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Officials: UK 101 improving freshman retention

UK 101 has aimed to improve the freshman transition to college life for the past 19 years, though some of UK's benchmark universities said they have had greater success with different meth-

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has grown into 95 sections, including some designed for athletes or for spe-cific majors. The mission of UK 101 has always been the same, said Rebec-ca Jordan, an associate dean of stu-dents.

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"It was created to assist in the transition of students and help (UK's) retention rates," Jordan said.

Students who take UK 101 are
more likely to return the following
year, according to a study released by
UK's Office of Institutional Research in
2005.

Of the students who took the
course, 81 percent returned for their
sophomore year, according to the study.

Of those who didn't, 75 percent returned.

Graduation rates at UK show a similar trend, A 2000 study found that 57 percent of students who did not take UK 101 graduated, compared to 63 percent of those who took the course.

"The superior retention and graduation rates for UK 101 students have occurred despite the slightly higher ACT scores and high school GPAs earned by non-UK 101 students." said Roger Sugarman, director of institutional research at UK, in an e-mail to the Kernel.

However, the percentage of freshmen who returned for a second year is lower at UK than at some of UK's

cut systems.

The Ohio State University uses a program called First Year Experience, or FYE, to integrate freshmen participate in parts of the program, such as well as the freshmen are required to participate in parts of the program, such as well as the freshmen and incurrence with faculty and staff.

Other parts are optional, such as the one-hour "Success Series" events throughout the year, which address topics from alcohol awareness to academic responsibility. That series qualifies as one of the required course credits at the university.

Student groups' requests approved

By Katie Saltz

Twelve student organizations received funding last night at the Student Government Appropriations and Revenue committee meeting.

About \$1,500 was allotted for two Senate special projects that were recommended to the full Senate, A&R Chairman Jesse Parrish said. The Senate will vote on the projects at Wednesday's meeting.

One of the special projects concerns the Violence Intervention and Prevention Center. Senate President Tyler Montell is the sponsor of the request, which will fund the Clothes-line Project. The proposal described the project as a visual representation of the effects of violence against women in society."

Montell said he sponsored the project because it will be beneficial to the whole campus, as well as victims of sexual assault. "It's a way to show support for the victims."

The other project, also sponsored by Montell, requested funding for the Honor Our Military Everywhere organization to hold an event to collect donated items and send 500 carep nackages to soldiers overseas. The committee and the project pending completion of paperwork.

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The American Institute for Chemical Engineers requested funding as a college student council. The A&R committee decided the chemical engineers group did not qualify as a student council, but amended the request so the organization could receive a general funding grant.

Parrish said a limited amount of money is allotted for student councils, and he wanted to make sure no council was prevented from receiving funding.

SG offers four categories of grants. General funding grants are available to any registered student councils, service and diversity, and club sports — offer up to \$1,000.

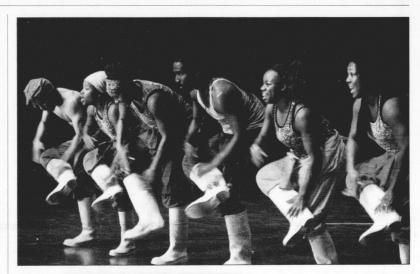
College student council grants are reserved for each particular college's student council. The committee determines what qualifies as a student council.

Service and diversity grants are for any organization wanting to host a community service project or an event promoting campus diversity.

diversity.

Club sport grants are open to any organization that the A&R committee considers to be a club sport.

The committee gave out \$10,000 total in grants at last night's meeting, Parrish said.



Members of Step Afrika dance on stage at the Sin-gletary Center last night. The performance fea-tured seven ensemble mem-bers who are traned in various



Members of Step Afrika brought their energetic art form to the stage of the Singletary Center for the Arts last night.

The group, based out of Washington, travels the world to share with people the evolution of stepping, a dance that grew from activities of black fraternities and sororities during the early 1900s, according to the Step Afrika Web site (www.stepafrika.org).

The event was sponsored by Student Activities Board and the African Student Association as part of Africa Week, which continues tonight with a screening of "The Constant Gardener" at 10 p.m. in the Worsham

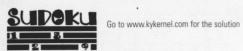
Emerging country performer bringing music to campus

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"MySpace is a place to get information out to thousands and thousands of fans with just a click of the mouse," Smith said. "Carea sag oy out had to have radio and spots on MTV or VHI, and labels used to have a strangelhold on artists. I just want the music to be listened to."

Smith was raised in the small town of Jefferson, Ga., and can't remember a time when he wasn't around music. He said it wasn't until high school, however, that he started to take music serious-lib. University of Georgia and became a social studies teacher at North Gwinesid it wasn't until high school, however, that he started to take music serious-lib. Smith said, music never truly left him, and music he sould be the serious trule. The serious distinction of the serious distinction of the serious distinction of the serious distinction of the serious dark of the serious distinction of the serious distinction of the serious distinction of the serious distinction of the serious dark of the serious distinction of the serious distinction





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By Linda C. Black

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

the most challenging.

Aries (March 21 – April 19) Today is a 7 — Do a very good job for a very demanding boss. Interestingly, it looks like the worker and boss are the same. Or at least you have a lot is expense.

in common.

Taurus (April 20 – May 20) Today
is an 8 — Everything seems to fall
into place, and not a moment too
soon. You'd just about reached the
end of your rope when reinforce-

Gemini (May 21 – June 21) Today

s an s — You've been praying for he perfect person to come along. Be a little bit more specific. You

could even run an ad. Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22) Today is a 7 — By tonight you could be exhausted. It's always wise to collect the goodies while you can, however. Do an excellent job, and gather treat towards.

great rewards.

Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22) Today is an 8 — Conditions are good for roan 8 — Conditions are good for ro-mance and many other games. This could get expensive, though. To re-ally enjoy yourself, you should know

tis not all about the money.

Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22) Today is a 5 — Fixing up your place doesn't have to be expensive. Use those valuable "antiques" you've been saving up in your attic or basement

is an 8 — You're getting smarter, partially due to mistakes you've already made. You don't always have to do it like that, however. Read the

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Sagittarius (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21)

Sagittarius (Nov. ZZ – Ueo. Z.), Today is a 6 — Abundance is yours, as well it should be, after all your effort. You made it look easy, but deep inside you had a few tense moments. Stay cool, while gather-Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19) To-

day is an 8 — Your luck has just changed for the better. The road be-fore you is clear. No stinking mon-sters will block your path. Well, maybe a few, but you'll quickly dis-

maybe a tew, our you in quosely suppatch them. Charge!

Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18) Today is a 5 — Behind-the-scenes manipulation isn't exactly your style, but you can do it if you must. That's the way to get what you want now, without further silly hassles. Pisces (Feb. 19 – March 20) To-day is a 7 — A friend comes to your

rescue, and just in the nick of time.
With this assistance, you can finally reach your goal. After that, it's party time. © 2007 TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES, INC

THIS MINUTE

Seann's Big Return

The former Stifler tells Us about breaking bones in Mr. Woodcock

rin Mr. Woodcock

The American Pie trilogy, which made Seann Williams Scott a star, may have come and the star of the star of

Guns N' Roses recorded all otheir music.

Q: There's a lot of physical comedy in the movie. Were there any injuries?

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Thornton's foot. That's how bad of an actor I am.

1 You played baseball in high school. Did you have any coaches like Mr. Woodcock?

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anymore. I would've played professional baseball if it hadn't Roberto Gravilli one that Roberto Ecavalli one that Roberto

"I must have it all, so I don't really have one thing!"

Calling all fashionistas! Stars tell Us what they'll be Keira's New Sexy Scent

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Stars tell Us what they'll be wearing this season

"I love these Chanel strappy patent heels. Everybody seems to have them. They are awesome"

— Carrie Underwood

"A new pair of boots. And maybe a new coat. And I'd love to get my dirty little paws on Lanvin bag!"

— Rashida Jones

"I love a cozy scarf. I'll also let you in on a winter secret: cashmere socks! They're so warm, comfortable and soft."

"I bought it! A beautiful Marni top. I love it because timakes me feel quite skinny and fabulous."

— Anne Hathaway

"A ladylike suit. You can look intelligent but beautiful at the same time with a ladylike suit."

— Emmy Rossum

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— LeAnn Rimes

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WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT

When Betty signs up for a summer timeshare at the beach with her friend Trudy, she is looking for some time away from her stressful life in the city. Once Betty arrives at the beach, however, the peace she has been looking for is nowhere to be found.

Betty's roommate Trudy breaks her promise "not to talk too much," hastening the arrival of several colorful guests. This not-so-familyfriendly bunch includes Keith, a shy, homosexual serial killer who keeps a collection of various body parts and hat boxes; Mrs. Siezmagraff, Trudy's mother and "emotionally anarchic" landlady; Buck, who acts like a lustful frat boy; and Mr. Vanislaw, a flasher and friend to Mrs.

American life, fully exposed

For the next two weekends, summer is back with a humorous vengeance.
Starting tonight, UK's theater department will be performing "Betty's Summer Vacation," a play by Christo-

partment will be performing "Betty's Summer Vacation," a play by Christopher Durang.

"As Durang said himself, it is a 'screwball comedy," said theatre sophomore Jesse Pavlovic, who plays Trudy, Betty's 28-year-old, childish and "emotionally desperate" roommate, who's looking for someone to spend her summer vacation with.

"Basically, it is a funny show that will keep you laughing until the very end," Pavlovic said. "Who doesn't love to laugh?"

Nancy Jones, the director of the play and professor of acting movement and direction at UK, described Betty's Summer Vacation" as an off-the-wall comedy with elements of the "dark and absurd."

The play is set in a shared house where nine complete strangers dressed in colorful, exaggerated clothing have gathered together to spend the summer at the beach. They are all unaware of the obstacles the summer entails, such as personality clashes, Jones said.

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The action takes place in a living room scattered with furniture and containing five mysterious doors.

"The doors will make it exciting and surprising," Jones said. "It has some farcical elements to it."

Jones said the main point of the play is to make light of America's love for the celebrity, the popularity or reality television and the 24-hour news cycle.

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"(The play) makes you question yourself and our obsession with the celebrity," Jones said.

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never on stage," Jones said.



CHRISTIANA LAYTON | STA
Mr. Vanislaw, left, played by William Cook, flashes other members of the cast during a dress rehearsal for "Betty's Summer Vacation" on Tuesday. The play will be presented tonight through Saturday and Sept. 27 through Sept. 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Briggs Theatte in the fine Arts Building.

"If we are doing our job right, then the audience should find themselves laughing at things they have never laughed at," Jones said.

"Betty's Summer Vacation" will be presented tonight through Saturday and Sept. 27 through Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Briggs Theatre in the Fine Arts Building. The matinee production will be Sept. 30 at 2 p.m.

Upcoming plays: "The Tempest"
"For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow Is Enuf"
"A Soldier's Play"

GOING FOR SECONDS



Covers of classic jazz-rock benefit local arts foundation

By Ashley Bechnovich

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Steely Dan's songs will be playing live on campus tonight — though the actual band won't be here.

The Johnson Brothers Band will be performing a set of Steely Dan covers tonight at 8 at Memorial Hall in a concert sponsored by the Jazz Arts Foundation and WRFL.

The band, which has been together for 12 years, puts its own twist on classic rock songs — giving them sounds ranging from rock and funk to blues and jazz — and plays them around the Lexington area.

The band is a "rock in" roll repertory or chestra," according to its MySpace page (http://www.myspace.com/johnsonbrothers-bandky).

"Even if you have never heard the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior quality of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, president of the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior quality of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, president of the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior quality of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, president of the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior gunty of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, president of the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior quality of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, president of the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior quality of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, president of the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior quality of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, president of the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior quality of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, president of the Brothers play, you will recognize the superior quality of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, so college to the playing on campus for the Buchard Art Foundation of the Playing of the Playing of the Johnson Brothers' music," said Dave McWhorter, said the Playing of the Johnson Brothers' music, and the Johnson Brothers' music, and the Johnson Broth

"Weak/Side/Help"



UK 101

on CD.

"I've grown a lot over the four albums as a person." Smith said. "I've evolved from a young writer in college to someone who is settling down and coping with the 940-5 thing, and now I'm a father and a traveling missician."

Although "Hard-Headed Fool" is an autobiographical album, Smith said anyone can

By Renee Schoof McClatchy Newspaper

WASHINGTON — In another defeat for Democrats trying to change President Bush's
Irraq policy, the Senate on
Wednesday blocked legislation
requiring that members of the
active-duty military must
spend at least as much time in
the United States as they've
spent in Iraq or Afghanistan
before they can be sent back to
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more bills in the next few weeks to try to speed troop withdrawals, but the one on "dwell time" was considered their best chance to get the 60 votes needed under Senate rules to shut off debate. It fell four votes short: 56-44.

CONCERT

for the College of Communi-

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"There is no one program that is a magic bullet," Koch said. "It takes a combination of programs. It's why we offer the array we do."

Koch said that while Purdue has seen slight fluctuations in the past decade, research shows that the more programs the freshmen attend, the better the chance they will return as sophomores.
"One thing it's taught us is that there's a need to creat more awareness for these programs," Koch said.

UK's program addresses incoming students' need for guidance, said Lisa Brown, who has taught UK 101 for four years, and that was something she did not have her first year in college.

"One thing I think is really important (in college) is making sure students have a support network," said Brown, who is also the director of Student Affairs, but no peer instructor has ever those to apply for the credit.

"We'd love to be able to pay peer instructor." The perion of receiving internship credit is available, and a proper instructor has ever the college of Communications.

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relate to it. "We are all hard-head fools, and we all make mistakes," said Smith. "But it is a positive thing, because we ann learn from our mistakes." Fans have responded to Smith's music and lyrics, but Smith is still amazed by the response that he is receiving. "It's still hard to believe, Smith said about his show tonight." I'm blown away that the show is sold out. I think it will be a pretty amazing night."

A weaker "sense of the Senate" version that would've endorsed the policy as a desirable goal without mandating it also fell short, 55-45.

American soldiers generally now are deployed to Iraq for 15 months and get 12 months back in the United States, which includes time away from home spent training for their next missions.

Sen. Jim Webb, D-Va., a former Navy secretary and a decorated Vietnam veteran, proposed the amendment. He said it would "put a safety he teable on Iraq goes on. "Somebody needs to referee this mess to restore balance in their lives, so they can have

es this mess to restore balance in their lives, so they can have a life," he said at a news conference before the vote.

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TONIGHT

Powerman 5000 w/ Till We Die, Corpuscide, Ablick, One Finger Grip and Pulse 8 7 p.m., The Mad Hatter, Covington. Tickets cost \$12 in advance and \$14 at the door.

Gloria Bills w/ Patchwork Soul and For Stella 9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$5.

Mt. Pleasant String Band
The Southnate House, New-

FRIDAY, Sept. 21 7:30 p.m., Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$25.

Black Tie Affair w/ The Upset Victory, Trojan Rabbit, Red-flecks and Mark Caddo 8 p.m., The Mad Hatter, Covington. Tickets cost \$5.

Corey Smith 9 p.m., Headliners, Louisville. Tickets cost \$13.

G. Burton and the Hyde Park Outrage w/ Joshua Black Wilkins, Kristen Key Band, Kinsey Rose, Kelley Thomas and the Fabulous Pickups, Rick Hickey, Tupelo Honey, Joshua Michael Scuttela and

Brian Lisk 9 p.m., The Southgate House, New-port. Tickets cost \$6.

The Gathering 10 p.m., Phoenix Hill Tavern, Louisville. Tickets cost \$11. SATURDAY, Sept. 22

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9 p.m., The Southgate House, New
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Heartless Bastards w/ Pearlene 9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$7.

SUNDAY, Sept. 23 Emanuel w/ Mansions, Legal in Vegas, A Decade to Die For and Langus 7 p.m., The Mad Hatter, Covington. Tickets cost \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door.

8 p.m., Madison Theater, Co. Tickets cost \$17 in advance.

8 p.m., Headliners, Louisville. Tickets cost \$13.

MONDAY, Sept. 24 Alina Simone w/ Sepia Tones and Dickie Haydon 9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$5.

TUESDAY, Sept. 25 Red Stick Ramblers w/ The Sw ned Stick Ramblers w/ The Swells 8 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$7.

Colin Hay 8 p.m., Headliners, Louisville. Tickets cost \$21.

Baroness w/ Black Tusk, Black Dove and Lost Hands Found Fingers
9 p.m., The Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$8.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 26 Bloc Party w/ Smoosh and Deerhoof 8 p.m., The Madison Theater, Cov-ington. Tickets cost \$20.

The Murders w/ The Fallen and Luxury Pushers 9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$5.

Noah Sugarman w/ 500 Miles to Memphis and Tupelo Hon-

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WEEKEND PLANS

Downtown Lex hoppin' with art

Experience all the artsy spots downtown Lexington has to offer for free this Friday night. The Lexington Arts and Cultural Council is organizing this season's gallery hop, a cooperative effort among for-profit galleries, non-profit galleries and private artists' studios. More than 30 sites will be open to the public Friday, and some sites will even offer live music and refreshments. The event will take place throughout downtown from 5 to 8 pm. For more information, call 255-2951 or visit the art council's Web site (www.lexarts.org).





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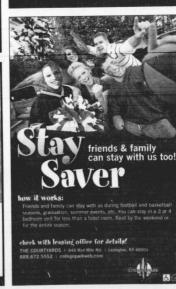
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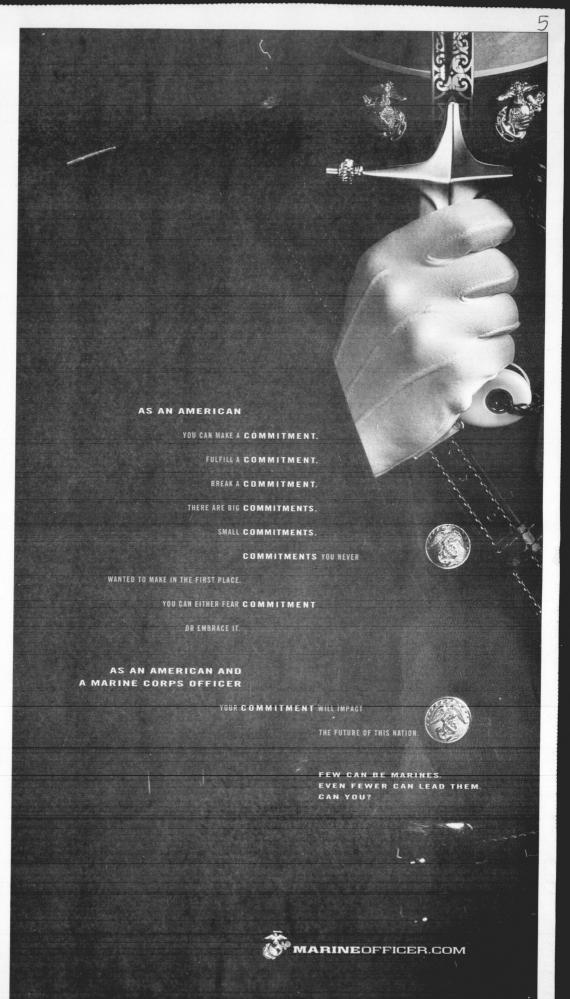




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Lack of officers illustrates need for full-time chief

UK's police force is woefully un-derstaffed — yet another reason finding a permanent police chief should be among the school's top

should be among the school's top priorities.

With just one officer for every With just one officer for every With just one officer for every with the students, faculty and staff, UK's force lags far behind the national standard of one for every 300 to 350 people, as emphasized in the Sept. 7 report by the governo's task force on campus safety. To meet that standard, UK would need to increase its force from 44 officers to about 117.

The need for more officers is especially evident on football and basketball game days, when all UK police are on duty, along with extensive backup from Lexington police and state troopers, among others.

But the police crunch doesn't just affect security at sporting events— it's a detriment to everyday safety at UK.

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Obviously, increasing the police presence on campus would help prevent crime, especially at night. Even more importantly, officers in a larger force would be able to focus on long-term problems like sexual assault and substance abuse, which can't be solved merely by having more police on patrol.

Without a permanent police chief, however, it will be difficult for the department to get the resources it needs to make more hires, let alone develop workable strategies for tackling long-term safety issues.

UK has not had a permanent police chief however 2004, when Fred H. Otto III resigned after having a university employee help

him with homework for graduate classes at Eastern Kentucky University.

In February 2006, after a 14-month search, UK hired McDonald Vick to succeed Otto, but Vick resigned five and a half months later after admitting in a deposition that he had paid a female officer at his previous job \$25,000 to droit after admitting in a deposition that he had paid a female officer at his previous job \$25,000 to droit admits the had paid a female officer at his previous job \$25,000 to droit admits the had paid a female officer at his previous job \$25,000 to droit admits he had paid a female officer at his previous job \$25,000 to droit admits he had paid a female before the had paid a female before his previous previous provides the had paid to the had paid the had p

issue on campus — violence against women.

In a 2004 study of female UK students, 36.5 percent of respondents said they had been the victim of sexual assault, physical assault or stalking. When the study was repeated in 2007, that number felt to 34.1 per-cent, representing a statistically insignificant decline.

To fight understaffing and work on long-term safety problems, UK needs strong leadership at the police department. Campus safety must be one of UK's main focuses — and a major part of that is finding a police chief.



BRENNAN BANDY, Kernel cartoonist

My own 'resident advice': Gear activities toward students

As a first-year resident adviser UK, I have had my share of frustr so far this semester. A major cause of my irritation



of my irritation comes from planning and organizing programs for my residents. Though I am more than willing to conduct programs, I do not necessarily agree with the current Residence Life programming standard. The present standard requires a certain number of occutional," academic

around requires a certain number of programs to be "declarional," academic or otherwise.

To qualify under the standard, many RAs organize showing of "educational films" and speaker events, often offering attending residents unhealthy food like pizza, sodus and chips in hopes of attacting a large crowd.

We cannot blame the programmers, however, for their choices of food. After all, free garden salads and cranberry juice won't be nearly as entitient to students: Most of them just don't come to these showings otherwise. Still, tumouts to these events are miserably low even with the lute of free food. I have trying to discredit the documentaries and speakers. However, people must realize that these documentaries and speakers, while useful and educational,

are not for everyone.

Some movie-night programs are rejected because they are not "purpose-ful" to residents. I be gto differ. Many movies can be educational as well. For example. "Requient for a Dream" is an outstanding movie that also taught me more about the borrors of drug addiction than any "educational film" I've seen.

more about the horrors of drug addiction than any "educational film" I "ve seen.

Even if a movie is shown solely for residents' entertainment, the showing still promotes community-building through resident interaction and helps residents unwind. So what if an RA shows an action flick or a romantic comedy that residents will enjoy instead of a documentary on global warming? At least residents will show up.

Diversity (if only 1 got a dollar every time 1 used this word) is another central theme of the programming standard. I understand the presentant of presence and acceptance of diversity within a residence that the programming standard. I understand the presentant of the programming standard. I understand the presentant of the programming standard in the programming and the programming the decident of these programs are questionable to me.

I enjoy food as much as the next person, but how does eating delivered Mexican or Chinese food in a group setting help residents experience diversity? While Chinese food in a group setting help residents experience diversity? While Calling these programs diversity-related is shady. I guess community-building is taking place during the dining.

Just recently, my program proposal for an interfloor basketball game was rejected because it wasn't "structured" enough.

Friendly sporting events help residents with community-and team buildings additionally, residents get physical exercise and much-needed relaxation from school. What additional structure is required for a baskethall game among residents? NBA-approved referees and sponsorship from Gatorade?

When I lived in a residence hall as a freshman, I dismissed the "educational films" and programs with boring speakers despite the lure of free food. I am sure many readers share my expence. Instead, I would have gladly attended a showing of "The Bourne Identify" or a poker game with only bragging rights at stake.

To conduct a successful program, it is essential to attract students to attend. While batting residents with high-calorie food is one approach, I would rather attract students with the programming or otherwise. However, I feel that the current programming standard is forcing much of my effort into trivial paperwork and bureaucratic gestures. These arbitrary and routine requirements lead to low program turnouts and little accomplishment.

Residence hall programming can be

and routine requirements lead to low program turnouts and little accomplish-ment.
Residence hall programming can be improved by shifting attention to en-couraging participation over insisting on educational values. Only then can students and RAs alike enjoy these pro-grams.

Bike summit exemplifies town-gown cooperation

forces to discuss this ever-growing problem.

The Lexington Bike Summit will take place tomorrow at the Student Center on UK's campus.

"It is an event to bring together citizens, government agencies, community leaders and ideas towards moving forward to becoming a more bicycle-friendly city." Kenzie Gleason, Lexington's bicycle and pedestrian coordinator, said in a Sept. 17 Kernel article.

Not only are students biking and driving on Lexington streets, around campus and downtown, but Lexington citizens who have no affiliation with UK are doing the same, so the concept of making bicycling safer

and increasing the amount of biking areas would truly affect everyone in the area.

It is also great to see Lexington Mayor Jim Newberry and Bob Wiseman, UK's vice president of facilities and management, planning to speak at the summit.

In a progressive city like Lexington that revolves largely around UK, it is nice to see the two groups come together to discuss these biking issues that pertain to us all. Hopefully, this is just a foreshadowing of UK and Lexington's willingness to work together on bettering the community that is dear to both students and citizens of Lexington. Let's hope the two groups will continue to see that both entities must join forces on a regular basis in order to overcome common obstacles.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

GOP columnist hypocritical in arguments

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Proponents of the claim that the
neconservative GOP think-tank is
ruining young minds need look no
further than Thomas Roberts.
Roberts' weekly columns exemplify neconservatives model for addressing an issue by stating biased
talking points as fact. They take an
issue, put solutions on opposite sides
of a continuum and declare that you
can only choose one or the other with
no option in between.
Furthermore, as is the case with
Roberts' Tuesday column, "Political
ambitions motivated Stumbo's abuse
of power," their talking points illustrate the heights of human hypocrisa.
Any logic student searching for
Any logic student searching for
man arguments need not look too far.
The use of these tools for arguing
has been the lifeblood of the GOP for
years now, and Roberts seems to be a
Jedi at this craft. To site a specific example from his piece, he claims that
Attorney General Greg Stumbo has
overstepped his authority by investigating Gov. Emie Fletcher for merit overstepped his authority by investi-gating Gov. Ernie Fletcher for merit

system violations. He goes on to state that Stumbo allowed "partisan con-siderations" to motivate his investiga-

well, excuse me for being cyni-cal, but because of the current politi-cal arena in which we live, I see nothing wrong for holding our elect-ed officials accountable for their

deficies accountable for their practices.

Roberts feels that Stumbo should have deferred the issue to the Kennetzy Personnel Board. For the record, the board is made up of seven members, five of whom were chosen by the governor himself. How many of those appointments do you think went to Democrats?

Bottom line: Political motivations have always been partisan, and both parties are equally guilty of this practice. Unfortunately, our "conservative party" and their followers present themselves as exempt from these practices. Word to the elephant: We re on to you!

Weekly Poll Question

Should UK continue using theatrical smoke for fire drills in residence halls?

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To succeed, rules for immigration (and goal posts) should recognize reality

When I was 9 years old, UK de-ted Alabama in football, 40-34, in

The students rushed the field and



ROBERT
KAHN
Contributing
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situation.

The Southeastern Conference should face it: If a school wins a big game, there is nothing you can do to prevent students from rushing the field or storming the court. This example correlates with how I see U.S. immi-

gration policy.

The United States has laws about immigration, which, like the SEC's rules on rushing the field, don't mesh with reality. Because of this fact, en-

forcement of these laws is almost nonexistent, and illegal immigration is running rampant here in the United Conservatives will weep and gnash their teeth at this, saying that Mexicans are stealing our jobs and sending all of our money to Mexico, presumably making all the Mexicans in the United States.

To me, that doesn't make a lot of sense.

while causing poverty here in the United States.

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Mexicans, as well as people from many other nations, are immigrating into this country illegally, working for close to minimum wage (in some cases less than minimum wage) and attempting to scrape a life together in what they consider to be the most effective way — working illegally in the United States.

Everyone who looks at this situation knows it needs to change. Illegal immigration is a problem for many reasons. For instance, companies use their employees' immigration status as leverage, keeping their workers from organizing and allowing management to pay workers very low wages.

Additionally, since these people cannot unionize and force a fair wage out of their employers, there is downward pressure on the rest of the wages in the labor market as well.

Moreover, the danger of illegally immigrating into the United States breaks apart families, keeping fathers away from their children and wives for years at a time. This situation is not a good one, and both political parties see a need to fix it.

The solutions the other side has come up with, however, are almost as bad as the problems that exist today. Conservatives are calling for mass deportation of illegal aliens, a border

To me, these "solutions" don't address the reasons why immigrants come here in the first place. It think a more equitable solution to the immigration problem would be to address the developmental problems that face the economies of Latin America.

When the North American Free Trade Agreement among Canada, the United States and Mexico was implemented in 1994, some thought that immigration would decrease because duties and tariffs on Mexican goods would decrease the canada the state of the state

minimization would decrease because duties and farifis on Mexican goods.

However, what has resulted is a massive expansion of the maquiladors actor of the Mexican economy, which pays its workers about \$1.80 an hour. The rural poor, whom the Mexican government and the private sector consistently neglect, are more than happy to fill those jobs. There are very few chances in Mexico to get a decent job with the possibility of advancement. Obviously, Mexicans seeking to make a living for themselves would consider the option of illegally migrating to the United States. When given the choice between starvation and breaking the law, what would you choose?

If we want to solve our immigration coundrum, we need to address the real problem — why do people illegally immigrate to the United States?

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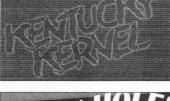














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Defense looks to slow McFadden

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Call the UK dereins Lex Luthor. After all, if the Cats are go-ing to stop Afkansas running back Darren McFadden, they might need kryptonite, head coach Rich Brooks said of 'He's got and on his 'He's got, and on his 'He's and 'He's and 'He's 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's and 'He's 'He's and 'He'

McFadden, Arkansas' do-everything Heisman Trophy candidate.

Just a week after holding the
Louisville rushing attack to 101
yards, the UK defense has an
even taller task ahead of it Saturday. The Cats will try to stop
McFadden, the workhorse in
Arkansas' Wildflog formation,
which lines him up at running
back, wide receiver and even
quanterbask.

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Running back Felix Jones

complements McFadden in the WildHog, a spread-like formation that forces defenses to stop the run from different angles. Jones rushed for 1,168 yards last season.

"Arkansas' running game is deceptive." Brooks said. "Louisville is more 'bloody your nose' football, but Arkansas segments your defense. There's a lot of misdirection."

Brooks. who has coached for more than four decades, can't remember a due more talement than Arkansa's veer seen two backs in the same backfield ike McFadden and Jones," he said. "Combine that with a big, physical offensive line, and we've obviously got a very difficult task a hand this week."

Arkansas' football team, like (LK's, may have saved its coach Houston Nutt found himself on the hot seat after two consecutive bosing seasons. Unlike UK, which had and "f-season full of good feelings and dreams of another big season, the Hogs found themselves battling all sorts of off-field distractions.

Offensive coordinator Gus

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Offensive coordinator Gus
Malzahn left for Tulsa. Fresh-man quarterback Mitch Mustain,
the most heralded recruit of
Nutt's 10-year tenure, trans-ferred to Southern California af-ter just one year in Fayetteville.
Houston Nutt's brother Dalny,
who was Arkansas' running
backs coach, left the program
amid health concerns.



And worst of all, Houston
Nutt found himself on the hot
seat again after fans uncovered
two controversies involving intended seasons brought the team
gether.

Arkansas fans discovered a
nasty e-mail a booster sent to
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The coach reprimanded the
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Latter, fans uncovered phone Nut found himself on the but seat again after fans uncovered two controversies involving him. Early in the off-season, Arkansas fans discovered a nasty e-mail a booster sent to Mustain prior to his transfer. It was later discovered that the booster was a friend of Nut. The coach reprimanded the booster was a friend of Nut. The coach reprimanded the booster after denying his involvement.

Later, fans uncovered phone records indicating that Nutt, who is married, sent more than 1,000 text messages we to a female television news anchor. Nutt again denied wrongdoing, stating that the messages were in regard to charity work.

Nutt denied that the problems have been an issue with the players this season. If any-

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Despite big win, poll voters disrespect Cats

Wayne Phillips is smokin' something.
Smokin' ignorance, that is.
If you don't know who Wayne Phillips is, that's OK — I don't either All I know is that Phillips, who writes about college football in some capacity for the Greeneville (Tenn.)
Sun, left UK off his ballot for this week's Associated Press Top 25 poll.
Fillips apparently didn't heed UK coach Rich Brooks' proclamation that any voter who left the Cats off his ballot was "smokin's something."

2.1 record. He must mean the same Louisville that has a stop-nobody defense, an overmatched head coach and a classless student newspaper.

Side note: If you didn't read the agrhage piece of hack journalism about UK fans in last week's edition of the Louisville Cardinal, be sure to look it up on the Web. What an embarrassment for that publication and the student who wrote the piece. Trevor Joelson, you should be ashamed.

Back now to our friend Wayne Phillips. And. before we go farther, let's point out that Phillips in't alone in his idiocy. Enough voters placed U of L ahead of UK that the Cards are ranked ahead of the Cats in the both the AP and Coaches polls. Perhaps Wayne Phillips has calibrated an elaborate set of equations to help him determine where to slot teams in his weekly ballot. Maybe he's a math whiz who has conoccted a system that shows U of L to be better than UK.

Or maybe he 's just an out-of-touch dunce.

I don't know, and it doesn't matter. What

I don't know, and it doesn't matter. What I don't know, and it doesn't matter. What I do know is that, like Doubting Thomas, I see better than I hear. And what I saw on Saturday allows me to make the unequivocal determination that right now, at this very moment in time, the football team at UK is

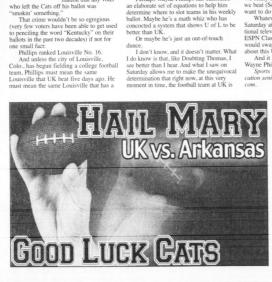
better than the football team at U of L.
That isn't to say UK was better two
weeks ago, or that UK will be better two
weeks from now. But this week, UK is the
better football team and deserves to be
ranked ahead of U of L.
Fin not alone in my befuddlement —
Alfonso Smith is just as confused.
Smith, a UK sophomore unter found
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But Smith did have something to say,
"That's polities," he said. "That's crazy,
We beat them, and we're 30, and they're
2-1, and they're still ranked higher than us.
We really do have something to prove until
we beat (Southern Cal) or something. We
want to do whatever it takes might be winning
Saturday at Arkanssa. A road win on national television (no, you don't count,
ESPN Classic) against a marquee opponent
would sway voters and prove something
the control of the control of the control of the control
about this UK team.
And it might even be enough to get
Wayne Phillips to quit smokin' ignorance.
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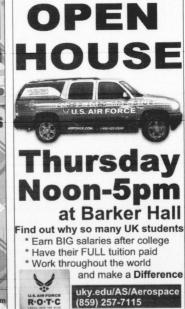
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