



WEATHER Cloudy and cold today, high near 40; mostly cloudy tonight, low around 20; sunny tomorrow, high near 35.

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Day of Peace comes to campus

By Tara Anderson
Staff Writer

Drum circles, quiet meditation, and chalk drawings on the patio were part of the "Day Without Violence/Day of Peace" event at the Student Center yesterday.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., campus groups set up booths in the Free Speech area behind the Student Center, selling buttons and bumper stickers and handing out information, while other students participated in drumming or just enjoyed the spring weather and festive atmosphere. Amnesty International, the Social Work Alliance, the Athena Club of LCC and Alpha Phi Omega all had tables for anyone interested in their organizations.

"The event was sponsored by Students for Social Justice, a campus group that works with peace and justice issues."

"One of the main purposes of our group is to provide a forum for social justice issues," said Kristin Houle, a history junior and a founding member of the group.

"We just want to try and bring the campus together in a way they don't see each other very much," Houle said.

The event was originally organized at Earlham University in Indiana as a way to commemorate the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and has spread to other universities around the country.

Participation was possibly motivated by last week's racial incident involving a UK student who was threatened because of a letter she wrote to the Kentucky Kernel. A petition showing students' dissatisfaction with the University administration's handling of the event was circulated yesterday.

"The administration needs to educate the University as a whole on dealing with these problems," said Timothy Montgomery-Sebree, a biology junior who was taking the petition around the crowd.

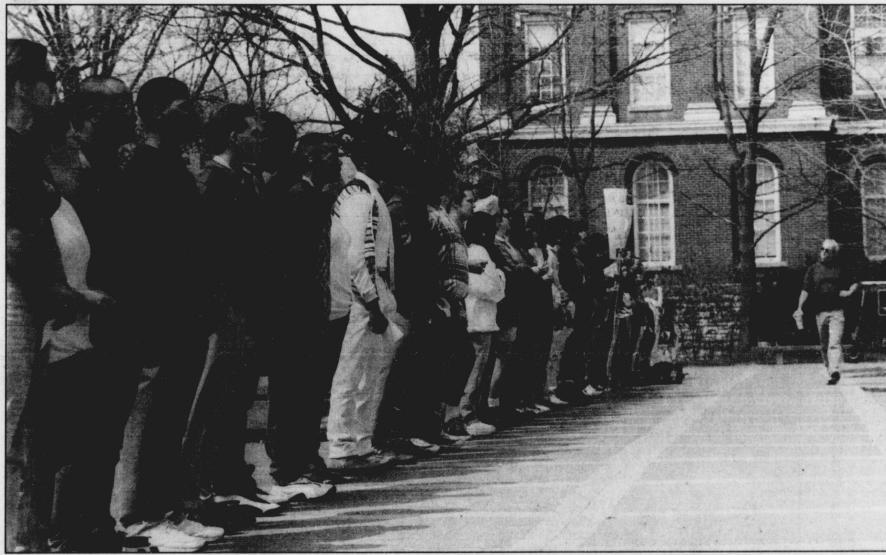
Lexington Campus Chancellor Elisabeth Zinser briefly stopped by to speak to some of the students and circulate a memorandum from the administration condemning the incident.

"I think it's wonderful that this kind of conversation is going on at the campus," Zinser said. "I really admire the students for taking the leadership."

Local musician Tripp Bratton was asked to lead a drum circle on the grass at noon. Drums were provided or participants could bring their own.

"We're trying to allow people to see that solving the world's problems begins with learning to make beautiful music together," said Mike Dorn, a geography graduate student and one of the organizers of the event. About 12 people sat in a circle with drums of all sizes, cowbells, and a flute, while the crowd fluctuated around 30 or 40 students.

"Anybody can drum, whether they be old, young, black or white," Bratton said. "Drumming is the unspoken language."



PHOTOS BY JUDY HENSLEY Kernel contributor

UNITED WE STAND Students lined the front of the Patterson Office Tower fountain in silent protest yesterday to ask the University to take action regarding race relations.

Silent protest could continue indefinitely

Staff report

About 50 people stood in front of the fountain at Patterson Office Tower yesterday afternoon to protest the administration's handling of an alleged attack on a female UK student.

The demonstrators silently stood arm-in-arm in a line and held signs with yellow, green and orange and let the messages speak for them.

Some of the signs read "We will not forget," "Fight racial violence at UK" and "We, the people, deserve justice now."

The students have been protesting since Monday and say they will continue to do so indefinitely.

"We are protesting the climate that exist on this campus, we are calling for changes in the administration and education," said Gerald Coleman, an English and philosophy senior.

Coleman said the protest is leading to a regional rally on April 19.

Tanya-Marie Cole was allegedly threatened as she walked to class in Kastle Hall. UK police reported that two white males wearing hooded sweatshirts and baseball caps threatened her with knife and told her, "If you don't like your life here, we can end it for you."

UK President Charles Wethington issued a statement yesterday denouncing the attack.

Coleman said the Wethington's statement was "woefully late" and wants the next step to be action.

UK Police issued a statement yesterday asking for any information about the campus attack.

Police said the subjects involved probably bragged about their actions, or otherwise related their involvement to others in their circle of friends.

Anyone with information can contact Criminal Investigations at 257-5686 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.



SIGNS OF THE TIMES Protestors did not speak during the protest, but held brightly colored signs to get their message across.

New programs may be given waiver by CHE

By Jeff Vinson
Campus Editor

UK President Charles Wethington is staying away from speculation about the Council on Higher Education's decision concerning the approval of academic programs, which will come during the body's May meeting.

The CHE decision will follow the Committee on Equal Opportunity's recommendation last week that would give UK the go-ahead to start new programs.

The recommendation came

despite UK's failure to meet state-set goals for affirmative action.

Wethington, however, remains guardedly optimistic about getting the council's final approval. He said CHE takes the recommendation by the Committee on Equal Opportunity seriously.

"The University of Kentucky has certain new programs it would like to implement," Wethington said. He added that the programs would offer more opportunities to students. Going by the strict letter of state law, universities that fail to meet the affirmative action goals are not allowed to start new academic programs. The council can approve the programs by giving the UK a waiver.

The new programs include starting a master's degree in historic preservation architecture and

a doctorate program in gerontology. UK should also get CHE's approval, students would have the opportunity to work toward bachelor's degrees in agricultural biotechnology and natural resource conservation.

The committee's report said UK has made strides in the area of recruiting black faculty and efforts to recruit black students. But the University is still falling behind the pack. Black student retention rates are lower than white students and the number of black administrators was not enough to satisfy the committee.

Wethington said UK has made a good effort to improve these areas and will continue to work to meet the goals. If the council approves the waiver, the new programs could begin next year.

Winner called an inspiration to UK

By Gary Wulf
Staff Writer

Living with a disability would give a lot of people a reason to give up, but Darrell Mattingly has used his disability as a way to inspire others.

Mattingly, a computer science graduate student who suffers from cerebral palsy, is described as an "inspiration to both young and old people."

"To see someone that young take on all those responsibilities — not only motivating disabled students but all students — is incredible," said Pam Hancock, a quadriplegic student who was one of two people to nominate Mattingly for the award.

The Carol S. Adelstein Outstanding Student Award is given to students the student with a disability who best serves as an inspiration to UK.

Despite suffering from cerebral palsy, Mattingly has served on numerous campus groups to vocalize

the concerns of the students with disabilities. He believes that staying active beyond the classroom is an important part of the college experience.

He served as president of the UK Disabled Student Union from 1991 to 1994 and co-coordinator of the 1992 and 1993 fall orientations for students with disabilities, as well as three other campus groups.

He also participated in the Student Government Association and the Newman Center.

"The role he has taken with his involvement in disability issues has been very active," Hancock said. "Some people his age would not be as civic-minded he is."

After earning his master's degree, Mattingly might begin work on a doctorate. He hopes to work in the area of artificial intelligence.

Mattingly received a plaque and \$500 as a reward for service to the university and community.

NEWSbytes

NATION Brown's death mourned in Washington

WASHINGTON — A stunned capital was in mourning yesterday. Flags flew at half-staff and grief hung over the Commerce Department on a sunny spring day that should have held the promise of new life.

The bodies of Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and his entire entourage had been found, recovered from a plane crash in Croatia on Wednesday.

A grieving President Clinton, whom Brown helped win the White House in 1992, ordered flags flown at half-staff in the nation's capital. On Wall Street, the New York Stock Exchange was observing a moment of silence.

Clinton called Brown's widow early yesterday to notify her that the secretary's body had been identified, said presidential spokesman Mike McCurry.

The president and first lady joined other administration officials at a brief memorial service at nearby St. John's Episcopal Church. The ceremony was closed to the public and police blocked off nearby streets as passersby stopped to watch.

Afterward, Clinton said it was "a very moving memorial service, not only to grieve but also to celebrate the life" of Brown and the other victims. "We thank God for their life, we pray for their families and we came together in our grief and redemption."

At the Pentagon, Air Force Lt. Gen. Howell Estes III said search crews were trying to determine the number of people on the plane. A passenger list for the flight showed 33 Americans and two Croatians but, as of today, only 33 bodies had been recovered.

Contrary to reports from Croatia, Estes said he did not believe the Air Force passenger plane carried a voice or data recorder. He also defended the relatively old technology used to guide the plane toward the Dubrovnik airport prior to the crash.

Brother turned in Unabomber suspect

WASHINGTON — David Kaczynski was torn between loyalty to country and loyalty to family before he pointed investigators toward his older brother as a possible suspect in the 18-year series of Unabomber attacks, federal agents said yesterday.

Ultimately, Kaczynski got an acquaintance, a Washington lawyer, to relay his suspicions to the FBI in early January, according to agents who requested anonymity. Even then "relative was reluctant to come forward" to personally speak with investigators, one agent said.

It took "many discussions, many interviews" with the lawyer to persuade David to agree to meet face-to-face with FBI agents, one official said. The agents wanted more than an intermediary's oral description of some suspicious documents David had found; they wanted to see the papers.

"He was torn, as anyone would be, between doing what is societally right and loyalty to his brother," said one agent. "This was not some guy who walked in with information to collect the \$1 million reward."

The government's \$1 million reward for the Unabomber won't be handed out, if at all, until someone is convicted of the Unabomber's crimes. It's not clear David Kaczynski even knew about the reward or cares about it now; it did not motivate him to establish contact, agents said.

So far, Theodore Kaczynski, the 53-year-old former math professor who lived as a hermit in a remote Montana cabin, has been charged only with one count of possessing bomb components.

NAMEdropping

Beatles turn down \$500 million offer

NEW YORK — The remaining Beatles have turned down a \$500 million offer for an easy day's work — a 20-minute concert at Shea Stadium.

"The Beatles aren't interested," Paul McCartney's office said in a statement yesterday. "Money is not an issue. We wouldn't do it for twice as much. The answer is no."

The reunion show was the brainchild of Sid Bernstein, who promoted the first Beatles' shows at Shea.

Bernstein's proposal would have reunited the Beatles on Aug. 23 — 30 years after their last show at the stadium.

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Stone Temple Pilots, Joe Henry do it again



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BIG BANG BABY Stone Temple Pilot's latest album, "Tiny Music... Songs From the Vatican Gift Shop," is now available in stores. The band expects to go on an extensive tour this summer.

By Robert Duffy
Arts Editor
and Travis Robinson
Staff Critic

Stone Temple Pilots
Tiny Music... Songs From the
Vatican Gift Shop
★★★★

Stone Temple Pilots continue to impress me.

After a mediocre debut album followed by a superb sophomore release, STP hits the jackpot with their latest release, *Tiny Music... Songs From the Vatican Gift Shop*.

This album is full of a variety of sounds, styles and energy levels. Songs such as "Big Bang Baby" and "Tumble in the Rough" offer enough punch to keep the intensity wheels turning while "And So I Know" and "Lady Picture Show" calm things a bit on the musical side but still give a good slap in the face via the lyrics.

STP also journeys into the light side of lyrics and music with "Art School Girl."

"I gotta girlfriend, she goes to parties/Underground parties, Andy Warhol everywhere/She wears the leather, I wear the makeup/We'll never break up, been together for a month." The song starts off with a funky beat but is abruptly thrust into an angry guitar assault.

Perhaps the greatest STP song to date is "Adhesive." This ballad, which is a sweet journey into depression, offers more thought-provoking lyrics than you can shake a stick at.

"Comatose commodity the superheroes dyin'/All the children cryin'/Sell more records if I'm dead" sings Scott Weiland as the rest of the band coat the lyrics with a menacing, brooding musical background. "Have a listen and lend an ear/Here's a song now if ya care/We can all just hum along/Words don't matter any-

more..." Right on, Scott, right on. -R.D.

Joe Henry
Trampoline
★★★★

Joe Henry's latest album, *Trampoline*, is like a whisper; a tumbledeaved traversing the highway as you, in your air conditioned car, only swerve out of it's path to let it go it's own way.

This album is a tribute to simplicity at it's finest. Rarely does Henry stray from the two or three chords that he began with, preferring rather to examine the possibilities inherent in those chords through repetition and textured layering of tremolo and acoustic guitars and a wide variety of other instruments and musicians.

involved in a plane crash not too long ago and this album came after that experience.

The second track, "Ohio Air Show Plane Crash," describes the event and, along with the first track, "Bob and Ray," seems to want to build up to a crescendo but — like that tumbledeaved — they merely roll by, making their way to the dry, parched land on the other side.

The watering hole is only a song away though, and it delivers in psychedelic, countryfied, refreshment. Not too surprisingly it also happens to be the title track (it is the most "pop" song of the album), "Trampoline," which also eludes to weightlessness.

Other songs complement and build on that whisper that defines this album and never quite lets you feel content (or is it that it makes you feel too content?). In fact this album is a success because it makes you "feel". My only gripe is that it ends too soon. -T.R.

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Birdmen of Alcatraz soar into JDI's

Travis Robinson
Staff Writer

Hi-fi, energetic and highly combustible music that re-defines and re-arranges any previous conceptions about hip-hop and hard rock styles will shake Jefferson Davis' bones tonight when Indianapolis band, Birdmen of Alcatraz, visits the namesake tavern, Jefferson Davis Inn.

Birdmen, Dino Codalata (guitar), Steve Wolf (bass), Russ Johnson (vocals), and Matt Van Kersen (drums), have been gracing regional stages for about five years now and are on the brink of stardom with their second release, *Focus*.

Birdmen of Alcatraz has played at some well-received and well-attended shows like Indianapolis' X-Fest, with some well known acts such as Toadies, Bush, Teenage Fan Club and Ned's Atomic Dustbin. Over 21,000 were in attendance.

"That was a great experience for us," explains Van Kersen, "but it was 103 degrees and, of course,

they covered the stage with black so it was even hotter for us".

The Birdmen have also played a couple of shows at the Deer-creek Amphitheater near Indy, once opening for Spinal Tap and again for Cheap Trick and Smitherens.

"Right now we're are sort of horseshoeing out (from Indianapolis) and trying to build up a following by focusing on particular venues," says Van Kersen. "We'll play at three or four cities in one swoop," he continues, "and then return home for a couple of days and then hit the road again".

Writing songs and practicing comes fairly easy for the band because they live in the same neighborhood.

On the writing, Van Kersen explains that, "most of the writing is a collaborative effort but sometimes the other guys (Codalata and Wolf) will bring in a song practically completed". He continues, "They are really the analytical ones when writing and I take the more abusive approach but we create the chemistry through our abilities".

As for the lyrics, "Russ writes them all. He is really incredible because he can sit down and write 600 words that contain the craziest metaphors. He could stand up to any M.C."

Van Kersen also says that the personal connection between the members is a tight one. In fact, the band missed him for a while, about three years ago, because of an incident after a show in Bloomington, Indiana.

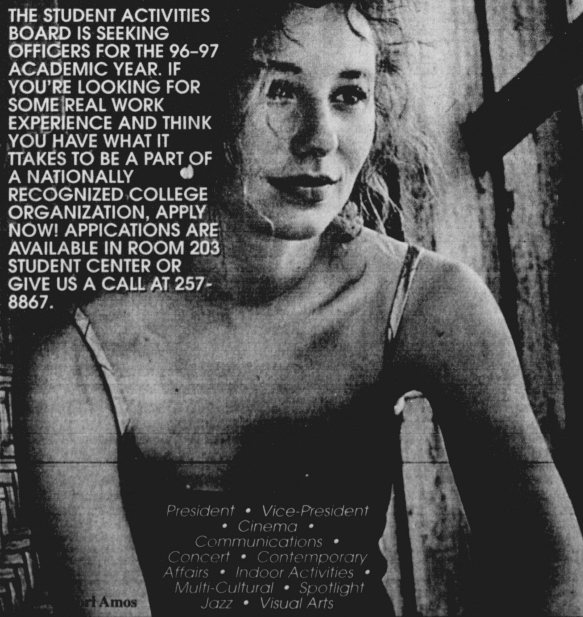
The bands bio explains that he was busy taking down his drums when an unwieldy part went into his eye, causing some reversible brain damage. He had to have therapy just to get his motorskills working again and the story sounds like a scene from "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest".

"I was in the mental hospital with the actual mental patients and schizophrenics for therapy," explains Van Kersen, "but I'm fully recovered now."

The Birdmen are working on another, probably shorter, follow up release with about seven songs. They are also looking into the CD-Rom capabilities, possibly putting out some type of multimedia package this summer. Their debut album has sold out and they are currently trying to get it re-issued.

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UK responds to Hauser's charges

Associated Press

UK Athletics Director C.M. Newton testified that he was surprised when JoAnn Hauser resisted the idea of switching from trainer of the men's basketball team to the women's team.

Newton also contended that Hauser was asked to move to be part of the women's basketball program.

The excerpts are from Newton's deposition that was filed Friday as part of Hauser's sexual discrimination suit against UK.

Newton, men's coach Rick Pitino and the UK Athletic Association. Hauser left UK last year after being asked to move to the women's team.

Hauser claims she was asked to switch teams to make room for Pitino's friend, Edward "Fast Eddie" Jamiel, who she says is less qualified.

Newton said there had been at least 30 reassignments before his discussion with Hauser about the move.

"... In all the reassignments that we'd done in the six years I had been there ... I had not had anyone refuse a reassignment," Newton says in the deposition.

Newton said that he expected Hauser to remain until the situation could be resolved and denied that he threatened to fire her if she did not agree to move to the women's program.

The UK Athletics Director acknowledged that he told Hauser that her performance as men's trainer had been satisfactory. He

also admitted telling Hauser that he wanted Pitino to have the chance to choose his own trainer. Newton could not recall making statements to Hauser about Jamiel's salary or saying that her replacement wouldn't make more money than she did.

Previous court documents filed on behalf of Hauser have alleged that Jamiel's base salary was at least \$10,000 higher than Hauser's.

Hauser's salary as men's basketball trainer was about \$28,000.

International students plan basketball tourney

By Aaron O. Hall
Staff Writer

Now that the basketball Cats have had their share of the spotlight, other students can see whether or not their talents can shine on the court.

The International Student Council is sponsoring the annual International Basketball Tournament tomorrow at Alumni Gym. Seven teams, in anticipation, had their money ready to sign-up for the event. But the games may have to wait if four referees cannot be found before the start of the games.

For business management junior Hari Paranthaman, the tournament would be a hoop dream come true.

Until three years ago, the Malaysian student had never played the sport. But after moving to Kentucky, he has since developed a love for the game and decided to give basketball a try himself.

If the games take place, this weekend will mark his first time playing in an organized basketball game.

"It's interesting to play in an atmosphere where you know your limitations," Paranthaman said.

"You really don't know how good you are until you play an official game."

Paranthaman may have to wait until next year to find out just how good he is. With finals coming up, this may be his only free weekend to participate.

Though he has prepared himself, Paranthaman admits that he

is not quite ready for UK coach Rick Pitino.

"I know kids 10 and 11 years old who can take me to school," he said.

But if Leo Cai can help it, the games will go on as planned. Today he will seek out referees for the tournament.

"This is the biggest sports event for international student," said Cai, a pre-pharmacy sophomore.

He has a little more experience on his side. Already he has participated in two International Basketball Tournaments, and in China, Cai played high school basketball.

"I feel it's kind of tradition," Cai said. "We want to share a part of it. We would like to play."

If the games do not take place, Cai said he will either practice or

hit the books.

Danny Tan, the event's coordinator, wants the games to go on as planned, but did not seem positive about the tournament taking place tomorrow. Just in case, he was working on holding the event next weekend.

"It's like a tradition," Tan said. "It's been going on for so many years."

Even though the tournaments comes short of remotely seeing a profit, Tan said that the games are all about having fun.

The money taken in goes towards renting the court, and buying the trophies.

The games will begin at 9 a.m. at Alumni Gym, adjacent to the Student Center. Games are expected to run until 4 p.m. The winning team will receive medals.

Fraternity provides kids with egg hunt

By Tiffany Gilmarin
Staff Writer

It was hard to tell who was smiling more in the yellow lights of the lunch room: the children hunting for the eggs or the Delta Tau Delta social fraternity brothers who sponsored the Easter egg event.

As the older children muscled their way past the smaller ones in search of the Easter eggs hidden in the Salvation Army's cafeteria. The Delt brothers stood along the

walls smiling giving hints about egg hiding places and even lifting a few children to help them reach the eggs.

The Delt brothers with the help of the housecook Sue Odle dyed 120 eggs for the children at the shelter.

Gathering at the Leesstown Road shelter, the fraternity members had to endure scheduling difficulties and bad weather.

Delt President Scott Potter said it was Odle who proposed the idea and organized the whole

event. When Odle proposed the Easter egg hunt, the brothers jumped on the idea. Odle said she originally wanted to have the event at the Hope Center, but because the children leave at 3 p.m. it was not convenient to many of the brothers.

Since the weather forced the event inside, the brothers who arrived just before 6 p.m. had to wait until shelter residents finished their dinner before hiding the eggs.

Along with hard-boiled eggs, each child got a chocolate Easter rabbit and a coupon for McDonald's treats.

The South Limestone McDonald's also donated gift certificates for the event.

Hiding the eggs under chairs,

in widow-sills and even in the freezer, the brothers enjoyed watching the little kids hunt for the colored eggs.

"It's the first time we get to hide them for a change, it makes me feel old," said philosophy sophomore, Doug Abbott.

One little boy who had found seven eggs was proudly showing his collection to his mother and siblings.

Odle was happy with how the event turned out, said she thought it was important that the brothers see the other side of life. As parents and children milled around the room, most of the eggs were discovered in less than 30 minutes.

"It hits home, it really does," said Abbott, his brothers nodding in agreement with him.

Program gives Toyota workers chance for college education

Staff report

GEORGETOWN, Ky. — Beginning this fall, employees of a Toyota plant can earn a living and further their education all at the same place.

The workers will have an opportunity to take college classes and earn degrees at the training center at Toyota Motor Manufacturing, U.S.A., Inc.

The program involves five Kentucky colleges and universi-

ties — the University of Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky University, Kentucky State University, Georgetown College and Midway College.

Northwood University — a Michigan-based institution with a branch campus in Louisville — also will offer classes.

"The chief benefit of the on-site program is to make it easier to get a college degree," said Dewey Crawford, who is overseeing the project.

"We're not pushing our team members to attend college. We just want to present them the opportunity to further their education in a convenient, realistic way."

Gov. Paul Patton said the project was an "excellent example of business and higher education working together."

"Many times, while a person has the desire to attend college, it is not possible with the many other responsibilities in their

lives," he said.

"That's why this program is so special, it brings the classroom to the student, making a college education a more-attainable goal."

The college program will give Toyota workers the opportunity to complete work on two-year associate and four-year bachelor degrees. They also can earn graduate degrees in two areas of study.

Toyota workers on average have attended 14-plus years of school.



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"SPEAKING OF ASSISTED SUICIDE, DR. KEVORKIAN . . . WAS IT YOU WHO GOT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY INVOLVED WITH PAT BUCHANAN?"

Except for the naked guy, the party kicked

I needed to take a little walk. The Wildcats had teased me into complacency with that 11-point bulge earlier in the second half, and now they were frittering it away. This wasn't happening. This was *not* happening. If I saw the Orangemen score another easy lay-up, I was going to kill. So I split. I got out. I figured that, by the time it took me to get from Blazer Hall all the way to the journalism building, everything would be OK.

The square for a while, I needed to nourish the throat I'd worn out yelping like a *Braveheart* extra and chanting loud messages of love and friendship toward our Syracuse counterparts. I spent about 20 minutes languishing in the nearby convenience store trying to buy a damn soda.

The line was glacial. I had finished about four-fifths of my drink when I finally made it to the counter. The cashier graciously neglected to hassle me about it. I guess, given all of the people who were wearing this proud mention in the city's and the University's history to catch up on their shoplifting and smashing of windows, my getting a little head start on a 20-ouncer was not especially bothersome.

That done, I rejoined the chaos and resumed hugging strange men and women. I looked up toward the post at the corner to see what had developed on the nudity front. And there *he* was, full and frontal. Like Harrison Ford strapped to that pole at the end of *Raiders of the Last Ark*, I clamped my eyes tight. I really, really wasn't interested in seeing this. Who asked him, anyway? At no point did I hear the women of the mob scream, "Drop those pants!"

Drunk people. A small voice in the back of my head chided me for my silliness. I didn't score a single one of those points. I didn't grab a single one of those rebounds. I don't even know anyone on the team; in fact, the full extent of my relationship with the players is that Jeff Sheppard (or maybe it was Mark Pope) once offered to let me cut in front of him in line while I was getting a sandwich in Blazer Express. But you know, none of that mattered.

This felt good. I wasn't supposed to be here this year. I graduated last May. I was supposed to be finished with Lexington forever. But I ended up sticking around, for some strange reason. I never understood why. Standing in the middle of the crowd, I finally did. I was put here for an extra year to be jostled, to be kicked in the face by an errant crowd surfer, to lose my balance and almost to be trampled to death by a throbbing horde of crazed students who, at least for a little while, were unified by the religious joy of winning it all.

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Informed Sources
"I'VE BEEN praying all day."

Marsha Bishop, an employee at the Commerce Department

as news spread that Secretary Ron Brown and some of his top aides were presumed dead after their plane crashed near Dubrovnik, Croatia.

Evolution of theory

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The Tennessee Senate defeated a bill recently that would have allowed school boards to fire teachers for teaching evolution as fact instead of as theory. The author of the bill, Senator Tommy Burks, maintained that the bill's intent was to eradicate any confusion created by teachers in the classroom as they present the study of evolution. Burks asserted that the bill "does not have a religious connotation to it."

Senator Burks may have had the purest of intentions. Schools should be responsible in dealing with the evolution debate so as to keep fact separate from theory, to uphold scientific integrity and to respect the religious beliefs of students.

But he overstepped his bounds in trying to bring the legislature into the issue. Regardless of whether or not Burks introduced the bill for religious reasons, the state should not interfere with the curriculum of the schools.

In effect, what Burks did was to take an otherwise legitimate issue and an otherwise legitimate argument and leave it wide open to attack as some wild government attempt to force the

teaching of creationism upon the schools. That may be pretty far from the truth in this case, but it's an easy attack to make, since the state government really has no place meddling with the curriculum anyway.

Evolution should be taught in schools — taught as one of several differing and questionable theories, that is. All scientists do not agree on the same single theory of evolution, nor do they all agree on the same chronologies or time spans in the development of life on this planet and indeed in the creation of the planet itself.

To teach any one of these theories as absolute fact would be as tyrannical and unscientific as teaching Biblical creationism as the only viable explanation for life on this planet. But by unwittingly stirring up fears of an intrusive government mandate from the religious-right, Burks defeated his cause and gave those teachers who do abuse their positions of academic authority in order to renounce religious beliefs and who make no distinction between theory and fact further justification to continue their irresponsible ways.

IN OUR OPINION

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READERS' forum

WLEX used UK for promotions

To the editor:

We all know that our local NBC station WLEX-TV 18 is distributing "TRUE BLUE FAN" buttons to everyone in Lexington. Some of the outlets include their own station, Ford dealers, and the pep rally in Fayette Mall. But my concern is that they never bothered to distribute these buttons in our campus where the Wildcats belong to the University of Kentucky. I got mad for two reasons: one, WLEX-TV never bothered to recognize UK, and not even a single student or faculty or staff ever bothered to raise this question in any way. Therefore, I called the WLEX-TV station to find out whether they have any intention

to distribute the buttons on campus. In the first place, the telephone operator was surprised because it seems I was the first person to raise such a question. Then, she put me on hold and asked her boss.

I was given a dumb answer, i.e. they don't have enough man power. Then, I asked them: "Don't you have any commitment to UK, and can't you make effort to distribute them in our campus?" She said: "Don't think that we are neglecting UK." Further she went on to say that the button carries the word only "TRUE BLUE FANS" and does not carry anything like "UK" or "WILDCATS."

This answer really irritated me. Where did the word "TRUE BLUE FANS" originate from then? It is the sole property and property right of UK. WLEX-TV is getting undue publicity at UK's cost. CBS (WKYT-TV) is the one who broadcasts all our

games. My sincere wish is that at least in the future every UK student realize that UK can't be singled out this way, and know what their right is, and to whom WILD-CAT belongs. I sincerely regret the way WLEX-TV 18 acted in this issue and advertised themselves at UK's cost.

What race problem?
To the editor:

Yesterday, UK celebrated the Day Without Violence (as if we truly lived in a non-violent world) because of recent "racial tensions" here on campus. This is just great, concern for a problem that really doesn't exist accept in the minds of a few black students and faculty who undoubtedly believe all white people are inherently racist. They also probably scream racism to get what they want since the

Ben Rich
computer science sophomore

Assault weapons ban is pointless

Odd Baggary's April 2, 1996 article, "Lifting ban on assault guns increases violence," not only shows his ignorance on the subject but also demonstrates insufficient research. Baggary argues construed beliefs and his emotional opinion rather than the facts. The propaganda he spreads is as harmful as the ban he favors. Many of his arguments are only half-truths and the other half ignorance. Baggary's first attempt at sarcasm fails and demonstrates to the informed reader he knows little about this subject. Baggary scoffed, "Semi-automatic weapons are capable of massive amounts of carnage, but machine guns are capable of even more. Put them back in circulation." News flash, they are! The machine gun act, which was enacted in the 1930s, allows any US citizen to own a

machine gun provided they pass an FBI background check and buy a Class III firearms license for around \$200.

Baggary needs to conduct his own research or at least understand the University of Maryland's study before he cites it. He reported that states with a concealed weapon law had an increase in gun-related crimes. This is true, but the study concerned Florida and not every state with concealed weapon legislation. Miami had an increase of crime since the conceal carry law was enacted; however, the state had approximately 28 percent decrease in crime overall. Ver-

mont allows concealed weapons, and it has one of the lowest crime rates in the country.

Applicants for a concealed weapons license must successfully pass a certification and safety class before the license is issued. The quality of the course and the education a licensee will receive is yet to be seen. However, police must submit the following statistics annually to the legislature: the number of licenses issued, denied and revoked. Licenses convicted of criminal activity must be included on that report. These are the unknown factors that are needed to determine whether

GUEST opinion

Guest Columnist
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Kentuckians will become violent. We must not ignore the fact that criminals are law breakers because they have little or no respect for our laws. Why should the law-abiding citizen be denied the ability to make themselves feel secure? Criminals feel secure because they will have firearms regardless of what the law mandates. It is easy to fall for the trap that Senator Kennedy has set. He had two brothers assassinated and wants guns made illegal. Keep in mind that he will always have the Secret Service to provide him with security.

The much-feared Teflon-coated bullet is the deadly bullets, but to say they were developed for the purpose of killing cops is absurd. The Teflon-coating reduces friction in the muzzle — increasing the velocity. It was typical for the Teflon to split, fall off, leaving a lead bullet to be stopped by a bullet-proof vest. These bullets were designed for hunting animals, not people. Many weapons will penetrate

bullet-proof vest. Gun advocates and police do not advertise these methods for obvious reasons.

Yes, the National Rifle Association (NRA) did refer to the federal agents who were involved with Randy Weaver and the Waco incident as "Jack-booted thugs." The NRA frequently called for Congressional hearings to investigate what went wrong at Ruby Ridge and Waco. I do not condone the actions of the Branch Davidians or Randy Weaver, but the means did not justify the ends. The hearing's results are scheduled for release this summer.

The belief that this ban actually does anything is as ludicrous as the article itself. The ban prohibits the importation and manufacturing of certain assault rifles. The ban did accomplish one good thing. In some cases, gun dealers quadrupled their prices. These banned weapons only need minor changes to become legal again: change the stock, remove the flash

suppressor and bayonet. Now they look similar to American sporting rifles. The FBI reported that in 1994, the year the ban was imposed, that less than one-fourth percent of one percent of crimes were committed with assault rifles.

These banned weapons were never designed for the battlefield. Anyone who has military experience could confirm that. These semi-automatics have few automatic companions that are for combat. Remember, full automatics are legal. I invite Baggary to attend the Knob Creek civilian machine gun shoot, Apr. 12-14, ironically in Bullitt county. Baggary's article demonstrates that he knows little of competitive shooting or he would realize that many of the banned weapons are used for competition.

I usually respect the opinion of gun control advocates, but I refuse to allow uninformed, misconstrued, and unsubstantiated claims.

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SPORTS

Cats set for three-game series with Crimson Tide

By O. Jason Stapleton
Staff Writer

UK's baseball coach and players disagree as to the importance of this weekend's series against the 12th-ranked Alabama Crimson Tide.

Coach Keith Madison is downplaying the series against the Crimson Tide.

"When you play 30 Southeastern Conference games a year and when you're at the beginning of the SEC schedule, you don't want to put too much emphasis on it," Madison said.

He did recognize the toughness of his opponent however.

"Alabama, just like most other SEC teams is highly ranked, very talented, and they're a team that made tremendous strides last year," Madison said. "They're tied for first place in the Western Division, so we know we've got a battle cut out for us."

The three-game set against Alabama, which will be played at Cliff Hagan Stadium, opens today with a 6 p.m. start.

UK's players view this as being an extremely critical series on the schedule.

"This is probably the biggest series for us getting back on a streak," said junior outfielder Jay Tedesco. "If we can take (tonight's game) it's gonna be a big boost for us, and hopefully everything else will roll off that."

Pitcher Adam Shadburne echoed Tedesco's

sentiments.

"We've been on a pretty lousy streak," Shadburne said. "Naturally any SEC win we pick up will be great and if we can win two out of three or three out of three we're still right in the picture."

The Cats are coming off a heart-breaking loss in the ninth inning to Morehead State. How the team responds to the loss could very well determine the outcome of the rest of the season. Alabama, on the other hand, is coming off a big 2-0 win against state rival Auburn.

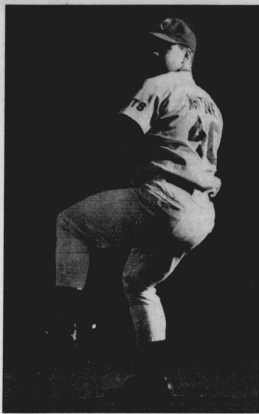
UK has a 5-7 record in the SEC, and is in a three-way tie for third in the SEC Eastern Division. This is especially crucial this year because the new SEC Tournament format only allows the top three teams in each division a berth in the tournament.

Alabama is led by catcher Dax Norris who hits for a team-high .413 average. The Crimson Tide also have a power-hitting second baseman in Joe Caruso. Caruso has seven home runs, already the most by an Alabama second baseman in a season.

The key for the Wildcats this weekend is pitching.

"If our pitching stays healthy through the weekend, I like our chances," Madison said. "It looks like we're going to start Shadburne Friday night, (Scott) Downs Saturday, and Sunday is still a question mark."

UK's pitching has been a mystery of late.



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BOMBARDED UK's pitching staff has given up 27 runs this week to three opponents.

Monday night at Western it gave up 17 runs only to throw a two-hit shutout the next night against Xavier.

Wednesday's 10-run game by Morehead did little to help the Cats' ERA.

Still, Shadburne is confident about the Cats chances against the highly-ranked Tide.

"We got nothing to lose," Shadburne said. "We just need to come out and have fun playing baseball, which is something we haven't been doing."

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Keeneland kicks off spring meeting

Staff report

Keeneland's Spring Meet opens today and continues April 26.

There is no racing on Mondays or Tuesdays; the track will also be closed Sunday for Easter.

Gates open at 11 a.m. on race days with the first race going off at 1:30 p.m.

General admission is \$2.50. Reserved seats are \$3 on weekdays, \$5 on Saturdays and Sundays. Parking is free.

The feature race of the meet is the Toyota Blue Grass Stakes scheduled for April 13.

The race is considered the last major prep race for the Kentucky Derby. The Derby is run the first Saturday in May at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky.

Reserved seat are already sold out for the Blue Grass when the gates open at 10:30 a.m. with post time at 12:30 p.m.

This spring, there will be a new transportation option for those wishing to attend the races. Lextran will offer special trolley shuttle service to Keeneland from convenient pick-up spots on the UK service and downtown Lexington.

Pickups and returns will run Wednesday-Saturday hourly from 10:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The first trolley will arrive at Keeneland at 11. The fare is \$1



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AND THEY'RE OFF Keeneland's spring meet begins today and runs through April 26. The track is located on Versailles Road across from Blue Grass Field.

each way. Call 253-4636 for more information.

Keeneland opened its site on the World Wide Web yesterday (<http://www.keeneland.com>).

Entries are available by 8 p.m. on the evening prior to racing.

Flash results are available by 7 p.m. the evening of races with full results posted by noon the day following the races.

In addition, racing, sales and general information is available on the Keeneland web site.

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