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Students 'call-in' for AIDS policy reform

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Students who passed the W.T. Young Library at any point yesterday would have noticed many small flags arranged to form a giant ribbon in front of the building.

But students might not have known the flags represented the 7,500 people who die from AIDS every day according to the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS.

UK's chapter of the International

Federation of Medical Students' Associations placed the flags and held a call-in yesterday, allowing students to call the White House or the Washington office of Rep. Ben Chandler, D-Ky., in support of an act that would fund contraceptive methods that help prevent AIDS and HIV.

If passed, the Protection Against Transmission of HIV for Women and Youth Act would take one-third of the money used to combat the global AIDS epidemic and use it to promote contraceptives and safe sex as a preventative

measure against AIDS in the United States. The money is currently used to promote abstinence as the primary preventative method.

Hospitality management and tourism junior Lindsey Fields was one of the 300 to 400 people who made calls to Chandler's office yesterday. Fields said the current AIDS plan is failing.

"I feel that abstinence does not really work; it didn't work in my high school," Fields said. "Hopefully, they will see people are concerned about it

and it will work."

The current abstinence-only program, the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, has not been working, said Joey Owen, president of UK's IFMSA chapter and a second-year medical student. He added that it has been consuming a substantial percentage of the funding provided to fight the AIDS epidemic.

The U.S. government allocates \$15 billion to fight AIDS around the world, and a third of that money promotes prevention in America focusing on absti-

nence. The current government plan disapproves of safe sex and contraception as a preventative measure.

"They take one-third of the money and give it to a program that does not work," said Ryan Brown, a first-year medical student.

IFMSA is hoping that the proposed act will be passed to spend those funds on contraception and safe sex.

"PATHWAY (the proposed act) is an amendment to amend the previous act in order to direct the one-third of

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Matt Davis, a sophomore elementary education major, offers a free hug to other members of the free hug group yesterday in front of the Student Center.

HUGS for the holidays

After watching a video on YouTube.com, elementary education sophomore Matt Davis of the coed service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega set out to spread warmth on campus. Members of the fraternity gathered near the Student Center patio yesterday afternoon to give out free hugs to passing students as part of a national "free hugs" campaign. Davis decided to use the campaign as a fundraising tool to try to get students to buy cups of hot chocolate nearby. "We used it to attract people and spread campus love," Davis said. "Whether or not we give them a hug they leave smiling. Everyone needs a hug especially now with the holidays."



Kate Cosgrove, a secondary education social studies senior, gives Earl Rhinehimer, a UK grounds crew member of 7 years, a hug on free hug day yesterday.

SG wants more tuition discussion

By Blair Thomas
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Student Government wants to discuss the concerns that different colleges and professional programs have with tuition increases.

The Operations and Evaluations Committee saw the first resolution pertaining to those concerns at last night's meeting from College of Medicine Sen. Justin Rasner regarding next year's probable tuition increase.

"The cost of medical school is a national problem," Rasner said. "It is something that everyone entering this profession has to deal with and a contributing factor in whether or not they decide to pursue medicine as a career and where they work after they graduate."

If passed at next week's senate meeting, Rasner plans to give the resolution to Provost Kumble Subbaswamy. "We are not unrealistic," Rasner said. "I don't expect for my tuition to not increase next year, but I think it is important to look ahead to the future and address the financial situation that incoming students will have to face."

The resolution asks the UK administration to "eliminate the across the board policy of tuition increases in order to decrease the progression of financial burden for medical students."

UK's Top 20 Business Plan calls for this "across the board" or equal percentage increase for every academic program of annual tuition.

"Right now, the cost of one year of medical school is over \$20,000 for residents and over \$40,000 for out of state students," Rasner said. "There is no question that UK is still a good deal when compared to other medical school programs but it still presents a huge financial burden."

SG wants to see resolutions like this one from other colleges.

"I am a little concerned that this resolution is showing our concern for one college over another," said at-large Sen. Tyler Montell. "But I hope that we can offer this to other college senators as an issue that Student Government wants brought to the attention of the administration. Other colleges may view education differently than the college of medicine, but all college students share the same concerns about increasing tuition."

O&E Chairman Sam Gaines expects to see other college senators following Rasner's lead. "This was an extremely well-researched resolution and I hope that we see more like it," Gaines said. "We want the administration to know that Student Government supports this concern of the students."

The expansions of the senate, which has been discussed for several weeks, will not be voted on at next week's senate meeting, said Senate President Brent Burchett. He wants to have more student feedback before the act is brought to a vote. Burchett said the senate expansion and other legislation will be discussed during the upcoming winter break. "The senators will be meeting during the first week of January for a work-day where we will iron out the problems with resolutions regarding expanding the Student Government senate and how to address election violations," Burchett said. "These are very important issues and we want to make sure we have discussed and debated them thoroughly before we bring them up for a vote."

Ribbons raise awareness about violence against women

By Evan Israel
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To the student group MAVAR@UK, one statistic says it all: 36.5 percent.

That is the percentage of women on campus who are sexually assaulted, physically assaulted or stalked during their time at UK, according to a 2004 survey done by UK's Center for Research on Violence Against Women.

Men Against Violence and Rape at UK (MAVAR@UK) have distributed flyers and white ribbons on

campus this week as part of their "White Ribbon Campaign" to raise awareness and help prevent violence and rape in the UK community.

Group members asked each person who took a ribbon to wear it as a pledge to stand against violence and rape in the UK community. So far this week, approximately 500 people have taken ribbons, said group member Brad Kelly.

Kelly said the reasons behind the group's campaign are twofold. "We're trying to promote the group and our cause at the same

time," Kelly said.

The group holds bi-monthly meetings, in which approximately 15 to 20 men typically attend, but Kelly said the group needs more members to promote greater awareness about the issues faced by women on campus.

"It's (awareness) not quite where it needs to be," Kelly said.

Nick Hopkins, a pre-pharmacy senior, agreed but said he has become more aware because of recent incidents near campus.

"It seems to be a hot topic," Hopkins said. "There have been two

rapes since October."

Kelly said the group is also working in conjunction with hall directors, resident advisers and "Adopt-A-COPP" (Campus Oriented Police Program) to begin a program this spring where students can go to discuss their fears related to violence.

"(The group) establishes a comfort zone and a place for students to go to if they have a violent act against them," Kelly said.

Will Fuller, a history senior, said

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THE RECORD

Split

Chris Robinson, 39, filed for divorce from his wife of nearly six years, Kate Hudson, 27, Nov. 17, citing irreconcilable differences. He is seeking joint custody of son, Ryder, 2.

For Sale

Part of the \$6 million New Jersey estate belonging to Whitney Houston, 43, will reportedly be sold at a sheriff's auction Jan. 4, unless the singer pays off the \$1.7 million owed on a mortgage and back taxes. Her rep would not comment.

Baby News!

Ex-American Idol finalist Josh Gracin, 26, and his wife, Ann Marie, 26, welcomed their third child, Gabriella, Nov. 15.

Class Act

Jessica Alba, 25, was voted the star most educators would want as a substitute teacher, according to a National Education Association poll.

Suing

Naomi Campbell's Romanian former maid, Gaby Gibson, filed a second lawsuit against the model, 36, on Nov. 15, accusing her of being a "super-bigot." Gibson, who seeks unspecified damages and who alleged Campbell attacked her earlier this year, claims her ex-

boss asked her, "When will you learn English?" and scolded, "You are not in the Third World anymore... stupid!" Campbell's rep could not be reached.

High Times

Showtime has ordered a third season of Weeds, with Mary-Louise Parker, 42, to air next summer.

Weight Watch

Former American Idol singer Kimberley Locke, 28, Saved by the Bell star Dustin Diamond, 29, and '90s rappers Warren G, 36, and Da Brat, 32, will headline VH1's Celebrity Fit Club 5, debuting in April.

Hot Plate

Hell's Kitchen's hotheaded British chef Gordon Ramsay, 40, opened his first U.S. restaurant, The London, a French-influenced eatery, November 16 in New York City.

Vital Stat

Fans of Shakira, 29, unveiled a 15-foot iron statue of the Latin singer November 15 in her hometown of Barranquilla, Colombia.

Nice — Not!

Alabama-based etiquette expert Cindy Streit, who says she was humiliated after she

was duped into appearing alongside Sacha Baron Cohen, 35, in the film Borat, filed a formal complaint with the California Attorney General's office November 16. She claims L.A.-based Springland Films told her Borat was an "international guest from Belarus Television." A studio rep said Streit issued an agreement that the movie could be distributed worldwide.

Vince's \$6 Million Home for Mom

Not only did Vince Vaughn recently snap up a two-story penthouse in Chicago's Palmolive Building for a cool \$12 million, but the Chicago Sun-Times is reporting he also dropped an extra \$6 million for a third floor. A bigger love nest for Jennifer Aniston? Not quite. He bought the space for his mom, real estate agent Sharon. As for his own digs, a source tells US Vaughn, 36, is fixing it up with "a few state-of-the-art plasma televisions and a top-of-the-line sound system." Other touch-ups: a new paint job and a walk-in closet that spans half the floor. "He wants the place finished before the holidays so he can stay there," adds the source. He won't have to go far to wish Mom a Merry Christmas. — Kate Frank

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LIVE PATIO MUSIC THE WORLD FAMOUS TWO KEYS TAVERN UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP

Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black
To get the advantage, check the day's rating. 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.
Aries (March 21 – April 19) Today is a 10 — Being patient and planning carefully pays off, as you'll soon discover. You can move even more quickly now. Put on a great performance.
Taurus (April 20 – May 20) Today is a 6 — Pay back favors and debts you owe, and get rid of stuff you've outgrown. You're getting into shape, in more ways than one, and it looks good on you.
Gemini (May 21 – June 21) Today is an 8 — In a situation like this, you need a leader who has the strength and courage to be bold, and the support structure to be

right. Help provide the facts needed.
Cancer (June 22 – July 22) Today is a 6 — It's a tough job but that's why it pays so well. Don't take any chances. Before you say you'll do it, get a very comfortable contract.
Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22) Today is a 10 — You're lucky now in love and games, and whatever else you try. Don't be an idiot about it. Try stuff that pays off well if you win.
Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22) Today is a 6 — If you already have a home, fix it up. If you don't, start seriously saving. Real estate can help finance the lifestyle you're going to acquire.
Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22) Today is an 8 — You're very enthusiastic but don't be impetuous. Your odds of success are good now, if you don't trip over your own feet.
Scorpio (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21) Today is a 6 — There's plenty of work, and the more you can do of it, the more money you'll rake in. Move quickly, and prosper.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21) Today is a 9 — You're lucky now, and you'll soon discover a new truth about yourself. With that in mind, what are you willing to risk?
Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19) Today is a 6 — You're a very busy person, so you don't have time to fuss over others very much. If you're feeling low, it's a good tonic. Get somebody a funny card.
Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18) Today is an 8 — Cut through the fluff and get to the substantial part of the information. This isn't easy but it's important. You don't want all that trash in your head. Edit out the spin.
Pisces (Feb. 19 – March 20) Today is a 5 — Use money to make money. You can figure out how. Sure, work is required, but you're in the mood for that. Knock 'em dead. Break a leg.

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UK's bowl bid will be announced on Sunday, December 3. Ticket prices will be posted at ukathletics.com as soon as they are determined. Prices could range from \$25-\$80 per ticket. The ticket office will accept cash, check, and credit cards at the bowl ticket distribution.

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9:00pm Men's Basketball Ticket U	10:00am Group Meeting - Student	5:00pm Football Bowl Ticket Distrib	7:00pm WBB Game - Memorial
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KENTUCKY BASKETBALL

Men's Basketball Ticket Lottery #2

DATE	OPPONENTS	GAME DATE
Monday, December 4th	Santa Clara Massachusetts Eastern Kentucky	Tuesday, 12/19/06 Friday, 12/22/06 Friday, 12/29/06
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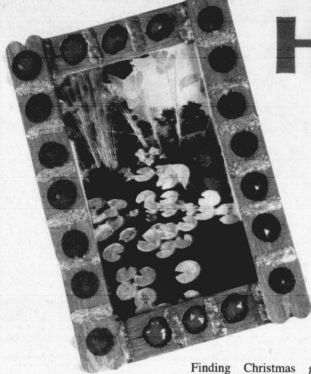
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WARNING:
Your weekly dose
of entertainment,
pop culture and fun is
now in your hands

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Nothing to do this weekend?
Get in the holiday spirit!

- Lexington will host its annual Christmas parade Dec. 2 in downtown Lexington. The parade kicks off at 10 a.m. and runs from Main Street to Broadway.
- The Santa Sleigh 3K run/walk will talk place Dec. 2 in Victorian Square in downtown Lexington. The race starts at 8:30 a.m. The entry fee is \$25 per person or \$10 and a toy valued at \$15 to be donated to the Lexington Firefighters Toy Program.



HOMEMADE HOLIDAY

During the holiday season, focus on heartfelt rather than expensive gifts

By MEGHAN CAIN | features@kykernel.com

Finding Christmas gifts might be difficult on a student budget — but not for those who are crafty, creative and willing to spend some time.

In the holiday season, the key word is "thoughtful," not "costly." Some of the best Christmas gifts are the ones that take a lot of work but only a bit of cash.

There are plenty of resources for putting together that kind of gift. Numerous discount stores and craft shops around UK campus and Lexington offer the necessary materials. And for those having trouble coming up with a gift that will be inexpensive yet heartwarming, here are some ideas to use as starting points.

One potential gift for roommates and friends is a decorated goodie box, which requires decoupage glue (available at Michael's or any craft store), a box, magazines and some of the gift receiver's favorite goodies.

With the magazines, cut out pictures that would appeal to the person that the gift is for. Cover the picture box by decoupage the pictures onto the outside.

Once the box is dry, fill it

with soaps, candies or mix CDs. TJ Maxx offers soaps and lotions for under \$4 each, and Wal-Mart has an assortment of candies that cost less than \$5 per bag.

Another gift idea for roommates and friends is a picture frame, which requires just popsicle sticks, glue, paint and glitter, leaving enough space to show the picture. After the glue has dried, paint the frame and decorate it with glue. Attach a cardboard back and place the picture in the frame.

For family members, a nostalgia basket is a perfect idea. Purchase a straw basket at the local craft store, antique store or thrift store. Put in childhood pictures or small gifts that would remind the recipient of happy memories.

Coffee lovers and bookish friends will appreciate the combination of homemade coffee, an interesting mug and a vintage book. Find a canning jar that will serve as the container for the coffee. Then go to a used bookstore to get a book that the recipient will enjoy. Finally, purchase a new coffee mug, make a mug or find a vintage one.

For those who want to be especially crafty with their gift, the Mad Potter store on Tates Creek Road is a great resource. It usually costs \$12 to \$30 to create a pottery item, and the experience is well worth the time and money.

A perfect gift for the folks is a date. Parents hardly ever get a chance to go out and just have fun for free, so a free date for them makes a great gift. Purchase a gift card that will cover the price of tickets and snacks at the cinema. To go all-out, make dinner before the movie and offer to babysit younger siblings.

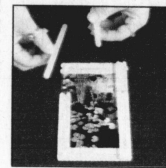
Another present for parents or grandparents is an interview. Do an interview with them a few weeks before Christmas and tell them it is for a class. Research the year they were born and document the interesting local and world events. Put together a booklet with pictures, the research and the interview in a three-ring binder. Not only will this serve as a thoughtful gift, but it will also be an eventual treasure for you down the road.

Both salts are easy to make

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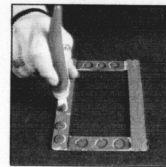
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For a thoughtful gift that's easy to put together, make a homemade picture frame.



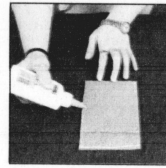
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Gather and assemble enough popsicle sticks for the photo you want to frame. Double the sticks on the edges of the frame. Overlap the sticks and glue together.



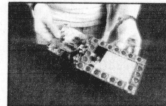
Step 2

After painting the frame, decorate the sides, such as with different colors, glitter or anything else. Try and personalize the frame for the person receiving the gift.



Step 3

To create a back for the frame, measure the picture and cut out a piece of cardboard to fit. Glue three sides of the cardboard to the frame. Leave one side unglued to slide the picture in the frame.



Step 4

After the paint and glitter are dry, place the picture in the frame. Glue another piece of cardboard to the back so that the frame stands upright.

MAKE YOUR FRIENDS A WARM TREAT

COFFEE RECIPES

CAFE MOCHA

- 2/3 cup instant coffee
- 3 tbsp unsweetened cocoa
- 1 1/3 cups sugar
- 1 cup non-dairy creamer
- 1/4 cup nonfat dry milk

TOFFEE COFFEE

- 1 cup of instant coffee
- 1 cup of non-dairy creamer
- 1 cup of brown sugar

CAFE WIENNA

- 1 cup of instant coffee
- 1 1/3 cups of sugar
- 1 1/2 cups of nonfat dry milk
- 1 tsp. of cinnamon

"Raisin" addresses racial issues still affecting society

By Evan Israel
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The play "A Raisin in the Sun" was on the forefront of racial issues when it debuted in 1959, and members of UK's theater department are hoping it can still spark social change.

"Unfortunately, although racism has diminished somewhat in our culture, it has still not been completely eradicated," said Herman Farrell, an assistant professor of theater at UK. "We still have a long way to go."

This weekend and next, UK's theater department is putting on Lorraine Hansberry's "A Raisin in the Sun," which was the first play to be written and produced by a black author in the United States.

Farrell, who is the director of UK's production of the play, thinks views on race haven't changed much since the play's 1959 debut and hopes that putting the play on will help change views about black families.

The play is set in 1954 and addresses race issues that were and still are very relevant in the United States, Farrell said. He thinks the play sends an important message to students.

When Hansberry wrote the play, she knew that the future of the country was unstable — and not just in terms of racial issues, Farrell said.

"She could see the future," Farrell said. "She anticipated the tumult to come in the 1960s, as the nation confronted other volatile issues like women's rights and cultural identity."

If you go

What: "A Raisin in the Sun" presented by the UK Theatre Department

When: Nov. 30, Dec. 1, Dec. 2, Dec. 7, Dec. 8, and Dec. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Where: Guignol Theatre

Tickets: \$5 for students, \$10 for UK faculty/staff and senior citizens, \$15 general admission

The play was inspired by a real-life experience from Hansberry's childhood, Farrell said. Hansberry's father tried to buy a house in a white Chicago community, and when the sellers learned her father was black, they refused to sell the home to him.

The situation infuriated Hansberry, and she took the case all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, which refused to enforce the restrictive measure, Farrell said. The play's plot is very similar to Hansberry's situation.

Members of the 15-person cast have been practicing five nights a week since mid-October, Farrell said.

Debra Faulk, a theater senior who plays Mama in the production, said she hopes students see the play because it teaches the audience how to care for one another. Faulk said that being in "A Raisin in the Sun" has helped her with emotional

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Debra F. Faulk, who plays the character Mama, talks sternly to Morgan Persley's character, Beneatha Younger, in the opening act of "A Raisin in the Sun." The play opens tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Guignol Theatre located in the Fine Arts Building and will run through Dec. 9.

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Ruth Younger, played by Brandy Lynn Hawkins, glares at her husband, Walter Lee Younger, played by Jarrett Pelzer, during the opening act of "A Raisin in the Sun."

RAISIN

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and spiritual growth. "Being Mama has helped me be a better person," Faulk said. "A Raisin in the Sun" focuses on the human condition and how a family can stay together through tough times, Faulk said. She added that the timing of the show is important.

"Right around the holidays, this is a perfect time," Faulk said. Morgan Persley, a theater freshman who plays Beneatha, said many who see the play will learn to be less materialistic.

"Going away from it, you will appreciate what you have," Persley said.

The true meaning behind the play is made clear by thinking about what happens during the course of it, Persley said.

"Going through it in depth, I've learned so much more than what I thought was on the surface," Persley said.

GIFTS

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and make a great gift for the girls in your life. Using a bag of Epsom salt and different scents can make the perfect relaxing gift. Place the Epsom salt in a Ziploc bag and add

two or three drops of the scent. Knead it together in the bag and then place the homemade bath salts in a jar or decorated bag.

For something a little more meaningful, sponsor a child in a Third World country in the name of a friend or family member. Not only will this give the recipient something different, but it will also help someone in need.

Wide range of art to be featured at Open Studio

By Ellie Fairbanks

Ruth Adams thinks that UK students and members of the Lexington community sometimes forget about the art department at UK.

Because it is housed in a remote corner of campus, many people aren't even aware that UK has an art department, said Adams, a faculty member in the art department. But an event tomorrow night aims to bring art at UK to the attention of those who hadn't noticed.

Open Studio, an annual event that showcases graduate and undergraduate work, will take place tomorrow from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Reynolds Building on South Broadway. The event is in its 15th year and displays painting, printmaking, photos, sculpture, fibers and new media expositions, Adams said.

"A lot of people don't know anything about the art department," Adams said. "Open Studio is a chance for us to show off our stuff to the entire community."

"This is one time a year that we get to open our doors to not only the UK campus, but also to the entire Lexington community," Adams said.

Stacy Eggers, a second-year photography graduate student, has been organizing this event since the beginning of the semester and agrees that this is the art school's chance to show work off to the area.

"This is a way for us to give back to the art community," Eggers said.

Eggers and other members of the Art Graduate Student Association organize, plan and put together the whole event. Committee members gather donations, determine what art is dis-

played and hang up all of the art.

"Everyone has really worked well together to showcase a huge, building-sized exposition," Adams said.

Artwork displayed will include work from graduate and undergraduate students, Eggers said. Open Studio is a good chance for undergraduates, who may not be a part of a showcase before, to show off their work, she said.

"This is really a great opportunity for them (undergraduates) to get exposure," Eggers said. "When you're a freshman or a sophomore, it's sometimes really hard to get your work displayed, but this allows us to show off work at every level. If you're doing good work, it doesn't matter what level you're at."

A juried exhibition will also be held with the various levels of art. This exposition showcases the best work that was submitted by students for the event, Adams said. An outside juror judges the artwork and chooses the best from it.

Students are not the only artists whose work will be on display, though. Eggers said that local artisans will be at the event showcasing arts and crafts.

"No matter what they're looking for, people can come to the event and check out what people in this area are producing," Eggers said. "There aren't always a lot of opportunities to do this."

Open Studio is an event for members of the art department and the art community to come together, Adams said.

"All of the students really work together to make this happen," Adams said. "It's a great thing for the camaraderie of our students."

MAKE YOUR HOLIDAY

WEEKEND PLANS

1. "A Christmas Carol" presented by the Ragged Edge Community Theatre

Check out this Charles Dickens classic on Dec. 1 and 2 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Ragged Edge Theatre at 111 South Main Street in Harrodsburg. In this version, Dickens serves as the narrator of his own story. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children 10 and under.

2. "Miracle on 34th Street" presented by the Woodford County Theatrical Arts

This theatrical version of the beloved 1947 movie will show Dec. 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. and Dec. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Woodford County Theater at 275 Beasley Drive in Versailles. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$14 for adults.

3. "Boston Pops Family Christmas Tour"

This orchestral concert is presented by one of the most famous musical groups in the country, the Boston Pops. This show is filled with holiday songs and a visit from Santa. The show is Saturday at Centre College in Danville at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$70 to \$100.

4. UK Holiday Chorus Concert

This annual event features members of the UK Chorale singing classic holiday songs. Shows are Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Singletary Center. Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$9 for students.

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TONIGHT

C-Rayz w/ Mudkids and Mykraphone Mike
9 P.M., THE DAME. TICKETS COST \$7.
Sounds like: Mx. Lx, ELP

Senses Fall w/ Saosin and Drive By

7 P.M., BOGARTS, CINCINNATI. TICKETS COST \$18.50.
Sounds like: Taking Back Sunday, My Chemical Romance

FRIDAY, Dec. 1

Hackensaw Boys w/ Packway Handle
9 P.M., THE DAME. TICKETS COST \$7.
Sounds like: Old Crow Medicine Show, Ralph Stanley

Mandy Marie and The Freightliners w/ The StarDevils and Art Adams

9 P.M., SOUTHGATE HOUSE, NEWPORT. TICKETS COST \$7.
Sounds like: Chuck Berry, B.B. Sone

SATURDAY, Dec. 2

The Last Waltz Hootenanny
9 P.M., THE DAME. TICKETS COST \$5.
Sounds like: Neil Young, Joni Mitchell

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AIDS

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the money to a cause that really works," Owen said. "PATHWAY isn't opposed to the abstinence method. But obviously it isn't working, and we are just hoping some of that money will be distributed to different forms of protection."

Many students aren't aware of the difference their phone calls can make and are hesitant to call their congressional representatives, IFMSA members

said. "Each call goes to Chandler's staff," Owen said. "White House calls shift off to the voice mail of Laura Bush, who apparently has a connection to the cause."

"People feel intimidated by their congressman," he said. "The offices (Chandler's offices) say that 400 calls a day really does make a difference."

Most students who participated made calls to Chandler's office and received a staff member on the other line who promised to relay the message to Chandler, said members of IFMSA.

IFMSA members couldn't

say how much the effort would help the cause but said that it would move it in the right direction.

"It will definitely put it on Ben Chandler's to-do list," Owen said. "There is no way he can not see it as a significant cause."

This is the third year that IFMSA has worked on AIDS awareness projects.

On Monday, IFMSA is hosting a Pool Tournament with a cash prize at Yesterday's, below the Lexington Civic Center. All of the money raised will go directly to a non-profit clinic in Zimbabwe, Africa.

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men aren't the only ones who need to become more aware

about issues related to violence.

"Let it be made very clear that women and men are educated," Fuller said. "It's a two-way thing."

Travis Watters, a civil engineering junior, said he

thought people become relaxed on issues like violence against women over time but that awareness was key to preventing future incidents.

"I wish there was something more concrete that could be done," he said.



Communications junior Derek Combs, left, speaks with history senior and MAVAR@UK member Brad Kelly yesterday afternoon outside the Student Center. Kelly is raising awareness for the White Ribbon Campaign, which ends tomorrow.

AIDS summit divides evangelicals

By Seema Mehta
LOS ANGELES TIMES

The friendship was unusual from the start. Rick Warren was the conservative white pastor of a 20,000-member evangelical church in Orange County, Calif. Illinois Sen. Barack Obama was a liberal black politician and a rising star in the Democratic Party.

After meeting in Washington, D.C., in January, they started calling regularly in January. When Obama was writing his best-selling book, "The Audacity of Hope," he asked Warren, himself a best-selling author, to review the chapter on faith.

As Warren planned his second international conference on AIDS at his Saddleback Church, he asked Obama to address the group during a session this Friday titled "We Must Work Together."

Some evangelicals had criticized Warren for his different approach toward AIDS, which included working with gays. But the speech by the pro-choice potential presidential contender has drawn renewed vitriol from conservative Christian radio hosts and pundits, as well as some evangelical preachers.

"Why would Warren marry the moral equivalency of his pulpit — a sacred piece of honor in evangelical traditions — to the inhumane, sick and sinister evil that Obama has worked for as a legislator?" wrote radio host and blogger Kevin McCullough.

Saddleback Church responded to the criticism with a statement Wednesday defending

Obama's appearance but also noted Warren's disapproval of some of his political beliefs.

"Let it be made very clear that Pastor Warren and Saddleback Church completely disagree with Obama's views on abortion and other positions he has taken, and have told him so in a public meeting on Capitol Hill," according to the statement.

"Our goal has been to put people together who normally won't even speak to each other. We do not expect all participants in the Summit discussion to agree with all of our Evangelical beliefs. However, the HIV/AIDS pandemic cannot be fought by Evangelicals alone."

But the evangelicals' foray into AIDS work is relatively recent. According to religious scholars, they were among the loudest voices insisting AIDS was God's punishment for gays' behavior after the disease emerged in 1981. They remain slow to respond to the pandemic because of the disease's links to homosexuality and promiscuity, all prohibited by their interpretation of Bible.

"This is a touchy subject for evangelicals," said John C. Green, a professor of religion and politics at the University of Akron and co-author of "Religion and the Culture Wars: Dispatches From the Front." The conference "really is a departure (but) you'll probably find a lot of the ambivalence really hasn't gone away."

Rick's wife, Kay Warren, agrees that AIDS has been difficult to broach.

"Evangelicals have been really afraid," she said. "They don't want to talk about condoms. They don't want to talk about HIV because that means having to talk about sex. We want to break that kind of silence."

Kay Warren became aware of the vastness of the problem in 2002, after she read about the 12 million orphans the disease had left in Africa. This discovery spurred her to visit Mozambique, where she met an emaciated woman lying beneath a tree who was dying of AIDS. Warren grew angry that everyone, from the woman's family, to her church and government, had abandoned her. Then, she realized she, her husband, and their church in an affluent Orange County community were guilty of the same indifference.

"We had done nothing, we had done absolutely nothing," she said. "That hit me like a ton of bricks. Instead of being judgmental about what wasn't being done in other places, since we were doing nothing, we had to come back and repent. We have been so wrong. We haven't cared. We haven't said one word."

The fruit of that revelation is unfolding Thursday at Saddleback Church, where hundreds of scientists, pastors and caregivers will meet at the AIDS conference.

"I have no doubt if Jesus were walking the Earth today, he would be hanging out with people with AIDS," said Rick Warren, author of "The Purpose-Driven Life."

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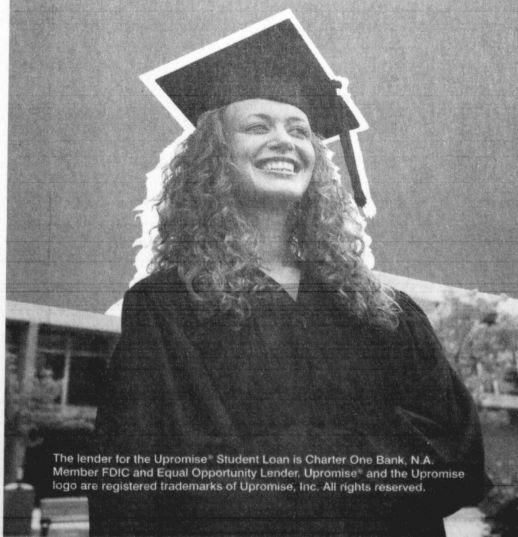
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Cats try to avenge last year's NCAA loss

By J.D. Williams
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After losing in the opening round of the NCAA tournament last season, the UK volleyball team is poised for redemption tonight, when it will face Ohio University in the first round of this year's tournament in West Lafayette, Ind.

The match features the Bobcats (28-4, 16-0), who were the champions of the Mid-American Conference, and a UK team that finished fourth in the Southeastern Conference.

UK (18-11, 11-9) has taken the memories of last season's early exit in the 64-team tournament and used it as motivation entering today's match.

"Last year there was a lot of excitement, being that it was the first time we made it (in 12 years); we really didn't know what to expect," said senior outside hitter Melissa Popp. "This year we know it takes hard work and heart to get it done. It's all business now."

With a more experienced team, not to mention the additions of key players on UK's roster, the Cats are prepared to make a run in the tournament.

One of those additions is freshman setter Sarah Rumely, who was named freshman of the year in the SEC this week. Popp refers to Rumely as the backbone of the team and said her freshman teammate has no jitters heading into her first NCAA tournament game.

"I usually don't feel any pressure; I never get nervous before games," Rumely said. "I'm just ready to go out and take it to them."

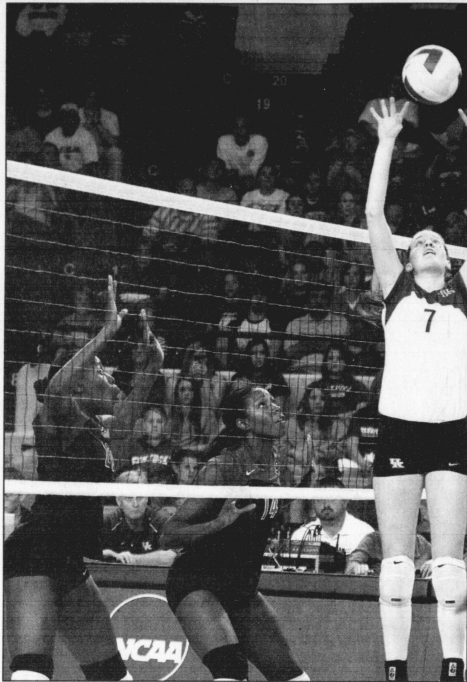
Head coach Craig Skinner is not concerned about his freshman setter, nor is he concerned with the UK offense that was third in the SEC in both assists, with 14.49 per game, and kills, with 15.77 per game.

On defense, the Cats will be led by senior Jenni Casper, a two-time SEC Defensive Player of the Year, and second-team All-SEC sophomore middle blocker Queen Nzenwa.

Nzenwa has been a catalyst on both offense and defense for the Cats this season. She is second on the team in kills behind junior middle blocker Nicole Brittenker, with 350 kills. Nzenwa is averaging 3.12 kills per game on a team-high .335 hitting percentage.

More importantly, Skinner said, was that Nzenwa led the team in blocking for the second consecutive year with 135, just 10 shy of last season's mark.

"Defense is going to be a huge thing for



Freshman Sarah Rumely sets up a shot earlier this season against South Carolina. The Cats still play in the NCAA tournament today for the second consecutive year. They will be playing an Ohio team that went undefeated in the Mid-American Conference.

us going into the game," Nzenwa said. Ohio runs most formations with the setters playing back, which means the setter will be the main focus of the Cats' defense. "In defending them, you have to be able to read the setter, and it's all about speed because you definitely have to get your feet going fast enough and get your hands over

to seal the block," Nzenwa said. Making it to the NCAA tournament and getting past the first round has been the Cats' goal all season. "Even before the whistle blows," Nzenwa said, "we just have to stick together and play for one another and we should be good."

Big weekend for several UK teams

There are weekends. And then there are *weekends*. Break out the italics for the next four days, because this first weekend of December is as important a four-day stretch as UK Athletics has had in a long time. The events of today through Saturday will have potentially program-changing effects on four UK sports.

Men's basketball

Coming off their so-so trip to Maui (if any trip to Maui can be so-so), the Cats have a huge opportunity on Saturday to re-

claim the national respect that the program seems to have lost in the past two years. The Cats travel to Chapel Hill, N.C., to face man-child Tyler Hansbrough and the No. 7 Tar Heels. With a win, the Cats could move back into the top 15 and would begin to prove their claims that this team is better than last season's.

On the spot: Randolph Morris. The UK big man with the sometimes laissez-faire attitude will be tested severely by Hansbrough, a player-of-the-year candidate. If Morris holds his

own, the Cats have a shot. If he doesn't, forget it.

Women's basketball

Speaking of so-so, that would be an accurate way to describe Mickie DeMoss' team so far. At 4-2 after last night's win over Detroit, the Cats have failed to live up to their preseason expectations with losses to Indiana and Delaware, both of which are unranked. UK can go a long way toward changing that with a victory at Louisville on Sunday. The No. 19 Cardinals are undefeated and have won

three out of four against the Cats Plus, this is U of L against UK. As if there's not enough heat just because of the Hatfield-McCoy hatred between the two schools, throw in this: UK starting point guard Carly Ormerod is from Louisville and will be playing in her home city for the first time as a collegian. Plus, the two schools will be playing for the 43rd time and have never met when both were ranked.

On the spot: Ormerod.

Volleyball

Miracle worker/head coach Craig Skinner will take his team into NCAA tournament play for the second straight year today in West Lafayette, Ind. Skinner found a way to guide the Cats to their highest-ever overall wins and conference wins, even after losing impact seniors Danielle Wallace and Amy Kaplan from last year's team.

On the spot: Sarah Rumely. The freshman setter has been magnificent this season and will need to step up in her first NCAA tournament action.

Football

The Cats' regular season is over, but they'll make postseason plans on Sunday. Three bowls are likely in play — the Music City Bowl in Nashville, the Liberty Bowl in Memphis and the Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La.

On the spot: Mitch and Rich. If both the Liberty and Music City Bowls want the Cats, Barnhart and Brooks will make the final choice. The bet here is that they'll go to the Liberty, which had representatives scouting the Cats all the way back in November.



BRAD LUTTRELL | STAFF

UK junior quarterback Andre Woodson passes against Tennessee on Nov. 25. The Cats should learn their bowl fate this weekend after the Southeastern Conference championship game. They are likely headed to either the Liberty, Music City or Independence Bowl.

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Congress to skip key 9/11 panel suggestion

By Jonathan Weisman
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — It was a solemn pledge, repeated by Democratic leaders and candidates over and over: If elected to the majority in Congress, Democrats would implement all of the recommendations of the bipartisan commission that examined the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

But with control of Congress now secured, Democratic leaders have decided for now against implementing the one measure that would affect them most directly: a wholesale reorganization of Congress to improve oversight and funding of the nation's intelligence agencies. Instead, Democratic leaders may create a panel to look at the issue and produce recommendations, according to congressional aides and lawmakers.

Because plans for implementing the commission's recommendations are still fluid, Democratic officials would not speak for the record. But

aides on the House and Senate appropriations, armed services and intelligence committees confirmed this week that a reorganization of Congress would not be part of the package of homeland-security changes up for passage in the first "100 hours" of the Democratic Congress.

"I don't think that suggestion is going anywhere," said Rep. C.W. Bill Young, Fla., chairman of the Appropriations defense subcommittee and a close ally of the incoming subcommittee chairman, Rep. John Murtha, Pa. "That is not going to be their party position."

It may seem like a minor matter, but members of the commission say Congress' failure to reform itself is anything but inconsequential. In 2004, the commission urged Congress to grant the House and Senate intelligence committees the power not only to oversee the nation's intelligence agencies but also to fund them and shape intelligence policy. The intelligence committees' gains would come at the expense of the armed services

committees and the defense appropriations subcommittees. Powerful lawmakers on those panels would have to give up prized legislative turf.

But the commission was unequivocal about the need.

"Of all our recommendations, strengthening congressional oversight may be among the most difficult and important," the panel wrote. "So long as oversight is governed by current congressional rules and resolutions, we believe the American people will not get the security they want and need."

Now Democrats are balking, just as Republicans did before them.

The decision will almost certainly anger commission members, as well as the families of the victims of the Sept. 11 attacks, many of whom have pressed hard for implementation of the recommendations.

"The Democrats pledged to implement all the remaining 9/11 reforms, not some of them," said former Rep. Timothy Roemer, D-Ind., who served on the commission.

Carie Lemack, whose mother was on one of the jets that hit the World Trade Center, echoed that sentiment: "It wasn't a Chinese takeout menu, the 41 recommendations. You have to do all of them."

Democratic leadership dust-ups this month severely limited the ability of House Speaker-elect Nancy Pelosi, Calif., to implement the commission's recommendations, according to Democratic aides.

Pelosi strongly backed Murtha for House majority leader, only to see him soundly defeated by Rep. Steny Hoyer, Md. That chain of events made it difficult for her to ask Murtha, a longtime ally, to relinquish control of the intelligence budget from his consolation prize, the chairmanship of the Appropriations defense subcommittee, according to Democratic sources.

Likewise, a controversy over the choice of a new chairman of the House intelligence committee proved to be a factor in the decision. The Sept. 11 commission urged Congress to do away with traditional term limits

on the intelligence committees to preserve continuity and expertise, a recommendation the House implemented in 2003. But in her search for a reason to drop the committee's most senior Democrat, Jane Harman, Calif., on the panel, Pelosi fell back on the tradition of term limits. She has decided to pass over the intelligence committee's second-ranking Democrat, Alice Hastings, Fla., as well.

To the Sept. 11 commission, the call for congressional overhaul was vital, said former New Jersey Gov. Thomas Kean, the commission's co-chairman. Because intelligence committee membership affords lawmakers access to classified information, only intelligence committee members can develop the expertise to watch over operations properly, he said. But because the panels do not control the budget, intelligence agencies tend to dismiss them.

"The person who controls your budget is the person you listen to," Kean said.

Device turns out to be ancient Greek computer

By Thomas H. Maugh II
LOS ANGELES TIMES

After a century of study, scientists have unlocked the secret of a mysterious 2,100-year-old device known as the Antikythera mechanism, showing it to be a complex and uncannily accurate astronomical computer.

The mechanism, recovered in more than 80 highly corroded fragments from a sunken Roman ship, could predict the positions of the sun and planets, show the location of the moon and even forecast eclipses.

The international team of scientists reported Thursday that the first-century B.C. device, the earliest known example of an arrangement of gear wheels, shows a technological sophistication that was not seen again until clockwork mechanisms were introduced in the 14th century. The results "imply that Greek technology was much more advanced in this area than was previously thought," said the team's leader, physicist Mike G. Edmunds of Cardiff University, United Kingdom. "If they could do this, what else could they do?"

An even bigger question, according to science historian Francois Charette of Ludwig-Maximilians University of Munich, Germany, is why the technology disappeared for more than 1,400 years before reappearing in a less advanced form.

"Much of the mind-boggling technological sophistication available in some parts of the Hellenistic and Greco-Roman world was simply not transmitted further," he wrote in an editorial accompanying the team's report in the journal Nature.

The device was found in 1901 by Greek sponge divers working in 120 feet of water off the coast of the Greek island of Antikythera, midway between the southern tip of Greece and Crete. The site is on a major trade route between Rhodes and Rome.

Coins on the ship suggest it sank shortly after 85 B.C. Other artifacts indicate the ship carried a cargo of luxury goods, including statues and silver coins, that probably originated at the island Rhodes and was bound for Rome. The

new study suggests that the Antikythera mechanism predates the sinking by 15 to 20 years.

The late British science historian Derek de Solla Price was the first to use modern technology to study the device. Over the course of two decades beginning in the 1950s, he used X-ray and gamma-ray images to reveal gears inside the corroded pieces.

He concluded, correctly, that it was an astronomical calculator. But the device as he reconstructed it was unduly complicated, and there were many gaps in his explanation of how it worked.

Edmunds' interest in the device was piqued several years ago by a student who pointed it out to him, and he began studying the published literature, eventually producing a review article. But truly understanding it, he concluded, would require a more detailed knowledge of its encrusted gears.

Edmunds' team brought a 7.5-ton X-ray tomography machine — similar to that used to perform CT scans on human patients — into the National Archeological Museum in Athens, Greece, to examine the fragments in greater detail than was possible before.

They were able to image the bronze gears more clearly and double the number of deciphered inscriptions on the casing.

They concluded the device contained 37 separate gears, about 30 of which still survive. It was originally housed in a wooden case slightly smaller than a shoebox.

Two dials on the front show the zodiac and a calendar of the days of the year that can be adjusted for leap years, while metal pointers show the positions in the zodiac of the sun, moon and five planets known in antiquity. Two spiral dials on the back show the cycles of the moon and predict eclipses.

The complicated meshing of the gears is a physical representation of the Callippic and Saros astronomical cycles. In the Callippic cycle, the sun, moon and Earth return to the same relative orientations four times in 76 years minus one day. The Saros cycle predicts that, following a solar or lunar eclipse, a similar eclipse will occur 223 lunar months later.

EPA backtracks on easing toxin rule

By Juliet Eilperin
THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — Under pressure from Democratic senators, the Bush administration has modified its proposal to ease public reporting requirements for companies that handle or release toxic chemicals.

The Environmental Protection Agency has proposed new rules for the Toxics Release Inventory, an annual accounting of more than 650 chemicals that industry releases into the air, land and water. The changes would raise the threshold for reporting releases of toxic chemicals in detail from 500 to 5,000 pounds and would allow reporting every other year instead of annually.

In response, New Jersey Democratic senators Frank Lautenberg and Robert Menendez in July blocked confirmation of Bush's nominee to head the EPA's Office of Environmental Information, Molly O'Neill.

EPA Administrator Stephen Johnson, in a letter obtained by The Washington Post, has written to the two senators telling them that he is revising the proposal to restore the requirement for annual reports. "Your perspective on the program is invaluable to us," Johnson wrote.

The EPA had been tinkering with its proposal since shortly before this month's midterm elections, but Johnson's letter highlights how the political climate has shifted since the Democrats won control of the House and Senate. The administration is unlikely to bend on its top environmental priorities, such as climate change, but it may make concessions on other fronts.

James Connaughton, who chairs the White House Council on Environmental Quality, said in an interview after the elections that the administration may be able to make common cause with Democrats on some issues.

"The history of environmental legislation is a history of reasonable balance," Connaughton said. "At the end of the day, if you want to see progress on the environment, you got to strike

that reasonable balance."

Lautenberg, who said he will release his hold on O'Neill's nomination but will continue to fight the toxic-chemical-threshold proposal, said the administration's new flexibility underscores how lawmakers' stance is likely to change over the next two years.

"Unlike the last six years, the Bush administration will no longer get a free pass from Congress," he said in a statement. "Democrats will now control the EPA's budget and will run the committees that oversee the agency's activities. EPA will be held accountable for every abuse and misreading of the law it engages in."

Congress created the Toxics Release Inventory program 20 years ago in the wake of the 1984 Union Carbide disaster in Bhopal, India, where an accidental release of toxins killed and injured thousands of people living near the plant. U.S. toxic releases have dropped sharply since companies were compelled to file the reports, but some complain that the regulation is too costly.

The EPA had calculated that industry could save \$2 million a year by reporting its releases every other year. It would save an additional \$7.4 million by no longer having to report in detail on toxic releases between 500 and 5,000 pounds or on releases of persistent toxins such as lead and mercury below 50 pounds.

Alex Fidis, a staff attorney at the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, an advocacy organization, said the EPA could reduce the regulatory burden on industry by developing software to help companies calculate their harmful releases and file their reports electronically.

The EPA plans to issue a final rule on the reporting program "by the end of the year," said spokeswoman Jennifer Wood. She said officials are weighing the more than 100,000 comments they received, many objecting to the changes.

"EPA's working to making a good program better," Wood said.

Lautenberg said he would continue to press the administration to abandon the new rule.

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Honor Ky. soldiers by keeping memorial listing up to date

On Jan. 14, 2007, a list of fallen soldiers in Memorial Coliseum will be updated with 565 additional names.

The update will surely strengthen the list as a tribute to the armed forces, and we applaud UK Athletics and the Department of Veteran Affairs for their work. The only problem is, what took so long?

The list hasn't been updated in 30 years. That is a major lapse, considering that the United States has been at war twice in Iraq, along with the invasions of Bosnia and Kosovo in the 1990s, and hundreds of soldiers from Kentucky have died since the last update.

John Kramer, an executive staff member of the Department of Veteran Affairs, said in a Nov. 22 Kernel article that part of the problem was the difficulty of compiling the database of names and finding which ones met the criteria.

This must have been a daunting task. But so daunting that it took three decades to complete? Surely

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not. This is long overdue for the soldiers — some of whom died 30 years ago — and their families. In the future, the list should be updated as frequently as possible, if not every year, then at least every five years. Not only will this give the deceased the honor they deserve, but it will also reduce the burden of updating the list.

"We represent the commonwealth of Kentucky," UK Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart said in the Kernel article. "We always have and we always will, and for that reason we feel that it's absolutely imperative that we give tribute to those folks who have represented the commonwealth, and we can do it in a place that means so much to so many people."

That's certainly the right attitude to have. After all, the building is called Memorial Coliseum for a reason.

Fingerprint machine only new for police

The Lexington police department is looking forward to having fewer ink smudges lying around, and Lexington citizens should be looking forward to the more efficient and time-saving fingerprinting process.

Although the county jail has had Livescan, an electronic fingerprint machine, for the last 10 years, the police department received its first Livescan in October and are expecting a second one for forensic services within the next two months, according to a Nov. 25 Lexington Herald-Leader article.

The staff is working on training for these new devices, and they should be in regular use by early next year, said Sgt. James Decker of the Lexington police in the Herald-Leader article.

Not only do the Livescans make the process quicker, but they also automatically send the prints to government agencies like the FBI. This should increase the effectiveness of tracking down criminals while also cutting back on the time spent on manual processes at the police sta-

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tion. The only drawback in this situation is that the police staff will have to make some adjustments in learning how to work the new equipment. Although the units and their accessories cost \$24,000 each, according to the Herald-Leader article, this technology has proven its use at the county jail and is worth the money it costs.

However, if Livescan has been so successful at the county jail for the last 10 years, why has the police department waited until this fall to replace its system of manual fingerprinting?

Ink fingerprinting is a technique that is over 100 years old, and even though it has its uses — it's more portable and can catch some people's prints better than the electric device — if Lexington knew about the technology and purchased it for the jail, it should have done the same for the police department long before now.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SG action on women's safety nonexistent

During last year's Student Government elections, I noted to a friend that while nearly every candidate claimed to be in support of improving women's safety on campus while running for office, any tangible action on the part of SG was unlikely. So far, it seems I was pretty much right.

According to the minutes posted on the SG Web site for each of the 12 meetings they've had this semester, the only new accomplishment in regard to women's safety was the passing of resolutions saying that violence against women is bad and that "Women's Place" was doing a good job. Thank you for pointing out the obvious.

In an letter to the Kernel, an SG senator pointed out that the Senate should not be criticized for the ineffectiveness of its resolutions but that the administration should be blamed for not heeding them. I'm not saying that this is the case in all situations, but what is the administration supposed to do, exactly, with resolutions that simply point out things everyone already knows?

What we have, in the end, are SG candidates willing to jump on a political bandwagon to get elected so that they can take office, pass a couple of token resolutions and pat themselves on the back for a job well done.

Frankly, I may be too jaded to the idea of SG already to have any hope that they will ever succeed in actually representing the student body — I think the other forgotten issue of the meal plan might be relevant to point out here — but at least I can make one long-shot request: In light of the several, specific instances of sexual assault on women this semester, isn't it time for more than resolutions?

If every SG senator can look me in the eye and tell me that they truly

did everything in their power to prevent these atrocities from occurring, then I will drop my accusations, but from where I'm sitting, a couple of resolutions just isn't cutting it.

Chad Reese
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Campus smoking policy good for non-smokers

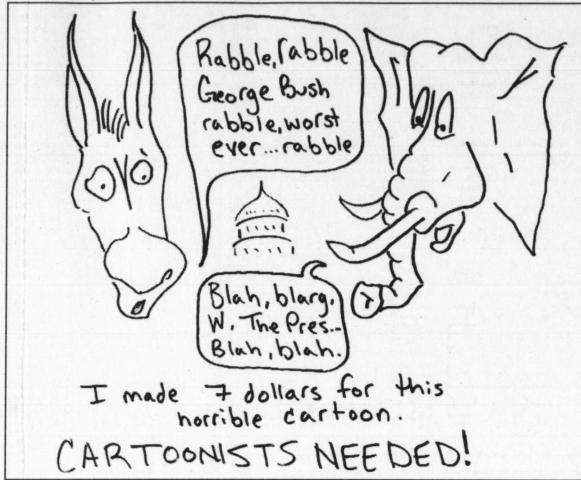
The new smoking ban implemented last week is a step in the right direction. For too long, students have been exposed to secondhand smoke on a day-to-day basis, especially students living in the residence halls. Many halls on North Campus have no air conditioning, and students who choose to smoke have been doing so right outside the front doors and windows, causing the smoke to be pulled in the buildings. This is more than an annoyance; this is a health risk.

On June 27, Surgeon General Richard H. Carmona issued a new study that stated, "Nonsmokers exposed to secondhand smoke at home or work increase their risk of developing heart disease by 25 to 30 percent and lung cancer by 20 to 30 percent."

Students who choose not to smoke should not be subject to harmful secondhand smoke. Even students who live on South Campus are still exposed to smoke going in and out of their homes. This is not fair, and the new smoking ban helps the non-smoking students on our campus.

This ban is not just for residential students who do not smoke; it's for all students who do not smoke. How many times have you choked on smoke when you are trying to get into the Classroom Building? Too many times! I do not want my chances of heart disease or lung cancer to increase because of someone else's decision to smoke.

Anthony Tanner
psychology junior



BRAD LUTTRELL, Kernel cartoonist

Sorry for interrupting your dinner, but telemarketers are people too

My job consists of making approximately 250 phone calls per evening. "What kind of job is that?" you must be wondering.

Well, I hate to admit it, but I am one of those people who calls you in the middle of dinner, trying to make you take a survey, set up an appointment for a meeting or simply get your credit-card number.

It all began this past summer, which I spent in Canada trying to find a job with decent pay. I was staying with my mom in Toronto and wanted to do something valuable with my time. That summer I ended working in four call centers.

My first job consisted of selling vacations to Florida and the Bahamas. The purpose of the call was to get a credit card number and put a charge of \$800 on it the same evening. The company did not allow making any callbacks; therefore, it was crucial to be very convincing for people to trust me and give their credit card numbers in that first phone call. The average length of a phone call was about 20 to 30 minutes; however, I remember, I had a few

phone calls that lasted for over an hour. I only worked there for a month and a half, but it was quite an experience.

My second job required me selling newspaper subscriptions over the phone. I only worked there for two days. People hung up on me for five hours straight, and I did not make a single sale, so I quit.

My third job involved giving surveys over the phone. Such call centers are considered market-research companies, and telemarketing laws do not apply to them. The do-not-call list rule is not relevant to these types of calls. The purpose of my call was strictly research-related, and no selling was involved. Surprisingly, many people cooperated, and I usually ended up giving about 10 to 12 surveys over a four-hour period. One survey usually lasted for about 10 minutes. However, I only worked there for a week. Once the project was over, they stopped scheduling me, so I had to look for another job.

My fourth call-center job involved booking appointments for one of Canada's vacation clubs. My job duties included dialing people out of the phone book and convincing them to show up for an open-house, where they were guaranteed to win one of five mentioned prizes, receive a free buffet dinner and listen to a presentation on traveling. There was no obligation to join the club, but I suspect that there was

some heavy pressure. I worked there for two weeks, and then I had to return to Kentucky.

I learned a lot of positive and negative things from this kind of work. The most unpleasant part, of course, was to hear people yell and curse at me. I had a few tell me that they were going to put me to jail and accused me of scamming them. I even had someone tell me that they were going to kill me.

On the other hand, I learned how to be more patient and how to deal with rejection without letting it get to me. After two months of working in call-centers, I definitely became a very tolerant person. I also, do not take as many things personally as I used to in the past.

When I returned to Lexington in August, I was unemployed. Luckily, I ended up finding a call center job in town, which involved giving surveys. I have been working there for about three months, and it seems to be going well. I try to stay positive and do not get mad when people are being impolite.

Even though I dial about 250 numbers a night, and some people are exceptionally rude, I still get to talk to some very nice people, too. They understand that this is my job and see me as a real person, not just as another obnoxious telemarketer.

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Complications in life might not be so bad after all

It's complicated. No, really. It is. I can't even begin to tell you how complicated it is.

How do you even begin to explain a feeling that you can't explain to yourself?

Where did it come from? You don't know. Why did it spring up? It's a mystery.

Why did it choose you? You don't have a clue. And make no mistake; there is a choosing process involved. It's selective... You don't see the hairy, hulking and career-wookiee of a guy at the back of your class seemingly possessed by the likes of whatever it is that's taken hold of you.

The Wannabe-Valley-Girl who never seems to stop talking couldn't even begin to understand what it is to be spell-bound by something like this.

No, this is something special. It picks and chooses who it strikes. You can't call it Cupid's Arrow. There's no sharp pain, no sudden sick — and there's no way it's as easy as just plucking it free. This happened slowly, like a blanket straight from the dryer settling down over you, gentle as a breeze. But once it came to rest on

you, nothing could compare to the way you felt.

This goes beyond feeling, beyond explanation and beyond emotion. You can't pinpoint it, you can't reason it out, and you can't even settle your thoughts to get a handle on it.

What to do? There's a part of you that wants to leap for joy, go outside and shout to the heavens and the millions of twinkling stars above with thanks and appreciation for this mystery magic.

There's a serious and solemn part of you that wants to cherish every last moment that your heart is filled with this strange sensation.

Complication rules your life. The days pass slower, and all the more sweetly. The sun shines brighter, the wind wraps around you like a favorite shirt or the scarf your grandmother knitted for you and the laughter you hear as you walk isn't just coming from the people around you, but also the softly sung melody of your heart.

I can tell you why your heart sings and your life is filled with happiness and you don't want a single day to end. The answer isn't a thing, some silly concept or some meaningless explanation.

It's a person. Not just a person. It's the person. They make your life complicated, and you couldn't be happier.

For most of your life, you've been told that complications are a bad thing. Avoid them like the plague! Keep it simple! Don't take risks!

Don't get me wrong; there are ways that your life should be simple, twist you should avoid, snarks that you shouldn't let snag you.

But this once, realizing that path was never so right. Go ahead. Do it. This is the right thing to do.

It's ironic that a tangle is something that most people want to avoid and yet find themselves drawn into. By any reasoning, a piece of rope would be a tangle, strands wrapped around each other end to end so that there is no separating them. Knots confound and defy every attempt to pry them apart.

But that's how two people should be. A rope is wound because it's stronger and you can't tear it apart. A knot resists unraveling because there is strength in being close together.

If you aren't complicated, why aren't you? If you are, who's the one that makes it complicated for you? Are you sure it's complicated enough?

Think about it. A little complication might be just what you need.

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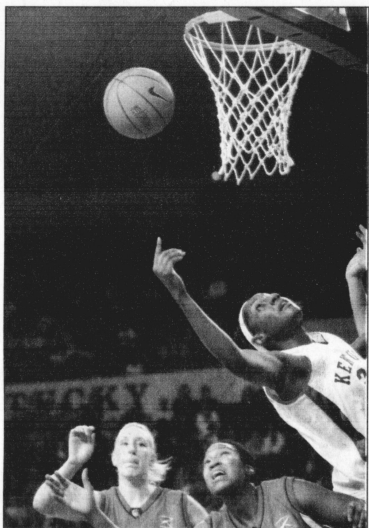
DeMoss goes off, Cats follow



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UK junior center Sarah Elliott shoots over Detroit's Heather Hatter in the Cats' 79-44 win last night at Memorial Coliseum. Elliott scored a team-high 22 points.

Right: UK senior Jennifer Humphrey goes up for a rebound over two Detroit defenders last night in Memorial Coliseum. UK head coach Mickie DeMoss scolded her team at halftime after her team went into the locker room trailing by three points. The Cats recovered in the second half to win 79-44.



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The Cats beat Detroit 79-44 at Memorial Coliseum yesterday, giving women's basketball head coach Mickie DeMoss her 100th career victory.

But it took a little more coaching than DeMoss would have liked.

After a lethargic start left UK trailing 28-25 at the half, DeMoss had to really work her team to get them energized and playing to their potential.

"I challenged them," DeMoss said. "This is not the way we've been playing basketball. I don't know who this team is that is out there, but it's not the team that I have been coaching."

During the post-game press conference, DeMoss was asked to go into detail about what she told her team at the half.

"This is G-rated television, right?" DeMoss said with a laugh.

She couldn't reveal any more, but whatever she said worked.

The Cats emerged from the break invigorated, smothering Detroit with defensive pressure and outscoring the Titans 54-16 in the second half.

"It was a tale of two halves," DeMoss said. "I thought the first half we appeared to be sluggish and didn't have a lot of energy, but I was very pleased with the way we regrouped at the half and came out and took care of business in the second half."

The Cats fell behind 20-11 with 7:34 left in the first half. At that point, the Cats had launched eight 3-pointers and connected on just one.

This left DeMoss pleading from the sideline to work the ball inside.

Freshman Lydia Watkins provided a spark off the bench, scoring four points and grabbing six rebounds in 11 minutes during the first half helping UK to cut the Titans' lead to three points at halftime.

Sarah Elliott's second-half effort helped the Cats take control of the paint — and, in turn, the game.

The junior center dominated the paint, scoring 22 points and grabbing eight rebounds. It was the third consecutive game in which Elliott scored in double figures.

"She has really stepped up for us," DeMoss said. "The last three ball games, it has been very consistent. When she is scoring and when you can establish an inside presence, it just opens up so many things on the outside."

The Cats didn't start feeding the post consistently until the second half, but once they committed to it, they were able to tally 52 points in the paint.

"It was there both halves," DeMoss said. "We just weren't as committed to it in the first half. I thought we got a little shot-happy."

UK won the battle of the boards 59-34.

"Coach emphasized to us that we needed to push the ball inside to the post," Elliott said, "and she told us to finish strong, make our moves and do our best — and I thought we all did that."

Joyce Massey led all scorers with a career-high 29 points for Detroit, but she received little help from her teammates.

The Cats' defense forced 17 turnovers and held Detroit to just 27 percent shooting.

Jennifer Humphrey pitched in a double-double — her first of the season — scoring 12 points and grabbing 15 rebounds.

She said that with intrastate rival Louisville next on the schedule, the Cats will have to put two good halves together if they hope to win.

"We can't start off the way we started off tonight. I know that," Humphrey said. "I've beaten Louisville once since I've been here, and I think it's time for another win."

"You have to play your best game against your rival, and that's what we need to do," she said. "We need to get a win."

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