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Security guard Mattie Campbell checks students' for their UK IDs as they enter Memorial Coliseum last night for the first UK basketball lottery.

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## BSU takes on black faculty

By Jessica Rouse  
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More than a plaque is at stake for the students playing in UK's Black Student Union versus black faculty and alumni basketball game.

"The students get to network with the alumni, many of whom were in BSU while they were here," said LaShana Porter, the president of BSU, an organization that promotes excellence and retention to minority students.

Porter said the students make connections to help them get internships and job opportunities by participating in the game, which will take place tonight at the Seaton Center.

Emmet "Buzz" Burnam, who is the head coach of the faculty/alumni squad and works in Office of Minority Affairs to recruit black students, said it is encouraging for the students to see how successful the black alumni are.

The game, nicknamed "Mo-Betta" after Spike Lee's film "Mo' Better Blues," provides a chance for the alumni and students to interact. When they meet on the court, though, it's all about getting the plaque awarded to the winner each year — or about getting it back.

Although the faculty has a history of winning the game, the BSU students won the plaque last year.

"They have it this year, and we want it back," Burnam said.

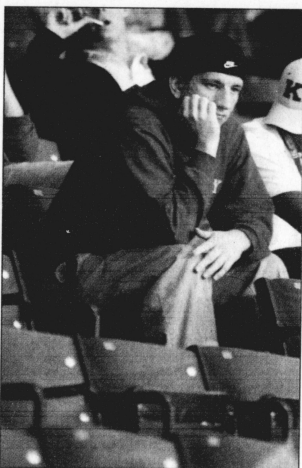
However, James Frazier, the BSU team's head coach and agricultural biotechnology junior, said his team has a good chance of keeping the plaque.

"We have speed; we are young guys; we like to run," Frazier said.

Juniors Joshua Artis, Blaine Lynch and Brandon Mason, all of whom Frazier credits as talented athletes, are on the BSU roster.

The faculty/alumni squad

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Ricky Carter, a landscape architecture freshman, waits in Memorial Coliseum during the ticket lottery.

## MAD FOR BLUE

Nearly 2,200 students came out for the first basketball lottery of the season. There were 3,800 tickets available for the games against Miami (Ohio), Mississippi Valley State, College of Charleston, and Indiana University.

## Film offers inside look at war in Iraq

By Erin Thomas  
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Street vendors, traffic jams and the overwhelming presence of American soldiers in Iraq filled the screen in Worsham Theater last night as "Meeting Resistance" opened with scenes of everyday life in a neighborhood of Baghdad.

The goal of the filmmakers was to present an objective look at views that are very different from the conflict in Iraq but very different from the ones Americans usually hear — specifically, interviews with insurgents fighting the U.S. presence in Iraq.

"The biggest adjustment I had to make while filming was not to engage in discussion or try to convince them (the interview subjects) of my American belief system, but to respect their views and distill them to a larger audience," said Molly Bingham, a photojournalist and co-director of the film. "I had to put aside my national identity and see the world the way these people saw it."

With eight central characters, each one a blurred or silhouetted resistance fighter, the documentary revealed many motivations behind the Iraqi resistance against the American occupation.

Religion and defense of country were the most commonly cited motivations for resistance, since many Iraqis feel that an attack on their country equates an attack on Islam, Bingham

said. Bingham, co-director Steve Connors and co-producer Daniel Chalfen attended the documentary's Lexington debut and answered audience questions afterward.

Entering the country as freelance journalists with little safety equipment and a lot of vulnerability, the filmmakers were able to gain the trust of their sources, Connors said, noting that listening and asking reasonable questions were important keys in this difficult process.

Yahya Ahmed, a biology junior and vice president of UK's Muslim Student Association, was surprised by the characters' positive perceptions of Saddam Hussein.

"I know many Iraqis who live in Lexington, and they don't like him," Ahmed said. "Most don't even say he is a Muslim, but these people (in the film) were defending him."

Alyson Goff, a journalism senior, had mixed feelings about the film. "In a way, it angered me to see them disvalue American life like that, but in other ways it helped open my eyes to their beliefs as well," Goff said.

As a Muslim, Ahmed hopes people will understand the importance of the issues presented. "They relate to me on a personal level," Ahmed said. "And the situation doesn't only affect just Iraq history, but also American history — forever."



Shayne Hays (right), an education freshman, walks past Joe Lewis (left), of ResLife, and Christina Lewis, of the Kentucky Clinic, in the Boyd Patterson Haunted House.

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## Haunted house raises close to \$1,000

By Ellen Sawyer  
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Fathers and daughters don't usually spend quality time together among fake blood and faux corpses.

But last night, Katie Thompson and her father, Rock Thompson, did. They visited the 28th annual Boyd-Patterson Haunted House — something significant to both.

Rock Thompson was a resident adviser at Boyd Hall from 1976 to 1978. Katie is currently an RA in what is now the Boyd-Patterson Residence Hall Complex.

"The staff I worked for originated the thing. It's weird now to see my daughter doing this," said Thompson, a 1978 UK graduate. "The first year we did it, it was smaller. We donated a couple hundred dollars to the United Way."

"I didn't even know he was connected with it," said his daughter, a mathematics and biology junior.

Both came to the event as a way to spend time together.

"I wanted to go through it with my daughter," Thompson said.

Other members of the UK community used the haunted house as a

way to connect with friends.

"My first three years here (as hall director of Patterson Hall), I was involved with this," said Marcia Shroud, assistant director of Residence Life. "I now do it to stay connected."

Different campus organizations sponsor rooms in the haunted house. Hall governments from different parts of campus sponsor 10 rooms, the Honors Program Student Council sponsors one, and the honors fraternity, Phi Sigma Phi, sponsors another.

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Linda C. Black

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**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** Today is a 6 — You decide what you want, and hold out for that. It's really quite easy. It's best to make your own decisions about important things.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** Today is a 7 — Timing is crucial for a while.

Pay attention to the cues. Don't push the limits but do be in the right location at the right moment.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** Today is a 6 — You're not frugal because you have to be, you're frugal because it's fun. You'd rather pinch pennies than play the slots any day, and that's wise.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** Today is a 6 — Involve a technical expert in your negotiations. More is possible than you ever imagined, and easier.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Today is a 7 — Once you've learned the lesson, you'll notice there's more to achieve. You're at a plateau that is also a wonderful jumping-off place.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Today is a 7 — You're in the groove. Crank out as much as you can, it's selling like hotcakes. You snooze, you lose.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** Today is a 6 — A crazy idea could pay off big, so don't squash the innovator. Provide encouragement, and even

some funding.  
**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** Today is a 6 — Others think you're very wise, but you know better than that. The more you learn, the more humble you become. It's natural. And it's wise.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Today is a 7 — Don't go for the first offer you get, be a little standoffish. All you have to do is wait, and you'll get more than you expected.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Today is an 8 — You are a natural caretaker, in a magnanimous way. You want to heal societies and you can. The key is to listen.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** Today is a 7 — You're a good listener, when you want to be. So do that now. The others need somebody to help them sort their way out of a mess.

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# Bitter Splits

Paul McCartney, a drunken, abusive lout? Yes, if papers allegedly filed by estranged wife Heather are for real

Sign no. 1 your divorce isn't going well: when the person who introduced you to your bride publicly apologizes. In London's Daily Mail on Oct. 19, U.K. journalist Piers Morgan wrote about ex-Beatle Paul McCartney and his estranged wife, Heather Mills McCartney: "I am at least partly responsible for the hell he is going through at the hands of this vengeful, shameless, ghastly woman."

The day before, the paper had published explosive court documents reportedly filed by Heather (the leaked papers were unsigned and undated, but no one involved has denounced them as fakes), accusing the singer of domestic violence and alcohol and drug abuse (see box, opposite page). The papers say Paul choked her, cut her with a broken wine glass and, when she was four months pregnant, "pushed her into the bath."

Nasty splits are nothing new, but what makes these allegations especially shocking is that until now, Paul, 64, had been portrayed in the press as the victim in the four-year marriage. (They have a daughter, Beatrice, 3.)

Meanwhile, Heather, 38, has been depicted as volatile and controlling, with a sordid past (she modeled nude and reportedly worked as a call girl, which she has denied). Even before the couple's \$3.2 million wedding in 2002, the humanitarian activist — who lost her leg in a 1993 road accident — was labeled a gold digger who wanted the

widower's \$1.6 billion fortune; since the two had no prenup (Paul didn't want one), she stands to collect at least \$60 million, according to the Daily Mail.

### Who's Lying?

If the document leak was an attempt by Heather (or her camp) to garner public sympathy or bolster her chances of getting custody of Beatrice, it hasn't worked.

"The general feeling in England is that she may have shot herself in the foot," London attorney Alan Kaufman, head of family law at Finers Stephens Innocent Solicitors, tells US. Judges "don't like" such "detailed and lurid allegations," he says, which may work against her in court. (In fact, he says, it's illegal in England to publish court documents, although an investigation will not take place unless a complaint is filed.)

NYC celebrity divorce attorney Raoul Felder tells US, however, the charges "could affect custody. Think about it: The worst way to abuse a child is to abuse its mother." But instead of outrage against Paul, there has been an outpouring of support. As Geoff Baker, his friend and ex-publicist, tells US, "He's probably the person with the biggest heart of anyone I've ever met, with the exception of [his late wife] Linda. What she's saying is rubbish. Anyone who knows Paul knows that." Even

Heather's estranged father, Mark Mills, is on Paul's side. "She can't tell fact from fiction," he told the British tabloid News of the World. (Reps for Heather and Paul were unavailable for comment.)

For now, Paul's only response was an Oct. 18 statement from his lawyers, which said the singer "will be defending these allegations vigorously and appropriately." His silence, however, should not be mistaken for resignation, says a McCartney source: "Paul is in a really bad way. He feels like Heather has stabbed him in the back a hundred times over." For her part, a London source tells US, "Heather's fed up with being seen as the nasty one. She's quite happy to do whatever it takes to change that perception."

### Best for Bea

Since the May 17 separation announcement, the couple's priority had been their daughter. Over the summer, they even lived in nearby houses in New York's Hamptons in order to share custody. For Beatrice's birthday on Oct. 28, Paul and Heather had been expected to come face to face. "Paul didn't want separate parties for Bea just because her parents can't get it together," says a source. According to the Daily Mail, though, the joint celebration is now off. But then, for Paul and Heather, the party has been over for a long time.



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## GAME

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boasts Leroy Bird, a former UK basketball player who is better known to UK fans as "Baby Magic," and assistant UK track coach James Thomas.

UK alumnus Frank X. Walker will also be on the court for the faculty/alumni team. Walker, an accomplished author and the first director of UK's Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center, helped in founding the game 16 years ago. With his players in mind, Burnam said his team has something over the students.

"We have wisdom on our side," Burnam said. Frazier said the BSU team has practiced three times a week for about a month and a half.

That practice routine trumps Burnam's squad, which has only practiced once.

"Old men don't like to be practicing all the time," he said.

Although the plaque is on the line, Burnam said the side that takes it home is secondary to what the game really does for both groups.

"It's bragging rights, but we don't really care who wins," Burnam said. "It gives the students a sense of pride in their school."

## HAUNTED

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The event raised almost \$1,000 for the Hospital Hospitality House, located within walking distance from the Boyd-Patterson Residence Hall Complex.

The Hospital Hospitality House, a small nonprofit corporation for family members and loved ones of seriously ill patients, receives no funding from city, county, state or federal government or the United Way of the Bluegrass, according to its Web site ([www.hospitalhospitalityhouse.com](http://www.hospitalhospitalityhouse.com)).

Last year, the haunted house raised more than \$800.

"In the past, we raised the money for the United Way of the Bluegrass. Now it's for the Hospital Hospitality House so that we can keep it local," said

Farrah Dicken, resident director of Patterson Hall.

"The director (K. Lynn Morgan) is so appreciative of the money," Dicken said. "He is so grateful — it feels so good to go in person and see how it directly affects the people housed there."

Around 300 to 350 people come to the event every year, Dicken said.

Not just students attend the event. For the past three years, children from the Phillips Memorial Baptist Church attend in conjunction with the Student Volunteer Center Placing Leaders Around Youth program. Close to 20 children attended this year.

"The (children) were really excited. It's on campus, so it's close. It's a good way for them to get out, and they look forward to coming," said Kristen Snyder, a political science and Spanish junior, and director of PLAY.

## A MAD DASH



UK Jason Adams, a journalism freshman, painted his face before coming to Memorial Coliseum for the men's basketball lottery last night. Adams was one of the few students dressed in costume.

## Iron pour draws regional crowd to contest

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Though it resides in a small, tucked-away corner of campus, the UK sculpture department is serving as a gathering place for some of the best sculpture artists of the South and Midwest.

Every year, UK Sculpture and SCRAP Student Sculpture Club participate in an iron pour in which college metalworkers join with guest artists and sculpture instructors to make sculptures with pre-made molds and smoldering liquid iron.

Students of all majors are encouraged to participate in the event.

"We're trying to turn students on to the process of pouring iron," said Professor Garry R. Bibbs, head of the sculpture area in the art department. "There are a lot of ways for everyone to get involved."

Event organizers are holding workshops all week to teach participants how to make "scratch blocks," which are small relief tiles.

On Saturday, the trained ironworkers will pour the liquid metal into these blocks to create individualized art. The only catch is a \$15 fee for each block.

Sculpture lecturer Jim Wade said this event is important not just for UK but for countless metalworkers in the surrounding area.

"Iron pours aren't things that happen at every university," Wade said. "When there's a pour, people drive from miles around to be a part of it."

The rarity of an iron pour is largely due to the physical undertaking that it entails. The

pour participants have to break all scrap iron into two-inch pieces. These pieces are then fed into a large furnace with highly refined coal, known as "coke."

The furnace has to be constantly fed by four or five workers until the metal reaches 3000 degrees Fahrenheit. Once properly heated, the furnace is broken open, and the liquid iron is poured into a crucible known as a "ladle." Workers then pour the hot material into the blocks and molds to create their art.

"When you're dealing with a hundred pounds of molten iron in a hundred-pound ladle, you are forced to trade shifts pretty frequently," Wade said.

It's nice to have the ability to incorporate different processes and materials into a single piece of art.

Matt Herron  
art studio senior

## New tanning ointment keeps mice cancer-free

By Jennifer White  
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A research team at UK has discovered a new use for an old chemical that could prevent skin cancer — at least in mice.

The chemical is called forskolin, and though it has been used before to treat medical conditions, "it is the first time it's been used in this approach," said Dr. John D'Orazio, the leader of the research team and an assistant professor of toxicology at UK.

D'Orazio's work, which was published in the Sept. 21 issue of *Nature* magazine, tests how light-skinned mice react to sun exposure differently depending on whether they were treated with a topical forskolin mixture.

When exposed to the same amount of ultraviolet rays, the light-skinned mice that received forskolin developed dark skin over time, while the light-skinned mice without forskolin developed sunburns and tumors.

The forskolin mixture is applied to the skin of the mice for weeks, and little by little, as they are exposed to UV rays, their skin begins to darken, D'Orazio said.

"The more forskolin you put on the mice, the darker they get," he said.

This is a good thing for the mice because the dark skin protects them from sun damage and skin cancer, D'Orazio said. In dark skin, as opposed to light skin, there is eumelanin, a type of melanin that allows for darker coloring.

"It's like a natural sunscreen," D'Orazio said.

Malinda Spry, a graduate student at UK, has been working on this research with D'Orazio for about two years.

"I work on determining the role that melanin plays in causing oxidative damage in the skin, which may lead to an increase risk of melanoma, and how forskolin can be used to prevent this damage," Spry said.

The use of forskolin on humans must be tested, and Spry

said there's a long way to go before that is possible.

"The mechanism that forskolin uses to cause pigment changes in our mice will probably not be the most practical way to cause tanning in humans," Spry said. "It does give us a step in the right direction, but is far from being the endpoint."

Still, D'Orazio said, the discovery is important.

"This research is a novel thing because we didn't know if light-skinned people could make eumelanin," D'Orazio said. The hope is that humans will react in the same way as the mice, by producing eumelanin.

Studies have shown that light-skinned people are more likely than dark-skinned people to get skin cancer as a result of sun exposure. According to the Skin Cancer Foundation website, "melanoma is uncommon in African-Americans, Latinos and Asians, and the majority of people diagnosed with melanoma are white men over age 50."

D'Orazio said this racial difference in cancer susceptibility is because light-skinned people cannot develop the UV-blocking eumelanin naturally. Forskolin, if found to be safe on humans, would allow light-skinned people to tan by "signaling" skin cells to produce eumelanin.

Tim Scott, also a graduate student at UK, has been working with D'Orazio on this research since June.

"I work a lot with an in vitro cell culture system, looking for other effects of forskolin," Scott said.

Scott agreed that much more research needs to be done, but seemed optimistic about the possibilities.

"It holds great promise for those with pigment disorders," Scott said. "It may also lead to a potentially better or more effective sunscreen."

If nothing else, D'Orazio said he'd "be very happy to see the closing of tanning beds as the result of this, if it's found to be safe."

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## Local band's new album a statement to the world

By Michael Powell  
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As "New Weird America," the movement of artists toward freak-folk and psychedelia, begins to reach an apex, local band Warner Milks is titillating eardrums internationally, causing writers and music geeks to wonder what's in the water in Lexington.

In the past year, Warner Milks were personally asked by Bonnie "Prince" Billy and Comets on Fire to join their tours, shared the stage with luminaries Awesome Color, Indian Jewellery and Hush Arbors, received countless positive press, and were consequentially picked up by revered Indie la-

bel Troublemaker to melt a larger amount of brains.

"Radish on Light" is a statement to the world. Warner Milks prove throughout the record that they are in an intense and grotesque battle for the world's loudest psychedelic band.

Think if Black Sabbath and Can played together, with the setting of a scene out of Caligula. Think of tribal beats summoning demons out of the River of Styx. Think multiple guitars, oversized amps, drones and squelches of noise.

Warner Milks bring out their victory march on the grandiose "Pentagram of Sores," a stacked, sludgy, progressive canticle built around



grooves and a swirling atonal center.

Beyond that, the other three massive songs create a cohesive feeling on the album, which is a work founded on the repetitive, driving, focused, freaked and tweaked dissonance of a band working to keep music evil.

**Recommended if you dig:** Can, older Sonic Youth, Animal Collective



## "Press Play"

Diddy

Pressing play on "Press Play" led to a world of strange ambiguity, moral reconsideration and compromising personal integrity.

First, it needs to be addressed that this new name, Diddy, is too reminiscent of Diddy Kong, Donkey Kong's esteemed primate sidekick, to be taken seriously. It is also, as a basic rule of public relations, in bad form to not settle on a name. Prince learned this 10 years ago.

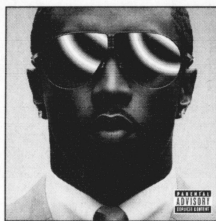
Secondly, Diddy is the epitome of relative deprivation in this country, a symbol of our culture's seemingly unquenchable obsession with people who flashily consume. People like Diddy create an acute culture of materialism, ultimately lowering the bar for everyone.

It bothered me to no end that I found the beats to be tight. Being a musician too, I can at least appreciate when the production is really well executed. Of course, it should be well-produced, considering that

"Press Play" is unequivocally all style and undeniably no substance.

"Press Play" is almost an unintentional concept album about wealth. Consider the lineup: Mary J. Blige, Jamie Foxx, Big Boi, Nas, Fergie, Kanye West, Pharrell Williams from the Neptunes and Havoc from Mobb Deep turning the knobs. This top-of-the-game line-up showcases, once again, Diddy being able to spend top dollar and showing it off. If you can see beyond the sheer extravagance that borders on indulgence, "Press Play" bolsters one behemoth of a mainstream hip-hop album.

Diddy now shares his name with a monkey, creates an album with big names to show off his networking skills, calls his album nothing short of a command, makes some really rad beats and causes this reviewer to lose sight of principle and appreciate an incredulous, corny, slick, but tragically enjoyable (in all novelty) record.



**Recommended if you dig:** Money, thinking about money, showing off money in the event that you have it



## "Musik"

Slumber Party



Though Slumber Party originates from a city that seems to stifle all of its artists into specific styles (in Detroit, it's either MC5 rehashes or gnarly techno), the band snapped their shackles and reached for a sound that could have come from the early 1990s.

"Musik," as compared to earlier releases that resembled the Thermals and the Velvet Underground, has more of a Ladytron and Gary Numan direction with the same garage rock fuzziness. Synthesizers, reverb and electroclash-ready driving rhythms replace chunky chops, feedback and attitude-over-aptitude aesthetic.

Despite the somewhat detached and affected connotation that comes with electronically bedded music, Slumber Party, just like Ladytron, adds a very personable and warm touch that creates a gushy, ethereal internal atmosphere, which makes you feel like vibin' in your favorite black T-shirt with headphones.

"Musik" is another example of an album that while enjoyable, is not incredibly dynamic or memorable.

**Recommended if you dig:** Gary Numan, Bikini Kill, Ladytron



## "Robbers and Cowards"

Cold War Kids

Cold War Kids is the "next big thing," at a sooner or later these songs will end up on "The O.C.," inside Starbucks and in Volkswagen ads. Just wait.

"Robbers and Cowards," for all intents and purposes, is decent. Imagine the orchestrated and almost Victorian-march sound of the Arcade Fire with the expansive but gritty sound of The Walkmen and the vocals of an even more blues-oriented Jeff Buckley.

"Robber and Cowards" is an hour-long collection of brooding, sophisticated pop that remains very accessible throughout.

Though this is a pleasant listen, many great underground rock groups have been doing this same thing — this exact sound — for years and have not received a fraction of the recognition.

Cold War Kids is another drop in the bucket of artists that get



some money behind them and then labeled the next great band. If this sounds interesting, listen to bands that are the real deal, such as Clinic or White Whale.

**Recommended if you dig:** The Arcade Fire, The Walkmen, Jeff Buckley



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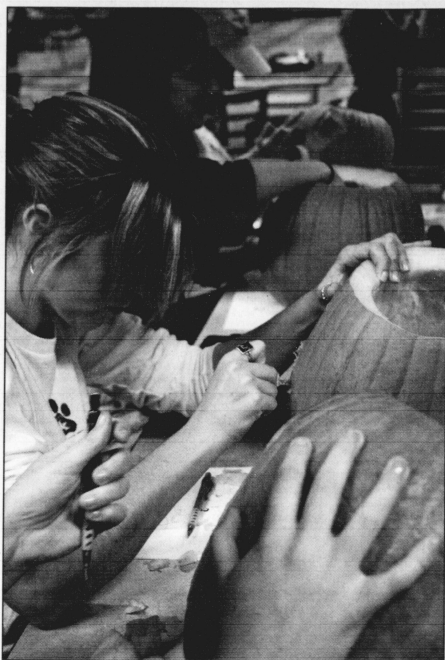
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## Carving a Halloween smile



Ashley Luckscherter, a first year nursing major, competes in the pumpkin-carving contest held yesterday at Blazer Dining Hall. Luckscherter competed with her roommate, Karl Resler, an education freshman.

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## Keeneland offers scholarships to study horse industry abroad

By Scarlett Springs  
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Keeneland recently announced that it is sponsoring a scholarship to offer internships abroad in the thoroughbred industry.

The scholarships are sponsored through the Communicating for Agriculture International Exchange Program.

"I don't want to say that the opportunity to gain experience abroad is vital, but it's almost vital," said Adrian Todd of CAEP. "The business is becoming increasingly global, with so many clients and business partners abroad. Foreign bloodlines are becoming more and more important, and foreign horses are coming here for racing and breeding, and ours are being sent abroad."

The Keeneland Scholars Program will provide visa and travel expenses for an internship of up to one year. Through the program, interns will receive experience in farm management, racehorse sales and training, veterinary techniques, and other areas of the

industry. The scholarship is available to anyone between the ages of 19 and 29 with a sincere interest in the thoroughbred industry.

The program developed as the result of a discussion between representatives of Keeneland and CAEP as a way to help students or young professionals gain an understanding of the global aspects of the thoroughbred industry.

"Our goal with the Scholars Program is to foster relationships with young people who have been selected as future thoroughbred industry leaders in their home countries," said Chauncey Morris, a Keeneland sales marketing associate.

The program also plans to bring in foreign interns to work and train exclusively within the Kentucky thoroughbred industry. CAEP maintains partnerships with many organizations throughout the world that both recruit interns for placements in Kentucky and provide internships for Americans abroad.

Possible internship locations include England, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand and South America.

Todd said this year's U.S. scholarship recipient will most likely be placed in South Africa, while an intern from Argentina or Brazil will be brought to work in Kentucky.

Jennifer Whittle, an agricultural communications freshman, thinks the program presents a good opportunity.

"I would like to see how the techniques used in other parts of the world are different from those here," Whittle said. "Getting a chance to live and work in another country would be a great way to learn more about the thoroughbred industry."

Although the application deadline for this year's scholarship has already passed and CAEP is currently in the decision-making process, applications for the Keeneland Scholars Program can still be found at the CAEP Web site ([www.caepinc.com](http://www.caepinc.com)) and will soon be accepted for the following year.

## Bush works to rally GOP faithful around war in Iraq

By James Gerstle  
Los Angeles Times

SUGAR LAND, Texas — Using the backdrop of the Iraq war to launch some of his toughest campaign attacks this political season, President Bush accused Democrats on Monday of being more concerned with pulling U.S. troops out of Iraq than with winning the war.

On a day whose itinerary illustrated the challenges Republicans face a week from Tuesday as they try to retain House and Senate majorities, Bush went to the heart of the issues that have helped him and his party come out on top in the 2002 and 2004 elections: terrorism, taxes and a conservative social agenda.

Citing their opposition on key anti-terrorism measures, Bush said that when it came to eavesdropping on suspected terrorists, detaining them or trying them, Democrats "just say no."

"So when the Democrats ask for your vote, what's your answer?" he asked his audiences in Texas and earlier in Statesboro, Ga., where more than 5,000 supporters gathered at Georgia Southern University.

"Just say no!" the crowd roared at each stop. The office of Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., issued a terse response: "Contrary to the president's intentions, Amer-

icans are just saying no to his administration's no-plan, no-end approach to Iraq."

In the final week of the campaign, Bush is barnstorming across the U.S., appearing at what the White House calls "2006 victory rallies" and serving red-meat Republican issues to the party faithful to prompt these core GOP voters to the polls.

To reach that constituency, Bush also took to the airwaves Monday, as did Vice President Dick Cheney, with each giving an interview to programs on Fox News Channel.

Cheney told "Your World with Neil Cavuto" that insurgents in Iraq had timed the increase in violence — October has been the fourth-deadliest month for U.S. troops, with more than 100 killed — to the U.S. political calendar.

"It's my belief that they're very sensitive to the fact that we've got an election scheduled," he said.

In a two-part interview that began Monday on "Hannity and Colmes," Bush charged that some Democratic leaders "are becoming isolationists. And that's dangerous."

"Protecting this country and keeping this economy growing are the two most important issues," he said. "And you can't protect the country if you retreat from overseas, and you can't keep the economy growing if you raise taxes. And that's exactly what the Democrats in the House would like to do."

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## SG Senate expansion ideas deserve ridicule

Student voters already face the daunting task of picking 15 at-large senators in the spring Student Government elections — but some SG officials want to add even more seats.

At last week's SG meeting, senators debated various avenues for expanding the Senate, according to an article in last week's Kernel. "This is something that we've been looking into for a while," said Senate President Brent Burchett in the article. "(SG President) Jonah (Brown) and I have studied the student governments of other SEC schools and discussed the different ways that we could allot seats."

Three expansion ideas that came up at the meeting were allotting seats by major, distributing seats to campus organizations and giving residence halls a seat.

It is nice to see SG officials thinking about structural changes for their organization. But all of these ideas should die an ignominious and unending death, never to be spoken of again.

Having seats for certain majors would pose the problem of how to group majors together — unless, of course, the Senate plans to include a seat for each of the dozens, if not hundreds, of majors offered at UK. Should the

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Foreign Language and International Economics majors be placed with the foreign languages, or with economics? Do civil engineers, architects and urban planners all belong together? Are psychology majors closer to majors in biology than to those in sociology?

There are countless more asinine questions like these that will come up in the process of doling out Senate seats by major. It is better to keep the system of college-based seats and avoid wasting everyone's time grouping majors.

The thought of giving seats to student organizations also falters. Although the Kernel, itself a registered student organization, would love to have a vote in the Senate, it wouldn't matter much — we'd have to fight to hear over the 250 other student-organization representatives at fire-code-breaking Senate meetings.

And as much as the Ski and Snowboarding Club, Dodgeball Team, Linux User Group and Rock Paper Scissors Club would contribute to SG meetings, we think the practical matter of

having a manageable amount of senators is more pressing.

Perhaps a proponent of this idea would say that only large or important student organizations — such as Student Activities Board and WRFL — should get seats. But who decides where the line should be drawn? What about large groups with certain religious or political viewpoints; should they be balanced with groups with other viewpoints that wouldn't otherwise meet the membership cutoff?

Deciding these issues is no simple matter, and the process is likely to leave more students feeling disenfranchised than invigorated. Instead of trying to decide which student organizations are more deserving of a seat than others, SG should leave the whole matter alone.

Giving residence halls a vote would lead to another problem — gross overrepresentation of students who live on campus. According to UK's 2005-06 Common Data Set (available at [www.uky.edu/IR/](http://www.uky.edu/IR/)), only about 29 percent of undergraduates live on campus. Giving each residence hall a vote would give these students more than 20 Senate seats — almost as much as the entire current Senate.

Even if the on-campus seats were split into three groups — North, South and Central Campus — it would raise the question of why students in the dorms get more representation than the off-campus majority.

Finally, simply adding more at-large Senate seats would do little good. Students already cast 15 votes for at-large seats, and we seriously doubt that most are familiar enough with the platforms of the dozens of candidates to make educated choices. Instead, name recognition and ticket identification are the major determinants of winners. Having voters engage in even more guesswork and random picking by adding at-large seats would not be good for the SG Senate.

If SG officials want to spend time making constitutional changes and restructuring the organization, that's great. But they would be better off clarifying the rules for election violations or setting standards for precedent in judicial review by the SG Supreme Court — both of which will come into play if there are accusations of violations in this year's elections — than devising impractical plans to expand the Senate.

## SG should spend cocoa money wisely

Warm-Up Wednesdays will return this winter to bring students free hot chocolate, and it's only costing Student Government \$3,000.

"This year, every senator will have the chance to get out there on cold weekday mornings to pass out hot chocolate and meet students as they walk to class," said College of Communications Sen. Tegan Alexander in a Kernel article last week.

SG needs to continue making its members more accessible to the students they represent, so we commend SG for a program that will undoubtedly bring senators in contact with students. But with a price tag of \$3,000 for the year, SG must ensure that students take advantage of the program. If the first Warm-Up Wednesday is not

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as popular as expected, than SG must reevaluate the location and hours of the event.

Furthermore, senators must listen to students' concerns and take action. Students should feel as if they get more than just a warm drink from SG.

This year's Warm-Up Wednesdays are taking a larger chunk of the budget than last year's, though the program has the advantage of being approved earlier. Last year, the SG Senate did not fund the program until its last meeting in November, when it approved \$1,000 for seven total mornings. In February, the Senate budgeted an additional \$900 for the program.

## Forget Halloween; After four years, graduation is scary

It's out there. It's there haunting every single one of us.



**HILLY SCHIFFER**  
Kernel columnist

It's there waiting for us, for four, five or even six years. No matter how hard we try, we can't avoid it.

Some people call it a "life after college." But I call it "life after college."

This Halloween, I don't even have to watch scary movies to be afraid. I can just think about this so-called "life after college," and that is enough to make me pull the covers over my head and not want to peek.

The eerie feeling of uncertainty trickles through my body when I think that in less than seven weeks, I will be a college graduate.

I'm sure many seniors know just how scary this reality is, while freshmen can just glide through the next couple paragraphs feeling sorry for us.

When you apply for colleges, they never tell you that at some point you are going to have to leave. Of course they don't, because they want you to stay forever so they can continue to nibble on your check-book. But graduation creeps up quickly.

I came to college with such high expectations of getting in and out in three and a half years and being completely ready and willing to step into the real world.

That was then, and this is now. It's three years later, and I want to know what happened to the "best years of my life." They went too fast.

The thought of graduation is haunting me like a goblin with a chainsaw at a haunted cornfield, and I hate them both.

Life post-college seems like this unfathomable abyss that everyone wants to dive into, but when it becomes a possibility they want to step 10 feet back before falling.

I've had friends step into the abyss. Some came crawling out of the abyss and back into college, while others embraced the newness of taking the next step.

I can't help but wonder what will happen to me.

I feel like I've done everything "right." I went to class, I maintained a high GPA, I worked for a newspaper during school, I've had two internships. So why is it that after sending out over 30 resumes all over the country, I still don't have a clue as to what my future holds?

I guess that is the beauty of going to college after high school. You get to push off the real world for at least four years.

College is somewhat of an artificial real world. You are given as much time as you need to figure out how to survive in the real world with the assistance and support of parents and professors.

College is a fantastic safety net. You are allowed to be in between the stages of an idiotic teenager and a responsible adult.

We get to make all kinds of excuses. I mean, people will shrug off so many ridiculous things that we do by saying, "Oh well, that's just what college kids do."

For example, sleeping until noon and napping at 8 p.m. so you can be ready to go out that night until 3 a.m. When else will you ever be able to get away with that?

Also, college students get amazing discounts and sympathy because we are, in fact, all poor college students.

I don't know what I'll do when I have to pay full price for a movie ticket. I suppose I'll just dread going to the movie theater during the years before I can get the senior citizen discount.

Yes, these are all wonderful privileges and reasons to further extend my college years, but I simply can't stay in school forever.

For over a year, I have been bombarded with the dreadful question of "What are the plans after graduation?"

I cringe every time I am asked, and a burden of stress consumes my thoughts for the next several hours.

I will rejoice when I will finally be able to answer that question confidently. But until then, I will follow the footsteps of the many other grads that have gone before me and pretend like life after college isn't that horrifying.

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## Tired of the status quo? Get up and actually do something about it!

Have something to complain about? Don't waste my time!

With local elections soon approaching and some controversial legislation being discussed at UK, there is much to talk about.

Recently, I realized how much time most people spend complaining, and how little time they spend doing something that is actually worthwhile.

It seems to me that there are countless people — and you know exactly who I am talking about — who have an opinion about everything. Whether it is about the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender center being added to the Student Center, domestic partner benefits, or local ownership of water, everyone has something to say about it.

Why, though, are people wasting their time complaining to someone who disagrees with them instead of taking action to have their complaints heard?

I have an acquaintance who spent 20 minutes last week trying to convince me that the new GLBT center should have to be paid for by those who will use the center, implying that anyone who is not heterosexual should have to pay for a place to hang out. He did not want to hear my opposition that perhaps since all of UK's campus is a place for white, heterosexual individuals to meet, GLBT individuals should be exempt from paying tuition.

Crazy, I know, but just as rational as his argument.

I had very blatantly stated my position on this issue. Why was this indi-

vidual wasting 20 minutes of his and my time trying to change my mind on an issue I was not going to budge on?

Had he sent a letter to his college Student Government representative? Or spoken with any senators at large? Written a letter to the editor at the Kernel? No.

Instead of voicing his opposition in a productive way, trying to find someone who could actually act in support of his beliefs, he was complaining to me, someone who could not change the situation, and would not if she could, for that matter.

In fact, he commented that it is a waste of time to write a letter to the editor, since no one reads the Kernel editorial page anyway.

If you are reading this right now, then congratulations. You're probably the only one.

Why do we spend so much time complaining and so little time actually working to fix anything?

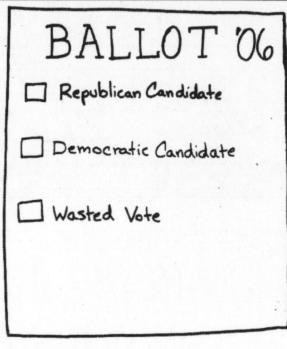
In the Oct. 27 issue of the Kernel, columnist Richard Becker urged students to contact their Student Government representatives about the issue of domestic partner benefits.

I second his pleading, asking that those individuals who feel strongly about this or any other issue redirect their feelings toward people who can actually make a change.

I have always felt that those who do not vote do not deserve to complain. If you do not care enough to participate in the selection process, what right do you have to be upset with the results?

If you feel strongly enough about an issue to bother your friends and acquaintances with your feelings and complaints, then you should also feel strongly enough to do something about those feelings.

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## Lyons stepped up, but for all the wrong reasons

While UK's win Saturday at Mississippi State was important, it probably elicited more sighs of relief than dancing in the aisles.

It was a sigh of relief for coach Rich Brooks, who finally got a Southeastern Conference road win outside of Vanderbilt.



It was a sigh of relief for Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart, whose plan for the football program might just be coming to fruition. (Don't mention that to any local columnists, though. They would have to take a 30-second time-out from bashing Barnhart to acknowledge that he might just know what he's doing.)

And most of all, it was a sigh of relief for Dicky Lyons

Jr., who spoke strongly last week about UK's confidence heading into the game.

While the Cats did win, they didn't do it in as dominant a fashion as Lyons had hoped. After all, he proclaimed that he wanted to "get the backups" in the game. It would have been nice to hear Lyons' feelings about the win, or about his teammates helping him back up his boasting, but the sophomore wide receiver was told last week by Brooks to go into a corner and stare at the wall (or something like that). He's off-limits to the media until further notice, which may or may not be before Senior Day. In 2008.

Regardless, Lyons was wrong to say what he did. When a member of a team in the ultimate team sport steals the spotlight with his words or actions, it can only be detrimental. Lyons probably didn't intend to become the center of attention with his comments, but he did. Lyons didn't show confidence; he showed selfishness.

"I don't think that shows

confidence," Brooks said. "I think that shows you're not aware of respecting your opponent. I think you need to do things that respect your opponent leading up to a game. After the game it was 'Dicky Lyons backs it up.' Dicky got what a lot of guys that speak out want to get. They get a lot of publicity about what they said."

Lyons did back it up. With an un-freaking-believable UFC-wheelhouse kick-style touchdown catch in the back of the end zone.

But Brooks was angry that Lyons' cockiness took the focus away from other solid performances, like those by running back Alfonso Smith and the defensive line.

"Confidence is an inner strength, and football is a team game," Brooks said. "Rather than dealing with an individual, we should have been dealing with the concept of what this team has accomplished."

"So here we are: We've got Georgia coming up, and we just beat Mississippi State on the



ANDREW HUGGINS | STAFF

UK sophomore wide receiver Dicky Lyons Jr. celebrates with his teammates after scoring a touchdown against Ole Miss on Sept. 16. Lyons was in head coach Rich Brooks' doghouse last week after comments he made about Mississippi State. Lyons backed up his talk, catching eight balls for 117 yards and a touchdown.

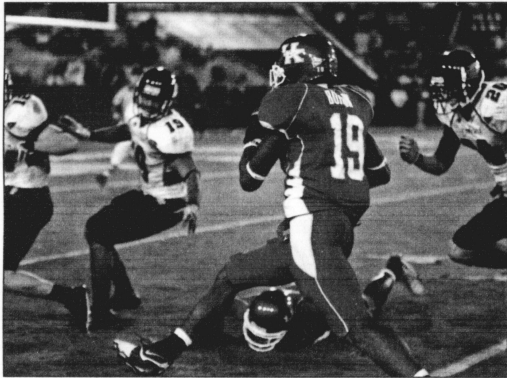
Like a win over defending SEC Champion Georgia, which limps into Lexington having lost three out of four — with only a narrow win over Mississippi State preventing a four-game losing streak.

The victory would give

Brooks that signature win he needs. It would give the program the legitimacy it craves. It would spur a November to Remember.

And it might just have them dancing in the aisles.

## FOOTBALL NOTEBOOK



BRAD LUTTRELL | STAFF

UK junior wide receiver Keenan Burton sprints down the sideline while being chased by Central Michigan defenders on Sept. 30. Burton was named the Southeastern Conference special teams player of the week yesterday for his performance against Mississippi State. Burton had kickoff returns of 46 and 47 yards, and he also took a punt back 14 yards. Those stats helped him keep his lead in the SEC all-purpose yardage category.

## Brooks worried about Georgia's stingy defense

By Jonathan Smith  
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Rich Brooks is a big believer in numbers. When the UK head coach was asked at his weekly news conference yesterday what he thought about Georgia's defense, he wanted to know what they were ranked in the Southeastern Conference.

He was told that they rank third in the SEC and 14th in the nation in total defense.

To him, those numbers don't lie.

"I'd say that's pretty good defense," he said. "What are we, 118th now, I think? Fourteenth, 118th — yeah, I think they're pretty good on defense."

Last week the Bulldogs limited No. 4 Florida to 163 passing yards and 319 total yards. That was against a Florida offense that is third in the conference in total offense.

"Georgia's a very, very talented defensive football team," Brooks said. "I mean, if you look at the numbers, they held Florida to almost nothing, and we all know what kind of offense Florida has and what kind of players they have."

"They seemed to be a lot more motivated in that game," he said. "They played a lot harder than they played in the previous seven weeks."

### Williams out; Leger, Dixon questionable

Offensive lineman Trai Williams sprained his ankle against Mississippi State and will be sidelined for at least the next three games, Brooks said. X-rays revealed there is no tear in the ankle and that no surgery will be required.

Brooks said the injury is slightly worse than the one offensive lineman Matt McCutchan suffered in the year against Ole Miss. McCutchan missed three games because of the injury.

Jason Leger did not make the trip to Starkville, Miss., this weekend, and the offensive lineman is still "very doubtful" for the Georgia game because

of a shoulder injury, Brooks said.

Tailback Tony Dixon suffered a hamstring injury against Mississippi State and is questionable this week, Brooks said.

If Dixon is unable to play, freshman Alfonso Smith will start at tailback. Against Mississippi State, Smith rushed for 92 yards and one touchdown after Dixon exited the game with the injury.

### Lyons backs talk up

Dicky Lyons Jr. was very open last week about his feelings toward Mississippi State's football team, spouting off low blows like "I don't see us losing to this football team" and "I feel that we can get the backups in."

During the game, Lyons was just as open on the football field.

The sophomore wide receiver caught eight passes for 117 yards.

But Brooks said the comments never should have been made and Lyons didn't justify his words by playing well on Saturday.

"Dicky got what a lot of guys that speak out want to get: a lot of publicity about what they've said," Brooks said.

"I think you need to do things that respect your opponent leading up to the game," he said. Lyons didn't do that and was subsequently the primary target of Mississippi State defenders.

After Lyons was the intended receiver on an incomplete pass early in the game, the Bulldog player that applied the hit stood over Lyons and stared at him.

Lyons got his revenge when he had a miraculous touchdown catch late in the first quarter. Quarterback Andre Woodson appeared to over-throw Lyons in the back of the end zone, but the wide receiver leapt and caught the ball with his right hand, while tapping his right foot in bonafide with control of the ball. Originally the play was called incomplete, but was overruled after the officials reviewed the play.

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