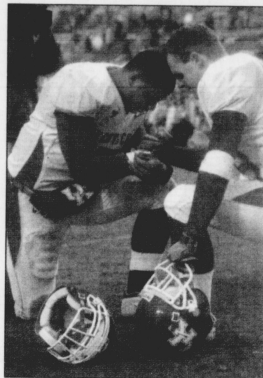




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UT 37, UK 31



Following UK's 37-31 loss to Tennessee Saturday, UK senior quarterback Shane Boyd (left) and senior safety Russ Throckmorton pray together. The Cats lost for the 20th straight time to the Vols, as UT scored with 38 seconds remaining in the game.

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Cats blow lead, lose upset bid

UT scores with 38 seconds left to win

By Jeff Patterson
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The UK football team had all the makings of an upset.

The Cats blocked kicks, picked off passes and stuffed a crucial fourth-down play late in the game.

But as the script goes for the Cats, it always ends in heartbreak.

Saturday's game against Tennessee was no different as the Cats were clinging to a 31-29 lead with 3:31 left. UT's Gerald Riggs scored on a 12-yard run with 38 seconds left to put the Volunteers up for good.

The Cats dropped their 20th straight game to the Vols in a 37-31 loss at Neyland Stadium in front of 102,453 fans.

But UK (2-9, 1-7 Southeast-

ern Conference) had its chances to end that streak, taking a nine-point lead into the fourth quarter.

"We definitely felt good going into the fourth quarter," said senior guard Matt Huff. "But nobody counted Tennessee out."

The Vols (9-2, 7-1 SEC) racked up 606 yards of offense against a banged-up UK defense.

"Tennessee could have had 1,000 yards of total offense out there, but if we keep them out of the end zone just that one last time," said senior defensive end Vincent "Sweet Pea" Burns, "they don't win the ball game."

But with three first-half touchdowns, the often-feeble UK offense dazzled early in

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No Hudson, no problem



Tim Wiseman
SPORTS EDITOR

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — With less than 10 minutes left in the game, UK had the ball and a 31-29 lead at Tennessee.

That fact itself is worth repeating, but what happened next was even more surprising.

As everyone knows, UK doesn't beat UT. Not at home, not on the road, not in rain, not in snow. Not in a box, not with a fax.

So, with UK clinging to a slim lead in the fourth quarter, the Cats should play it safe — that's what they had done all season, just try to hang around and hope they fall into a win.

They didn't. Instead, they played aggressively and took a shot at the Vols.

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TENANT TRIALS

Three Lexington-Fayette County Government agencies hold landlords accountable to their tenants and the law.

By Troy Lyle
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Keeping all paperwork related to housing leases, repairs and contracts is one of the tips Tenant Services provides to students.

Tenant Services, a unit of the Lexington-Fayette Ur-

ban County Government, is a free service that has been around since 1971 to mediate tenant-landlord disputes.

The service is conducting a two-phase comprehensive inspection in different areas of campus housing, said David Jarvis, director of the division of code enforcement.

"It's important for students to know that there are government agencies out there enforcing the minimum standard code to ensure their safety," he said.

About 10 percent of the 3,000 housing complaints the service receives per year come from students, Jarvis said.

"Some students have never lived away from home or dorm rooms," Jarvis said.

"They're paying rent and shouldn't have to live in substandard housing."

The first action the tenant should take is to submit a complaint in writing to the landlord and then make a follow-

up phone call, said Shirleyne Mosley, administrator of Tenant Services.

"It's important to create a paper trail and have everything documented," Mosley said.

"If all these avenues have been exhausted, we'll help them determine what's next and advise them of their rights in this situation," she said.

Enforcement of the Landlord/Tenant Act, a state law, starts with the tenant and ends with the court system, said Richard Flewelling, a Tenant Services housing counselor.

Within the Landlord/Tenant Act, tenants retain the right to have all electrical, plumbing, sanitary, heating, ventilating, air-conditioning and other utilities in good condition and safe, working order.

The act says tenants should have running water and reasonable amounts of hot water at all times, heat from Oct. 1 to May 1, smoke detectors and electrical products.

Students can call Tenant

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Renters Rights

- Have all electrical, plumbing, sanitary, heating and air-conditioning systems in safe, working order

- Have running water at all times and heat between Oct. 1 and May 1

- Have two-days notice before the landlord enters the premises

Tenant Services: 258-3960,
www.lfucg.org/Tenant_Services/tenant_services.htm

Code Enforcement: 258-3270,
www.lfucg.com/PluSafetyCodeEnf/Index.asp

Environmental Services: 231-9791,
www.lfucg.com/Deem/EnvironmentalServices.asp

Abuse suspect linked to other rape

By Dariush Shafr
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

A former Eastern Kentucky University student who pleaded guilty to sexual abuse and assault charges stemming from an incident at UK has been connected to a rape in Richmond, Ky.

Avery C. Roland, 26, was arrested Nov. 4, 2003, near the Hilary J. Boone Center after four UK students heard screams coming from behind the building.

UK police arrested Roland on charges of first-degree sexual abuse, fourth-degree assault and unlawful imprisonment.

He originally entered a not guilty plea, but on Nov. 3, 2004, he changed his plea to guilty on all counts.

Roland is scheduled to be sentenced in December.

Roland is now facing charges of a similar nature in Madison County in connection with a home inva-

sion and burglary.

A 17-year-old Madison County girl was raped in the incident, which occurred Sept. 15, 2003.

"Sometimes, it just takes time to get all the evidence to prosecute," said Marc Robbins, county attorney for Madison County where Richmond is located.

Robbins said the time it has taken to charge Roland does not mean the case is unimportant.

"The allegations are quite serious," Robbins said.

Phone calls to Alex Rowady, Roland's attorney, were not returned yesterday.

If a Madison County grand jury decides to indict Roland on the charges, the Commonwealth Attorney will then pursue the case, Rob-



Roland

bins said. He said a date for a preliminary hearing has not been set.

Roland is currently being held in the Lexington-Fayette County Detention Center.

Robbins said "there won't be any difficulty at all" in bringing Roland to Madison County for a trial.

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"Sometimes, it just takes time to get all the evidence to prosecute."

Marc Robbins
Madison County attorney

Iran to suspend nuclear program

By Dafna Linzer
WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — Dropping a last-minute demand yesterday, Iran agreed to fully suspend its nuclear programs and won some additional concessions from Europe for a resolution that excludes many of the Bush administration's proposals for increasing pressure on the Islamic republic.

The resolution — drafted by Britain, France and Germany — is the mildest of the seven previous resolutions against Iran and does not include the explicit threat the White House had sought for reporting Tehran to the U.N. Security Council if it breaks the latest suspension.

Instead, the resolution, which The Washington Post obtained yesterday, calls on the director of the International Atomic Energy Agency to inform countries if Iran does not adhere to its pledges. But the weaker language makes clear the IAEA's verification is "essential" for knowing whether the commitment is being kept, and U.S. officials said that wording at least made clear it was up to the agency, not Iran, to determine whether the agreement was being honored.



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Iran has been under IAEA investigation for two years, and inspectors frequently visit the country. But under international treaty laws, Iran is not obligated to provide access to military sites and has been cooperating voluntarily with the investigation.

Iran's commitment to halt its nuclear programs was part of an agreement it reached with Britain, France and Germany two weeks ago. In exchange for the suspension, the European trio promised Iran they would support Washington's attempts to refer the case to the Security Council as long as

AIDS crosses encourage action

By Adam Sichko
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

A student organization hopes that 8,000 one-foot-high wood crosses blanketing the grass in front of WT Young Library will serve as a reminder of the deadly nature of acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

The UK chapter of the Student Global AIDS campaign set up the crosses — one for every person in the world who dies from the disease each day — late last night in an effort to raise awareness about AIDS and educate UK's campus, said Griffin VanMeter, the group's vice president.

"It's going to be an annual thing — it should be a daily thing, really — until we start addressing the problem," said VanMeter, an agricultural economics and political science sophomore.

The group, which is comprised of undergraduates mostly tied to the medical school, formed last semester.

A couple hundred people subscribing to the group's e-mail listserve, he said.

"We are trying to fight AIDS by putting political pressure on our politicians to change our nation's AIDS policies," VanMeter said.

For developing and Third World countries, the disease is "a death sentence" because funding that could go toward buying medicine is instead paying off foreign-aid debts that should be erased, VanMeter said.

"It's ironic because they've paid back billions in principle, but now they're stuck with the interest in foreign aid," he said. "AIDS is a problem everywhere."

He said the UK group — along with about 70 other college chapters — also hopes to convince U.S. politicians to allocate more money to the global fund, an initiative to combat diseases like AIDS and malaria while educating people about them as well.

VanMeter said the group hopes Kentucky's Sens. Jim Hanning and Mitch McConnell will both take notice of the cross-covered lawn in front of the library.

"It's really neat that Kentucky students can have a stake in this because our senators are very powerful senators and can get the ear of the president," he said.

"We need to get them to step up, and the way to do that is to show them there's a constituency that cares and won't tolerate their lack of action."

The group has permission to leave the crosses up through Wednesday, which is World AIDS Day. VanMeter said the 11 p.m. set-up time last night was no coincidence.

"That way, it will have a stronger impact in the morning, that when students see them on their way to classes, we can get them to start thinking about it early."

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NEWS BRIEFS

UK participates in joint-grant roadway study

The Kentucky Transportation Center — part of the UK College of Engineering — will work with the Asphalt Institute to conduct roadway research as part of a \$300,000 federal grant, UK announced Wednesday.

U.S. Sens. Jim Bunning and Mitch McConnell, both Kentucky Republicans, worked to secure the grant for UK earlier in the year.

The money is allocated in the 2005 federal Transportation Appropriations Bill, which is still waiting for President Bush's approval.

In the project, the Kentucky Transportation Center and the Asphalt Institute will examine the effects of pavement construction practices and the durability of asphalt pavements.

Most American roads today are paved with asphalt.

College of Health Sciences gets new dean

UK appointed a new dean for the College of Health Sciences Wednesday. Lori Stewart Gonzalez has been named to fill the vacant post, after former dean Thomas Robinson stepped down after serving 20 years in the position.

Gonzalez previously served as an associate dean for academic affairs at UK. She is also a communications disorders professor within the College of Health Sciences.

College of Education sponsors children's book drive

For the fifth year, the UK College of Education is running the "Books for Children" book drive several weeks before Christmas.

The program benefits several community organizations and agencies in Fayette and Jessamine counties. Dick-

ey Hall has two drop points, as does the Taylor Education Building.

The group is looking for new books suitable for infants through 12-year-old children.

The drive began Nov. 22 and will last until Dec. 8.

Holiday shoppers spend \$8 billion

WASHINGTON — Holiday shoppers spent 10 percent more Friday than they did a year ago, according to early reports.

Consumers spent about \$8 billion at the nation's malls and stores the day after Thanksgiving, compared with \$7.3 billion a year ago, according to the industry research firm ShopperTrak.

The National Retail Federation estimates that U.S. consumers spent \$22.8 billion over the last three days.

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Tenant

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Services, the Division of Code Enforcement or Environmental Services if they are experiencing any maintenance, health or repair problems, Flewelling said.

Depending on the situation, the

tenant might need to make an appointment to see a housing counselor, he said.

The counselors try to explain the tenant's rights and, if possible, mediate the situation between the tenant and the landlord.

Flewelling added that Tenant Services has no enforcement powers and plays more of an advisory role.

The Division of Code Enforcement and Environmental Services, both government agencies, perform inspections and enforce the law, he said.

If all else fails, the tenant may be directed to an attorney, Flewelling said.

Above all, student tenants should never feel helpless when dealing with a landlord, Jarvis said.

"The most important thing for students to remember is that they have rights, and there are agencies out there to assist them," he said.

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Tennessee

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the first game since offensive coordinator Ron Hudson's resignation last week.

Freshman lineman Ricky Abren intercepted Rick Clausen's pass for a 6-yard score.

And senior quarterback Shane Boyd was on target, completing 20 of 32 passes for 218 yards and two touchdowns.

He connected with rarely used receivers such as redshirt freshman Jacob Tamme and junior Scott Mitchell. Tamme, who moved to tight end, caught 20- and 16-yard touchdowns passes.

Early on, everything seemed to work for the Cats.

Freshman receiver Lonnell Dewalt blocked two kicks.

"Dewalt was definitely a force," said UK head coach Rich Brooks. "I don't think they wanted to try a kick."

UT adjusted its special teams because of Dewalt.

"We moved the ball back a little bit hoping that would help, but Lonnell Dewalt is a tough man to handle," said UT coach Phillip Fulmer.

But the Vols had trouble handling anyone as UK led 24-22 at the half — just the second time all year the Cats have led at halftime.

Boyd then led an 11-play scoring drive late in the third quarter to put the Cats up 31-22 on a 1-yard drive.

Boyd completed 11 passes in a row

during the second and third quarters. The Vols shut down UK's offense after that.

"After the long drive for a touchdown, we went into hibernation," Brooks said.

In the Cats' four drives following that touchdown, they snapped the ball 13 times and lost 25 yards. Those backward possessions helped kill any momentum UK's defense created.

On the first drive of the fourth quarter, the Cats stopped UT on fourth down at UK's 8-yard line. Then, sophomore cornerback Karl Booker came up with an interception.

Each time, UK went three and out. "All we got to do is make a couple of first downs, and it's over," said receivers coach Joker Phillips. "It's disappointing we haven't learned how to finish games."

With just under 11 minutes remaining, UT opened its drive with a 53-yard option pass from C.J. Fayette to Robert Meachem.

The Vols cut the lead to 31-29 two plays later on a 12-yard touchdown pass to Tony Brown.

"The killer was the double pass," Brooks said of Fayette's toss.

The real killer came with 38 seconds left when, after allowing the Vols to coast down the field, Riggs ran through a crease for the game-winning score.

"Tennessee knew they could win the football game," said UK defensive coordinator Mike Archer. "They expected to win, and we were just hoping to win."

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Joker

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On first and 10 from their own 45, UK senior Shane Boyd threw deep for senior wide receiver Gerard Parker.

Deep downfield, the ball slid off the fingers of a diving Parker and fell to the ground. Three plays later, UK punted back to the Vols, and it was the beginning of the end for the Cats.

Still, UK took its best shot at the Vols. That's something you couldn't say about UK's offense the rest of this year. That aggressive attitude, sparked by Joker Phillips in the role of offensive coordinator, put the Cats within inches of an upset.

"It's there," screamed UK head coach Rich Brooks about that Boyd-to-Parker incompleting. "It's there, and it's right off our fingertips. That's a huge play, but we don't get it."

As he spoke, Brooks slammed his hands on the table and spilled his Diet Coke. Of course, he was frustrated, but at least his Cats had the chance to take that shot.

The reason: Phillips. "Our philosophy all game was to go for the jugular," Phillips said.

And he did just that. Phillips put trust in his players. He had faith they could stand up and make plays. They did.

"Coach Joker let us know we were going to let it fly and play football," Boyd said.

That attitude adjustment worked wonders. UK exploded for 31 points — its second-highest output of the season (the 51 points UK scored against Indiana shouldn't really count, because that game still doesn't make sense).

"People decided that they wanted to make plays," Boyd said. "Everybody was making plays."

That's what Phillips can do. He connects with these players. He wanted to put them in position to make plays, and they wanted to make plays for him.

Junior receiver Scott Mitchell had 21 catches for 272 yards for the season before Saturday. Against the Vols, he had nine catches for 111 yards.

Redshirt freshman receiver Jacob Tamme had 12 catches for 106 yards going into Saturday's game. In Knoxville, he had four catches for 55 yards and

two touchdowns. Phillips moved Tamme to tight end on Saturday, and it sparked UK's offense.

"I thought Jacob Tamme could be a hellacious tight end," Phillips said. "He can be a force ... he has a different dimension."

"He should have caught 40 to 50 balls this year."

That statement could be modified to describe UK's offense in 2004, because it should have been much better than it was.

On Saturday, UK looked like a different team offensively: the defense looked horribly the same by giving up more than 600 yards of offense).

It was no coincidence that it was also the first day Phillips called passing plays instead of Ron Hudson.

The game ended as it always does, with the Vols on top. Twenty years ago, Phillips was part of the last UK team to topple those Vols. He should get a chance to be part of the next UK team to do that, because with him, these Cats seem to play like a different team.

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CAMPUS CALENDAR

Week of November 29th - December 5th

The Campus Calendar is produced by the Office of Student Activities, Registered Student Orgs. and UK Dept. can submit information for FREE online ONE WEEK PRIOR to the BROADCAST information is to appear at: http://www.uky.edu/~campus/Campus_Calendar. Call 297-8887 for more information.

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IN OUR OPINION

Equestrian deserves elevation

For the last year, UK has been participating in a NCAA self-study process.

Last Monday, the self-study steering committee addressed the gap between participation in men's and women's sports at UK.

Currently, there are 25 percent more participants in men's sports than in women's sports at UK. The committee would like to close that gap.

To do so, the committee proposed that UK Athletics start a search for a new women's sport. The plan calls for a search in fall 2005, with a sport selected by spring 2006.

"I think it should be a commitment," said Barbara Young, a UK Board of Trustees member. "That's what a plan is."

This is the right plan.

UK should attempt to increase the number of women participating in its sports, and a new sport would be the best way to do that.

Under Title IX, UK should seek to have a "proportionality" between the ratio of men and women in its student body and the ratio of men and women in athletics.

By moving to find a new women's sport, UK has shown its commitment to women's athletics, as well as its commitment to the spirit of Title IX.

The UK equestrian team would be the perfect answer. Currently, the team has club status at UK, but it would be right to move to elevate it to varsity status.

This would add more women participants to the athletic program, and it would give the equestrian

team the status it deserves in the "Horse Capital of the World."

With Kentucky being the leader in the horse industry, it seems laughable that the sport is not represented in UK's athletic program already.

This is the perfect chance for UK to change that.

The club already supports itself through fundraising efforts, so the financial obligation would be small for the UK Athletic Association.

Throughout the country and the world, Kentucky means horses. By adding the equestrian team to its athletic program, UK can tap into that tradition.

The equestrian team deserves to be a varsity sport. When UK starts its search for a new women's program next fall, it should look no further than equestrian.

'Housewives' shows flip side of suburbia

"Desperate Housewives," ABC's first major hit in nearly a generation, parodies a society that has not entirely left us. In the late 1940s and throughout most of the 1950s, to live in "suburbia" (e.g., Levittown) was something to take pride of, an indication that a family had made it. Marc Cherry's current production, however, is just another in a long stream of darkening comedy concerning the hidden plight of the perfect families.

Millions of Americans have complemented their quiet churchgoing Sundays with a spicy dose of Eva Longoria and Nicollette Sheridan — the latter, it seems, can be found on Mondays as well. By mixing familiar characteristics of the daytime soap opera with wry comedy, the creators have struck a chord with the television-watching populace.

Indeed, "Housewives" is no longer merely being reported by TV Guide, but by Newsweek as well, gracing last week's cover. Television shows are popular for any number of reasons, but what sociologists and others attempt to discern is: What do they tell us about our culture? To put this in another form, is a television show ever a just a television show, as some persist in believing?

By utilizing sulfuric humor with dry wit — coupled with a not-so acci-

dental display of, well, the beauty of woman — the show distracts the viewer, camouflaging the ideology of its deep indictment of American suburbia.

This is perhaps most exemplified by the token male characters in the program, none of whom are written to be particularly sympathetic, and one (Carlos, husband of Gabrielle) who "figures he bought his wife a \$15,000 diamond necklace, so she should do whatever he tells her."

Symbolically, "Housewives" comments on issues that are the reality for many American women in a way that "Sex and the City" did not. Where the latter poked fun at slick, big-city males that the ladies deemed clueless, the former provides the same treatment for suburban men, only with a tad more sting. In the episodes presented thus far, none of the gentlemen have proven even remotely possible to communicate with their wives or girlfriends in a positive fashion — especially Gabrielle's husband, as his seeming inattentiveness arguably provides the impetus for her fling with the gardener.

I presume this is part of a larger trend in the entertainment/advertisement society where it is trendy and preferred to showcase the y-chromosome in a manner of idiosyncrasy and crudeness. Despite my uneasiness with "Housewives," I believe that it does offer a compelling message, which perhaps deserves more attention.

Does it closely capture the reality of our contemporary culture? While each situation differs, I'll speculate that, for many, the sketches marvelously portrayed by Marcia Cross, Teri Hatcher and Felicity Huffman hit a little too close to home. I find that supremely unfortunate for all concerned.

Above all else, however, "Housewives" attempts to convey a sense of heroism for the suburban mother and/or wife, which can be sympathetically digested by Americans.

Yet, as other failures — most notably "Snoops" and "Girls Club" — apply demonstrate, it does not have such feelings for the single lady, or the woman that, unlike Huffman's character Lynette, did not trace the boardroom for "boredom." Whether this dichotomy will ever be reconciled or resolved is a fascinating issue that even television productions play a significant role in.

Thus "Desperate Housewives," whatever the philosophical leanings of its creator's and cast, is not an endorsement or a call for a new wave of feminism. It is a plea to recognize the hard and thankless work of suburban single mothers or wives — a cause that can be championed and perhaps achieved. In the producer's mind, Bree (Cross) and Susan's (Hatcher) real-life counterparts are to be elevated, given that they are the only females our society respects — if only half-heartedly at that.

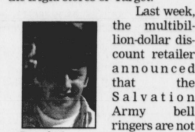
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Department store wrong to target Salvation Army

If you think the weather outside is cold, you should step inside the frigid stores of Target.



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Last week, the multibillion-dollar discount retailer announced that the Salvation Army bell ringers are no longer welcome at the national chain's stores. Target, which has a long-standing policy against solicitation, said it could no longer make an exception for the friendly red buckets of the Salvation Army which help raise nearly \$100 million for the needy each year.

I'll tell you what: I sure am glad Target banned the Salvation Army this year. After all, why should I have to be bothered by the fact that some kids won't have any gifts to wake up to this Christmas? I came here to shop, not to change the world. Besides, have you seen the incredible price on the George Foreman Grill?

To those who don't understand sarcasm, I'm joking.

But seriously, the fact that Target even has a policy against solicitation is beyond hypocritical: after all, I do believe it is none other than the Target Corporation itself that frequently floods my inbox with e-mail alerting me of its latest discounts. Or step inside any of their stores — they're full of solicitors dressed in red polo shirts.

Whether a policy against solicitation is necessary or not is open to discussion. I concede for the sake of argument, that stores may indeed need some sort of policy regarding solicitation to keep order.

However, a policy that groups a well-known and well-respected organization like the Salvation

Army with some random teenager handling out lawn-service flyers is absurd.

I'm certainly no liberal, but if there's any truth to the whole "corporations are evil" claim, Target deserves a spot at the top of the list. Behind all its excuses for the ban is the same basic truth: Target does not want those pesky little homeless children cutting into its holiday profits — or damaging that chic image it's worked so hard to achieve.

I say shame on Target, and I believe most of its customers would agree with me.

I have yet to run into a customer who, as Target claims, has been offended by the presence of an optional donation bucket. In fact, those friendly red donation tins probably provide a form of therapy for shoppers who may be feeling a bit guilty after spending \$500 on video games and the like. They may ask themselves, "How is it fair that I have all that I need and more, yet millions of children won't have a Christmas?" Simply drop a few pennies in that tin and feel the weight of guilt dissolve away.

I grant that perhaps there have been a handful of customers who have complained to management about the presence of the good souls that are the Salvation Army.

But honestly, who cares? What kind of corporation would actually give those voices any weight? Giving to those in need is a moral that transcends all creeds and cultures, a value to which no decent human being should be opposed.

Target should not give in to such selfish and undoubtedly isolated complaints but rather take the time to educate the complainants on the importance of policy regarding solicitation to keep order.

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WEEK IN REVIEW

• UK Police chief Fred Otto resigned Tuesday after a little more than one year as the head of law enforcement on campus. The resignation was effective immediately, and UK Police's day-to-day operations have been delegated to ASST. Chief Stephanie Bastin and Maj. Joe Monroe. Otto declined to give a reason as to why he was leaving the force, but a UK press release said he resigned to pursue "educational opportunities." There was no immediate word as to who would be Otto's permanent replacement.

• The day before Otto's resignation saw the departure of possibly the most maligned man on campus — football offensive coordinator Ron Hudson. Under Hudson, UK ranked 115th out of 117 NCAA Division I-A teams in scoring this year, and the coach consistently drew criticism from fans angry with the way he was managing the offense. The Cats showed how much Hudson really meant to the team when they put up 31 points in the season finale against 15th-ranked Tennessee. Maybe if he had resigned before the season, UK would have been looking at a bowl game. Or at least beaten Ohio.

• UK's NCAA self-study steering committee put forth a plan last week to try to increase graduation rates of student-athletes to 51 percent by 2008. The most recent NCAA statistics have UK's student-athlete graduation rate at 46 percent, which is the second-lowest percentage of the 12 Southeastern Conference institutions. By contrast, the average graduate rate for UK students is 61 percent. UK Athletic Director Mitch Barnhart wants athletes' graduations to mirror the university's rate. Athletes who actually graduate — now there's a novel idea.

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ONLINE POLL RESULTS

Who is most to blame for the brawl between players and fans at last week's Pacers-Pistons game in Detroit?

- Ron Artest (57%; 161 votes)
- Ben Wallace (6%; 16 votes)
- Detroit fans (31%; 88 votes)
- Arena security (6%; 16 votes)

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Azubuikwe finds his groove



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Against Georgia State on Friday, junior guard Keleenna Azubuikwe scored 12 of his 16 points in the first five minutes of the second half of UK's 77-59 win. In UK's first two games, he had scored a total of 12 points.

By Ben Roberts
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

It took more than five halves of forced shots and frustrating plays, but Keleenna Azubuikwe finally emerged as UK's most potent scoring threat in the second half of UK's 77-59 win over Georgia State. Held to 14 points in his first two and a half regular season games, the junior guard broke out to score 12 points in the first five minutes of the second half Friday.

"I thought Keleenna — getting on track in the second half — was good to see because we're going to need him in the stretch," said UK head coach Tubby Smith. "He was standing still in the first half, but he was more active in the second half, and our guys tried to get him the ball more."

Azubuikwe, expected to be UK's go-to guy on offense this season, added two more points later in the half to give him a season-high 16. He averaged 11.1 points per game last season.

Senior forward Chuck Hayes said Azubuikwe's teammates could always recognize when he is ready for the ball.

"You can tell when he has a pep in his step, when he's playing well," Hayes said. "That's when you try to get him the ball."

Hayes also said it was crucial that Azubuikwe play within himself and not force his field goal attempts.

"Keleenna did really well tonight," he said. "He got in a groove and let the game come to him. That's what we need from him — to step up in big ways. It's crucial that Keleenna let the game come to him."

Hayes a rebound short
Hayes tallied 16 points and nine rebounds to lead the Cats in both categories Friday but fell one rebound short of logging his third double-double of the season.

The senior forward hit double figures in points early in the game, accounting for 12 of the Cats' first 15 points.

"The ball just kept coming to me, and it kept falling in for me," Hayes said of the early run. "I was just always in the right place at the right time. Sometimes it works out like that."

Georgia State coach Michael Perry complimented Hayes' play on both sides of

the court. "He was very creative and crafty," Perry said. "He seemed to always be around the basket. He creates a lot of havoc for a team, and he really disrupted our offense."

Hayes said he didn't know he was one rebound shy of a double-double when Smith took him out late in the second half.

"If I would have known that, I would have asked for a substitution to go back in," he said.

First impressions of Sparks
When Hayes first set eyes on junior guard Patrick Sparks, he didn't think much of him. Less than six feet tall and lacking the prototypical athlete's body, Sparks just didn't strike the UK senior as a capable basketball player.

"I didn't think the kid could play," Hayes said. "He just didn't look like a basketball player to me."

Once Hayes went up against the transfer from Western Kentucky in practice for the first time, his perception changed.

But even though Hayes now respects Sparks on the court, he admits he still doesn't quite understand the Central City, Ky., native off the court.

"He's the typical, deep-down-South, live-in-the-boonies, Kentucky boy," he said. "He's so country. He goes fishing and has the camouflage hats and shirts. He does it all."

When asked if he'd like to spend Christmas with the Sparks family in Central City, Hayes, whose family lives in Modesto, Calif., was reluctant.

"I don't know about that," he said. "They've probably only got about 100 or 200 people down there. I had a hard enough time going to Bowling Green with Josh (Carrier)."

Alleynie takes a spill

After completing their pre-game warm-ups, the UK players gathered in a circle near the free-throw line and began playfully pushing each other around, as they do before every game.

Someone got a little too rough with Sharagi Alleynie, and the sophomore ended up on his back, which left everybody, including Alleynie, in hysterics.

Hayes claimed it was Azubuikwe who downed the 7-foot-3 center.

"Keleenna jumped up and threw a shoulder into him, and the big fella fell," Hayes said. "After introductions, we wanted him to get back in the middle, but he didn't want to. It was hilarious."

Alleynie contested Hayes' story, saying he was simply the victim of a wet spot on the floor, but Azubuikwe backed up the senior's account.

"I clocked him," Azubuikwe said. "There wasn't a wet spot."

Rondo and the refs

With five minutes left in the second half of Friday's game and Georgia State forward Tikoya Barnett driving for a transition layup, UK guard Rayon Rondo got back on defense for what appeared to be a clean block.

Referee Tim Nestor didn't see it that way and hit Rondo with a personal foul. As Barnett prepared to shoot his free throws, Rondo walked over to the official to plead his case.

With a big smile on his face, the UK freshman tapped Nestor on the side and pointed to the Rupp Arena Jumbotron.

"Watch this," Rondo told Nestor as the screen was about to show the replay.

The referee never looked up, but Rondo nodded and grinned in his direction after seeing the play again.

Nestor finally cracked and walked away laughing as the crowd boomed and Rondo continued to smile.

Top (NBA) Cat
New York Knicks center and former Wildcat Nazr Mohammed averaged 18 points and 12 rebounds in four games last week.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Cats fall in Paradise Jam

ST. THOMAS, Virgin Islands — Playing without leading scorer Sara Potts, UK (3-2) fell to No. 17 Rutgers (4-0), 75-60 in the championship game of Paradise Jam on Saturday.

Potts, a senior forward, played for only eight minutes because of a stomach virus, but she was named to the all-tournament team after averaging 25.5 points over two games.

Rutgers forward Michelle Campbell scored 17 points and pulled down 12 rebounds to lead the Scarlet Knights.

The Scarlet Knights shot 47 percent from the field in the game and made 54 percent of their 3-pointers. Playing for Potts, UK freshman Samantha Ma-

honey scored a career-high 15 points. Senior Danyelle Payne scored a season-high 14 points to complement five assists, while freshman center Sarah Elliott added 13 and junior transfer Nastasia Alcius had 12 points.

On Thursday, UK defeated Oregon State 73-70 after battling back from a 17-point first-half deficit.

On Friday, UK lost to South Dakota State 57-55, when the Jackrabbits scored with four seconds left.

The Cats travel to Evanston, Ill., to face Northwestern on Saturday. In her final game with UK, senior outside hitter Sarah Spinner tied the school

record for kills with 36.

It wasn't enough, as the American Eagles defeated the Cats 3-2 on Saturday.

It was the seventh straight loss for the Cats (12-18), who were swept 3-0 by Long Beach State on Friday.

Spinner's 36 kills tied the school record shared by Molly Dreishuch (1992-95) and LaTanya Webb (1997).

Spinner ends her career with 1,565 kills, the third most in UK history. She ranks third in both career attacks and digs, with 4,172 attacks and 1,127 digs.

UK Athletics said its search for a new head coach is expected to wrap up within the calendar year. Coach Jona Braden resigned her position earlier this month.

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