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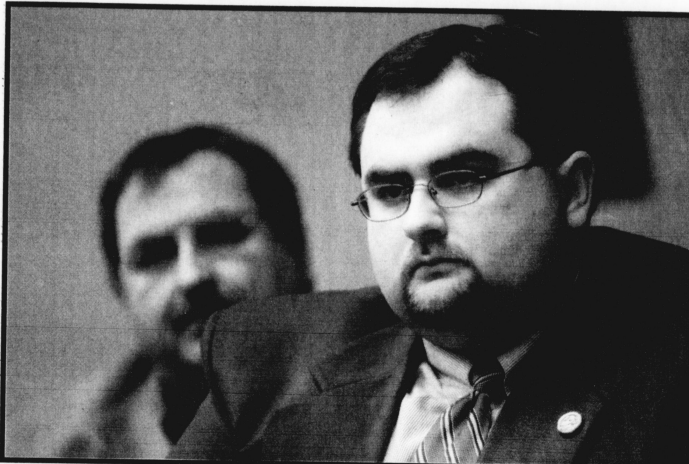
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## Robinson pleads innocent to charges of voter fraud



JOHN WAMPLER | KERNEL STAFF

### A day in court

UK Student Government President Tim Robinson pleads innocent to charges of willfully failing to return voter registration cards. Sitting behind him is his father, Tim Robinson Sr.

### Robinson silent: Attorney enters plea, says Robinson confident in justice system

By Paul Leighty  
STAFF WRITER

With his friends and his father there to support him, Student Government President Tim Robinson pleaded innocent in Fayette Circuit Court Friday to charges of willfully failing to return voter registration cards.

Robinson's attorney, Kent Wicker, entered the plea on his behalf. Robinson, wearing a three-piece suit and looking serious, said nothing.

Robinson "has faith in the justice system, and he has faith that it will work in this case as well," Wicker said afterward.

Robinson's father, Tim Robinson, Sr., and SG members John Weis, at-large senator, Edwin Orange, administrative assistant, and Justin Rasner, chief of staff, were in the courtroom. They declined

to comment.

A routine conference on the status of Robinson's case will be held Feb. 21. No other indictments or charges have been made in the case.

A grand jury indicted Robinson Jan. 28 after an investigation by the Fayette Commonwealth's Attorney's office found 747 overdue voter registration cards in a cabinet in the SG office. The felony can bring one to five years in prison.

In December 2001, Robinson appeared with the voter cards at a Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council meeting, threatening to register enough student voters to oust council members who supported the Lexington Area Party Plan. The plan is an ordinance designed to discourage raucous partying and was passed the same month.

Third District council-

man Dick DeCamp voted in favor of LAPP and won reelection against Don Pratt last November by about 400 votes.

Students have a variety of opinions on the situation.

One student said he wants to wait for a court's final decision before evaluating Robinson's responsibility in the voter card affair.

"If he's not guilty, then he's not guilty, but if he's found guilty, then he's guilty," said Ademola Oloyede Asnikie, a chemical engineering freshman.

Scott Jones, a political science freshman, said that because of the SG president's leadership role, Robinson should take responsibility for the voter card gaffe.

"It might have been an accident, but he takes the blame because he's the one on top," he said. "I don't see why he would plead not guilty."

## Chinese scholars bring culture to LCC students

Exchange: Unique program allows interaction between Asian and American views on education

By Matthew Towner  
STAFF WRITER

Liu Baiyu, an English professor at Changsha University in China, liked LCC so much after his first visit two years ago that he came back again this school year.

"This time, it feels as if I am back home," he said. Liu is at LCC as part of the college's agreement with the Hunan province institution. Two other professors — Yu Jing, who also teaches English, and Wang Chaochai, a law professor — accompanied Liu on his return voyage to Lexington. The three started teaching at LCC last semester.

David Wachtel, LCC division chairman of social sciences, said the exchange program is the only one of its kind in the state. He expects the program will succeed, despite the lack of a precedent.

"In five years or less, I envision that LCC will have a branch campus, and we'll be awarding two-year associate degrees to Chinese students," he said.

LCC's plans for international expansion are not limited to Changsha, Wachtel said. Next year, two professors from Tianjin, the third largest city in China, will visit LCC as part of a similar arrangement.

As part of their work last semester, the professors tutored students in Chinese and interacted with Chinese scholars and students at UK. They say their work has afforded them the opportunity to gain a new perspective on education.

"I think both cultures can learn a lot from one another," Liu said. "We can both share a lot of ideas."

The professors have noticed several differences between the American and Chinese education systems. The biggest difference, they say, is in how teachers and students interact.

"Here, teachers and students are more like friends," Yu said.

Liu explained that the Chinese teacher-student relationship evolved from Confucian teachings. "Confucius said that if someone teaches you for one day you should treat him as your father," he said. "And you never directly call his name."

Another difference that the professors have noticed is that American students are more active in class than their Chinese counterparts. Chinese students ask fewer questions and expect their professors to teach the material they need to know, said Yu.

Even though Liu had told her about Lexington before she came to LCC, Yu said she was surprised at how small the state's second largest city ended up being.

"It's not like the big cities in China," she said. "I came here and this looks more like the park in China."

The professors have not been trapped in an office during their stay. They've traveled to the Grand Canyon, Yellowstone and Yosemite National Parks and Key West. Their semester break plans included a trip on a cruise ship.

"I think we have seen more than most Americans," Yu said.

The visiting professors also enjoy taking picnics and watching American films when they are in the city Liu said the films can serve many of the same purposes that his work at LCC does.

"We are getting good training not only in the language, but in the American culture as well," he said.



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TIM ROBINSON'S ATTORNEY

## UK, U of L caskets may ignite new form of rivalry

'A last donation': UK receives royalties from caskets, urns, vaults

By Ben Franzini  
STAFF WRITER

There could be a new competition between UK and University of Louisville fans: Which school has more fans willing to take their school spirit to the grave?

Collegiate Memorials in Macon, Georgia will soon begin selling a new U of L casket. The company has sold 11 UK caskets so far.

"Being located in Shelbyville, right between Lexington and Louisville, it will be interesting to keep track of which sells more," said John Shannon, the director of Shannon Funeral Services in Shelbyville, Ky. The funeral home carries one model of the UK casket.

"It's a final way of recognizing the powerful impact your alma mater played in your pursuit of your life's goals," said Scott Walston,



president and CEO of Collegiate Memorials. "Our concept isn't about sports affiliation; it's a way to identify with your school."

Collegiate Memorials sells a line of college-themed caskets, urns and vaults.

The UK casket is offered in four different models. The

casket is available in 18-gauge steel, maple wood with a cherry finish, solid oak and solid mahogany with prices ranging from \$3,200 to \$4,900, said Walston.

UK receives royalties when a UK casket is sold. "It's like a final gift to one's college, a last donation," said Walston.

### R.I.P.

A UK casket at Shannon Funeral Home in Shelbyville, Ky.

Funeral Director Tony Hubbard said his funeral home has sold three such caskets. A U of L casket is also being produced.

Shannon Funeral Home has ordered that one as well, but Hubbard said it hasn't come in yet.

Some people think the idea of being buried in a casket with a UK insignia sounds strange, Shannon said.

"When I'm making arrangements, people sometimes see the UK casket and they chuckle," Shannon said. "A lot of people are shocked."

At the same time, many

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### GRADUATION

## SG floats student Web survey on possible graduation contracts

Taking care of business: Contract would help ensure students receive their diploma within four years

By Paul Leighty  
STAFF WRITER

Student Government and the University Senate are asking students for their thoughts on a contract that would allow future UK students to graduate within four years.

The University Senate Graduation Contract Committee has set up a Web survey that asks questions concerning students' opinions on the graduation contract and the university's advising and registration systems.

The graduation contract would be an agreement between incoming freshmen and the university to guarantee that an undergraduate student can

graduate within four years.

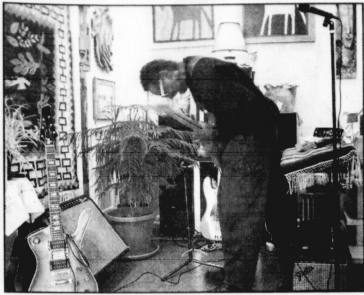
In the contract, the student agrees to certain conditions, including completing certain advising requirements by the end of summer for each school year. In return, UK agrees to provide effective advising and all the circumstances necessary for a student to graduate within four years, including better availability of courses.

If the university doesn't fulfill its agreement and a student can't graduate within four years, then he or she gets a tuition waiver to pay for an extra semester at UK.

Other situations might also be worked out on a

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**BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2003**



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**Jammin'**

(Above) Kenneth Brooks plays Jimi Hendrix on the guitar in his and his wife Sonja's downtown gallery, the Heritage Art Center. The diverse gallery features many African and African-American artists.

(Right) Kahil El'zabar plays drums as part of the Ethnic Heritage Ensemble's show "Down to the Crux."



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**CASKETS**

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people think it is a wonderful idea, he said.

"The funeral service industry is finding more and more ways to personalize the funeral for both the deceased as well as friends and family," Shannon said. "The service should be a strong reflection of who that person was."

Just as some people would have their favorite hymns sung at their funeral, this is another way of saying this is who this person was, he said. Collegiate Memorials is the first company in the United States to license a comprehensive line of college and university insignia memorial products.

"My college experience has meant everything to me in achieving my personal as well as professional triumphs in life," Walston said. "This was one of the driving forces behind the idea of Collegiate Memorials."

**SURVEY**

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case by case basis, such as a student getting exemptions from certain course requirements.

Jeff Dembo, a University Senate chairman who is also chairman of the graduation contract committee, said the survey is necessary because "there has to be convincing information" to make the contract idea marketable to the University Senate and the Board of Trustees.

"One of the things that was missing was what the students think," Dembo said.

The survey will also identify what problems students have with registering and advising and where changes need to be made in these areas, Dembo said.

"It asks questions that UK students have never been asked before in a survey," said Tony Stoeppel, an SG engineering senator who is also on the graduation contract committee.

The University Senate Council and Provost Phil Kraemer allocated funds to the graduation contract committee to purchase prizes that might attract students to the survey Web site, Stoeppel said.

Students who respond will be entered to win prizes, including a digital camera.

Take the survey at [www.uksga.com/graduation](http://www.uksga.com/graduation).

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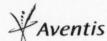
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# Dick Clark makes a surprise visit, chats about music, his black eye



Dick Clark takes time to talk to some reporters before emceeing for Tempur-Pedic's 10th Anniversary Saturday night.

DEREK POORE | KERNEL STAFF

By Tracy Kershaw  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Yes, Dick Clark looks older in person. Clark, an American pop culture icon who hosted American Bandstand from 1956-1989, flew to Lexington Saturday night to emcee a 10th anniversary party for Tempur-Pedic mattress company at Keeneland.

But the sunglasses he wore to conceal his black eye (he slipped on ice in New York Friday) tried to grab a railing with his falling hand, and hit it with his eye instead) restored his youthful edge.

"Can you believe I have to do TV on Monday?" he asked, pointing to his eye. Later he put on his sunglasses, saying, "I call this my Michael Jackson look."

Tempur-Pedic, whose corporate offices are based in Lexington, will soon launch a new ad campaign featuring Clark, 73, and his wife, Kasi, who said they've slept on one of the mattress for four years.

Executives surprised employees by listing Clark on the program as a "special guest" and hiding him away in a nearby cabin before his



Dick Clark spoke at the 10th Anniversary Tempur-Pedic party at the Keene Barn in Lexington Saturday night. Clark wore sunglasses to cover a black eye he received from falling on ice.

DEREK POORE | KERNEL STAFF

startling entrance through a black curtain.

The party was modeled after the American Music Awards, with which Clark is involved. The AMAs — and the Academy Awards — give winners a Tempur-Pedic mattress and other freebies.

With Clark hiding behind the curtain, employees watched a video of Missy Elliott, Ju Rute, Busta Rhymes, Danny Bonaduce and other celebrities flopping around on a Tempur-Pedic mattress set up outside the American Music Awards.

bring it back. It's been in the works for a couple years and we've finally gotten something to nibble on.

Q: Many people associated you with New Year's Eve (Clark has hosted a New Year's Eve TV countdown for 31 years). Do you make resolutions? Are you good at keeping them?

A: I've had one for the last two years. I'm not a religious man, but I said I ought to thank God every night for being so nice to me.

Q: What's the silliest pop music fad you've seen over the years?

A: The English invasion. Anything that had long hair and an accent would sell. We used to go around just booking long haired bands.

Q: I once saw footage of your American Bandstand interview with Prince in which he never spoke a word. Would you say that is your most difficult interview?

A: I did 10,000 musical interviews on the same show, and he was the most uncommunicative guy ever. I said thank God it was on TV instead of the radio.

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MEETINGS  
\*Revival Bible Study, 6:00pm, Commons Market, Rm. 106, FREE!  
\*Feminist Alliance Meeting, 7:30pm, Student Center, Rm. 106

\*Freshman Casa, 7:00pm, CSF Building  
\*Bible Study, 7:30pm, off Campus  
\*American Civil Liberties Union Meeting, 8:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 221  
\*Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) Meeting, 7:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 106  
\*Rock Climbing Club, 8:00pm, Climb Time  
\*Judo Club, 5:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft

\*Math Tutoring, (All 100 level courses), 10:00am-2:00pm & 2:00pm-6:00pm, Math Resource Center, 063 Classroom Building  
\*Math Tutoring, (All 100 level courses), 6:00-10:00pm, Commons Rm. 307  
\*French Tutoring, 3:00-5:00pm, Keeneland Hall Lobby

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INTRAMURAL/RECREATION  
\*Self Defense/Kempo class, 6:30-8:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft, Free! No experience needed.

MEETINGS  
\*Anime, 7:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 119  
\*UK Lambda, 7:30pm, UK Student Center, Rm. 231  
\*TNT Worship Service, 7:30pm, 429 Columbia Ave  
\*Conversational English Class, 3:30pm, Baptist Student Union

\*Green Thumb Environmental Club Meeting, 7:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 106  
\*Leftist Student Union Meeting, 8:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 228

ACADEMIC  
\*Chemistry Tutoring, (All 100 level courses), 6:00-9:00pm, Holmes Hall Lobby  
\*Biology, (All 100 level courses), 6:00-9:00pm, Holmes Hall Lobby  
\*Math Tutoring, (All 100 level courses), 6:00-10:00pm, Commons Rm. 307  
\*Math Tutoring, (All 100 level courses), 6:00-9:00pm, Holmes Hall Lobby  
\*Physics Tutoring, (All 100 level courses & 211/213), 6:00-9:00pm, Holmes Hall Lobby

SPORTS  
\*UK Men's Basketball Game vs. Georgia, 9:00pm, Lexington, KY @ Rupp Arena  
\*Women's Rugby Practice, 4:45-7:00pm, Rugby Pitch  
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\*Tae Kwon Do practice, 6:30-8:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft

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MEETING  
\*Encounter, 7:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 230  
\*Institute of Religion/Denominations & Covenants Study, 7:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 119  
\*Table Francaise, French conversation group, 3:00-4:30pm, Blazer Hall, Private Dining room, FREE!

\*Dressage Team, 5:00pm, Gentry, 2nd floor conference room  
\*Lavender Society Meeting, 8:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 106  
\*Judo Club, 5:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft  
\*Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 9:00pm, CSF Building-Corner of Woodland and Commons

ACADEMIC  
\*Chemistry Tutoring, (All 100 level courses), 8:00-10:00pm, Commons Rm. 307  
\*Biology, (All 100 level courses), 6:00-10:00pm, Commons Rm. 307  
\*Beginning and Intermediate Japanese Tutoring, 7:00-8:30pm, Young Library, check the circulation desk for the room  
\*Math Tutoring, (All 100 level courses), 10:00-2:00pm, Math Resource Center 063 Classroom Building  
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\*French Tutoring, 4:00-5:00pm, Keeneland Hall Lobby

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\*Equestrian Team, 6:00pm, Ag. North Building

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\*Institute of Religion: History of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 12:00-12:50pm, UK Medical Building, 2nd Floor  
\*Deviations & Lunch, 12:00pm, 429 Columbia Ave, \$1.00  
\*Worship Focus, 7:30pm, Baptist Student Union  
\*Conversational English Class, 7:30pm, Baptist Student Union

\*Synergy, 8:00pm, CSF Building  
\*Annex International Meeting, 7:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 228  
\*Amateur Radio Club, 7:00pm, Chemistry Physics, Rm. 163

ACADEMIC  
\*Math Tutoring, (All 100-level courses), 2:00pm-6:00pm, Math Resource Center, 063 CB  
\*Resumes for Technical Majors, 3:30-4:30pm, Career Center

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MEETINGS  
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LECTURES  
\*Locating Globalization, 2:00pm, Singletary Center, Rm. President's Room

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## WEEK IN REVIEW

Here's a look back at events and issues from last week. If you want to sound off on any of these, e-mail the Dialogue desk at [dialogue@kykernel.com](mailto:dialogue@kykernel.com)

### TUESDAY

Two students have announced their intentions to run for Student Government president and two more are expected to announce their candidacies soon, the Kernel reported.

Matt Paik, a finance and management junior, will run with James Monroe, an economics and management junior. David Hutchinson, a marketing management senior, will run with Lesli Proffitt, a history junior.

Rachel Watts and running mate Matt Rippetoe and Kyle Jewell and running mate Brianna Shaffer plan to announce their candidacies soon.

The deadline for filing is March 5. Elections will be held April 2 and 3.

### WEDNESDAY

Two Student Government senators-at-large are working to give students the chance to vote about putting the UK basketball lottery online, the Kernel reported.

Rachel Watts and Matt Rippetoe are proposing to give students the option to vote on the issue in the SG spring elections.

If the referendum makes it to the April ballot and is passed, Rippetoe and Watts said it would be ready for the 2003-2004 basketball season.

### WEDNESDAY

The possibility of a 9 percent cut in higher education funding means more troubles for LCC as it struggles with too many students and too little money, the Kernel reported.

LCC President Jim Kerley said the latest round of cuts could severely hinder future growth and expansion.

Among its 18 benchmark institutions, LCC ranks last in funding, partially because of rapidly increasing enrollment, which is now above 6,000. The school has an allotment of \$3,679 for each full-time student. In contrast, LCC's benchmarks spend an average of \$6,818 per full-time student.

Disclosing intelligence gathered by the government, Secretary of State Colin Powell, with CIA Director George J. Tenet at his side, laid out some of the specific reports that drive President Bush's case against Iraq to the United Nations, the Associated Press reported.

Powell said Saddam Hussein manufacturing prohibited biological and chemical weapons, seeking nuclear weapons and long-range missiles and maintaining contacts with terrorists, including those linked to al-Qaida.

Iraqi officials dismissed Powell's presentation as a collection of "stunts," "special effects" and "unknown sources."

### FRIDAY

A live band and cash bar are part of Student Government's plans for the Presidential Ball for this Valentine's Day, the Kernel reported.

SG Vice President Mary Katherine Thompson said the dance was a great success last year. The Presidential Ball will be Friday Feb. 14, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Radisson Hotel downtown. Voodoo Symphony, a local band that plays cover songs and original music, will perform.

Students, faculty and staff can get two free tickets with their UK ID. Tickets are available at the Ticketmaster in the Student Center.

The dress for the ball is formal, though it's not required to wear a tuxedo or formal gown.

SG has arranged for a deal on tuxedos with Geno's Formal wear. For \$19.95, students can rent a one-button coat with a vest or tie.

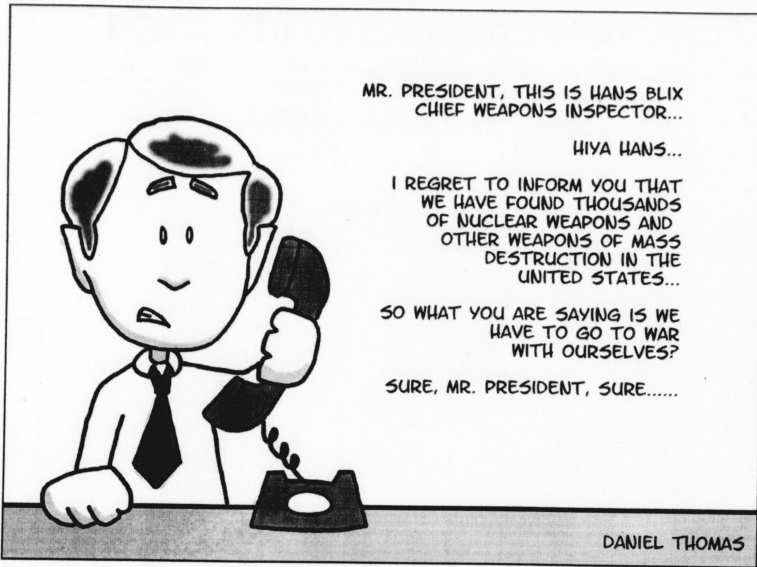
## WHAT TO EXPECT

Here's a look at events happening this week and a preview of this week's papers.

### THURSDAY

Clarenda Phillips, professor of sociology at Morehead State University, will give a presentation as part of Black History Month at 5 p.m., 230 UK Student Center.

The presentation, "African-American Resilience: Coping with Hard Times," is part of the UK Carter G. Woodson Lecture Series, sponsored by the UK African American Studies and Research Program.



## IN THEIR OPINION

# Don't mess with Title IX

Opponents and supporters of Title IX will hold their breath in the coming month as they await the decision by Education Secretary Rod Paige on what changes to make to the way the 30-year-old law is enforced. The Commission on Opportunity in Athletics is expected to issue a report assessing collegiate standards of compliance with Title IX sometime this month. One of these measures, which the Commission was deadlocked about and will give in its report with no recommendation, would give Athletic Departments more leeway in complying with the law.

These proposals would allow schools two to three percentage points of leeway in meeting equal opportunities for men and women in college sports. Likewise, instead of requiring gender representation in athletics proportionate to that of the student body, schools would only need to provide a 50-50 split of male and female varsity athletes. Adopting these proposals would only dilute the positive aspects of Title IX, and not guarantee that any of the drawbacks would be diminished.

For years, Title IX has ensured that women have had increased opportunities in collegiate sports. As female enrollment in universities doubled since 1971, the number of women athletes increased five times over.

Interest in women's athletics may not be equal to that of men's sports right now, but that is in no small part because women were denied equal opportunities in the past. If Title IX is allowed to run its prop-

er course, interest in sports will most likely be just as high among women as it is with men.

A common argument for loosening the restrictions of Title IX is that the provisions hurt lower-profile men's sports. But there's nothing to suggest loosening these restrictions would result in an increase in funding for often-neglected sports. Given the scale and importance of football and basketball teams and the constant pressure to improve these programs, it seems just as likely an alternative that the Athletic Department would move more funding to these programs rather than men's track or wrestling.

Likewise, Title IX allows for colleges and universities that have not achieved equal gender representation in athletics to comply by showing that they are increasing opportunities for women. Schools must demonstrate that opportunities for women truly are increasing — they cannot be found to be in compliance if they only cut men's programs.

Title IX has become a scapegoat for cuts made to men's programs. Opponents of the law should be looking at bloated budgets for football and basketball as the real cause of their woes. Allowing for easier compliance with Title IX would be selling out a positive program, and we should expect nothing less than full gender equality in athletics.

The Cavalier Daily (Univ. of Virginia).

# Forget budget cuts, fix the weather

Have you ever noticed the distance across campus increases when the temperature falls below 20 degrees?

Indeed, this winter is becoming just too cold to handle. From the shivering refugee camp of smokers outside Whitehall to the suicide-squeeze dash across icy Rose Street, campus is teeming with signs of the joyless season.

Yet despite the overwhelming disapproval of the climate from students and staff alike, our campus administration has done nothing to address the situation.

While President Lee Todd and his minions are working to preserve UK's budget, an item of much debate, he has not given so much as lip service to improving our weather. Sleet, snow and wind chill have been just a few of the "Kentucky uglies" our

campus needs to dispel.

Weather isn't just about the comfort level of students and faculty. It affects our agriculture, our ability to throw field parties and our recruitment.

Until UK is able to compete with nationally recognized weather programs, such as those in UCLA and Miami, we will never be able to attract the interest of incoming students.

Campus officials are certainly aware of the severity of the situation. Before a recent press conference, Todd was heard to remark, "It sure is cold out there."

Yet by the next day, snow was still falling on our campus, and Todd had done nothing to intervene.

It's up to the students to force administration's hand. Let's not forget the Rain Riots at Oxford and the Windy City Resistance in Chicago. When students stand together, they can and will affect the weather.

There are many who will contend that we need cold weather and that ending this

winter early would only exacerbate the problems of global warming.

Well, I think our campus has opposed global warming long enough. If our administrators reverse their position on this divisive issue, perhaps next session Congress will appropriate a few of those extra dollars to our campus.

Let us take a few tough lessons from this past week, when snow fell unchallenged, and the sun was hardly deployed despite the cold.

First, it's up to us to make a change. We must let Todd know our students expect mid-70s and above, with low humidity and only partial cloud cover.

Second, and most important, never forget that winter passes just a little more quickly if you have a little fun.

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KERNEL COLUMNIST

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## Track Cats hold off field in UK's last home meet

By Jeff Patterson  
STAFF WRITER

Simidele Adeagbo would rather barely win a race than not win at all.

For the UK senior track star, the difference between winning the 60-meter dash and placing second was less than one-hundredth of a second Saturday at the Rod McCravy Memorial Track and Field Meet.

Adeagbo won the event with a time of 7.62 seconds, edging out Chantelle Vernon of East Tennessee State and Janelle Wite of Southwest Missouri State.

"I just went out there and tried to have fun today," Adeagbo said. "This was probably going to be my last 60 on my home field. I just wanted to enjoy the moment and run my best."

The runners paced the Cats in a strong showing.

The women's distance medley team of Brooke Patterson, Caitlin Phillips, Oluheisola Adeagbo and Beth Heimann shattered both Nut-

ter Field House and meet times with a time of 11:26.54, but still finished second to Mississippi State.

All-American James Doaty led the Cats in the 800-meter run with a time of 1:48.63. Doaty was challenged heavily by his teammates. Four of the top five runners that placed represented UK.

Chad Johnson placed second and Kristopher Landers and Jean Balan rounded out the top five. All four provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships.

Beth Heimann placed second in the one-mile run. Teammate Brooke Patterson finished in fourth place.

Ernest Simms ran two solid races: one in the 60-meter dash and the other in the 200-meter dash. Simms finished second in the 60-meter dash with a time of 6.73 seconds. Marquis Davis of Mississippi State blew away from the pack with a time of 6.51 seconds, automatically qualifying for the NCAA Championships.

Simms placed fifth in the

200-meter dash. Even with the strong finishes, Simms said he expects to do much better.

"I don't like to give excuses when I lose," Simms said. "I need to put a complete race together. Right now it is all practice for me. The real thing is the SEC (Championships)."

The Track Cats also fared well off the track over the weekend.

The Cats swept the high jump events. Janet Crawford continued her dominance with a provisional qualifier and career best of 5'11.25".

Crawford has won the event in all three meets so far this season. Matthew Smothermon won the men's high jump with a jump of 7'00.25".

Jeff Chakouian finished second in the shot put event with a provisional qualifier of 62 feet and 10 inches. Chakouian won the first two meets of the season.

The Track Cats will travel to Arkansas this weekend to compete in the Tyson Invitational.

## Vandy shuts down UK bombers

By Terra Ramsdale  
STAFF WRITER

The UK women's basketball team extended its losing streak to four on Sunday afternoon in Memorial Coliseum against No. 16 Vanderbilt.

The Cats (9-11, 2-6 Southeastern Conference) were hoping to avenge Vanderbilt's win over them on Jan. 19 in Nashville. But the Cats failed to find the chemistry, losing for a second time 85-43.

UK senior guard Rita Adams led the offense with 20 points, seven assists, two steals and one block. Sophomore forward Sara Potts and senior center SeSe Helm scored in double figures as well. But that was not enough for UK, who allowed five Commodores to score in double digits.

"We are working on being patient in our offense," Helm said. "We are trying to make the play happen."

Vanderbilt senior center Chantelle Anderson held Helm to only six points in-

side the paint in the first half. The Commodore center limited the UK offense, forcing the ball outside.

With the ball not falling from inside, UK pushed it out and shot the three. Potts nailed three-of-four three-pointers in the first half with Adams right behind her with two three-point shots. Half of UK's 31 points in the first half came from behind the arc.

The Commodores also knocked down five three-pointers in the first half. Realizing the threat that UK possessed with its three-pointers falling, Vanderbilt stepped up its outside defense in the second half.

"At half time we decided to be more aggressive on the wings," Vanderbilt coach Melanie Balcomb said. "We didn't want to give them those good looks, and we wanted to deny Adams and Potts while they were on the wing."

The Commodores held UK to only two three-pointers in the second half.

Vanderbilt's defensive fo-

cus had moved to the outside, freeing up Helm inside. Helm scored UK's first three field goals of the second half. Less than two minutes into the second half, Helm put up a short jumper, scoring her 1000th career point.

Helm's offensive spurt was not enough to re-energize her team. The Cats failed to score for three minutes during the second half. Vanderbilt took advantage of the drought and went on an eight-point run. They repeated the run minutes later, outscoring the Cats 46-32 in the second half.

"Offensively (Vanderbilt) went to work," UK coach Bernadette Mattox said.

Vanderbilt went to the free throw line eight times in the second half. They were able to score nine points off of UK's 11 fouls.

"(UK) started being very physical," Vanderbilt senior guard Ashley McElhiney said. "I think teams start doing that when they feel they don't have a shot."



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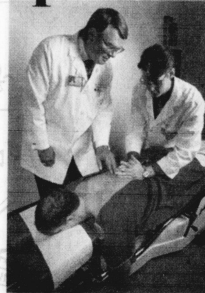
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**TUESDAY  
FEB. 11**

MEN'S BASKETBALL VS GEORGIA @ 9:00 PM RUPP ARENA - ESPN

**WEDNESDAY  
FEB. 12**

MEN'S TENNIS VS APPALACHIAN STATE @ 10:00 AM BOONE TENNIS CENTER

WOMEN'S TENNIS VS INDIANA @ 1:00 PM BOONE TENNIS CENTER

MEN'S TENNIS VS MURRAY STATE @ 6:00 PM BOONE TENNIS CENTER

**THURSDAY  
FEB. 13**

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL VS ARKANSAS @ 7:00 PM MEMORIAL COLISEUM

**FRIDAY  
FEB. 14**

GYMNASTICS VS GEORIGIA @ 7:30 PM MEMORIAL COLISEUM

**SATURDAY  
FEB. 15**

MEN'S BASKETBALL VS LSU @ 1:00 PM RUPP ARENA - JP SPORTS

WOMEN'S TENNIS VS NORTHWESTERN @ 1:00 PM BOONE TENNIS CENTER

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