

# Kentucky

*Women's Basketball*

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[12-22-1996]

## TODAY'S GAME

KENTUCKY

VS.

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4:15 p.m.

Memorial Coliseum



# HEAD COACH BERNADETTE MATTOX

**H**aving worked closely with powerhouses in both men's and women's basketball, Mattox brings a unique feature to the UK program and to basketball in the Bluegrass State. Before she was named head coach of the UK women's basketball program in the spring of 1995, she earned national recognition as one of the first female assistant coaches on a Division I men's basketball staff when Coach Rick Pitino added her to his staff in 1990.

Mattox also made a name for herself in women's basketball circles. She was a top recruiter as an assistant to Coach Andy Landers at her alma mater, national power Georgia. During her five seasons with the Lady Bulldogs, she helped guide the program to national rankings, NCAA Tournament berths and many SEC honors. She also helped recruit two of the best female players to play the game, Olympians Teresa Edwards and Katrina McClain.

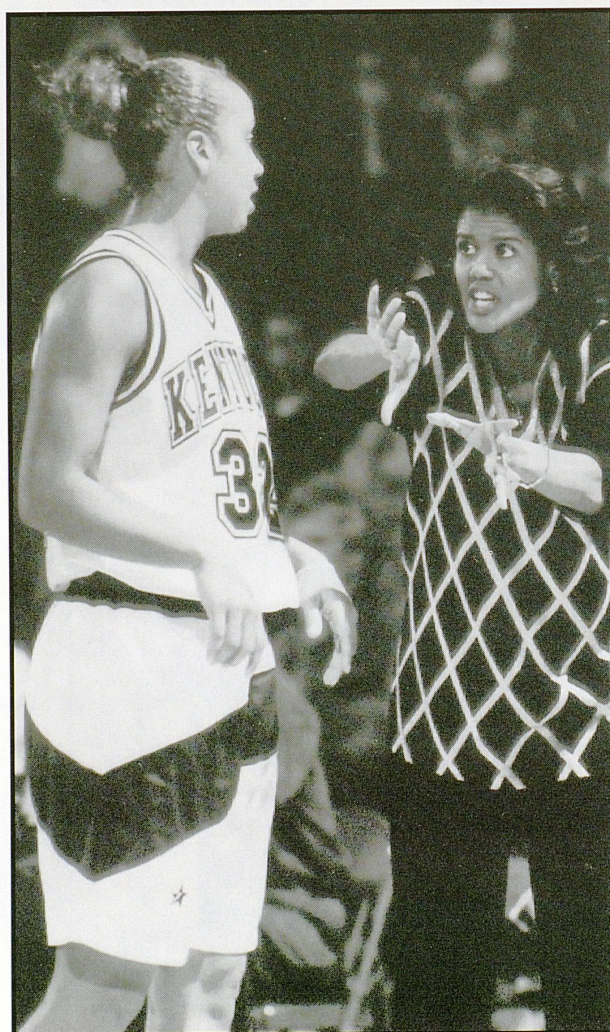
Mattox's journey to success began as a collegiate player. She led Georgia in scoring as it won the 1981 National Women's Invitational Tournament title and was the first female to earn All-America status at the University.

A native of Philadelphia, Tenn., Mattox played basketball for Loudon County High. She then attended Roane State Community College, playing two seasons there under Landers. She later enrolled at Georgia, where she earned her degree in 1981 in education. Mattox remained there three seasons as a graduate assistant until leaving the coaching ranks for one year, only to return to her alma mater in 1985 as an assistant coach for the Lady Bulldogs. She remained at Georgia until joining Pitino's staff five years later.

Mattox accepted the position of Assistant Athletics Director at UK in 1994. On March 14, 1995 she was named head women's basketball coach at Kentucky. She continues to receive national publicity from media outlets. She is a frequently requested speaker for

businesses, community and sports-related functions.

Mattox and her husband Vince live in Lexington with their son Vincent Alexander, who will be two years old in May.



# ASSISTANT COACHES

## KEN BYRD



**B**yrd begins his second season at UK after 14 successful years in the high school coaching ranks. Byrd, a native of Friendsville, Tenn., brings coaching and administrative experience to the Wildcats program.

He coached high school basketball in Tennessee and Georgia prior to joining the Wildcats. He enjoyed successful years at Bainbridge High in Bainbridge, Ga., Greenback High in

Greenback, Tenn., and William Blount High in Maryville, Tenn. He began his coaching career at his alma mater Friendsville High in 1974.

In addition to leading his squads to team honors, Byrd has earned individual honors, including three District Coach of the Year awards and an East Tennessee Coach of the Year honor while at Greenback High.

Byrd earned his bachelor's degree in education from the University of Tennessee in 1972 and his master's degree from Nova University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Byrd and his wife Chris reside in Lexington with their daughter Kamie and son Kolby.

## LESLIE NICHOLS



**R**egarded by many as one of the best players in the history of UK women's basketball, Nichols begins her first season as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator for the UK women's basketball team.

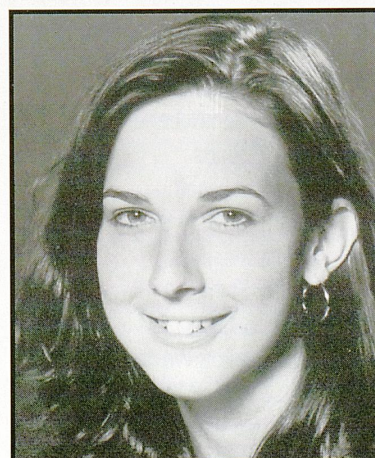
Nichols was a starter for Kentucky from 1982-86 under Coach Terry Hall. She averaged 11.4 points and seven rebounds per game as a

freshman. Her freshman season was also the same year in which UK was ranked fifth nationally by the Associated Press en route to a 23-5 record and an NCAA Tournament berth.

Nichols led UK in scoring from her sophomore season to her senior year, averaging no fewer than 16.7 points per game. She also ranked in the Top 10 in several statistical categories in the SEC and is the only women's basketball player to be named to the All-SEC team three consecutive seasons (1984-86). Nichols is also listed in the UK records book and in several all-time statistical categories.

Nichols is a Lexington native and a product of Henry Clay High School. She received her bachelor's degree in 1986 in agricultural economics. She and her husband Al Carter reside in Lexington.

## MOLLIE McCLURE



**M**cClure comes to UK after completing her collegiate career at the University of Richmond in Virginia. Her responsibilities will include coordinating travel plans for the team and supervising the

team's academic progress.

McClure, who played forward and center for the Richmond Spiders, began her collegiate career as a walk-on before earning a scholarship her junior and senior seasons. As a senior, she saw action in 16 games, averaging seven points and leading the team in rebounding with an average of 5.8 boards per game. She was one of three team captains her senior year.

McClure earned her bachelor's degree in art history at Richmond. She plans to pursue a master's degree while at UK.



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If you can't be in the stands, listen to the game on the radio. WLAP Sports Radio 630-AM will broadcast 19 of the women's basketball games this season. Bringing the action to fans will be play-by-play announcer Dave Shore. Following games, join Shore and Coach Mattox for the Bernadette Mattox Post-Game Show. There will also be a "Star of the Game" following each game.

### GAMES SCHEDULED FOR BROADCAST:

(subject to change)

Michigan State, Ohio State, Toledo, Miami, Ole Miss, Vanderbilt, Tennessee, Western Kentucky, Alabama, Arkansas, South Carolina, Auburn, Eastern Kentucky, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi State, Louisville, South Carolina, SEC Tournament.



## THE BERNADETTE MATTOX SHOW

Watch the Bernadette Mattox Show scheduled for Saturdays at 12 noon EST on Lexington's Channel 27. Join Mattox and co-host Dave Shore for weekly observations on Wildcats players and their opponents. Check local listings each week for air times due to schedule changes on CBS or Jefferson Pilot.



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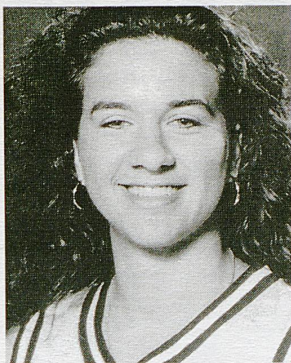
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# WILDCAT PROFILE

## TIFFANY WAIT

Sophomore guard Tiffany Wait is enjoying a basketball season that is personally just as jolly as the upcoming holidays. Her recent on-court achievements include a career-high performance, seven starts and a role as one of the offensive leaders on the team.

Wait returned to the lineup this season after missing 21 games last year due to stress fractures in both her feet. Wait's injuries were so severe that she often walked with pain and eventually was placed in a cast for several weeks. However, fans saw a glimpse of Wait's talent in the six games in which she did play. Last season, she started twice and was third in scoring, averaging 11.7 points per game, prior to her departure. She scored in double figures in her first three collegiate games, including a two-day total of 31 points in the UK Invitational, which later earned her a spot on the UKIT all-tournament team. Her last game as a freshman was a 15-point performance against nationally-ranked Western Kentucky in Bowling Green.

This season, it appears that Wait has returned to the offensive form she displayed last year. She has scored in double figures in seven of UK's eight games this season, including a career-high 21 points vs. Toledo. She is second on the team in scoring, averaging 12.9 points per game, and is grabbing an average of 4.3 rebounds per matchup.

Wait also had a heralded high school career. The Hot Springs, Ark., native was all-state in both basketball and volleyball and also ran track. She also received numerous honors for her athletic and academic accomplishments. She was a member of the Beta and National Honor Society clubs at Lake Hamilton High, was the subject for ESPN's Student Scholastic Athlete show her senior year and was also selected homecoming queen her senior year.

When not playing basketball, Wait enjoys water skiing and shooting basketball. She is a pharmacy major at UK.



### 1996-97 UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

Back Row (L-R): Manager Kim Locke, Trainer Steve Wolf, Tiffany Wait, Kim Denkins, Katie Vieth, Vonda Jackson, Shawn Manning, Manager Ted Gordon, Manager Simon Kon, Trainer Mary Beth Lorson  
Front Row (L-R): Assistant Coach Ken Byrd, Head Coach Bernadette Mattox, Natalie Martinez, Nikki Hay, Shaunda Roberts, Robyn Embry, Patrice Boyd, Assistant Coach Mollie McClure, Assistant Coach Leslie Nichols



# WILDCATS CHEERLEADERS



Top Row: (L-R) Dana Canfield, Melissa Lockard, Lauren Van Hook, Kelli Long, Abby Scott, Hollie Stevens, Dione Sturgeon  
Second Row: Robbie Walters, Brian Vaughn, Ryan Trimble, Stuart Lackey, Mark Stanley, Matt Thomas, Paul Collins  
Third Row: Tony Bell, Rebecca Winsatt, LaDonna Daughtery, Kerri Beth Cook, Rashna Randelia, Jodi Baker, Clinton Cooper

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## THE BERNADETTE MATTOX INDIVIDUAL/TEAM CAMPS

**T**he Bernadette Mattox Individual/Team camps are designed to provide players with an environment in which they can improve their basketball fundamentals, develop new techniques and most of all HAVE FUN! Campers will receive instruction from Coach Mattox, other experienced coaches and some of the top collegiate players in the nation. The goal of the staff is to provide each camper with a positive learning experience at camp.

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*For more information on basketball camp, call  
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**The University  
of Kentucky  
was founded  
in 1865 as a  
land-grant  
institution,  
and the  
present name  
dates to 1916.**

The campus in Lexington has 673 acres and is located just south of downtown. It consists of a graduate school, the University hospital and 16 colleges. The colleges are: allied health professions, architecture, arts and sciences, agriculture, business and economics, communications and information studies, dentistry, engineering, education, fine arts, human environmental sciences, law, medicine, nursing, pharmacy and social work. The graduate school offers 97 master's degree programs and 60 doctoral programs.

Enrollment on the campus in Lexington is more than 24,000 and includes students from every Kentucky county, every state, and more than 100 foreign countries. Full-time faculty numbers 1,700. Approximately 98 percent of the full-time faculty hold the highest possible degrees in their field. UK's faculty and staff attract more than \$100 million in grants, gifts and contracts; and

the University has been designated a Research University of the First Class by the Carnegie Foundation — one of just 59 public universities in the country.

The University attracts excellent students. The number of National Merit Scholars entering UK consistently ranks among the top 10 public universities in the country. The average ACT score for first-year students is four points above the national average.

The University of Kentucky Community College System is made up of 14 colleges throughout Kentucky. Enrollment numbers over 44,000. The colleges offer associate degrees in technical subjects, two-year programs toward a bachelor's degree, and a wide variety of continuing education, community service and business liaison programs. UK now educates 38 percent of all students going to private and public colleges in Kentucky.

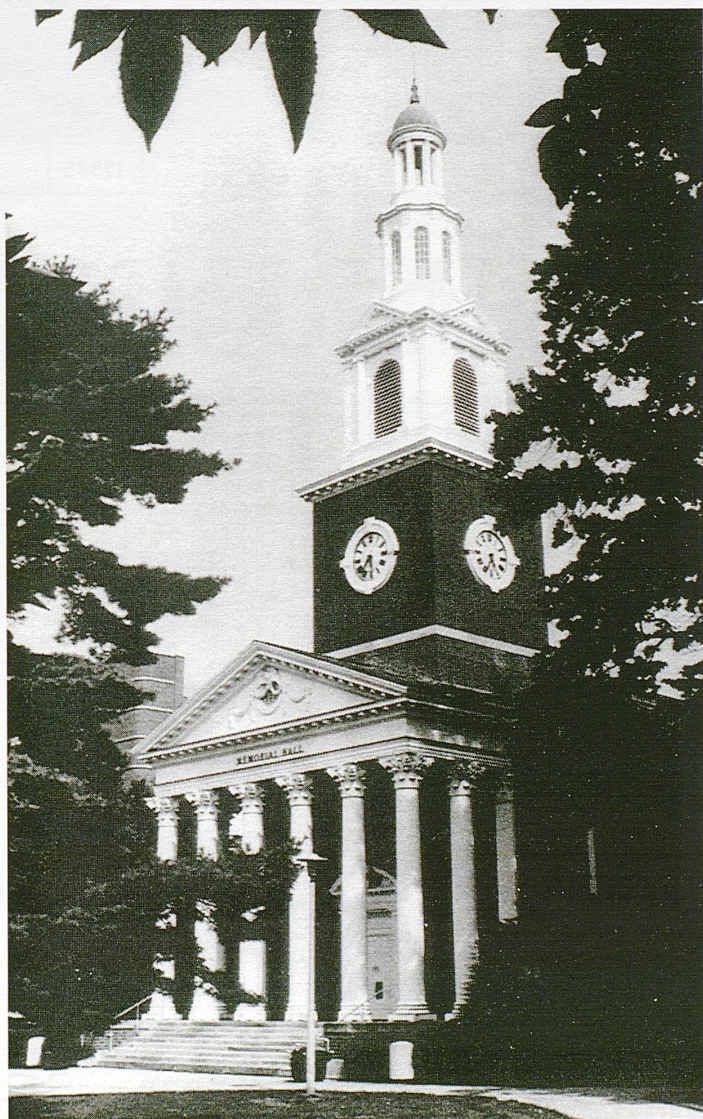
The number of UK alumni is more than 145,000. Private supports from alumni and friends of the University exceeds \$30 million annually.

The University of Kentucky Library maintains more than 2.5 million volumes, the 51st largest collection in the country. Work is underway on a new \$58 million library that will serve the entire state thanks to the wonders of computers and technology. The six-floor facility will encompass more than 350,000 square feet and have seating for 4,000 people.

In addition, UK maintains 23 research centers which conduct applied research in areas as diverse as tobacco and health, aging, cancer, toxicology, equine health, mineral production, manufacturing systems, and public policy. Several excel in the services offered to the public. The Center for Manufacturing Systems has assisted more than 500 small and mid-sized industrial firms in Kentucky. The Gluck Equine Research Center is recognized as one of only two of its kind in the world, offering continuing research into diseases of the horse.

The UK College of Medicine is ranked third in the country in the quality of primary care training. The UK Hospital is ranked among the top 100 U.S. hospitals in the country by HCIA Inc. and Mercer Management Consultants. The UK College of Pharmacy consistently is ranked third in the country by U.S. News and World Report and is one of the few pharmacy schools in the country with the capability of developing a drug "from bench to bedside" due to its drug product evaluation unit.

The University is in the process of developing the Coldstream Research Campus, a 750-acre complex designed to attract high-tech companies desiring ties to the University. Negotiations are under way to execute leases with developers to construct several new commercial facilities on the research campus.





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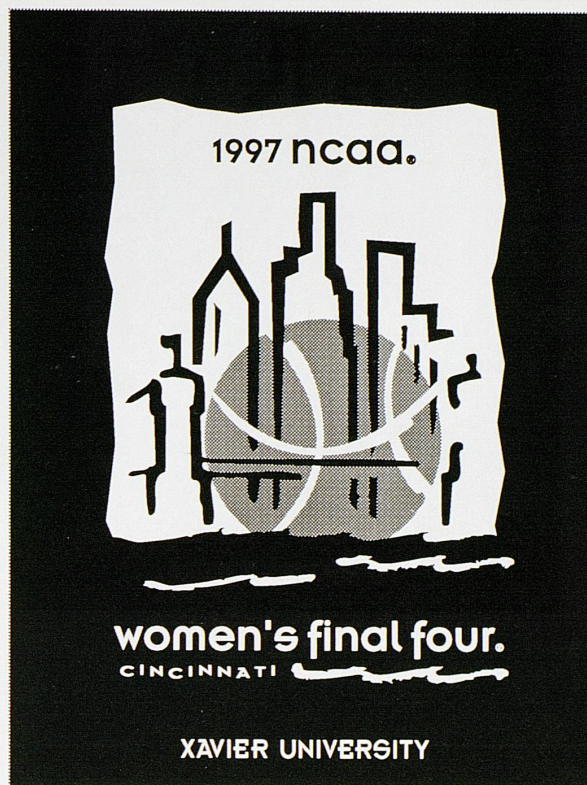
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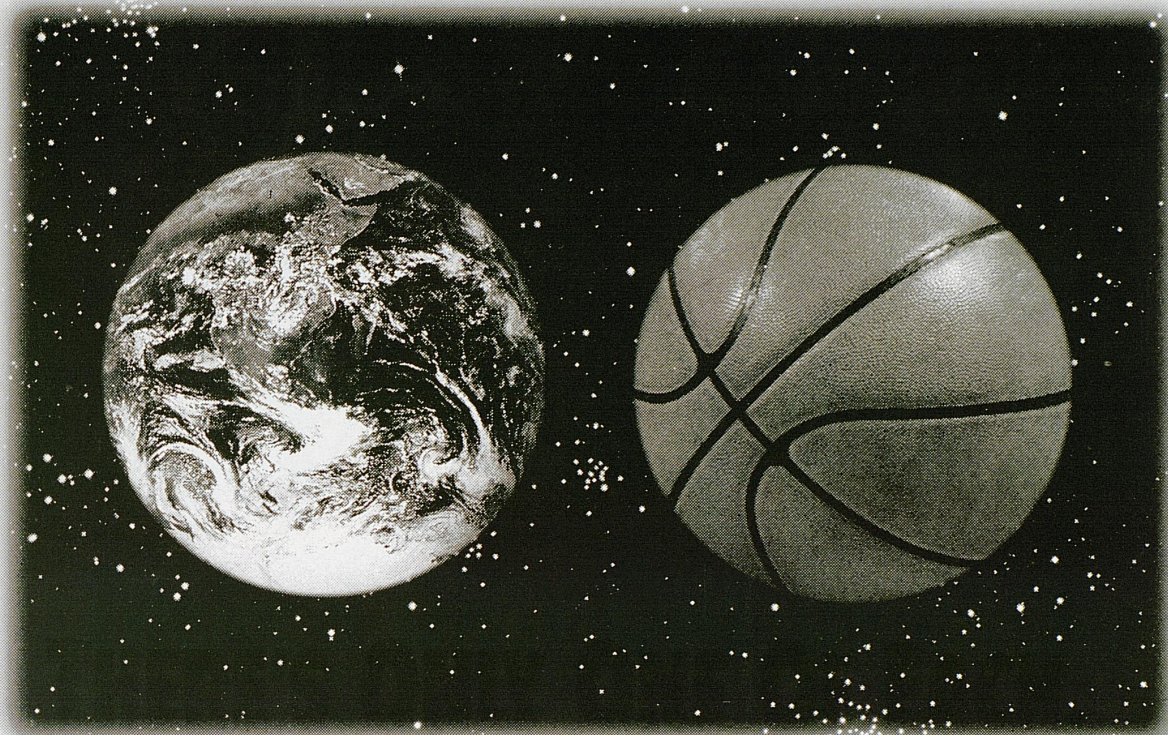
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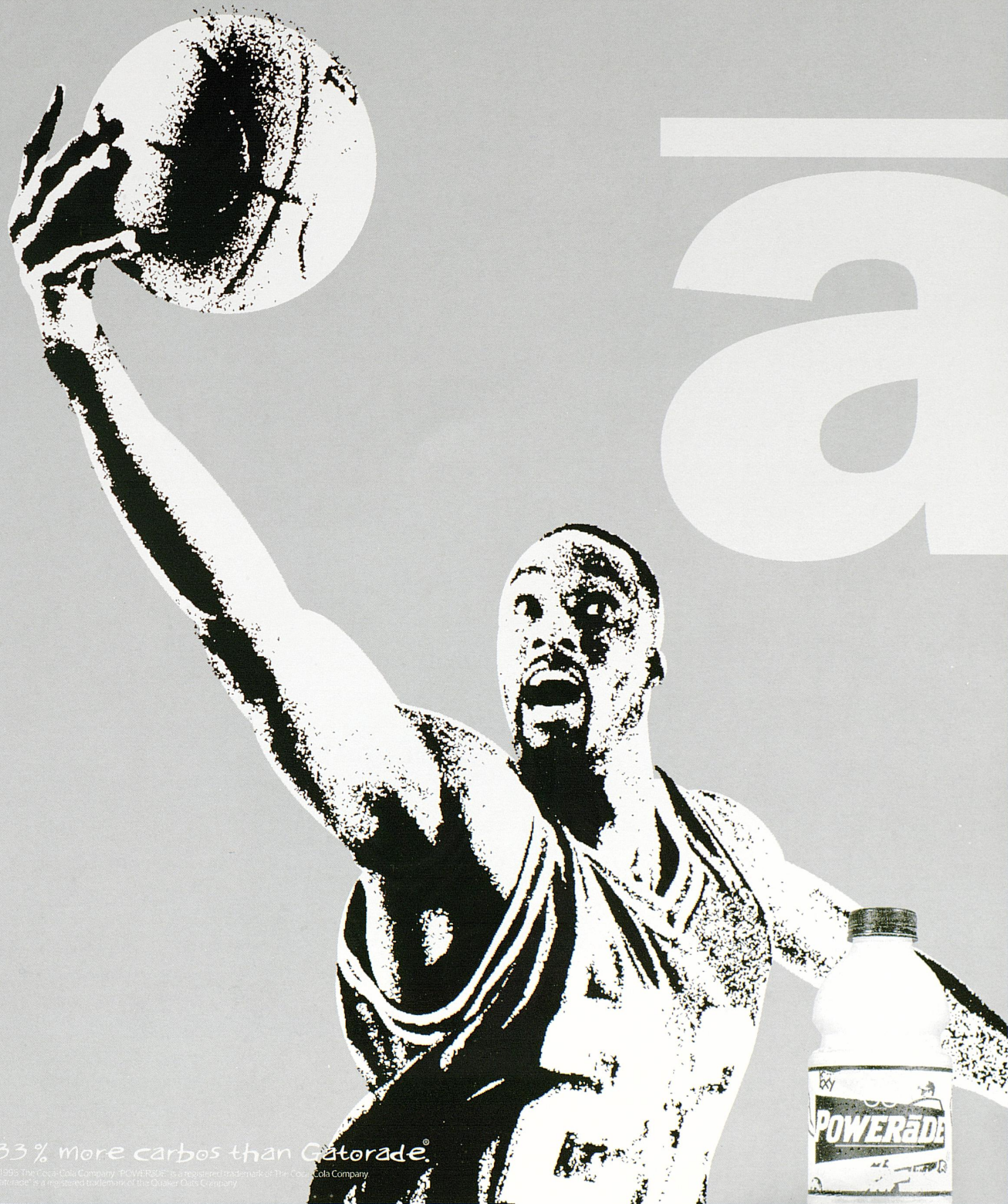


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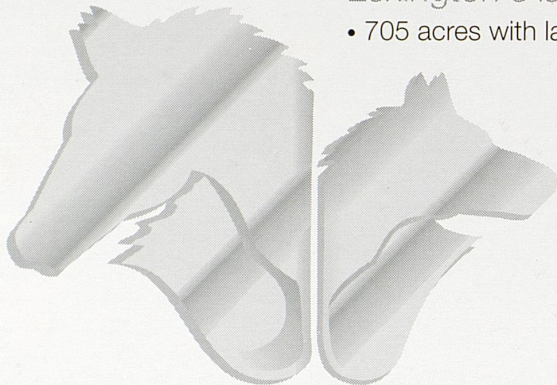
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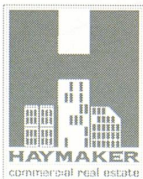
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