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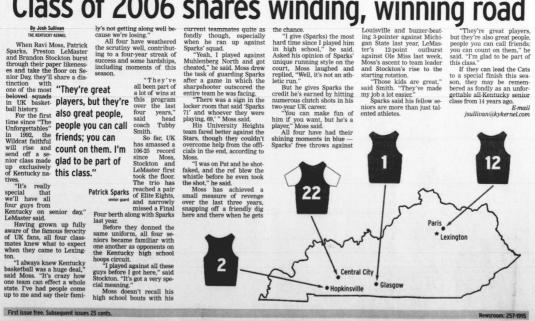


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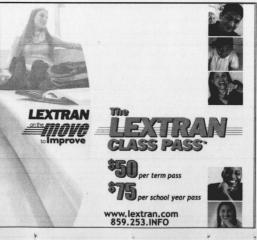
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Wary walk-on turned wonder

By Job Sallwan

Four years ago, Ravi Moss wasn't sure he'd
ever play basethall again.

As a senior at University Heights Academy
in Hopkinsville, Ky, he was recruited heavily
by schools like Georgetown (Ky) College, but
frew little interest from Division I programs
despite averaging a double-double and earning
second-team all-state honors his senior year.

But as far as Moss was concerned, it was
lightine or basedly want to play anywhere
small if I couldn't have walked on hero." he
said. "It was either this or hang up the shose."

Four years later, Moss has pirouetted from
the edge of early retirement to a coveted
pedestal alongside all-time Wildcat fan favorites like his friend Chuck Hayes. He's
emerged as the undisputed leader of this
year's squad.

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his freshman year, Moss began secondguessing his decision to don the blue and
white because of the talent ahead of him in
her rotation.

"Definitely when I first got here, I didn't
really think I belonged. I thought I was in
the wrong program," he said, "Guys like
really think I belonged. I thought I was in
the wrong program," he said, "Guys like
But about halfway through the season,
logans and Gerald Fitch took Moss under
their wings.

"They just told me, 'You're doing fine,
you can play," Moss said.
And that's the point where Moss' game
began to turn the corner, when a guard who
rarely left the court in high school have to
battle to sniff the rotation at elite programs.

"I practiced hard every day," I became the
to still house from freshman yea:"
As a sophomore, Moss proved he was no
typical walks.do— at least, not the type fit for
last-minute mop-up duty. On several occasions, when more seasoned players seemed
to crack under the pressure of tight lategame scenarios, Moss was unshakable.

That season, he nailed three clutch 3pointers in four attempts in the second-round
for a loss at Georgia. In UK's second-round
work and the season of the season of the season of the season of the season han't
turned out according to plan so far. But
Moss hasn't written off his dream of playing in a Final Four. He also no longer questions his decision to come to Lexington.

"It's been an amazing ride. I've gone places I never thought I'd go — an Elite Eight, a couple nithese from Ender when the said. The just blessed to be here and the said. The said to play as much as I have."

Smith is grateful the unheralded kid from Hopkinsville chose to be a role-playing Wildcat instead of a stud somewhere else.

"He wanted to be here, and he probably could have gone a lot of other places on scholarship," he said. "We've been lucky to have bim."



UK quard Ravi Moss rises up for a dunk



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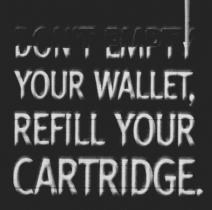
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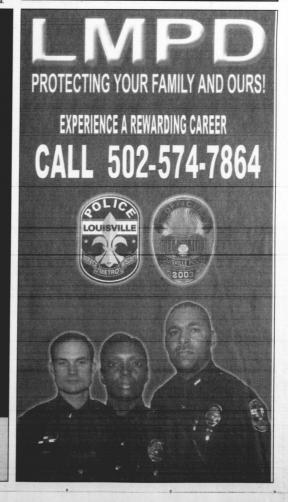
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#1 Brandon Stockton

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shows that if you work and be patient and do the things you're supposed to do it will pay off in the end."

After spending three and a half years fighting for scraps of playing time, the 5-foot-9 former Kentucky Mr. Basketball clawed his way into the starting lineup last month. Head coach Tubby Smith said his basketball (A has been a priceless asset for the last four years, even when Stockton was spending entire games on the bench.

way up and earn those minutes, so this has been a high point because I've been able to provide the sense of t

sion.
"I loved all four years, real-"I loved all four years, real-ly; I don't have any regrets," he said. "I've been asked a lot if I would transfer or stuff like that, no... I'm glad I picked the University of Ken-tucky There's a lot of tradi-tion here and I'm glad to be a part of that.

I have a superior of the said of the part of that.

It is season around and help the Cats raise one more ban-ner in Rupp Arena before he's gone.

"I've had a chance to be

gone.
"I've had a chance to be part of a few (SEC championships) here and I'm still waiting for one more."

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tice," Smith said. "The game is won in practice, when you're preparing.
"He's making our guys work hard and he's out there in practice competing... pushing and competing everyday." he said.
With the injury to sophomore guard Ramel Bradley, LeMaster has seen his playing time and production

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"It's been a lot of fun, but I wouldn't trade anything for it."
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Four students charged with vandalis

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School of rock



Stealing THE STAGE

Two Lexington-based bands, Circlefour and I-Inside, opened up for Voodoo Blue, of Maryland, last night at the Cat's Den.
Circlefour took the stage with a strong presence, and the Lexington natives veiled a blitzkrieg of razor-sharp guitar solos, colossal drum beats, insanely solid bass lines. With songs like "No More," "Empty Now" and "Morning After," Circlefour had the nearly-full crowd at the Cat's Den rocking.
Circlefour will be in Lexington again April 1, at Club Avio.



UK Athletics makes the NCAA's grade

None of UK's 22 varsity sports are subject to Academic Progress Rate penalties, according to the NCAA's report released Wednesday.

The APR is the NCAA's barometer for judging the academic progress of athletes. It uses progress toward a five-year graduation plan along with rosteromic as core.

A 1,000 is a perfect score. Men's basketball was the only UK sport to achieve that mark.

any sanctions for the program. Most of the problems base-ball had dealt with roster turnover, which, according to a statement from UK Athletics, "has been stabilized and the team AFR is expected to increase in the coming years."

The harshest penalties, like a postseason ban, won't be handed out until 208-05, to give schools the AFR.

Fifteen of UK's 22 sports teams exceeded or tied the national average for their sports.

"You can tutor them, coach

them and encourage them, but at the end of the day, the student-athletes have to do the work," Neely said.

Ninety-nine Division I sports teams, including 90 men's teams, were penalized for poor APR scores. Temple, a UK 2007 football opponent, lost nine scholarships for next season.

To lose a scholarship, a team at a college must have a player fail out of school and have a score under 295.

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Task force to seek out diversity concerns

UK administrators charged with looking into diversity and equality on campus are preparing to seek out faculty and ask them to air out their concerns about di-

them to air out them versity.

At last night's Task Force on Diversity and Equality meeting, committee members discussed how best to get a response from the university's black faculty UK President Lee Todd formed this committee over Winter Break in response to negative reaction to a 40 percent drop in black freshman enrollment this school

black freshman enrollment this school year.

The task force's members are paying special attention because of the connections that exist in all parts of the university's population, they said.

"If it wasn't students, it wouldn't be staff," said art professor Garry Bibbs, who is a member of the task force, describing the way UK's diversity problems have filtered throughout campus.

To learn more, task force members said talking one-on-one with faculty is key.
"It's extremely important because pec-

key.

"It's extremely important because peo-ple are going to feel much more open and

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UK remembers first black grad with memorial

Holloway Fields Jr. studied electrical engineering at UK, which has no real consection to paving roads and building between the consection of the consection

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Steept for the fact that Fields was black and this Fields was black and this Fields was black and this landmark Supreme Court design and the doctrine of "separate but equal" mononstitutional.

Yesterday afternoon, a memorial service was held in the Student Center Small Ballroom to remember Fields, who died Feb. 24 in Fayetteville, NY.

"These are the kinds of events where it's important to remember those who went before us," said lngrid St. Omer, an

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Memorial

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assistant professor of electrical engineering, who spoke at the service.

Fields, who soon in Fields, who con in 1827, grew up in Lexington, served in the U.S. Navy in World War II and decided to get a degree in electrical engineering following the war, but enrolled at the lilinois In was still lilegal for blacks to enroll at UK.

But in 1948, Lyman T. Johnson won a battle to desegregate UK, and that opened the door for Fields. Holloway, an athlete at Dunhar High School in Lexington and his class valedictorian, set the bar high for those who would follow him.

"We all emulated Holloway because he was not just an athlete, but an excellent student," said Julian Jackson, a member of the Dunhar Alumin Association who graduated Dunhar in 1949.

Emulating wasn't always easy though.

"He made my road a rough road," Jackson said, recalling Holloway's reputation for excellence. "But we were all better for it."

But the road was rough for Fields too. Though he was allowed to attend UK, segregation still existed, preventing him from eating in any campus facility, attending at some stores in Lexington. It was a series of injustices that Fields would deal with them) very quietly, knowing was going to reach his goal, no matter what," said Joan W. Lyons, a friend of Fields.

After reaching that edu-

goal, no matter what, saudoan W. Lyons, a friend of Fields.

After reaching that education goal, Fields went to work at General Electric. Co. for 39 years. He was also a devoted family man and was married to his late wife, Harriet, for 58 years and they had five children, Audrey, Ralph, Howard, Jerome and Calvin.

He instilled a deep sense of family in his children. Family vacations often lasted



Observers of Holloway Fields Jr.'s memorial service listened while music senior Karmesha Peake sang in honor of the deceased UK graduate.

senior Admensa Peade sang in none two weeks or more; "his idea was to be with family," said his son Ralph.
"(He was) a dedicated fa-ther," Audrey said. "My mom would say 'a devoted and lov-ing husband."
His determined attitude is one attribute that defined Fields and sustained him through his time at UK, his children said.

or of the accessed on graduate. it was the roadway from point A to point B," Ralph said. "He just had to go around the obstacle to do it. That was part of his commitment."

"(He was) showing us how to overcome obstacles," Audrey added. "Don't throw in the towel; don't give up."

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He was going to reach his goal, no matter what."

- Joan W. Lyons, friend of deceased UK engineering grad Holloway Fields Jr., UK's first black graduate.

Diversity

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much more free about communicating what's on their mind," said J. John Harris III, an education professor and task force member. The committee could circulate a survey of faculty as part of the process, but the means for doing that is still under discussion at this time, especially with the UK's Work-Life Survey of faculty currently underway. "We don't want to reinyent the wheel," Harris said of the desire to not be re-

dundant in asking questions already covered in the first survey. "We just want to refine it so we can get the information."

The Work-Life Survey, which will likely yield information as early as next week, should also include findings useful for the task force's needs.

"There will be, I believe, information that can be extrapolated," Harris said.

Though the committee is working on faculty concerns presently, they also are considering a way to hear the concerns of the staff as well, which they said are just as important.

"If you were to leave the staff out, they'd be offend-

sight to add to the quersity discussion.

"We can learn a lot from staff members," Williams said.

The plan for hearing staff concerns will likely follow a similar path to that plan is a suit of the said of the

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out plans.

"We're trying to firm things up so we can take the next step," Harris said. "Once we identify what those concerns are for the affected groups, we are able to come back and make recommendations."

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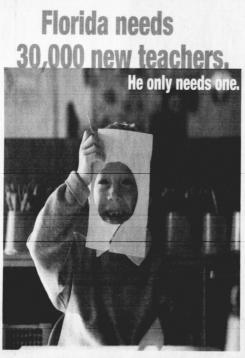
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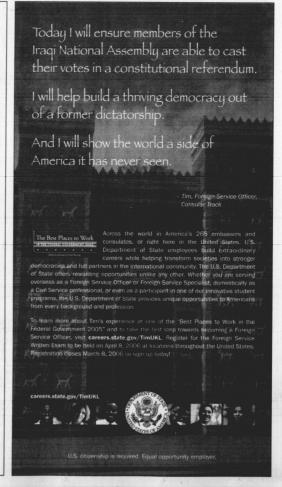


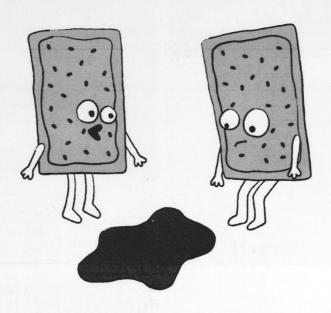


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UK women sound off in 'Monologues'

Women rarely get the chance to be heard as women, first and foremost. This inequality will soon be answered when UK V-Day presents its second annual production of "The Vagina Monologues," beginning tonight.

onight.

"It's a series of stories collected from women around the world dealing with issues from rape and mutilation, to getting your period for the first time, to having your first good sexual experience," said Ashley Rouster, organizer for "The Vagina Monologues" and founder of UK vDay, a student organization dedicated to service and public awareness education.

The "Monologues" are presented as short stories performed by both solo performed by the stories of the



Meg Brown, a topical studies sophomore, reads off euphemisms for "vagina" while performing The Vagina Monologues.

Meg Brown, a topical studies sophomore, reads off euphemisms for "vagina" while performing the Yagina Monologues you to help end violence against women.

The production of "The Vagina Monologues" can change from year to year. During the audition, the cast is asked to complete a questionnaire bearing questions that personify their vaginas, like the ones mentioned earlier. The answers are incorporated into the final show, which puts an interesting local angle in the UK production.

Rouster calls herself the "mother" of the show. After transferring from Hanover College as a sophomore, she wanted to participate in a student women's group at UK. Since she had participated in V-Day at Hanover, Rouster founded V-Day UK in 2005 and helped to bring a student production of "The Vagina Monologues" to UK



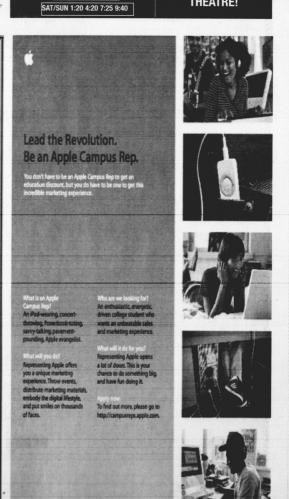
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Cats prep for Frostbite

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this weekend's games, or email assistant coach Melis-sa Inouye at mtinou2@uky.edu.

Cats lose catcher for season Marnitz setting records

Cats lose catcher for season
UK had a rough series of games at last weekend's Aztec Invitational in San Diego. The team went-14 with their win coming against Indiana State by a score of 11-3.

Schmidt attributed the poor weekend to her team's mentality.

"I don't think we had our heads were in it last weekend," she said. "We had
"It's impressive when



REITH SMILEY | STAI Brooke Marnitz makes a putout against Kent State earlier this season. Marnitz set two UK records last weekend at the Aztec Invitational.

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UK lost catcher Alli Eckman for the season with a torn anterior cruciate ligament. Eckman was second on the team with two home runs and a 478 slugging percentage.

and a "Wo Suspense of the age.

"It's rough losing Alli,"
Schmidt said. "We need to regroup mentally and have a good weekend at home."

UK brings a 7-6 record into today's game against Morehead State.

four in a 7-1 loss to Loyola Marymount.

"After her cycle, Brooke didn't really see another pitch for the rest of the weekend." said Coach Schmidt. "I don't think Loyola Marymount threw a pitch near the plate."

"When a player is getting pitched around like that, the rest of the team needs to step up. We didn't do that last weekend."

Marnitz is currently leading UK in 10 offensive categories including batting average (.421), runs (11), RBI (9), and home runs (31), RBI (9), and home runs (31), RBI (9), and home runs (31).

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Fifth-seeded Florida
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back 12th-seeded Mississippi State 98-83 yesterday.
The Gators will face
fourth-seeded UK at 6:30
tonight.
The teams will meet for
the third time this season.
In Gainesville, UK defeated
the Gators 90-65. In Lexington on Feb. 5, Florida returned the favor, dropping
the Cats 68-61.
Florida is on its hottest
streak of the year. The
Gators defeated Tennessee

Former UK and current Mississippi State coach Sharon Fanning again failed to record her 500th victory. The Bulldogs have lost 13 consecutive games.

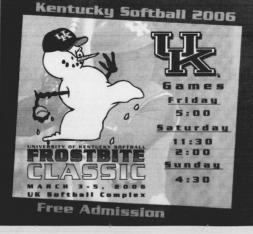
Freshman DeWanna Bor ner scored 25 points to lear

Led by twin 20-point efforts from Ashley Johnson (23) and Carla Bartree (21), the Lady Rebels used a 29-5 second-half run to rout Arkansas, 94-64. Ole Miss held Arkansas to 28.8 percent shooting, in-

in Knoxville last week 95-93. Former UK and current Mississippi State coach Sharon Fanning again Gailed to record how 5000 to the seed in tournament, to

Auburn upsets So. Carolina
Freshman DeWanna Bonner scored 25 points to lead
10th-seeded Auburn to a 64-48
victory over South Carolina
yesterday.
Auburn opened the game
with a 13-0 run and held the
Lady 'Cocks to 29.2 percent
shooting. They will face the
tournament's No. 2 seed,
fifth-ranked Tennessee, today.
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IN OUR OPINION

Hazing incident shows need for Greek review

Officials at Western Kentucky
University are investigating Members of the Alpha Cahna Rho for violations
stemming from a Feb. 16 party
broken up by police.

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unterviewing members about charges of streaking and underage drinking, have decided to suspend the fraternity for three
years, meaning the organization won't be back on campus until
2009.

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won't be back on campus until 2009.

"Ifeel a three-year suspension for this fraternity is appropriate given the seriousness of the violations," Gene Tice, vice president for Student Affairs and Campus Services Tice at WKU said in a written statement to the media. This imappropriate behavior and the statement of the culture for this group." Police also found a goat tied up in a small room without food or water, standing in its own urine and feces. They subsequently charged an individual with second-degree animal cruelty. Some students told administrators that the goat was used for psychological hazing, according to the Associated Press.

If you find this shocking

cal hazing, according to the Associated Press.

If you find this shocking and/or disturbing, stop to consider that administrators at Western also found out that this had been going on for at least three years. This was also the fraternity's second violation of alcohol policy. Members of the fraternity have apologized for the incident, and the executive director of the fraternity — a social and professional fraternity for agriculture and related fields — has also suspended the chapter and has said he will investigate, according to the AP But apologies and promises to "do something" have come

A policy that reduces the minimum penalty for cheating and plagiarism will go into effect beginning next semester.

As it stands now, the lightest punishment for an infraction is an automatic "E" in the course.

The new policy will grant faculty the leeway to enforce lighter punishment if they feel the violation doesn't warrant a failing grade.

cially close to home since it happened at another Kentucky university. The aura of hazing still surrounds Greek organizations, fairly
or not. And if hazing weren't still
a problem among Greek organizations. campus administrations
wouldn't need to lecture students
about its dangers.
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easily accessions others of what happened. And students must have the courage to do so.

We realize that initiation is seen as a sort of right of passage into these organizations. However, there's no reason why Greek pledges have to show their commitment in a way that fundamentally degrades their humanity. UK administrators do educate pledges about the dangers of hazing and urge them to report any alleged wrongdoing. But the advice is too often ignored by young adults none too eager to have college administrators assume the role of parents just after escaping the lifelong rule of their parents. In the end, students have to decide whether it's worth acquiescing to the initiation demands of their older would-be brothers and sisters. Some pledging rituals may not be harmful at all — some sororities, for example, exchange offits.

gifts.

But students should keep in mind that social acceptance and dignity aren't mutually exclusive.

Cheating policy change

a fair move for students

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BRAD STURGEON, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

LETTERSTOTHEEDITOR Kind Hearts, an Ohio-based Muslim charity that came as aurprise, since only a few months ago the Senate Finance Committee, chaired by Chuck Grassley (R-lowa) had cleared Kind Hearts from any wrongdoing. In fact, the only accusation that the government did officially allege is that charity operations are blocked pending investigation into whether Kind Hearts is being associated with Hamas, no other information was provided. Accordingly, the matter is still under investigation; and no prior ironic conclusions can be drawn yet, till charges proven in court of law. I am not here in defense of Kind Hearts, which categorically denies such accusations but to call attention to the Muslims' constitutional rights and the religious obligation of charity which is the fourth of five pillars of the Islamic faith. American Muslims do not give charity to support violence but to alleviate the pain and suffering of the poor, sick, and victims of disasters worldwide. The freezing of over 81 million from Kind-Hearts' bank charity funds should not hinder a lawful release of the funds to reach the needy starving women. Second, the furro over the now-delayed deal to allow-LIAE. Company (DB World to needs six ISI. Sports is six ISI. Sports in the six ISI. Sports in the contract of the contract in the case of the six ISI. Sports six ISI. Sports six ISI. Sports in the contract of the contract in the case of the contract of

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On Feb. 27. The Kernel published a column that condemned the University Studies Program ("Dinosaurs and Disasters won't help in my political career").

At first, I believed the column a satirical interpretation of a satirical idea. I was confident that sarcasm was used to refute a sarcastic sentiment, wielding parody in layers. Rereading the column, I'm not so sure. USPs are very integral to education, not simply from the position of ensuring that students are erudite in their understanding of the world around them, but also for the quality of the university and its degrees. Those diversely schooled in addition to their professional training are greatly preferred to those with only a one-dimensional way of thinking and a very specific technical education. The Kernel is a student-run newspaper, and the purpose of its Opinions page is to provide a forum for the ideas of students. It is forgien. There is a special place in history reserved for Megan Vazmina, and I hope she enjoys her sear heax to Marie Antoinette.

If there is any profession that should require a broad learning, it is that of the politician. Politicians define policy on a number of issues, and I, for one, have trouble trusting my laws to someone who doesn't know how Rome fell, and policy that can affect cacdemia and national sclentific focus to a person that isn't quite sure what an atom is, and what happens when it splits.

I don't believe that a person who doesn't know at least a basic idea of what a tectonic plate is, or why the thing is shifting all over the place should be determining what should be done after an earthquake. I could be the count of the the people of this nation prevention of the policy of the policy of the public of th

Disregard Muslim stereotypes

I would like to gear into two subjects which Jonathan Meador has vaguely outlined in The Kernel article dated Feb. 28. First is the recent government freezing of assets of

goage being used against the deal is snameful and irresponsible.

U.A.E. is one of the most reliable Arab allies since. Sept. 11 as Richard Clarke, the former Bush counter-terrorism specialist said. The president is right on thisone Dubal has done everything we've asked of them.

Therefore, I feel that those who contend that portscan be securely run by a British company, but not an Arab one, are basically engaging in racial profiling on-the corporate level. President Bush has himself suggest; ed that some criticism of the deal is racist in nature. In conclusion, I would like to reaffirm that the rhetoric surrounding these issues should be based on facts and not opinionated views pertinent to faith or ethnicity.

and children
scond, the furor over the new-delayed deal to allowa U.A.E. company (DP World) to operate six U.S. ports:
currently run by the British firm P&O. Although DP.
World has received clearance from the highest levels of
government to operate here in the U.S., opponents of:
the deal still voiced their concerns about whether security would be compromised solely due to the fact that:
DP is Arab-owned.

The fact is, neither P&O nor DP World determinesor sets standards for security in the U.S.; however, this
did not quell the chorus of opposition fearing an increased risk of terrorist attacks. Still some of the language being used against the deal is shameful and irresponsible.

effort to institute the change. He said as a result, many faculty members have dealt with cheating and plagiarism infractions in secret. "I think that many faculty in the past, under the old rules, felt the action (was too serious) and were reluctant to drop the hammer on a student when they could appreciate other factors," he said. This policy will allow faculty to distinguish between a violation committed because of neglect or ignorance and an intentional moversion of the rules. The property cite a quote great to represent the results of the related the same as someone who sneaks an answer sheet into an exam. This is a common sense lation doesn't warrant a failing grade. This new policy is a much more fair approach to dealing with academic integrity. The mandatory penalty doesn't take into account the varying degrees of seriousness of different violations. "The feeling was, the present academic offenses policy in official use was far too punitive," said Ernie Yanarella, chairman of the University Senate, which was the driving force behind the

Music isn't what it used to be, but change is on the way

It is often said that music is the universal language. That or math, I can't remember which one. Or maybe it's both. Whatever.

Whatever.

Anyway universal language or not, nusic-scend geographic, cultural, ethnic and linguistic boundaries.

This can be seen everywhere you look, such as kids singing. The Macarena" at a high school homecoming dance or the Mexican according to "My Heart Will Go on" during their lunch break.

As beautiful a phenomenon as music is,

As beautiful a phenomenon as music is, it, along with pretty much everything in this world (except for Chipotle), has a dark side.

side.
I'm not talking about rap music that critics say cause misogyny among youth (it doesn't) or industrial metal that others say cause teenagers to shoot up their schools (it doesn't). I'm talking about bad music.

Really bad music.

What is really bad music, you ask? The stock answer from most music elitists would be to simply turn on MTV, and they would be right.

However, unless you tune your television to the "music" channel early in the morning, you will not see any music videos, and "Meet the Barkers" doesn't serve as a good case study for the state of modern pop music. But if you've ever eatmoster and the state of modern pop music, but if you ve ever eatmoster pop music, but if you want in music, if it was often subjected to the sonic filth that poured fourth from televisions around the dining hall. As if "I Love the Way You Move" wasn't annoying enough already, it can truly drive a person mad when they hear it at least six times a day. But this column isn't meant to pick on OutKast, a group that I believe has good intentions at heart. I'm hear to address the country of the state of the country of

Whether it's prepackaged pop music or some random guy who plays guitar and only writes songs about ex-girfriends, the standard by which music is judged today has been lowered dramatically from where it once stood in the past.

Although some of this has to do with the democratization of music and the availability of recording equipment, this sort of development should be a good thing.

availability of recording equipment, this sort of development should be a good thing.

However, this revolution, along with giving many musicians the opportunity to make and distribute music in an environment where they previously were unwellone, also gives many unsavory musicians the opportunity to ravage your eardrums with what they will constantly refer to as their "art."

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with what they will constantly refer to as their "art."

For example, I'm sure at one point in your time at UK you've seen a poor soul playing guitar and singing outside White Hall, the Student Center, or even your dorm on a sunny day. These people must be stopped.

Don't think that by any means I'm advocating a return to listening to "oldies" or what have you. Some of music's greatest travesties were committed before any of us were even born (think The Eagles, John

Denver, post-Genesis Phil Collins).

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What I am proposing, however, is a return to what makes music music, such as, I will be the property of the property

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If you thought that something was missing from your
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would you do to change it?
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of a band you liked to WRFLFM? Would you compose
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Or would you just start your
own record labe?

Late one night three
months ago, two stalwart,
young UK insomniacs set out
to create a new home for independent music in Lexington. After two years of laborious research, and a continuous 36-hour quest for registration, Kalmia Records was
parents Matt Sparks and Rob
McGregor.

"Matt and I met each oth-

born, the progeny of proud parents Matt Sparks and Rob McGregor.

"Matt and I met each other our freshman year two years ago, and Matt knows more about music than I do, so I'm learning a lot from him. But some of the things he lacks in I kind of make up for, "McGregor said.

For years, Sparks and McGregor were just music fans who toyed with the idea of starting a label. But they simply took the initiative to learn about the business, and dreams became reality.

"We've read everything

learn about the business, and dreams became reality,
"We've read everything (about starting a label) that we could get our hands on, and there are a lot of great books out there." Sparks said. "We also asked a lot of questions, talked to a lot of people. And luckily we stumbled upon Petticoat, petticoat, an excellent band with a lot of good songs, and hopefully it all works out." Sparks and McGregor were friends of Lexington group Petticoat, Petticoat be-

proud to have them on their label.

"When we first started and we were looking for the perfect band for our first release, Petticoat came up in both our minds. They're not only our cookie-cutter kind of band, they're unique and they'we got talent," McGregor said.

"The thing about Petticoat is that they have built a name for themselves in a scene that's not really built coat is that they have built a name for themselves in a scene that's not really built coat is that they have built a name for themselves playing indie rock, which is a cool thing."

In July, Kalmia Records will be releasing "Every Mother's Child," their first (and Petticoat's first) full-length album, and "Love In An Alley" will be the first single released.

"Even in the samples, you can hear these good songs that they've recorded in their basement, even though it's just a rough recording." Sparks said. "So just take that can be a million times better."

The band is currently recording in skyrocket and be a million times better."

The band is currently recording new songs for the album at Summertime Studios, and Kalmia expects that as Petticoat, Petticoat becomes more prominent, they tow will start to expand and more bands will want to sign with Kalmia.

"Right now I think we're going to focus on the indie style of music but we're talk-ing about maybe doing an offshoot into metal and hard-ore because we both love all



different kinds of music."

Sparks said.

"If a band comes out, and they're not in the indie scene and they're excellent, and we don't expect to make and they're excellent, or turn the more of the state of the sta

different kinds of music," Kalmia Records, the music Sparks said. world is their oyster.

Spring Break Safety Tips

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- 1. Be familiar with your surroundings: don't leave a party with someone that you just met.
- 2. Avoid excessive alcohol and drugs.
- 3. Protect your drink- don't allow anyone to slip something in it!
- 5. Always remember that "stuff" happens when you are drinking like STD's, unwanted pregnancies, and accidents.

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Q&A with Petticoat, Petticoat

Band works as chimera of indie-country-folk-pop

ticoat, Petticoat is Dickie Hay-don (guitar, vocals), Kristin Messina (vocals, harmonica), Jackson Silvanik (bass) and Scott Overall (drums). The Kernel got to sit down with the lady and two of the gents recently to talk about their soon-to-be-released, allum

Q. How did you all first meet?

A. Dickie Haydon: Scott and I have been playing together since we were 13, and we played crappy punk rock because that was the only thing we knew how to play and we made Scott play drums (laughs).

drums (laughs).

Scott Overall: You're making me sound like your bitch (laughs).

Kristin Messina: We all coincidentally grew up on the same street. I lived four houses down from them for

years and didn't know it. We met during high school. Dickie and I met at a show that he was playing at and I thought he was really cute, so I chased him around all night until he paid attention to me, and it worked. I was on the stage at the end of the show singing their infamous cover of "Hot Cross Buns."

If your house was burning down and you had one album to save from the flames, which one would it be?

A. DH: I would choose
"Aja" by Steely Dan, I grew
up on Steely Dan. I grew
up on Steely Dan.
KM: I'm really big on
Sufjan (Stevens) right now,
and I know everyone is, but
he's precious and pasty and
good.
SO: I like what we play,
but I would probably get
Death Cab For Cutie's "The
Photo Album," because that
was the first indie rock album that I really got into.

DH: We were a really dif-ferent band. Petticoat first started out with me, Scott, and our friend Sunny who played keyboards. At first we were just a pop band, but then Sonny quit, then we did-n't have a band for a while, then we reformed with differ-ert people and then it feet What's the most fun you've had on stage?

— Interview by staff music writer Nathan Thacher

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If You Go

When: 7 p.m. Sunday Where: The Dame Cost: \$6, Ages 18+ Page France will also perform

you've had on stage?

DH: Our first show at The Dame was pretty rad, that was a pretty good show. SO: I think all of the shows we play are fun. KM: One time I was really tipsy on stage in front of everybody's parents, and I kept getting notes wrong, but I thought I sounded really good, and I just kept talking. And when you're five-footnothing and 90-something pounds, it really doesn't take that many Dancing Bears to make you a fabulous conversationalist (aughs). It was really awful, but at the same time amazing.

—Interview by staff

ent people, and then it got kind of weird, but it was fun. It was really experimental, we had a lot of crap going on with the laptop. SO: I would like to say, on the record, you're never against the say of th

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