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## Senate votes in favor of health fee hike

### Some SGA senators question short notice on possible \$6.75 per semester increase

By Melissa Rosenthal  
Staff Writer

More for the money is what members of the Student Government Association Senate decided at last night's meeting when it endorsed an increase in student health fees for the 1994-95 academic year.

The debate centered upon whether an increase in fees would benefit students.

Senators voiced differing opinions throughout the meeting and, at one point, the discussion became

intense. Senator at Large Bryan DeYoung, who introduced the bill last night and guided it through the Campus Relations Committee last week, reaffirmed his support to the Senate.

"I am definitely pro-student," he said.

"What happens with this increase is better than what would happen with no increase at all."

DeYoung said that without the \$6.75 per semester increase, lab work, prescriptions and X-rays would no longer be offered as part of health services provided to students.

"We must endorse this so we can maintain the services we now have as well as receiving even better care," DeYoung told the senators.

The "better care" that DeYoung

referred to was the installation of an appointment service, as well as a better-equipped University Health Services, which would add private consultation offices and five new examining rooms for patients.

Senator at Large Heather Hennel, however, expressed skepticism about the increase and the new services.

"I believe that this appointment system will be installed even if we don't approve the increase," she said.

"This is something that they have been considering for a while, and I don't think it has anything to do with fees."

She added later, "If anyone can prove me wrong or disprove what I said, I am willing to listen."

Although none of the senators challenged Hennel's remarks during the meeting, many voiced concern over the fact that they did not learn about the increase until a few weeks ago.

Senator Trent Knuckles asked

Student Government Association President Lance Dowdy why the Senate was not informed of the proposed increase earlier.

"Many senators have heard that you knew about the increase a few months ago."

"Why didn't you tell us so that we could discuss possible options to making students pay more?" Knuckles asked.

Dowdy responded: "I did not know about the possible increase until February, and at that time it had not gone through the chancellor's office."

"So, I didn't even know if it would be brought to the Senate."

Dowdy said he received finalized information on the increase only a short time before senators were informed of the proposal.



**We must endorse this so we can maintain the services we now have.**

— Bryan DeYoung, Senator at Large

## LCC to continue seeking new site

By Stephen D. Trimble  
Assistant News Editor

Lexington Community College officials want to pick up stakes and move off campus, and the school's new president said yesterday that she will continue asking General Assembly to pay the \$25 million price.

Janice N. Friedel said in a press conference that she, along with the heads of UK's 13 other community colleges, will be fighting to keep her school's construction needs in the currently undecided state budget.

Gov. Brereton Jones has announced publicly his intention to veto the legislature's proposed budget, which does not include funding for LCC construction projects.

If he follows through, the legislature may be forced into a special session.

UK Community College Chancellor Ben Carr, who attended the press conference, said LCC and its more than 5,000 students are packed into buildings that have no

room to grow.

"We need to move LCC out to a bigger place," he said, noting UK's nearby campus restricts avenues for expansion.

LCC already is leasing space on Winchester Road to hold overflow classes.

Carr said LCC is asking the legislature for \$13 million this session and the remainder in the next budget. If the funds aren't available at that time, he said, "we will still keep asking for it."

Friedel also is interested in offering more technical services at LCC, including physical therapy assistant training.

Carr said the program should "fit right in" with the proposed health-care reform legislation the governor will consider today.

The college's long-term ambitions should be handled well by the new president, Carr said, because she has an extensive background in strategic planning.



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## LIVE WIRE



WRFL-FM program director Rick Jamie broadcasts from the Student Center food court yesterday as part of the station's first live remote.

## Candidate Jones gets drumming at school forum

### Office seekers debate issues in SGA race

By Stephen Trimble  
Assistant News Editor

T.A. Jones demonstrated yesterday at the Student Center Free Speech Area that he could beat a good rhythm on his snare drum.

But during the discussions for Student Government Association presidential candidates sponsored by the College of Law, Jones soon found himself being beat upon by audience members who questioned the validity of his parking proposals and asked why he was dropped this year from the SGA executive committee.

Four of the five candidates attended the traditionally popular forum. Only Krista Gihler and her running mate Eric Smith were absent from the discussion, which drew nearly 40 College of Law students.

Jones, who appeared in his usual casual dress, with sunglasses and a T-shirt, responded to criticism about being dropped from SGA leadership in January by saying: "I quit long before I got kicked off the board."

Although he and SGA President Lance Dowdy "got along diplomatically" in last year's election — in which Jones placed second — he said they weren't compatible as a team.

"I felt like I was left out," Jones said.

Candidate Rob Warrington, who is executive director for student services under Dowdy, defended his administration.

Warrington said Dowdy and Jones met in Pence Hall and had a long discussion prior to Jones' dis-

missal from SGA.

Jones also answered questions about his parking ideas for next year, which include building a six-story parking structure outside Commonwealth Stadium.

An audience member asked why a parking structure would be needed at that location.

The student said she has never had any problems parking there and suggested it would make more sense to build a garage close to Central Campus.

As an architecture student, Jones said, he has studied the campus and looked for an "aesthetically" pleasing place for the structure, as well as "geologically possible" site.

Candidate Misty Weaver said a parking structure's location "needs to be realistic."

Juniors next year will be paying for a place to park that they will never see, Weaver said, and alternatives need to be sought immediately.

She proposed a structure that could reach apartment complexes around campus.

Warrington said he had no real answers to the parking problem but said it could be reduced by expanding the bus service and SGA's Safe Ride program.

Each candidate gave a two-minute speech before the floor was opened for questions.

The College of Law's forum usually is important for candidates because the school's students are active voters.

UK Student Bar Association President Chiv Stevens said at least 50 percent of the school's students usually turn out for the election.

"Around here, people tend to keep track of the University's politics, like SGA," he said.

## Banquet to honor first UK black

### Lyman T. Johnson recalls battle for admission

By Dale Greer  
Executive Editor  
and Alan Aja  
Staff Writer

The 13th annual Lyman T. Johnson Awards Banquet, named in honor of UK's first black student, will be held tonight in the Student Center Ballroom.

Nashid Fakrid-Deen, a faculty member at Ohio State University, will deliver the keynote address on issues currently facing blacks in

colleges across America.

Awards also will be given to recognize outstanding blacks at UK, but Candace Sellers, president of the Black Student Union, said the banquet will offer something for every member of the University community.

"This banquet is not just for black students," the elementary education senior said, "It's for students, staff, faculty and general public of all walks of life."

That kind of openness is exactly

what Johnson was fighting for when he filed a federal lawsuit against UK in 1948. The University had denied Johnson's application for admission to The Graduate School, citing his race as the reason. Johnson then set out to shatter segregation in Kentucky.

In a telephone interview from his Louisville home, Johnson remembered the reaction of then-UK Graduate School Dean Maurice Sey when Johnson confronted him about the University's ban on blacks.

"Dean Maurice Sey said, 'Aren't you a negro,' and I said, 'That's not any of your damn business,'" Johnson said.

"And he said, 'But didn't I write you a letter telling you that you couldn't go to school here?'"

"And I said, 'No, doctor, don't do that because you are standing on a state law which is null and void as compared with the Constitution of the United States.'"

"The United States Constitution says I am entitled to anything you've got up here. As a taxpayer, I am paying your salary. You don't

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## Rogers finds personal strength through adversity

### Highlights of the Tracy Rogers Platform

- Develop an itemized tuition plan for freshmen.
- Work with administration to make advisors approachable.
- Lobby to get the week of Thanksgiving off for safety & academic reasons.
- Fund two new emergency phones by the Business & Economics Building & Greg Apartments.
- Rotate the SGA senate meetings to various locations across campus.
- Fund the new computer program at the career center so that students & alumni will be aware of job vacancies.

By Melissa Rosenthal  
Staff Writer

An aura of self-assurance fills the room when she enters, but the Student Government Association presidential candidate Tracy Rogers doesn't just enter a room — she claims it with confident eyes and a smile that doesn't fade.

It's easy to develop an interest in any topic Rogers speaks about. Her voice is filled with an excitement and exuberance that quickly draws bystanders to her side.

No, Tracy Rogers should not be considered a typical politician. She makes it obvious she is



above agreeing with someone just to gain his vote.

Rogers strongly believes in herself and her ideas because, she says, her ideas and beliefs make her who she is.

One thing Rogers strongly believes in is campus safety. Earlier this semester, she was awakened at the Kappa Alpha Theta social sorority house by a student screaming "Someone has broken into the house, and they can't find him."

Rogers said the situation was especially frightening. And from that moment on, campus safety became a personal issue for her.

"It is hard for people to reach their full potential when they are scared or concerned about their personal welfare," she said during a recent interview.

And while Rogers has put that issue at the top of her campaign platform, she said she quickly put the break-in behind her.

"I have always been able to adapt well," she said. "As I child, my family moved a lot, so I learned to get along in all types of

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**WEATHER:**  
•Mostly sunny and warmer today; high between 70 and 75.  
•Partly cloudy tonight, low around 50.  
•Mostly cloudy tomorrow with a 50 percent chance of thunderstorms; high between 70 and 75.

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# Scientist tries to lift lid off of nature's mysteries in recap of flawed ideas

By John Abbott  
Staff Writer

R. Ervin Taylor's speech on Carbon-14 dating Tuesday night had a very special visitor in the audience. An imaginary little green man with a purple hat. "I have a fervent belief that he's there," Taylor said. "I think I'm right, and you're all wrong because I had a vision. "But we're not talking about science, are we?" Taylor, a professor of anthropology and director of the radiocarbon laboratory at the University of California at Riverside, was using the alleged extraterrestrial to make a point about what good science is as he spoke at the annual banquet of Sigma Xi at the Hillary J. Boone Faculty Center. Science operates as if physical reality constitutes the only reality, Taylor said. It assumes that there is a real,

physical world out there that can be characterized and understood. Scientific exploration is based on experimental data that can be verified by others. Insisting that there are little green men in the room is not something that is verifiable and, therefore, isn't science, he said. Scientific creationism "is the great oxymoron of our time," Taylor said. "They want to say they're scientific when clearly they're not. They want to play baseball with football rules." Metascience, or "bad science," does address questions that science was designed to address, but there has been a flaw in the methodology, Taylor said. The supposed phenomenon of "cold fusion," which ultimately was proved to be false, is an example of metascience. Pseudoscience, on the other hand, doesn't address questions that science was designed to ad-

dress. The second half of his speech dealt with Carbon-14 dating. This process, which was developed by Willard Libby (who won a Nobel Prize for it in 1960), uses the rate of decay of a radioactive isotope of carbon to determine when an organism died. Taylor admitted that Carbon-14 dating is not completely accurate, but by using other dating methods, the numbers can be calibrated to give true dates. Further advances since his invention have made Carbon-14 dating more accurate and cheaper. He noted three mysteries that were solved by the use of Carbon-14 dating. The first was the Calaveras skull, a human fragment supposedly recovered from a pit that dated back to the Pliocene Era. Intellectuals of the day accepted that it was a Pliocene skull, although local miners knew it to be a fraud. Using Carbon-14 dating, it was shown that the skull was about 1,200 years old. The second was the piece of wood that Fernand Navarra found at the top of Mt. Ararat and claimed to be part of Noah's Ark. "At least once a year for the last 40 years, someone has found Noah's Ark," he said. This alleged ark shard was dated independently by a number of research labs and found to be about 1,200 years old as well. His third example was the legendary Shroud of Turin, a piece of linen that many have claimed is the burial shroud of Jesus Christ. Although even the Church declared the shroud a fraud as early as the 14th century, speculation about its origin has persisted through the years. Carbon-14 dating showed it to be about 700 years old.



JAMES CRISBY/Kentucky Staff

Second-year architecture student Tate Overton joins SGA presidential candidate T.A. Jones on the drums in the free speech area of the Student Center yesterday.

## SGA presidential hopeful Jones bangs his own drum

By Dara Felts  
Contributing Writer

Student Government Association presidential candidate T.A. Jones spent nearly two hours yesterday trying to drum up support for his campaign. Jones, whose platform calls for promoting free speech, said between beats on his African asiko drum that he held the event simply because he could. Despite Jones' plans of booking live bands for the event and hold-

played African drums while the SGA hopeful talked to a handful of students and passed out campaign buttons. Many students who happened upon the scene were puzzled about the jam and queried a reporter about its purpose. Jones, whose platform calls for promoting free speech, said between beats on his African asiko drum that he held the event simply because he could. Despite Jones' plans of booking live bands for the event and hold-

ing a march to the Patterson Office Tower, yesterday's crowd stayed put at the Student Center from about noon to 1:45 p.m. Freshman Will McDavid said he thought Jones' jam was a unique way to reach students. "It's a good idea," McDavid said, "because he's promoting the idea that students should use their free speech on campus." UK student Leah Haas agreed, saying, "I think it's good that he's doing what he's doing. It makes sense."

## Ad questioning the Holocaust draws fire for university paper

By Will Lester  
Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — A wealthy benefactor threatened to withdraw his \$2 million donation to the University of Miami after the school newspaper ran an advertisement questioning the Holocaust.

About 400 students tore up copies of Tuesday's paper at a campus protest, and Jewish leaders in Miami criticized University President Edward "Tad" Foote for allowing the ad to appear in The Miami Hurricane.

Foote said the free speech rights of the student editors outweighed his reservations about the ad. "At a university, 'if we err, we should err on the side of freedom of thought,'" he said. "It's a bad decision," said eye-witness tycoon Sanford Ziff, who had planned to give \$2 million to an art gallery and a cancer research center at the school. "The donation is on hold and whether or not it will ever happen is in question. There would have to be a reconsideration, an apology. Tad Foote should reconsider his priorities." The ad was placed by California writer Bradley R. Smith under the headline "A Revisionist Challenge to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum." It contends the museum in Washington offers no proof of genocide using gas chambers. The ad has run in about 25 student newspapers at colleges around the country. Many other student papers, including the Kentucky Kernel, have rejected the ad.

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A legacy of swindlers

# Greed, corruption mar Ky. politics, Smith says

By Ayana Blair  
Staff Writer

Political commentator Al Smith said Tuesday that Kentucky's history is rife with public corruption and greed.

"Politicians have been stealing in Kentucky ever since we swindled the land from Daniel Boone," Smith said during a campus address on the history and future of politics in Kentucky.

Smith, who hosts and produces the weekly Kentucky Educational Television program "Comment on Kentucky," suggested that Kentuckians should begin electing proven leaders to office rather than relying on "rich amateurs."

He also said the role of the lieutenant governor has become obsolete.

"They get two million dollars to play with, eat chicken and de-

nounce (their) incumbents," Smith said during his speech at the Student Center.

Giving hope to the future of politics in Kentucky, Smith assured audience members that Kentucky can "bounce back from the brink just in time."

Smith also talked about the history of state politics, saying that today's public figures have no understanding of the past.

He praised the politics of past governors like A.B. "Happy" Chandler and explained that the impression young people have of him does not reflect his political stature of the 1930s.

Smith described him as "vigorous, charming and capable."

During that decade, Smith said, Chandler was such an intimidating man that "parents would scare their children to obey by saying Chandler will come and get you."

Smith also commended the efforts of another past Kentucky governor, Bert Combs. Smith said that although Combs was rather young when he ran for office, he was very honest.

Unlike past governors, Combs protested that he would have to tax Kentuckians because there was not enough money in the treasury to make all of the reforms he wished to implement, Smith said.

Smith also analyzed more recent leaders of the state, like Gov. John Y. Brown Jr., whom he described as having the "first modern-media gubernatorial campaign" and being a "rich amateur."

Gov. Martha Lane Collins and her "old politics" machine, Smith said, resulted in some positive developments for the state, including the start of Kentucky's education reform effort and the decision by Toyota officials to locate an automotive plant in Scott County.

# Investigation of Ploskonka, Residence Life winds down

By Trent Knuckles  
Staff Writer

UK police say they are winding down their investigation into the misappropriation of funds by former associate director of Residence Life Jim Ploskonka.

But, "to this point, no action has been taken," Vice President for University Relations Joe Burch said yesterday.

UK Police Chief W. H. McComas added that the investigation will conclude "shortly."

"They referred us the audit, and we've been investigating," McComas said. "We're close to being finished, but we have a few more things to do."

Ploskonka resigned from his position the day before the UK Office of Internal Audits made public a report detailing the misuse of money in Residence Life accounts. Both Ploskonka and Bob Clay, former director of Residence Life, who committed suicide on Dec. 1, were implicated in the report.

After resigning, Ploskonka offered to make restitution for the missing funds, but UK officials seemed uncertain if Ploskonka has done so already.

Chancellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway said the University's legal counsel, Paul VanBooven, and Ploskonka have negotiated an agreement.

Hemenway said he could not respond, however, to whether any restitution has been made yet.

Ploskonka declined to comment on the matter.

Meanwhile, UK administrators have attempted to improve the financial policies of Residence Life to prevent future misuse.

"Everything has been changed," Hemenway said. "We've made sure that nobody will create any ad hoc accounts."

Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Jim Kuder explained several of the changes that will put more stringent standards on Residence Life's financial dealings.

"Any fee Residence Life wishes to charge in the future will have to

go through the chancellor," Kuder said.

In a memo Kuder sent to Hemenway in February, he outlined his strategy for tightening Residence Life operations.

The memo, dated Feb. 14, states that the chancellor's office should approve all fees charged to students before they go into effect. Accounts set up for many student organizations, including the Student Government Association and the Residence Hall Association, also will come under closer scrutiny, the memo said.

Long-term measures include cash handling training, more frequent budget meetings between Kuder and unit heads and more frequent Residence Life audits.

UK auditor Les Dawson said the proposals indicate a commitment to improving the office.

Residence Life has completed the first stage of a nationwide search for a new director. The application deadline was yesterday. The number of applicants was not available at press time.

# Arab-Israeli conflict breaks lovers' hearts

By Karin Laub  
Associated Press

HAIFA, Israel — Adel, an Arab man, and Ahuva, a Jewish woman, simply wanted to love each other. But the bloody conflict between their peoples wouldn't leave them alone.

Ahuva Cohen Onallah, 37 and two months pregnant, is fighting for her life in a Haifa hospital after a Muslim teen-ager with revenge in his heart blew up a car next to her at a bus stop last week.

The blast tore off her right leg above the knee, broke both her arms and burned most of her body. The fetus suffered irreversible damage.

On Tuesday, Adel Onallah, 35, sought to comfort his motionless wife, her upper body and head bandaged with only slits for the eyes and mouth.

"It will be all right, Ahuva. You will get well and you will come back home. I love you," Onallah told her in Hebrew.

Onallah, hooked up to a respirator and surrounded by six IV-units and a monitor, did not respond. Her eyes stared up blankly.

She was the most seriously wounded among the 45 people hurt in the April 6 car bombing in the northern Israeli town of Afula. Seven Israelis and the assailant, a 19-year-old Palestinian from the West Bank town of Qabatiyeh, were killed.

The attack, carried out in revenge for a Jewish settler's massacre of 30 Muslims in a Hebron mosque Feb. 25, prompted Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to seal the occupied lands to prevent more bloodshed.

It also further eroded support for peace talks with the PLO, with many Israelis convinced that PLO chief Yasser Arafat refused to condemn the bombing.

Onallah, a bank supervisor from the biblical town of Nazareth in northern Israel, said despite the bloodshed, he believed peace was the only way.

"I pray that my wife will be the last victim," he said. "Arabs and Jews must find a way to live to-

gether."

Onallah met Ahuva six years ago. She, a pretty redhead, worked as a bank clerk in a farming town in northern Israel. He, a snappy dresser with salt-and-pepper moustache, passed through one day to check the bank's computers. They fell in love.

At the time, both were married. She had three children and he a pregnant wife. Both divorced and within a year moved in together.

The couple was welcomed by Onallah's family and had Jewish and Arab friends, he said. But Onallah said his wife's family cut her off.

"They said they are sitting 'shiva' for her," he said, referring to the seven-day mourning period in Judaism.

During a recent visit at Rambam Hospital, Onallah said Ahuva's family threatened and cursed him. "They screamed at me, 'You dirty Arab, get out of here,'" he said.

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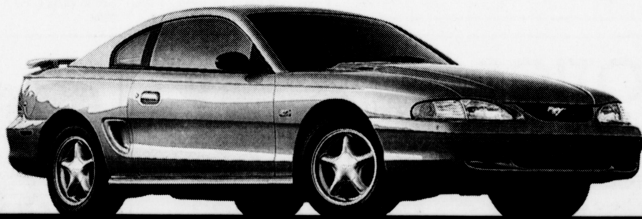
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# Rape victim looks for justice

## After two years, woman says she still is seeking 'fair day in court'

By William Kates  
Associated Press

GOVERNEUR, N.Y.— More than two years after she passed out at a tavern and was allegedly gang raped, Krista Absalon is still searching for justice.

Five men allegedly dragged her from the bathroom, undressed her and took turns having sex with her in a red leatherette booth. She said she learned of it more than a week later, after word spread through tiny Gouverneur.

The five, acquaintances of Absalon, were charged with rape, which carries a maximum prison sentence of 25 years. But in a plea bargain, they wound up with no prison time and \$750 fines on misdemeanor sexual misconduct charges.

"My life has been a living nightmare. I want the truth to come out," said Absalon, a 26-year-old hospital

lab technician. "All I've ever wanted is my fair day in court."

She hopes acting state Justice Eugene L. Nicandri will reconsider his dismissal of the rape charges during an unusual hearing Friday that is sure to stir up this talc mining town, where Absalon lives with her two young children.

There are accusations of legal blunders by a prosecutor and judges, and electioneering by Gov. Mario Cuomo.

Absalon went public after the June 1993 plea bargains and asked Cuomo to intervene. Two months ago, Cuomo appointed Attorney General G. Oliver Koppell as a special prosecutor and Koppell will argue the case himself tomorrow.

Koppell concluded on March 22 that the rape indictments were improperly dismissed by Nicandri and that the village justice who accepted the plea bargains lacked jurisdiction and misapplied the law.

The felony charges were still pending when the justice sentenced the men, Koppell said. That, he said, isn't allowed.

"We obviously believe this was a serious offense and that the penalties imposed were not appropriate for the gravity of the offense," Koppell said. "We are doing everything possible to reinstate the indictment."

If the rape charges are reinstated, the men could be tried and Miss Absalon would get her day in court.

Defense attorneys said the case was handled properly.

"These men have already served their sentences and paid their fines," said Gary Miles, attorney for Mark Hartle.

"They are being used because Mario Cuomo and Oliver Koppell feel the politically correct thing is to resurrect the rape indictment," Miles said, noting that both men are up for re-election in 1994.

"They are stomping all over these men's constitutional rights."

On Oct. 26, 1991, Absalon was at an after-hours party at the Casablanca Restaurant in Gouverneur, a

town of 4,300 near the Canadian border.

The men — Mariano Pistoletti, whose family owns the restaurant, David Cummings, Michael Curcio, George Streeter and Hartle — were arrested six months later.

Richard Manning, the St. Lawrence County district attorney, offered them the plea bargain, saying he had no physical evidence and couldn't win a felony conviction on the men's statements to police alone. Absalon didn't undergo a physical examination after the incident.

Curcio, Hartle and Streeter confessed to having sex with Absalon but didn't address whether she consented. They said she was lucid.

Koppell said Manning made a mistake when deciding a rape case would have been difficult to win.

Manning didn't return a reporter's telephone calls this week, but said after the men were sentenced last June that he wanted to ensure they didn't walk away without punishment.

# Bosnian official urges bombings

By Barry Schweid  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Bosnian Vice President Ejup Ganic urged the Clinton administration yesterday to bomb roads and bridges that are supply routes for weapons to Serb forces from Belgrade.

Opening three days of talks here, Ganic praised the Clinton administration for bombing raids on Serb positions near Gorazde. He said the use of force reflected the unique morality of the American people.

"I am very, very pleased with recent moves by the Americans," Ganic said in an interview. "They demonstrated that morality and legality will go in parallel with national interests."

A U.N. arms embargo is supposed to deny weapons to all sides in the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina. But Ganic said Serbia was providing weapons to Bosnian Serbs and called for NATO bombing raids to

slow the flow.

"They should bomb the roads and bridges and put the Serb troops in Bosnia under a kind of embargo," Ganic said.

On the diplomatic front, the vice president said his side was prepared to be flexible in negotiations with Bosnian Serbs on a settlement to the 2-year-old war. He called on other nations to back the Clinton administration's plan to create a three-way federation of Croats, Muslims and Serbs in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The Croats have agreed, but the Serbs, in control of about 70 percent of the former Yugoslav republic, are resisting and pressing a military offensive against Muslim enclaves.

"We have to push very hard. The other mediators are not pushing this," Ganic said.

The vice president meets with members of Congress today and with Secretary of State Warren Christopher tomorrow.

# Two may face death for Lone Oak slaying

Associated Press

PADUCAH, Ky. — The prosecution said it will seek the death penalty for two of five youths indicted in the slaying of a Lone Oak teenager and the shooting of another man.

Kunta Sims was indicted for murder in the Jan. 23 fatal shooting of James Allen Pearson, 16. Sims, 17, also was indicted for robbery and kidnapping of Pearson and felony theft by unlawful taking for allegedly stealing Pearson's car.

Steven Johnson, 16, was indicted for attempted murder in the shooting and wounding of Matthew Fiorentini, 19, during a botched car-jacking attempt Jan. 24.

He also was indicted for robbery and the attempted kidnapping of Fiorentini; for attempted murder and attempted kidnapping of Fiorentini's girlfriend, who was in the car; and for attempted felony theft by unlawful taking for trying to steal Fiorentini's car.

After consulting with Pearson's family Tuesday, McCracken Commonwealth's Attorney Tom Osborne said his office was filing a motion stating the prosecution's intention to seek "an aggravated sentence" against Sims and Johnson.

An aggravated sentence gives the state the option of seeking the death penalty or life without the possibility of parole for 25 years.

The three other youths — Cayton Johnson, 15; Sylvester Berry, 16; and Calvin Smith, 17 — were indicted on charges of complicity to murder, complicity to robbery, complicity to kidnapping, complicity to felony theft by unlawful taking, complicity to attempted murder, complicity to attempted kidnapping, complicity to attempted felony theft by unlawful taking.

Pearson apparently was shot a short time after he left work at a Paducah restaurant on the night of Jan. 23. His body was found the next morning in the front yard of a home.

# Thriving Asian city-state built on discipline

By Kenneth L. Whiting  
Associated Press

SINGAPORE — One word describes what makes Singapore work: discipline.

And Lee Kuan Yew gets most of the credit for steadfastly pursuing that ethic in turning a colonial backwater into a glittering economic success and test tube for social controls.

Lee, who governed for 31 years after independence from Britain and still influences policy despite stepping down as prime minister in 1990, has been a stern taskmaster in dealing with what he considers anti-social behavior.

Criminals are dealt with harshly, as an 18-year-old American, Michael P. Fay of Kettering, Ohio, discovered when he was sentenced last month to be flogged for vandalizing cars.

Such severe crimes as murder or dealing in drugs bring the death penalty, but no social activity is too minor for government concern.

Tipping, jaywalking, littering and discourtesy are officially denounced. People who neglect to flush public toilets are fined. The sale of chewing gum was banned two years ago because the government said gum was jamming subway doors.

Fay's case has drawn new attention to the authoritarianism of Singapore, and the city-state's leaders have resolutely defended their hard-nosed system.

The approach touched a nerve among many Americans angry about crime in their own country, but President Clinton and other Americans have criticized Fay's sentence as too severe.

Lee, who remains a "senior minister" in Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong's Cabinet, dismissed the critics this week, saying the United States is in social chaos because it does little to punish people who do wrong.

"We believe that the business of government is to provide individuals with what they cannot provide for themselves: a safe and stable society for a secure life," he said.

About a quarter of the vote in Singapore's elections routinely goes against the government, but most people seem generally happy with the benefits of living in a prosperous state where unemployment is minimal.

In contrast to many other Asian cities, the streets are clean, drinking water is pure, traffic jams are rare and public transportation is efficient. Drug use is under control, and street crime is low.

Singapore is orderly and regimented — and, some outsiders say, soulless. Even Lee's admirers say he is authoritarian, but critics keep their thoughts to themselves. The government deals harshly with opponents, and people are reluctant to talk about their country with journalists.

Modern Singapore began in 1965 when it was expelled from Malaysia because Lee and his other ethnic Chinese leaders were seen as a threat to the federation's political control by Malays.

Few states faced sovereignty

in such dismal circumstances. An island about the size of Chicago, it had no industry, unemployment was high, and ethnic tensions among Chinese, Malays and Indians were rife.

But Singapore's location at the tip of the Malay peninsula is on key trade routes, and Lee turned its 3 million people into industrious workers and their city into a doorway to the booming markets of Asia.

The Cambridge University-educated lawyer offered no free lunch. Fun and games had to have a purpose and a profit.

"I say without the slightest remorse that we wouldn't be here, we would have not made economic progress, if we had not intervened on very personal matters — who your neighbor is, how you live, the noise you make, how you spit, or what language you use," Lee said in a speech shortly before he retired as prime minister. "We decide what is right. Never mind what the people think."

Those who challenged Lee's leadership found themselves subject to arrest, detention without trial, public humiliation and general harassment by a government reluctant to allow dissent.

Firm political leadership and stable economic growth attracted investment by multinational corporations. The city grew into a thriving financial and manufacturing center with high-tech industries, first-class schools and glitzy shopping centers.

The administration has a reputation for honesty, efficiency and a strong sense of direction. Standards are high and there is a strict moral code.

"Do not try to get a government on the cheap. Money politics will result in a poor bunch of MPs (members of Parliament), plus a lot of hypocrisy, fiddling and eventually dishonesty and corruption," Lee told the country in his final National Day address as prime minister.

His assorted views and prejudices, on matters ranging from good neighborliness to genetics, were often expressed on National Day, and usually set the nation's agenda. Some were reprinted as quirky or intrusive, but not seriously challenged.

On National Day in 1983 he warned that Singapore might be doomed by a deteriorating pool of human talent because too many educated women remained unmarried and childless.

"Levels of competence will decline. Our economy will falter, the administration will suffer and society will decline," he said.

The answer was official matchmaking through the Social Development Unit.

With the resources of the Ministry of Finance behind it, the agency played a role in the marriages of 9,870 people the last 10 years.

When he succeeded Lee as prime minister, a more affable Goh pledged a more open government offering access, accommodation and consensus to achieve a "kinder, more compassionate society."

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
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# SPORTS

## NCAA denies Dent eligibility

Staff report

UK received official word from the NCAA on Tuesday that UK's appeal to grant Wildcat basketball player Rodney Dent an additional year of eligibility has been denied.

Dent, a 6-11 senior center, suffered a season-ending knee injury early in UK's Jan. 4 game against Vanderbilt.

UK officials appealed to the NCAA to grant Dent the extra year of eligibility on the basis that Dent has faced extraordinary circumstances during his college career.

These circumstances, the University claimed, may have prohibited Dent from completing his four years of basketball eligibility within the five years the NCAA allows.

To summarize:  
•Dent initially enrolled full-time at Odessa Junior College in Odessa, Texas, where he competed during

the 1989-90 and 1990-91 academic years.  
•After two years at Odessa, Dent transferred to Howard Junior College during the summer of 1991.  
•During the 1991 fall semester, Dent's mother

passed away.  
•In the same semester, Dent was enrolled in a history correspondence course at Texas Tech. An emergency appendectomy hindered his ability to complete the correspondence course in time to transfer to UK.

•Dent eventually completed his graduation requirements and transferred to UK in the fall of 1992. Dent then played the 1992-93 season for the Wildcats before his career ended this year.

"Based on the information submitted and the provisions of NCAA Bylaws 14.2.1 and 30.6.1, it has been determined that the circumstances do not warrant granting an extension of eligibility," NCAA Eligibility Representative Jeffrey Freedman said in his letter to UK.



DENT

UK Athletics Director C.M. Newton wasn't shocked by the NCAA's decision.

"We regret the decision, although it was not totally unexpected," Newton said. "However, I do feel good that our coaches and compliance staff exhausted every possibility in trying to help this young man

regain his eligibility. We will honor this decision and do everything we can to help Rodney with his future plans."

UK head coach Rick Pitino shared Newton's sentiments.  
"We are disappointed with the decision not to grant Rodney an additional year," Pitino said. "Although we understand the decision by the NCAA, it does not make the situation an easy one for Rodney."  
We now move to Plan B and discuss Rodney's future options, whether it be an NBA career or a professional career in Europe."

## Abbott leaves Eagles in awe with 3 dingers

By Brett Dawson  
Assistant Sports Editor

MOREHEAD, Ky. — The scoreboard at Morehead State's Allen Field can't show more than 19 runs for either team. After all, that's not a feature you plan on needing too often, even in high-octane college baseball.

When MSU built the field in 1973, it obviously didn't have Jeff Abbott and the UK baseball team in mind.

Abbott was 5-for-6 with three home runs, four RBI and four runs as the Wildcats pounded the Eagles 20-6 yesterday.

The win settled UK's grudge with Morehead State, a team that beat UK 10-7 last week in Lexington. That was before UK's current tear, which began with a two-game sweep of defending national champion LSU last weekend and continued with a win over Western Kentucky on Tuesday.

Abbott has been the Cats' catalyst during their four-game win streak. His 5-for-6 game gave him 20 hits in his past 29 at-bats, a lofty .690 batting average during that span.

Abbott's season average has rocketed to .421. That number raised 21 points during yesterday's game. And Abbott's four runs scored yesterday gave him 151 for his career, tying Jeff Sharter for the top spot on UK's all-time list.

Abbott led off the game with a base hit and eventually scored on a two-run single by shortstop Eddie Brooks. In the second inning, Abbott hit a two-run bomb over Allen Field's 24-foot high chain-link fence in right-center.

The junior wasn't finished terrorizing the chain-link monster. He walked in the top of the third, then pounded another home run, this one a solo shot over the same part of the fence in the fifth.

That long ball came two batters after Chris Combs hit a two-run shot of his own, his first of



UK BASEBALL

the season. Jay Tedesco homered later in the nine-run inning, which put UK on top 15-4.

With the drama gone from the game, all eyes turned to Abbott. He singled in the top of the sixth, a three-run inning that staked UK to an 18-4 lead.

Then, with two out in the top of the seventh, Abbott ripped another solo shot to right-center field. It cleared the fence in almost exactly the same spot to which he had hit the first two.

Abbott said he was looking to hit to the opposite field all game. Despite the 24-foot fence, the right-center field power alley is only 330 feet from home plate.

"With the shorter fence, I just went to right field," Abbott said. "They chose to throw outside (to me) today, and I don't think that was too good of a move."

"I think our early season explosion, UK head coach Keith Madison said the ability of his pitchers to keep the ball on the ground in MSU's small ballpark was a key to the game.

Matt Bowles (1-2) picked up the win, giving up four runs and five hits over five innings. The Cats used four relievers for an inning apiece, and only one, Brian Reed, gave up a hit.

Morehead scored two runs off Reed in the eighth inning.

"I think our early season pitching woes are history," Madison said. "At least I hope they are."

Note:  
•UK rightfielder Pookie Jones left the game after singling in the top of the fifth inning. Jones aggravated the left hamstring he pulled two weeks ago against Mississippi State.

Jones said he will undergo treatment for the injury today and hopes to be able to play in UK's weekend series at Tennessee.

## UK track team is a nose ahead

By Doc Purcell  
Staff Writer

In the competitive world of collegiate track, time is of the essence.

It is a world in which a split second can mean the difference between glorious victory and devastating defeat.

And a world in which stardom can come in abundance one week and be equally sparse the next.

The UK track team seems to have nearly achieved perfection in its daily dealings with time — capitalizing on its sport's most ominous element almost as well as Father Time himself.

The Wildcats concluded their indoor season in mid-March, turning in impressive performances at both the Southeastern Conference meet and the NCAA championships, and left the game after singling in the top of the fifth inning. Jones aggravated the left hamstring he pulled two weeks ago against Mississippi State.

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provisional qualifying time of 10.24 at the Texas Relays last Saturday.

The Kansas City, Mo., native has been nearly as impressive in the 20.08, turning in a league leading 20.68 mark at the Spec Town Relays in Athens, Ga., April 2.

Richardson, who made her collegiate outdoor track debut several weeks ago, has shrugged off her inexperience brilliantly, turning in a 11.56 clocking in the 100 at the Texas Relays, a time that automatically qualifies her for the national championship meet in early June.

Junior Gloria Harris and sophomore Rainie Turner join Harden and Richardson as the team's only other NCAA qualifiers. Harris turned in a provisional qualifying throw of 49-11 3/4 in the shot put at the Florida Relays in late March, while Turner leaped 5 feet, 10 inches in the high jump at the Texas Relays, good for provisional qualifying as well.

The Cats have captured a myriad of school records thus far this season to add to their remarkable success. The men's 4x200-meter relay team, composed of Harden, fellow sophomore William Perry and DeMarcus Lindsey and senior Clyde Rudolph turned a record-breaking time of 1:22.29 in the Texas Relays.

The women's 4x100 team was equally successful, earning its school record in Texas as well, posting a 45.20 mark.

Freshman pole vaulter Nathan Plager jumped 16 feet, 6 3/4 inches in Texas to establish his first program record, and javelin thrower Darby Roberts captured his mark there as well, with a toss of 214 feet, 2 inches.

Harden, who finished second at the national indoor meet in the 55-meter dash, has made a smooth switch to the 100, traditionally the shortest event run outdoors, posting a conference-leading and NCAA

per game as a senior, was named first team all-star by the Associated Press.

Jackson was in a life-threatening car accident in October. She returned to basketball action in December.

"I was proud of Vonda's progress this season after her accident in the fall," Fanning said.

"She gave 100 percent and was a major factor in her team's success this season."

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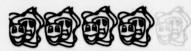
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## DIVERSIONS

# 'XXX Love Act' intrigues with study of porn industry



By John Dyer Fort  
Senior Staff Writer

Faripides meets Hunter S. Thompson in "XXX Love Act," playwright Cintra Wilson asks the question: "Did these brothers ever have souls and, if so, how and when did they lose them?"

Starting out as quirky, alarmingly libidinous high school dreamers with over-stimulated imaginations, the brothers' inability to get dates seeds a lifelong, insatiable ambition for money, power and "love."

Andrea Sayre as the blonde porn goddess manages to tread the fine line of a sweet seductress — a full-figured bombshell and maternal spirit all in one.

Even a notch higher is the inspired performance by Missy Johnson as the savvy and bitter Hispanic porn actress, Angel, who describes her descent into prostitution and addiction as "A room full of red strobe lights and other people's cigarette smoke."

John Royalty's performance as Randy, the ring-leader and ideaman of the two brothers, heads this talented cast. Royalty's Randy is an original, yet easily recognizable character —

the hungry, driven dreamer whose excesses lead first to success and then to ruin. Randy is lovable and grotesque, funny and pitiable. He's a fun-loving, natural born manipulator whose absolute scale requires total loyalty of his brother and the women he uses.

When denied the immediate gratification of his many lusts, he derides a world he can only see as his personal call girl: "Hey, Nature, do you swallow?"

Despite "Love Act's" highly comic veneer, playwright Wilson and director Martin never lose sight of the real story. Materialistic and hunger-driven, the American Dream can turn human beings into a bizarre tideshow of tragic freaks. The big money porn industry is an American Nightmare.

"XXX Love Act," at Actors' Guild of Lexington, continues tonight, tomorrow and Saturday and April 21-23 and 28-30 at 8 p.m. and April 24 and May 1 at 2 p.m. Call (606) 233-0663 for ticket information.

John Goodman as Fred Flintstone. Bingo. "The Flintstones." Eddie Murphy plays that detective again. No sweat. "Beverly Hills Cop III."

Mel Gibson remakes the James Garner TV Western. Easy. "Maverick."

The summer film season is packed with an assortment of no-brainers, easy-to-sell sequels and lowbrow star vehicles.

Billy Crystal returns in "City Slickers" and there's yet another "Karate Kid" update (without the Karate Kid himself, since he's now in his 30s). Watch for a movie version of "Lassie" and be warned now: Keanu Reeves has the title role in "Little Buddha."

Nearly 60 movies will be re-released nationally between Memorial Day and Labor Day. The most notable summer titles include Disney's animated "The Lion King," Arnold Schwarzenegger's \$100 million gamble "True Lies" and the late comedian John Candy's last movie, "Wagons East."

It's the year's most profitable season, and the studios aren't about to gamble.

Except a title.

In the year's most surprising casting decisions, a couple of Hollywood's most respected performers — Jeff Bridges and Meryl Streep

— are setting aside their typically somber and often obscure screen images to anchor two of the season's highest-profile movie thrillers.

Following last year's little-seen "Fearless" and the small independent film "American Heart," Bridges will star in July 1's "Blown Away" as the leader of the Boston Bomb Squad.

Streep, whose credits include the Australian story "A Cry in the Dark" and the epic "Out of Africa," chucks her various accents to play an American whitewater guide in the action film "The River Wild," due in August. Ever the method actress, Streep even did her own stunt work.

Audiences will have the last word on whether the casting-agent-type works. The movies' directors are confident it does.

"I just thought it would be a lot of fun to see her doing something so different from the perceived persona that she has," says Curtis Hanson, who directed Streep in "The River Wild."

"I'm a big fan of Meryl, and I don't mean this to be pejorative, but I felt that many times people have admired her acting and the characters she has played without identifying so much with those characters. And I thought if we could put her in a movie where the audience really gets sucked in to identify with her ... that we would have something that would really be special."

Streep plays Gail Hartman, whose failing marriage to David Strathairn is as turbulent as the rapids where the family vacations. The whitewater expedition turns calamitous when the Hartmans meet up with bad guy Kevin Bacon.

Filed on Oregon's Rogue and Montana's Kootenai and Flathead rivers, "The River Wild" aims to turn the usual male action story upside-down.

"What motivates Meryl's character in this whole story is taking a trip to bring her family closer together ... It ends up being about that — but in a very different way than was anticipated."

# UK Theatre presents drama about prisons

By Nina Davidson  
Arts Editor



Rodgers said both of Keneally's novels deal with the struggle of humanity in inhumane situations.

Rodgers, a theatre professor for 17 years, said he still enjoys directing plays because each one is unique. "The process is the most important thing to me," he said.

He is the image of the kindly professor in his casual blue denim shirt with a pocket full of pens, rumpled khaki pants and squishy wire-rim glasses.

He was UK theatre department chairman for several years but missed the hands-on involvement. "I'm much more involved in watching people get banged," Rogers explained.

One of the ship's captains suggests a play, "The Recruiting Officer," to boost morale. Soon, theater acquires symbolic meaning for the desperate inmates.

"In this play, it talks about what theater can do when people are struggling," Rodgers said. "These prisoners started producing the play, and were a whole different group by the end."

The play within a play format allows Rodgers to experiment with time frames and scenes. He said several different scenes will take place on different parts of the stage. He is also double casting several roles.

"It's presentational in its approach," he said. "There's a lot of direct address."

"Our Country's Good" was written by American playwright Timberlake Wertenbaker. It is based on the novel "The Playmaker" by Thomas Keneally, who also wrote the novel "Schindler's List." The film adaptation of "Schindler's List" by Steven Spielberg won this year's Academy Award for Best Picture.

"Our Country's Good" really works until we get an audience on opening night," he said.

"Our Country's Good" is playing April 14, 15, 16, 21, 22 and 23 at the Guignol Theatre. Tickets are \$9 for the general public and \$29 for students. Call 257-4929 for tickets and more information.

# Summer movies mostly sequels

By John Horn  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — If you can describe a movie in a sentence, odds are it's coming out this summer.

John Goodman as Fred Flintstone. Bingo. "The Flintstones." Eddie Murphy plays that detective again. No sweat. "Beverly Hills Cop III."

Mel Gibson remakes the James Garner TV Western. Easy. "Maverick."

The summer film season is packed with an assortment of no-brainers, easy-to-sell sequels and lowbrow star vehicles.

Billy Crystal returns in "City Slickers" and there's yet another "Karate Kid" update (without the Karate Kid himself, since he's now in his 30s). Watch for a movie version of "Lassie" and be warned now: Keanu Reeves has the title role in "Little Buddha."

Nearly 60 movies will be re-released nationally between Memorial Day and Labor Day. The most notable summer titles include Disney's animated "The Lion King," Arnold Schwarzenegger's \$100 million gamble "True Lies" and the late comedian John Candy's last movie, "Wagons East."

It's the year's most profitable season, and the studios aren't about to gamble.

Except a title.

In the year's most surprising casting decisions, a couple of Hollywood's most respected performers — Jeff Bridges and Meryl Streep

# 'Improvement' keeps No. 1 spot

By Jeff Wilson  
Associated Press

Prime-time ratings as compiled by the A.C. Nielsen Co. for April 4-10. Top 20 listings include the week's ranking, with rating for the week, season-to-date rankings in parentheses, and total homes.

An "X" in parentheses denotes one-time-only presentation. A rating measures the percentage of the nation's 94.2 million TV homes. Each ratings point represents 942,000 households.

1. (1) "Home Improvement," ABC, 22.8, 21.5 million homes

2. (X) "CBS NCAA Basketball Championship," 21.6, 20.4 million homes

3. (3) "Seinfeld," NBC, 19.4, 18.3 million homes

4. (3) "Roseanne," ABC, 17.8, 17.7 million homes

5. (5) "These Friends of Mine," ABC, 18.8, 17.7 million homes

6. (2) "60 Minutes," CBS, 18.6, 17.5 million homes

7. (7) "Coach," ABC, 18.0, 17.0 million homes

8. (7) "Frasier," NBC, 17.9, 16.9 million homes

9. (12) "David's Mother — CBS Sunday Movie," 16.3, 15.4 million homes

10. (14) "20-20," ABC, 16.2, 15.3 million homes

11. (9) "Murder, She Wrote," CBS, 15.5, 14.6 million homes

12. (16) "Wings," NBC, 15.1, 14.2 million homes

13. (X) "Home Improvement," ABC, 14.8, 13.9 million homes

14. (X) "Prelude to a Championship," CBS, 14.5, 13.7 million homes

15. (13) "Thunder Alley," ABC, 14.4, 13.6 million homes

16. (20) "PrimeTime Live," ABC, 14.3, 13.5 million homes

17. (7) "Rescue 911," CBS, 13.6, 12.8 million homes

18. "Beyond Obsession — ABC Monday Movie," 13.6, 12.8 million homes

19. "Dr. Quinn Medicine Woman," CBS, 13.3, 12.5 million homes

20. "NYPD Blue," ABC, 13.2, 12.4 million homes

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# UK student directs children's chorus



UK music education senior Courtney Wolfe began directing the Lexington Children's Chorus because of her love of music that she wanted to share with her youthful singers.

## Wolfe's love of music began in childhood

By Mary Whitmer  
Staff Writer

At only 22, Courtney Wolfe, a music education senior, has experienced music from a multitude of aspects — from playing the piano to going to the opera. Now Wolfe is expanding her involvement with music to include directing the Lexington Children's Chorus.

Wolfe's interest in music began with piano lessons when she was 9. She continued studying piano until she was 16. During this time, her parents took her to many musical events, including symphonies and operas.

"That early exposure really helped me get involved with music," Wolfe said.

Wolfe's involvement in singing began in seventh grade, when she joined a youth chorus in Des Moines, Iowa. At 16, Wolfe quit piano lessons to take voice lessons, and she has been studying voice ever since.

However, even with so much musical experience, Wolfe did not consider a career in song for a while.

"It never occurred to me that you could make a career out of music until high school," Wolfe said.

For the Lexington Children's Chorus, a non-profit organization founded by former UK professor Roger Wesby, Wolfe directs under head director Martha Weathers. Her role has evolved from assisting with vocal warm-ups to her current job, directing 20 of the younger and less-experienced chorus members.

Wolfe directs her group for 30 to 45 minutes during the chorus' Saturday morning rehearsals. During this time, she teaches the children to read music and sing with the full chorus of 85 fourth- through ninth-graders.

"They think it's special that they're in their own group," Wolfe said.

Wolfe also creatively assists her group in understanding the meaning of the chorus' songs. For example, Wolfe said that on one occasion, her group was working on a song about a birch tree used for making musical instruments. To further the children's understanding, she had them draw pictures of

the birch tree. These pictures were displayed in the lobby of UK's Otis A. Singletary Center for the Arts during their last concert.

Wolfe said she thinks the most challenging aspect of directing the children's chorus is making the music accessible to all of the children. When the chorus begins working on a new song, Wolfe said, she wants them to enjoy it, and, in the end, they do.

Wolfe said she feels challenged to make classical music fun because the children will hear classical music later in life.

"Part of our job is to expose them to a balance of classical music, lighter and harder repertoire," Wolfe said.

The Lexington Children's Chorus also works on various international folk songs, which Wolfe said the children especially enjoy. Wolfe said her favorite part of working with the chorus is that she sees part of herself in them. She said she loves that the children love to sing.

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— Courtney Wolfe,  
Music education senior  
and director of Lexington  
Children's Chorus.

"I like the self-esteem it builds for them. It gives them something to excel at. These kids know that they can sing," she said.

This semester, Wolfe completes her student teaching at Paul Laurence Dunbar High School. She currently is student teaching at Squires Elementary School.

Wolfe is a board certified music teacher for kindergarten through 12th grade. For the past three years, she also has been teaching private piano lessons. She has six students.

Wolfe will graduate from UK in May on the same day as the next Lexington Children's Chorus concert. She will sing a solo at the concert during a Kyrle from a Mass by Imanti Ramanish.

Looking back, Wolfe feels especially thankful for the help of head director Weathers. Wolfe said Weathers has made her feel like a partner.

To continue her career in music, Wolfe will attend Indiana University next year where she will pursue a graduate degree in vocal performance.

Wolfe said she would like to spend the first half of her career singing professionally. The second half of her career, she plans to devote to teaching.

However, Wolfe said, "teaching is not my second choice. It will just come later."

The Lexington Children's Chorus will perform in concert May 8 at 2 p.m. at Centenary Methodist Church, 2800 Yates Creek Road. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Call (606) 269-2800 for tickets and more information.

# Pulitzer Prize-winning poet hails from tiny Louisiana bayou town

By Mary Foster  
Associated Press

BOGALUSA, La. — A visitor to the home town of the 1994 Pulitzer Prize winner for poetry wouldn't be able to find any of his books in the public library: "Copacetic," an early work by Yusuf Komunyakaa, was checked out in 1992 and never returned.

Still, many in the steamy southern Louisiana town 70 miles north of New Orleans were proud of Komunyakaa, even though most of the people sauntering down main street Wednesday did not remember their now-famous native son.

Even those who attended Central High, the small school for blacks in the days before integration, struggled to recall the man who attended

classes with them when he was still James Willie Brown Jr.

"My heart skipped a beat when I heard about it. I'm going to search every yearbook I have," said Alva Martin, a 1964 Central graduate who is now principal of Bogalusa Junior High.

"Just think, he walked these very halls. I hope he was in my class. I want to claim him, we're all so proud."

Komunyakaa, who said he changed his name for religious and personal reasons, is now an associate professor of English at Indiana University.

The Pulitzer was awarded for "Neon Vernacular," his fifth book. He is the third Louisiana resident in two years to win a Pulitzer. Last year's winners were playwright Tony Kushner and novelist Robert

Owen Butler, both of Lake Charles in southwestern Louisiana.

Bogalusa's only Pulitzer winner came from a school that struggled to educate black youngsters when they were barred from attending the same schools as white children.

"The education was a good one, especially for what we had to work with at the time," said Bobby Jackson, a teacher who graduated with Komunyakaa in 1960. "We all had a real sense of pride at that school and a sense of purpose."

Komunyakaa said his love of poetry was first stirred in elementary school when he was introduced to British poetry.

He became an avid reader and took two books of collected poems with him to Vietnam in 1969.

"He always had his head down in a book," said Komunyakaa's 85-

year-old grandmother, Elsie Otis.

"I remember he was always reading something or writing something," she said.

At City Hall, word that the prize had gone to a native also inspired pride.

"It's just too big for us," Mayor Toye Taylor beamed. "When you think of a city like this in the whole nation being able to say he's ours, it's wonderful."

Komunyakaa, whose 1992 book "Magic City" was about Bogalusa, lumps together memories of his home town and his Vietnam tour — the steaming, green landscapes, the searing sun, the soul-scarring images.

"Both places left a great impact," Komunyakaa said. "One's internal terrain is so complex and both places helped to landscape mine."

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## Senators need to know their constitution

### EDITORIAL

Once again, the powers that be disregarded the Student Government Association constitution and made decisions that were outside its bounds.

The SGA Claims Board for the spring elections made an illegal decision by moving presidential candidate Krista Gibley's name to the bottom of the ballot as punishment after one of her campaign workers wrongfully collected signatures for her candidacy petition.

Then last week, a claim that questioned the legality of the board's decision was filed. Soon afterward, Gibley was returned to her original position.

The board recognized that moving Gibley's name would have been unfair to the other candidates, who already had begun telling supporters their numerical positions on the ballot.

More than this, moving Gibley's name was simply illegal under the SGA constitution.

The last revision of the constitution occurred in the fall of 1992, but many SGA senators and executive branch members act as though it was written in hieroglyphics.

Confusion over when elections should be held and numerous senseless arguments over bills could have been avoided if senators had done their homework.

Many people involved in SGA talk about the constitution with reverence and respect. But too many of them lead according to what they want rather than by established guidelines.

At some point, SGA representatives must become concerned about student body's lack of confidence in the organization. In doing so, they finally will come to grips with the untidy house they've been keeping in the name student leadership.

## Exams should test knowledge

### Guest Opinion

I have a modest proposal for all those who are soon to give final examinations to undergraduates. Please do not use multiple choice tests. These tests demean both giver and taker in ways that I shall enumerate.

First and foremost, such tests offer a very limited range of answering, which could very possibly foreclose a person from offering information and analysis on a topic that failed to fit into a preset mold.

Second, such tests do not test the ability of a person to synthesize and discuss a topic in any sort of meaningful way.

Third, such tests disillusion students because of their arbitrary appearance and all-or-nothing nature.

Fourth, due to the nature of some classes, the questions asked are so specific they become a hyper-specific memory hunt that really fails to test whether the student has an overall grasp of the material or concept, and instead inquire into whether the student has memorized a certain factoid that may or may not have something to do with an overall grasp of the topic.

I realize multiple question tests are great because they can be electronically (or at least very swiftly) graded and because there are infinite question banks that provide a test in seconds flat. I would suggest that these are economies that can be ill-afforded.

Instead of giving a multiple choice examination, try this instead: an exam in two parts.

Part one is 12 short answer (two paragraphs or less) questions of which students have to answer 10. The second part consists of three essay questions of which students have to answer two. I would suggest giving the students a list of six essay questions a week or so before testing to give them a chance to think about possible answers.

Using this format will give students a real chance to convey what they have learned and receive credit for that which they do know or be held responsible for what they don't know.

To anticipate a few objections, I know it is necessary to grade exams rapidly, and multiple choice tests lend themselves to this. But if you prepare an answer key which considers most possible permutations of the correct answer, grading would certainly be tougher than with multiple choice, but it would much more accurately reflect the student's knowledge of the material, which should be the dispositive criterion for which exam to use.

Optimally, exams should test the mastery of information, not memorization. So why not let yours be open book if you really want to know how well your students have learned the concepts and how to apply them then by permitting students to haul anything they might find useful into the exam, you will remove the memorization barrier and let them demonstrate their level of comprehension, rather than their level of memorization.

*Ed Gilgor is a student in the College of Law.*



## Campus more than greeks

### Other types of students should participate in SGA elections

After attending Tuesday night's Greek Political Action Committee forum for Student Government Association presidential nominees, I have come to the conclusion that SGA is a sham and GPAC is a farce.

This seems overly harsh, but for a non-greek student who listened to the candidates speak, I feel comfortable with that claim.

It must be qualified, though. SGA is a bankrupt institution, not because it has no potential and power, but, rather, because the students elect lame-duck presidents who use the position to better their resumes. I hope next year's president will prove me wrong.

This year, GPAC endorsed Tracy Rogers for president. It should be noted that ever since GPAC was formed six years ago, it has only endorsed greek candidates and, furthermore, whoever GPAC has endorsed has won the election. This is quite an odd coincidence, but there is a reason for this: 85 percent of the students who vote in the election are fraternity and sorority members.

I only hope GPAC's domination will end this year. Rogers, during the debate's question-and-answer session, stated that the only person who can represent the greeks adequately is another greek.

"You (the greek community) need a greek in office," she claimed.

This is a large *faux pas*, though. Does she mean that the only person who can represent me, being a non-greek student, is a non-greek president?

According to her own criterion, Rogers cannot adequately represent the Black Student Union, Arab Student Union or any international student.

In endorsing Rogers, GPAC has sent this University a detrimental message: Only greeks can and should be SGA president. I, therefore, challenge all students, be they Arab, African-American, Jewish, international, non-traditional or whatever to get out there and vote.

This University, being mostly non-greek, should have a SGA president who represents all the students. Rogers clearly has shown that she represents only the greek community. It must be made clear that I am not against having a greek president. I am against having a president elected solely for and by the greek community, though. Should a fraternity or sorority member win the election, he or she should win because a majority of the students vote for that candidate. It is imperative that a fair cross-section of this University elect someone who will represent all stu-

### Guest Opinion

It is high time to take UK back to give meaning to a moribund institution SGA. Fortunately, though, we have hope.

T.A. Jones, another candidate for SGA president, can accomplish this difficult yet achievable task. He is the only candidate with the motivation, work ethic and, most importantly, the vision to accomplish such a formidable feat.

Whether it is his plan to tear down the SGA wall, create a free speech area or increase student representation on the Board of Trustees, his "New Spirit" campaign can give us students a voice. His plan offers promise where no one else's does, that SGA soon can be a meaningful organization again.

I don't just make blanket assertions, though. I can prove it. During the GPAC forum, some of the other presidential candidates said increasing student representation on the Board of Trustees is impossible.

Their reasoning: Increased representation would require a General Assembly vote, and the legislature don't convene again until 1996.

This case is a perfect example. Jones' campaign is not simply a one-year campaign. It is a movement whose effects can continue beyond next year. He plans to give the University back to the students, not just for next year, but for years to come.

The lack of vision that the other candidates possess is, frankly, insulting. Jones truly does care about all the students, non-greek and greek.

Furthermore, he supports the greek organizations as much as any other candidate does.

In fact, his running mate, Benny Ray Bailey, has for the past two years attempted to start a new UK fraternity, Pi Lambda Phi. He has, however, been met with hostility from the administration.

Together, Jones and Bailey, can, if elected, make an everlasting difference for all of UK's students.

The SGA election is on April 20 and 21. Its winner can greatly affect not just next year's SGA, but life at UK for all students for years to come. Next year's president can set the precedent for all other presidents to meet. This, though, requires the determination and vision that only one ticket possess — the ticket of Jones and Bailey.

They offer fists of hope for the future. Let us not let an organization like the greek community, which speaks for less than 15 percent of the student population, determine who wins. We should all — greeks and non-greeks alike — vote for hope. Vote for the "New Spirit" campaign. Vote T.A. Jones and Benny Bailey. *Avi Weitzman is a political science sophomore.*

### I am against having a president elected solely for and by the greek community, though. Should a fraternity or sorority member win ... , he or she should win because a majority of the students vote for that candidate.

Dear Counselor: I thought I was doing well in my introductory math class until the first test papers were returned. More than half the questions were marked wrong even though I had correct answers.

I fretted for nearly a week and finally got the courage to stand up during class and assertively confront the professor about my grade. He simply said since I had not shown the steps in my work the answers were counted partially wrong — that rule was in the syllabus. I left the class feeling humiliated and never opened my mouth again.

My question is this: How do other students talk to professors about problems with classes? I feel I really "lost the battle" on this one.

R.R. Math freshman

Dear R.R.: Avoiding "questioning" may seem to be helpful in the short term because you aren't risking "humiliation." But in the long term, you lose valuable information, and professors are deprived of information that might help them teach the class better.

Often professors report they don't know how well they're getting information across until exam time. Then it can be too late. Consider yourself in partnership with the teacher — most faculty are pleased to have feedback that can help them educate you.

So, by all means, even if you feel like you "lost the battle" on this one, don't avoid discussions, or even disagreements, with your professors. Certainly, do read the syllabus first.

It's like an operating manual for class and usually defines the teacher's expectations for your work. If that doesn't clear up your concern, here are some steps to take, as well as points to consider:

• *Consider time and place.* If your question would benefit the class in general, ask it in class. If not, and/or it is highly specific to your own situation, you are better off finding out when the professor has office hours (usually on the syllabus) and going there to deal with it privately.

• *Don't go in angry.* Asking your questions in an attacking fashion usually won't get you any better results. Think your situation through rationally and then proceed. Know the implication of your question before you ask it. If your motivation is to learn, don't say, "Why did you mark me off on this?" — instead say "How could I make this answer better?" Generally, letting the professor know what you like about the course (as well as what you don't like) is helpful. For example, "I find the examples you work on the board to be helpful; however, I still don't understand your explanations of linear equations. Could you go over that again?"

• *Be clear about the point you want to make or the question you want to ask.* Write it on paper if that will help you to clarify what you are asking. It also will keep you specific. Don't let a specific situation be the beginning of dumping all your frustrations. • *Propose remedies for your problem.*

### Improving communication helps the student-teacher relationship

For example, if you've done poorly because you can't hear from the back of the room, suggest a change in seating arrangements so you can sit near the front.

If you're having continuing problems with the subject, have some work done to show you've tried and ask for tutoring help.

If the professor can see your work, it may be possible to determine what has gone wrong. Most teachers are impressed by students who make some effort.

In summary, you have the right to ask questions about subject content as well as classroom procedures.

However, your effectiveness in questioning and disagreeing can impact your own educational enjoyment as well as your academic success. Maintain good work habits and good attitudes toward learning, and you'll go a long way toward creating a successful learning environment for yourself, your classmates — and your professor. Students who wish to address these issues may come by the UK Counseling and Testing Center, 301 Frazee Hall; or call 257-8701.

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## Rogers

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environments."

She always, however, had her family, which Rogers described as her stronghold.

"I love my family very much," she said. "They have always been behind me through everything."

Although her father died of colon cancer when she was a senior in high school, Rogers said she knows he is always with her.

"I was very fortunate to have someone in my life like my dad. He always supported me, and I feel that he continues to support me."

Rogers said her father's death, although traumatic, only made her stronger.

"I could've felt sorry for myself, but what good would that do? All people go through something traumatic in their lives. It is important

to pick up and go on.

"I am sad that my father is no longer here for me to see, but I know he is with me."

Rogers also said she empathizes with others who have suffered a loss.

"It is important for people to know that experiences are what make life. Everything makes us stronger."

If her campus involvement is any indication, Rogers has become quite strong.

She was president of Kappa Alpha Theta social sorority in 1993, an SGA senator, chairwoman of the SGA Elections Board of Claims and chairwoman of the UK Governmental Affairs Committee.

This year, she was named Greek Woman of the Year.

As far as the campaign goes, Rogers said her "record speaks for itself. Whatever I say will get done, will happen ... I don't make any empty promises. I never

have."

Currently, Rogers serves as a legislative aide in Frankfort, a job she said has shown her the ins and outs of Frankfort.

"I know all of the representatives. I know how they are and how they will react to certain issues," she said. "I feel that this could give me an edge if I'm elected."

"I already know the (state) representatives and have established a rapport with them. It certainly couldn't hurt."

Rogers also said she is someone the students can count on to uphold her promises. A motto Rogers said she lives by is: "You can talk the talk, but you have to walk the walk in the end."

Rogers said she plans to do just that.

"I am committed to the students and the University," she said. "I will get things accomplished."

## Johnson

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talk to me like that." "He said, 'Well, you will never go to school at the University of Kentucky, and I said, 'Dr. Seay, don't never say "never," because that goes a hell of a long way down the highway.'"

It didn't go very far at all. Lyman sued UK, and within 12 months, he and 30 other blacks were enrolled at the state's flagship university.

Johnson, who will be attending tonight's banquet, said he and his fellow black students received a cool reception on campus, but the atmosphere stopped short of overt racism.

"It was obvious to me that there were some whites on the campus in all categories — students and graduate students on up to the administrative staff — who would rather I had not come to UK," Johnson said.

"Just based on the fact that all the years the University of Kentucky had been there before me and they hadn't admitted any Afro-Americans. If they had wanted me

there, I wouldn't had to have gone a whole year in court.

"So why should I believe all of the sudden they wanted me to come. It didn't take much sense to come to that conclusion.

"On the other hand," Johnson said, "they all showed themselves as ladies and gentlemen and were at least respectful, if not courteous, to me."

The attitudes of some Lexingtonians was far different.

"There were off-campus elements who just couldn't belly-ache the idea that here was a state university that had been for whites all along, and now, they're going to let damn niggers come up here and break up the place," Johnson said.

"They're the ones that came up on the campus and burned crosses ... and heckled us. It was the riff-raff, they were the ones that came on campus and tried to intimidate us."

Despite the hardship he and others endured trying to gain entrance to UK and later attending classes at here, Johnson said he holds no grudges.

He said, in fact, that UK made him extremely happy when it pre-

sented him with an honorary degree in 1979. Johnson never finished his graduate work here.

"It made me feel real good that the University that I had made eat salt out of my hands now came back to give me an honorary degree for making them do what they now say they should have been doing all along," he said.

Johnson, who now is in his late 80s and nearly blind, also had high praise for the university that tried to keep him out nearly half a century earlier.

Asked if UK is doing enough to improve race relations, the retired teacher and civil-rights activist said: "There isn't any question about it. The University is doing all it can to dispel the bitter taste of history on race relations — from the president's office on down."

"They are doing all the can to make the blacks understand that they want them to come and will do all they can to help them."

The Lyman T. Johnson Awards Banquet is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. The cost is \$5 for students and \$10 for general admission, faculty and staff.

vice chancellor of the Eastern Iowa Community College District.

Friedel began official duties as the college's president April 1.

She was named by the UK Board of Trustees officials to replace Allen G. Edwards, who resigned in

August to become president of the Mississippi State Technical College in Knoxville, Tenn.

The dedication of LCC faculty and the "comprehensive nature" of the college itself, Friedel said, led her to accept the appointment.

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"She was preparing herself for a leadership role," Carr said, referring to Friedel's prior position as

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