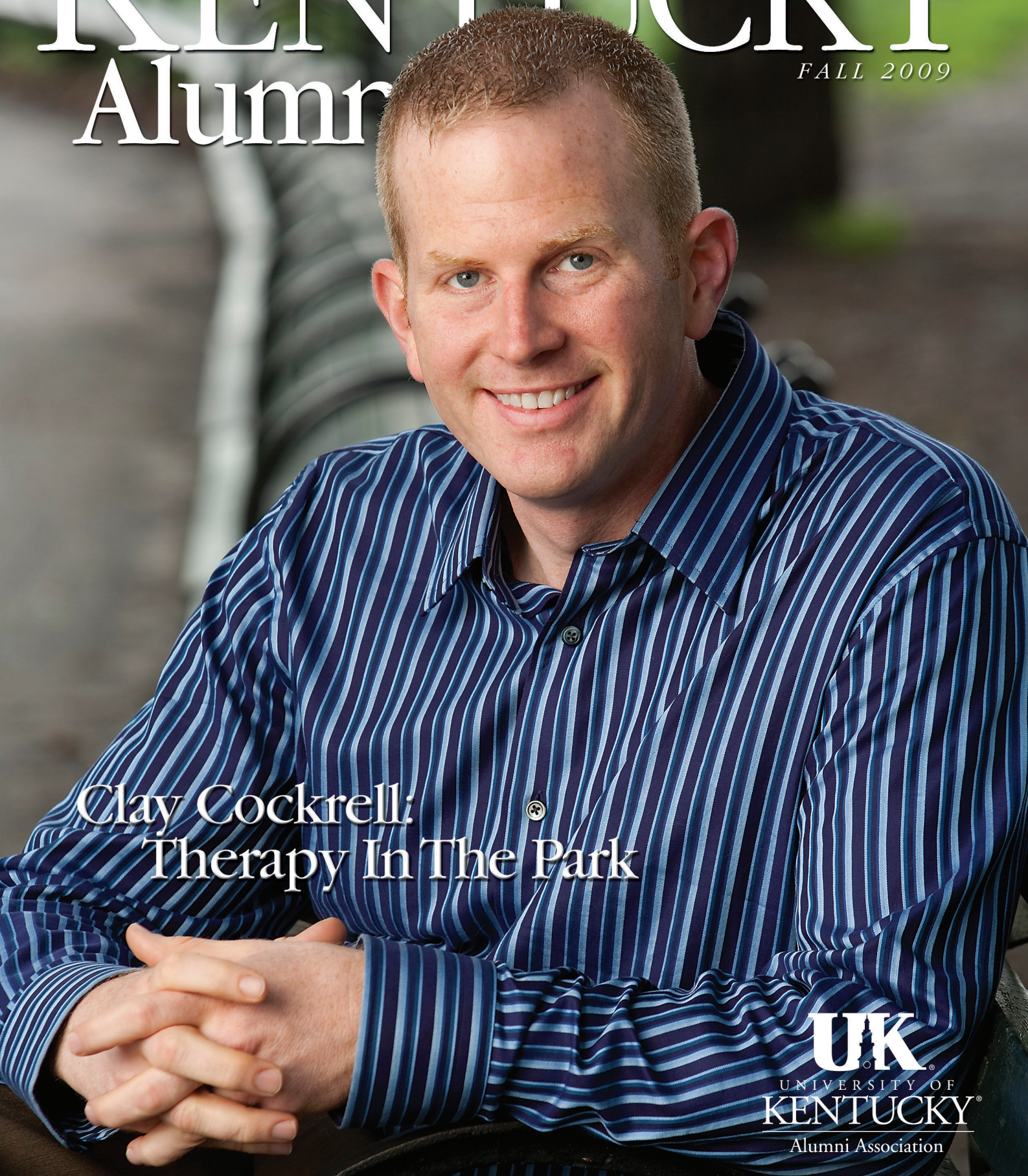


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## Homecoming Week – Oct. 29 – Nov. 1

Return to “Lex Vegas” for 2009 University of Kentucky Homecoming! Participate in a variety of exciting campus events and cheer the Cats to victory as they take on the Dogs of Mississippi State, Saturday, Oct. 31. Whether it’s your first time back to campus for Homecoming or your 50th, this is one celebration you won’t want to miss! For game tickets, contact the UK Athletics ticket office at 1-800-928-2287. For a complete listing of Homecoming activities and events, visit [www.UKHomecoming.com](http://www.UKHomecoming.com).

### Thursday, Oct. 29

- Homecoming Staff Celebration
- College of Arts & Sciences Lecture Series
- Alumni Career Event

### Friday, Oct. 30

- Golf Scramble
- Keeneland Racing
- Homecoming Halloween Party
- Pep Rally
- Homecoming Film Series

### Saturday, Oct. 31

- Homecoming Parade Watch Breakfast
- Gatton College of Business & Economics Recognition Breakfast
- Classes Without Quizzes
- Campus Tour
- Tailgate Tent Party
- UK Homecoming Football Game
- Homecoming Film Series

### Sunday, Nov. 1

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# Presidential Conversation



## 2008 – '09: Statistics Tell A Powerful Story

- Record high number of freshman applicants: 11,120
- Record high number of Governor's Scholars/School for the Arts Students: 389
- Record high retention rate: 81 percent
- Record high number of African-American first-year students: 347
- Record high number of African-American undergraduate students: 1,234
- Record high doctoral student enrollment: 2,391
- Record high first-professional (dentistry, law, medicine, and pharmacy) enrollment: 1,558
- Record high number of full-time faculty: 2,096
- Record high number of African-American faculty: 84, including a record 11 new African-American faculty
- Record high number and percent of women in executive/administrative/managerial positions: 234, or 48.4 percent
- Record high research expenditures of \$337 million

I often use this space to feature one of our top students, share a story about a faculty or staff member who is leading us in our Top 20 mission, or tout a new outreach initiative.

Even though I am a UK College of Engineering alum, I seldom use this opportunity to simply hype numbers and statistics. As I often say, it is the efforts of our students, alumni, faculty, and staff that are transforming communities across Kentucky, and I love to tell those success stories.

However, sometimes the raw information is so powerful that it is the story. Such was the case at your alma mater in 2008-09, when UK experienced a "record" year.

As impressive as these statistics are on their own, the depth and breadth of excellence that we are experiencing across the university community is what is so striking to me. From measures in undergraduate, graduate, and professional education to diversity measures and research totals, UK is taking bold strides forward in a period of budget cuts and financial turmoil.

I think that speaks directly to the type of people who work hard each and every day to move our alma mater forward. None of these successes would be possible if not for the efforts and sacrifice of our world-class faculty and staff. This campus community takes great pride in our Top 20 mission. Because of their dedication and commitment to transforming lives and communities in all 120 Kentucky counties, the United States, and throughout the world, UK continues to be on the move.

That might be the most impressive record of all.

Sincerely,

Lee T. Todd Jr.  
President

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## Solar Car Wins Second Place

The UK Solar Car Team made a respectable finish, taking second place in the Formula Sun Grand Prix at Motorsport Ranch in Cresson, Texas. The UK car, Gato Del Sol III, completed 393 laps over three days, with its fastest lap timed at two minutes, 33 seconds. Thirteen members of the UK Solar Car Team made the trip. All are students in the UK College of Engineering.



Watch a video of a Gato Del Sol III pit stop during the solar car competition at [www.ukalumni.net](http://www.ukalumni.net), keyword: pit stop



Photo: Kasey Lamm

## Women Writers Conference

Sallie Bingham, author, playwright, poet, philanthropist and noted feminist, will make a special guest appearance at this year's 30th anniversary Kentucky Women Writers Conference. Nine other presenters will lead sessions at the conference over two days and three nights.

Scheduled for Sept. 10 - 12, the conference is the longest running literary festival of women in the nation. Register for the event at [www.uky.edu/WWK](http://www.uky.edu/WWK)

## Web Site Offers Business Advice to Vets, Soldiers

The Kentucky Small Business Development Center (KSBD), at the UK Office of Commercialization and Economic Development, has a new Web site promoting business ownership to current members of the armed forces, veterans and their families. The site [kyvetbiz.com](http://kyvetbiz.com) includes access to online business courses in English and Spanish, a list of statewide workshops and links to business-related resources. The KSBD also has a hotline (270-763-6961) for veterans for more information about business assistance.

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## UK Welcomes New Deans

In recent months, four new deans have taken the helm in their respective colleges:

- David A. Brennen is dean of the UK College of Law, coming from the University of Georgia School of Law where he had been a professor since 2006 and the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) where he was deputy director.
- Mark Kornbluh is dean of the UK College of Arts & Sciences. He previously was professor and chair of the Department of History at Michigan State University and also had an appointment in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering.
- H. Dan O'Hair is dean of the UK College of Communications and Information Studies. Previously he was at the University of Oklahoma (OU) where he taught as a presidential professor in the Department of Communication and was director of the OU Center for Risk and Crisis Management.
- Mary John O'Hair is dean of the UK College of Education, coming to UK from the University of Oklahoma, where she was vice provost for school and community partnerships having held other positions there, including associate dean of research and graduate studies in the OU College of Education.

## Voice Professor Scores National Coaching Honor

Cliff Jackson, associate professor of voice and vocal coach in the UK School of Music, has been named 2009 Coach of the Year by the magazine *Classical Singer*. Since Jackson's arrival at UK in 1992, the vocal coach has been an integral part of the success achieved by the UK Opera Theatre program and its individual student vocalists.

Among his accomplishments, he has performed as a solo pianist for the Dance Theatre of Harlem and acted as pianist,

organist and harpsichordist while on musical staffs of Miami Opera, Tulsa Opera and the Mobile Opera. Jackson previously served as head coach for the Central City Opera festival during 1995 and 1997, and as the coach and accompanist for the Chautauqua Opera Festival.

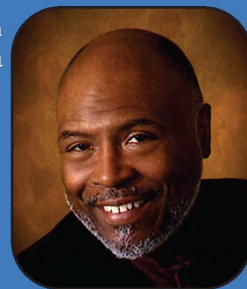


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# Research Notes

## Breakthrough In Early Detection And Prevention Of AMD

Researchers led by Dr. Jayakrishna Ambati at UK has discovered a biological marker for neovascular age-related macular degeneration, the leading cause of blindness in older adults.

The marker, a receptor known as CCR3, shows strong potential as a means for both the early detection of the disease and for preventive treatment. The findings were reported in an article published online by the prestigious journal *Nature*.

“This is a major paradigm shift in macular degeneration re-

search,” says Ambati, a professor of physiology, professor and vice-chair of ophthalmology and visual sciences, and the Dr. E. Vernon and Eloise C. Smith Endowed Chair in Macular Degeneration at the UK College of Medicine. “With CCR3, we have for the first time found a unique molecular signature for the disease. This brings us closer than we have ever been to developing a clinical diagnostic tool to discover and treat the disease early, before vision is lost.”

### Clinical Trials Begin For Spinal Cord Injury Drug

The trials on riluzole, an already-marketed drug for slowing the progression of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig’s disease), builds on the research of two University of Kentucky researchers, Joe Springer and James Geddes, who published several studies investigating potential uses of the drug. Both researchers have affiliations with the UK Spinal Cord and Brain Injury Research Center.

Springer and Geddes began investigating the potential use of riluzole, which inhibits glutamate release that can exacerbate spinal cord injuries, in animal models. Their work demonstrated that riluzole and methylprednisolone, used in combination, produce a better effect in improving functional recovery than using either drug by itself. Their research was supported in part by the Kentucky Spinal Cord and Head Injury Research Trust, funding for which comes from the Commonwealth of Kentucky, and by the National Institutes of Health.

The clinical trials will be conducted at the University of Louisville Health Sciences Center; the University of Miami in Miami, Fla.; the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore; Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia; Methodist Hospital in Houston, Texas; the University of Texas at Houston; the University of Virginia Health System in Charlottesville, Va.; and the University of Toronto/Toronto Western Hospital, Toronto, Ontario.

Sponsors and collaborators in the clinical trials are the Methodist Hospital System, Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation, the U.S. Department of Defense, AO Clinical Investigation and Documentation, and the Ontario Neurotrauma Foundation.

### Grant Promotes Eastern Kentucky Cancer Prevention And Control

Richard A. Crosby in the UK College of Public Health has received a multi-million dollar grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Crosby and Dr. Baretta R. Casey, director of the UK Center for Excellence in Rural Health – Hazard, will use this five-year grant to conduct community-based participatory research in Appalachia with a focus on cancer prevention and control.

Through this grant, the Rural Cancer Prevention Center will be housed in Hazard and will cater to the 23-county service area of the UK Center for Excellence in Rural Health-Hazard.

One primary emphasis of the project will be the acceptance of the vaccine against cervical cancer. “We find that less than 30 percent of young women offered the vaccine will accept even the first dose for free,” says Crosby. “It’s even more difficult when you talk about the second or third dose.”

The project will also be looking for ways to prevent other types of cancer that are quite common in Eastern Kentucky, including colorectal cancer.

“The community liaisons who will talk and meet with the participants of the research project are people from the community, so they trust them and they understand them,” said Casey. Casey says the hope is that this localized approach will enable researchers to turn their findings around quickly and have a positive effect on the community to improve health disparities.



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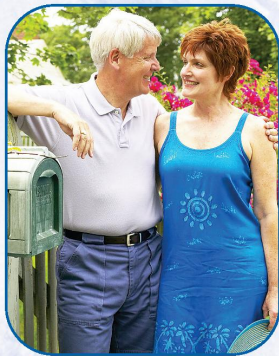


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With the flexibility and uniqueness of charitable bequests, there are several attractive ways for alumni to support UK. But as a general rule, you will want to structure your charitable bequest in the way that best accomplishes your charitable goals while maximizing tax savings. For suggested bequest lan-

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**Inform us of your bequest**

We encourage alumni to inform us if they have included the university in their will. By informing us, we can:

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- Keep you apprised of current and future UK activities in which you may wish to participate — activities where you can meet other philanthropic people with similar interests.
- Thank you for your generous contribution to the University of Kentucky!

## Alumni And Friends Give Record Support Through '08 - '09 UK Phonathons

Alumni and friends of the university gave record support through the '08 - '09 UK phonathon program which ran from July 1 to June 30. More than 17,500 pledges were received amounting to a record \$1.35 million, an increase of 8.8 percent over the previous record set during the previous fiscal year.

"We are extremely grateful for the generosity of UK alumni and friends — especially during this year of budget cuts in higher education and the downturn in the economy," observes Mike Richey, '73 '79, associate vice president for development. "Alumni are be-

coming more aware that their private gifts are needed to help the university carry on its tradition of excellence in teaching, scholarship, research and outreach."

Phonathons are conducted on a year-round basis on behalf of each of the university's colleges and several of its programs. Phonathon gifts assist the university by helping to provide funding for student scholarships, library acquisitions, faculty instruction, student learning experiences beyond the classroom, and other needs.

## Women And Philanthropy Network

There is a new initiative underway to unite and motivate women as leaders, donors and advocates for UK. Co-chaired by UK first lady Patsy Todd and Nawanna Privett, the Women & Philanthropy Network is a community of donors that will pool their resources and collectively select projects, programs and initiatives to support at UK, while engaging in the life of the university through an annual symposium — to be held on Nov. 6 this year — and networking with other women who share a passion for, and commitment to, the University of Kentucky.

The Women & Philanthropy Network is currently seeking founding members. An annual contribution of \$1,000 to the Women & Philanthropy Fund is all that is required for membership in the network. For more informa-

tion, see the Women & Philanthropy Web site at [www.uky.edu/womenandphilanthropy](http://www.uky.edu/womenandphilanthropy) or contact the UK Office of Development.



The Women & Philanthropy Leadership Council is an organization with a passion and commitment to UK.

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# Clay Cockrell: Going That Extra Mile For Patients

*Using Central Park as a backdrop,  
UK grad offers 'Walk and Talk Therapy'*

By Beverly K. Bell

In the beginning, it was just rock and mud; a swampy parcel of land bordered by what is now 59th and 106th Streets, between Fifth and Eighth Avenues.

But Central Park's designer, Frederick Law Olmsted, envisioned something else. Along with British architect Calvert Vaux, Olmsted imagined a refuge for stressed-out New Yorkers. He believed that nothing could cure the ills of the psyche and the spirit like a walk in the park.

Now, psychotherapist Clay Cockrell is proving Olmsted's theory. With a unique brand of therapy, the University of Kentucky graduate is getting his patients up off the traditional couch and outdoors, helping them work through their problems while strolling in America's premier urban sanctuary.

This is not your mother's psychotherapy. Forget the subdued lighting and the floor-to-ceiling bookcases. Instead, think Strawberry Fields and Shakespeare Garden. With Central Park's American elms as the canopy and a Balto statue as the backdrop, "Walk and Talk Therapy" represents a new twist in an established profession.

"When I have to go indoors and meet with a client because of weather, it's a completely different session," Cockrell says. "It's almost as if the two should not be called the same thing — therapy."

Cockrell had every intention of becoming a typical therapist, even though there were clues that something a little more eclectic might be in store for the 1995 graduate. Kids who grow up in small towns like Mount Sterling, Ky., don't normally end up living in the real-life Gotham.

But two years after earning his master's in social work at UK, he did just that, moving to New York City. With his deep interest in acting — he had a minor in theater from his undergraduate days at Asbury College — the 39-year-old Kentucky native had always planned to go

there. When he married fellow UK alumna and aspiring actress Sandy Harper, the relocation seemed inevitable.

The couple thrived, she an active partner in their joint theater company (see page 13) and he growing his private practice. Then, one day, a patient couldn't get away from his job for his mid-day appointment with Cockrell. The commute time, the session itself, the trip back to the office — were too much. When Cockrell's wife suggested he go to the client and conduct the session during the man's lunch hour while walking in nearby Central Park, Cockrell resisted.

"My immediate reaction was 'no, you can't do that,'" Cockrell recalls. But after mulling it over, he couldn't come up with a good reason why *not*. He offered the alternative to the patient, who grabbed the opportunity. Slowly, other clients opted for the walking therapy sessions, as well. And something started to happen. Patients, who hadn't been able to progress in their treatment, began breaking through and making headway.

Walking forward in one of New York's parks became a metaphor for moving forward in their lives.

"They say that every memory you've ever had is stored within all of your cells," Cockrell explains. When people become physically active, everything comes to life — experiences, emotions, self-awareness. The body triggers the mind and the healing.

It took several years, but eventually Cockrell transitioned his entire practice to walk and talk therapy in 2005. He now treats four to five patients a day for depression, addictions, grief, relationship problems and other issues; all while walking 10-15 miles, from early morning to late in the evening. Occasionally he has sessions in Battery Park for his "Wall Street guys," but most of his counseling takes place in Central Park. His practice has been featured in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and on "Good Morning America" and CNN.com.





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Clay Cockrell treats four to five patients a day for depression, addictions, grief, relationship problems and other issues — all while walking 10-15 miles, from early morning to late in the evening, in Central Park.



### From Traditional Roots To Innovation In The City

It's no surprise that Cockrell is making a name for himself. This is a man who believes in the highest of standards for his profession. He learned that lesson from one of his UK professors, Dr. Janet Ford, who taught him statistics. "She saw social work as an honorable field. You need to go into it for the right reasons," Cockrell says.

Another teacher, Dr. Surjit Dhooper, helped Cockrell understand the history of social work, how it was born and how it developed. Cockrell also appreciated how Dhooper, who is Muslim, broadened the perspective of this small-town Kentucky student who had little exposure to cultural diversity. "He was just a wonderful social work teacher...a fascinating man to get to know."

Despite his success, Cockrell acknowledges that his practice is unusual. In fact, he estimates that there are only a handful of therapists in the country who use the walk and talk approach. The reasons they don't are as varied as New Yorkers themselves.

Traditional roots run strong through the profession. Watch one episode of HBO's *"In Treatment,"* with its muted colors and stereotypical couch and the message is clear: this is how therapy is supposed to be done.

Another explanation might be that many cities aren't large enough to ensure privacy. There's an anonymity to New York City that makes walk and talk therapy possible. With more than eight million other residents, Cockrell's patients don't have to worry about running into a friend or acquaintance, and if they do, it's unlikely they would know Cockrell.

"In Mt. Sterling, if people saw me walking with somebody, they would say...there's Clay Cockrell and he's got a patient,' and then confidentiality would be breached," he explains. "Here, nobody has any idea that when they pass us they're watching a therapy session in action."

Also, there may be less of a stigma attached to mental health treatment in New York. Often, residents have few qualms in seeking out what they need — nutritionists, personal trainers, nannies and therapists.

Finally, unlike other places, the city itself can be an ally in successful treatment. Cockrell's clients are able to look at themselves in the much broader context of America's largest city. "They say a lot of therapy is navel gazing," Cockrell says. But sitting in a room, picking oneself apart in relative isolation is not how this therapy works. Instead, it demands engagement and movement, to get out in the world and recognize one's place in it.

### Paying The Price

Pardon the pun, but this kind of therapy is not a walk in the park. "I didn't realize just how difficult it was going to be to walk all day long, to be in a counseling relationship and be so mentally engaged," Cockrell says. "Then, to add on top of it, I'm walking eight, sometimes 10 hours a day. It's exhausting. A lot of other therapists are just unwilling to do that."

It's mid-January and New York City, along with the rest of the Northeast, has been hit with a brutal cold front. Temperatures



plummet below zero at night and reach only the low teens during the day. Snow flurries blowing, wind whipping, Cockrell pushes on. He pulls the new shearling coat up around his neck, as he walks beside and listens to his patient who is somehow invigorated by the frigid weather. Both men exhale, their warm breath dissolving as soon as it hits the brittle air.

For all the benefits of the unique counseling, Cockrell does pay a physical price. Yes, he has lost 20 pounds. His cholesterol and blood pressure are also down. But he suffers from sore feet and frequent blisters. With his fair skin and reddish blonde hair, he can't escape wind and harmful rays, even with hefty and multiple applications of sunscreen. He won't wear sunglasses because he doesn't want to put any barriers between him and his patient. As a result, bright days can leave him with severe headaches. And walking for fun? Forget about it. "We don't go on vacation to go hiking," he says. "We go on vacation to sit on a beach."

On a beautiful spring day, Cockrell heads out for another session in Central Park. He does have a "bricks and mortar" location in Manhattan, but this is his real office: 843 acres, seven bodies of water, 21 playgrounds, 26,000 trees. Few people realize that Central Park is completely man-made. Workers blasted boulders and moved tons of earth and stone over 20 years to create the landscape jewel of the Northeast.

Cockrell can relate to this heavy lifting. That's exactly what his clients do — excavate the disappointment, pain, and yes, even dirt, to gain a fuller, richer life. Over the course of their treatment, his patients will wander past some of the 9,000 benches and 51 sculptures, finding their way through the great, grassy expanse and personal issues.

### More Unconventional Therapy

And 500 miles away, in Cockrell's hometown, some who knew him might describe him as daring, picking up his belongings and

building a life so far away from everything familiar. But if the child reveals the adult, hints of Cockrell's life direction were there all along. His favorite television program growing up was *"The Bob Newhart Show"* whose main character was an unflappable and likeable psychologist. In high school, Cockrell discovered an interest in acting, which he pursued in college with a minor in theater arts. He enjoyed creating a character and understanding the motivation. Even as a young boy, he was always a good listener and loved trying to figure out why people behaved the way they did. And a nickname his great uncle still calls him? Cassius,

after Kentucky's famous abolitionist, Cassius Marcellus Clay. Many words have been used to describe Mr. Clay, but probably the most common is unconventional.

For his part, Cockrell is taking his unorthodox thinking to the next step in [www.onlinepsychotherapy.com](http://www.onlinepsychotherapy.com), which allows patients to receive face-to-face counseling from him, using video-conferencing mechanisms such as Skype and iChat. It's just one more tool Cockrell has created to get people the treatment they need and when they need it.

In 1852, Olmsted's first book, *"Walks and Talks of an American Farmer in England,"* was published. Now a century and a half later, the renowned landscape architect and the Kentucky-born psychologist are connected by a park and a coincidental title. American poet Wallace Stevens once wrote that, "... the truth depends on a walk around a lake." Perhaps this is what Cockrell is doing with his special kind of therapy, helping patients find their own personal truth — one step at a time.

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**"Here, nobody has any idea that when they pass us they're watching a therapy session in action."  
— Clay Cockrell**



Watch video of Clay Cockrell in Central Park at [www.ukalumni.net](http://www.ukalumni.net), keyword: Cockrell

## Fun Times In The City

"I like good stories," Clay Cockrell says.

And clearly, he and wife, UK alumna Sandy Harper Cockrell, are pursuing those stories with passion and perseverance. Four years ago, they formed J City Theater, a production company located in Jersey City, N.J., where they live, directly across the Hudson River from Manhattan. Clay serves as executive producer and Sandy is the artistic director.

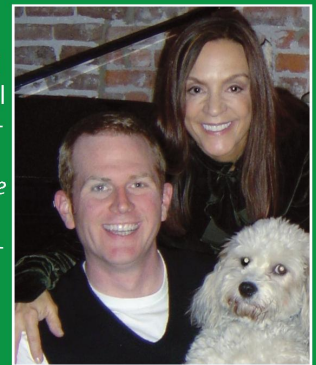
While both graduated from UK — she earned a master's in theater in 1981 with an emphasis on directing — they started dating when both lived in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was working in a substance abuse center, pursuing his master's degree through UK's satellite campus at Northern Kentucky University. She was earning her MFA from the University of Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

Now, with their own company, they have the opportunity to stage the shows that most interest them. These have included *"A Tuna Christmas," "The God Committee,"*

and *"J.B.,"* the Pulitzer Prize-winning play by Archibald MacLeish. The company has its own Web site at [www.jcity.org](http://www.jcity.org)

Clay Cockrell has even been able to translate some of his theatrical experiences to his therapy sessions. Using lines from plays or movies, stressing the importance of nourishing the artistic side, even facing fears like those resulting from auditions and on-stage performances — all of these can be helpful anecdotes for his patients.

"I remember watching, *'The Queen'* with Helen Mirren, and at one point, Queen Elizabeth says, 'I think better on my feet,' and I thought, I should use that quote!"





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# Profiles in **BLUE** Emily Cox



Photo: Paul Atkinson

It's fair to say that most pharmacists have never participated in a beauty contest, let alone the Miss America Pageant. But Emily Cox '08 AS isn't following the path of a typical pharmacist. Now that she has passed her 2008 Miss Kentucky crown to the winner of the 2009 pageant, she is entering the UK College of Pharmacy to become a clinical pharmacist specializing in pediatrics.

"This is very bittersweet for me because it's been one of the most memorable years in my life. I've learned so much and grown in many ways," says Cox. "But now I'm ready to close one chapter and move on to a new part of my life."

While an undergraduate at UK, she was on the Dean's List and in the Tri-Beta Honors Society and Order of Omega Honors Society. After she graduated with a biology degree, she had to put her pharmacy education on hold for a year to fulfill her duties as Miss Kentucky. In addition to her regular appearances as Miss Kentucky, she also was a spokesperson for the Kentucky Department of Agriculture's "No Ifs Ands or Butts — It's the Law" program, educating people of all ages about what can happen if minors buy tobacco products.

Cox is the daughter of Ricky Cox and Jenny Cox and a native of Campbellville. She graduated from Taylor County High School in 2004 and participated in local pageants. She also is an accomplished pianist, starting lessons when she was 5, and demonstrated her accomplishment by winning the Overall Talent Award at the 2008 Miss Kentucky Pageant. The competition also awarded her an \$8,000 scholarship toward her graduate studies.

The 2009 Miss America Pageant was held in Las Vegas, Nev., in January and Cox received a \$6,000 scholarship, as well as the Miss America Quality of Life Award for recognition of her work on her platform, "Uniquely Me: Promoting Self-Esteem in Adolescent Girls." This was a self-esteem program that she created for use with churches, classrooms, and Girl Scout troops. Cox estimates that her message reached about 30,000 young people. She says she had low self-esteem issues as a child and wanted children experiencing the same feelings to know there were ways to overcome this. "I hope some students benefited from the program. I was always encouraged when one of them would tell me at the end of the program, 'I can go for my own dreams, just like you did.'"



## Last Online Purchase

Shoes

"I wear a size 5 and have a horrible time buying shoes so I go to endless.com."

## Childhood Nickname

Possum Queen

"My dad used to call me Possum Queen. Every morning when I came down the staircase, he would sing the Miss America song but substitute the words 'Possum Queen.' So he sang 'Here she comes, Miss Possum Queen!'"

## Celebrity To Meet For Lunch

George Clooney

"I have to go with George Clooney — he holds a special interest for me because he is a Kentuckian and also he is gorgeous."

## Favorite Health Food

Muscle milk protein shakes

"When I was preparing for pageants I was drinking lots of them. One time in the summer I left a bottle of the stuff in my car and I didn't realize it leaked out. I had to have the car steam cleaned after that."

## The Professor Or Gilligan

The Professor

"I do like Gilligan but I really like the professor, probably because I was a bit of a science geek, too."

## Best Advice Received

"Never try to be anything other than what you are, but try to be that perfectly."

## Most Fun Had At A Pageant

"Generally, I've been nervous at pageants. But before the Miss America contest, the organization took all the contestants to Disney World so that we could get to know each other and become friends. It was fabulous and the most fun I've ever had in my life. We had guides and we could go to the front of the line for all the rides."

## Team Player Or Independent

Independent

"I am more of an independent. I have trouble delegating and I feel like I need to do things myself. But I'm working on changing that."

## Things To Splurge On

"Shoes and chocolate — and I love Dove extra dark chocolate."

## Favorite Free Thing

Friendship

"I have a wonderful circle of friends who came out to Las Vegas to show me support for the Miss America pageant. Their friendship is invaluable."

## Most Impatient

"I'm most impatient when I'm sitting in traffic on Nicholasville Road; also when I'm hungry."

## First Job As A Teenager

"I worked in a prom and pageant dress shop in Campbellsville. I'd help the girls pick out and try on the dresses."

## Favorite Season

Fall

"I love everything about the fall — the colors, smells and football games."

## Favorite Spectator Sport

UK basketball

"I am a third generation Wildcat fan!"

## Share A Secret

"Sometimes I eat cookies in bed."

## Daydreams

"I mostly daydream about my future family. I try to picture myself in 10 to 15 years and where I'll be living and what my kids will be like."

## Last Text Message

Mother

"She has finally learned to text. I'm really proud of her!"

## If Queen For A Day

"I would get a group of my girlfriends together and go to a glamorous spa. Later we'd have an elaborate dinner."

## Favorite UK Hangout

Student Center

"When I was an undergrad, I used to meet my friends at the Student Center for lunch every day."

## Most Memorable UK Moment

"I'll always remember being at the football game when LSU played UK and the students were ready to run onto the field."

## Worst Habit

"I practically live in my car but I hardly ever clean it out. It accumulates lots of junk and then I end up driving around with all that stuff."

## Top Of The Bucket List

European Tour

"I've never been out of the country and I would love to do a complete tour of Europe."

## "I Cried While Watching . . .

. . . the movie *My Sister's Keeper*. But I also always cry when I watch *Father of the Bride* and *Steel Magnolias*."

## No. 1 Pet Peeve

"I don't like it when drivers don't use their turn signals."

## Last Luxury Indulged In

Bubble bath

"I took a bubble bath last week. Because of my schedule, that's not happened for at least a year. It was a real treat for me."

## Last Surprise

Birthday party

"My friends threw me a surprise birthday party in Lexington when I turned 23."

## Last Dinner Companion

"I went to dinner with Sarah Billiter, a contestant in the 2009 Miss Kentucky pageant."

## Five Year Plan

"I hope to have graduated from the UK College of Pharmacy, be in a residency program and starting my career as a clinical pharmacist. I'd also like to start a family, but I don't have a boyfriend right now!"



Watch Emily Cox talk about "Uniquely Me." Go to [www.ukalumni.net](http://www.ukalumni.net), keywords: Emily Cox



# Isaac Duncan: <<<

In A 'Small' Art World, He Creates Large Sculptures

By Jesse Darland

Isaac Duncan has a lot of decisions to make. The Chattanooga-based sculptor and 2004 UK alumnus was recently awarded a MakeWork grant from CreateHere, a Tennessee-based organization, which means he'll be able to expand his studio and buy more equipment. That is, if he can find the time to examine his needs. Duncan, after all, is an industrious businessman in the field of art — with little time to spare.

If someone wants to be a sculptor in metal, especially a sculptor who creates art for public places, there are certain things one needs in terms of space and equipment as a business owner. "Real estate is very important," Duncan says. More space equals larger pieces, which often means more publicity and hopefully, more monetary rewards.

His sculpture is formalist, made in steel but shaped and molded to give the appearance of something softer and more organic. He enjoys challenging the expectations people have of the bare metal, and making things that are warm and friendly instead of hard and cold. And the light that catches on the polished surfaces creates interesting interplays of shape and form.

Now there will be a lot of new equipment coming into Duncan's studio because of his recent grant. Much of what he had was old or secondhand. It was good equipment, but — there was always a "but." Parts would break with days to go until a deadline. He was unable to fabricate some portions of his sculpture on his own and was often forced to go to a machine shop to get some things made that he would rather make himself.

That desire to do things himself is a trait Duncan derived from his time at UK, which began from chance meetings with UK graduates. Duncan's path to Kentucky is a long and meandering one. After he graduated from the University of Notre Dame, he spent time in Michigan working, teaching and creating art. Eventually he gravitated to Chicago artist Richard Hunt's satellite studio in rural Michigan. Later, the Krasl Art Center in St. Joseph, Mich., organized an art exhibit with Hunt. Duncan met Garry Bibbs, a 1985 UK graduate and associate professor of art at UK, at the show.

"We say the art world is small," Duncan says, "and this is true."

Bibbs and Duncan had a lot in common and they struck up a friendship. They both came from urban areas — Duncan from Brooklyn, Bibbs from Louisville — and they are both African diasporans. Bibbs urged Duncan to apply to the Master of Fine Arts program at UK.



Photo: Jim Madden/204 Studios

"UK is unique," Duncan says. "It's one of the rare schools that still values a hands-on, craft-driven method and not just all based on conceptual work." The UK art program gave Duncan a fellowship and a private key to studio space, enabling him to work whenever he wanted.

After graduation, Duncan spent the next three years working in Chattanooga for John Henry, an internationally-renowned sculptor who had attended UK in the early 1960s. He was Henry's crew supervisor and they met through UK. Henry was known for hiring sculptors from UK, and Duncan even had a colleague — Bill Rainey — who had worked for Henry in the past. "He believed in the old tradition of making a lot of pieces and working very hard and getting done what had to be done," Duncan says.

John Henry's pieces are absolutely monumental in size, some-





"ToppsieTurnie," Collection of Evan LeDuc, Michigan



"Prince," Loudon House, Lexington, 2008 MSA Symposium

Photos: Isaac Duncan

times reaching 80 feet in height. "If it wasn't for working with John Henry, I might not be working on the scale that I am now," Duncan says.

But Duncan was more than just the shop supervisor. "I was John Henry's right-hand man," he says. Duncan spent long days and nights in the shop, welding, cutting, grinding and sandblasting. He was Henry's painter and crane operator. "Whatever he needed," Duncan says, "I was doing."

Duncan started working for Henry a week after his son was born, so his wife stayed in Lexington until Duncan could get a place ready for them to come down and live. "It was a salaried position, so it didn't matter when — things just had to get done," he says. He'd sometimes work 15-hour days on pieces with Henry and then immediately load them on a truck and transport them cross-country to clients.

The work was exciting and fulfilling, but all the responsibility took its toll. Even though Duncan had his own space in Henry's studio in which to work, finding time to develop his own pieces was difficult. But Duncan welcomed the opportunities the job opened up.

"I got into the arena of the big boys and girls," Duncan says. He gained a solid grounding in the engineering necessary for building monumental works, and — more important — got his first taste of what life was like in the big league of the art world. "It expanded my understanding of what is possible," he says.

Grateful for the education he received working with Henry, Duncan made the difficult decision to leave Henry's studio and strike out on his own about a year ago. He purchased an 11,000-square-foot space and uses 4,800 square feet as an art studio. He now has the freedom to work on two or three pieces at once. Recently he was putting the finishing touches on a bird-like sculpture he's working on for a client in Rock City, Tenn., while cutting pieces for his next client in another area of his studio.

He can also create larger works in the new space. Before, he was mostly limited to pedestal or "garden" pieces, eight to 10 feet tall. "One I'm working on now is 16 feet tall, and I recently sent one to a show in Michigan that was 23 feet tall," he says.

Many arts organizations and artists have been impacted by recent economic woes, but Duncan has been relatively safe because of Chattanooga's unique relationship with its arts community. "The arts are being used as an economic recovery tool here," he says. "Artists make things, and to do that they need supplies. All my steel is bought locally, for example. The relationship I have with my local supplier is much better than what I would have with an outside supplier."

The arts can be a powerful form of local economic stimulus. After all, Isaac Duncan is more than just a working artist — he's a small business owner as well.

Duncan still keeps in touch with Bibbs back in Lexington. Duncan has several pieces in Lexington, and Bibbs was recently awarded an art commission by the Urban League of Greater Chattanooga for his sculpture "Family Relations." Duncan and Bibbs talk regularly, and stop by to see each other whenever possible.

"To me, he's a big brother," Duncan says.



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# Jon Zachem:

## 50 Years Of Flying And Staying Connected To UK

By Jesse Darland



Jon Zachem, Kentucky  
Aviation Museum

Photo: Jesse Darland

There is nothing that makes Jon Zachem more happy than flying. Well, perhaps his long marriage to his wife Nancy, but we'll get to that later. In his Lexington home, this pilot reflects on his flying career and what it's meant to him — and its relationship to the University of Kentucky. "You know, every good thing that's happened to me in my adult life had roots at UK," he says. "Flying and Nancy. I met both airplanes and her here."

Zachem has reason to have strong feelings about UK. He earned his pilot's license while a senior, a license that he's maintained for 50 years. He obtained a bachelor's degree from the College of Arts & Sciences in 1959. Later in life, Zachem began a second career working in the UK Office of Development. And then, of course, there's the wife that he mentioned! UK has been good to Jon Zachem, but he's also given back to his alma mater.

As a student in the late '50s, Zachem was part of the UK Air Force Advanced ROTC program. Several times a week he'd put away his schoolbooks and head out to Bluegrass Field to take flying lessons in a small box of a plane thousands of feet above ground. ROTC paid for private flying lessons for Zachem and his fellow cadets before they entered the more strenuous Air Force training program.

During his senior year, Zachem was selected Wing Commander of his ROTC group. He also completed his first solo flight in a Cessna 140. "There's a big difference between Air Force jets and those little 140s," Zachem says, "but at least it let people know that we had the aptitude to fly an airplane." He was given a pair of pilot's wings that still hang on the wall of his home office today — though they've been augmented by several more over the years.

That senior year was a busy one for Zachem. He also played first base on UK's baseball team and took a part-time job as a houseboy serving lunch and dinner at the Kappa Alpha Theta house.

"There used to be this path by the Chi Omega and Tri-Delt houses and I'd be hurrying through there to work," he explains. He would sometimes meet Nancy Ellen Ladd on her way from the Alpha Gamma Delta house to a noon class. "We'd pass, then we'd smile and speak, and before you knew it we were dating." The couple will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in March.

When Zachem graduated he was commissioned a lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force. He and Nancy threw everything they owned into a '57 Chevy and took off for Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, for his basic training. He later logged 604 combat hours in Vietnam between 1963 and 1964, back when the United States was still advising the South Vietnamese and had not begun formal military operations. Zachem flew a South Vietnamese crew member in an O1-E, a small boxy aircraft not much different from the Cessna he'd trained in at Bluegrass Field, spotting ground targets in advance for bombers.

Zachem left the Air Force with the rank of captain, and almost immediately moved to Chicago, Ill., to begin flying for Trans World Airlines as a first officer and joined the Air National Guard flying F-84F jetfighters in nearby Peoria.

He later moved to New York, where he advanced to captain and began flying international Boeing 767 flights to Europe from the famous TWA Flight Center at JFK International. He sometimes flew famous passengers such as Henry Fonda or Louis Armstrong back and forth across the Atlantic.



Eventually he and Nancy moved back to Lexington. By then, Zachem was a senior captain. He would hop on a plane at Blue Grass Airport in the morning and ride a jump seat to St. Louis, Mo., where he would board a 767 and get ready for takeoff.

In 1989, UK came calling and Zachem took a position to lead the newly-expanded UK Fellows program but he wasn't ready to hang up his pilot's wings just yet.

At the time, many alumni clubs around the area would ask that the UK president, athletic director and coaches come out and speak at meetings. While it wasn't part of his official job description, Zachem was happy to help fly them to meetings — or anywhere else with an airfield and an alumni club.

"Once they were exposed to flying they never wanted to drive again," Zachem says. "We took Kyle Macy up to Columbus, Ohio, once and he just thought it was great. He was used to getting in the car and driving two or three hours one way."

For Zachem's day job in the UK Office of Development, moonlighting as a pilot fit hand-in-glove. While his passengers were speaking to the alumni clubs, he'd meet with existing or potential donors. UK Alumni Association Director Stan Key still remembers Zachem's generosity with his time. "Jon was very helpful to the association in past years in arranging flights and taking the university president and coaches out to meet with alumni clubs," Key says. "These university speaker appearances with the clubs would not have been possible without Jon's services."

An off-duty sideline for Zachem was volunteering to fly for Angel Flight, a charity that provides free, nonemergency flights to critically-ill patients who cannot afford transportation to medical treatment facilities.

When he eventually retired from UK in 1999, Zachem thought he was finally leaving aviation behind. But several months later an acquaintance who owns Photo Science, a Lexington aerial photography and survey company, asked Zachem to consider flying temporarily. Eight years later, Zachem's still flying for him. "I just kept going," he says, and laughs. "I'm part-timing it now. It was just a real blessing because I had started to miss flying."

Zachem has also been involved with the Kentucky Aviation Museum in Lexington as a member of its advisory board, providing encouragement and support. He served eight years on the Blue Grass Airport board and the Lexington Chamber of Commerce board (now Commerce Lexington). He presently serves on the Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission in Frankfort and the Kentucky Aviation Association board.

His daughter, Elizabeth Woodward, has two UK degrees and lives in Lexington with her husband and young children. The whole family is often at UK sporting events cheering on the Big Blue. His son Mark lives in Massachusetts with one daughter. And Zachem has added one more UK connection to his résumé: he's a member of the Class of 1959 Reunion Committee, finalizing the festivities for the Oct. 30 affair, in conjunction with Homecoming weekend.

"This year is a big 50 year thing for me — when I soloed, when my class graduated from UK and when I met my wife," he says. "I'm right back where I started in a way, flying little single-engine planes out of Blue Grass. I've flown a perfect 360."

**This year Jon Zachem receives the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award from the Federal Aviation Administration for 50 years of consecutive, accident-free commercial flying. The award is slated to be presented at the Kentucky Aviation Association's August 2009 conference in Bowling Green.**



Watch Jon Zachem as he visits the Kentucky Aviation Museum. Go to [www.ukalumni.net](http://www.ukalumni.net), keyword: Zachem



Second Lt. Jon Zachem, center, stands proud as his fiancée Nancy Ladd and UK President Frank Dickey pin on his new bars during a ROTC ceremony.



# TODD VINCENT

## Having Lived & Worked in 15 Different Countries... UK Graduate Winchel "Todd" Vincent III Brought His Company "Back Home" to Lexington.

When you first meet Winchel "Todd" Vincent III, you sense a dichotomy: he's seemingly laid-back, he's casually dressed and his self-deprecating humor is a delight. But – make no mistake – this 40-year-old lawyer, with an amazing international resume, heads up a Lexington-based information technology company well known and respected for innovatively pushing the IT envelope for public and private organizations – worldwide. His steadily growing company, incorporated in 2000, and known for many years as <xmlLegal>, is in the process of rebranding itself as xMINIMUS.

Today, the xMINIMUS team, with Vincent at its helm, provides professional IT services, custom software development and off the shelf products to governments, firms and vendors seeking to share and exchange information internally or externally in multi-organization systems. The xMINIMUS brand includes a framework of technologies that minimize budgets, time lines, challenges and risks for organizations that have complex business processes and data exchange needs. Vincent explained, "We've focused on legal, court and justice applications for many years. Through this, we've gained technology experience that transcends the legal industry. We are rebranding so we can expand our portfolio of products and services across industries. Currently, we're focusing our efforts on custom software development and maturing our library of patented products." Vincent has three issued patents and five pending patents. One of his favorites is called "Minimal XML," a technology that inspired xMINIMUS.

Vincent grew up in Lexington, graduated from Tates Creek High School and enrolled in the University of Kentucky in 1987, majoring in political science. Early in his senior year, he learned that, although he thought he was on track to complete all the requirements for a poli-sci degree, he had not taken the beginner's course "PS101 – Orientation to Political Science." The orientation course was added to the course requirements during his junior year. So, after successfully completing 40 hours of poli-sci classes, he enrolled in the orientation class and will very quickly tell you "it was a life-changing event." From a professor in the "101" course, he learned of a unique student exchange program with Germany's Heidelberg University. He applied, was accepted, dropped a three-hour UK class so he'd still be considered an undergraduate and went to Germany. In Germany, he spent two years at Heidelberg University, studying law, perfecting his German language skills and in the process, fulfilling the requirements for his BA in Political Science from UK, which he received in 1992.

After a third year in Germany, Vincent returned stateside to first attend Quinnipiac College of Law, in Connecticut, then Georgia State Law School, in Atlanta. He noted, "It was in Atlanta that I started to combine computer software, human language and the discipline of law. That landed me a job as the law school's webmaster." Vincent graduated from law school with honors in 1997, passed the Georgia bar, but he pointed out, "I never practiced law." Instead, in 1998, he started a small technology company.

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# xMINIMUS

At the same time as he started his first company, he obtained a state grant for an electronic court filing project and, as part of that, founded, led and grew what became a small, 950-person international standards organization named Legal XML (now OASIS Legal XML). As the leader of Legal XML, Vincent traveled and lectured extensively and in 1999, he moved to Australia, working from Sydney for three years, traveling back and forth to the US.



**"My passion is developing software. I want to continue to see my business grow, enjoy my family and generate code that makes the world go 'round.'"**

**-Winchel "Todd" Vincent III**

"Homesick for Kentucky, I bought a home here, but still maintained business ties and a residence in Atlanta. On one of my stays in Atlanta, friends from Kentucky introduced me to Sylvia, the woman who would become my wife. Our family, which includes son, Alex, and daughter, Elli, is now permanently here in Lexington," Vincent added. "I would like to tell you that we settled in Lexington because of the basketball; the truth is, we came because Lexington is a great place to raise a family. After 15 years of travel, it is great to be home raising my children. More importantly, after growing up in Atlanta, it is great that my better half, Sylvia, is happy to call Lexington home."

xMINIMUS has software developers, designers and other employees located here in Lexington and elsewhere in the US, as well as abroad. "We are presently a 23-person virtual company

with a handful of people here in Lexington and most of our clients in California. We are slowly bringing more jobs to the Bluegrass and hope to continue that trend," Vincent explained.

What's next for this "boomerang" professional? "To be honest, my passion is developing software," Vincent admitted. "I want to continue to see my business grow, to enjoy my family and to generate code that makes the world go 'round.'"

Check out his website at [xminimum.com](http://xminimum.com).

And, if YOU are considering coming back home to Lexington where dreamers, mavericks and visionaries thrive, contact:

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## 2009 Distinguished Service Awards

The UK Alumni Association held its Summer Workshop in Lexington at the Embassy Suites, where the 2009 recipients of the Distinguished Service Award were honored during a reception and dinner. The award is given to those who have provided extraordinary service to UK and the association.



Award recipients are, left to right, Susan Mountjoy, W. Cleland White III, Marsha Wallis (2008 recipient), Ted Arlinghaus, Dr. John Clements and Tonya Bumm Parsons.

### **Marsha Wallis** Indianapolis, IN

Marsha Wallis is a 2008 recipient who was unable to attend the Summer Workshop last year. In 1978, she co-founded the Central Indiana UK Alumni Club. She served as its president for two terms and serves on its board of directors. She volunteers at college fairs, UK Office of Admission presentations and Senior Send-off events. Wallis also has served on the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors, as well as on numerous committees, including Alumni Service Award, Club Development, Scholarship/Great Teacher Awards, Communications and Membership. She is a 1969 graduate with a bachelor's degree in nursing and a Life Member of the association. She and her husband, Robert, have three children.

### **Ted Arlinghaus** Edgewood

Ted Arlinghaus is a member of the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club. He has served on the club's board of directors, as well as club president and on several committees including Scholarship, Diversity and Golf. Arlinghaus was the "inventor" of the auction dinner prior to the

golf outing to raise money for scholarships. He is a 1972 graduate with a degree in accounting and a Life Member of the association. He and his wife, Janet, have 10 children. He loves the Wildcats and has a gym in his house that he calls "Rupp Arena North!"

### **Susan Mountjoy** Saint Matthews

Susan Mountjoy has 25 years of involvement with the Greater Louisville UK Alumni Club. She has served on its board of directors and as chairwoman of many events, including the High School Counselors' Receptions and the UK Book Award. She has served in all four officer positions, and expanded the club's scope of service with participation in DanceBlue and "Cats for a Cause." She also has led the club with its partnership with UK on Main. She is a 1972 graduate with a degree in education and a Life Member of the association.

### **Dr. John Clements** Lexington

Dr. John Clements has been an integral part of the Fayette County UK Alumni Club.

He and his wife have opened their home to UK students and "adopted" international students. Serving others is his nature — upon retiring in 2007 after 40 years of private practice, he followed a passion that led him to volunteer his dental expertise to the U.S. Army. He is a 1967 graduate with a degree in dentistry. He served on the College of Dentistry Alumni Board for many years. He and his wife, Lynn, who is also a UK grad, are Life Members of the association and Fellows. They have three sons.

### **Tonya Bumm Parsons** Lexington

The Fayette County UK Alumni Club has been helped by Tonya Bumm Parsons as she served the club in many different capacities, including participating on several committees and coordinating events. She helped with fund-raising efforts leading to a larger scholarship endowment. She also helped to establish the Fayette County Young Alumni Group, which revitalized the Fayette County UK Alumni Club. Parsons, a 1991 graduate with a degree in math, is on the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors. She and her husband, Rick, are both Life Members of the association.

### **W. Cleland White III** Frankfort

W. Cleland White III helped organize the Trigg County UK Alumni Club, serving as president and on its board of directors. Later he was with the Franklin County UK Alumni Club, serving as vice-president, president, and on its board of directors. He helped recognize high school juniors with UK Book Awards, Send-off Parties and the "Cats for a Cause" project. He has been on the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors and was on the Budget, Finance & Investment, Club Development, Scholarship/Great Teacher Awards Committees. He received a bachelor's and master's degree in agriculture in 1958 and 1960. He and his wife, Joan, are Life Members of the association and he also is a Fellow.





## 2009 – 2010 Alumni Association Officers



At the helm for 2009-10 are (l-r), Stan Key, secretary; Cammie DeShields Grant, treasurer; Diane Massie, president-elect and Scott Davis, president.

The University of Kentucky Alumni Association announced a new slate of officers at its annual Board of Directors Summer Workshop in Lexington. At the helm for

2009-10 are Scott Davis, president; Diane Massie, president-elect; Cammie DeShields Grant, treasurer and Stan Key, secretary.

Davis of Fort Thomas earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from UK in 1973 and an MBA from Xavier University in 1978. He has been an active member of the Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club Board of Directors, serving as president and treasurer. Davis is a partner with Tatum LLC, a large financial executive services and consulting firm.

Massie of Chicago, Ill., earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from UK in 1979 and an MBA from the University of

Louisville in 1983. She has been president of the Greater Chicago UK Alumni Club and has served on its board of directors. She is a senior marketing manager with Cars.com.

Grant of Winchester earned an associate degree from Lexington Community College in 1977 and a bachelor's degree in education from UK in 1979. She has served the Clark County UK Alumni Club in various capacities, including on its board, vice president and president. She is employed by the Clark County Board of Education as a speech/language pathologist.

Key of Lexington earned a bachelor's degree in education from UK in 1972 and a master's degree in education from Murray State University in 1977. He is the director of UK alumni affairs and serves as executive director and secretary of the UK Alumni Association.



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## Club Hopping

### Alumni Association And Clubs Help Students Swing Into The School Year

UK is about students! And nothing says “students” more than August and K Week joining forces to welcome everyone back to campus. The UK Alumni Association does its part to help students at the beginning of the semester by hosting a popular Welcome Back Picnic at the King House. Last year, more than 200 students took advantage of the free meal, live music, games and giveaways.

UK Alumni Clubs around the country get in on the action before students even step foot on campus. All summer long they are busy hosting Student Send-off parties for new and returning future alumni. Typically at these events, students and parents get a chance to meet with a representative from campus who can answer any last-minute questions before that trek to Lexington. Of course, there’s usually also a fun activity, refreshments and a gift or two!

And most students welcome help in paying their tuition and fees. To that end, UK alumni are generous with their aid through club scholarships. Some of the financial burden of higher educa-

tion has been alleviated this fall for grateful students who received 101 scholarships totalling \$123,000 from local alumni clubs and the association.

How can club members help even *more* students next year? It’s simple — get involved with your local club. If you can donate to your club’s scholarship fund, that’s terrific! If you can help out by volunteering your time during a club event that promotes scholarships, that’s great, too! Every little bit helps and UK students are forever appreciative. In addition to helping deserving students, you’ll gain the friendly camaraderie of fellow UK Alumni Club members in your local community.

Are you a member but haven’t been to a club event recently? Visit [www.ukalumni.net](http://www.ukalumni.net), keyword: clubs to find the contact information for your local club president — and then follow through with a phone call or e-mail asking for information. Or check out the full list of club events around the country on the home page calendar on the UK Alumni Association Web site. We’d love to see you at a future event!



Sylvia Betts of the Birmingham UK Alumni Club presented a scholarship to UK student Abby Rowland, far left. Also pictured, far right, are Dr. Tom Kincer and Leigh Kincer, Rowland’s stepfather and mother.



The Upstate SC UK Alumni Club hosted a Student Send-off and UK Night with the Greenville Drive baseball outing. Those in attendance included, l-r, Price Atkinson, club president, and incoming UK freshmen Morgan McClure, Hunter West and Alan Johnson.



The Northern Kentucky/Greater Cincinnati UK Alumni Club awarded \$25,000 in scholarships to six area students at its annual meeting. Club President Nicole Utz, front row, center, congratulated Taylor Lloyd (\$2,500 Tim Freudenberg Memorial Scholarship) and Maria Ritter (\$2,500); back row, (l-r) Kris Schroder (\$2,500), Andrew Malott (\$10,000 Endowment Scholarship) and Nathan Klar (\$5,000 graduate fellowship). Not pictured is Zachary Deidesheimer (\$2,500) who was unable to attend the meeting.

## Football Fever!

Following the Cats on the road this season?  
Be sure to stop by our tailgate tents.

Visit [www.ukalumni.net/tailgate](http://www.ukalumni.net/tailgate)  
for more details —

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September 5 – UK vs. Miami (Cincinnati, OH)

October 17 – UK vs. Auburn (Auburn, AL)

November 14 – UK vs. Vanderbilt (Nashville, TN)



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## Club Hopping



### Kentucky Derby Parties Everywhere!



The Greater Houston UK Alumni Club honored long-time member Dan Sparks at its annual Derby Party at the Sam Houston Race Park and had the fifth race dubbed "The Dan Sparks Classic." Sparks is a member of the UK Alumni Association Board of Directors.



Central Ohio UK Alumni Club



Chattanooga UK Alumni Club



Greater Dayton UK Alumni Club



Jacksonville UK Alumni Club



Northeast Ohio UK Alumni Club



Northern California UK Alumni Club



Southern California UK Alumni Club



Northwest Ohio UK Alumni Club



Sarasota UK Alumni Club





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## College View



Patricia R. Wilson received the **UK College of Social Work** Hall of Fame award. Wilson is the commissioner of the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services Department for Community Based Services (DCBS). She previously served as an executive adviser with DCBS, coordinating the state's Child and Family Services Review. Wilson also has 19 years experience as a social worker and supervisor and has been a state administrator and a national consultant.



Dr. Jeffrey P. Okeson was presented with the American Academy of Orofacial Pain Service Award. He is professor and chair of the Department of Oral Health Practice at the **UK College of Dentistry** and director of the Orofacial Pain Program. Okeson, right, is pictured with Dr. Matt Lark, center, president of the American Academy of Orofacial Pain, and Dr. Reny de Leeuw, left, past president and council chair.



**UK College of Engineering** inducted five new members into its Hall of Distinction. The 2009 inductees, pictured above with Dean Thomas Lester, left, are (l-r) Joseph D. Hicks, Bobby O. Hardin, L. Stanley Pigman, Brig. Gen. Timothy A. Byers, and Calvin Grayson.



**UK College of Nursing** students modeled the latest fashions at the Nurses Step Out event hosted by the UK College of Nursing Alumni Association and the UK Alumni Association.



More than 200 educators were honored during the 2009 **UK College of Education** Teachers Who Made a Difference Program. Kathy Roberts, right, pictured with Mary Ann Vimont, left, the director of student, alumni and community affairs, was among those honored. The program had a record-breaking year as educators from 20 states were recognized for the significant influence they have had in the lives of their students.



Recent **Gatton College of Business & Economics** Hall of Fame inductees include, left to right, James E. Geisler, John A. Williams, Elizabeth Griffin McCoy, Paul Rooke and Paul Varga.



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## Career Corner with Caroline Francis



### Use This Simple Job Search Strategy Today

Trying to find your supervisor from a job 10 years ago where you made an outstanding contribution? Wish you could find a contact at XYZ company before you submit a resumé and cover letter? Want to learn more about the career background of the person who will be interviewing you next week?

These are some of the reasons alumni are choosing to use social networking job search tools like LinkedIn.com. Although you can't count on simply filling out a profile and waiting for employers to find you, tools such as LinkedIn can help aid your job search in the above ways. Also, UK alumni on LinkedIn, join the "Official University of Kentucky Alumni Group" and increase your level of career networking.

### 'Why Should I Hire You?'

Being able to confidently answer this question in your next interview may make the difference between you or another candidate landing the position. Bottom line, employers want to know how you can help them save money, solve problems, make something more efficient or bring in new business.

Document a few past examples from your career to add strength to your case. And always close the interview with three reasons why they should hire you.

### Little Things Can Make A Difference

The obvious may not be so obvious. Employers who are hiring say it often comes down to the little things when putting together their final interview lists. Favored are candidates who include:

- A cover letter addressed to the right person. Be a detective; do your research.
- Resumés and cover letters that document skills that match the job. Include specific examples.
- Neat and error free resumés and cover letters.

Top interview errors include candidates who:

- Have not adequately researched the company.
- Spend too long answering interview questions.

**For more job search and professional development tips go to [careercat.blogspot.com](http://careercat.blogspot.com)**

### Take Advantage Of Fall Career Fair And Multicultural Networking Reception

The University of Kentucky Career Fair will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 7 - 8, from noon to 5 p.m. at the UK Student Center Ballroom. Alumni are welcome to attend.

The Multicultural Networking Reception is a diversity outreach event that allows representatives from companies to network with UK students and alumni. The event will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 7, 6 - 8 p.m., at the Career Center.

For more information on both these events and others, go to [www.uky.edu/CareerCenter](http://www.uky.edu/CareerCenter).

Employers interested in participating in Career Fairs, campus recruiting, or posting job announcements for internships, entry-level and more experienced positions, please contact the James W. Stuckert Career Center at 859-257-2746 or go to [www.uky.edu/CareerCenter](http://www.uky.edu/CareerCenter).

### Network With Alumni During Homecoming 2009

Kick off Homecoming weekend by networking with fellow alumni! Attend the Alumni Homecoming Job Search Program Thursday, Oct. 29, at 5:30 p.m. in the James W. Stuckert Career Center.

### 'Attend' The Alumni Job Search Teleconference

Don't live near the UK campus? Can't leave work for a job search workshop? Simply use your phone to take part in these professional development opportunities:

- Job Search Strategies in a Tight Economy: Friday, Aug. 21, noon - 1 p.m. EST
- Interviewing Tips: Friday, Sept. 18, Noon - 1 p.m. EST

To register, go to [www.ukalumni.net](http://www.ukalumni.net) and click into the events calendar. About two days before the scheduled teleconference you will receive the phone number and pass code to use to take part in the workshop.

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## Class Notes

**Kentucky Alumni magazine welcomes news of your recent accomplishments and transitions.**

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### Before 1960

**Pat Paxton Brockenborough '50 AS** is a staff writer for *Posh* magazine, a publication of the *Paducah (Ky.) Sun*.

**Annette Watts McCaleb '54 HS** recently completed 19 years of service as a justice of the peace on the Pulaski County Quorum Court. She lives with her husband John in Little Rock, Ark.

**David Dick '56 '64 AS** is founder of Plum Lick Publishing, an independent press located in North Middleton. He and his wife Lalie recently received an award of recognition from the Happy Chandler Scholarship Foundation. The foundation provides tuition assistance through scholarships to Kentucky students attending college in the Commonwealth.

**Doris Wilkinson '57 SW** is professor of sociology at the University of Kentucky. She recently received the Women Leading Kentucky Lifetime Achievement Award. Among her accomplishments, she is recognized as one of UK's first African-American students and for being UK's first full-time African-American female faculty member.

### 1960s

**Richard G. Edwards '62 '64 '71 EN** continues to enjoy his retirement, including sailing, creating photographic collages and spending time with friends and family. He and his wife Carolyn live in Lexington and spend winters in Tavares, Fla., close to their five grandchildren.

**John Elias '67 LAW** is town attorney of Kenneth City, Seminole and Belleair Shore, Fla.

**Joseph Wiest '67 '70 AS** is professor of physics at West Virginia Wesleyan College. He has been a member of Wesleyan's faculty since 1973 and lives in Buckhannon, W.Va.

**Nick Carter '68 AG, '75 LAW** is a member of the board of directors of Community Trust Bancorp Inc. of Pikeville. He is president and COO of Natural Resource Partners LP and its subsidiaries, as well as Western Pocahontas Properties Limited Partnership and New Gauley Coal Corporation.

**William H. Kipp '69 AS** served as interim mayor for the borough of Franklin Park, Pa. Kipp, a retired manager for Bayer Corp., has served on the Franklin Park Environmental Council since 1998 and has been chairman for seven years. He is a charter member of the borough's scholarship committee and serves on the comprehensive plan implementation committee.

**John W. Page '69 DES** is senior vice president of VOA Associates Inc. He joined the firm in 1996 as a project manager, was named an associate in 1998 and vice president in 2002. He is a registered architect with an NCARB certification and LEED AP professional accreditation from the U.S. Green Building Council. He lives in Orlando, Fla.



**H. David Wilson '69 MED** is dean of the University of Kansas School of Medicine – Wichita campus. He previously served as dean and professor of pediatrics at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences and was appointed vice president for health affairs at that university in 2001.

### 1970s

**Ted Merryman '70 EN** recently retired from his position as chief district engineer for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet in Madisonville. He served in state government for 25 years and held the job of chief district engineer for 11 years.

**Thomas Russell '70 LAW** is chief judge for the U.S. District Court in the Western District of Kentucky. He was appointed to the federal bench by President Bill Clinton in 1994 and lives in Paducah.

**Philip Gilbertson '71 AS** is provost of the University of the Pacific, with overall responsibility for the institution's educational and research programs, library services, information technology, enrollment, financial aid and continuing education. He lives with his wife in Stockton, Calif.

**M. Stephen Pitt '71 LAW** is a member of Wyatt Tarrant & Combs LLP and works on the firm's product liability and toxic tort service team. He has been named "local litigation star" by *Benchmark Litigation* based on recommendations by clients and peers. He lives in Louisville.

**Orson P. Smith '71 EN** is professor and chairman of the civil engineering department at the University of Alaska – Anchorage. He lives in Seward.

**Garry A. Fleming '73 '74 '79 BE** received the 2009 Distinguished Fellow Award from the Virginia Association of Economists. He was president of the association in 2000-2001 and is the John S. Shannon Professor of Economics at Roanoke College in Salem, Va.



## Class Notes

**Jan Martin Frazier '72 ED** is president of the Owensboro Art Guild. She recently exhibited a collection of her pastel paintings at Audubon State Park in Henderson. She lives in Owensboro.

**Michael Foellger '72 LAW** has moved to senior judge status in the Campbell Family Court, part of the Campbell Circuit Court in Newport. He is former assistant Campbell County attorney, chief juvenile court prosecutor and district judge. He started the second Juvenile Drug Court in Kentucky and the first Truancy Court in Northern Kentucky. He has written extensively and taught seminars regarding neglect and abuse of children who are in the court system.

**Gaye Keller Bland '73 '79 AS** is director of the Rogers Historical Museum. She lives in Rogers, Ark.

**Dan Lee '73 DES** is a vice president responsible for the health care, architecture, and interior design team of Halff Associates Inc. He holds several professional certifications, including one from the American Academy of Healthcare Interior Designers. He lives in Richardson, Texas.



**James H. Moore III '73 AS, '76 LAW** has been appointed city attorney in Catlettsburg. He is a partner in the law firm Campbell Woods, on the staff of the *Kentucky Law Journal* and serves on the board of directors of the Ashland Area YMCA. He lives in Ashland.

**John David Smith '73 '77 AS** is the Charles H. Stone Distinguished Professor of American History at the University of North Carolina – Charlotte. He



teaches courses on the American South, the Civil War, and African-American slavery and emancipation. He is author or editor of 19 books, most recently *"Black Soldiers in Blue,"* published in 2004.

**Deborah Mapp - Embry '74 '76 '05 ED** is assistant professor in the College of Education at Spalding University. She lives in Louisville.

**Jerry Cook '75 '77 AS** received the 2008 Acorn Award for Teaching Excellence from the Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education. The award is presented annually to a college or university professor who exhibits excellence in service and commitment to students. He has taught at Eastern Kentucky University since 1983 in the physics department.

**Vickie Maggard Elswick '75 ED** is technology coordinator at Boyd County Middle School and teaches keyboarding and exploratory computer applications. She lives in Greenup.

**Jerry Lowney '76 AS** is a sociology professor at Carroll College. He recently published his third book, *"Stoned, Drunk, or Sober? Understanding Alcohol and Drug Use Through Qualitative, Quantitative, and Longitudinal Research."* He is a certified chemical dependency counselor and lives in Helena, Mont.

**Robert Henry '77 AS, '81 DE** is the 2008 recipient of the UK College of Dentistry Distinguished Alumni Award. He has

been practicing dentistry for 28 years and is a founding board member of Mission Lexington, a nonprofit organization devoted to providing medical and dental care to persons in the community unable to afford health care.

**Duane M. Kirking '77 PHA** has been elected chairman of the U.S. Pharmacopeial Convention Board of Trustees. He retired last year after 27 years at the University of Michigan College of Pharmacy and School of Public Health where he was instrumental in developing the college's department of social and administrative sciences. He also co-founded the college's Center for Medication Use, Policy and Economics.

**John Alex Martin '77 AS** is president and CEO of World Heart Corporation. He was previously president of the North American region and corporate vice president of Edwards Lifesciences. He lives in Coto de Caza, Calif.

**Wade McKnight '77 BE** is an audit partner at J.H. Cohn in San Diego, Calif., and leads the firm's audit practice. He is a certified public accountant and was recently selected to join the city of San Diego Audit Committee. Previously, he headed audit divisions at two major firms and served as the Nevada managing partner at Deloitte & Touche.

**Joseph P. Koester '78 '79 EN** is the geotechnical and materials community of practice lead for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers headquarters in Washington, D.C. He previously served as research civil engineer and chief of the geotechnical and earthquake engineering branch of the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center in Vicksburg, Miss.

**Donald W. Stinnett '78 BE** is senior vice president and controller of HCA Inc. He previously served as chief financial officer of the HCA Eastern group. He lives in Franklin, Tenn.

**Charles R. Wesley '78 EN** is a member of the board of directors of Alliance Resource Management GP LLC. He is also senior vice president of operations for Alliance Resource Partners LP.

**Ted Cudnick '79 ED** received the 2009 Unsung Hero/Volunteer of the Year Award from the Community Foundation of the Florida Keys. He managed the hurricane evacuation shelter at Florida International University three times in 2008. During Hurricane Ike, he led a team of Red Cross volunteers for four days. He has been a Red Cross volunteer for 12 years and lives in Key Largo, Fla.



**Brad Hancock '79 BE** is director of the Neeley Entrepreneurship Center at Texas Christian University. He was recognized with a Master Teacher Award in 2008 by the Acton Foundation for Entrepreneurial Excellence, has extensive consulting experience and has been an entrepreneur and business owner for 13 years. He lives in Fort Worth, Texas.

**Scott C. Jordan '79 EN** is commercial lighting control project manager for Schneider Electric. He lives in Murfreesboro, Tenn.



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### UK Alums, Father & Son, Make Kentucky Bar Association History



Charles English Sr., left, and son Charles English Jr. have both served as president of the Kentucky Bar Association.

Charles E. English Jr. — who goes by the name “Buzz” — is the newest president of the Kentucky Bar Association. He is a partner in English Luca Priest & Owsley LLP and a longtime active member of the bar association, previously serving as the association’s vice president and a member of its board of governors.

English received a bachelor’s degree from UK in 1980 and his law degree in 1983. But there’s something else about him that’s remarkable. His father, Charles E. English Sr., also received a bachelor’s degree and law degree from UK (1957 and 1960, respectively) and served as president of the Kentucky Bar Association from 1985 to 1986.

This history makes them the only parent and child to both serve in that office.

Charles English Jr.’s agenda for his term as president is ambitious. He wants to secure the future of the Kentucky Legal Education Opportunity program, which provides law scholarships for minorities and for those from areas underserved by legal counsel in Kentucky. He also wants to establish a new law school “boot camp” for first-year law students. “Law school is a challenge to any new law student,” English says.

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**Elizabeth Pope Cowell '80 BE** is executive vice president at Whitney National Bank and oversees retail and business banking from the bank's headquarters in New Orleans, La. She also leads marketing, public relations, sales, service and product and delivery channel management in all Whitney markets throughout the Gulf Coast.

**Bradley R. Smith '80 BE, '86 LAW** is executive vice president and chief executive officer of Kentucky Farm Bureau. He joined the organization as staff counsel in 1987. He lives in Louisville.

**Chip Bowles '81 AS, '84 LAW** is with the Louisville firm Greenebaum Doll and McDonald PLLC. He was recently awarded the American Bankruptcy Institute Annual Service Award. He concentrates his practice in the areas of distressed asset sales, professional compensation, representation of nonattorney professionals and debtor and creditor rights.

**Susan K. Knoll '81 AS** is a partner in the intellectual property, media and technology department of the law firm McDermott Will & Emery. She lives in Houston, Texas.

**David J. Macemon '81 EN** is a market manager for the design-for-test division of Mentor Graphics in Portland, Ore. Prior to Mentor, he held positions at Dell and SiQual. He lives in West Linn.

**Robert L. Houser '82 EN** is chief executive officer of Hill TMG, having been promoted from vice president in the company's Cairo, Egypt, office. He oversees all operations for the joint venture, which will man-

age major hotels and commercial projects for Talaat Moustafa Group Holding Co.

**Bob Lanham '82 EN** is an analyst with Mercer's Louisville Retirement Service Center. He lives in Louisville.

**Mark B. Goff '83 EN** is a staff system engineer in the transmissions and maintenance department of the substation/power equipment group for the Tennessee Valley Authority.

**Steve Stevens '83 BE** is president of the Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce. He sits on the board of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, is actively involved with the Boy Scouts of America and is a co-founder of Legacy, a leadership training organization. He lives in Taylor Mill.

**Philip R. Hughes '84 ED** is assistant provost and associate athletic director of the University of Michigan and directs the academic success program in the department of intercollegiate athletics. He was previously associate director of athletics for student services at Kansas State University.

**Tim Matz '84 BE** is president of the Foley Wine Group in Los Olivos, Calif. He has more than 26 years of business experience and 21 years of experience in wine and spirits industry management.

**William Paul '84 MED** is a member of Pain Consultants of West Florida. He is board certified with the American Board of Anesthesiology with a subspecialty in pain management.

**Kenneth W. Robinson '84 AS** is director of public archaeology at Wake Forest University. He and his wife live in Eastover, N.C.



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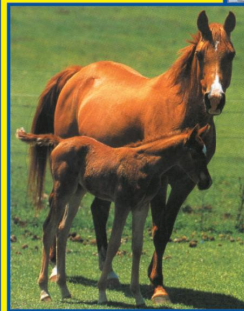
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**Naomi Tutu '85 GS** is chairwoman of the Tutu Foundation for Development and Relief in Southern Africa, based in Hartford, Conn. She has taught at universities in the United States and internationally. She recently served as program coordinator for the Race Relations Institute at Fisk University in Nashville, Tenn.

**Alan C. Lowe '86 '88 AS** is director of the George W. Bush Presidential Library in Lewisville, Texas. He has 14 years of experience working with the National Archives Presidential Libraries system.

**Anthony L. White '86 '88 BE** is vice president and internal audit and chief compliance officer at GulfMark Offshore Inc. He is a certified public accountant, certified management accountant, certified internal auditor and certified information systems auditor. He lives in Houston, Texas.

**Carol H. Cobb '87 LAW** recently retired from her position as a Jefferson County prosecutor after more than 20 years on the job. She plans to spend her time traveling and doing part-time work as an attorney.

**Kristin Eileen Dougherty '87 BE** is senior vice president of sales at Collect America, Denver, Colo. She recently completed a one-year term as president of DBA International, a trade association that promotes standards for self-regulation and ethics in the debt buying industry.

**Catherine M. Chambers '88 '90 BE** is professor of economics at the University of Central Missouri. She lives in Warrenburg, Mo.

**Marin "Marty" Meloche '88 BE** is an associate professor in

the department of food marketing at Saint Joseph's University. He lives in Glenside, Pa.

### 1990s

**Holly Houston '90 CIS** is a lawyer practicing in Louisville primarily in the area of family law. She is on the boards of Louisville Girls Leadership and Blessings in a Backpack, a member of the Junior League, vice chairwoman for the family law section of the Louisville Bar Association and on committees for the Alliance Speed Museum and the Actor's Theatre Lobster Feast fund-raiser.

**Kimberly Black Maffet '90 NUR** is interim vice president for human resources at the University of Louisville. She is also chairwoman of Kentuckiana-Works, Greater Louisville's workforce investment board, and is a member of the Kentucky Workforce Investment Board.

**Zhiqiang An '91 AG** is chief scientific officer of Epitomics Inc., headquartered in Burlingame, Calif. He is a frequently invited speaker at various scientific conferences and has authored numerous patents, journal articles, review papers, and books, including *"Handbook of Industrial Mycology"* and *"Therapeutic Antibodies: From Theory to Practice."*

**Patrick Kass '91 BE** is director of transportation services at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. He was previously director of parking and transportation services at the University of Arizona and the University of Kentucky.

**Martha Potts Venn '91 ED** is vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty at Macon State College. She was previously founding dean of the college's School of

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Zulfiqar Ahmad '92 AS is professor and chairman of the department of earth sciences at Quaid-i-Azam University in Islamabad, Pakistan. He worked as a geophysicist and hydrogeologist with Saindak Metal for seven years and developed potential groundwater aquifers in northwest Pakistan.

Brian Gatchel '92 CIS, '95 LAW is with the firm White & Allen PA in New Bern, N.C. His practice emphasizes education law, small business law, wills and estate planning.

Kenneth L. Hensley '92 '96 AS is a scientist in the free radical biology and aging research program at the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation. He is the author of several journal articles and book chapters as well as co-author of the book *Methods of Biological Oxidative Stress*. He lives in Oklahoma City.

Kathleen K. Keys '92 FA is a professor in the department of art at Boise State University, where she is the undergraduate and graduate art education program coordinator. She was selected as the 2008 Art Educator of the Year by the Idaho Art Education Association. She also is on the Boise City Department of Arts and History Visual Arts Advisory Committee.

Lisa C. Rexroat '92 AS, '92 BE is the senior vice president and regional human resources director for the Florida region of Fifth Third Bank. She resides in Naples.

Hiram Johnson '93 SW is an ordained minister in the United

Methodist church and a licensed therapist at Crossway Counseling Center in Daphne, Ala. He currently resides in Fairhope along with his wife Jill and daughters Hannah and Sarah.

M. Christopher Brown '94 ED is dean of the College of Education at the University of Nevada – Las Vegas. He is the author/editor of 12 books and monographs and has written or co-written more than 100 journal articles, book chapters and publications related to education and society. He lives in Las Vegas.

Lee Helmers '94 AS is a founding partner of Helmers Gatterdam LLC, a Lexington-based portfolio management firm. He was recently presented with the Leading Edge Adviser Award from the Structured Products Association. He is a certified financial planner.

Ron Leinen '94 AS is an attorney at Vincent Roth and Toepfer in Galena, Ill. He is also on the board of directors for Habitat for Humanity of Jo Daviess County and the Galena Area Chamber of Commerce.

Ashley C. Fowlkes '95 CIS is assistant director for the Warren County Public Library in Bowling Green, Ky. She was previously the library's outreach manager.

Dana L. French '95 GS is director of market research for *Furniture Today* and several other Reed Business Information titles. She lives in High Point, N.C.

Charles A. White '95 EN is managing engineer of the transportation group at Barton & Loguidice PC. He lives in Manlius, N.Y.



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**Karen Gill '96 ED** teaches physics at Henry Clay High School in Lexington. She also received the 2009 Kentucky Teacher of the Year Award.

**Terry Likes '96 CIS** is chair of the department of communications at Tennessee State University. He recently won his third consecutive Edward R. Murrow Award from the Radio/TV News Directors Association. His winning documentary entry, "*The Comedy of Politics: No Laughing Matter*," dealt with recent election coverage.

**Susan K. Sigman '96 CIS** is director of communications for the Florida State University Foundation. She previously held positions in account management with several large advertising agencies in Atlanta, Ga., and Kansas City, Mo. She lives in Tallahassee.

**Judith Sullivan '96 '05 FA** is assistant professor of music education at Tennessee Technological University. She lives in Cookeville, Tenn.

**Tina Payne Bryson '97 SW** is the director of parenting education and development for the Mindset Institute in Los Angeles, Calif. She also writes articles and creates podcasts for eHarmony's parenting Web site. She was presented with a 2008 Herbert H. Reynolds Outstanding Young Alumni Award from the Baylor University Alumni Association for her achievements.

**Chris Carmicle '97 EN** is the chief executive officer of Casual Living Worldwide, a division of Brown Jordan International which is based in Louisville. He also is president of national accounts and direct imports for Brown Jordan.

**Tony R. Hopkins '97 AS, '98 CIS** is library director of the Zanesville Campus Library at Ohio University – Zanesville. He was previously director of the Waterbury branch library of the University of Connecticut.

**Gerasimos S. Stavens '97 MED** is a cardiologist with Cypress Heat PA in Wichita, Kan. He completed postgraduate training at St. Louis University Hospital and the VA Medical Center in St. Louis, Mo. He also completed fellowships at several medical institutes, including Duke University Medical Center and Hartford Hospital in Connecticut.

**Phillip D. Beaman '99 BE** is a certified public accountant and a partner in Monroe Shine and Company in Louisville. He has been with the firm for nine years and works with business and nonprofit clients, providing audit, tax and consulting services. Beaman also has served as treasurer of the board of directors for Tiny Pieces and is co-chairman of the One Southern Indiana YES program.

**Mark W. Starnes '99 BE, '03 LAW** is a shareholder and director of Sullivan Mountjoy Stainback & Miller PSC. He is a member of the Daviess County Estate Planning Council and serves on a number of local nonprofit association boards, including as vice chairman and legal council for the Greater Owensboro Chamber of Commerce.

### 2000s

**Constance Ewing Adams '00 ED** is director of psychology for Madison County Schools. She recently received an award from the National Association of School Psychologists for her advocacy efforts to improve education and mental health services for students and their families. She lives in Richmond.

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**Owen J. Dwyer '00 AS** is assistant professor of geography at Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis. He is the co-author of *“Civil Rights Memorials and the Geography of Memory,”* which examines the rationale and politics behind the placement of Civil Rights memorials in the United States.

**Gigi Girard '00 MED** is an obstetrician/gynecologist with Associates in Obstetrics and Gynecology. Girard has dual citizenship in the United States and Australia. Before applying to medical school at UK, she worked in Aboriginal clinics in Western Australia. She lives in Louisville.

**Charles S. Joels '00 MED** is a vascular surgeon with Parkridge Medical Center in Chattanooga, Tenn. He completed a fellowship in vascular surgery at Greenville Hospital System in South Carolina. He is certified in general surgery by the American Board of Surgery.

**Tyson A. Kamuf '00 AS, '03 LAW** is a shareholder and director of Sullivan Mountjoy Stainback & Miller PSC. He has a general civil practice with a concentration in utility law. He lives in Owensboro.

**Calvin Taylor '00 FA** is a pianist and recording artist with Master Disc Records in Bowling Green. He has performed all over the world, including in North and South America, Ukraine, Europe and the Far East. He also has written several books, including *“The Patriotic Piano”* and *“Spirituals for Piano.”*

**Nardos Ghebrelul Benton '01 DE** opened a private practice, Bluegrass Dentistry, on Richmond Road in Lexington in 2005.

**Casey McKinney '01 FA** recently exhibited a group of paintings entitled *“We Made It Out Alive”* at the Architype Gallery in Louisville. He lives in Glasgow with his wife and family.

**Gladys Evans Peoples '01 '03 ED** is head principal at Bryan Station High School in Lexington.

**Rebecca M. Zani '01 CIS** is executive producer and reporter for KSL NewsRadio in Salt Lake City, Utah. She recently won a regional Edward R. Murrow Award for her two-part feature *“The Dangers of Energy Drinks.”*

**Monica Liliana Guzman '02 MED** is a senior instructor of medicine at the Wilmot Cancer Center at the University of Rochester Medical Center in New York. She specializes in research to improve cancer therapy by targeting cancer stem cells. She is a member of the American Society of Hematology, the American Association for Cancer Research and the Breast Cancer Coalition of Rochester.

**Jessica Harris Hosfield '02 '06 DES** is a registered architect with GBBN Architects. She has been at GBBN's Lexington office since 2006.

**Bryan Lee '02 DES** is a registered architect with BSSW Architects in Southwest Florida, where he started as an intern. Recent projects he has been involved with include renovation of the Fort Meyers Public Works Annex, as well as the Terry Park Stadium and the recently opened Lakes Park Railroad Museum.

**Mark A. Mathews '03 BE** is vice president for finance and business at Transylvania University. He was previously treasurer of the University of Kentucky.

**Jeremy Thornton '03 '04 BE** is assistant professor of economics at Samford University Brock School of Business. Thornton also is coordinator of the social entrepreneurship program at the school. He and his wife Jennifer live in Helena, Ala., and have two children.

**Mark Groundland '04 AS** is assistant professor of Spanish in the department of foreign language at Tennessee Tech University. He was recently recognized during the Modern Language Association Convention's Presidential Address in San Francisco, Calif. He lives in Cookeville, Tenn.

**Brandon Thomas Kruchinski '04 AG** is a sales consultant with Synthes CMF. He served as a captain in the Army and is a veteran of the war in Iraq, earning a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star. He lives in San Antonio, Texas, with his wife, the former **Andrea Michelle Pryor '04 AS**.

**Kimberly Ann Mahood '04 DE** is in orthodontics residency at the University of the Pacific Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry. She lives in San Francisco, Calif., where her husband has a private practice.

**Schann Mobley '04 FA** teaches theater at Corbin High School and Corbin Intermediate School. She also lives in Corbin.

**Adam Thompson '04 DE** was named a Preceptor of the Year at the 25th Anniversary Banquet for the Northeast AHEC, where he is a preceptor for dental students with St. Claire Regional Family Dentistry in Frenchburg.

**Ashley Elizabeth White '04 BE** is senior account manager at Doe-Anderson Inc. She previously worked as marketing manager at New Age Technologies. She lives in Louisville.

**Kaycie Len Carter '05 AG** is lead organizer for the Community Farm Alliance. She previously worked with the advocacy group for two years as a rural organizer. She lives in Salvisa.

**Julie Chandler '05 FA** owns Salon Shangri-La in Bonita Springs, Fla., specializing in organic hair care products. She lives in Estero.

**John R. Astle '06 AS** recently received his law degree from the North Carolina School of Law.

**Molly J. McCord '06 AS** is a Peace Corps worker in Honduras, where she works in the mountain village of San Francisco de Ojuera. She has taught English and other courses, helped a women's group create handmade hats and worked with local government employees to computerize their records. Her home in the United States is Fort Thomas.

**Sarah Elizabeth Renfro '06 CIS** is the student youth minister of First Christian Church in Frankfort. She also hosts workshops across Kentucky to talk with girls about body image and self-esteem. Renfro is a former international fashion model and worked for Elite Model Management.

**Joe Qualls '07 AS** is a postdoctoral fellow and research associate at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. He and his wife live in Cordova, Tenn.

**Joe Dan Beavers '08 GS** is finance director for LifeSkills and a certified public accountant. He lives in Bowling Green.

**Brad Mitchell '08 AG** has been admitted to the Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine as a member of the class of 2012. He is a native of Greenwood.



## **>>> In Memoriam**

The UK Alumni Association extends its sympathy to the family and friends of the deceased.

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| <b>Kathleen Osborne Powers '46</b><br>Bicknell, Ind.             | <b>Joe E. Crafton '52</b><br>Houston, Texas, Life Member       |
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# GLEANINGS FROM THE Kentucky Kernel

## 1934

More than 900 alumni return for one of the largest Homecoming celebrations in recent history . . . The UK Library receives donation of rare editions of Greek and Roman classics . . . All fraternity and sorority meetings and social activities are temporarily suspended due to the threat of a polio epidemic on campus . . . Newspaper editors doubt radio will ever replace newspapers as the primary influencer of public opinion . . . UK band chosen as official band for President Roosevelt's visit to dedicate memorial in Harrodsburg . . . ODK revives fundraising campaign for construction of student union building on campus . . . Five blacksnakes escape from their cages in the campus Natural Science Zoo; they are quickly recovered . . . Records containing a recording of "On, On U of K" will be sold for \$1 each if sufficient demand is expressed . . . Delegates from Canada and seven U.S. states arrive on campus for college public relations convention . . . Cwens sponsors Japanese Bazaar in Boyd Hall for students looking for intriguing, unusual Christmas gifts.

## 1959

A number of women's study rooms are converted to bedrooms as the university prepares for the coming enrollment of "war babies" . . . The Little Commons student cafeteria is to be torn down to construct a new, 28-space parking lot . . . A six-week night class will be offered in applications and programming of the IBM 650 computer . . . The university computing center serves as a model for several area universities . . . Ag students prepare animals for exhibitions . . . Coach Rupp receives plaque and letter of appreciation from the U.S. Air Force in honor of his work

## Moments In History



Courtesy of the Kentuckian

### Queenly Stature

**There was a time when UK had many beauty contests with the resulting royal courts. Shown here is Pixie Priest (Adrienne Priest McGaw), who was crowned the 1959 UK Homecoming queen. She received a bachelor's degree in home economics in 1962 and was a teacher in Lexington and Hopkins County. Now she lives in Madisonville and is a Hopkins County UK Alumni Club member. McGaw still owns the homecoming dress, has five grandchildren (three are girls), and says one of her granddaughters will wear the dress someday.**

overseeing a basketball camp for the Pacific Air Force . . . Commerce professor calculates UK students walk a total of 31,000 miles in the process of registering for spring classes . . . Faculty vote against allowing a Wednesday holiday before Thanksgiving; students protest, plan to skip school . . . Why not try Tang! An advertisement appears in the *Kernel* for the new powdered breakfast drink you can keep in your room . . . The University Press readies publication of Henry Clay's personal papers.

## 1984

Math department will offer prizes for solving its "problem of the week" competition . . . Naomi Tutu-Seavers, a graduate student in the Patterson School of Diplomacy, says she is proud of her Nobel Peace Prize-winning father Desmond Tutu . . . A 310-million-year-old fossil is donated to the university . . . SAE, KD, and Aladdin's Castle Arcades in Fayette and Lexington Malls host a "Video Wars" arcade game competition as a fund-raiser for the March of Dimes . . . The physics department purchases a new \$50,000 supercomputer, small enough to fit into an office . . . U.S. Department of Energy awards UK professor a grant to research cleaner coal technology . . . University Senate approves tougher writing and English requirements for undergraduates . . . Asbestos is found in the Medical Center and other campus structures . . . Hall and Oates dazzle the crowd in a packed Rupp Arena concert . . . AT&T donates equipment to UK for teaching and research . . . Office products department will offer students, faculty, and staff special discounts of 22-37 percent on Apple, IBM, and Wang computers.

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# Head Cat In Waiting

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## Joker Phillips



Mitch Barnhart, left, UK Athletics Director, and Rich Brooks, right, UK football coach, were on hand when Phillips, center, was named the next coach of the Wildcats.

Consistency. It's a word Joker Phillips uses frequently when talking about the University of Kentucky football program. It's also a word that could be used to describe the former Wildcat who has been named the next Kentucky head football coach when Coach Rich Brooks retires.

Throughout his playing days and his coaching career, Phillips has shown consistency in working hard and dedication to his alma mater.

"That's what you want — as a player and as a coach — is to be consistent. That is how you achieve success and keep it going. That's what we want to do here at Kentucky, continue to build upon the success we've had. It's not easy, certainly. It takes work, but it is something we are committed to doing," Phillips said.

Phillips has certainly contributed to Kentucky's football success. As a player from 1981-1984, he helped lead the Wildcats to Hall of Fame Bowl appearances his junior and senior seasons. He finished his playing career tied for fifth on UK's career receiving list with 75 catches for 935 yards

and nine touchdowns. Phillips played three professional seasons with the NFL's Washington Redskins and with Toronto in the Canadian Football League.

As offensive coordinator and wide receivers coach, he has helped the Wildcats to an unprecedented three straight bowl wins.

"It is a great feeling — better than great. It means the world to me to be here and to be a part of this, to give something back to this place that has given so much to me," he said.

Phillips said that while he was a player, he never imagined that he would one day be the future head coach of the Wildcats. In January 2008, when Coach Brooks and UK Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart announced that he would one day head the football program, Phillips said it felt like a dream.

"It's a great honor for me. I am very fortunate to be able to learn from Coach Brooks. I couldn't ask for anyone better. To have an opportunity to lead a program that I have always loved is very special to me."

Phillips earned a bachelor's degree from

the UK College of Communications and Information Studies in 1989. He is married to the former Leslie Stamatis, also a UK grad.

The Franklin native began his coaching career at Kentucky, serving as a graduate assistant in 1988-89. In 1990, he served as an assistant recruiting coordinator and as an assistant coach in charge of wide receivers from 1991-96. After stops at Cincinnati, Minnesota, Notre Dame and South Carolina as an assistant coach, Phillips returned to UK in 2003.

Phillips said the players haven't treated him any differently since he was announced as the head coach in waiting. He says it's been business as usual — and that is continuing to keep the program moving in the right direction.

"What we have going here is special. I want to keep it going and continue to improve. I have taken something from every coach I have worked with. That is part of becoming a head coach and building a staff," Phillips said. "At the same time, you also have to be yourself."





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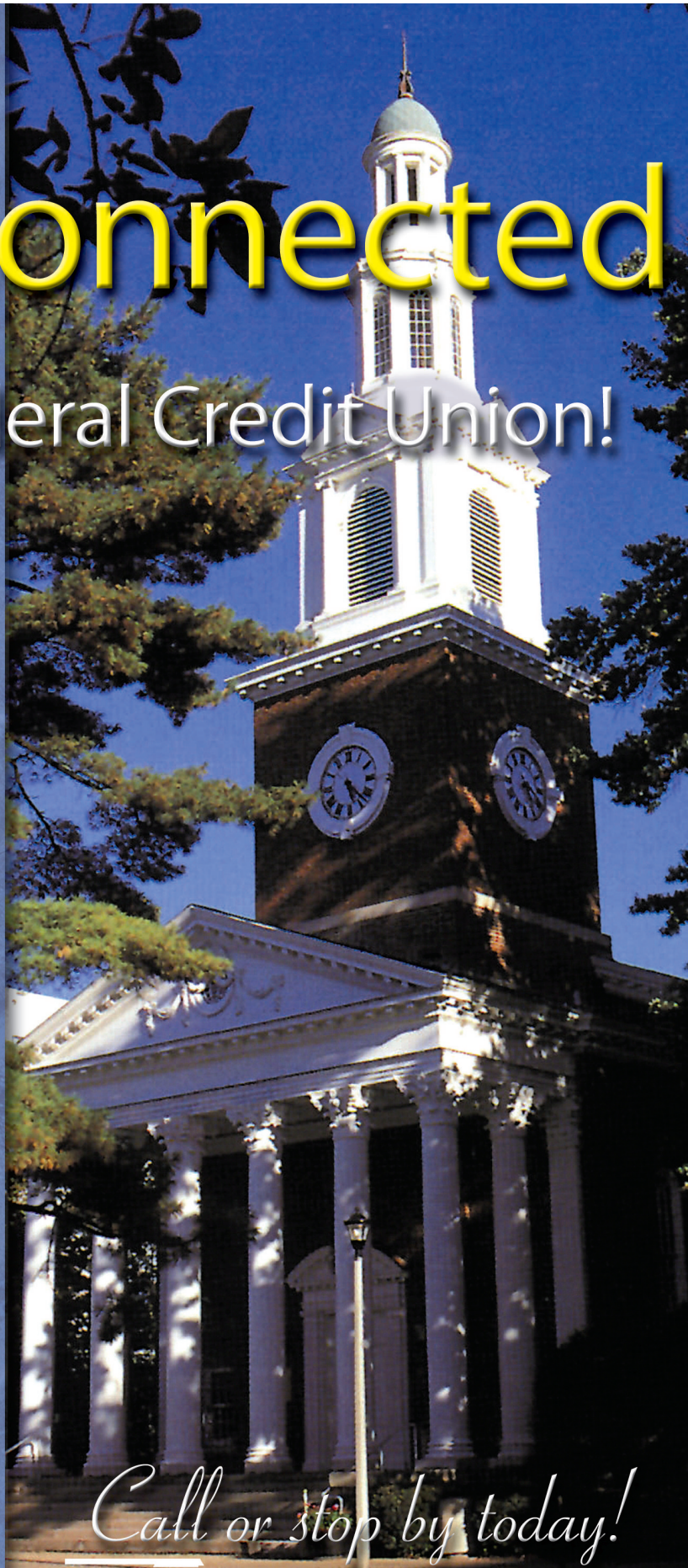


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