



**WEATHER** Cloudy today, high in the upper 50s; cloudy tonight, low near 40; cloudy tomorrow, high in the upper 40s.

**SPORTS** The men's and women's basketball teams battle their Indiana Hoosier counterparts tonight. Stories, matchups, page 3.



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## Study indicates inflated grades a possibility

### Inflated?

Chandra's study shows several departments where students have higher GPAs than expected from their ACT scores. Among those departments are:

Art Education  
Education Curriculum and Instr.  
Art  
Educational Policy Studies  
Social Work  
Business  
Health and Phys. Ed.

**Editor's note:** This is the first of a two-part series on possible grade inflation at UK.

By Lance Williams  
Associate Editor

On the surface, grade inflation may seem like a dream atmosphere. C-level work appears as As and Bs on a transcript, and professors and students live in a blissful state of coexistence.

According to a study being compiled by economics graduate student Amitabh Chandra, several UK departments show evidence of

grade inflation.

However, all students are at risk of being hurt by grade inflation at the University, said Louis Swift, dean of Undergraduate Studies. The less-qualified students are being coddled and carried by the University, while the more-qualified students' work is being devalued by placing it on the same level as everyone else, Swift said.

"If everybody is above average," Swift said, "then what is the average?"

Chandra's study is still in progress, but he already has found

that students in departments like fine arts, business, social work and education tend to have higher grades than would be expected according to their ACT scores. Meanwhile, grades in science departments like physics and chemistry tend to be less than expected from ACT scores.

Chandra's method took each department's courses and the mean ACT scores of all students who took the 100-400 level courses during the fall 1993 semester. The results were then plotted on a chart to show where a majority of grades were placed.

The study found that grades in many departments were Bs or better, even though several students taking the courses had less-than-average GPAs.

"What you have is below-average students with above-average grades," Chandra said.

He added that the mean grade Universitywide is inflated — because it is near a 3.0. The traditional view of grading curves should place it in a range from 2.0 to 2.5.

Social work students have a mean GPA of nearly 3.6, but S.Z. Hasan, dean of the College of

Social Work, said the college's setup makes the results seem inflated.

"When our graduates go out, they never bother with grades," Hasan said. He said employers are more concerned with practical experience and performance, instead of grades.

Chandra, however, said that not relying on grades becomes a tool in recruiting more students in a particular college. He said that in a college where grades don't matter as much, many times they

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## 'The start of a new era of learning'



GREG EANS/Kannel staff

**GROUND-BREAKING EVENT** UK officials and donors to the new library shovel dirt out of the site at Clifton Circle. The library will be named after William T. Young.

## Ground broken at Clifton Circle for new library

By Stephen Trimble  
Executive Editor

In a season of hope, UK embarked on its most ambitious project yesterday at a ground-breaking ceremony for the University's new library.

"This is a day to be proud," said Lexington philanthropist John Gaines, who spearheaded the library's private fund raising and generated more than \$2.1 million for the project.

Several officials took turns praising UK President Charles Wethington for his initiative on the library project before a crowd estimated around 700 people, including a smattering of students spread amid the audience.

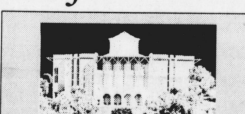
The library will bear William T. Young's name, Wethington said, memorializing

the Lexington businessman's \$5 million gift to the project. Wethington said he will propose the new name to the Board of Trustees next week.

Wethington predicted that, as the quality of the students and faculty grows at the University, a new library will fill a missing part of the University.

Wethington predicted the building soon will become a gathering place for both faculty and students, which has a projected cost of \$58 million.

"They've put their money where their heart is," Gaines said.



When completed in late 1996, the six-story library will contain 361,350 square feet, making it the largest building on campus, and will feature:

- ▼ Public seating for 4,167 people
- ▼ State-of-the-art electronic infrastructure
- ▼ A lecture hall
- ▼ A food service area
- ▼ An exhibition/seminar room
- ▼ About 196,828 linear feet of shelving — equal to 37 miles
- ▼ Shelves that can house 1.2 million volumes

Erica McDonald, the student chairwoman of the fund-raising effort, said the new library means an end to end-

less searches through Margaret I. King's bookshelves, looking for books that are never there.

"For students, this library represents the start of a new era of learning," said McDonald, a health administration graduate student.

Lexington Mayor Pam Miller said she was impressed by the way the community became involved in the project. Miller's support was vital after the state legislature turned down funding for the project during the summer's special session of the General Assembly.

In September, Wethington

unveiled an innovative financing plan for the project, allowing UK to pay for construction.

According to the financing plan, \$3 million each year will be given to the Alumni Association by UK's Athletics Association.

The money will meet annual payments on a \$41 million bond issue from the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council, which will issue the bonds tomorrow.

The council approved the financing plan Nov. 17 by a nearly unanimous vote. Four council members abstained from the final vote because they are UK employees.

Board of Trustees chairman and former Gov. Edward T.

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## Jam-packed: Students stay out late to buy 'Vitalogy'

By Ty Halpin  
Assistant Managing Editor

Jammed with UK students, Cut Corner Records had a Pearl of a sale early Tuesday morning.

The store held special hours for the sale of Pearl Jam's latest release, *Vitalogy*.

"I just had to have it tonight," said Mike Schuker, an architecture senior who has seen the Seattle band live in Indianapolis. "I heard 'Spin the Black

Circle' (the first release from the album) on the radio and loved it. This is a new sound."

The crowd of mainly UK students spilled wrapped around the aisles in Cut Corner and spilled onto South Limestone Street. At the height of the sale, about 200 people were waiting to buy Pearl Jam's third studio release.

Within an hour, 260 of the 300 CDs the store ordered were gone. Mike Mann, general manager of G&S Inc., the company that owns Cut Corner,

said Pearl Jam is a hot property.

"They are the best thing going right now," Mann said. "When you're hot, you're hot."

Pearl Jam is so hot, in fact, that Mann kept Cut Corner open until 11 p.m. Monday with a 10 percent off sale to gear up for the event. Mann said the doors were reopened at 11:50 p.m. with sales starting at 12:01 Tuesday

### Inside

Review of the new album, page 4.

morning.

Pearl Jam's stand against corruption in the music business brought one UK student to Cut Corner.

"I really respect them for bucking the system," said Julie Baker, a psychology sophomore. "That's why I'm here. I like their music, but I could get the CD anytime. (The turnout) proves that you can go against the system."

## NEWSbytes

### WORLD Christopher tells Arafat to stop attacks

JERUSALEM — Secretary of State Warren Christopher served notice on PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat yesterday that he must put a stop to Islamic militants' attacks on Israelis if he expects to spread Palestinian self-rule across the West Bank.

Christopher also reassured Israel's hard-pressed government that the Clinton administration considers Arafat's security pledges "absolutely fundamental" to peacemaking. The government is deciding whether to pull Israel's army out of Arab towns on the West Bank in the midst of a long siege of attacks on Israel soldiers and civilians. In the same vein, Christopher urged Syrian President Hafez Assad in a 4 1/2-hour meeting in Damascus to make a public declaration denouncing murder of innocent civilians, a U.S. official said. Assad said he would consider it.

### NATION Hill sentenced to death

PENSACOLA, Fla. — His usual bemused smile wiped off his face, Paul Hill listened with a bored look yesterday as a judge sentenced him to the electric chair for blowing out the brains of an abortion doctor and his bodyguard.

"May God have mercy on your soul," Circuit Judge Frank Bell intoned.

Moments later, an abortion foe shouted that Hill's blood would be on the hands of the judge, the jury and the people of Florida. Last month a jury unanimously recommended that the 40-year-old Hill be executed.

### Report: Plutonium stored improperly

WASHINGTON — As much as 26 metric tons of highly radioactive plutonium is being stored in conditions that could endanger workers and "potentially threaten the public and surrounding environment," says an Energy Department report.

The review, which examined plutonium storage at 35 government sites in more than a dozen states, found plutonium in leaking and corroding packages, in cracking plastic bottles, in old decaying buildings and in pipes, ventilation vents, equipment and machinery. A department official cautioned that the possibility of public exposure to plutonium is extremely low and likely would occur only if a storage facility were struck by a major catastrophe such as an earthquake or tornado.

### Successor to Bentsen named

WASHINGTON — President Clinton selected Robert Rubin, who amassed a multimillion-dollar fortune on Wall Street before joining the administration, to succeed Lloyd Bentsen as Treasury secretary yesterday. Bentsen's departure will deprive the administration of the Cabinet officer with the most experience and respect on Capitol Hill just as Republicans are taking control of Congress for the first time in 40 years. But the change is expected to have little impact on policy since both men are pro-business Democrats.

## NAMEdropping

### Former governor wants Ashe statue

RICHMOND, Va. — Robert E. Lee, Stonewall Jackson and J.E.B. Stuart stand in bronze effigy on Monument Avenue. A former governor would like to see them joined by a different kind of hero: Arthur Ashe. A statue of the Richmond-born tennis star and humanitarian should be placed on the avenue reserved for Virginia's Confederate heroes, said former Gov. L. Douglas Wilder.

"It will send a transcending message," just as Ashe transcended racial boundaries, Wilder said during the kickoff of efforts to raise \$400,000 for a bronze statue of Ashe.

Fund-raising leaders indicated that no decision has been made on where to place the monument to Ashe, who died of AIDS in 1993.

A 12-foot plaster proof of the statue was unveiled at the event. The final version will be 24 feet high with figures of four children surrounding Ashe, who will have books in one hand and a racket in the other.

Compiled from wire reports.



Ashe

# Final racism forum focuses on advertisements

By Brenna Reilly  
Staff Writer

From Aunt Jemima's syrup to Gladys Knight's fried chicken, blacks have been stereotyped in advertising since advertising began, a Lexington Community College counselor said last night.

At the final Institute on Healing Racism forum, Charlene Walker, also a member of the Institute's steering committee, presented an overview of prejudice that she said began with slave advertisements and ended with ads featuring Michael Jordan and Shaquille O'Neal.

Student Activities Board Vice President Jason Martin said he found the portrayal of blacks in advertising interesting.

"It's something a lot of people don't address," Martin said. "We don't touch it in my advertising class, but we should because it is so blatant."

Martin said advertising is something people see everyday but

probably do not think about.

After the presentation, the forum broke into small groups to look through magazines to see how blacks were portrayed in the ads. Participants compared the number of advertisements featuring blacks with those ads featuring whites.

A spokesperson from each group then presented the findings to the whole group.

The consensus was most ads featured whites. The ads that featured mostly blacks, in magazines like  *Ebony* , were mainly ads for alcohol and cigarettes.

Business senior Rodney Robert had never been to an Institute meeting. He said he plans to attend the meetings next semester.

"In the magazines they focus on a lot of negative things, like alcohol and cigarettes," Robert said. "It was educational."

After the discussion, refreshments were provided by SAB, and Institute members mingled with one another.

"I glad there was time for socializing," said Mahsa Vossugh, chairwoman of SAB's Multicultural Committee. Vossugh said she believes the Institute has made a good start in its effort to heal racism.

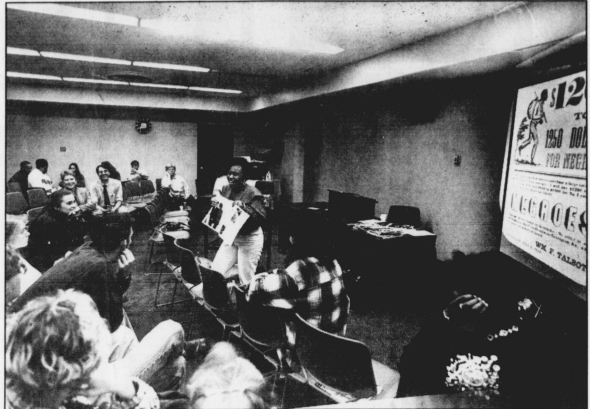
About 30 people attended last night's meeting, the fourth and final meeting of the semester. The Institute will continue its meetings next semester.

"Hopefully, in seven or eight months the Institute will (extend) into the community of Lexington," Martin said. "This is not something we can keep on campus. It is too important."

Dean of Students David Stockham, who attended the meeting, said the important thing about the Institute is that it is student-initiated.

"It is perpetuating itself," Stockham said. "It will not appeal to thousands, but there is a certain amount of joy in talking to people different from themselves in a non-threatening setting."

"Very small kinds of things like this can bring about profound changes in a world that needs them."



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A TIME TO SHARE Psychology and African-American studies sophomore Juanita Jones expresses her group's opinions after small group discussion at last night's meeting.

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## Students can donate meal card leftovers

Program routes money to charities

By Jennifer Smith  
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association and UK Food Services officials say students can take their Diner and Plus Account food cards to buy food for the needy.

With a swipe of the card, students can donate money to the Hope Center, a volunteer organization that serves the homeless in the Lexington community.

Carol Raitz, director of Food Services, stressed the program is "completely voluntary." She said this service will provide a way for students to give something to the community during the holiday season.

"We're making it easier for stu-

dents to spread the wealth left on their card," Raitz said.

Raitz said normally at the end of the semester, if a student has \$50 or less, the money transfers automatically into his or her Plus Account. Anything more than the \$50 goes into a general Food Services fund.

This year, instead of just allowing the excess money to go to food services, students will be able to give it to the Hope Center.

The voluntary program has not been completely arranged, said Amy Abernathy, SGA director of student services, who is helping to coordinate the program.

"It's really too soon to tell," Abernathy said. "All of the details have not been ironed out."

Many students said they welcome the opportunity to give money to a charity instead of Food Services.

"I do not feel my money should go to UK," said Robbie Wilcher, an architecture freshman. "I'm already paying enough."

Undeclared arts and sciences freshman David Burton was surprised that he would not be getting his money back at the end of the semester.

He said he thought all of his account transferred.

Laurie Jones, a chemical engineering freshman, said she thinks UK is taking her money. "It's stealing," she said. "They make you put money in, and then they don't give it back."

Students sign up for when they sign their University housing contract.

"That money is a fee we need to operate food services," she said. "If we did not get it, we wouldn't be able to provide nearly the services we do now."

Allen Rieman, director of auxiliary services, said "even if (a student) does not eat a meal all semester, Food Services still gets their money because the money is necessary for operating costs."

Raitz cited extended hours, increased choices and more facilities as uses of the money.

"We do not have a magic wand or a plumb budget," Raitz said. "Food Services does not get one penny from a general fund."

"If we were a selfish type of organization, we would just take the money and say it belongs to (Food Services)."

## Gaines Center offering lectureship

By Perry Brothers  
News Editor

Thanks to a campus organization, UK undergraduates will have an unusual opportunity to stand behind the lecture podium — and receive \$500 and a trophy for their efforts.

The Edward T. Breathitt Undergraduate Lectureship, which is sponsored by UK's Gaines Center for the Humanities, was established this year to honor current Board of Trustees Chairman former Gov. Edward T. "Ned" Breathitt for his contribution to the advancement of the humanities at UK. Gaines Center Director Raymond Betts said.

"I think this is the perfect match between the talents of this individual," Betts said, "and the talents I hope we are developing in our own undergraduates."

Upper level undergraduate students from any discipline may submit a two-page prospectus detailing a proposed lecture, which should be based on "one or more of the basic concerns of the humanities: form, value, memory," a resume and letter of recommendation, Betts said.

The field of possible topics for proposed lectures is diverse, the director said. "Anyone who walks, observes and thinks is involved in the humanities."

The recipient will be notified several months before the March 29 Hurm Festival, during which the final product, at least a 15-page lecture, will be presented.

The festival is an annual collaboration between the colleges of architecture and fine arts and the Gaines Center.

Betts noted a disparity of emphasis on research between the undergraduate and graduate students, and said the lectureship is designed to promote formal research by undergraduates.

"There is a realization that the ceilings placed on undergraduate and graduate programs are arbitrary — they've lost their meaning," he said.

"The development of undergraduate research is necessary to prepare the students for future research goals."

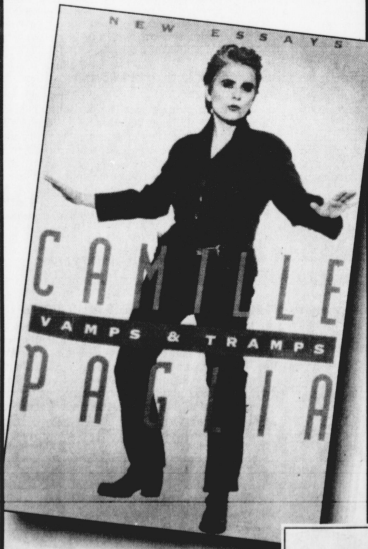
Breathitt, who served on the Gaines Center board of directors prior to his appointment to the Board of Trustees, said he appreciated the honor bestowed by Betts and the Gaines Center.

"I think it's important that we emphasize and promote undergraduate research," he said.

"(The Gaines Center) is a real center of excellence in our University ... I'm just happy to do anything I can to promote their efforts."

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# SPORTS

## UK ready for nail-biter with IU

By Brett Dawson  
Sports Editor

The fans are talking. UK is coming off a disappointing loss to UCLA, they point out. Indiana ran the Cats out of the gym last season, they say. The Hoosiers have already lost to the likes of Notre Dame, they'll have you know. Tonight's matchup between UK and IU is shaping up like a Wildcat runaway, they say.

But Rick Pitino and his players aren't fooled. When the seventh-ranked Wildcats (2-1) take on Bob Knight's Hoosiers (2-3) at 7:30 tonight in Louisville's Freedom Hall, the UK coach and his Cats expect the affair to come right down to the wire. It always does.

"It's never gonna be an easy game," UK forward Walter McCarty said. "When Indiana and Kentucky (play), both teams are looking to really go after each other."

Part of that, Pitino said, could be because of the teams' similarities.

"The two things that we like to pride ourselves on in this program are preparation and determination," the UK coach said. "And I think that Indiana has those qualities as well."

Whatever the reason, it seems that UK-IU is always a nail-biter, regardless of each team's weaknesses.

This season, it's the Hoosiers, off to a well-documented slow start, who are the underdogs on paper.

The most glaring among Indiana's soft spots is in the backcourt, where IU is greener than your average Christmas tree.

There's a nary a veteran in Indiana's starting backcourt, where freshmen Charlie Miller and Neil Reed get the nod.

Only senior Pat Prickett, the coach's son, and sophomore Steve Hart have experience among IU's

guards.

That means UK will place special emphasis on pressuring IU. Last year, Damon Bailey ran roughshod over the Cats' press, giving UK fits and setting up IU for easy hoops in the Hoosiers' '96-97 win, a blowout by UK-IU standards.

"He ran right through (the press)," UK's Tony Delk said of the now-departed Bailey. "That's gonna be the key factor in the game — our press and how well we guard them off the screens."

As always, the Hoosiers will use a web of those screens to free up a plethora of capable shooters. This season, though, IU is more skilled at knocking down the long bomb than usual.

Couple that with UK's effort to cut down on the number of threes it forces up, and you find two teams with surprisingly similar statistics.

The Hoosiers, through five games, have hit 20 of 50 three-point attempts. UK, in three games, has exactly the same numbers.

But those are numbers that don't exactly please Pitino, who pledged less reliance on the three-pointer at the beginning of the season.

"If anything, really, we're not getting enough threes up, and that's hurting our half-court game," Pitino said. "I never thought a team I coached would say that, but we passed up about five open threes

(against UCLA), and I think that's hurting our half-court game because it's allowing people to go after our post people more."

Defensively, UK has enough to worry about without so much as thinking about the three. First and foremost in the Cats' minds is Alan Henderson, IU's All-America forward.

McCarty, a native of Evansville, Ind., is especially looking forward to matching up with Henderson. Both are listed at 6-foot-9 and around 225 pounds, but Henderson is a force in the paint, while McCarty is most dangerous on the wing.

McCarty's focus tonight, he said, will be on "not letting (Henderson) have his way in the post and keeping him from having an All-American night."

On paper, it would seem to take such a night from Henderson to give IU a chance to win. But that's paper, and this is UK and Indiana.

"We know it won't be easy," Delk said. "They will be prepared. They have been every time we've played them."

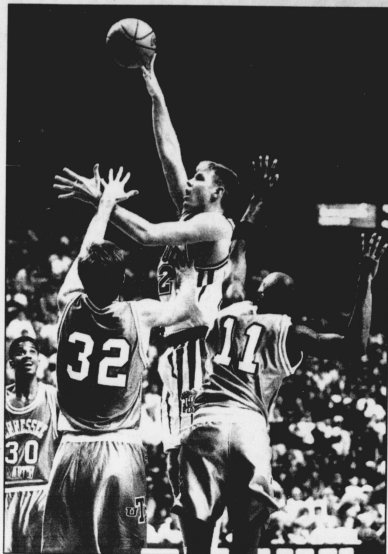
### UK vs. Indiana

Tonight, 7:30, Freedom Hall

Indiana (2-3)		
Possible Starters:	Pts:	Reb:
G Neil Reed	8.2	2.2
G Charlie Miller	2.6	2.8
F Andrew Patterson	10.2	6.2
F Brian Evans	19.4	7.4
F Alan Henderson	23.0	8.6
Reserves: Steve Hart 4.3 ppg, Pat Knight, 3.4; Michael Hermon, 3.9; Todd Lindeman 6.3; Robbie Eggers, 1.0.		

UK (2-1)		
Possible Starters:	Pts:	Reb:
G Anthony Epps	10.0	2.0
G Tony Delk	13.7	2.0
C Mark Pope	11.3	8.7
F Rodrick Rhodes	13.7	3.0
F Walter McCarty	13.0	7.0
Reserves: Jared Prickett, 10.0 ppg, Andre Riddick, 3.7; Jeff Sheppard, 7.7; Audine Walker, 7.3; Allen Edwards, 2.0; Cameron Mills, 7.0; Scott Padgett 0.0; Chris Harrison, 0.0.		

TV: ESPN, live.



JOSEPH REY AP/Kentucky staff  
HOOK 'EM Jared Prickett shoots a jump-hook during UK's season-opener against UT-Martin. Prickett and the Cats face Indiana tonight in Louisville.



UK stats

Team statistics

UK	Opponents
.460 Field Goal Percentage	.419
.769 Free-Throw Percentage	.753
.400 Three-Point Percentage	.324
94.7 Points Per Game	68.7
40.7 Rebounds Per Game	33.0
14.7 Off. Rebounds Per Game	8.0
18.7 Assists Per Game	10.3
11.7 Turnovers Per Game	25.0
3.7 Blocks Per Game	2.0
13.7 Steals Per Game	4.3

### SCOUTING report

#### BACKCOURT



Delk

With an injury to sophomore Sherron Wilkerson, this is Indiana's weak point. The Hoosiers have been unable to settle on a starting backcourt, and they've relied heavily on freshmen to contribute. UK's Tony Delk was held to just 7 points against UCLA, his lowest total since he scored 6 last Jan. 18 against Florida.

#### FRONTCOURT



Henderson

The backbone of IU's offensive attack is power forward Alan Henderson, a potential All-American. The Hoosiers' second-leading scorer is swingman Brian Evans, a deft outside shooter. UK has gotten solid frontcourt play from juniors Rodrick Rhodes, who scored 16 points Saturday against UCLA, and Walter McCarty.

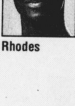
#### BENCH



Rhodes

Injury problems could hamper UK's depth, particularly at center, where senior Andre Riddick probably won't play due to knee spasms. The bench is certainly a sore spot for Indiana, which features only five reserve players, two of them freshmen.

#### ETC.



Pitino

Since Rick Pitino arrived in Lexington, the UK-IU matchup has consistently featured close games. The Hoosiers' '96-97 win last season is the only one during that span that was settled by more than three points. For the record, Indiana Coach Bob Knight holds a 3-2 edge over Pitino. IU leads in the overall series 20-17. Don't think that playing in Louisville is a decided advantage for UK — Indiana holds a 4-3 lead in games played in Freedom Hall. Tonight's game will mark UK's first appearance on ESPN this season. Brad Nessler and Dick Vitale will call the game.



INDIANA stats

Team statistics

IU	Opponents
.468 Field Goal Percentage	.417
.650 Free-Throw Percentage	.782
.400 Three-Point Percentage	.420
79.0 Points Per Game	77.0
38.2 Rebounds Per Game	33.8
11.8 Off. Rebounds Per Game	10.2
14.8 Assists Per Game	13.2
16.2 Turnovers Per Game	15.8
4.4 Blocks Per Game	1.0
6.0 Steals Per Game	7.0

## Pitino wants less Epps

Anthony Epps is on a diet, but UK head coach Rick Pitino said the sophomore guard still has a "big appetite."

Pitino imposed the diet in an attempt to drop about seven pounds from Epps' 179-pound frame.

While in Anaheim, Calif., last weekend, the Wildcats took a sidetrip to Disneyland.

"I caught him at Disneyland eating french fries and a cheeseburger and ice cream on top of it," Pitino said. "I bought the guys ice cream, and I said 'You had a chance for a yogurt bar. Why didn't you eat that?'"

Even fellow players have been feeling sorry for the hungry Epps. "I gave him a little piece of chicken the other day," said a guilty Tony Delk. "It looked like he was starving."

**Honeyly Hall**  
In an era where basketball games are played in vast domed

stadiums, smaller arenas offering better backgrounds for shooters are often a welcome rarity.

Pitino said Freedom Hall in Louisville, the site of tonight's game with Indiana, provides an ideal environment for basketball.

Over the years, the Wildcats have compiled a 102-27 overall record in Louisville.

"We love Freedom Hall ...," Pitino said. "To me, it is one of the top five facilities in the game of basketball."

**Northwest Exposure**  
Even center Mark Pope, who transferred to UK from Washington last year was familiar with the Wildcats' rivalry with Indiana.

"I remember growing up seeing SportsCenter highlights with half the stands being filled with red, and then there was a line, and the other half was blue," Pope said.

— Jason Dattilo  
Assistant Sports Editor



TONY EPPS  
WEIGHT AND SEE UK point guard Anthony Epps, a junk-food junkie, has been placed on a diet by Cats' coach Rick Pitino.

## Kats run with Indiana tonight

By Jason Dattilo  
Assistant Sports Editor

The Lady Kats travel to Bloomington tonight to battle an unbeaten Indiana Lady Hoosier team that features an explosive offensive attack.

Indiana (5-0) averages 80.6 points per game while shooting 46 percent from the floor. When you match Indiana's offensive stats with those of UK, there are glaring disparities.

UK has a 3-1 overall record on the young season, but in these four games the Wildcats have averaged 67 points a game while shooting a dismal 26 percent from the floor.

"They're really going to push it up and down the floor," UK head coach Sharon Fanning said. "Indiana is a real good team, and they play a different style than we're used to."

All-Southeastern Conference

guard Stacey Reed continues to lead the Lady Kat offensive attack with a 17 point per game scoring average. But aside from Reed only Karri Koach (11.3) averages in double figures.

On the other hand, the high-scoring Lady Hoosiers have three players averaging more than 18 points a contest, including Lexington native Shirley Bryant, who is hitting for 18.2 a game.

"Shirley is a tremendous athlete," Fanning said. "Her field-goal percentage (63 percent) and rebounding (12 per game) are very strong."

After a convincing 75-59 loss to Ohio State on the road last weekend, the Lady Kats face the difficult task of facing another Big Ten foe on the road.

However, guard Julie Swarens-Beickman said the Kats are focusing their preparation on team defense in an attempt to hinder the Lady Hoosiers' frantic pace.

"We've got to come out ready and play tough defense because they've been scoring a lot of points," Swarens-Beickman said. "We're just going to let their offense come to us and shut them down with good hard pressure."

Fanning said the Indiana game should help prepare the untested Lady Kats for the rigors associated with the upcoming SEC schedule.

#### Lady Kats at Indiana

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**DIvERSIONS**

**VITALGY**

**Grunge gurus Pearl Jam grow on latest album**

By Ty Halpin  
 Assistant Managing Editor

With the release of *Vitalgy*, Pearl Jam's latest, the leaders of

grunge have firmly planted themselves as the driving force in '90s rock.

With Eddie Vedder's trademark grunts, groans and from-

the-heart vocals, Pearl Jam's latest builds on the ground the band has broken since its 1991 debut release, *Ten*.

The group's hardest album to date, *Vitalgy* takes the band to new places, much as last year's *Versus* did.

This album holds a variety of songs that run the gamut from insane to pop. The best song on the album is "Tremor Christ," which is sure to be a single and overplayed hit. Vedder's lyrics and Stone Gossard's guitars make this one above and beyond the rest.

"Nothingman" is another exceptional track in the spirit of *Ten*'s "Black" and "Release." The song is slower with Vedder at his head-shaking best. This piece is about a man in jail recollecting his life.

*Vitalgy* also contains some of Pearl Jam's most alternative work to date. "Bugs" is a song about insects and how they make Vedder feel. Check out this lyrical sequence, set to Ved-

der on the accordion, of all things: "Do I kill them? Become their friend?"

"Do I eat them? Raw or well-done? Do I trick them? I don't think they're dumb. Do I join them? Looks like that's the one."

The latest from the kings of grunge is musically sound and decidedly different from the band's first two efforts. Charting new territory, Pearl Jam has grown with the experience of star-

dom. Each song on the album takes a unique tone, speed and sound. Good or bad, Pearl Jam has made the effort to grow musically and get away from the norm.

With most songs, they pull it off. "Not For You" is a slower, emotion-filled track. The first half of the song showcases Vedder and his ever-changing voice. With a flatter sound, Vedder is almost unrecognizable. At the chorus, Vedder cuts loose and the band

picks up the pace. *Vitalgy* could prove to be Pearl Jam's defining album. It encompasses the aura of the band, while moving in new directions at the same time. It mixes the best sounds from *Ten* and the firepower from *Versus* into an impressive hodgepodge of emotion and raw music. While there are a few songs that aren't exactly exceptional, the album is solid. Musically, the band is tight, without losing the stripped sound that identifies Pearl Jam.

A review of *Vitalgy* would be incomplete without mentioning the album's jacket.

Set up like a small book, it is filled with phrases and pictures designed to make listeners and readers think about the world we live in. One page is a petition to President Clinton asking for reparations for the murder of abortion doctor David Gunn.

This album is another progression for Pearl Jam. The junior release proves the band has staying power without sacrificing its artistic creativity.



**FINDING A PEARL** Noel Newcraft looks through the Pearl Jam selection at Car Corner Records yesterday. The group has released its third studio album.

**MUSICreview**

★★★★1/2

*Vitalgy*  
 Pearl Jam  
 (Epic Records)

**RATINGS**

★★★★ Excellent  
 ★★★ Good  
 ★★ Fair  
 ★ Poor

**The big 2-0 is enough to make you feel old**

Yes, folks, it's about time to go home for Christmas. All of our hard work will come to a wonderful close within a week or so. Unfortunately, this will be the last time this year that you will get to read my rampant musings. (Don't cry. I'll be back next semester.)

Anyways, the next time you do see my frighteningly happy picture, it will be in the year 1995. The sad part is, on Jan. 1 (feel free to send me anything), I will be 20 years old. This is something that I am not looking forward to.

At 16, you get your license. Seventeen blows. When you are 18, you can vote, but you start to feel old. Becoming 19 blows because nothing happens, but at least you are still a teenager.

Now, I'm faced with the big 2-0. I've been on this planet for two decades now. I won't be a teenager anymore; I'll just be old. This is where everything starts to go downhill.

To let you know what I'm talking about, I'll give you a few examples of signs that we are all getting old. We're not kids anymore, kids. Here goes:

▼James Worthy just retired. I never was a big Laker fan, (I'm a

Celtic man, as a matter of fact) but I never liked James Worthy. He never talked trash or bitched about his contract. He was a silky smooth scorer who could zoom past the best of defenders.

▼Beastie Boy Adam Yauch, or MCA, is 30 years old. I'm sure most people can remember when the Beasties hit the scene around 1987. They flaunted their fila jump suits and Volkswagen logos and gained lots of fans. They were pretty young guys back then, rapping about girls and Brass Monkey.

▼Former James Bond actor Roger Moore is 67 years old. Many people maintain that Sean Connery was the best Bond, but I think Moore still did a great job. He had a tough time filling Connery's massively popular shoes, and I think he deserves much more credit than he gets.

Of course, he hasn't done much else, but he was great portraying the character that, to this day, is my ultimate role model.

▼Super Mario Brothers came out 10 years ago. I remember

when the Nintendo craze hit when I was in seventh grade. My brother and I went together to pay the cost for our hot, new, top-of-the-line piece of video gaming equipment. Unlike everyone else, we played Super Mario Brothers (the game that came with the system) as much as possible. Not on weekdays, though. My mom wouldn't let us.

▼I have to renew my driver's license in a year. When I first got my license back in the "early '90s," it seemed that it would be an eternity before I would have to go back to the courthouse to get a new picture. Not anymore. As of Jan. 1, 1996, I will have to do exactly that. Many of you out there will too.

▼"The Fresh Prince of Bel Air" is now syndicated. It doesn't seem too long ago that this show premiered. Even though I didn't listen to much rap music, I thought Will Smith was pretty funny. His show wasn't too bad, either. At least it wasn't any worse than most of the trash on television.



**Eli Humble**  
 Kernel Columnist

**Folkapalooza festival at Kentucky Theater tonight**

By Nick Rholton  
 Staff Writer

There's a concert coming to town that will allow you to hear the f-word repeatedly.

Folk. The Troubadour Concert Series, known to its followers as Folkapalooza, brings its brand of acoustic entertainment to Lexington again tonight.

As part of the series, two leg-

ends of original unplugged music are performing at the Kentucky Theatre at 8 p.m. Richie Havens, a performer at the original Woodstock Festival, will be joined by Odetta, part of the 1960s movement that spawned the careers of Bob Dylan and Joan Baez.

The series is produced by the Troubadour Project, a "music-oriented group of dedicated, hard-working" folks, organized by folksinger Michael Johnathon.

According to the series' biography, "It's a completely volunteer-run project," said publicist Jenny Johnathon.

Such performers have included John Prine and Alison Krauss. Scheduled to appear in the future are Arlo Guthrie, Michelle Shocked and Ricky Skaggs.

Havens gained fame for songs like "Freedom" and "Here Comes the Sun." Odetta, still a popular act in its own right, will be staying

in the area to film a music video with Michael Johnathon in Versailles.

In addition to a fountain of noted performers, the presentation of the Troubadour series shows is unique, to say the least. Elvis Presley serenades concert attendees in the lobby, and clowns and mimes entertain in the aisles.

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# Dance group trying new style, approach

By Carrie Morrison  
Campus Editor

Asked why a new campus group, Wildcat Danzers, has that 'z' in its spelling, coach Dawn Walters said, "We wanted to add a little flair."

A little flair is what the Danzers is all about, members of the award-winning team say. The team of 20 UK women was started by 13 former members of the UK Pom Squad, who approached local cheerleading coach Walters last summer.

"We were unhappy with the organization of (the Pom Squad), but we wanted to keep dancing," said Missy Meyers, a dancer and communications senior. "We needed a different style and a new coach."

"The Pom Squad does athletic events," said Sarah Jennison, who was on the squad last year but quit to join the Danzers. "We're focusing on competition and performances outside campus. But we don't want there to be hostility between the two groups."

Jennison noted that Pom Squad coach Lisa Ely was satisfied with the Danzers' decision and is having no trouble finding recruits.

The Danzers do not receive funding from the UK Athletic

Association. Walters and some team members have requested money from the Student Government Association and will present legislation at tonight's Senate meeting.

In November, the Danzers won a national title in "Americheer," a competition that was held in Columbus, Ohio. Among their challengers were dancers from the University of Louisville and Michigan State University. In January, the Danzers will head to Dallas for another contest sponsored by the National Cheerleading Association.

Team member Courtney Taylor said as far as performances go, "we're restricted." To qualify for the NCA competition, some of the Danzers had to attend a NCA-sponsored dance camp in Atlanta last summer. Several groups were judged on routines at the end of the session. Those with the best routines were asked to compete nationally.

"Our goal we're working on now is to win NCA," Taylor said. "We're hoping that eventually we'll get to dance as part of UK athletics."

Walters is no stranger to dancing in an athletic environment at UK. She was part of the original basketball pom squad in 1983,



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### A LITTLE FLAIR

The Danzers practice yesterday at Cheers Inc. in Lexington for an upcoming competition in Dallas.

which was called "Dance Cats." She was also a cheerleader from 1984 until 1987. The Danzers heard by word of mouth that Walters was successful in coaching cheerleaders from Bryan Station, Tates Creek, Dunbar and Lafayette high schools to state and national titles.

Walters said the enjoys being a part of UK again.

"Once you're a true blue fan, you're always a true blue fan," she said.

"It's fun working with this group," said Walters, who has owned her own studio in Lexington, Cheers Inc., for the past six years. "This group is so willing to work. They give 110 percent at every practice. These are kids that

really want to dance."

Walters said the style of the Danzers is "more upbeat" than the Pom Squad. "I allow the girls to do different styles," she said.

The Danzers will be required in the NCA competition to perform a three-minute routine including funk, jazz, pompon and high kick styles.

Taylor attributes much of the team's success to Walters.

"She's very organized," said Taylor, a speech pathology junior.

"She's real knowledgeable of dance and efficient." Meyers agreed. "This has been the most enjoyable season for me ever," she said. "We have a lot of talent and our coach is wonderful."

# Requests for funding on Senate's docket

By Sara Spears  
Senior Staff Writer

UK's Student Government Association will meet this evening for the last time this semester at 5:30 in the Student Center ballroom.

"I would encourage any students to come," SGA President Benny Ray Bailey said, "not only because it is the last meeting, but because it is important. It's their money."

At least one bill, possibly two, requesting money will be brought before the Senate, members say. Treasurer Jason Harris said there is \$25,719.07 left in the budget.

A bill requesting \$2,500 to the Wildcat Danzers, a new student group, will be brought before the Senate at tonight's meeting.

The bill, sponsored by Senators at Large Russell Harper and Joe Bennet, would allow the Danzers to buy new uniforms for their trip to a national dance competition Jan. 3-7 in Dallas.

The Danzers are similar to the UK Pom Squad, which performs at halftime during basketball games, but the group is not funded by the UK Athletic Association. The members will travel to Dallas in January for a national competition.

"They've put a lot of time and personal funds into the Dallas trip already," Harper said. "SGA gave the Pom Squad the same amount of money last year, so I don't see a problem with giving the Danzers money this year."

Senator Pro Tempore Shea Chaney said another bill may be presented to the Senate tonight.

"There's a chance that we'll look at a bill for a journal for graduate students called 'Disclosure,'" he said.

Bailey said he aims to voice his concerns about the dwindling budget, which started in September at more than \$200,000.

"(The Senate) is low on money ... They've had a lot of projects they've given concessions to," he said.

Bailey plans to require each student organization to prepare a petition when requesting Senate money.

A memo will be sent to every student group about the plan by the end of semester, he said.

"I want to try to establish some kind of accountability for this money we keep giving out."

The petition would be made up of at least 240 student signatures. Bailey said, if he must, he will check with the

registrar's office to make sure the names are valid.

"Honestly, I think as far as redirecting SGA, we've been working on it all along. We're coming close to a 180-degree turnaround."

Bailey said he hopes to see solidarity among senators at this last meeting after a rough semester.

"The Senate and the executive branch, by their very natures, are supposed to fight each other tooth and nail," Bailey said. "I hope that doesn't continue because there is no need for hostility."



LOOKING AHEAD

The final SGA Senate meeting of the semester will be tonight at 5:30 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom

### Sherman's Alley by Gibbs 'N' Voigt

@#%&\* fine party! But I'll be damned if I let Montgomery eat the Chex mix before I do.

Pacton wasn't in the Pacific, Brooks. Right war, though. At least you didn't wear that Kaiser get-up again.

PEARL HARBOR DAY 1994

Hiya, boys. Join me in a game of Nihilize. By the way, what are you supposed to be, Ghern?

I'm a Japanese kamikaze pilot. I'll be slamming myself into the dessert table a little later.

@#%&\* fine spread! The two Jima jello mold, cold cuts carved like the Philippines, and the dip shaped like Hirohit's head - all good stuff!

I'm afraid we just ran out of Funyuns, boys.

### Deck The Halls

Afraid? Why you lily-livered coward! You're not fit to wear that grass skirt.

Well, it could have been worse. He almost came dressed as Bob Hope.

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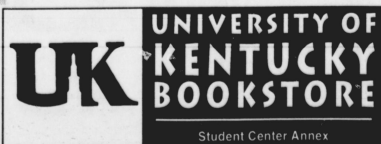
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# Face off

With Republican majorities now in both the House of Representatives and the Senate, the issue of a constitutional amendment concerning prayer in schools is on the legislative agenda. Incoming House speaker Newt Gingrich has talked about having a vote on the subject in early July. Proponents of the amendment claim that passage will be victory for religious freedom in America's schools. Opponents caution that such an amendment threatens separation of church and state. What do you think?

## Between religion and reason

### Silencing the majority not the founders' intent

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Read the above paragraph and go to where it says "complete separation of church and state."

Don't tell me the founding fathers forgot to write that in! What were they thinking?

Isn't it absolutely necessary that morality and law be cleanly divorced?

Religious tyranny, whether it be King George insisting you worship the Church of England or the U.S. Supreme Court insisting your children worship no one at all, is an abomination of both constitutional freedom and moral law.

By defending prayer in schools, the religious right is defending "the free exercise thereof" and is in no way attempting to infringe upon the rights of others.

From 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. every weekday, parents have no control over what values their children are taught. With afterschool activities and working mothers, many children don't see their parents until 6 p.m.

The hours between dinner and bedtime are spent mostly on TV, and the rest on homework, talking on the phone and fighting with siblings. (I'm the oldest of five. I

know these things.) Parents are lucky to get 30 minutes with their kids, insufficient time to undo the damage wrought by the moral chaos of their peer environment and the secularist education system that sanctions it. Moms and dads don't want a religion class in public schools or tests with moral questions on them.

But they do want reassurance that when kids walk into a school building they have not entered a moral void immune to constitutional freedoms. Allowing a teacher to hold silent reflection, lead students in a prayer to a non-denominational God or post the Ten Commandments on a bulletin board would provide that reassurance.

Tearing down the Commandments and the rights that kept them there shows parents and kids that religion is taboo, that it is diametrically opposed to the aims of the state and that it is not to be respected, trusted or even allowed.

On the wall in place of the Commandments is a blank space, perfectly representative of one religion—secularism—which is guarded safely by the state. Government acts as a god to which we are all subject, violating the First Commandment, the First Amendment and every other precept of moral and constitutional law.

Now, those who want to keep that blank wall in place argue that allowing prayer in schools would be "respecting an establishment of religion."

But only Congress is prohibited from passing any law respecting an establishment of religion. If a state wants to pass a law respecting a five-minute silent period at the

beginning of each school day, according to the 10th Amendment, that is a power "not delegated to the United States" and hence "reserved to the states respectively, or to the people."

If a young atheist goes to school in a state with such a law, he has the First Amendment right to stand or sit in protest and say anything he wants about it, as do his parents. The 16th Amendment backs up the family's right to act on this despite what school, local or state officials might have to say about it.

Many scoff at such a proposition and point to a child who would simply feel ostracized if peers pray

to a God other than his own. But I would like to see where in the Constitution it lists freedom from ostracism as one of the "privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States."

I would encourage those who really believe in religious diversity to start actually defending the religious minorities instead of trying to silence the religious majority.

Assistant Editorial Editor Matt Felice is a telecommunications freshman.

### Children can pray now; why try and force them?

But when you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners to be seen by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. When you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.

These are the words of a humble man named Jesus Christ, as transcribed in the Gospel of Matthew (6:5-6). I would



take this as a heavenly mandate not to put prayer in our schools and leave the matter at that, but the promoters of government-sanctioned indoctrination of the Christian ethic in our public schools can surely find some way to rebut even the sacred word of the Lord.

Many people think we should be teaching our children Christian values, tenets or whatever during the school day. They

believe this practice will make our children outstanding citizens, and some politicians hope to gain a new generation of voters to boot.

They expect that the inevitable result of this exposure to the teachings of the Bible will be an embracing of all that is good. Supporters of school prayer hope to end drug use, teen pregnancy, AIDS and much more through its use.

But Jesus would not have agreed with them on this point either. In his own words: "Do not give dogs what is sacred; do not throw your pearls to pigs. If you do, they may trample them under their feet, and then turn and tear you to pieces" (Matthew 7:6).

Not everyone in this nation is a Christian, and supporters of school prayer are trying to make their platform appeal to a wider audience by throwing out the term "Judeo-Christian tradition." But that still does not include everyone in this country, and we aren't going to convert children in the schools by leading them through 15 minutes of prayer every day.

Jesus told a tale of what Abraham said to the man who spurned Lazarus: "If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead" (Luke 16:31).

The supporters of school prayer say that we had prayer in our schools for 200 years with no problems until the 1960s, when

prayer was taken out of the classrooms.

I merely say that past precedent is not a sound reason for the continuation of a tradition. We had slavery for several hundred years, but that didn't make it right by any stretch of the imagination.

There is no justification for organized prayer, sanctioned by the government, in schools. Not everyone in this country is a Christian, and it is unconstitutional to try to make them that way.

The argument that the Constitution prevents only Congress from enacting any law regarding the establishment of religion does not hold water. The Constitution says that all powers not expressly given to the federal government are reserved for the states, but if so, why does the Supreme Court intend to overrule term limits for federal offices?

Jesus said it was the responsibility of parents to educate their children in the principles of the Christian faith (Ephesians 6:4). No one has tried to stop parents from taking their children to the church of their choice. If parents want their children to attend schools that promote Christian values, they can look into private schools or their own homes.

In an effort to save face, some people have forwarded the idea of a moment of silence in school during which children would be free to pray if they so chose. But with the sorry state of our educational system, can we really afford to compromise more of our children's time?

As it is now, children are free to pray in schools, and free also to make the choice not to pray. Let us keep with the call for less government interference in the lives of citizens and continue to allow them to practice their religion of choice freely.

Staff Columnist Kevin Cullen is a library science graduate student.



**Matt Felice**  
Assistant Editorial Editor



**Kevin Cullen**  
Columnist

## Let's kill dead week

It's dead week all right. With so many papers, tests and other assignments due and with finals looming all the while, this week is enough to kill us.

Of course, the term dead week is supposed to mean that professors will ease up on the assignments so that students can begin studying for finals. A wise and good idea.

At UK, the rule is that teachers cannot give tests during this week. And even that rule is not followed by all instructors, and it's also not enforced.

We've all had classes where the professors loaded us up the week before finals with papers, presentations and sometimes even tests.

Furthermore, what possible good does it do to prohibit tests when instead you've got a 14-page paper due?

(Memo to professors who think students don't procrastinate and actually work on term papers throughout the semester. Wake up!) Unfortunately, many instructors do not distribute assignments evenly throughout the semester.

They fail to take into account the burden this places on students.

We need a true dead week. The University Senate should pass a resolution prohibiting all major assignments—i.e. term papers, presentations and tests—during dead week. Classes during that week should be used for review and wrapping up the class material. Term papers should be due the week before dead week.

(Memo No. 2 to professors: This is actually good for you, because it would give you an extra week to grade those papers.)

We also need enforcement of this policy.

Students who are given assignments during dead week should report this to the academic ombuds' office at the beginning of the semester. The ombud would then require the instructor to change their syllabus.

Drastic changes are not needed in University policy for this to work. We do not need to cancel classes during dead week as some might suggest. We just need understanding and cooperation from faculty members.

Then maybe we can get through dead week without killing ourselves.



### SOUNDbytes

#### Do you support a constitutional amendment on school prayer?



"No. It's against people's constitutional rights. Everyone has their choice of religion."

**Will Walton**  
Accounting sophomore



"Yes. It's a free country. People should have the freedom to do that."

**Shu-Chen Chen**  
Art history sophomore



"I guess it would be all right. I'm not against it."

**Opal Poll**  
Psychology junior



"It should be optional. They should set aside time to allow students to pray."

**Jason Greer**  
Marketing and Management senior



"Yes. I favor prayer in schools."

**Tracy Diefenderfer**  
Psychology senior

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# Drop policy may be one cause

By Lance Williams  
Associate Editor

One factor in the grade inflation debate deals with the mid-semester question — to withdraw or not to withdraw?

Robert Hemenway, chancellor for the Lexington Campus, said he thinks the current policy of allowing students to leave a class up to one week after the mid-term helps contribute to the inflation and makes the job of teaching more difficult.

The current policy has been in place for a year. It was changed

last year by the University Senate to allow students to make a decision about a class after they had a chance to look at their mid-term scores. Before last year, the deadline was set for the beginning of mid-term week, instead of the following Monday.

Hemenway, however, said this is too late and allows students to get out of a class without struggling to improve their situation.

He said this also makes instructors hesitant, because they are often worried that students will drop their classes in the middle of the year.

During the fall 1994 semester, 431 students dropped their classes during the first nine weeks, including 226 who dropped them between weeks four and eight.

But Louis Swift, dean of Undergraduate Studies, said he thinks the time and money lost in retaking a class is punishment enough for dropping classes.

"Is the prospect that a student cannot drop out of a class ... enough motivation to prompt student to do well in a class?" Swift said. "In some cases, it certainly is, but it has never been persuasive to me."

## Inflation

### Officials deny that departments inflate

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grades will be inflated to try and attract students looking for good GPAs.

Robert Hemenway, chancellor for the Lexington Campus, said he doesn't believe any colleges at UK used this method.

"I would hope that nothing like that happens in the grading practices of a particular college," Hemenway said. "Our faculty has too much integrity to do that type of thing."

With the inflated scores, Chandra said it makes it difficult for good students to separate themselves because most everyone is in the same category.

Hemenway said he is aware of several discussions about grade inflation and knows several

departments rate students higher, but he said the debate should be more about what students learn than what grades they get.

"The real question is, 'Do grades that are given reflect the learning going on in the classroom?'" he said.

Hemenway also said, however, that some departments grade higher, and that there is a danger if the standards are lowered and all students grades are basically on the same level.

Hemenway said curving a grade is one way that inflation can occur, and he said he is against this type of grading.

"Curving teaches students not to have respect for the grading process," Hemenway said. He said students can learn to get by doing less work.

"The key is for faculty members to utilize the grading scale that the University has agreed

upon," Hemenway said. However, students too enter into the picture because the goal is good grades. He said faculty members get frustrated when student come into a class "expecting an A or B."

The results of the fall 1993 course evaluations showed that 31,378 of the more 38,000 surveys were filled out by students who expected to receive either an A or a B. The job market is the real test of whether the inflation can hurt a student.

"They have professional demands," Swift said, "and if you don't meet them because of our standards, then we have failed you."

TOMORROW: Students and faculty respond to Chandra's study and give their opinions on curves.



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Robert Hemenway  
Chancellor for the Lexington Campus

# Shy Young is star of show

By Stephen Trimble  
Executive Editor

He gave no speeches, and he even had to be coaxed to attend, but William T. Young was still the star of the yesterday's groundbreaking ceremony on the prepared site of the library.

Young sat quietly in the back row of a platform of dignitaries. The big difference between him and the others is when the library's doors finally open in 1997, the building will bear his name.

Young, a Lexington businessman and horse breeder, contributed \$5 million to start a private fund-raising effort that netted more than \$21 million for UK's new library.



Young

To return the gesture, UK officials decided that the library should bear his name.

UK President Charles Wethington said Young's name was announced as the library's title two years ago, when Young made the gift.

Yet Young, a 1939 UK graduate, said he was still surprised when he heard the news only recently.

Library spokeswoman Paula Pope said the retired businessman shies from public attention. Pope said she grew nervous that Young would decline attending the ceremony.

But Young was faithful to his alma mater, which he said has had an enormous impact on his life.

"The best years of my life were spent at the University of Ken-

tucky," he said.

After making his way through college during the Great Depression, Young has regularly rewarded the system that gave him a mechanical engineering degree and a first start on a career.

Young's businesses developed Big Top Peanut Butter, which evolved into the widely popular JIF brand.

He also founded W.T. Young Storage, and he is the chairman of Transylvania University's Board of Trustees.

At Transylvania, Young financed the student center.

"I am greatly indebted to the school, city and state who made it possible," he said.

After retiring from active business 15 years ago, Young began building his horse farm, Overbrook Farms, into a horse racing power house. This year Young's horse, Tabasco Cat won the Belmont Stakes and the Preakness.

## Library

### Council will issue bonds tomorrow

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"Ned" Breathitt reminded the crowd yesterday that both houses of the General Assembly have individually approved the project. However, neither has granted the funding. The next foreseeable opportunity for UK to win the state support will not be until the 1996 General Assembly meets. But it certainly already has the support of those in attendance yesterday.

"The library is one of man's enduring institutions," Gaines said. "It is here that we seek the questions asked by man in every age."

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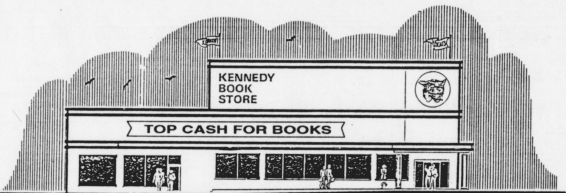
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