothy O. Sebree's blood or urine, said Greg Wolf, a detective at the Frankfort state police post.

Sebree, 27, is in serious condition at University of Louisville

Hospital, a nursing supervisor said.

The UK junior was the sole survivor of the Saturday accident on Interstate 64 just west of the Waddy exit in Shelby County.

Kevin Prenatt, 24, Jenny Stovall, 20; Christopher Gordon, 16; and Ross Kemper, 16, died of smoke inhalation, according to Shelby County Coroner Tommy Sampson.

Prenatt was to graduate in May

from Lexington Community College. Stovall attended UK, and Gordon and Kemper were students at Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School.

The group was returning to Lexington from a rave at the Grand theater in New Albany, Ind.

Sebree apparently fell asleep around 7 a.m., and the car hit a guardrail. "The indications are he just fell asleep," Wolf said.

The fuel tank was punctured on the underside by a guardrail support, and the car burst into flames. It is unusual, but not unheard of, for a tank to be punctured in an accident, Wolf said.

Sebree, his clothes on fire, was the only one able to get out of the car.

He extinguished the flames by rolling on the ground.

Wolf said state police haven't found any defects in the rented 1995 Ford Taurus but probably will hire a mechanic to examine it.

POLICE LOG	
Arrests by UK Police:	advises person unknown removed items not listed without permission.
Feb. 23	Feb. 23
▼ Alan C. Sanders, 19; 124 Pin Oak Drive, Lancaster, Ky.; possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.	▼ Possession of marijuana, less than eight ounces; C floor of Haggin Hall; suspect was found to be in possession of a green leafy substance thought to be marijuana.
▼ Michael A. Cesaria, 26; 35 Field Stone Drive, Syosic, N.Y.; disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.	Feb. 24
Complaints filed with UK Police:	▼ Theft by unlawful taking, more than \$300; 800 Rose St. by Chandler Medical Center; complainant said unknown suspects removed items not listed from locked office.
Feb. 18	Feb. 26
▼ Fourth-degree assault; University parking lot on Press Avenue; subject was chased by group of four to five unknown males in a minivan from LaserQuest at South Limestone Street and Bolivar Avenue to Press Avenue lot. Victim on bike was struck several times by rocks.	▼ Fourth-degree assault; complainant states unknown suspects assaulted him while he was walking behind the Thomas Hurt Morgan Biological Sciences Building.
▼ Theft by unlawful taking, more than \$300 (felony); Stadium Red Lot, vehicle damaged, items not listed removed.	Feb. 27
Feb. 21	▼ Theft by unlawful taking, more than \$300; Virginia Avenue G lot; complainant states unknown suspects broke out his rear windshield and removed his speakers.
▼ Theft by unlawful taking, more than \$300; Sports Center lot; complainant said unknown persons removed property not listed from vehicle by breaking out driver's side window.	▼ Terroristic threatening; 132 Seaton Center; suspect threatened to do harm to complainant.
▼ Theft by unlawful taking, more than \$300; Collegeview; complainant	

Compiled from UK Police reports.

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- Persons applying for the position who have not worked on the Kernel must provide a recommendation from previous employer, adviser, or both.

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- Must be enrolled full time on the UK Lexington campus during the term as editor.
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- Must have a minimum of one year's publications experience and be familiar with the operation of a daily newspaper.
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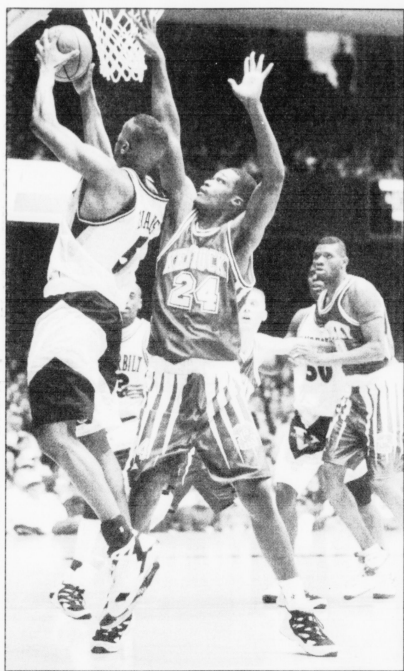
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SPORTS

UGA wants off tourney bubble

Dawgs gunning for 18th win, shot at NCAAs

By Brett Dawson
Sports Editor



JAMES CRISP/Kentucky Staff

UP AND AWAY UK's Antoine Walker tries to seal off the baseline against Vanderbilt's Malik Evans on Saturday. The Wildcats take on Georgia tonight in Athens.

They might as well post the sign in the UK locker room: Beware of Dawg.

Especially when he's on the bubble.

Though Rick Pitino downplayed it yesterday, when his fifth-ranked Wildcats (20-4, 12-2 Southeastern Conference) travel to Athens tonight, much hangs in the balance for the Georgia Bulldogs.

A win, and Georgia (17-7, 8-6) is virtually assured an NCAA Tournament bid.

A loss, and... well, to hear Pitino tell it, the Dawgs still are a virtual lock, provided they beat lowly Ole Miss this weekend.

"My personal opinion is that they're in the NCAA if they win one more game," Pitino said. "They've got to play Ole Miss at Ole Miss and Kentucky at home, and I think they've got a good shot at winning one of the two."

But Georgia still isn't a lock. A weak non-conference schedule and conference losses to UK, Arkansas and Mississippi State have left the Dawgs without a quality win.

Tonight is their opportunity.

UK isn't playing with its back to the NCAA Tourney wall, but the Cats do have a couple of stiff

motivators — their first SEC regular season crown since 1986 and a No. 1 seed when March Madness rolls around.

"I really want that SEC championship," UK center Andre Riddick said. "It's something that I've never done, and obviously nobody else on the team has either. I'm looking at it as something I won't get another chance to do."

"The No. 1 seed also is worth shooting for, especially for a crew of Cats so focused on a trip to this season's Final Four in Seattle."

"(The No. 1 seed) is a big, big deal," forward Rodrigue Rhodes said. "That's been my focus ever since my freshman year — getting back to the Final Four."

A win tonight would seal up a 3-0 finish in a trio of games that looked like a rather ominous road-block in the Cats' quest for a top seed — three in a row on the road, at Alabama, Vanderbilt and now Georgia.

Tonight's contest, Pitino said, will be the toughest of the three. "I say that because the other

UK vs. Georgia Tonight, 8, Georgia Coliseum, Athens.

UK (20-4, 12-2 SEC)

Probable Starters:	Pts.	Reb.
G Tony Deik	15.6	3.5
G Jeff Sheppard	8.8	2.3
C Andre Riddick	4.4	4.0
F Rodrigue Rhodes	13.5	3.5
F Walter McCarty	9.9	5.6
Reserves: Mark Pope, 6.0 ppg; Jared Prockett, 6.8; Antoine Walker, 6.5; Anthony Epps, 6.3; Chris Harrison, 2.6; Scott Padgett, 2.1; Cameron Mills, 1.7; Allen Edwards, 1.5.		

Georgia (17-7, 8-6)

Probable Starters:	Pts.	Reb.
G Kato Davis	10.9	3.2
G Pertha Robinson	6.6	4.0
C Charles Claxton	12.6	8.0
F Shandon Anderson	15.1	5.0
F Carlos Strong	14.6	9.8
Reserves: Ty Wilson, 8.6 ppg; Curtis Carrington, 4.8; Terrell Bell, 3.8; Steve Jones, 2.4; Brian Peterson, 2.0; L. Brown, 1.2; Kris Nordholz, 1.1.		

TV: Jefferson-Planet/Channel 27, live.

two are over with and we won," Pitino said, tongue in cheek.

On a more serious note, the UK coach pointed out UGA's recently improved front-court play.

Carlos Strong, a 6-foot-8 junior, has erupted in his past six games. During that stretch, Strong has averaged 21 points and 7 rebounds a game. That outburst has raised his scoring average to 14.6 points per game.

Add to that 7-foot center Charles Claxton, who not only averages more

than 12 points and 8 boards a game, but also leads the SEC in blocked shots with 87, and swing-man Shandon Anderson (13.1 points per game), and UGA is stacked up front.

"They're very similar to Alabama's frontcourt," Pitino said. "You've got to deal with that. Certainly they have people in the backcourt who are explosive as well and are capable of beating you on the perimeter."

Claxton, though something of an underachiever during his four years in Athens, has been able to give the Cats fits by pounding UK's thinner post players.

Keeping up with Claxton won't be any easier if the Cats can't keep Andre Riddick in the game. The senior center has been plagued by foul problems in recent games, seeing only 10 minutes of action against Vanderbilt on Saturday.

Though backup Mark Pope is seeing the bulk of the minutes — and has the physical bulk necessary to handle Claxton, Pitino wants to see...

"The minutes that he's playing, he's giving us great minutes," Pitino said. "I know he's capable of getting 14 points and 10 or 11 rebounds if he gets the minutes."

The major problem, Riddick said, is that he fouls by bracing himself for contact with a bruising center, like Claxton or Vandy's Chris Woods.

"With Woods, I would just get myself set for him to bang me, and then I'd avoid reaching in or slapping at him or something," Riddick said. "Claxton's even stronger, I'd say."

Claxton and the Georgia frontcourt gave the Cats fits last time the two teams met in Athens. Claxton tallied a double-double as UGA blitzed UK on the boards and won 94-90 in overtime.

As intense as the crowd was during that game, it should be even more so this time around.

Pitino said, thanks to the "carnival-type atmosphere" Georgia's status on the bubble will create. "But Rhodes said the Cats will have themselves just as psyched. "This game means even more to us than it does to them," Rhodes said, alluding to UK's quest for the No. 1 seed. "Our destiny's in our own hands."



UKstats

Team statistics

UK	Field Goal Percentage	Opponents
.448	.399	
.715	.705	
.369	.295	
84.7	66.8	
40.5	36.4	
14.3	13.5	
17.7	12.0	
15.2	21.5	
4.9	4.9	
10.3	6.9	

SCOUTING report

BACKCOURT

Although the frontcourt gets most of the ink, the Bulldogs' guards pack some punch as well. Kato Davis and Pertha Robinson have combined to make 39 three-point shots this season. UK continues to get solid play from shooting guard Tony Deik, who is averaging 18.1 points and 4.1 rebounds while hitting 41 percent of his three-point shots in Southeastern Conference games this season.

FRONTCOURT

Georgia's powerful combination of Carlos Strong, who has scored 30 points in two straight games, and Charles Claxton makes the Dawgs a force in the paint. UK would like to keep center Andre Riddick out of foul trouble, but backup Mark Pope is playing well, having scored double figures in three of his past four games.

BENCH

Backup point guard Anthony Epps has been spending plenty of time on the UK bench of late. Epps has played just 27 minutes in the past three games, while senior Chris Harrison has averaged 9 minutes per game over the past four games. Georgia's Ty Wilson has a team-high 49 three-pointers off the bench.

ETC.

Georgia's win over UK last season in Athens broke a seven-game losing streak to the Cats. The Dawgs have gone on to lose their next two to UK, both in Rupp Arena. Georgia probably needs a win against either UK tonight or at Ole Miss this weekend to ensure a trip to this season's NCAA Tournament. The Dawgs are among the Top 40 teams in most power rankings, including the Sagarin Ratings.

Deik

Strong

Epps

Harrison

Claxton



GEORGIAstats

Team statistics

Georgia	Field Goal Percentage	Opponents
.472	.413	
.653	.685	
.346	.377	
79.3	69.1	
41.1	34.7	
13.5	10.4	
16.8	13.8	
15.2	16.5	
5.9	3.5	
8.6	7.5	

Cats ready to swing into action against Murray State

By Jason Dattilo
Assistant Sports Editor

The sound of bass cracking and the smell of freshly cut outfield grass can only mean that it's college baseball time again in Lexington.

Actually the UK baseball squad already has played nine games, and today's clash with in-state rival Murray State at Cliff Hagan Stadium will mark the beginning of the Wildcats' home schedule.

The Cats start with so many road games because of the unfavorable weather conditions found in Lexington during late winter. Naturally, UK Coach Keith Madison is looking forward to

taking the field for today's 3 p.m. first pitch.

"We have a great place to play baseball," Madison said. "It will be nice to be playing in familiar surroundings and in front of our own fans."

After all, those long bus rides every weekend get old pretty fast.

"Those bus rides really take it out of you," UK outfielder Chad Green said. "It's always like 10 or 12 hours of just sitting there."

So far, the Cats' season has been nothing short of a wild roller coaster ride.

UK (5-4) won all of its games in last weekend's Service Academy Classic in Memphis, including an impressive 8-2 defeat of the University of Memphis. Wildcat DH Kevin Keown even walked away with tournament MVP honors after batting .345 and banging out two home-

UK vs. Murray St.

Today, 3 p.m., Cliff Hagan Stadium.

Records: UK 5-4, Murray St. 3-4.

Series: Murray St. leads 4-1.

runs. "It was a great honor, but that really important thing was that we got four great wins and got above .500 on the year," Keown said.

However, the previous weekend the Cats were swept in a three game series by South Alabama. In

those three games, the Cats were plagued by a lack of offense and were outscored 23-6 by the 19th ranked Jaguars.

"Inexperience has affected our club especially down in Mobile when we lost to South Alabama," Madison said. "It was a situation where the inexperience affected our confidence and the belief that we could jump-start from behind."

To stay above the magic .500 mark, the Cats will have to be successful in their ventures outside the rugged Southeastern Conference.

"Last year, we would did pretty well in the conference, but we lost a lot of games we should have won in the midweek," Green said.

"Murray is the type of team we need to beat to keep our record looking good."

Last year, the Wildcats exploded against the Racers for 21 runs while breaking the SEC record for most round trippers in a game with 9.

But this year's game should take on a drastically different look. Last year, the Cats had a lot of home runs against Murray last year," Madison said.

"The thing that we have to realize is that we are a different team, and we're not expecting to hit a lot of home runs this year."

This year, Madison said the Wildcats will look to manufacture runs with timely basehits and solid

baserunning. Madison also said the Racer defense will be vulnerable to an aggressive UK attack.

"We're going to have to compete in a totally different way against Murray this year."

But just because the Wildcats will be employing a new look doesn't mean Madison's squad is taking Murray (3-4) lightly. After all, the Racers swept a two-game series from North Alabama and nipped Alabama-Birmingham 5-4.

"We're not going to change are game plan just because they're an in-state school," Madison said. "We are going to compete against Murray just like we did against Georgia Southern and South Alabama."

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DiVersions

'Cowboys' is poor power pop

By Matt DeFoor
Senior Staff Critic

Cowboys and Aliens is pleasantly romantic, but as it has been said before, there are some poorly written love songs in this genre and what this band has to offer is no less bitter and grating to the ear than Michael Bolton rehashed slop.

If this is going to be a name-dropping fest then so be it; I couldn't find anything much more interesting with Kitchens of Distinction other than that they recalled some memories of other bands that I wished I was listening to.

This mix of power-pop-cum-sweet-guitar-noise is due in part to the popularity of the London Suede, Blur and countless others from the Manchester scene that has proved itself a bane to all decent music.

Let's not be confused by our own misdeeds.

To say that power pop is any-

thing other than what Kitchens of Distinction serve up in its confectio-nary sugar world would be to say that Green Day embodies whatever it was that punk boasted it was.

No, I suppose we should all feel guilty of perpetuating the band's brand of pop guitar clutter, but not to this horrid extent.

The album opens with "Sand on Fire," a song saturated with Julian Swales' wailing guitar as well as cryptic messages.

Patrick Fitzgerald sings, "When we were young we were prayerful and prudish/Now we are wise we're waiting on fire."

Lead singer Patrick Fitzgerald's voice is ethereal and angelic at best, but the band still lacks the bitter taste of classic

love-gone-wrong scenarios, and the guitar licks are less vitriolic than a benign Kathy Lee Gifford howling the "Star Bangled Banner."

The underlying background music is ripe with melodies that are reminiscent of Peter Gabriel circa *Us* or the keyboard-heavy latest from Brian Eno.

The title track is a displaced track that brings to mind the cosmic/alien oriented *Gold Moon Fix* from The Church several years ago.

Guitar driven, Fitzgerald's usual chime becomes breathy as he tries to match the urgency of the demanding tempo.

Swales' guitar gui-voice is strained as the tale additions indicate the lifestyle that Eitelz used to lead.

MUSICreview

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'Cowboys and Aliens'
Kitchens of Distinction
(A&M Records)

RATINGS
★★★★ Excellent
★★★★ Good
★★★ Fair
★ Poor

Berry fights way to dramatic role

Associated Press

Halle Berry should be used to it by now.

Up for the part of a crackhead who leaves her infant in the garbage then later fights to reclaim him, the beauty found herself in a familiar situation, forced to convince serious skeptics that she is no cupcake.

The creative people behind the movie "Losing Isaiah" were on her side, but the studio suits with the last word had their doubts.

"Paramount thought, 'What are you nuts?'" Berry recalled with a grin recently, taking tiny sips of Evian in a sunny Manhattan hotel suite.

Over oh so delicate bones, the actress is wearing black boots, thigh-highs and shorts, a smart silk jacket and shimmering cream-colored blouse closed with a single button.

Her short, superhigh slick-down hair looks as if it's drawn on her head.

Finding quality acting jobs always has meant making people look beyond her stunning physical perfection, to believe in her acting abilities.

For "Losing Isaiah," it meant getting downright ugly.

"I had to prove that I could do that," she says, bright eyes blazing. "It was my job to say, 'See, I can shed all this, I can get down and dirty, I can be a real person.'"

It was the same thing when she was cast to play a scheming crack freak in "Jungle Fever." She had to pass a last minute follow-up screen test to hold onto the part

that she wound up handling with convincing realism.

She only got a chance at the lead in "Queen" by inviting herself to audition, and by agreeing to cover her own expenses for the trip. She even offered to pay the film crew, but that wasn't necessary.

She won the role, her dramatic breakthrough.

But that was television. "Losing Isaiah" meant the big screen. And her most notable role after "Queen" was a cartoonish sex kitten in "The Flintstones." Not a real credibility builder.

The worry at Paramount Pictures was that Berry might not be up to the challenges of the film's meaty script, not to mention the pressure of co-starring with Hollywood heavyweight Jessica Lange.

So for her audition, she did the film's most demanding scene dozens of times, working her emotions — especially her tear ducts — to the breaking point.

"When I screen-tested I had to be rushed to the hospital because I did the scene, no kidding, probably 40 or 50 times," said Berry.

The scene called for the recovering Khaila to tell for the first time, during a remedial reading lesson dealigned with motherhood, how she left her baby in the trash while getting high.

"On the last take I was like, 'Guys, something's wrong,'" she says. "I couldn't close my eyes. There was so much pain."

The diagnosis: scratched corneas from repeated applications of Visine to clear bloodshot

eyes between extended on-camera crying jags.

The condition took a few days to heal up, but her determination paid off.

They couldn't break her. She was dazzling. She got the part.

And in the final product, the soul-baring scene is one of the film's best.

"Losing Isaiah," which opens March 17, tells the story of Khaila's fight to regain custody of the boy she thought had died in the winter cold.

But the crack-addicted infant has been adopted by a white family.

By the time Khaila re-enters the picture a few years later, Lange is the only mother the boy knows.

Working with the Academy Award-winning Lange, who is a best-actress nominee this year, meant Berry had to deal with conflicting emotions.

"I was inspired because I thought, 'Hey, I'm starring opposite Jessica Lange.' I was really excited," Berry said.

"And then I sort of, like, scared to death because I thought, 'OK, I have to hold my own with her in this movie, and that's going to be very hard to do.' But I think that fear fueled me."

The cinematic legal battle centers on the widely held belief that black children are automatically better off with black parents, an

argument that doesn't hold much water with Berry, whose mother is white.

"Being raised by a white woman and being very black, I personally don't think it matters if white parents who have black children make an effort to educate them about their history and culture, make them feel comfortable in their own skin," she said.

The theme of abandonment held a special resonance for Berry, 26, whose father ran out on the family when she was 4, roughly the same age as Isaiah when Khaila returns to claim him.

She said she has recurring nightmares about unremembered departures.

"I dream that somebody's leaving me," she says. "Sometimes it's my husband."

But Berry's hubby David Justice, the Atlanta Braves star sidelined by the baseball strike, isn't going anywhere — until there is a settlement.

Ditto for everyone else in Berry's life, especially the pups.

Maybe it's Hollywood Berry truly fears will turn its back on her.

Maybe that's why she's unlikely to ever let that happen.

"That's the thrill of it all, being the underdog for a while, then you win, and you win big," she says. "You conquer something, and it's such a rush."

It was my job to say 'See, I can shed all this, I can get down and dirty, I can be a real person.'

Halle Berry
Actress, on her recent work in the lead role of film "Losing Isaiah."

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Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You could've sworn you failed that test, but when the professor hands them back, he smiles at you and says, "I can't remember the last time I read such a thoughtful, well-written, well-organized essay. You obviously understand everything about this subject; I'll give you an A and you can skip the rest of the tests."

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) You discover a wallet filled with \$5,000. You phone the owner, who is so impressed by your honesty that he lets you keep the money.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You get pulled over for doing 120 in a 35-mph zone, but right as the cop is about to issue you a ticket, he is gunned down by religious extremists. Lucky you.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You befriend a homeless puppy and take it home with you. The joy you feel for having rescued this

defenseless little angel and the affection you receive from it raises your spirits and restores your belief in the power of love.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) A thief approaches you on a dark street, pulls a gun and demands all of your money. You look at him, flash that winning smile of yours, and he is immediately overcome with the good feelings pouring forth from you. He apologizes for his rudeness, gives you a big hug and strolls away singing "Keep On Lovin' You."

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) At the end of the meal, you discover you're short on cash, but the waiter smatches the check away from you and says, "Hey, you've been such a pleasant person to serve that the food's on me. Have a swell day!"

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Concert to combine strings, voices

By Claire Johnston
Assistant Arts Editor

The UK School of Music will present the music of Haydn and Dvorak in the Otis A. Singletary Center for the Arts concert hall at 8 p.m. tomorrow.

The free concert will feature Jefferson Johnson, director of the UK choral groups, conducting his choir in Haydn's "Lord Nelson Mass," written by Haydn in the short span of 53 days.

Originally titled "Missa in angustis," best translated to "Mass in Time of Fear," was interpreted by the British as a victory song for Nelson's defeat of Napoleon's French fleet 1798.

It is doubted whether the piece was a patriotic homage to Nelson, but it is heralded as the most popular of Haydn's 12 masses.

The 18th century score combines three trumpet parts, timpani, solo organ, strings and vocal parts. "This is fabulous music and student musicians, people should

come out to see their peers," Johnson said.

Choir member and voice senior Lauren Robbins attributes low attendance of past orchestral and choral performances to material.

"This piece is more of a popular classic that is received well, a lot of classical pieces cannot say that," Robbins said.

Choir member Jay Boyd, a history graduate student, describes the appeal of "Lord Nelson Mass" as primal.

"It's macho. It is the excitement of Nelson's victorious fleet."

The Dvorak piece, "Cello Concerto," will be conducted by Phillip Miller, director of orchestra in the School of Music.

Featured in the Dvorak concerto is cello graduate student Craig Trumpeter.

Trumpeter won the School of Music's concerto competition last fall. By winning, he was granted a solo performance.

Performing the same concerto with which he won the competition eased the pressure for Trum-



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SINGING VIOLIN English senior Amy Abernathy rehearsed yesterday.

per. "This was the most familiar piece to me. It is an old piece that I have memorized," he said.

Because Trumpeter has the "Cello Concerto" memorized, he plays without sheet music and the depth of music is heightened by his freedom.

"I love to make music. I have played since I was 11," he said.

"I am more nervous about the number of people on stage with me, rather than the number of

people in the audience," he said. Conductor Phil Miller explained the Dvorak piece.

"It is better than his operas. The length is a little long, but it is his best piece," Miller said.

"It would be important for people to see this because we live in an age of technological orientation. This concert is like a museum piece — a classical piece of art in the music genre that has survived, reaches out in the audience."



LOOKING AHEAD

The UK Orchestra and Choir will perform Haydn and Dvorak concertos tomorrow, a free event, at the Otis A. Singletary Center for the Arts at 8 p.m.

Variety underway with juggling act

By Carrie Morrison
Arts Editor

What must be heavier than an ounce, lighter than 10 pounds and no bigger than a bread box?

Anything — that is, any seemingly impossible object with which the audience at the Opera House tonight wishes to challenge juggler Ivan Karamazov. The champion juggler of "The Flying Karamazov Brothers" will perform the feat tonight in "Club Sandwich" as part of the Variety Live! at the Opera House series. The series begins with the Karamazov jugglers and includes three other acts through May 4.

Dick Parly, director of Variety Live! at the Opera House, said "Club Sandwich" is "madcap, cerebral, slapstick."

"Somebody once said that saying these guys are just jugglers is

like saying W.C. Fields is just a juggler," Parly said.

"Club Sandwich" is the story of four millionaire Yale graduates who are on a quest to find the juggling clubs of the Pharaohs, which are said to have magic powers. The show is a parody of movies from the '30s, involving physical comedy, music, juggling and word play.

"They have wit and some puns that are absolute groaners," Parly said. "They are highly accomplished, very high comedy theatre."

The Karamazov Brothers co-starred with Kathleen Turner and radio stations. It continues with

Michael Douglas in "The Jewel of the Nile." They also have appeared on NBC's "Today," CBS "This Morning" and starred in their own show on Showtime.

"In almost every market they've ever played, it starts slow," Parly said of the Karamazovs' unconventional entertainment. "But they get introduced into the market and they grow. They get re-engaged, and audiences becomes eager to see them."

"The Variety Live! series is being sponsored by the Lexington Herald-Leader as well as several local and radio stations. It continues with



LOOKING AHEAD

"The Flying Karamazov Brothers" will be at the Opera House tonight at 8. Tickets are \$22 and \$13. Call 233-4567 for more information.

BEST books

The following is a list of the top ten bestselling books on college campuses.

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- 2. Disclosure**, by Michael Crichton. (Ballantine, \$6.99.) Sexual harassment in a West Coast electronics firm.
- 3. The Shipping News**, by E. Annie Proulx. (Touchstone, \$12.00.) Newspaperman returns to his

childhood home after death of his wife.

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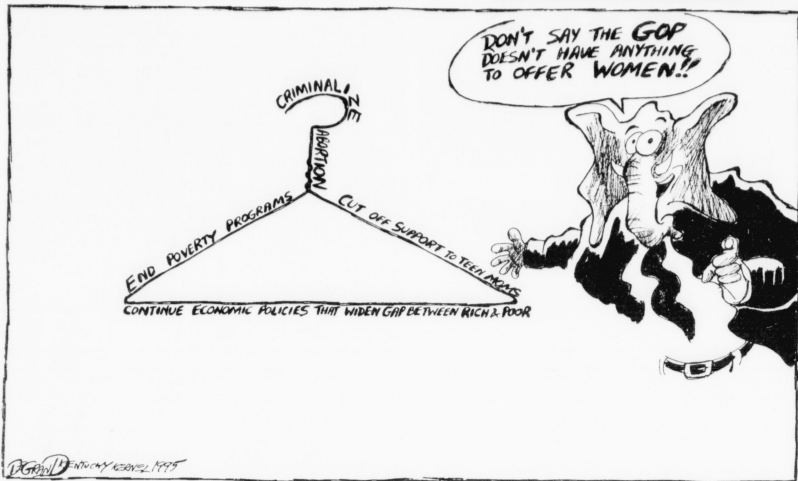
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Viewpoint



Military spending vital to well-being of troops' morale

Defense issues tend to fall by the wayside during peacetime, especially a peacetime with so much domestic unrest. It's understandable that with all the ruckus over crime, welfare and our corrupt government, we have turned a blind eye to our servicemen and women involved in remote and virtually unpublicized peacekeeping missions.

Navy personnel are not maintaining the standard 12- to 18-month respite between six-month deployments away from home. At the same time, military pay is down to 12.8 percent below comparable civilian levels.

We send them overseas to serve under the United Nations in peacekeeping missions, often short on ammunition and other essentials, while their work could not care less and is often unappreciated by the native beneficiaries and where they risk being slaughtered by warring clans who don't want our involvement.

Back at home there are no patriotic battle cries or CNN coverage; just a public who couldn't care less and a foolish administration ignorant of the pitfalls of imperial overstretch — spreading our global forces too thin without any reinforcement.

Cpl. Brandon Blicik of the 82nd Airborne, currently on a six-month tour of duty in Egypt, says in a letter to any UK students interested:

"Currently our squad is assigned to a lonely and remote outpost. Days here are long, slow, and monotonous. We have no TV, radio, etc., so there is little here to break up the routine. I'm asking that if you find the time, please send me some mail. It does not have to be much. I love to write, and it seems I have plenty of time to do it. I would love to have a 'pen-pal,' if that is what you want to call it, and I honestly believe it would make life here more enjoyable. Mail is vital to a soldier's morale, especially when he/she is as isolated as me.

Cpl. Brandon Blicik
US Bart, TF 4-505 (Boo)
Unit # 31530
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Letters like this are very common, but rarely do they get any attention.

My intention here is not to raise awareness for some bleeding-heart do-gooder crusade. But for those who still think morale isn't all that important, I must reluctantly remind you that the first American death in Haiti was not from enemy fire, but from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Assistant Editorial Editor Matt Felice is a telecommunications sophomore.

Defense spending is about people — both in and out of uniform. It is a taxpayer investment not only essential to our survival as a nation, but also yielding high pay-offs as well. The same cannot be said of welfare or any such government entitlement program.

G.I. Joe defends the country, provides disaster relief and helps the economy. What does Welfare Mom do?

If you want to talk about societal safety nets, remember that mobilization for World War II — not the New Deal — is what brought us out of the Depression.

We owe a lot to our armed forces, and denying that is irresponsible and ignorant, if not treasonous.

Especially during a time when we ask them to do so much for so little. Currently, according to legislative documents, Marine and

Naval personnel are not maintaining the standard 12- to 18-month respite between six-month deployments away from home. At the same time, military pay is down to 12.8 percent below comparable civilian levels.

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Looking for leaders

Students eager to represent their counterparts in the Student Government Association will blitzkrieg the SGA office today in a last-minute dash to file for candidacy.

No one will argue that serious changes need to be made, and leaders who are willing to do what is right, in the interest of students, need to step forth and make their intentions known.

While it seems every year candidates promise the world but offer very little when in office, we have a few ideas of what qualities we would like to see in next year's president, vice president and senators.

▼We want people who can get SGA spending under control. Funding the wine-tasters club to take a jaunt to France so they may partake in the fine spirits of that country has got to stop.

Pitching cash at any group that claims to have a worthwhile conference to attend is not only monumentally wasteful, but also insulting to the student body. It does nothing to benefit more than a small, select group of students and usually ends up being little more than street-money for support given to candi-

dates during the previous election.

▼We also want people who are not lazy. Too much of this exists in SGA now. Along with restraining spending, the new leaders must come up with worthwhile programs that benefit students and find ways to improve upon existing programs. This takes something called "effort" — a dirty word around the SGA office these days.

▼A small, but essential, quality we want in next year's leaders is a strong background in mathematics. As was apparent from the defunct T.A. Jones presidency and his boo-boo with the T-shirt sales, many in SGA need to brush up on their arithmetic.

▼Finally, we want zeal in the protection of students' interests. Some in this year's group actually had this right when they organized an impressive protest (turned mini-riot) of rising tuition costs.

With a renewal of members in the organization, we are optimistic that SGA really can become a respectable organization again.

We hope so — for the students' sake.

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READERS' forum

Some basic math will help Felice get that diploma

To the editor:

I would like to reply to Assistant Editorial Editor Matt Felice's column, titled "University failing to give students proper education," in the Feb. 23 edition of the Kentucky Kernel.

In this column he notes that "advisers neglect to provide you important information that would save you money, like the simple fact that there's no way in hell you can graduate in four years if you take anything less than 25 credit hours a semester, every semester, unless you attend summer classes."

I'm so sorry to hear this. Let me try to help.

Step 1: UK has three semesters — fall, spring and summer. Exclude summers?

OK. Three minus one equals

two semesters per year. Step 2: You want to graduate in four years?

Hmm ... four years, two semesters per year ... wait! Four times two equals eight! Ergo, you have eight semesters in which to accumulate enough credit hours to graduate.

Step 3: UK requires a minimum of 120 credit hours to graduate. (This information recently has been declassified.) So now we have a word problem: Matt needs to accumulate 120 credit hours to graduate and he has eight semesters in which to do it.

How many credit hours must he take each semester?

Let's see, 120 credit hours divided by eight semesters equals 15 credit hours per semester!

I hope this has been of assistance to you.

As well, I'd like to express my regrets that the University has failed to "give" you a proper education.

David A. Carnes
Second-year law student

Marijuana could help AIDS victims

To the editor:

The increase in the diversity of those infected with AIDS has brought to the attention of society the need to help all maintain a uniform life.

Dr. Lester Grinspoon, the world's leading authority on marijuana as a medicine, an associate professor at Harvard Medical School and author or editor of 15 books, leaves no doubt that marijuana's active ingredient, consumed in its herbal form, is therapeutic for a wide range of ailments.

He testified that synthetic marijuana, marketed under the name Marinol, has certain applications, and the accessibility of marijuana in its herbal form is necessary for several reasons including its relatively cheap cost of production.

Dr. John Morgan, professor of pharmacology at the City University of New York Medical School and associate professor of Medicine at the Mt. Sinai Medical School has written dozens of articles on the pharmacology of various drugs and their therapeutic

Danny Pigman
Former UK student

Black women should avoid buying into beauty myth

I've developed a new nervous habit due in part to the stress of upcoming midterms — twisting my hair.

For a long time, I had been having my hair braided — a technique using synthetic hair as a "filler" to make one's hair thicker and longer. Well, recently all of that changed. I took my braids out and decided to deadlock my hair.

It's funny really. I stuck my fingers into my hair one day and it was incredible. I loved it — it was thick and springy like cotton and I just couldn't stop touching it. I tried to think back, and I could not remember when I had touched a head full of my own natural hair unpermed and unpressed.

For those who may not understand, many African-American women put chemicals in their hair to make it straight. Something similar to the curly perms that

Caucasian women get to make their hair curly. I say, why do it? The pivotal point in my decision to "go natural" came while watching MTV.

Yes, it's sad but true: Sometimes I manage to drag myself away from my studies for a minute or two to veg-out completely in front of the TV. I noticed that all of the black female performers in rotation were kind of morphed in different ways, as if to appear more "Euro."

Check out Salt n' Pepa in the video for "Whatta Man." Every woman in that video has light bleached themselves, morphing them into a color 10 shades lighter than they really are. Their makeup has "softened" their features; their hair is as straight as a Baptist preacher. It's like, OK ... where's the "Peppa?"

If they all don't look redboned, I don't know who does.

It seems that the mainstream media ignores the "Peppa" beauty in African-American women. This makes our young sisters and daughters, mothers and even ourselves believe that lighter is better, straight is beautiful. Why?

Because we buy into several different lies, the biggest being that African-American features are not beautiful. The second being that we can purchase long, luxurious, straight hair in a box. The third being that these things along with other beauty products are a necessity.

I think that the African-American community could do so many good things for ourselves if we

redirected all of the money that women spend on trying to make themselves look white and just let go.

Yeah, yeah, this all sounds, like, so easy, right?

Wrong. Dreading your hair is a humbling experience. It is letting go of a history of sorts.

My mother is mulatto. Her hair is considered fine and even she relaxes her hair anyway — she doesn't need to. I remember getting our hair done together. It was a bonding experience. And if there wasn't anything else in the closet, there always was half a jar of "dark and lovely."

However, practically everyone relaxes their hair for a reason — a very good one. African-Americans have been "Euro-morphing" themselves since the first African came to America. Europeans acted

as if their ways were better, their idea of beauty superior. The idea that kinky hair is considered by most (even in the African-American community) unattractive was the biggest hurdle to overcome. However, now that I am on the other side I think the grass is somewhat greener.

I spend very little time and money on my hair. I buy shampoo and conditioner. I can't wash it now because I have to wait until it dreads, but in two or three weeks, I can wash it as often as I want. I know that the people I meet are interested in me not because I am a Euro-morph, these friends are people who enjoy the reality of my African heritage and truly celebrate diversity.

It's very sad, but they've convinced most of the African-American community of this beauty

standard. How many of us are attracted to light-skinned people? How many light-skinned blacks and mulattos become soap stars and movie stars and commercial stars. Now consider how many African-American actresses have reached this status with kinky hair and more African features. "Uh, Whoopi Goldberg ... uh ... uh." They are few in number.

It is a sad fact that America does not recognize us as beautiful, but we must start by seeing it ourselves. That means all women, not just African-Americans.

I think we chase after this beauty that isn't really there, and even if we believe that we've somehow grasped it or embodied it, the fashion season changes or we get old.

Contributing Columnist Nyeneveh Kieh is a communication disorders freshman.

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Students, faculty Speak Out at POT about racism

By David Turner
Staff Writer

Nearly 30 UK students and faculty discussed their opinions about the effects of racism on the community in the city's final session of Speak Out Lexington.

Acting as moderator for the UK meeting held in Patterson Office Tower, computing center employee Larry Johnson asked the crowd members to be themselves and speak their minds.

"Don't worry about what the person sitting next to you thinks. Don't worry about how aggressive someone is being. If you have something to say, then say it," Johnson said.

Most of the recommendations offered by the group centered around simple human kindness.

"I try to go out of my way to speak to someone who is non-white in the classroom," said Leigh Kidwell, a psychology junior.

"What affects others affects me," said Jonathan Lair, a political science senior.

Others spoke about the necessity of taking the first step in bridging racial gaps.

"I have been trying to make it a practice of encouraging people of good will but who are fearful of being misconceived," said Jerry Stevens, a UK academic adviser. "Don't be in fear of being rejected for being kind to other people."

Some participants suggested people should just try to spend more time with others of different backgrounds.

"Actually spend some time with someone different from yourself," said John Pica, an associate director of student services for the Col-

lege of Arts and Sciences. Opinions were voiced about the cultural pressures placed on non-white ethnic groups.

"Black people as a group are more aware of how they are portrayed in the media," second-year medical student Marty Johnson said.

"There are people of color who feel peer pressure to stay within a rather limited social group," Stevens said.

Johnson asked seven questions that provided the raw material for two hours of discussion.

The community forum is in its fourth year. Recently, the forum has been experiencing a tremendous amount of growth as well as substantial increased public inter-

est, said Johnson, who is a member of the Speak Out planning board.

"Last year we held 26 sessions ... This year we have already had over 145 meetings," he said.

He attributes much of the increased interest to last fall's controversy over the shooting death of Antonio Sullivan.

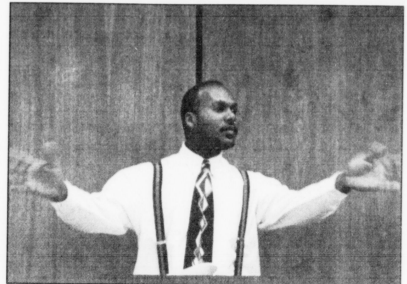
Speak Out participants discuss the issues and implications raised by a series of questions asked by an impartial moderator.

For example, "How do racial and other divisions harm our community?" or "What are you doing to heal racial negatives?"

Response to these questions varies according to the composition of the audience.

"A group of poor, predominantly black people will have very different opinions and ideas from middle-class white people," Johnson said.

A report detailing the Speak



SPEAK YOUR PEACE Larry Johnson leads discussion yesterday at the Speak Out session at Patterson Office Tower.

Out discussion will be made available on request to any one who is interested in receiving a copy. The report will be compiled by

Mayor Pam Miller's office. "It will be given to anyone to whom it might be helpful," Johnson said.

Allied Health official Sverer dies

Staff report

James D. Sverer, director of administration for UK's College of Allied Health Professions, died Friday at the Tanbark Health Care Center in Lexington. He was 63.

In addition to his position as professor of health administration, Sverer held joint positions at UK's Martin School of Public Policy and Administration and the College of Pharmacy.

"Jim was a pioneer in the field of applying financial management techniques to hospital and other health-care institutions," said Richard Furst, dean of the College of Business and Economics. "Personally, I have known him for 25 years, and ... I never heard him say one bad thing about anyone."

Sverer made many contributions during his academic and health-care career at UK. Dean of the College of Allied Health Professions Thomas Robinson said Sverer was a "major figure in the discipline of health administration. I'm just sorry that we could not have had him with us longer." Sverer was chairman of the

Association of University Programs in Health Administration in 1990.

He was a member of the Board of Examiners of the Health Care Financial Management Association and had served on the executive committee of the Health Administration Division of the Academy of Management.

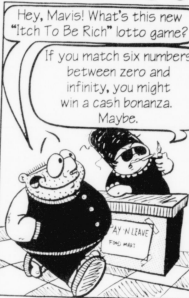
Sverer, a Virginia native, spent 26 years in the Air Force and retired as colonel in 1975. After enlisting as private, Sverer received commission through Officer Candidate School in 1955. He eventually became a B-52 navigator and taught at the Air Force Academy and National War College.

For his service in the Vietnam War, Sverer received the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Bronze Star.

"Jim Sverer was a wonderful colleague to all of us, and this is a real loss both in academic and practice," said Thomas Dolan, president and chief executive officer for The American College of Health Care Executives.

Sverer is survived by his wife, Jean C. Cooper of Lexington; two sons and a daughter.

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| 1/2 stick butter | 1 tsp pepper |
| 1 tsp Worcestershire (if you like) | 1 tsp salt |

Cook macaroni in 5 cups salted, boiling water for 15 minutes or until al dente. Drain. In a separate pot, melt butter and mix in flour over low heat. Then, stir in milk until smooth. Add cheese, salt, pepper and Worcestershire. Stir well. Smother macaroni. Serves 4.



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Bicycle Questionnaire

The UK Bicycle Committee is preparing policy recommendations to submit to the Lexington Chancellor and is looking for feedback from the University community prior to making recommendations. WE NEED YOUR OPINIONS AND IDEAS!! All interested parties are urged to complete the appropriate portion of the following questionnaire:

- Bicyclists:** Faculty/Staff Student
- How often do you ride a bicycle on campus?
Daily Weekly Monthly Never
 - How difficult is it for you to ride safely among pedestrians?
Very Difficult Somewhat Difficult Fairly Easy Very Easy
 - How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statement:
Bike safety needs to be improved on campus.
Strongly Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree
 - Have you ever had a near miss or hit someone when riding your bike on campus? Yes No
If yes, has this happened since the start of this school year? Yes No

- Pedestrians:**
- How difficult is it for you to walk safely among bicyclists on campus?
Very Difficult Somewhat Difficult Fairly Easy Very Easy
 - Have you ever had a near miss or been hit by a bicyclist while on campus? Yes No
If yes, has this happened since the start of the school year? Yes No
 - How strongly do you agree or disagree with the following statement:
Bike safety needs to be improved on campus.
Strongly Agree Somewhat Agree Somewhat Disagree Strongly Disagree

List any other ideas or comments you would like the committee to consider:

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