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Gaines Program founder dies at 81

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The father of the Gaines Program, Raymond F. Betts, a man with an "amazing imagination" died Friday at the UK Chandler Medical Center. He was 81.

Betts worked at UK from 1971 until his retirement in 1998. In his 27 years at the university, Betts served in a variety of roles, including history professor and director of the Honors Program.

Betts also created the UK 101 program for incoming freshmen and founded the Emerging Leader Institute.

Betts started the Gaines Center in 1983 to offer a unique program to foster appreciation for the humanities, according to the center's Web site. Betts used a \$500,000 gift from John and Joan Gaines of Lexington, to restore three houses on Maxwell Street to house the Gaines Center.

Gaines Fellows, students selected for the two-year program following a rigorous application process, take a specially designed class both semesters of their junior year and complete an independent study project their senior year.

UK has had more than 200 Gaines Fellows, and another 12 or so students will be selected for the fellowship this year.

Dan Rowland, director of the Gaines Center, said Betts was a mentor to him when he first came to UK's history department.

"Ray had an amazing imagination," Rowland said. "I think that's what particularly set him apart as a historian."

Rowland also said Betts' involvement in the Gaines Center has been vital to UK.

"He has enriched my life and all the lives of the faculty who have taught here and the students who have learned here," Rowland said.

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UK teacher awarded for film on horses

By John Crowell
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UK employee Christine Amerman recently became a nationally-awarded filmmaker for her work on a subject that is near and dear to the heart of Lexington: thoroughbreds.

The National Educational Telecommunications Association awarded Amerman the Best Biography Documentary Award for 2007. The award was given for her work in the film "Life With Passion: Raising Egyptian-Arabian Horses," where Amerman explores the ancient breed of horses.

The film has already won a Telly for best documentary. The Telly Award honors excellence in local, regional and cable television. The documentary originally aired on the PBS affiliate in Central Texas, KWBU.

Amerman made "Life With Passion" as her thesis project for her master's degree at Baylor University in Waco, Texas. She worked for six months full-time on the 30-minute film and was proud of her accomplishment when it was completed.

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Soccer player arrested in rape case

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A UK soccer player was arrested last night on charges of first-degree rape after a 17-year-old girl reported she was sexually assaulted at Blanding Tower, said Maj. Joe Monroe with UK police. Michael Alexander Strong, a 21-year-old junior from San Antonio, Texas, was arrested around 8:30 p.m. at his off-campus residence last night.

The rape occurred between 3 and 4:30 a.m. Saturday, Monroe said. The victim, who is from out-of-state, was visiting her sister, an 18-year-old student at UK and a Blanding Tower resident. The victim, her sister and Strong were at a

party and a club Saturday night before returning to the sister's room in Blanding Tower where the rape took place, Monroe said. The victim's sister and her roommate were in the room when the rape occurred, Monroe said.

Monroe couldn't confirm whether alcohol was involved but said "there's always that possibility."

Police were notified about the rape between 10 and 11 Saturday night by UK Hospital where the victim had a sexual examination done.

Since the victim is a minor, Monroe said the police department is not going to release her name.



Strong

Monroe also said that the accuser's sister's name is not being released because it "would directly link the juvenile to her sister."

It is the policy of the Kernel not to name victims of sexual crimes.

Police identified Strong as a suspect after interviewing the victim and two witnesses, Monroe said.

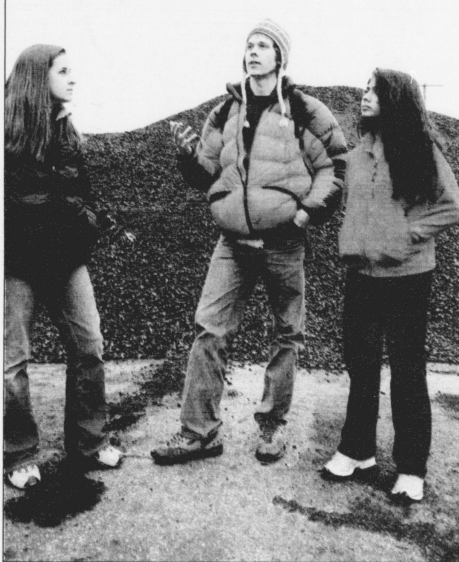
Former UK soccer player Matt McAlpine also declined to comment about the case but said, "Strong is a great guy, great friend, (and) real respectful."

Strong played in 21 games for the Cats this season. He scored four goals and had two assists.

THE GREEN DEBATE

"This is a challenge of our generation that's been ignored by previous generations. This is our small step in trying to put UK in the right direction."

—Niles Barnes, co-coordinator of Green Thumb, an environmental student group on campus



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ABOVE Niles Barnes, a political science senior, displays coal burned to provide energy on campus. Niles is a co-founder of Green Thumb, which wants the university to consider using windmills to create wind energy.

LEFT Brittany Zwicker, a communication disorders junior, left; Niles Barnes, a political science senior, and Sameera Savarala, a psychology junior, talk about how pollutants affect campus.

UK, students struggle to work together for sustainability

By Emily Covert
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Few people think twice about switching on a light, changing the thermostat or flushing a toilet. But to some students and staff on campus, the conservation behind these everyday activities makes them important to UK's sustainability efforts.

"We don't tell our story, so people think we're not doing much," said UK spokesman Jay Blanton on sustainability at UK.

The university has been working seriously to improve sustainability since "the late '70s, early '80s" through electrical energy conservation, water conservation, better forms of transportation and promoting "organic" farming, said Bob Wiseman, vice president for Facilities Management.



"There is a long list of things we are doing now and (would) like to do in the future."

—Bob Wiseman, vice president for Facilities Management at UK

"We have a responsibility to do as much as we can," Wiseman said.

And UK has a vested interest in doing as much as it can.

Sustainability efforts save energy and resources, thereby saving the school money in the process, Wiseman said. With an annual utility bill of \$37 million, UK has implemented small and large projects to save on both sides.

But many students on campus argue that despite UK's efforts, not enough is being done. Potential student funding for sustainability efforts organized by the student group Green Thumb was cut down by UK three weeks ago.

"It was a huge disappointment," said Niles Barnes, Green Thumb co-coordinator and political science senior. "I don't feel like it was taken into account with as much weight as it

should have been."

Last March, 64 percent of voting students approved an increase in student fees to help promote the use of green energy on campus. The referendum, passed on the Student Government elections ballot, would have generated about \$330,000.

Three weeks ago, however, UK administrators denied the referendum. Three days later, Pat Terrell, vice president for student affairs, told Green Thumb members their proposal for university funding would not go before the Board of Trustees, meaning Green Thumb would receive no permanent funding at all.

"We were told that the administration would provide funding equal to the money that student fees (would have given us)," Barnes said.

"It seems ludicrous that you could

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UK'S GREEN INITIATIVES

- Implementation of green building standards, developed by the U.S. Green Building Council, in new buildings. This includes exterior light pollution reduction, water-efficient landscaping, maximizing daylight and exterior views, and emphasizing the use of recycled content for materials.
- \$300,000 spent annually on recycling.
- Installed leak detection and repair programs so that less water will go to waste.
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By Linda C. Black
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Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Today is a 5 — Loved ones want reassurance, which they may see as buying them things. Show them the value of hugs, hot cocoa and deferring gratification. Make small things significant.
Gemini (May 21 - June 21) Today is a 6 — Continue with your exploratory program. Find out all you can about what's available and how much it costs. Others will appreci-

ate this information.
Cancer (June 22 - July 22) Today is a 7 — There's plenty of work. The challenge is how to do it all and still have a life. The answer is in the magic of priorities and scheduling.
Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Today is a 7 — The money's coming in, if you can keep up with the work. This is one of those rare situations where if you work harder you make more.
Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Today is a 7 — You're good at picking up details the others have overlooked. Busy yourself doing that, for now. They need you more than they realize.
Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today is an 8 — You actually get more done when you're up against a deadline. Now, if you can just get rid of the sense of dread, you'll really be riding the wave — metaphorically speaking, of course.
Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Today is a 7 — Wait to see what happens next. Postpone your decision.

There's too much confusion now. Wait 'till the dust settles.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is a 6 — Keep learning as fast as you can, on your own time. Something that starts out as a hobby brings more than satisfaction.
Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Today is a 7 — You'll have fewer travel complications if you wait just a little while longer. Traveling on business should be especially lucrative tomorrow and the next day.
Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today is a 6 — There will be a problem concerning your money and somebody else's spending. This has been a recurring theme for a while. Eliminate the confusion.
Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Today is a 5 — Stay out of a controversial situation as long as possible. Wait until they ask for your opinion or they won't hear it.

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KATIE'S COMEBACK PLAN

Dawson's Creek. Pieces of April. Remember when Holmes had a career? So does she — and she's ready to be an actress again

THE DISH

In Paris for fashion Week, 28-year-old Katie Holmes lunched on a fresh truffle salad alongside BFF Victoria Beckham on January 23 at luxe restaurant Le Voltaire. "She has an inner glow," manager Antonio Picot told Us afterward. "She's a beautiful woman — stunning." After a meal punctuated with excited gossip ("They were laughing and making sure no one else could hear them," says Picot), the friends parted ways. Following a wardrobe change at her almost \$4,000-a-night suite at the George V hotel, Holmes was off on a shopping expedition for her nearly 10-month-old daughter, Suri, who was back home in the United States. At baby couture store Baghera, she picked out more than \$11,000 worth of dresses, some silk, in various sizes. Store employee Annie Houplain tells Us, "Babies grow out of their clothes so quickly; Katie wanted Suri to be able to enjoy them for as long as possible."

And Holmes, more than ever, may be aware of the importance of capitalizing on the moment. With the birth of Suri and her whirlwind wedding to Tom Cruise, 44, behind her, Holmes is realizing that private jets and five-figure shopping sprees won't keep her once-promising career afloat. A January 26 story in The Wall Street Journal questioned the star's bankability (her Q Score shows that, over two years, she has become nearly twice as recognizable — but less likable). The article also broke the news that she would not be reprising her

district-attorney role in The Dark Knight, the sequel to the 2005 film Batman Begins. (A rep for Holmes blames scheduling conflicts and tells Us, "Katie is in the process of negotiating her next movie.") And on January 26, Holmes was spotted taking meetings at the high-powered Creative Artists Agency — which reps her husband — to "map out a new career plan," according to the Journal. Holmes herself reportedly told friends, "I'm resuming my movie career once our daughter reaches her first birthday."

Forget-me-not

As that April milestone approaches, Holmes is considering a part in the comedy Mad Money, which begins filming in April. It's low-budget, but other talents who are likely to do the film are Queen Latifah, Diane Keaton and director Callie Khouri, who wrote Thelma & Louise. A Holmes source adds that the actress is holding out for the right role. "Katie is very independent," the insider tells Us. "She really wants to choose a character that she hasn't done before."

Besides, just because Holmes hasn't been on a film set doesn't mean she has ignored her prospects. The source says Holmes "is always looking for scripts and novels to option, and she's been watching movies and researching directors she would like to work with."

Still, this is Hollywood, where out-of-work actresses are often yesterday's news. Holmes' last movie, Thank You for

Smoking, was released in March 2006 — when she was eight months pregnant. Speculation has swirled about the controlling nature of Cruise — as well as his involvement with the controversial Church of Scientology — and whether that has impacted his wife's options, but a source close to the actress tells Us, "Tom is incredibly supportive. He will support any decision she makes regarding her career." One intriguing possibility: Holmes is considering a book deal (which could be anything from a tell-all to a children's book), an industry source tells Us.

Good Life

Still, Holmes, unlike other actresses on the rise, has the leisure to pick and choose her next project and not struggle from paycheck to paycheck. The role in the Batman sequel would have earned her a reported payday of \$1 million to \$2 million — but, hey, her husband earned an estimated \$67 million last year.

And Holmes has clearly mastered the role of high-profile celebrity wife. She and Cruise have cultivated an A-list circle of international celebrity pals (see "TomKat's Power Clique," right). For example, David and Victoria Beckham are scheduled to be their guests in Miami on February 4 for an invitation-only Super Bowl party at the Boost Mobile Villa presented by radio station 790 The Ticket.

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just not do it," he added.

Green Thumb had hoped to invest some of the money generated by the referendum to help fund "clean energy," such as the use of windmills to create wind energy and using solar power for water heaters in dorms.

"There is no reason to be powering the 21st century with 19th century technology," Barnes said.

After years of posting flyers, collecting 3,000 signatures and getting the issue on the ballot, finding out the week before the board meeting that the trustees weren't even going to see the proposal was frustrating, Barnes said.

The Council on Postsecondary Education capped the increase on student fees at about \$33. Any funding for new programs would take away from existing programs funded through fees.

There are 10 departments funded from mandatory student fees: Athletics, International Study Abroad Fee, Johnson Center, Student Activities, Student Center, Student Government, Student Health, Student Services, Technology and WRLF-M.

"Many of these departments have gone for substantial periods of time without increases. Athletics has not had a fee increase since 1979," Terrell said. "I feel strongly that we should not add new fees when we cannot adequately fund the departments that are currently fee-funded."

UK administrators agree, adding that students should not be the ones paying for green energy.

"The cost should be borne by the whole university, not just the students," Blanton said.

Wiseman agreed, citing that one of the main beneficiaries to any sustainability efforts would ultimately be the university.

"We didn't want the students to pay more to save the university more," Wiseman said.

Barnes also agreed that UK should

fund the efforts but said ideas for improvement had been discussed for years but never acted on.

"We totally agree with them," he said. "We think the administration should be responsible, the problem is that they haven't."

What's being done on campus

Still, UK administrators said they have taken steps to try to increase sustainability at the university.

New buildings are designed to be renovated more easily and use higher quality, more durable materials that will not have to be replaced as frequently, according to sustainability reports provided by the Facilities Management Department. Standards from a green building rating system developed by the U.S. Green Building Council, are also being implemented into projects such as the new pharmacy building.

On a College of Pharmacy design report, about 30 sustainability measures were at least under consideration for the project. These include exterior light pollution reduction, water-efficient landscaping, maximizing daylight and exterior views, and emphasizing the use of recycled content for materials.

Other construction efforts around campus include:

- Using carpet made with 25 percent recycled content and upholstery fabrics and cubical curtains that contain 25 to 100 percent recycled content.
- Low-flow shower heads and other low-flow fixtures in new dormitories to help conserve water.
- Installed leak detection and repair programs so that less water will go to waste.
- Using biodiesel fuel in university buses.

■ Operating a 24-hour manned, centralized energy management control center called the "Delta Room." The room monitors and controls the majority of heating, ventilating and air conditioning, and other equipment on campus.

■ UK also spends about \$300,000 on recycling a year.

One of the main dialogues between students and administration on the issue is through the Sustainability Task Force.

The task force, a collaborative effort among students, staff and faculty, formed in 2002. The group meets monthly to discuss such issues as environmental education and literacy, land use and building goals, community outreach, procurement practices, waste management, recycling, transportation and water.

According to the mission statement, the group makes a "conscious effort in design to select reusable materials and products that don't emit harmful gases or are destructive to the environment." But despite current efforts and future goals, UK still falls behind.

Sustainability Report Card

The Sustainable Endowments Institute released a "sustainability report card" on Jan. 24, assessing the efforts at 115 universities across the nation. The institute surveyed and graded the schools on seven categories: their work with administration, climate change and energy, food and recycling, green-building, endowment transparency, investment priorities and shareholder engagement.

UK scored an overall C- and individual category scores ranging from a B to F.

The institute included Green Thumb's attempt to get the increase in student fees in its evaluation of UK's climate change and energy, expecting the fee to pass.

"If the fee is not implemented, or something like it is not in place (by next year), it may reduce the grade to a D or even an F," said Mark Orlowski, executive director of Sustainable Endowments Institute.

UK scored a B in food and recycling, and positive comments commended the university for its work with local food cooperatives to help offer local produce four days a week.

UK scored two Fs — one in endowment transparency and one in shareholder engagement.

Endowment transparency looks at how colleges control information about endowment investment holdings and shareholder proxy voting records, while shareholder engagement examines how colleges conduct shareholder proxy voting, according to the Sustainability Report Card.

Wiseman said the institute might have made some assumptions when it came to analyzing the information they received.

The vast majority of all the surveyed universities fell in the C-range. Still, UK fell behind other colleges in the state, including the University of Louisville, which received an overall C, and Berea College, which received a C+.

Orlowski said the grade is not an overall statement about the university, but a guide to where UK is and what it still can do, he said.



PHOTOS BY ELLIOTT HESS/STAFF
Grounds crew workers Bedia Collins, right and Don Dugal change an energy-efficient fluorescent light bulb in the front yard of Maxwell Place on Jan. 25.

"(UK) shouldn't worry about the grade too much," Orlovski said. "There are hundreds of cool ideas on the report."

He urged the administration and students to look it over and talk about new ideas.

Wiseman didn't know if the score was fair, but he did find it "intriguing."

"Many of the As were from smaller colleges," Wiseman said.

UK is looking to what the bigger universities like Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania are doing, and trying to emulate them, he said.

The right direction

Facility Management is working to achieve many goals, one of which is hiring a sustainability coordinator.

"We need someone that lives it, breathes it, and wakes up with it," he said.

The coordinator would be a single point of contact for students, and would help to "coordinate efforts between (the) facilities division and greater UK."

Wiseman said he hopes to fill the position by the upcoming fall semester.

He added that he didn't expect

more funding for the position but said he would reallocate current funds.

Facilities Management also hopes to build on its sustainability committee. Wiseman said he wants to make the committee presidential-appointed so as to give it more standing, and hopes to formally appoint two students.

Wiseman said he invites Green Thumb to "join us, challenge us."

"There is a long list of things we are doing now and (would) like to do in the future," Wiseman said.

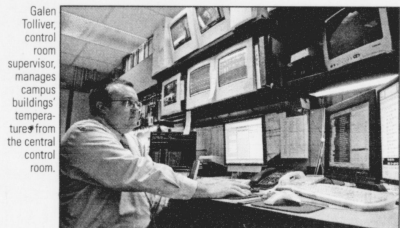
Barnes said he hoped a coordinator was hired and that UK followed through on its plans.

"We'd love to keep working with the administration," he said. "We're trying to maintain a close, strong relationship. Then if nothing happens, we'll get pissed again."

Overall Barnes said Green Thumb was upset but looking forward to future actions.

"This is not necessarily what we wanted," he said. "If the student fee had happened it would have been a set pool of money every year."

"This is a challenge of our generation that's been ignored by previous generations," Barnes said. "This is our



Galen Tolliver, control room supervisor, manages campus buildings' temperatures from the central control room.

Giuliani says there's a 'good chance' he'll run for president

By Craig Gordon
Newsday

COLUMBIA, S.C.— Rudolph Giuliani stepped closer to joining the presidential race Saturday, saying "there's a real good chance" that he will run.

But that word came as his campaign reversed its earlier claims to Newsday about why Giuliani's party affiliation was left off a key federal form—which had touched off questions about whether Giuliani might turn his back on the Republican Party and run as an independent.

The shift could prove yet another embarrassing misstep for a campaign that already has been buffeted by the loss of a detailed strategy playbook and questions about whether he and his team are up to the rigors of a national election.

It occurred on a day when Giuliani came the closest yet to announcing

he'll turn his exploratory committee into a full-fledged campaign. He spoke as he made his first stop in South Carolina, scene of the party's first Southern primary and home to some of its most fervent social conservatives.

Asked if he was close to making a decision about running, Giuliani told reporters, "Yup ... I'm not going to give you a time but it's looking good."

He dropped other hints in the course of a short visit here, telling The Associated Press that there was a good chance he would run.

He also took pains to put to rest any questions that he would seek office as an independent.

"I'm running as a Republican," he told reporters. "I'll run in the Republican primaries, and if I get selected, wonderful, and if not, I'll support the Republican candidate."

Giuliani's party affiliation was left off the paperwork for his presidential

exploratory committee, Newsday reported Thursday. Initially, a Giuliani lawyer said the campaign made a judgment that it didn't need to list the party—but Giuliani Saturday said it was an omission that needed to be corrected.

A Giuliani aide late Saturday released this statement: "Upon review, while this omission was understandable, it was an omission nonetheless. This has been corrected on the now-available form," filed Jan. 31, which lists REP for Giuliani.

While in South Carolina, Giuliani also talked like a presidential candidate, tailoring his message to more than 100 state and county GOP leaders here by highlighting his most conservative stances—embracing George W. Bush as one of the nation's "great presidents," calling for tax cuts and requiring immigrants to read and write English.

Giuliani also said he wished Bush would have picked "Nino"—he nickname for Supreme Court Justice An-

tonin Scalia, a hero to many conservatives—as chief justice of the United States because "he's an old pal of mine."

But Giuliani didn't talk about the positions that some experts believe could deny him victory in this primary—critical for any Republican who wants a shot at the White House. Several Republicans later said they need to hear more from him about his stands in favor of abortion rights and civil unions for gay couples, and even then, he would have a hard time winning their support.

Giuliani edged up to the line when he said he would appoint "strict constructionists" to the Supreme Court—a sort of Washington term of art describing justices who would vote to overturn the landmark Roe v. Wade abortion-rights decision. Some in the audience said flatly that just wasn't good enough; they wanted to hear him say he would appoint anti-abortion

judges.

"I would say 99 percent of the people in this room do not agree with Roe v. Wade," said Max Kaster, 65, the Calhoun County chairman.

On the judges question, "He did a good job of answering it, and a great job of ducking it," said one state party official on condition of anonymity. "They were on the edge of their seats when he answered that, and they didn't get it all."

Giuliani insisted later that he wouldn't alter his appeal to reach conservatives in this state—which strongly approved a constitutional ban on same-sex unions last fall—but would try to win them over by emphasizing his leadership and conservative principles.

"The fact is, I appeal to conservative Christians the way I appeal to everyone else," Giuliani said at a news conference. "I don't think you have separate appeals to people."

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"I felt like the film was my heart and soul on the screen," Amerman said. "I gave it six months of my life."

The process of making "Life With Passion" began when Amerman became aware of the reputation of a local horse breeding farm, Arabian Limited. She had heard of kings, sheiks and movie stars all flying in to Central Texas to visit the farm and purchase horses. Amerman visited the farm, and discovered a legacy reaching back hundreds of years.

Arabian Limited raises Egyptian-Arabian horses, an ancient breed that was bred in the deserts of the Middle East. Bedouins, nomadic desert-dwellers of the region, raised them to be war horses and the breed developed into smaller, more compact horses with

wider nostrils, broader foreheads, smaller ears and generally more endurance than European horses.

"They are some of the strongest and fastest horses in the world," Amerman said. "They had to develop in the desert. It was survival of the fittest."

There are now only 6,000 Egyptian-Arabian horses in the world. All thoroughbreds today can trace their lineage back to three Arabian stallions that were bred with English mares.

Amerman developed a special working relationship with the owners and operators of Arabian Limited. Amerman said the staff, including general manager Shawn Crews, felt honored and pleased with the final outcome.

"The whole barn was thrilled with how it went," Amerman said. "They said they felt it was the first time someone had told their story and told it well."

In appreciation, Arabian Limited even gave Amerman her own Egyptian-Arabian

foal. "That was totally out of the blue," Amerman said.

Ultimately, however, Amerman was the most touched by how the process of filmmaking affected the horse breeders she interviewed.

"I was asking them questions they'd never been asked before," Amerman said. "They saw their work as preserving history, since there are so few of these horses left. The interviews allowed them to pull together the story of their lives and remember what they love about their work."

Amerman now works at UK, teaching and advising communication students at the James W. Stuckert Career Center. She is currently working on a five-minute video for another horse breeder, Paradise Arabians, in Georgia. She is also helping with the new Web site for the Primate Rescue Center in Nicholasville and still goes on various freelance shoots.

Students to be surveyed on their engagement at UK

By Azra Drljovic
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UK is giving some students an opportunity to say what they think about their classes, advisers and time on campus.

This year UK is participating in the National Survey of Student Engagement. The NSSE is a nationwide survey to get information about student participation in programs and activities that institutions provide," according to its Web site.

"It measures how engaged our students are not only inside but outside of the classroom," said Roger Sugarman, director of planning and assessment in the Department of Institutional Research at UK.

"Since it was first developed, roughly 1,000 institutions participated," Sugarman said. "We participate every other year."

This year UK is inviting 6,000 randomly chosen freshmen and seniors to participate in the survey.

UK sends the names of all freshmen and seniors to the NSSE. The NSSE then randomly selects the students so that institutions do not try to make themselves look better, said Sugarman.

According to the NSSE Web site, the survey is intended for learning more about how students spend their time at different colleges and universities and what they gain from their experiences.

"We'll be able to see how our advising stacks up against other institutions," Sugarman said.

The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete but because it is unlikely that everyone will complete it, incentives are offered to get students to participate.

"We are randomly selecting winners for prizes," Sugarman said.

The prizes include six two-gigabyte Apple iPods, six \$50 gift certificates to Best Buy, and six \$50 gift certificates to the UK bookstore.

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As a historian, Betts specialized in French colonialism of the 19th and 20th centuries. He published books on the topic, among other subjects. Two of his books, "Decolonization" and "A History of Popular Culture," were published after his retirement.

Betts was also a regular columnist for the Lexington Herald-Leader and a commentator for WKY-FM.

"Ray Betts personified excellence in teaching and scholarship," UK President Lee Todd said in a statement. "The impact Ray Betts had on this university and on thousands of students will not soon be matched nor ever forgotten."

Services for Betts will be at noon today at UK's King Alumni House. Betts will be buried in Lexington Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial gifts be given to the Gaines Center for the Humanities, 232 East Maxwell St., Lexington, Ky. 40506.

Heart Ball raises funds for child obesity

By Jill Laster
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UK students and faculty "painted the town red" with other members of the Lexington community Saturday night at the American Heart Association's 19th Annual Heart Ball.

"Paint the Town Red for a Healthier Generation" was the theme of the black-tie event, and the focus was on childhood obesity.

Obesity in children is a risk factor for Type-2 or adult-onset diabetes, as well as heart disease and stroke, according to the American Heart Association.

"Kentucky Children's Hospital is acutely aware of the affects of cardiovascular disease," said Dr. J. Timothy Bricker, professor and chair of the Department of Pediatrics, in an event program. "Each year we care for as many as 4,000 children through

cardiology services, and we host innovative programs for children struggling with obesity."

The fundraiser, held at the Griffin Gate Marriott Resort, included a \$200 dinner, a raffle and a silent auction. Over 80 items were up for bid in the auction, including a safari in South Africa, a birthday party at the Lexington Fire Station and a basketball signed by former UK and current U of L basketball coach Rick Pitino.

Special events director Lindsey Ein said she was pleased to have so many people from UK come to the Heart Ball as donors and volunteers.

"The UK community was very supportive of the Heart Association," Ein said. "There were volunteers, interns, table sponsors, all from the University of Kentucky."

Ein estimates around 325 donors came to this year's Heart Ball. Organizers will know the total amount raised total later this

week.

In 18 years, the Central Kentucky Heart Ball has raised more than \$1 million for the American Heart Association. The AHA uses donations to fund research, to educate and for heart disease and stroke prevention.

More than \$5.4 million in active awards from the American Heart Association go to UK and the UK College of Medicine.

Over 40 people signed up to volunteer at the event, including UK students. Communications seniors Katie Howard and Lindsey Brown helped out and both said they plan on volunteering again next year. "It's definitely a good cause," Howard said.

Kathy Lerza said she has been participating in the Heart Ball since she became executive director of the Central Kentucky American Heart Association six years ago. "They raise the money so we can actually do the mission," Lerza said.

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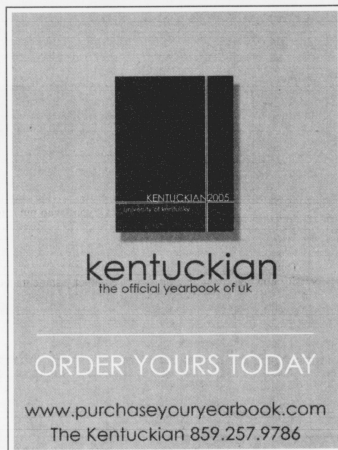
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Newly created equine program was long overdue

Kentucky is known for its stock in the horse-racing industry, so it comes as a bit of surprise that UK has gone without an academic program in the College of Agriculture geared specifically toward horses.

The College of Agriculture's animal science major doesn't go as narrowly focused as some students might like it to, in terms of zeroing in on horses. To fill Kentucky's horse jobs, employers who want someone with a specific equine background have to look to other universities to provide the graduates.

The horse industry is a major employer in Kentucky. It's a significant problem when the state's flagship university doesn't have a program aimed at filling those jobs.

That problem, however, has been rectified with the creation of the equine science program. Most importantly, the program has two separate course tracks: one focuses on equine management, the operations of a horse farm; the other is equine business, which covers the business side of the horse industry.

UK already has garnered international fame with the Gluck Equine Research Center, and the addition of this new equine science program, along with the equine research campus that will come along with it, will only further the worldwide recognition UK has in the equine sciences.

"It is absolutely necessary," Walter Zent, a chairman on the Gluck Equine Research Foundation Board, said of the new campus in a Jan. 30 Kernel article.

"Without it, the faculty will be greatly hindered in their ability to do state-of-the-art research."

Thus, the state's flagship university now has even greater potential to go above and beyond in the equine sciences in ways that

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other Kentucky universities — and schools around the nation — do not have.

Consider the fact of UK's central location to the state's horse industry. Lexington itself is known as the horse capital of the world. The countryside around Lexington is also home to the largest and best-known horse farms in the world as well, each of them business operations with multimillion-dollar budgets.

Also consider the fact that foreign buyers pour from all over the world into Kentucky when it comes time to buy and compete their horses. Their eyes will also turn to the university's program and its graduates when it comes time to hire.

Lastly, Lexington's successful bid for the 2010 World Equestrian Games makes UK's formation of such a program an absolute and vital necessity. The arrival of the games will fall just over two years after the program's inception, allowing students in the program the opportunity to take part in this international event. It will also give those affiliated with the event an extra incentive to turn their eyes to UK, not just for the university's facilities, but for the skills of its students.

UK has made a fantastic decision in not only conceiving this program but in pushing for its activation with a view toward the near future and the opportunities therein. We applaud the work of everyone who put effort into seeing that this program will become a reality next fall. We also applaud the university for recognizing that this program will benefit Kentucky students and then acting on that recognition to benefit the commonwealth as a whole.

Parking-garage delay doesn't bode well for UK hospital plans

Until the snow started falling at the end of last week, Lexington's winter weather had been decidedly mild — good news for the crews building the new hospital parking garage on South Lime-stone Street.

Yet construction on the structure has managed to slip to six weeks behind schedule, pushing the opening day from October to late November, according to a Kernel article last week.

For the garage construction, a six-week delay might seem relatively minor — after all, the hospital already has one garage that works just fine. But the new parking garage is only the first stage in UK's hospital expansion plan. And its contractors must start playing catch-up immediately to keep this delay from snowballing into massive delays for the new hospital. Contractors are currently working on a recovery schedule, hoping to make up for some of the delay.

The UK Chandler Hospital is currently running at 85 percent of its capacity and is growing faster than expected.

"We thought we would grow at

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5 percent (per year), but we grew at 10 percent," said Dr. Michael Karpf, executive vice president for health affairs, in a Jan. 23 Kernel article. "We're maxed out."

Even if it is completed on schedule, the new hospital will not

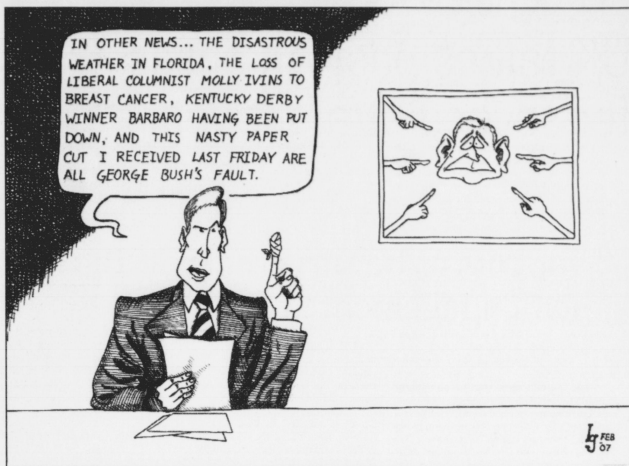
Construction is six weeks behind after a spell of unseasonably good weather, which means UK must work to catch up quickly to bring the hospital expansion back on schedule

open until 2011. In the meantime, the current hospital will become more crowded, making it increasingly difficult for patients to receive the care they need. Pushing the opening date

back will only compound this problem.

Each phase of the hospital expansion relies on the completion of the previous phase. Until the new parking garage is completed and open, the old one cannot be demolished, and therefore construction on the new hospital cannot begin. A six-week delay now could grow into several months of delays before the expansion is done.

UK needs to take steps to ensure that the hospital expansion is completed as scheduled and must continue holding its contractors liable when the work isn't done on time.



BRIAN GOODLEY, Kernel cartoonist

Don't let college's temptations get in the way of hard work

Coming to college is a privilege, not a vacation away from home. I'm sure that the majority of parents of college students have said this, but I

don't think it registered with some students.

Even though the college experience is very possibly the best four or more years of your life, some people — myself included — tend to forget why they're here.

Instead of studying for a test I have the next morning, I might decide to put it off and do it when I wake up. And then I find out the hard way that it's impossible to wake up after a night of partying and end up stuck in a room taking a test that I know absolutely nothing about.

Then there are those papers. I'll decide that it's okay to go over to my significant other's dorm or apartment for a little while and promise myself that when I get back I will finish writing. After staying for a while, I am unable to pull myself away and am caught in another

tough predicament — I have to write a five-page paper for a class that I have in two hours.

There's no telling how many times you've heard it, but it's true: Going to college is a privilege, not just somewhere you go for four years to party and have fun. Even though there are people who can do this, the majority of students probably can't.

I know there are literally thousands of students on this campus who, like me, are required to get a certain GPA every semester or lose their scholarship. Midway through break, I know many students saw that the scholarship boards weren't joking with these stipulations and received a letter telling them they are on probation. This letter is serious, but it shouldn't dampen your hopes.

Even though probation is bad, it's not the end of the world. It's just saying that you need to get your priorities in line and buckle down. For me, thoughts of having to move back home are definitely enough to cause me to step up and make the grades I need to — not to mention how much my future relies on what grades I make now. Going back home means getting a full-time job, losing all the friends I've made here, and not getting a college degree.

It's your job as a student to take care of your business and then have fun. Make a good grade; go out with

Feel free to party and have fun, but don't lose track of your studies and grades — or else the best years of your life might be shortened to a few mere months

your friends. Make an A on a test or paper; party it up. Then again, making that A should not be for partying. Prospective employers will be looking at those grades in the future, and if they see that you just did enough to get by they may think about hiring you.

Your time in college can determine where you will end up later in life. If you place restrictions on yourself, college can be the best four or more years of your life — but if you're careless, it may just be the best four months of your life. It's up to you as a student to choose which route you want to take.

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Fletcher's budget choices have aided higher education

I believe, emphatically, that a good education is the foundation to individual success and one of the building blocks for economic development. Education and work-force go hand-in-hand, making it critical that every Kentuckian be prepared to become productive and self-sufficient.

While talents and interests dictate an individual's pathway, financial resources should not play a role in what an individual may pursue. Governor Ernie Fletcher shares in these beliefs and is committed to improving education.

A recent step in that direction taken by the Fletcher administration was the passage of the 2006-2008 executive budget last April. In that budget, we invested a record amount of funding — \$714.2 million in general fund bonds and agency bonds — in capital construction projects at our state universities and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS), helping to give them the tools they need to provide the best learning environment

possible.

There are 28 bond-funded capital projects for our state universities and KCTCS, which represent 36 percent of all bonds issued in the current budget. The average value of each of those projects is \$22 million, 50 percent higher than in any past budget. In the last two budget cycles, more than \$1.3 billion in general-fund bonds and agency funds have been allotted for capital construction at the postsecondary level.

We also provided base funding increases and money for the Regional Stewardship Funding Program, which is used for collaborative programs between our local school districts and our state universities and KCTCS. Overall, nearly 15 percent of the state's \$18 billion budget for the next two years is being invested in postsecondary education, the highest amount ever committed in any Kentucky budget.

Since Fletcher took office in December 2003, the last two budgets have set records for the largest amounts of bond-funded projects. The amount of capital construction funding for higher education for the last two budgets is twice the amount in the previous two budgets and 15

percent higher than in the last four budgets.

These investments work toward improving higher education in Kentucky. In addition, Fletcher and his administration are committed to working with our students and postsecondary institutions to find ways to make going to college more affordable. As we continue to explore our potential uses for the projected surplus, we will take a serious look toward restoring university projects that were vetoed in the last session and utilizing these funds to make education more affordable to all Kentucky students.

We are encouraged to see some of our state universities taking the steps that we have been exploring over the last few months in regard to need-based tuition programs.

I am proud to be part of an administration that has placed such emphasis on education, and I look forward to visiting each of the campuses to see the great things happening to move Kentucky forward.

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CATS GROUND HOGS

UK rallies past Arkansas for second straight year

By Jonathan Smith
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FAYETTEVILLE, AR. — The UK-Arkansas series seems to resemble the movie's script for "Groundhog day" more and more each time the two teams play.

For the second straight season, UK trailed Arkansas by double-digits before rallying to win. Last season, it was an 18-point first-half deficit. Saturday, a day after Painsuttaway Phil didn't see his shadow signifying an early spring, the Cats were down 14 early in the second half.

The Cats used a huge second-half surge of steals and 3-pointers to dig themselves out of a major hole again to ground the Hogs and win 82-74 in front of 19,739 fans at Bud Walton Arena.

Just like the movie, the game had a star who kept seeing the same thing.

Ramel Bradley, who had a quiet two points in the first half, saw four 3-pointers drop in the second half to score a team-high 24 points.

Bradley said he got into his teammates at halftime as they trailed by five points.

"I just tried to scream at guys and say 'Hey, we've got to go,'" Bradley said. "We're on the road, we've got a great opportunity to get a great win here at Arkansas. We've just got to turn up, turn our little level of intensity up."

Apparently, the Cats weren't listening. Arkansas started the second half on a 10-1 run to push the lead to 45-31 behind the inside play of Steven Hill. Hill had six points during the stretch, four of them coming on dunks.

After that, things began to look familiar for the Cats.

To neutralize Hill, the Cats changed the lineup to a three guard and two forward set with Randolph Morris on the bench.

It worked — the Cats made a 10-2 push to get within six points, all behind three Arkansas turnovers and jump shots from Bobby Perry, Shera Thomas, Joe Crawford and Bradley.

"I think we needed some quickness and we needed to do a better job of defending the interior post," said head coach Tubby Smith.

Every movie needs a co-star, and against the Hogs, Jodie Meeks was Bradley's sidekick.

Meeks had 15 points, 13 in the second half, and provided a spark off the bench on the offensive and defensive end.

The Cats kept chipping away at the Razorbacks' lead, and with 8:20 left, a Meeks layup off of an Arkansas turnover gave the Cats a 54-53

lead, their first since the 4-04 mark of the first half.

It was the third straight game that Meeks has scored in double figures. After the game, when asked how Meeks continues to play big in late game situations, Morris was confused.

"I don't understand the question because that's what he's been doing since the beginning," Morris said. "He's always stepped up huge when we needed him off the bench. He has that instant offense that we need and that aggressive quickness."

Meeks and Bradley continued the comeback, eventually stretching the lead to as many as 10 in the final minutes.

After taking the lead for good with 7:04 left, Meeks had 11 points, including a steal and two dunks. Bradley had 14 in the stretch, six of which came on long 3-pointers.

Arkansas freshman guard Patrick Beverley lead the Hogs with 25 points. He tried to rally his team in the final minutes by scoring the Razorbacks' last 10 points, but Bradley went 8-of-8 from the free throw line to seal the win.

Beverley and the Razorbacks couldn't handle UK's offense in the second half, as the Cats went 7-of-11 from 3-point range and shot 50 percent from the field. The Hogs also had 19 turnovers, due in large part to UK's full court press and ever-changing defenses.

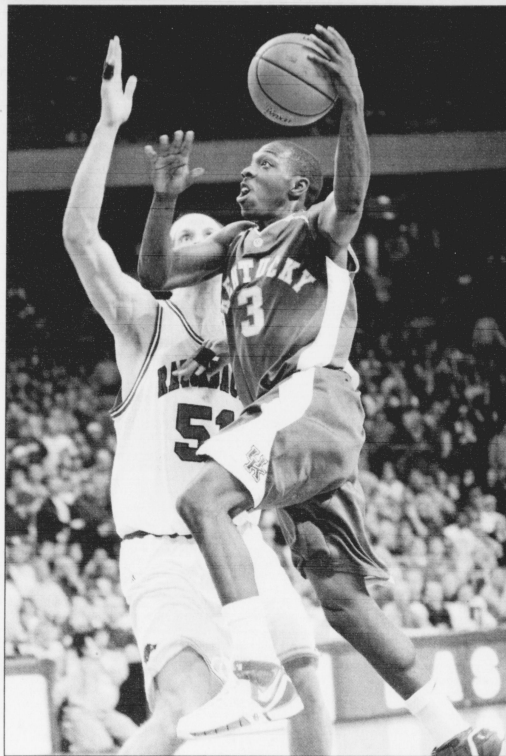
"We prepared for the press, but they didn't throw it on us in the beginning. Then they got down and used it, and it was very effective for them," said Beverley, who finished four points shy of his career high. "Coaches prepare us well for the press, and we've got to carry that preparation into the games."

The win, which moved the Cats into second place in the SEC East, was just the way the Cats wanted to start an unforgetting month of games.

After South Carolina on Wednesday, No. 1 Florida visits Lexington in a Saturday night game that has attracted ESPN's College Gameday. After that, four of the Cats' final six games are on the road.

That stretch, Smith said, will define the Cats' season. And after Saturday's game, the Cats will almost certainly want to experience some déjà vu.

"If you don't win in February, you don't win championships and you don't get to go anywhere after the season because you basically want to be building momentum as you play your season," Smith said. "It's a psychological lift when you win on the road."



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Junior guard Ramel Bradley drives against Arkansas' Steven Hill in the Cats' 82-74 win Saturday. Bradley said he screamed at his teammates at halftime as they trailed by five. Bradley and his teammates responded by outscoring the Razorbacks by 13 in the second half. Bradley finished with a team-high 24 points.

UK Hoops not perfect, but good enough to end losing skid

By Matthew George
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When a basketball team is struggling, a team will take a win any way it can get one.

That is why UK head coach Mickie DeMoss had no complaints after beating Florida 84-74 at Memorial Coliseum yesterday, even though the Cats let a 28-point lead whittle down to just five before clinching the win at the foul line.

"I'm just happy about the bottom line," DeMoss said. "It's a win."

Losers of six of their previous eight games, including three straight at home, the Cats (15-9, 4-5 Southeastern Conference) entered the contest against the Gators in dire need of a win.

Florida (6-18, 0-9 SEC), losers of 10 straight games, seemed like the right opponent for the Cats.

Early on, UK looked to have full control of the game.

The Cats jumped out to a 22-6 lead to open the game. After Florida chipped away at the lead to cut it to six, the Cats closed the half on a 13-0 run, capped off by a buzzer-beater from junior guard Samantha Mahoney to take a 43-24 lead into intermission.

Mahoney scored 16 first-half points on 7-of-8 shooting, leading the Cats to 58.6 percent shooting in the first half. Their offensive success appeared to be a result of sharing the basketball. Of their 17 field goals in the first half, 13 came off of an assist.

"I thought in the first half, we came out as strong as we have played all year," DeMoss said. "I was very pleased with our intensity and the way we executed offensively."

The Cats continued to execute well and vaulted to a 28-point lead midway through the second half.

Facing an enormous deficit, Florida again made a comeback.

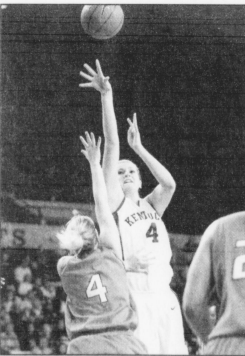
The Gators rode the 3-point shooting of senior forward Briana Phillips, who shot 4-of-6 from beyond the arc to lead all scorers with 23 points. Previously, she was 0-5 on 3-point attempts.

"She was a very good offensive weapon for us today," said Florida head coach Carolyn Peck. "With UK's size) she knew we needed to open up things from the outside. That was her mentality and it was the right decision for her."

Florida implemented a trapping press to turn up its defensive intensity and forced 22 UK turnovers to creep within five points with a minute to go.

But the Cats converted on 13-18 free throws down the stretch to hang on.

"You have to compliment Kentucky for hit-



ED MATTHEWS | STAFF

UK junior center Sarah Elliott shoots over Florida's Kim Dye in the Cats' 84-74 win Sunday at Memorial Coliseum. Elliott had 18 points and nine rebounds in a game that head coach Mickie DeMoss said the Cats needed to win "extremely bad."

ting their free throws down the stretch," Peck said.

Mahoney scored 21 points to lead the team, and was one of four Cats to score in double figures. Junior center Sarah Elliott had 18 points and nine rebounds, sophomore guard Carly Omerod finished with 16 points and freshman guard Amani Franklin added 10.

Peck said she thought the experience that UK has had in close games this season paid off down the stretch.

Before yesterday's game, eight of UK's last nine games had been decided by 10 points or less.

"There is no better teacher than experience," Peck said. "I think that they demonstrated that they have learned from that experience."

Now, after breaking the losing streak, the Cats can focus on their next game Thursday at Ole Miss.

But before that, the Cats can celebrate a win that they said they couldn't afford to lose.

"We needed it extremely bad," DeMoss said. "When you haven't won one in a while, you get really hungry."

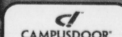
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UK women win SEC diving championship

Ignacio wins one-meter, platform events; Men finish 8th

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The UK women's Diving Team had set high expectations going into the Southeastern Conference Championship. They left with total fulfill-

ment. The UK women ended the meet in first place, edging Louisiana State University by one and a half points.

Senior diver Taryn Ignacio finished as the SEC Champion in both the one-meter and plat-

form events. Her final scores in both events were Lancaster Aquatic Center and SEC records. This was Ignacio's third consecutive platform SEC Championship.

"When she gets zoned in, when she gets in that window of where she's doing things mostly right, this girl comes out," said head coach Mike Lyden. Ignacio also finished second on the three-meter, the event she felt was her weakest.

"My goal was to make it to finals on three-meter because I never made it to finals in a big meet on the three-meter," Ignacio said Friday night. "I'm fine with second, of course I wanted to win, but I made it to the finals, that's what I wanted to do."

Junior diver Kari Retrum placed third in the three-meter and fourth in both the one-meter and platform.

"I feel I've really gotten better on all three levels and I really didn't know what to expect going into it," Retrum said.

On the men's side, sophomore Justin Smith placed 10th on the one-meter, 8th on three-meter and 14th on platform as the men collected 23 points and finished eighth.

Lyden said Smith might have over achieved.

"Justin did very well," Lyden said. "He's still learning and to final on three-meter was unbelievable for him."

The Cats weren't at full strength after senior Joey Brown dislocated her left shoulder on Jan. 31.

Brown needs surgery on her shoulder and will not be competing for the rest of the season.

"You work hard, you train hard for three years, and I feel like I was at my peak," said Brown, who was named SEC female diver of the week for her performance from Jan. 8 to Jan. 15. "I've been diving the best I've ever dove. It's really disappointing."

The NCAA Championships begin March 8.



Senior diver Taryn Ignacio dives off a platform Sunday at the Lancaster Aquatic Center during the Southeastern Conference Championships.

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Tennis falls to No.2 Baylor

By Kenny Colston
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Despite winning the first two matches of the day, the UK men's tennis team lost to No. 2 Baylor Friday night 5-2.

Sophomores Bruno Agostinelli and Kenny Hodge started off the match with a doubles win over Michal Kotka and Lars Poerschke — the No. 44-ranked doubles team in the nation — in the top doubles position, 8-5.

That success carried over to the No. 2 and No. 3 doubles positions as senior Peter Bjork and junior Will Ward downed Mattja Zgaga and Dominik Mueller 9-7 and junior Marcus Sundh and freshman Roman Ogarkov defeated Matt Brown and Attia Backo 8-6 to secure the coveted doubles point for the Cats.

Sundh said the Cats surprised the Bears by jumping out to an early lead.

"I'm sure those first two hours we were shocking (to Baylor)," Sundh said. "Playing so close to Baylor, we proved we can contend in doubles."

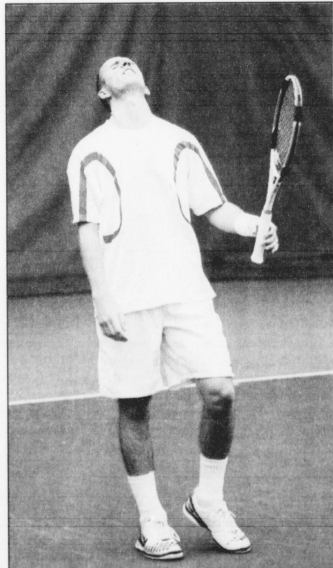
Singles, however, was different for the Cats.

Baylor came out roaring as Poerschke, ranked No. 56 nationally, finished Agostinelli, No. 89 in the nation, in straight sets, 6-3, 6-1 to win the No. 1 singles point. Sundh rebounded for the Cats, by defeating Matt Brown 6-1, 6-1 to secure the No. 4 singles and the Cats' only singles point.

Things were looking up for the Cats after Ward won the first set of No. 2 singles 7-6 against No. 17 Kotka. But after losing consecutive break points, the momentum shifted toward Baylor.

"Once we couldn't close, we knew it was an uphill battle," head coach Dennis Emery said.

Bjork went down 6-3, 6-4 against Zgaga. Ward retired from his match in the third set because of a re-aggravated injury — a strained hip flexor that Emery said shouldn't put Ward out of action if he rests.



Sophomore Will Ward reacts after hitting a ball into the net Friday against Baylor in the Boone Tennis Center. Ward and the Cats fell 5-2 to the No. 2 Bears.

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UK's Shane Collins, in the No. 5 position, went down in straight sets 6-4, 6-1 and Jorge Jorgie, in No. 6 singles, was shut out 6-0, 6-0.

Emery said after the match that UK was overmatched in the five and six positions, to which Sundh added that a key to future wins is better play at the No. 5 and 6 positions.

"If we can step up in five and

six, we can beat anybody," Sundh said.

Next up for the Cats is No. 3 ranked Ohio State on Feb. 12. Despite back-to-back losses, the team is optimistic about the upcoming match in Columbus, Ohio.

"We have a big chance at OSU and it's another battle," Sundh said. "We will be ready for the SEC though."

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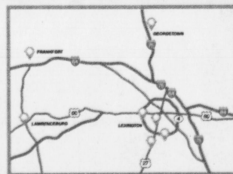
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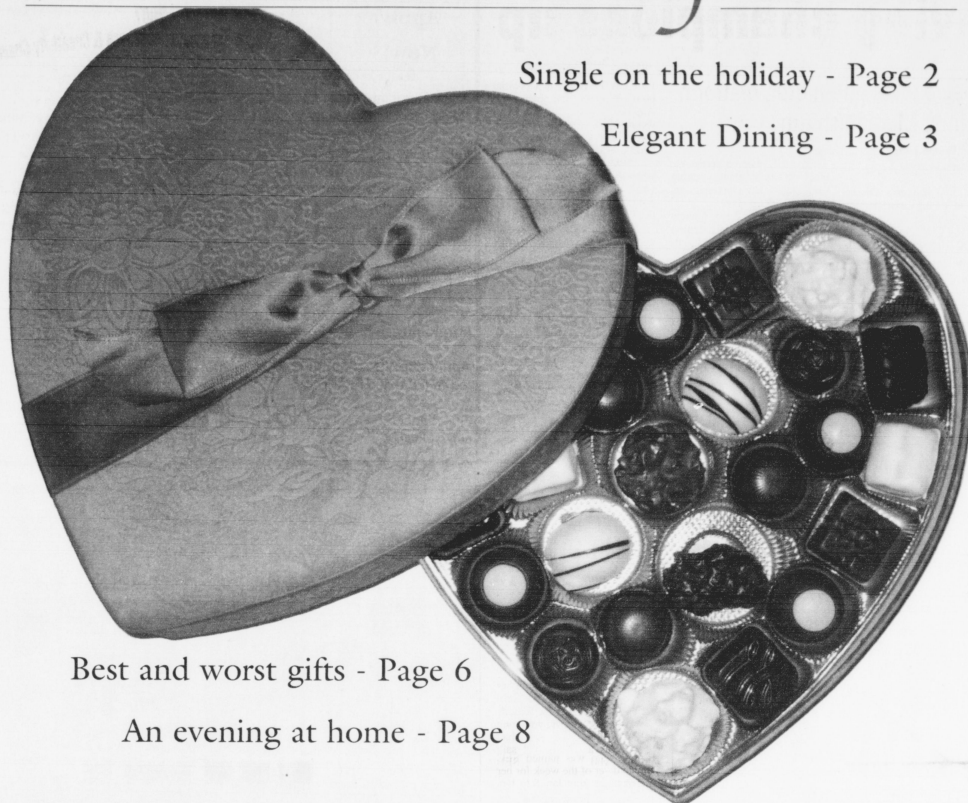
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Creative Date Ideas

By Melissa Riggs
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Want to impress someone? Have a date coming up with someone new or old? Are date ideas becoming repetitive? Did you answer "yes" to all of these questions? Well don't worry, just read on and take some notes on the subjects of first dates, and where to go for cheap.

Cheap Dates

Dinner and a movie; is that really cheap or just a perceived notion? A decent dinner will cost at least \$25 a person; appetizer, drinks, entrée, dessert, plus tax and tip. Before you know it, the bill for two is over \$50. Then you go see a movie. At \$7.50 a pop, plus a \$5 popcorn and \$3 drinks each you are looking at two tickets for \$15, drinks and popcorn, another \$11, for a total of \$26. Now add that to your \$50 dinner and you are at \$76. Just keep it simple. Here is a list of a few ideas on the cheaper side that might make you stand out from the rest:

Plan a picnic.

Make things interesting, challenge the other person to who can find the first four-leaf clover. Pack a simple lunch; pick up Subway if you have to. Or add a twist to the classic picnic and have a car picnic after a peaceful drive. Park the car at a scenic overlook or where you can watch planes take off, observe wildlife, or

stargaze as night falls. If the skies are grey, you can stay in the car, or if the skies are blue, spread a blanket on the hood and enjoy your picnic there.

Gossip Magazines and Ice Cream.

Go to the grocery store, buy some fancy ice cream, and then buy two gossip magazines like Star or National Enquirer (the magazines with the UFO's and the 150 pound babies on the front cover work well also). Go to your place or outside with a blanket, eat the ice cream, read the magazines, and laugh at the funny stories. Enjoy reading and talking about the latest scoop involving your favorite celebrities. If you buy the Ben and Jerry's pints or any other pints of ice cream, then it is easier to eat outdoors—very tasty. The cost: fancy ice cream at \$3 per pint (get one for each of you) and magazines at \$3 per magazine (get one for each of you). Switch magazines when you are done with yours, and try each other's ice cream.

Visit a Flea Market.

These events never get boring. They are packed tight with all the wired junk you can think of giving you both fun topics for conversation. Try splitting up for a bit to buy each other a gag gift in a \$5 price range. These are weekend events giving both of you time away from classes. Travel down I-64 going west and a flea market will be found. Check your local paper for listings.

Prepare a Meal Together.

This may be more difficult to stay cheap, but it can be done. Choose to make a pizza from scratch; it will be cheap and easy. Bake a cake and eat the whole thing. Cooking is an easy way to keep a conversation going. Trade off playing the navigator when reading instructions; it will involve both of you. Talk about your favorite foods as a kid and how you liked to eat them.

Enjoy the Snow.

Spend an afternoon ice skating or sledding, and then warm up with a warm mug of hot chocolate. Even roast some marshmallows and make s'mores. This can be done in your microwave or get real fancy and buy kits at the grocery.

Spending a little bit:

Investing into a date does not have to burn a whole in your wallet. Plan to budget the night before you meet your date so that you are not surprised about the overall cost. Call the miniature golf course to get quoted prices on a game for two or look online for restaurant menus with prices of entrees listed. Plan a head to spend money, then you won't come out looking cheap. Here is a list of ideas that are fun and won't break your bank account:

1. Play miniature golf
2. Drive to a nearby town you have never visited before

3. Visit a carnival or festival
4. Go bowling
5. Buy the ingredients to make an ice cream sundae, and create it together
6. Go to a comedy club
7. Visit a museum
8. Go to the Louisville or Cincinnati Zoo
9. Go sightseeing in your own city
10. Attend a sporting event (Lexington has more than UK sports, i.e. The Lexington Legends and the Horsemen Arena Football)

First Date:

A really good first date, especially if you don't know each other, is a lunch date. It is very comfortable for your first date; usually it is best if your date meets you there. They know it will only be an hour and can leave at anytime since they met you there. They will also be around other people and know they will be safe. The first date should be at some kind of local café. Avoid the chain restaurants; these are usually packed, have a long wait, and certainly aren't very interesting. Going to a local café shows ingenuity, adventure, and style. Cafés are usually quieter and you will get a chance to talk and get to know each other. Find one that has a "cool" reputation and offers a variety of food and beverages.

If you need more help planning the night on the town, check out TopsinLex.com for an event calendar of local attractions.

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Who Said One Was the Loneliest Number?

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There is nothing wrong with being single on Valentine's Day. The holiday is often considered the most romantic day of the year, but that sentiment too often serves as an unpleasant reminder for those who are without a significant other to celebrate with.

One way of overcoming single-itis on Feb. 14 is to realize what the day could be about. It's a day of love. That love is not solely classified as the love for lovers. That love could be instead the love for your family, friends, co-workers, classmates or even for perfect strangers. Instead of dwelling on the date you do not have, conjure up something of your own.

If you are still at a loss, consider one of the following

options. One of the best ideas is to gather other single friends and make a night of it. Go to dinner and a movie or better yet, stay in and cook together or order a pizza. Spending time with other people who are not attached will get your mind off missing a significant other. And who better to spend Valentine's Day with than some of your best friends?

Alyson Goff, a journalism senior, is celebrating the day with two of her friends. All three are involved in long-distance relationships. She said she considers that harder to deal with on Valentine's than being single. As for their night on the town, they are going to dinner at Regatta and then to see a movie.

"Valentine's Day is about celebrating love," Goff said. "I don't see why it just has to be a day with your significant

other when it could be with family, friends, strangers or whoever."

If you are close enough to travel home for the evening, consider doing it. You could spend the evening with your family or old friends who still live at home, yet you never get around to seeing when you are back in town.

Maybe you know a couple that has young children. Offer to baby-sit for them. Even though you won't have a date, you will be reimbursed and you will be doing a favor for someone who does.

If you have a job, consider working that evening. It will allow you to be with co-workers who are either single or have to work, and it will even allow you to make some money.

An option for those who do not have any other single friends, or who live too far

from home, is simply to spread the love to family and friends. Just because you do not have someone to spend a romantic evening with does not mean you can't spread love to other important people in your life. Send cards (either online or through the mail) to the people you love, the ones you don't necessarily get to tell on a day-to-day basis.

If you want to reach out to the community on the day of love, look into volunteering at one of dozens of the non-profit organizations in town. Look in the phone book or do an online search for an organization that interests you.

If you are newly single, the idea of the holiday may make you want to curl up into a ball until the unwanted day passes — even if you do realize how much potential the day possesses. If that's the case, consider indulging those feelings.

Purchase a large box of chocolates, rent all kinds of sappy romances and spend the evening in. Online self-help articles on the subject did not agree from this point on, although if that's how you feel there is no need to force yourself to go out.

Valentine's Day is what you make of it. If the day is spent with a bitter mindset, you certainly will not get anything out of it. Instead, spend the day with those you love or spread love to the community; it will likely cause any bitterness to melt away.

Whatever you decide to do for Valentine's Day, make the best of it. Just remember; it is only one day that will pass like every other day. One does not have to be a lonely number anymore.

Cookies By Design Offers Sweet Valentine's Treats

By Jill Fawbush
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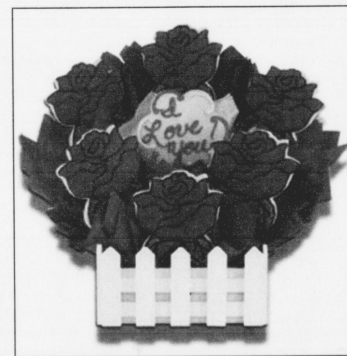
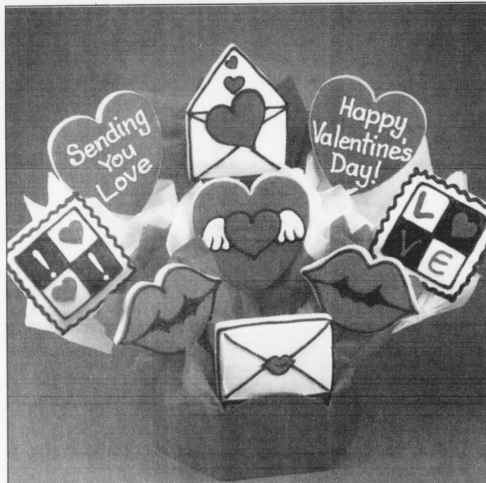
Need something a little more fun and creative than the typical flowers and candy? Cookies by Design has the fun and simple solution to your tired ideas.

While the traditional gifts can be satisfying, Cookies by Design provides a creative twist to the traditional Valentine's Day gifts with cookie bouquets. The company specializes in creating custom shaped, hand-decorated cookies that are presented in a bouquet resembling flowers.

The store creates specialized bouquets made to order from one to 15 cookies in a bouquet. The prices are also very different depending on style and quantity, but they range from \$9.75 - \$110.30.

Laura Taylor, manager of Cookies by Design in Lexington, recommends placing orders at least one or two days ahead of time as this is a busy time of year.

The store offers unique bouquet designs for Valentine's Day



including their new, and now most popular, design featuring large lip-shaped cookies decorated in bright and appropriate holiday colors.

"Not only do we have several different styles, but we also have an exclusive Valentine's Day store special featuring rose shaped cookies decorated and placed in a long stem rose box," Taylor said. "The display

looks like you're receiving a real box of red roses, but roses that are edible and tasty."

Usually each bouquet and cookie can be customized and made to order, but because of the busy holiday, customizing is not an option on Valentine's Day.

If you want to give that special someone something traditional but in a different and creative approach, give

them a bouquet that is not only visually appealing but satisfies the sweet tooth as well.

For more gift ideas, visit their website at cookiesbydesign.com or go to the store located at 1080 S. Broadway, Suite 202. Store hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday thru Friday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday.

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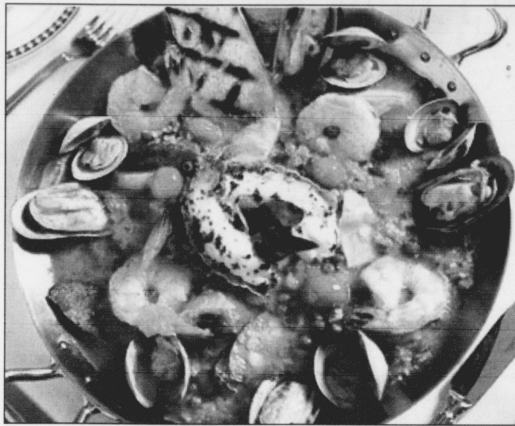
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Chic Dining in Lexington

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A La Lucie is the most romantic restaurant in Lexington. It is a small restaurant with dim lighting for an intimate setting. The walls are covered with movie memorabilia, old photographs, and paintings. A La Lucie has an exquisite French menu and a very fine wine menu. The perfect meal at A La Lucie's would be the mussels for an appetizer, and the duck with lobster mashed potatoes. Also, the bread is to die for. It's been said that they fly it from Montreal. The average meal is about \$20. Dress is casual dressy and reservations would be wise on Valentine's Day.

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Murray's is what used to be known as Merrick Inn. It is located in a southern style renovated manor house. Murray's is very beautifully decorated with many paintings and fireplaces. Murray's is famous for their southern fried chicken and their steaks. Murray's has a large patio where there is music on the weekends, a bar, patio type tables, and lovely landscaping. The perfect meal at Murray's would start off with fried calamari, a lettuce wedge, and a juicy Angus filet mignon. An average meal at Murray's is about \$30. Reservations are encouraged and it is also dressy.

The Mansion Restaurant
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The Mansion Restaurant at Griffin Gate is located at the Griffin Gate Marriott Resort. It is a huge 150-year-old white mansion and it is very upscale. It has many beautiful crystal chandeliers and has a 19th century Victorian style. This restaurant is one of the pricier in Lexington, but it will impress your date. The perfect meal at The Mansion Restaurant at Griffin Gate would include escargot for an appetizer, a Kentucky limestone bib salad, broiled seafood mélange, and the vanilla bean cream brulee. The average price for a meal is over \$30 dollars. Reservations are highly suggested especially for special occasions and the attire is dressy as well.

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Hot Stuff Celebrity Gossip

Meg & Matthew — Getting Cozy

Just what happened when Matthew Perry visited Meg Ryan at her home in L.A.'s Bel Air at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, January 27?

No one's saying for sure, but it wasn't the first time the Studio 60 on the Sunset Strip star, 37, was spotted with Ryan, 45, in a relaxed setting. Around the holidays, Perry dined with the actress (and mother to son Jack, 14, and daughter Daisy, 2) at The Brentwood in L.A.

"They sat in a dark corner booth. Meg asked for the spotlight on their table to be turned down," a witness tells Hot Stuff.

But could this romance be for real?

Though a source tells Us Perry and his recent girlfriend, The Class star Lizzy Caplan, 24, are "not dating anymore," he may not be all that serious about Ryan, either.

As his Studio 60 costar Ayda Field told Us on January 20, "he's single."

(Ryan's rep didn't respond to a request for comment, and Perry's and Caplan's reps had

no comment.) Isaiah Washington's Next Move

Is Isaiah Washington's job in critical condition? On January 24, the Grey's Anatomy star, 43 — who took heat for using an antigay slur again in reference to costar T.R. Knight, 33, at the Golden Globes — said he had "begun counseling."

But a source close to Washington tells Hot Stuff, "Isaiah entered treatment for one reason: to save his job." The insider says the actor believes his issues can be classified as "medical."

Says the source, "He's gambling that his bosses won't risk an employment lawsuit by terminating his contract while he's undergoing 'counseling.'"

Meanwhile, it seems Washington's not terribly missed by his colleagues. A source tells Us that when cast members celebrated at a SAG Awards afterparty January 28, "nobody brought up Isaiah." (Reps for Washington, ABC and Touchstone had no comment.) Still, the actor has one supporter: Melissa Etheridge's

wife, Tammy Michaels, 32 — whose kids share playdates with Washington's — has blogged that she did not believe that hate "lives in his heart."

Kate Hudson — New Love?

Is Kate Hudson making beautiful music with another rocker?

A source tells Hot Stuff the actress, 27 — who split from Chris Robinson, 40, last year and recently ended a romance with Owen Wilson, 38 — is hanging out with Nic Cester of the Aussie rock group Jet. While at Brisbane, Australia, bar The Bowery on January 20, "they kept to themselves," says a staffer, "and spent the night together in the back courtyard."

The next day, Hudson "wandered around with Cester and the Jet entourage" at Brisbane's Big Day Out rock festival, adds the source. Hudson has spoken of her feelings for the group, gushing, "I love them to pieces." But her rep tells Us, "Kate is friends with Nic and the entire band. There's nothing more to it than that."

Vivica & Bruce: Drinks & Dinner

Is Vivica A. Fox up for a role in the next Die Hard?

Or was that a date with Bruce Willis on January 25 at Beverly Hills eatery Cut? A source tells Hot Stuff that Willis, 51, was alone at the bar when Fox, 42, joined him, and they later enjoyed "a leisurely dinner" in the main room. Continues the witness, "They looked good together." (Willis' rep tells Us, "Bruce and Vivica were meeting to discuss a project.")

Andy Tried to Kiss Kiefer

At hot L.A. hangout The Dime on January 28, Andy Dick, 41, tried to smooch Kiefer Sutherland, 40, who "went Jack Bauer on him," a source tells Hot Stuff. "They had to be separated." Dick then "locked himself in the bathroom for 30 minutes," adds the source. (Dick's rep had no comment, and Sutherland's couldn't be reached.)

Dakota Fanning — Guarded

While others scored swag

at Sundance, Dakota Fanning, 12, picked up some... security! A source tells Hot Stuff that the Hounddog star's mother hired two bodyguards to protect Fanning after she and her director were targeted by protesters (and even were rumored to have received death threats) once news broke that her character is raped onscreen.

"She's being targeted by extremist religious groups," says the insider. "They feel her portrayal is feeding the beast of pedophilia." Fanning's rep tells Us, "There have been no threats. Sundance had security, but Dakota does not have personal security."

Mary J. Blige: Big Confession

It's no secret Mary J. Blige, 36, struggled for success, but in Parade (out February 4), the singer (up for eight Grammys) admits her private pain began in childhood. "When I was 5, sexual stuff was done to me. My mother was a single parent, a working woman. She left us with people she thought could be trusted. They hurt me."

Compiled from US Weekly

“(Dakota Fanning) is being targeted by extreme religious groups. They feel her portrayal is feeding the beast of pedophilia.”

— an insider, on why Fanning has stepped up her protection since her role in the film "Hounddog."

Celebrity Couples: Who Will Last?

By Melissa Riggs

With love in the air and the normal celebrity magazines in every corner store, it is hard to ignore the most recent celebrity buzz. So we tried to decide which is the favorite pair.

Ashton Kutcher and Demi Moore
Ben Affleck and Jennifer Garner
David Beckham and Victoria

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John Travolta and Kelly Preston
David Arquette and Courtney Cox
Keith Urban and Nicole Kidman
Marc Anthony and Jennifer Lopez
Matthew Broderick and Sarah

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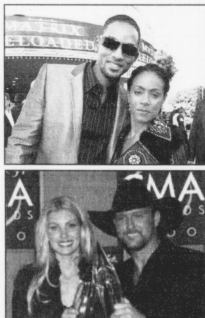
Seal and Heidi Klum
Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes
Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith
Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson

These married couples were chosen because they are well known, vary in age and each couple varies as to the length of marriage. For example, John Travolta and Kelly Preston have been married since April 1988, compared to the most recent union between Keith Urban and Nicole Kidman on June 25, 2006.

Who do you think is the hottest couple? Who do you see together in 30 years from now? Fifty UK students and professors were surveyed and here is what they thought:

Learn more about the crowd favorites:

Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith met when Jada tried out for the role of Will's girlfriend on "The Fresh



Prince of Bel-Air" television series (he lost the role to Nia Long). They have been married since Dec. 31, 1997. Will is three years older. Together they have two children: Jaden Christopher Syre (born 1998), his co-star in "The Pursuit of Happyness," and Willow Camille Reign (born 2000).

Tim McGraw and Faith Hill form the hottest couple on the country music scene. They have been a pillar of stability since they were joined. Both 38 years old they were married October of 1996. The couple has three daughters: Gracie Katherine, Maggie Elizabeth and Audrey Caroline

David Beckham married Victoria, "Posh Spice," in 1999. He is a famous athlete. She was one of the Spice Girls. Married in 1999, the couple has three children together, Brooklyn, Romeo and Cruz. All three are boys. Recently, David Beckham agreed to a five-year \$250 million deal with the Los Angeles Galaxy of Major League Soccer.

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Kate Middleton - Why Prince William Chose Her

By Joey Bartolomeo
US Weekly

On the morning of January 9, her 25th birthday, Kate Middleton, girlfriend of Britain's Prince William, stepped out of her \$1.6 million apartment in London's trendy Chelsea neighborhood only to be surrounded by five camera crews and about 20 photographers. All were there to do one thing: get pictures of the woman most likely to be the next queen of England. "She's an ordinary girl who is living an extraordinary life," Robert Jobson, author of William's Princess, tells Us. "The British public are fascinated with her. In time, Kate Middleton will be a huge asset to Great Britain."

She's already a great asset for those photographers. According to London's Times, a photo of Middleton, an accessories buyer for Jigsaw, a midlevel British clothing chain, can command \$2,000; a bikini shot might fetch \$50,000. Though she and William, 24, have dated for four years, speculation on an engagement has heated up since Middleton and her parents, Carole and Michael, former airline employees, went to the heir to the throne's December 15 graduation from the Sandhurst Military Academy. "It was her first royal engagement, and she had a pretty high profile," Ingrid Seward, editor of Majesty magazine, tells Us. "It was very significant and shows

that the Queen thinks highly of her." (The Middletons, however, were not seated with William's grandmother, Queen Elizabeth.) And now, with public interest in Middleton at fever pitch, William — whose mother, Princess Diana, died in 1997 in a drunk driving accident while being chased by paparazzi — is asking the press to back off.

On January 5, 10 police officers were called in after photographers surrounded the couple as they left London club Boujis. Earlier that week, four officers guarded Middleton's home. Lawyers for William's father, Prince Charles, meanwhile, are looking into filing a lawsuit to protect her privacy. "Ms. Middleton is a private individual," said a spokesperson for Charles, "and as such can expect to have the privacy and private life that would be enjoyed by any manner of the public." (Never mind the \$73 million a year British taxpayers shell out to the royal family.) Indeed, after the birthday mayhem, some U.K. publications volunteered to stop running paparazzi photos of Middleton. As for the focus of all the attention: "It's actually been rather interesting for her," a Middleton source tells Us. "She's learning how to deal with all of this. She is aware this is just the beginning."

Down-to-Earth Girl

So who is this young

woman causing such a fuss? The eldest of three (she has a sister, Pippa, and a brother, James), Middleton grew up in a five-bedroom house in the tony county of Berkshire. Her parents became millionaires with a mail-order company. "She comes from a lovely family," handbag designer Lana Marks, one of Princess Diana's best friends, tells Us. "Kate is stunningly beautiful and she has her feet firmly planted on the ground." Adding to her allure? If Middleton becomes queen, she'd be the first commoner to hold that title since Anne Hyde in 1660. (Diana was the daughter of a lord, thus her title Lady Diana.) "If she marries William, it proves that anyone can marry a prince," says Jobson.

Middleton's romance with William began at St. Andrews University in Scotland, where both were art history majors (he later switched to geography). "She's an intellectual," says Jobson. "And very confident. She started a women's-only club in response to a society which was just for men." In 2002, the pair, still just friends and romantically involved with others, lived off-campus together with two other friends. Their relationship grew when she persuaded William not to drop out of school. "He learned he could trust her," says Jobson, who pooh-poohs gossip that Middleton was pushed into attending the school by a

mother intent on a royal son-in-law. "There is no way Mrs. Middleton could have known William was going to St. Andrews," says Jobson. "That rumor is unfair and is just snobs picking holes in her because she is a former stewardess."

While at school, the couple kept their relationship out of the spotlight thanks to a deal Prince Charles made with the press in the wake of Diana's death. "The press had agreed to let William live his life there peacefully," Joe Sene, an exec at Splash News in London, tells Us.

Public Romance

Despite the media frenzy, the couple's life together is low-key. "They go to restaurants, they go to pubs and they go to the cinema," says Jobson. "I think that's the attraction for William, that he can just be himself with her." Though they've been spotted together at London clubs, William (she calls him Big Willy) need not worry that Middleton (pet name: Babykins) will be a royal embarrassment. "She's not the kind to ever do anything wild," says the Middleton insider (although in college, she modeled a bra-and-panties-revealing dress in a student fashion show). "She's not that spontaneous; she's a very good girl." Adds Jobson, "When she leaves a club at 3 a.m. there's not a hair out of place. She's got control." It's a

quality the two share. "He's just a really nice, dependable guy," says the source. "That's why they are so well-suited." Some even compare her to Diana, seeing her as the next people's princess. "Diana and Kate are both fun, beautiful and love to laugh," says Phil Hall, an ex-editor of News of the World who knew the late princess.

When's the Wedding?

With Prince William, now a second lieutenant in the British Army, heading off to training camp in March, engagement anticipation is at a high (one London chain has already ordered commemorative "William and Kate" tea mugs). But royal watchers say 2007 won't see a wedding. The Prince and his brother, Harry, 22, will mark the 10th anniversary of their mother's death with two major events, a pop concert on July 1 and a memorial service on August 31. "Any wedding would overshadow these tributes," royal expert Judy Wade tells Us. Seconds Jobson, "It is not imminent."

To insiders, one thing is certain: William's mother would have approved of the match. "I remember Diana saying to me she wanted William to find someone with a stable family background," Adds Jobson, "Di wanted Will to marry for love, and if he marries Kate, then he will be following his heart."

Rose Colors and their Meanings

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Love, beauty, courage, respect

Orange:

Desire and enthusiasm

White:

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Red and White:

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Red Rosebud:

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Light Pink:

Admiration and sympathy

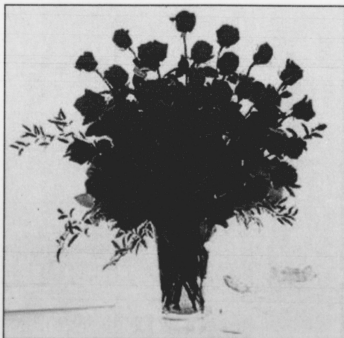
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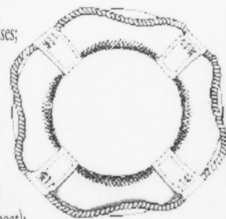


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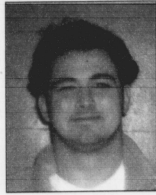
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Top 10 Love Songs

1. *I Don't Want to Miss A Thing* by Aerosmith
2. *Amazed* by Lonestar
3. *From This Moment On* by Shania Twain
4. *With Arms Wide Open* by Creed
5. *(Everything I Do) I Do It For You* by Bryan Adams
6. *I Will Always Love You* by Whitney Houston
7. *Breathe* by Faith Hill
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Valentine's Gifts that Won't be Expected

By Jill Fawbush
Kernel PR

When someone thinks of Valentine's Day, flowers, candy and romantic cards are probably the first things that come to mind, but the usual gifts can sometimes become dull and boring. This year, surprise that special someone with unexpected gifts.

It has been said that sweets are the way to a woman's heart. For the most part, girls seem to love candy, but it

can also be too expected. Instead, try baking or buying her romantic treats such as chocolate dipped strawberries or a cookie bouquet.

"The best gift I ever received from my boyfriend was when he made me dinner and dessert," said Melissa Weber, an undeclared sophomore. "I know he put a lot of thought into it and it showed me how much he cared."

If you are short on cash for this Valentine's Day try making a card or a scrapbook of memories. You can

never go wrong with home-made gifts and it's something that will be kept and remembered.

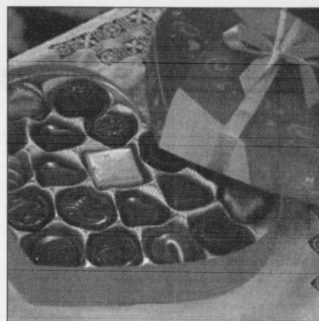
Surprises are always good as well. Surprise your Valentine with something you wouldn't ordinarily do, like a surprise dinner, a scavenger hunt with

clues leading them to you or their gift, or even an activity that you all can do together.

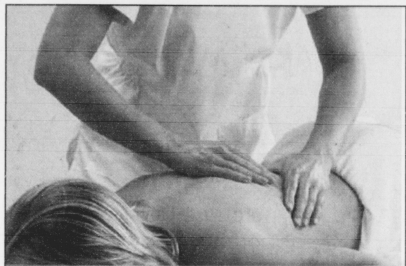
"Last year, my boyfriend pretended to forget his wallet at his apartment and asked me if I would get out and get it for him," said Naomi Malka, a nursing junior. "I was a little annoyed but when I opened the door to his apartment, the whole place was decorated and ready for a candlelit dinner; I was so surprised."

Another gift that seems to be overlooked, but is perfect when dealing with the stresses of the semester, is a massage or a day of being pampered. Many spas provide packages for couples as well as a variety of services that could keep you there all day. Whether it is a manicure, facial or a relaxing massage together, spa packages are the perfect gifts for any occasion, especially for a romantic Valentine's Day.

Even though roses, candy and



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cards are traditional, they are also the most appropriate during Valentine's Day. If you want traditional, go with the standard gifts your Valentine will expect and don't feel guilty. But if you want to spice things up this Valentine's Day, give them a gift that they will never expect, or forget.

Top 10 Love Movies

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| 1. <i>The Notebook</i> | 6. <i>Gone with the Wind</i> |
| 2. <i>Sleepless in Seattle</i> | 7. <i>Titanic</i> |
| 3. <i>When Harry Met Sally</i> | 8. <i>Pretty Woman</i> |
| 4. <i>Love Actually</i> | 9. <i>Runaway Bride</i> |
| 5. <i>Sixteen Candles</i> | 10. <i>Breakfast at Tiffany's</i> |



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Snuggle Up at Home

By Hilary Kircher
Contributing Writer

Are you looking for something special to do on Valentine's Day but you don't have a lot of extra cash to spend? If you're like most college students, then you probably want to have a nice evening with your sweetie without maxing out your credit card. Here are some creative and unique ideas for a romantic and cheap Valentine's Day at home.

If you are looking for a way to really impress your Valentine, you can prepare a complete homemade meal. If you need help with recipes, you can always Google recipes online. You could also prepare a candlelit table for two sprinkled with rose petals and chocolate covered strawberries. The idea is sure to impress your honey and leave you with money to spare for your next date.

Cooking a meal yourself will take some time, so if you are in a hurry, you can always order your

date's favorite take-out, which will save a lot of time.

"My boyfriend and I had the best Valentine's Day last year cooking fettuccini alfredo at his place and watching one of our favorite movies," said Terri Todde Gardner, an early elementary education junior. "We will probably do another Valentine's day at home again this year."

Another romantic idea that will leave your significant other impressed is to make or buy a small present, such as coupons he can redeem only with you. Instead of just handing over the coupons, send your Valentine on a treasure hunt. You can do this by leaving written clues throughout your house that lead to the gift.

If you are going to be busy and do not have time to prepare for dinner and a treasure hunt, then you could rent a movie that you both like. Some Valentine's Day favorites are: "You've Got Mail," "Love Actually," "Sleepless in

Seattle" and "The Wedding Singer." Other low cost Valentine gift ideas include: a mixed CD, a bouquet of roses or other flowers, a picture frame decorated with paint pens, a homemade card, a massage (from you of course) or cookies decorated for the occasion.

"For Valentine's Day last year, I made my boyfriend a coupon book out of construction paper with fun activities that we could do together," said Catherine Eigel, a business marketing junior. "This year, we are planning a laid back dinner for two at my house."

If you are low on cash and need some help with a Valentine's Day idea, use some of these suggestions. A Valentine's at home can be just as romantic and thoughtful as an expensive dinner at a fancy restaurant. So, try something new this year, and spend a relaxing romantic night at home with your Valentine.

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