

BROWN WINS SG PRESIDENCY

349 more voters go to the polls than in last year's election

By Sean Rose
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

After 15 minutes of anxious waiting, the Student Center patio erupted with applause and cheers last night when Jonah Brown was named next year's Student Government president.

Brown won by 441 votes and raised a number one over his head as supporters threw their arms in the air, hugging the future president. Friends laughed and shouted, "President Brown!" while his dad videotaped the celebration.

"Words can't describe how I feel," Brown said. "I'm so grateful for everyone who made this possible. I couldn't have done this alone."

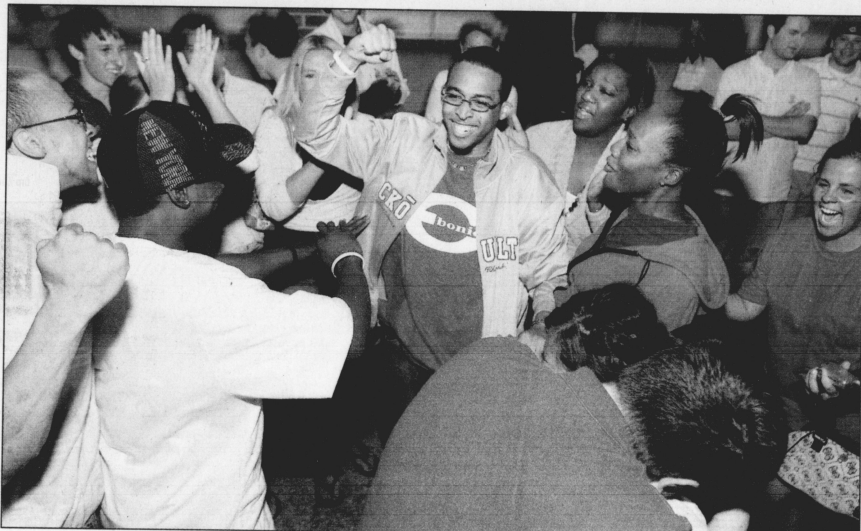
Brown said he wasn't sure he was going to win before the announcement.

"This was a close race," Brown said. "All the campaigns worked hard today."

"I was so proud of our campaign at five o'clock today that I knew if we didn't win there was nothing else we could have done," he said, pausing to tell a call on his cell phone that he had won as he bit down on a celebratory cigar.

Brown's running mate, Mallory Jenkins, echoed his excitement and uncertainty before the results were read.

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Jonah Brown celebrates his victory after the results of the Student Government election were read last night on the Student Center patio.

KEITH SMILEY | STAFF

Dining, energy measures approved

By Blair Thomas
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

UK students voted yes to both referendums presented on this week's election ballots last night.

The Election Board of Supervisors announced that the student vote approved the petition to return the dining plan to a declining-balance system and the Green Thumb-sponsored suggestion to raise student fees by \$6 to \$8 for renewable energy sources.

Though they did not expect much student opposition, the parties behind each referendum were relieved after the announcement.

"It was a long couple of days," Green Thumb member

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The Winners

President/Vice President
Jonah Brown/Mallory Jenkins (1,484 votes)
Preston Worley/Scott Mcintosh (1,043)
Andy Bates/Will Fuller (640)

Senators-at-large

Emily Fortney (1,290 votes)
Rupika Inayat (1,272)
Blake Burnett (1,201)
Brittany Langdon (1,190)
Jesse Parrish (1,086)
Tyler Montell (1,052)
Britney Jackett (1,037)
Lindsay Gordon (1,029)
Stephanie Wardock (1,008)
Sara Henderson (998)
Jackie Colgate (994)
Jason Robinson (990)
Lauren Rasmor (982)
Samuel Galusha (960)
Travis White (957)

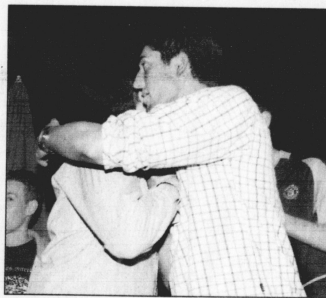
College Senators

Agriculture Brent Burchett (180 votes)
Arts and Sciences Megan Thompson (333)
Business Rob Scott (154)
Communications Tegan Alexander (154)
Dentistry Kyle Reynolds (10)
Design Erik Dyer (28)
Education Stephanie Burke (123)
Engineering Josh Odo (112)
Fine Arts Jeff Barber (63)
Health Sciences Andrew Schutte (6)
Law Tom Raaf (56)
Medicine Justin Rasmor (68)
Nursing Morgan Hale (6)
Pharmacy Joey McElroy (79)
Social Work Michael Brewster (23)

Referendums

Question 1: Are you in favor of the meal plan returning to a declining balance (debit) system?
Yes (2,635 votes)
No (668)

Question 2: Do you support a new student fee of \$6 to \$8 per semester to be used for the purchase of renewable forms of energy on UK's campus?
Yes (2,122 votes)
No (1,069)



Student Government presidential candidate Andy Bates and his running mate, Will Fuller, hug after placing third in the race.

TINIA SPANILINO | STAFF

Bates hopes SG earns respect

By Shannon Mason
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Presidential candidate Andy Bates sat on a rock wall and sipped on a Pepsi last night outside of the Student Center after hearing the results of the Student Government presidential election.

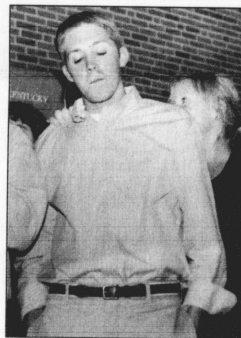
Bates and running mate, Will Fuller, were disappoint-

ed to find out they had been defeated.

"It looks like the G-PAC decided the vote again," Bates said, referring to winner Jonah Brown who had the endorsement of the Greeks during this year's election.

"I was disappointed," said Fuller. "We had our

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Student Government presidential candidate Preston Worley listens to the election results last night on the Student Center patio.

BRAD LUTTRELL | STAFF

Worley vows no violation claims

By Brandon Canada
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Preston Worley's mood was somber after the announcement of UK's new Student Government president last night. Presidential candidate Jonah Brown received 441 more votes than Worley.

"I wish Jonah the best," Worley said after the an-

ouncement, adding that he would not file any claims of election violations.

"(Brown) ran a clean campaign, and I think he has some really good ideas. When the votes got counted, he just had more," Worley said.

After last year's election, students waited for five

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Workers from Columbia Gas Company dig up Rose Street last night after a gas leak was detected. Rose Street was closed for approximately three hours while the broken line was replaced.

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Gas leak shuts down Rose Street for hours

Leak forces evacuation of campus buildings while Columbia Gas Co. crews make repairs

By Darish Shafa
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

A UK police officer on bike patrol caught a whiff of natural gas in front of Maxwell Place, forcing evacuations and closing off a portion of Rose Street while the gas line could be repaired.

Officer Bryan Caulk said he noticed the odor just before 7 p.m. yesterday and decided to call another officer, Sgt. Bob Pearl, for a second opinion. Upon Pearl's arrival, he confirmed the odor of gas.

"It was really easy to detect. You could smell it," Caulk said. "It was strong enough for me

to get off my bike and notice."

Pearl then called Lexington Fire Department to come to the scene.

"We're better safe than sorry," Pearl said, explaining that this is standard procedure for all leaks, even one as small as last night's.

Several structures including the Alpha Delta Pi and Delta Delta Delta sorority houses and St. Augustine's Episcopal Chapel were evacuated and Rose Street was closed off from Patterson Drive to Columbia Avenue for about three hours. Rose Street was re-opened around 10 p.m. Capt. Mark Cole, with the

Lexington Fire Department, said the structures were evacuated and checked for accumulations of gas, which could pose a hazard.

"Just to be on the safe side, we want to check inside the structures and make sure there's no gas inside," Cole said.

Maj. Joe Monroe, with UK police, said every situation gets the same level of attention.

"It's always a big deal because of the situation. When it's undetected, it could get into the building and cause a fire," Monroe said.

Those guidelines, Cole said, are for everyone's protection, including the evacuees.

"We use the same protocols for the safety of the residents and for the safety of us," Cole

said. "We can't let people back inside until the problem is fixed."

Columbia Gas Company crews were on site within an hour of the call and began digging into the street to repair the line, which was the same area where the company had been doing work about a week or so ago, Caulk said.

Christy Giles, UK's director of Emergency Management, said this type of situation is something that UK's and Lexington's emergency services are especially prepared to handle because of how easily it can occur.

"This kind of thing can happen on a daily basis," Giles said.

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HOROSCOPES

By Linda C. Black
To get the advantage, check the day's ratings: 10 is the easiest day; 0 is the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is an 8 - Start settling into a new routine, making necessary adjustments. Don't talk much about what you're doing yet. It's a work in progress.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 6 - The sense of urgency eases, as more of the task is accomplished. Your anxiety was worse before you faced your fear. Now, it's fading.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 7 - Your team is hot, but soon your task will be keeping what you've gained. Postpone travel, advertising and mailings until the first of next week.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 -

More exciting challenges are coming your way soon. Don't be afraid, the money's steady, and you'll put it to good use.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 9 - Be thinking about your career, and what you want to achieve. You'll get a chance to make some very important decisions, soon.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - Push to get the shopping done and all the arrangements made. The sooner this is done, the sooner you'll get on to other things.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 6 - Learn from a master by watching, listening and taking notes. Don't ask questions yet. Make a list.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 6 - You've got to make hay while the sun's shining. Your situation is different, but it's still

imperative for you to move quickly now, to get rich.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is an 8 - You're undergoing a metamorphosis, again. There's been a lot of this going on for you in the past few years.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 6 - Continue with your search until everybody's satisfied. You'll know when that happens - when they quit complaining.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 7 - Follow your passion. Not only will you enjoy the time, you'll also be honing your skills. Proceed to mastery.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 6 - Gather up the goodies and invest in your own education. Don't be stopped by old failures.

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THE DISH

Nick & Kristin: Getting Hotter

Lachey and Cavallari ramp up their romance - while still seeing others

By Kevin O'Leary

For some of Hollywood's undercover couples, only faraway beaches or hideaway bungalows at the Chateau Marmont will do. But Nick Lachey and Kristin Cavallari prefer to keep things simple. On March 25, the new couple - who had their first sleepover three nights before - made it a Blockbuster night, hanging at the singer's \$5.5 million home in the Bel Air section of L.A. with delivery dinner and a slew of videos. "They were couch potatoes together," says a source close to Cavallari. "They're not ready to go public, but this was the next best thing to a normal dinner and a movie."

After his marriage to Jessica Simpson crashed and burned, you would think that Nick Lachey would be wary of beautiful blondes on the road to stardom. Think again. Sources tell us Lachey, 32, and rebound lover Cavallari, 19, have moved from casual hookups to a full-blown relationship. "Nick and Kristin are officially dating," says a Cavallari pal. "They are talking and texting all the time. He's always sending her notes, making her laugh. It's cute!"

Tender Trap

So how did the ex-boy-bander - who has been insisting to pals that he's not ready for a girlfriend - get so caught up in love? Let's just say things are all going accord-

ing to Cavallari's plan. "She basically tracked him down for weeks," a pal says of the Laguna Beach vixen, famous for her ability to manipulate the opposite sex. "If she heard he was going to a club, she would make sure she was there. She worked it!" And, well, it worked. "She likes him and he obviously likes her," says another Cavallari source. "They could hang out nonstop." (Still, a Lachey source insists, "they are not boyfriend and girlfriend. They're free to hang out with other people.")

Rising Heat

So just how intense is it going to get? Although the two have both been spotted with other potential mates, Cavallari has already taken the first step toward monogamy, ending things with her on-again, off-again boyfriend, Princes of Malibu star Brody Jenner, 22. "Now that Nick has said he's really into her, Kristin told Brody she's dating Nick," says a source.

Could the next step be going public? "They'll do it when they do it," says a Cavallari source. "But not right now." Better hurry, or they might have some flashbulb competition. Jenner is telling pals he's out for revenge, in the form of a date with Lachey's ex when she's back from filming *Employee of the Month* in Santa Fe. "Brody and Jessica know each other from the clubs," says the Jenner friend. "He can't wait for her to get back to L.A."

-- With reporting by Ken Baker, Pernilla Cedenheim, Ian Drew, Ali Riley & Amy Sultan in L.A.; Lara Cohen in NYC

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Sunday is opening night for Major League
Baseball, when the White Sox and Indians
square off at 8 p.m. on ESPN.

When the rest of us compete

The Score lines up 'weekend warriors'
every week with the club sport crew

Welcome to the first weekly issue of The Kernel's
newest sports extra, The Score.

Like its features counterpart, Kernel Pop!, The Score
brings extra coverage of the events that usually don't get
as much press, such as intramural sports and club
sports. You'll also sometimes find more of the main-
stream campus sports talking points — like the Final
Four analysis at the bottom of this



**Chris
Johnson**
SPORTS EDITOR

page.
Today, you'll find a story about a
table tennis team, made up of UK stu-
dents, putting up the money to play
for a national championship in Texas.
You'll also find the fraternity and
sorority intramural standings, good
through the inner-tube water polo
event, and pictures from last week-
end's Ultimate Frisbee competition.

The point totals from that event
were not available at press time, but
we'll have them next week — sorry.

Our goal for The Score is to give
coverage to the sports at UK being played by the people
in your classes, that cute guy you see in the Student Cen-
ter every day, or that hot girl you saw at the bar last
weekend but didn't have the stones to go up and talk to.

We want to start some conversations and get some
weekend warriors the publicity they so richly deserve.
Because we can't really call ourselves a student news-
paper if we don't cover 90 percent of the student body.

Ordinarily, we'll also have coverage of the varsity
athletes seen in The Kernel every day. This week, with
the advent of The Score, we decided to simply go with
the little guys. Look to www.kykernel.com for coverage
of varsity athletics, and they'll be back in next Friday.

No, you couldn't. But neither can 90 percent of us.
So if you're reading this while icing your ankle from
falling down the stairs after you ran the perfect route
and made the game-winning catch in your backyard foot-
ball game, relax.

You're among friends.
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This week's UK home games

Today

Women's tennis vs. Georgia. Boone Tennis Center.
4 p.m.

Tomorrow

Softball vs. Alabama. Softball complex. 1 p.m.

Sunday, April 2

Women's tennis vs. Tennessee. Boone Tennis Cen-
ter. Noon.

Softball vs. Alabama. Softball complex. 1 p.m.

Tuesday, April 4

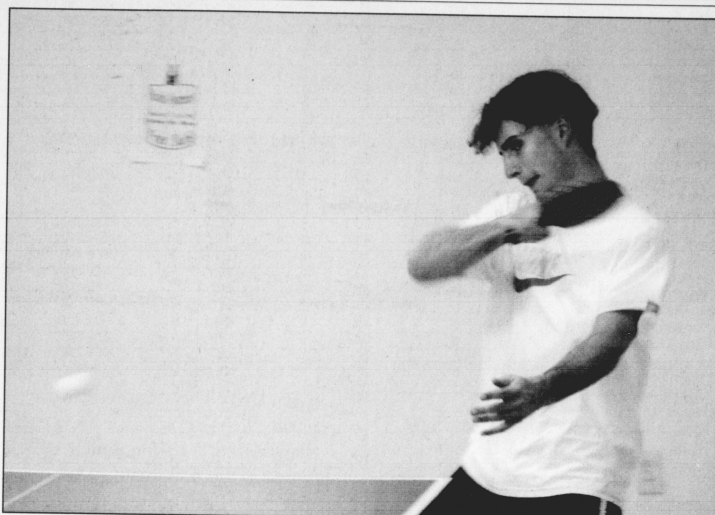
Men's tennis vs. EKU and Morehead State. Boone
Tennis Center. All afternoon.

Softball vs. Ohio. Softball complex. 5 p.m.

Wednesday, April 5

Softball vs. WKU. Softball complex. 5 p.m.

Baseball vs. Louisville. Cliff Hagan Stadium. 6:30
p.m.



Marty Prater, a member of UK's club table tennis team, serves the ball at practice this week. Prater, along with the other 10 members of UK's team, will travel to Ft. Worth, Texas on Thursday to compete in the National Collegiate Table Tennis Association championship. They finished second in the Ohio regional last month, earning their spot in the championships.



Kings of PING

UK club table tennis team travels to Texas for
nationals Thursday — in second year of existence

By Jonathan Smith
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

The UK table tennis
team wants to warn you —
this isn't an ordinary game
of basement ping pong.

"It's a more precise, ex-
act and really correct defini-
tion for what level a profes-
sional would play," Eric Ro-
gier said.

Rogier, leader of the UK
table tennis club, will be tak-
ing his team to Ft. Worth,
Texas, to compete in the Na-
tional Collegiate Table Ten-
nis Association champi-
onships Tuesday.

The team is comprised of
11 members, but only four
play in the events. Much like
tennis, the top four mem-
bers on opposing teams play
each other, in addition to
one doubles match.

"On a team level, I didn't
even know that in the com-
petition we could compete as
a team like we did," said

Marty Prater, who will go to
nationals as the No.1 Wild-
cat, and will be flanked by
Pattala Sirinirund, Mainak
Majumder and Adam Lucas.
"That's something that we
recently found out."

Prater's uncertainty
stems from the youth of the
organization. The table ten-
nis club was formed in Jan-
uary 2005, which, members
say, makes this run to na-
tionals even more incredi-
ble.

"You know going into
these tournaments this year
that we've never been to
them before, so they didn't
know what to expect from
us," Rogier said. "We got a
lot of respect from schools,
especially the bigger
schools."

The big schools he
speaks of are schools you
commonly find highly
ranked in the larger sports.
The University of Southern

See Ping Pong on page 3

THE END OF THE ROAD

Who will win the NCAA men's basketball championship — and how it'll all shake down | By Chris Johnson, sports editor



No. 4 seed

- At-large bid
 - Regular season SEC champs
- Louisiana State Tigers**

Strength: Frontcourt. No one has yet been able to handle the
duo of Glen "Big Baby" Davis at center and Tyrus Thomas, SEC
Freshman of the Year. Davis (amazingly agile) dominates and
Thomas can jump out of the gym.

Weakness: Youth. Thomas is a frosh; Davis a soph. This is
LSU's first Final Four excursion since 1986.



No. 2 seed

- Pac-10 Tournament champs
 - 11-game winning streak
- UCLA Bruins**

Strength: Defense. Coach Ben Howland brought a Big East
mentality, and UCLA finished 10th in the nation in total defense
— and stifled Memphis into 18 turnovers in the Elite Eight.

Weakness: Matchups. All-World B. Free (best NBA name ever)
team member Luc Richard Mbah a Moute can't handle Davis.
He's too soft inside, and plus, Thomas is there.

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Two teams that know each other well. Florida
will buck the trend and manage to beat the
same opponent three times in a season. The
Gators' depth outlasts LSU's big-man advantage,
which will be thin against Florida's athletes.

TV SCHEDULE

TOMORROW
George Mason vs. Florida, 6:07 p.m., CBS (WKYT-27)
LSU vs. UCLA, 8:47 p.m., CBS (WKYT-27)

MONDAY Championship game, 9 p.m., CBS (WKYT-27)

No. 11 seed

- At-large bid
 - 10th in field goal defense
- George Mason Patriots**



Strength: Slippers. The Patriots' Cinderella story is amazing;
the entire nation outside of Louisiana, Florida and half of Los
Angeles is rooting for them. And center Jai Lewis is athletic.

Weakness: Depth. The Patriots played the same five guys
from 10:37 of the second half against UConn until the final
buzzer sounded at the end of overtime, but they did win.

No. 3 seed

- SEC Tournament champs
 - Team averaged 78.5 ppg
- Florida Gators**



Strength: Athletes and matchups. Six-foot-11 Joakim Noah
has the dexterity to shoot over any shot-blocker. Al Horford,
Tarean Green, Lee Humphrey ... the list goes on.

Weakness: Overconfidence (see Noah's George of the Jungle
routine). Also, their perimeter defense is suspect, and all of
George Mason's starting guards average in double-figures.

INTRAMURAL ROUNDUP — who's on top and who's dead last

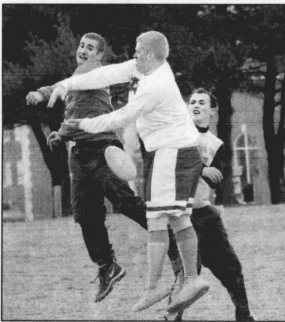
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Kappa Sigma	63	70	152	82	915	1,282
Phi Delta Theta	45	80	90	125	923	1,263 (- 19)
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	105	70	170	35	877	1,257 (- 25)
Alpha Tau Omega	37	100	105	82	664	988 (- 294)
Pi Kappa Alpha	61	50	70	55	741	977 (- 305)
Sigma Phi Epsilon	- 30	127	60	35	702	894 (- 388)
Sigma Nu	0	50	95	130	592	867 (- 415)
Sigma Chi	- 25	165	142	35	542	859 (- 423)
Delta Tau Delta	- 23	90	115	0	647	829 (- 453)
Phi Gamma Delta	41	100	65	35	576	817 (- 465)
Farmhouse	49	80	195	55	406	785 (- 497)
Alpha Gamma Rho	37	50	55	35	491	668 (- 614)
Delta Sigma Phi	0	5	60	35	531	631 (- 651)
Lambda Chi Alpha	- 20	- 20	95	55	475	585 (- 697)
Phi Kappa Tau	33	60	80	- 20	419	572 (- 710)
Triangle	43	50	65	0	245	403 (- 879)
Kappa Alpha	29	0	80	0	251	360 (- 922)
Pi Kappa Phi	41	0	55	0	230	326 (- 956)
Phi Sigma Kappa	0	60	0	35	114	209 (- 1,073)
Phi Kappa Psi	0	60	0	0	55	115 (- 1,167)
Sigma Pi	0	70	45	0	0	115 (- 1,167)

SORORITY	2-BALL COMP.	DODGEBALL	5-ON-5	H2O POLO	FALL POINTS	OVERALL TOTAL
Alpha Omicron Pi	61	5	95	60	629	850
Alpha Gamma Delta	27	105	185	85	287	689 (- 161)
Delta Zeta	0	40	105	0	448	593 (- 257)
Kappa Delta	- 15	77	65	0	434	561 (- 289)
Kappa Kappa Gamma	- 15	40	- 10	0	475	490 (- 360)
Pi Beta Phi	- 15	0	105	0	347	437 (- 413)
Alpha Delta Pi	0	0	115	0	272	387 (- 463)
Sigma Kappa	- 20	70	122	0	182	354 (- 496)
Chi Omega	0	0	105	0	242	347 (- 503)
Tri Delt	0	0	0	0	140	140 (- 710)
Delta Gamma	0	0	- 20	0	159	139 (- 711)
Kappa Alpha Theta	0	0	- 10	0	128	118 (- 732)
Ceres	0	0	0	0	105	105 (- 745)
Phi Sigma Rho	0	0	0	0	0	0 (- 850)



Phi Delta Theta squared off against Phi Kappa Tau in the semi-finals of UK's intramural Ultimate Frisbee tournament last Saturday. Phi Tau won, 11-6.

Photos by Brad Luttrell | Staff



Louisiana State
Strengths: Frontcourt. No one in the tournament (or the nation, yet) has been able to handle the combination of center and kernel Southeastern Conference Player of the Year Glen "Big Baby" Davis and SEC Freshman of the Year Tyrus Thomas.
Thomas can jump out of the gym. Being 6-foot-10 doesn't hurt, either.
Davis is agile enough to play forward and made a huge 3-pointer in the regional semifinal matchup against Duke.
Weaknesses: Youth and inexperience. Thomas is a freshman, Davis is a sophomore (1). This is LSU's first Final Four trip since 1986, so no one, even coach John Brady, has been to the main stage of the Big Dance yet.
UCLA
Strengths: Defense. The Bruins brought head coach Ben Howland's aggressive East Coast, in-your-face defensive style to the Pac-10 this season. It was successful: UCLA finished 14-4 in confer-

ence play and won the Pac-10 tournament while finishing 10th in the nation in total defense (58.6 points per game). The Bruins also beat Memphis 60-45 in the Elite Eight, forcing the Tigers into 31.5 percent shooting and 18 turnovers.
The backcourt is great. Howland's guards lead the team in scoring. Aaron Afflalo and Jordan Farmar are the only two players averaging double-digit scoring.
Weaknesses: Matchups. All World B. Free (best name) team member Luc Richard Mbah a Moute can't handle Davis. No one can, except maybe Joakim Noah, but Mbah a Moute and Ryan Hollins, UCLA's frontcourt, don't have that kind of athleticism. Plus, Thomas is there.
PREDICTION: In whatever the opposite of an offensive fireworks display would be, LSU advances with its frontcourt. Tigers by eight.
George Mason
Strengths: Slippers. The Cinderella story of the Patriots is amazing; the entire na-

tion outside Louisiana, Florida and half of Los Angeles is rooting for them. They beat No. 6 seed Michigan State, No. 3 seed North Carolina, No. 7 Wichita State and No. 1 Connecticut to get to Indy, so they haven't had the road paved for them.
The Patriots' defense is staunch. They allowed less than 80 points per game this season, and finished 10th in the NCAA in field-goal percentage defense (38.7 percent).
And they have a surprising talent level. Mason's success can't be all chalked up to good fortune. Center Jai Lewis (6-foot-7, 275) is a big, athletic body inside that is going to make Florida's big men work for their points.
Weaknesses: Depth. The Patriots played five players from 10:37 of the second half against UConn until the final buzzer sounded at the end of overtime. But hustle isn't a problem by a long shot.
Florida
Strengths: Athletes and matchups. Joakim Noah is long. He's 6-foot-11, but still

has the dexterity and range of motion to be able to utilize a drop step move on the 6-foot-8 Davis, then make a move and shoot over Tyrus Thomas. There's no reason to be able to think he can't do that against the 6-foot-7 Lewis and Will Thomas.
And you can't argue with the coaching. Billy Donovan is the best coach left in the tournament; UCLA's Howland is great, and Mason's Jim Larranga won a coach of the year ballot last week, but this is Donovan's second trip to the Final Four with two NBA-type players and a bunch of spare parts.
Weaknesses: Overconfidence. Noah's George of the Jungle fist-bumping routine became commonplace around the SEC. And the perimeter defense is suspect. All of Mason's starting guards, along with the rest of their starting five, average in double figures. This is a group that can shoot.
PREDICTION: Mason's run ends, but not in the way many people think. Florida by two.

Ping Pong

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California sits atop the men's table tennis ratings. Texas, Virginia and Maryland are also in the top 10.
The NCTTA consists of 16 divisions. Each team in the division competes in the regular season, and the top two teams based on a point system — teams receive two points for a win, one point for a non-default loss and zero points for a default loss — move on to nationals.
UK is in the Ohio division along with Big Ten powers Ohio State and Michigan State, Akron, Oberlin, Marshall, Shawnee State, Wright State, Case West-

ern Reserve and Northern Kentucky. Ohio State finished first, while the Cats slid past Michigan State by a point for second.
Along the way to nationals, the team compiled an 11-4 record. No victory was more important than the 5-0 revenge drubbing they handed Michigan State, a game that likely propelled them past the Spartans in the standings and on to nationals.
The team also has struggled to find places to practice. The team was practicing three days a week at the Seaton Center, but were bumped by other activities and now use those facilities one day a week.
"A lot of these dorms have tables in them as well, so we are able to just go over to the dorms and just hit some there," Rogier said.

Money is a concern as well. Student Government provides \$500, along with a stipend from the NCTTA. The rest of the funds come from the players themselves. Rogier has even written a letter to UK President Lee Todd to no avail.
"I realize funding is pretty tight right now," Rogier said.
Regardless of the adolescent existence that leaves them as a long shot to take home the national championship, hope still remains for the players. When asked whether they can make an improbable run like George Mason did in the men's NCAA basketball tournament, Rogier laughed.
"We'll be the Cinderella story of the table tennis community," he said.

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Brown

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summing up how she felt in one word: "numb."

"Five minutes before they announced and up until the last second I had no idea," Jenkins said. "I'm just so happy ... I'm ecstatic for next year."

Brown received 1,484 votes while presidential candidate Preston Worley had 1,043. The third presidential candidate, Andy Bates received 640 votes. There were 349 more votes this year than last year.

Worley said he hopes Brown can follow through on his campaign plans.

"I wish Jonah the best," Worley said. "I hope he can restore some legitimacy to student government."

Bates said he hoped Brown will "truly represent the entirety of the student body instead of a select few."

"As for the future of student government we can only hope that the new president isn't polishing the brass on the Titanic," Bates said.

Of the 25 senators on Brown's ticket, 16 were elected. Jason Robinson, an elected senator-at-large on Brown's ticket said their success was proof that the students recog-



Rita Brown hugs her son, Jonah, after he was announced as the next Student Government president.

nized them as the right leaders.

"We presented a really diverse ticket that wanted to help the student body out," Robinson said. "We're not going to let tonight be the best night, we're going to keep it going through the summer and the school year."

Brown said he was proud of his ticket but sorry for the ones who weren't elected. When asked if he expected any losing candidates to file election violation claims he said, "I hope not."

"You never know, but we ran a clean campaign. The

most important part of this is that the students have spoken," he said, adding that it was significant that more students voted this year than last.

"That just shows the students have been paying attention and see potential in student government."

For now, Brown said he would celebrate and rest but was ready for his upcoming work.

"We got a lot of stuff to get started ... I can't wait to get in office," Brown said.

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Bates

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hearts in it. We felt like we really had something going."

Brown and running mate, Mallory Jenkins, won with 1,484 votes. Opponents Preston Worley and running mate, Scott McIntosh, came in second with 1,043 votes. Bates and Fuller finished third with 640 votes.

Bates said he has high hopes for Brown and Jenkins when they step into the office.

"I just hope they can live up to the many expectations set in the campaign," Bates said.

Fuller said he hopes Brown and Jenkins will use

the funds allotted for Student Government wisely and to the benefit of the students.

"There has been a lot of talk about changing SG," Fuller said. "They'll get a budget of about \$300,000 to work with. I hope a lot of that can be used to make (UK) stronger and more beneficial for the students."

Bates said not to expect a controversy like that of last year, at least from his side.

"We've been too focused on running," Bates said. "I really can't see us filing any claims."

Catherine Bozjo, a sophomore who ran for a position as a senator at large under the Bates/Fuller ticket, did not win but said the results were bittersweet.

"I'm disappointed," Bozjo said. "But I had a lot of

friends who ran so I was really happy for them. And for me, there's always next year."

The Bates/Fuller ticket had two college senators elected.

Bozjo said she has her own expectations for Brown and Jenkins.

"I hope they voice the opinion of the students," Bozjo said. "I know that is something Andy and Will were really passionate about."

"I hope SG becomes more positive and I hope there is less corruption," she added.

Bates also said that he will be around next year in student government to help out if needed.

"I'll be there to give advice when I can," he said.

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Worley

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months before current SG president Becky Ellingsworth took office. Will Nash received more votes in the initial election, but after Ellingsworth filed election violations, Nash was disqualified for campaign spending violations. Nash appealed to the university who overturned his disqualification.

Ellingsworth then filed a lawsuit against the university, claiming that SG should have the final say on violations,

was awarded the presidency a Fayette Circuit Court judge.

Worley said he hoped that a similar debacle would not occur this year.

"I don't want to see student government in the same situation as it was last year," Worley said.

After the unusual sequence of events during last year's SG election, many people agree with Worley.

Emily Fortney, who was elected Senator at Large, is anxious to see how the new presidential party will be received by the University.

"I just hope that student government becomes a respected organization on this

campus," Fortney said.

If Worley had won the presidential seat he said he would have liked to address what he sees to be the number one problem facing students at UK: a lack of community.

"The biggest problems that Jonah needs to address are women's safety and dining services," Worley said. "I think that giving attention to these problems will help foster a sense of community on campus."

He said that just getting a chance to get his issue areas heard was a small victory in itself.

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Ballot

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Brittany Zwicker said. "We have been tabling and passing out fliers all week, but even more, we have been trying to get this petition off the ground for two years. I'm very excited to finally see this happen for us."

The renewable energy initiative passed with 66.9 percent of the vote and the dining plan change was approved with 84.9 percent.

The dining plan proposal will now move through Student Government for further approval.

"I am very pleased that the referendum passed," said SG presidential candidate Andy Bates, who organized the dining plan referendum efforts. "I hope that as president, Jonah Brown has the courage to stand up to Jeff DeMoss and the administration in telling them what the students want."

The renewable energy bill will return to UK President Lee Todd's Sustainable Task Force, who gave the referendum backing prior to the election, and will pass their own recommendations to Todd and the Board of Trustees.

"We have been confident throughout the election process that a win tonight will make this a real possibili-

ty at UK," said Tiffany Thompson, Green Thumb president. "We have been in contact with other schools who have programs like the one we are proposing and they are excited for us as well."

The Green Thumb Environmental Club will attend the Southeast Student Renewable Energy Conference next weekend to learn more about how to implement renewable energy effectively on college campuses, Thompson said.

"Tonight has been exciting," she said. "It is great to see student opinion make all of this happen."

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Internet postings were irresponsible

Six Lexington police officers are learning one of the inevitable lessons of the Internet the hard way this week: No matter what you think, nothing you post on the Web is private.

The officers posted jokes about arrests they had made and nasty comments about gays and people with mental handicaps on MySpace.com, the Lexington Herald-Leader reported this week.

All are under internal investigation in the police department — two have been stripped of their power to arrest until at least the completion of the investigation, while the four others can still make arrests pending a final decision.

There's no question that these men's actions were wildly inappropriate.

Beyond the sheer immaturity of referring to the "Lexington-Fayette Urban Communist Government," as one officer did, it's disturbing that they take such a blithe attitude toward the most serious aspect of their job — making arrests. And insulting entire groups of people is beyond low.

Moreover, the police cannot do an effective job if the people of Lexington view them as jokers — or worse.

It is a position that requires mutual trust between the community and the government, and these officers' MySpace profiles

have done a lot to erode that trust. There is also a lesson contained for students in this situation: Don't put anything on the Internet that you don't want others to see.

The revelation that administrators were using Facebook photos in disciplinary proceedings went a long way toward driving this point home, but situations like that of these officers just keep reinforcing it.

Things like MySpace profiles and Livejournal entries give off a false sense of privacy. The only people who you know are reading them are your friends.

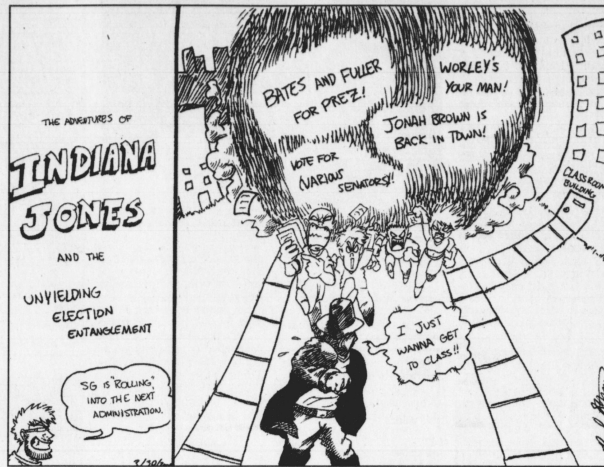
But there are literally billions of other people out there who can see everything you put on the Internet — parents, professors, administrators and future employers among them.

Anything that you put your name on will ultimately find its way into the Google index, meaning that it will be seen by anyone looking for information about you.

So unless you want that law school admissions committee to see what you were doing last Saturday night, it's best to use discretion in what you post on the Internet.

Those officers have learned that lesson in one of the hardest ways possible. Students would do best to avoid their fate.

The Lexington police officers' situation provides a valuable lesson for students



BRAD STURGEON, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why I voted 'no' on Green Thumb's referendum

I think I made a mistake when I signed the petition to put the alternative energy referendum on the polls for this year's Student Government election. Since that time, the coverage it has received as well as my own thoughts on the referendum have led me to conclude that the referendum frames the question of sustainability in a way that counters the beliefs I think Green Thumb and I hold in common.

When I signed the petition, I was planning on voting an emphatic yes. I think that the world, the United States and our small corner of Kentucky have waited far too long to begin addressing our poor record of environmental stewardship. The consequences of our runaway energy consumption reach far beyond the immediate impact of fossil fuel extraction, distribution and use. I believe that the time to act should come before the oceans rise any farther or any more mountains and valleys are destroyed.

But I voted no. I was thinking of not voting on the referendum at all, but I couldn't justify avoiding the question after signing that petition. I think that neither option best serves the environment or this university. A "yes" vote tells the university and the state that they can continue to deny their responsibility to invest in sustainable energy practices, because students who have already had to contend with annual tuition increases will do that work for them. A "no" vote is the excuse necessary to wait another year while the coal mining continues to irreparably damage our homeland and its emissions clog our air and lungs.

I voted no for alternative energy, but I want the university to know that it hardly means that I don't care.

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Basic rules for the Facebook generation

A year and a half after the triumphant entrance of the Facebook onto our campus, the craze has seemed to plateau. The addicts still check the site up to 10 times a day and even those who swore off the "creep show" have embraced the inevitable.

I think such a vast network of socialites and stalkers needs some rules of etiquette. So here they are, the unofficial rules of the Facebook nation.

The First Rule of Facebook is ...you do not talk about Facebook. At least when you're out ... unless you're drinking. Then it suddenly becomes funny that you and your friend from class both joined the "I Facebooked

Your Mom and She Poked Me" group on the same day — speaking of poking. Rule No. 2: people of the same sex shall not poke one another. At Facebook's conception, creator Mark Zuckerberg said he had no explanation for what poking is, but it seems to have taken on a slight sexual connotation. For the same reason guys wouldn't flirt with other dudes, guys shouldn't poke other dudes on the "book."

There are some new features to the Facebook, including posting pictures and friend detail requests. Rule No. 3 and No. 4 pertain to the aforementioned features.

To stalk or not to stalk, that is the question. Anyone looking at pictures or profiles of non-friends can be considered a Facebook stalker. This is acceptable. What is not acceptable is looking up a girl in your class while on the class computers. That said thing is, I've seen this more than once.

The new friend detail request is beyond me. In my mind, this is the ultimate test of the Facebook obsessed. If you have enough time in your day to confirm that I took a Music 100 class with your ex-boyfriend in 2004, then you need to take up a hobby. Like model airplanes or something.

Lastly, never even mutter this sentence: I got your number off Facebook. This is a Facebook felony in the first degree. Never use Facebook to get the number of a potential date. If it never fails, it will always find out, and that date will definitely never happen.

That's it. Remember to practice safe Facebooking by always following these rules. Facebook you guys later (but don't poke me).

BILL YACEK
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Critics should offer their own solutions

In response to Doug Scott's column on March 24 ("Hall & Oates offers insight into Bush administration's war on terror"), I feel that Scott is just like all the other people who criticize the war: They rip on the administration but offer no solution. If you were president, what would you do? Do you really think pulling out the troops right now would make it all better? Iraq would be in more chaos than it already is. I'm not saying it was right for us to go there or stay there for this long, but the reality is that we did. And now we need to ensure the citizens' safety before we leave. Everyone who is continuously criticizing the administration should offer up some advice instead of complaining.

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Games provide motivation to clean up Lexington

If you pick it up, they will come.

That's the idea behind Lexington's "Clean Up the Bluegrass" anti-litter campaign, which hopes to tidy up the town for the thousands who may attend the 2010 World Equestrian Games.

The games, moving outside Europe for the first time, will be held at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington — only fitting, seeing as this is the "Horse Capital of the World." The hour of cleanup in no means be taken lightly by any part of the community — and neither should the event's expected \$100-million economic impact for the city.

Whatever the motivation, it's a good move.

"It's time to clean up city streets and also educate young people not to chuck trash and cigarette butts out their car windows," said Rob Young, Environmental Commission chairman, in an interview with the Lexington Herald-Leader last week.

Young's right — it's well past time to clean up our city, if only to be a boon for tourism.

As part of the campaign, 22 local Shell Food Marts are handing out 100,000 reusable trash bags for cars, in hopes to deter motorists from littering.

In addition, the food marts are displaying postcards that motorists can use to report littering to the Environmental Commission. Those postcards are forwarded to Lexington police, who send out letters warning vehicle owners that littering carries a \$500 maximum fine.

We hope the threat of such a fine will help this effort. After all, as Gov. Ernie Fletcher said, the current "will be an unprecedented opportunity for our Commonwealth to showcase itself to the world."

We should all join in the Environmental Commission's effort to prove that Lexington deserves to host the World Equestrian Games and reap the financial benefits of such a reward.

Johnson Center parking disaster leaves much to be desired

It seems that no matter how hard the university tries to satisfy the needs of the students, they currently always fall just short.



Megan Vazmina
KENTUCKY KERNEL

Anybody who has spent 10 minutes on campus will realize that the parking situation, to be completely honest, sucks.

But I'm not going to blame UK Parking and Transportation Services for the following dilemma: in fact I'm going to dedicate this column to the employees, because for a brief amount of time, there will be no hostility.

In 2003, UK opened the Johnson Center, a building that cost \$15.3 million. This money did not come from the state or from the university itself; it came straight from student fees.

The students of the University of Kentucky are the ones to thank for the wonderful facility we currently have.

I live on South Campus, and after indulging in the luxuries of campus cuisine, I often feel the need to visit and alleviate any guilt I have.

But not everyone has this opportunity (or access to such "wonderful" food).

When the planning for the building first began, parking should have been considered. You would think that with all the complaints received from students about lack of parking year after year they would make sure that everyone could take advantage of the Johnson Center, especially the students who paid for it.

Alas, UK let us down again. My friend, who has sold her soul to the Johnson Center, was complaining to me that she had gotten a ticket for parking in an R-lot (still not parking services

fault).

This R-lot used to be — and when I say used to be, I mean last semester — an E-lot available to park in after 3:30 p.m. but it is no longer available.

And while she lives on North

When planning for the Johnson Center was underway, parking should have been part of the equation

Campus and could walk if she chose to, the fact is, not all students have such a chance.

UK Housing is made up of 85 to 90 percent of freshmen and about 5,300 undergraduates of our total 17,000. That means 12,000 students live off campus.

So by doing some basic math, anyone can see that there is not enough parking for everyone.

I'm not saying there aren't any options though — there are just not enough.

If a student has a K-lot pass, they can just walk. Unfortunately the half of the stadium closest to the Johnson Center is full of the cars from residents, but K-Lot is still an option.

Then there are the ever-helpful parking meters. There are about a dozen of these fascinating devices, and one can park close for 45 glorified minutes. Unfortunately, most people don't work out for only 45 minutes.

Lastly, there is the newly opened Parking Structure No. 7. This provides parking for 640 people with a C, R or E-lot pass. This helps out some, but it has just opened.

UK needs to work on making the campus accessible for all students. Off-campus students don't

want to worry about the hassle of trying to find a parking spot and since these people know how hard it is to find one, they simply won't try. There are too many students being alienated.

And with rising obesity rates in Kentucky, it won't help if a future "top-20" school only provides services like a gym to those that live on campus.

It is so hard for this school to plan for parking? Why are students continually let down when it comes to the accessibility of this university and its services?

More than that, why are students paying to keep the Johnson Center functional if they can't use it?

So while UK Parking may ticket you for parking in an R-lot without a pass, it's because UK hasn't provided you with any other option.

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The Beaux Arts Ball, an eclectic and eccentric masquerade party held by the College of Design, will be kicking off its 50th incarnation tomorrow night at Tattersalls on South Broadway. **KEITH SMILEY | STAFF**

Check inhibitions at the door for annual Beaux Arts Ball

By Keith Brooks
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Put on some makeup, get out the wig and prepare yourself for a night of savage debauchery unrivaled in the annals of human history. Or just get ready for fun.

The Beaux Arts Ball, an annual masquerade party held by the UK College of Design is one of the many highlights of Lexington's art scene. The event, known for its avant-garde flare, will host live music, drag shows, contests and DJs spinning records until the wee hours.

The most festive and quintessential part of the event, however, is the variety of costumed ball-goers filling the venue. People from all across Kentucky come in all shapes and sizes wearing insanely ridiculous and jaw-dropping attire, which can range from zoot suits and vampire costumes to drag and burlesque outfits to nearly nothing but neon bikinis.

The ball has its roots deep in the art culture of Europe. Patron Cardinal Mazarin, in a bid to cultivate talented students in the

skills of media production, particularly architecture, founded the Academie Des Beaux Arts in 1648. The architecture arm of the school was granted independence in 1863 and named L'Ecole des Beaux Arts.

Members of that school wore outfits that resembled the buildings they designed, which explains the costuming tradition that is emphasized today. Many universities around the United States decided to revive the school's purpose, creating raves and parties to commemorate the experience.

"I went to my first one the first year in architecture. I had a blast," said Jonathan England, an architecture senior and president of the event. "I hadn't been to anything that artistic or creative in Lexington (prior to Beaux Arts)."

England became more involved with Beaux Arts by helping with ticket sales and groundwork. After the 2004 ball he decided to take on the project.

Tony Shiber, an architecture senior who has been working with the foundation

for three years and directed Beaux Arts last year, said the event allows the community to come together in a colorful and theatrical way.

"The goal of Beaux Arts Ball is to bring a new cultural message to the community," he said. "I think that the defining feature is that it's a masquerade ball."

About 1,500 people attended last year, and organizers are looking for even more to attend this year. With a new venue and two stages, the possibilities for festivities are infinite.

England also said the drag shows have consistently drawn attention.

"It adds a twist to it," he said. "It's eclectic and it brings all types of people together."

Takeshisan, an experimental band from Indiana University will be one of the many bands performing at the event. Band members Jeffery Guinn and Joey Sheppard, both students at IU, have never been to Beaux Arts, but are hyped about their gig.

"We feel like we're gonna fit in there," Guinn said.

If you go

- Where: Tattersalls, 847 S. Broadway
- When: 6 p.m. tomorrow to 2 a.m. Sunday
- Tickets: \$20 in advance, \$30 at door
- www.beaux-arts-ball.org

The Beaux Arts Foundation also works with local charities. This year, ticket sales and profits will go to benefit the Community Action Council of Lexington, which assists programs such as Movable Feast and Habitat for Humanity.

Self-expression, a key element of Beaux Arts, is one of the reasons crowds keep returning.

"I think the most important thing is the phrase, 'lack of inhibition,'" Shiber said. "You definitely need to go just once to experience it."

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Hip-hop lord, social activist to play Dame

By Amir Akhlaghi
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

With a name that sounds more like a bill in the state legislature than a prominent force in the hip hop world, KRS-ONE is probably more politically involved than any bill concerning smoking bans or campaign finance issues.

Born Lawrence Krisna Parker, KRS-ONE grew up in Brooklyn and the Bronx just as hip-hop was coming into fruition from DJs like Kool Herc, who's known as the innovator of scratching and using samples from vinyl which crafted the sound of hip-hop.

KRS-ONE at young age came into the hip-hop scene as a graffiti artist. In 1986, he was sent to a youth shelter after a run-in with the police.

Later, as part of a group called Scott LaRock and the Celebrity Three, Parker invented the name KRS-ONE, an acronym which stands for Knowledge Reigns Supreme Over Nearly Everyone.

Indeed, KRS-ONE has made it his cause to disseminate knowledge in the form of solid hip-hop.

The group was short-lived, but DJ Scott LaRock and KRS-ONE went on to form Boogie Down Produc-

tions in 1987, which set a precedent for gangsta rap. They sampled everything from James Brown and reggae music to AC/DC.

The KRS-ONE of today has come a long way from his past ventures into hip-hop. KRS-ONE is now a political activist as well as an MC who touches on subjects such as anti-violence and police brutality.

KRS-ONE has most recently formed an organization called "The Temple of Hip-Hop" which seeks to promote hip-hop culture throughout the world.

The organization holds many seminars across the country to talk about hip-hop music and how it applies to political and social issues.

The Temple of Hip-Hop encourages hip-hop artists to create more socially conscious music and encourages radio stations to play more socially conscious music.

KRS-ONE will be performing live at The Dame at 10 tonight with Dirty Wuriz. Tickets cost \$15.

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Have a fun time with ragtime

By Julia Sumrok
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Ah, ragtime. Where have you been all our lives? Exhilarating, stimulating and nostalgic, ragtime will be making a triumphant return to the Bluegrass tonight.

The Singletary Center for the Arts is hosting the performance of The Paragon Ragtime Orchestra led by renowned conductor Rick Benjamin. This year marks the 20th anniversary tour of the orchestra, specializing in recreating the sounds of America's turn-of-the-century music.

The PRO is based out of New York City and has obtained an extensive following through appearances at its world-wide concert hall, as well as various universities and festivals.

The vivacious tunes from vaudeville, operetta,

musical comedy and silent films were popular during the Ragtime Era and are still widely enjoyed today.

Ever walked down Walt Disney World's Main Street U.S.A. attraction? Then you've heard the recorded melodies of PRO guiding you through a world of fun, fascination and wonder — an accurate mood associated with this era.

So if you're interested in having a culturally stimulating good time and are in dire need of some ragtime action, then The Paragon Ragtime Orchestra is your ticket to fun.


Speaking of tickets, call 257-4929 to purchase or grab them online at www.uky.edu/SCPA. The concert will be held tonight at the Singletary Center for the Arts at 7:30.

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