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Safety walk shows flaws, encourages awareness

Campus officials say safety should be more important than aesthetics

By Ryan Garrett

Dark shadows and tall shrubbery make places in the heart of campus potentially unsafe, said participants in Student Government's Safety Walk last night.

Areas like the pathway between Maxwell Place and the Chemistry-Physics Building and the parking lot behind Chem-Phys may contain easy hiding places for attacks. The control of the co

much larger scale."

The walk's focus on bushes and lights put the Physical Plant Division in a

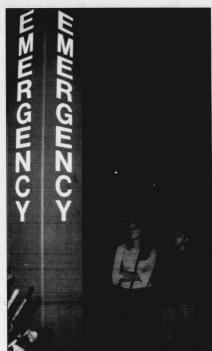
Physical Plant Division in a precarious position.

"We need to find a balance between daytime aesthetics and nighttime hiding places," said Jerry Hart, a horticulturist for PPD.

Beside aesthetics, the

Beside aesthetics, the cost of installing protective equipment is another hurdle for campus safety.

Jim Blackwell, superintendent of the electric shop for PPD, said that ground lights cost between \$2,500 and



\$3,000 to install.

The price to purchase a single call box is even more expensive — between \$10,000 and \$15,000, said Cmdr. Travis Manley with UK Police Communications and Information Services. This does not include the cost of installing the boxes or the \$45 per month for the phone line attached to it.

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To some participants in the walk, it is a small price to pay for safety.

"Even if one person is at-tacked, that's one too many," said Judy Duncan, member of the President's Commis-

sion on Women and UK's Women Forum.

"Suddenly that price tag is a lot prettier." she added.

Another obstacle for campus safety is finding a way to get the students more involved, said UK Officer Mike Bandy.

"If the students would take a more active role as the eyes and ears of the police, the safety factor would be a lot greater." Bandy said.

Despite all of the safety concerns presented on the walk, some students aren't worried about crossing campus by themselves.

"It doesn't bother me," said Julie Petroze, an elementary education sophomore, who often walks alone at night.
"I don't feel unsafe walk ing through compus," she

"I don't feel unsafe walking through campus," she
said. "I have my cell phone."
The goal of the walk was
to prevent incidents similar
to those earlier this semester
and Tuesday morning from
occurring again, participants
said.

"The main priority for us is to keep the students safe," Burke said.

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Online database full of UK history

From Patterson to Todd: upcoming Web site will feature a wealth of information about UK's past and present

Finding

security

During the cam-pus safety walk, students and cam-pus officials in-spected the possi-ble safety hazards on campus. Here, Jenna McK-inney (left), a po-litical science sophomore. con-

"The grand old man of the university" was a Scots-

man.

James Kennedy Patterson, UK's first president, was born in Glasgow, Scotland in 1833.

These, among other facts, can be found in the UK History Encyclopedia, an upcoming Web site dedicated to cataloguing UK's past.

"We need this source of information to have a better understanding to the history of the institution and the context it grew up in," said Frank Stanger, a UK reference archivist.

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archivist.

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Young.

The UK History Encyclopedia was the idea of former
archivist Tom Rosko, who had seen similar Web developments at other universities and decided to start a history
encyclopedia at UK in 2002.

Marcus Brown, a history graduate student, wrote the
first article for the encyclopedia, a piece on the Morrill
Land-Grant Act of 1862, which led to the formation of UK.

This act came about by the federal legislature enabling
states to establish colleges or institutions of higher education for training in engineering and agriculture.

Stanger created the Web page, constructed the topical
outline for the encyclopedia and determined the major developments from President Patterson through President
Lee Todd.

Other major events referenced include the 1988 basketball scandal, the NCAA investigation, the Administration
Building fire and financial problems and setbacks.

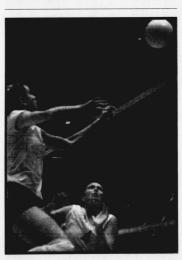
"We in university archives are very enthusiastic about
developing the University of Kentucky Encyclopedia because we believe it will be a significant and useful tool for
understanding and researching the history of the university," Stanger said.

Work on the site has started but is currently suspended until another archivist is hired.

Matt Harris, an archives and records assistant, maintains the UK History Encyclopedia Web site.

"We hope that people will take advantage of the infor-

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Women's volleyball loses to S.C.

THE UNITED S VOLIETY DALL LOSSES TO S.C.

The UK women's volleyball team lost to the University of South Carolina 3-1 (30-19, 28-30, 30-28, 31-29) Wednesday night at Memorial Coliseum. Senior middle blocker Sarah Spinner scored th this doubte-double of the season for the Cats with 12 kills and 19 digs. Also for UK, senior outside hitter Liz McCaslin had nine kills and 10 digs. Treshman outside hitter Melissa Popp had 18 kills and nine digs. The Gamecocks had 12 team blocks to UK's nine. The Cats next play the University of Tennessee at 7 p.m. Friday at Memorial Coliseum.

Patton concedes his power

FRANKFORT — As
Gov-elect Ernie Fletcher attended at early-afternen
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tic nominee Ben Chandler in the governor's race Tuesday. The win ended more than three decades of Democratic governors in Kentucky.

Embattled because of Scandals within his administration and his own admission of an affair with businesswoman Tina Conner, Patton officially leaves office next month. Term limits prevented him from seeking a third term as governor.

"It is time for new leadership in Kentucky I see that I think everybody sees that. And no, I think that having

eight years is emough..." Patton said: "I think that regardless of what the incential said of this thing as much as I possibly can "Patton said." Its table and the respect to the said that after eight years the state needs an intusion of new leaders, new personalities."
Publicly Patton offered little advice to his successor but wished him well. He did not volunteer any commentary on the state of the Democratic Party or the election.
Fletcher met with Patton later in the afternoom.
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ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down

LCC offering financial management seminar

Saturday, Nov. 8, Lexington Community College will be holding a workshop that focuses on personal finance management. The workshop, entitled "Fiscal Fitness," will be conducted by LCC business professors. Five workshops will be offered from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Nov. 8, in the atrium of the Academic Technical Building on LCC's Cooper Drive campus. The workshops are: "Budgiting Blues?" We we Got the Cure," "Easy Credit: It's Too Easy," "On-line Banking, Investing in Your Future" and "Time is Money, How Are You Spending Yours?" The workshop is sponsored by Students for Free Enterprise, a newfor-profit organization at LCC. A lot of students of the profit organization at LCC. A lot of students (George Lewis, from LCC's Public Beins workshop, said George Lewis, from LCC's Public Beins workshop are going to tell some of their credit-card war stories." The registration fee, which covers three of five workshop, is \$5 for students and \$10 for the general public. To register, or for more information, call 257-4871 Ext. 4059.

Second Hunter S. Thompson movie to star Johnny Depp SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — It was 1959. Fired for kicking in a candy machine at a small-town newspaper, Hunter S. Thompson fled to Puerto Rico, where his vagrant journalist lifestyle inspired his first novel, "The Rum Diary." Thompson's boozy year marked by cockfights, bowling alleys and pursuit of the governor's daughter is now being made into a movie, starring Johnny Depp, who first portrayed the legendary cult writer in "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas." Puerto Rican native Benicio Del Toro makes his directing debut, and Nick Nolte and Josh Hartnett co-star. Shooting is scheduled to start in December.

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Officials say more hijackers were expected

WASHINGTON — Federal officials now believe alQaida was trying to bring additional hijackers into the
United States a few weeks before the Sept. 11 attacks. It is
unclear whether these operatives were to join the 19 hijackers who carried out the worst terrorist attack on U.S.
soil, or if they were meant to mount a second wave of attacks and al-Qaida was seeking to rush them into place
before the expected U.S. border security crackdown after
Sept. 11, according to three senior law enforcement officials who spoke on condition of anonymity Wednesday.
The attempt by al-Qaida to bring in additional operatives
in August 2001 was disclosed in a footnote in documents
filed last week by the Justice Department in the 4th U.S.
Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond Va., in the case of
accused Sept. 11 conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui. Those
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by the House and Senate intelligence committees concluded
this summer that the pilots and other hijackers who
carried out the plot were all in the United States by late
June 2001. Those 19 hijackers flew jetliners into the World
Trade Center's twin towers and the Pentagon; a fourth
crashed in a field in Pennsylvania. One key unanswered
question about the plot is why the plane that crashed in
Pennsylvania had only four hijackers aboard, while the
others had five.

ONLINE

mation provided by the Web site," Harris said. The encyclopedia gives students and staff a conve-nient reference to UK's past and present without going to the library, said David E. Hamilton, chair in the be-partment of History.

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It's not all done yet, but to check out the UK History

PATTON

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candidates in Tuesday's election.

tion. "I overwhelmingly believe that the principles that have been pursued by the Democratic Party for many years are best for the people of Kentucky and best for the long-term benefit of our nation." Patton said. "And I believe that more today than I did eight years ago."

While Patton has refused to make any political com-

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"I have been rather quiet over the last several months. I probably won't be that quiet over the next five weeks," Patton told reporters. "Five weeks, then I hope to fade into the sunset. I'll leave you all alone if you all leave me alone. Is that a fair deal?"





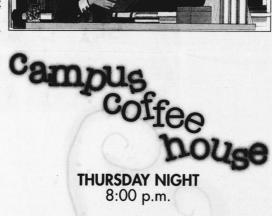
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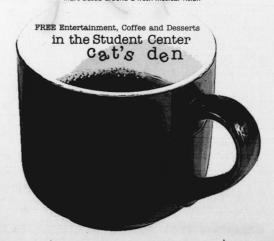




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THE BARFLY

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partities tend to flock.
Yes, I said other Barflies.
While some of you may consider me to be the one and-only Barfly, it has come to my attention that there are other members of my spe While some in this social swarm tend to drop like, well, flies, after going out for a few nights in a row, the naturally-selected follow a set path to a different watering hole each evening.
These college students, through trial and error, have selected these prime establishments based on their own set of rigorous ctandards, similar but never equal to, the Barfly's.
For those oblivious to or unfamiliar with the migration patterns of this party crowd, here's a chance to get in on the action.
After long-toff this factinating species, I have broken down their social schedule night-by-night. Use cauttion, as it might be difficult to keep up with this wild herd.
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on Monday nights are Varsity Blue (fight night), The
Fish Tank (ladies night),
Mia's (karaoke) and the
Rosebud (81 Bud and Bud
Light; this is offered Tuesday,



Nightly specials The Bigg Blue Martini, inside the Radisson downtown, is a favorite spot for bar-goers on Sunday nights.

Wednesday and Thursday nights too.)
Tuesday
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Tuesday nights have been, for a long time, Two Keys nights because of its Laugh Track Live comedy revue, but I have found a number of my subjects entering McCarthy's as well, which is a great place to shoot the blarney with your mase over a pint of Guinness.
Wednesday night radition as long as I have been able to go to bars. If it doesn't sufficient in the properties of the pack to regreat out to new territory. Check out The Moon or Varsity Blue.
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Monday This is the night when

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feeling like a wild one.

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Keg-tagging a bad solution for underage drinking dilemma

for underage drinking dilemma

As if parents and taxpayers don't have enough on their minds raising our future young leaders, we now have a bill before City Council that holds you, the party thrower, 100 percent accountable for somebody lea's under-gae decision.

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Tagging the identification of only the largest of three kegs available to the party of the largest of three kegs available to the purpose of the largest of the kegs available to the pump-stomach' to your social gathering. "How the police will be able to differentiate an underage derinker of a tagged keg versus many other forms of beer and alcohol that an underage person has access to is beyond most of our enforceable comprehension.

The keg ordinance is hurried legislation, pushed by a small but powerful group of well-intentined moms called ASAP. They are so influential that they convinced the council to accept a \$4,000 inducement to purchase the LD. tags for the initial start-up of this bureaucratic nightmare. Opponents of this ordinance is the 4th ordinance in the past five years to be considered by a Dick DeCamp police state (The others being the failed DeBedroom ordinance of 100 and the DeFinance will shamefuleaning ordinance o

suiting up.

On the other hand, you can cut out this article and email or call your four council representatives to demand a pause until old and new ideas are explored. Mr. DeCamp and other council members only need to hear from the "silent majority" to stop the process.

Debate over keg-tagging law showed civic cooperation

A great thing happened this past Monday night: discussion. Students and administrators from UK met with city officials, police, neighborhood representatives and local organizations and talked about the proposed keg ordinancy agreed to postpoint the With support from Mayor Isaac, Students City Council agreed to postpoint the Keg ordinancy of the City Council agreed to postpoint the Keg ordinancy of the City Council agreed to postpoint the Keg ordinancy of the City Council agreed to postpoint the Keg ordinancy of the City Council agreed to postpoint the Keg ordinary of the City Council agreed to postpoint the Keg ordinary of the City Council agreed to postpoint the Keg ordinary of the City Council with the General City of the City

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STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

QUOTE OF THE DAY Five weeks, then I hope to fade into the sunset."



IN THEIR OPINION

Gay bishop controversy playing out peacefully

The Rev. Canon V. Gene Robinson was consecrated as bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire on Nov. 2, an event that threat-

rens to split the Episcopal Church.

Robinson is openly gay — in fact, he's the first openly gay bishop the Church has elected. And his election faced opposition from the more conservative factions of the Church, championed by the Pittsburgh Diocese's Bishop Robert Duncan, who may leave the Church altogether.

Despite the controversal nature of this issue best before the controversal nature of this issue best before the controversal nature.

sue, both sides seem to be remaining peaceful.

Gone are the hellfire and brimstone that can accompany disagreements about gay people's roles in religion.

Absent are the sulfurous accusations, and, if any Pible constitutions.

Absent are the sulfurous accusations, and, if any Bibles are being thumped, the people thumping them are doing so quietly and with consideration of those nearby.

Even Duncan, who wrote in an e-mail to Robinson, "I can't rejoice in your election ... I can promise I will pray for you every day," according to the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, seems free of malice.

free of malice.

All in all, everyone seems to be accepting that a change is going to occur and a split is in-

But things seem, on the whole civil Indeed according to the treasurer of one church in Rochester, N.H., during the consecration, those opposed to Robinson's election were able to

opposed to Robinson's election were able to voice their protestations, after which they left to go "quietly down the road to [their] own worship service."

And isn't that what religious sects should do? When confronted with a major issue — divorce or gay people's roles — they should split.

The Anglican Church, which spawned the Episcopal one, was formed through such a schism — when the Church of England divorced itself from the Roman Catholic Church over.

schism — when the Church of England divorced tistelf from the Roman Catholic Church over, well, divorce. And the tradition continues.

Religion is about faith and belief, and about following who or what you have faith in and what you believe.

what you believe.

If people oppose Robinson and cannot support a faith that does, rather than having bloodshed and shouting matches, they should simply and quietly exit. And they are.

editorial appeared in The Pitt News (University of Pittsburgh). It does not necessarily represent the views of the Kernel.

LETTERTOTHEEDITOR

Article about abortion speech lacked pro-choice perspectives

As a pro-choice advo-cate, I read the article enti-tled "Rep. Stan Lee speaks about abortion" in last Wednesday's edition of the Kentucky Kernel with an open thought, maybe this ar-ticle, obviously pro-life, would have some good points and maybe make me think more about their point of view. But in this case, I was appalled at what I read. As a young girl who has undergone the procedure of abortion, I feel that the arti-cle stated nothing that was good about abortion. Yes, it is a dangerous

procedure, but thousands upon thousands of women go through it every day and turn out just fine. I had mine right before my 18th birthday, and I have had no problems whatsoever, emblanced by the stressful and very sort it is the very sort in the

punishment," by Rep. Lee really set me off.

Women should not have to be punished for choosing what they want to do with their lives. We don't punish people for believing in different religions, so why would we punish a woman for using her free will?

If I would have had my child, I may have never graduated high school, as my due date was right around that time. I might never have come to college. I couldn't support a child, and the father was a complete loser.

I did it for reasons that I

I did it for reasons that I

knew were legitimate, as are many other women's reasons. Most have no regrets about it, and they shouldn't, as they did nothing wrong. They were trying to said they were trying to get all they were trying to said that women under 18 can have an abortion without parental consent. This is only partly true. I was 17 when I had mine, and I did not have parental consent. But what I did have was a judicial bypass, a court order stating that I was mentally mature

enough to make my own decisions.

Kentucky law states that if you are under 18 you cannot have an abortion without parental consent or the judicial bypass. Rep. Lee should research his facts a little more before misrepresenting them to everyone.

Women everywhere should be able to know both sides of the argument instead of being force-fed lines like "abortion is murder" and not having a look at the other side of it. It.

The article truly disappointed me because of the fact that abortions were to-

tally looked at from one point of view, which is not fair.

People who haven't had exposure to the facts about abortion will be easily swayed into believing the things that this man said.

Please next time, try to do a little better in representing both sides of the coin, for my sake, and for the many other women who have gone through the process and came out stronger and better.





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Manning sued for defamation over 'crude' incident in book

Former University of Tennessee trainer says passage describing pants-dropping incident embarrassed her

INDIANAPOLIS — Former NFL quarterback Archie Manning believes son Peyton has been punished enough for a mistake he made seven years ago, and thus a defamation lawsuit should have been dismissed.

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"He felt it was his mistake, he tried to apologize
and he was remorseful."
Archie Manning said Tussday night. "He got punished
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and ne took nis punish-ment." The 1996 encounter be-tween the trainer and the Indianapolis Coits quarter-back is mentioned in a book the Mannings wrote, "Man-ning: A Father, His Sons and a Football Legacy." Earlier this week, a judge ruled there was enough evidence for the trainer's lawsuit against the Mannings to proceed, and a trial was set for March. Though she's not named in the book, Jamie Ann Naughright says the passages disparaged her. Archie Manning said he

passages disparaged her.
Archie Manning said he
was dismayed that the "feelgood" book is now the subject of legal action.
"Obviously, my wife and
I and our family hurt for
Peyton at a time like this,"
he said. "We're said for him,
especially since an incident
from seven years ago seems
to have gotten so twisted."

Naughright filed the lawsuit in Polk County, Fla., in 2002, two years after the book was published. In the book was published. In the book was published. In the book was published in the Wolunteers' locker room. She is seeking damages of at least \$15,000.

ages of at least \$15,000. In 1997, she agreed to a \$300,000 settlement with the university over 33 alleged instances of sexual harassment surrounding her job in the athletic department, and her complaint included the encounter with Manning.

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Manning was not personally accused of sexual harassment, and a university investigation characterized it as "horseplay."

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Slade Metcalf, argued in court papers that the lawsuit should be thrown out because the passages in the book are "substantially" true. He also contends the settlement released the university, its employees and students, including Manning, from additional damages.

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"That's what we feel, that's the way Peyton feels," Archie Manning told the AP.

Peyton Manning declined to comment.

Naughright's attorney, Robert Puterbaugh, also wouldn't comment.

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wouldn't comment.
Judge Harvey Kornstein ruled Monday that
there was enough evidence
to suggest the Mannings,
the writer and the publisher knew the passages were
false and acted in reckless
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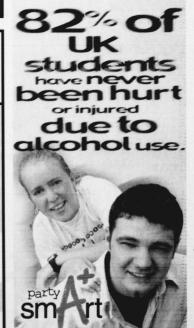
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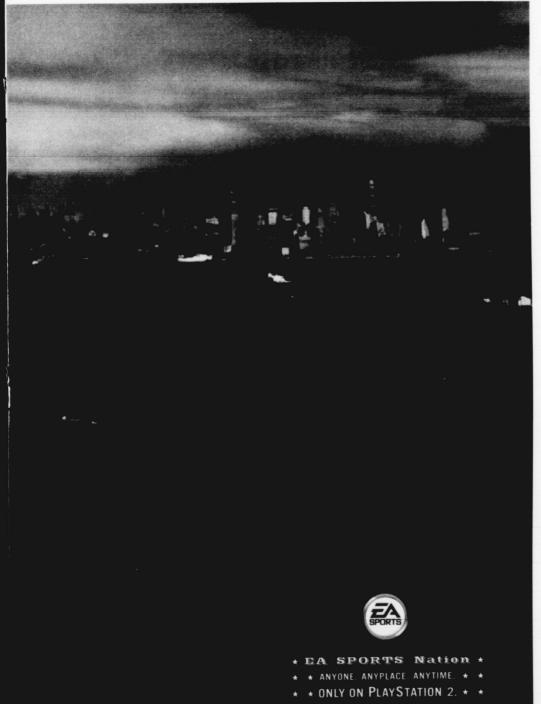
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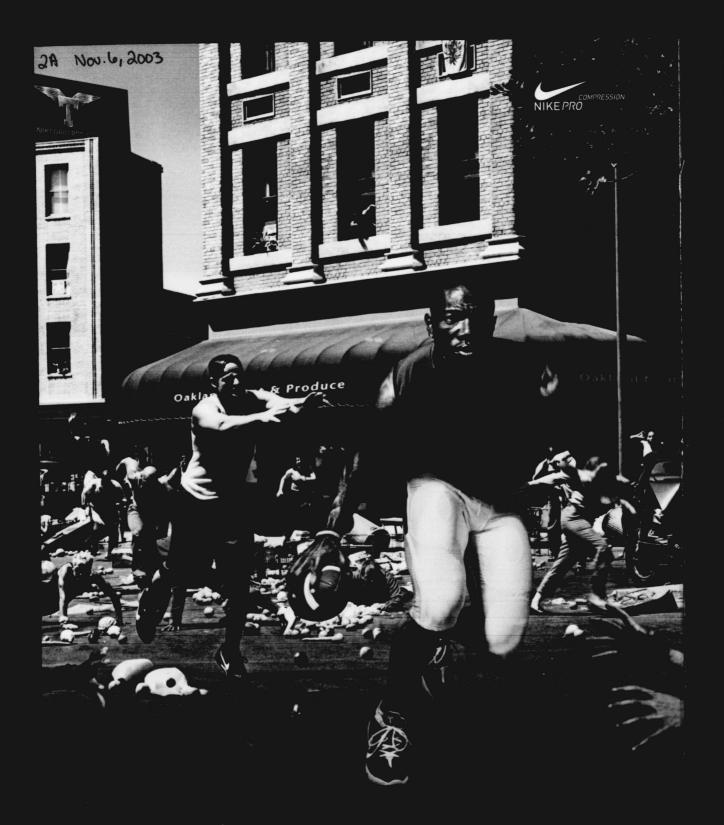




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AGGIE RING DELIVERY DAY,

Texas A&M, Nov. 6. An Aggie's biggest day has him dropping his class ring into a pitcher and chugging until it's recovered, leading us to ask: What would the inventor of apple-bobbing think?

> AUCTION

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AUCTION, Colorado State, Nov. 12. "...
going twice ... SOLD! to the young
lady in back: one wide receiver."
CSU's buff David Anderson (right)
has committed to the charity event. Al-

most a lock to score on the field (he has sever TDs), he makes no such promises here.

MOVIES

T3 and PUMPING IRON on DVD, Nov. 11. Overrated action pic; underrated sports pic. In one the Governator smokes bad guys. In the other he smokes a doobie. Take a guess which is which.

GAMING

> PEP RALLY

GATOR GROWL, Florida, Nov. 7. We've never seen a

gator growl, but the "world's largest pep rally," before Florida's game with Vandy, is more of a purr. Performing: Sugar Ray (above)? Why not bring in Hammer to play tailback while you're at it?

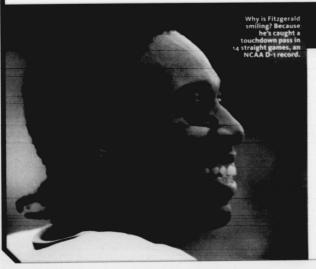
> HOT SEAT

TIM CURLEY How do you get rid of a living legend? Got us, but the Penn State athletic director better figure out a way to do so soon. Papers

statewide are calling for Joe Paterno's job, and judging from the state of the program, they've got a point.



CASINO NIGHT, Yale, Nov. 8. Rolling Stone has called this opportunity to blow oodles of fake money one of the best college parties in the country. There are also plenty of chances to blow real cash, like on attire for the formal dance that accompanies the betting.



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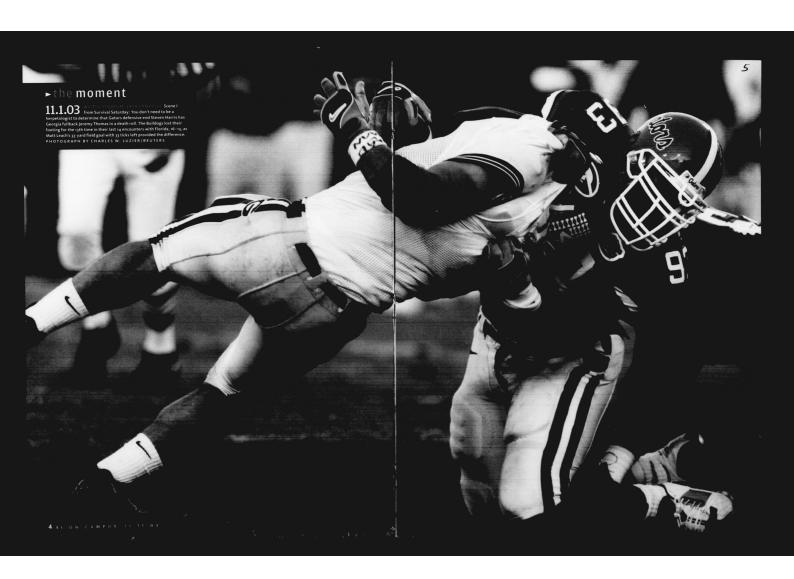
MICHIGAN STATE AT OHIO STATE, noon, ABC. Will the suddenly maligned Craig Krenzel be healthy enough to start at QB for the Buckeyes? Even if he is, will he start? SIOC SAYS Michigan State 24, Ohio State 23. TENNESSEE AT MIAMI, noon, ABC. We finally get to find out how Miami coach Larry Coker bounces back from a regular season loss. It only took three years. As bad as the Canes looked losing to Virginia Tech, the Vols looked equally uninspired beating Duke. SIOC SAYS Miamig 31, Tennessee 17. NAVY AT NOTRE DAME, 2:30 p.m., NBC. O.K., so picking the Irish last week wasn't the greatest call we've ever made. So are we going to be reactionaries and pick against them this week? Of course. Navy's option will give them fits. SIOC SAYS Navy 19, Notre Dame 12. UCLA AT WASHINGTON STATE, 7 p.m., ABC. The three-way tie atop the Pac-10 standings will be winnowed down to two. SIOC SAYS Washington State 34, UCLA 14. VIRGINIA TECH AT PITT, 7:45 p.m. When Pitt's Larry Fitzgerald is running wild in the Hokies secondary, suspended Tech cornerback DeAngelo Hall is going to rue getting tossed from the Miami game. SIOC SAYS Pitt 23, Virginia Tech 21.

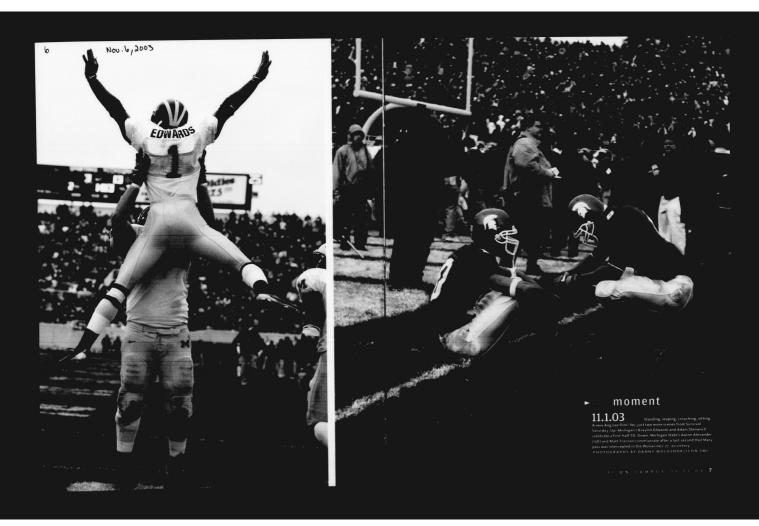
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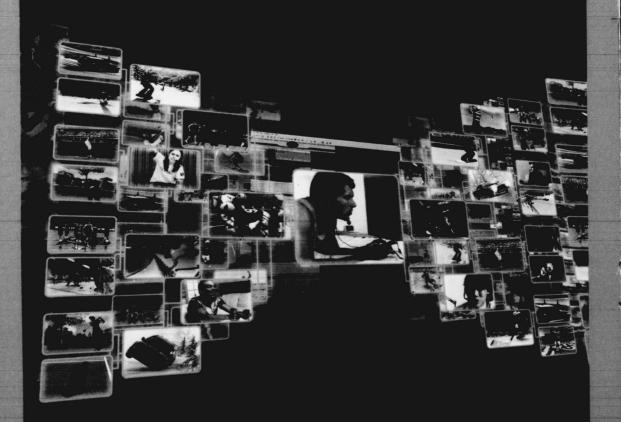
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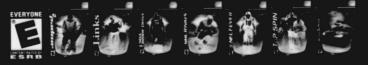
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> THE WORD

Don't Believe The Hype

North Carolina's women's soccer dynasty: overhyped? Ohio State's synchronized swimming team can make a case. Here are a few feats that have grabbed headlines and a few that should have. —Adam Duerson

OVERHYPED: UNC women's soccer. Even we drank the Carolina-blue Kool-Aid and named them the most successful college sports program (page 18). They're good, but I've seen better. Like .

UNDERHYPED: Ohio State synchronized swimming. You want success? In the 27 years that there has been a collegiate national title for the sport, Ohio State has won 23 times, most recently last March. An .851 winning percentage is good. An .851 national championship percentage is ... well, there's no word for that. You want coaching precises? Linds Witter who has wen.

ing prestige? Linda Witter, who has won six titles in eight years, will serve as an assistant on the U.S. Olympic team in 2004, and two of her athletes should join her in Athens.

OVERHYPED: Bobby Bowden and Joe Paterno.

God bless 'em, they'll go down as the best (340 and 338 wins in D-I, respectively). And while Paterno is suffering through the worst stretch in his coaching career, Bowden, dadgum, has his Seminoles back in the national title hunt. But can we stop pretending there isn't a coach out there with more wins?

UNDERHYPED: John Gagliardi. Who? Exactly. D-III St. John's (Minn.) football taskmaster of 51 years is one



win away from snapping Eddie Robinson's alltime-career-wins mark. (He's currently at 408.) While the cred of Paterno, 76, While the cred of Paterno, 76, has taken a big hit, Gagliardi, 77, is hitting his prime: He's taken the Johnnies to at least the quarters five straight years.

OVERHYPED: Texas Tech. Enough with B.J. Symons. His passing numbers (4,313 yards, 37 TDs) are less a product of a killer cannon than they are of Mike Leach's passhappy system (see Kliff Kingsbury's 12,429 yards and 95 TDs from 1999-2002 and the fact that no Red Raider is in the top 12 in the Big 12 in rushing this year) combined with Tech's inept defense—114th in the nation-which frequently leaves Symons playing catch up.

UNDERHYPED: Boise State. The Broncos are a far more efficient, multifaceted scoring machine.

With a defense that has given up a mere eight touchdowns, Ryan Dinwiddie's 20 passing TDs (with just one interception, com-

red with Symons's 16) haven't come
Old West-style shootouts. And est-style snootouts. And they've got an ample run attack to boot: The WAC's third-leading rusher, David Mikell, has 874 yards and eight rushing touchdowns.



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ROADT

VIRGINIA BY JESSICA FOX GARRISON

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WE HOLD THIS TRUTH to be WE HOLD THIS TRUTH to be self-evident, that all campuses are not created equal. Some are rowdy, some are modern and others are knock-your socks off beautiful. The University of Virginia, founded by Thomas Jefferson in 18% is, all three. The architecture and atmosphere of the school are so striking that Cavallers call their campus by a different name: the Grounds. That's not the only colloquialism you'll encounter in the Virginia vernacular, Because Mr. Jefferson

believed you could never be a "senlor" in knowledge, freshmen are
"first years," and so forth. The
school's misscot is a Cavalier, but
the Virginia fathuli are also called
Wahous—or just Hoos—allegedly
in honor of the fish that can drink
twice its body weight. (Some, however, believe Wahoo came from the
Wahoowa chant at the end of the
school's fight song.)
Call them what you will, Virginia fans are a dedicated bunch. At
football games they're the picture
of Southern hospitality. Students
dress up and sway in time as the
band plays The Good Old Song—the
school's unofficial ainma mater—
after each Virginia score. It's tradition, like the liferonian columns
at the north end of Scott Stadium.

Basketball season brings new-

er, more modern traditions. A tent city known as Hooville springs up outside University Hall, sometimes two weeks before a big game. Its inhabitants are students ("Cra-ziest"), camping out for first-come, first-served seats. In the shadow of University Hall is the University Hall Tuf-Field, where the ACC field hockey

Tradition runs deeps at Scott Stadium (above), but the soccer, basketball and lacrosse venues also have rich histories.

tournament will be held this week. The Hoos have become NCAA tournament mainstays, but winning their conference won't be easy: The top four teams in the country are ACC schools. Nearby is flockneer Stadum, which fars pack in the spring to watch the national champion men's across team. The men's and women's soccer teams also play in Rockneer, a facility so highly regarded that the U.S. women's national soccer team practiced there before the 2003 Wolfd (Jup. They came for the field, but also for Charlotteville, a city rich in culture that still manages to feel more like a town—a town that is distinctly Thomas Jefferson's.

The historic Jefferson estate,



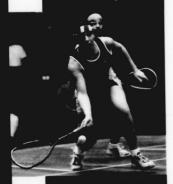
Monticello, overlooks Charlottes-ville and the university he founded to years after leaving the White House. He designed what he called an "academical village," a terraced lawn enclosed by student rooms, classrooms and faculty housing, with the Rotunda, a half-scale recreation of the Pantheon, at its center. Today the university covers more than 1,000 acres, but the Lawn, Jefferson's original campus, emails its heart. It is also home to a notable undergraduate tradition: streaking the Lawn. This weekend, field hockey and fall colors will bring visitors to Char-totteeville in droves. Who knows, perhaps the spirit of Mr. Jefferson will be there as west 'Lagitaring in an orange and blue tie, sippring Virginia wine and chanting. "Valhoowal"

The Vitals

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, Trinity (Conn.). 1 000-plus fans often fill this D-III school's Hannibal Lecter-ish home (below), which has four glass walls.



Arizona. The Icecats draw 6,000 a game to the only school sporting event at which alcohol is sold

Texas A&M. The Aggie Soccer Complex holds 2,295 averages 2,407 and has held 3,586. And, yes, they teach math at A&M.

Miami. Big shots like hoopster Darius Rice often go to games

Kentucky. The puck always drops at midnight in the Cat House.

Utah. The Utes, who sell season tickets, draw 10,000 fans per home meet

Nebraska. They consistently fill the 4,030-seat

Syracuse. Not exactly

VIDEO GAMES

Gen Y vs. Gen Tecm WHAT'S THE FUN of playing a video game if there's not a real person on hand to taunt when you drive through traffic and dunk on a computerized

defender? SIOC's Adam (The Younger) Duerson and Mark (The Elder) Bechtel went head-to-head on the season's new NBA releases, talking smack the whole time.

> ADAM DUERSON VS.

MARK BECHTEL

HOT Hands down the best graphics of the group—I swear you could see the snot dripping out of Eddy Curry's nostrils. And it's the only game to offer a camera angle that didn't have me reaching for a barf bag.

The hype. LeBron has become NOT NBA Live's version of Michael Vick in Madden '04 (also an EA Sports game): infuriatingly unstoppable.

HOT Play control's so simple, even a presumably feebleminded elder such as Bechtel had it down pat in minutes.

NOT Play control's so simple—per-haps too simple—even a feebleminded elder such as Bechtel had it down pat in minutes. No place for controller combination wizardry here.

IsoMotion Control had me HOT busting Bechtel's virtual ankles. Also, a passing icons option allowed me to easily feed the open man, whereas a lesser game might have had me tossing it blindly into a double-team.

NOT Tom Tolbert. If I have to hear this guy tell me Bechtel's got a "single/double-digit lead" on me one more time, I'm gonna snap.

HOT I've been yelling at video games for years . . . finally one that responds. Using the USB headset you can call for picks, timeouts, etc. Alas, my shout for a "hot dog!" went unanswered.

NOT I can't stress this enough: A bad color man will ruin a game. Enter Bill Walton. Even Bechtel's incessant squawking was music to my ears when— halleluiah!—the game went on the fritz and the commentary went silent.



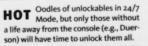
HOT The simplified play-calling makes it easy to rely on old standards like the pick-and-roll and the isolation play, which LeBron used to dunk on Duerson ad infinitum.

NOT The Freestyle Control gives you a ton of moves, but you don't even have to know what they are. Just start moving the joystick and eventually you'll shake your defender.



HOT The commentary is awesome. Sample postdunk shout-outs include "Fried chicken!!!" and "Hot peas and butter!!!" Nonsensical? Certainly. More insightful than Duerson's yapping? You bet.

NOT Good luck getting off a shot that isn't a dunk, which sort of defeated the purpose of my taking the Mavericks.



NOT To make a free throw you've got to align an elusive target in a crosshair, then push a button-the same way Tom Cruise shot down MiGs in Top Gun. Only shooting down a real MiG would be easier than making a free throw here. (Duerson was o for 12.)



HOT The pace of the game allowed me to run Duerson into the ground (he was using that USB thing to beg for mercy)—but unfortunately there isn't a single tolerable camera angle.

NOT Realism was a bit of an issue.
Someone named Trenton Hassell, who's not even on the Bulls roster, was positively Jordan-esque. And I put up 45 with Zydrunas Ilgauskas—and he didn't break a single bone in his foot.

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Sideline Eye Candy

Which school has the hottest cheerleaders?

-Chuck, Iowa '07

Oh, the things Milo has to do for you people. (For the love of the game, Milo. Keep telling yourself: For the love ... of ... the ... game....) After a quick (O.K., not so quick) perusal of the cheerleading

scene, Milo came to the conclusion that—Wait! This is wrong. Cheerleaders aren't to be judged on their physical appearance.... Psych. Milo's never met a cheerleader he hasn't dug, but in the end he wishes they all could be Florida girls. Kentucky dominates competitively (the team has pom-pommed its way to 12 UCA national championships in 18 years) and others may take it more seriously (several schools offer cheerleading as a scholarship sport). But Florida—the state, not the school—has a virtual monopoly on cheering. The Gators' gals are widely regarded as the most mind-blowing and their neighbors at Central Florida are the reigning national champs. Of course, for any cheerleader looking to debate the issue in person, Milo has all the time in the world. **G**



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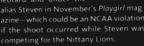
NEWS GONE WILD



RECENTLY AVAILABLE ON EBAY: one Tom Osborne commemorative golf putter; one 45-rpm copy of The Ballad of Bobby Bowden; and one Ron Zook (left). The beleaguered Florida football coach was offered on eBay last month with the tag "No-talent hack of a football coach. Must liquidate immediately." The listing was removed after 16 hours and 30,000 hits. The bidding reached \$999 million. If we were Zook, we'd sell.

ACCORDING TO THE 2003 Penn State gymnastics media guide,

Abboud (right), whose el-



COMING TO FOX: USC QB. Well, at least it should be. Scenes from an upcoming episode: Starting quarterback Matt

pair split up last month. Meanwhile back up quarterback Matt Cassel, who has tight end. Cassel then finds solace in the fan web site (geocities.com/casselfan/), the gist of which is: "Matt is a hottie."



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In the Game Of the Father

Couldn't wait to head off to college and let your hair down? Not these student-athletes, who decided both to stay near home and to play for their fathers—subjecting them to several more years of parental supervision.

Jordan Kent OREGON '06

Sport: Basketball. Coach/Father: Ernie Kent. What's the worst thing about playing for your dad? "You don't know what to call him on the floor sometimes, Dad or Coach. When you're talking to other players you might say. 'Yeah my dad wants me to run this play.' It just sounds kind of weird at first." Is he harder or easier on you than he is on your teammates? "I think he does a good job just being





Jordan's a sitting Duck for teammates to tease him for calling Ernie "Dad" on the floor

the same with everybody. But I don't mind if he's the hardest on me. I'd encourage it, actually." Whom do you try harder to please, your dad or your coach? "Right now the coach, because he's the one who's going to give me playing time." Are you more

careful with your behavior around your dad or your coach? "Probably my dad because my coach can't really ground me or anything like that. But I know my dad can take away a lot more privileges and stuff." What's some thing you would feel more free

to talk about with your coach if he weren't your dad?
"How my dad dresses some-times. He looks real sharp on the court, but at home, on the weekends, he's down to sweats or something like that, or those jogging outfits."—





CENTRAL MICHIGAN '06
Sport: Gymnastics. Coach/Fathers Jerry
Reighard. Was there ever any doubt
you were going to compete for your
dad? "ies. I think everyone expected me
to come here, so iddn't really want to: "What's the worst thing about
competing for your dad? "Fear of disappointing him." Whom do you try
harder to please, your dad or your coach? "My coach, because when I'm
trying to please a coach. I'm trying to please the whole team. It yh parder
to please the coach because when it sal isal and done, my dad loves me
no matter what." What's something your coach doesn't allow that you
would like to be able to do? "Snopping back at him in practice." What's
something your dad doesn't allow that you would like to be able to
do? 'Liet me be complicaent with myself. Growing up, sometimes the
coaching side of my dad would come out." How difficult is it to separate
the dad from the coach? "It's hard to separate is sometimes when I'm at
the gym and have a bad day. I can't say my dad is disappointed in my performance; it's my coach who is." —jesse Witz



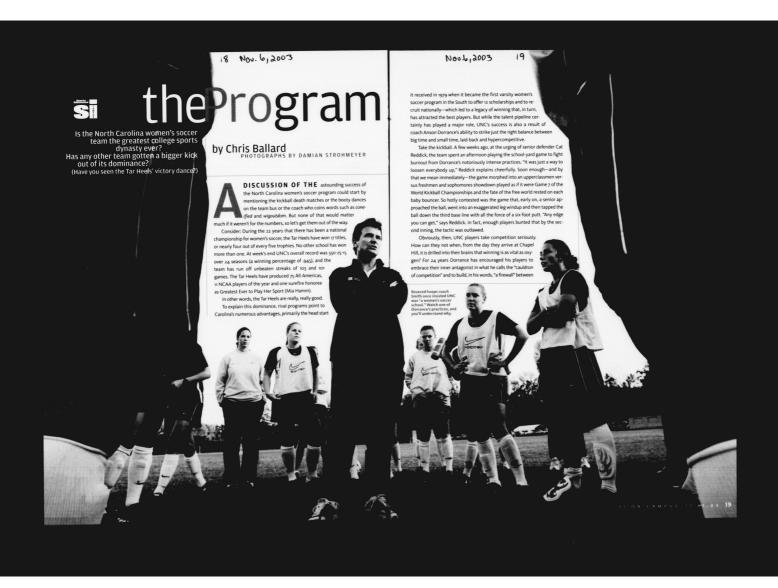


Spencer Schmitz
BOWLING GREEN '05
Sport: Basebal. Coach/Father:
Danny Schmitz. Was there ever
any doubt you were going to
play for your dad? "Certainly. I was never sure whether it would be
a good idea or not, but as it came
doser to making the decision, the
more I throught it was a good thing." What's the
best thing about playing for
him? "Its always fun because!
And now I get to be a
part of it instead of
being just a bat boy."
What's something
your coach doesn't
allow that you would
like to be able to do?
"Grow facial hair.
We're supposed to
stary clean-shaven." How difficult is
it to separate the dad from
the coach": It really hasn't been
that bad. It's not like he's a totally
different person. I still look at him
as my dad. Sometimes I cach myest saying. "Hey, Dad." acch myest saying. "Hey, Dad." acch myleft some player saying the saying.
"Hey, Coach." "Joyne Remme



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P THE PROGRAM

life on and off the field. Under Dorrance practices are tougher than games, and players are never to be ashamed of wanting to win, much less yearning to emphatically kids another schools as (Witness the Tar Heels' 66-6 goal differential in the 2003 regular season.)

Each practices is charted by team manager Tom Sander. Players are pitted against each other and tested and retested for speed, endurance and proficiency in all manner of drills, from ball clearance to heading to shooting to possession. The results are posted, all ir paged: which under glass at the pageda that borders the team's sprawling practice field, which used to be the 12th, styff and 14th holes of ago (course and is now littered not with Tidests but rather asy white Framed goals of various sizes, the better to run new and esoteric cills. If the fear of peer humiliation wast thread only with Tidests but rather asy white Framed goals of various sizes, the better to run new and esoteric cills. If the fear of peer humiliation wast thready to the test stats are also sent out to recruits, who receive weekly packets thick with grids, charts and allitime Carolina recruits (Cindy Parlow, for example, holds; the team's vertical-jump mark at 50 inches), along with motivational credox, excerpts from Dorrance's two books and news clipping let most recent: a Tixet magazine story about Annila Sorenstam's drive to be the best in golf). Players learn on the very first day of practice that there is no such thing as a warm fuzzy at UNC. That's the day when Dorrance orden a scrimmage pritting returning stater against feeband and reserves. It can be brustal awakening, "I remember coming out that first day, and Meredith Florance took me to the ground hand," says Redick, who despite not starting for the Hels until the end of her freshman season became a stater for the US. rational team the following spring," couldn't believe. It is that right twen thome and came back determined not to let anyone else do that." Hamm, a star from 1981 to 1975, during the 10 ground mar

Virginia coach Steve Swanson with the statement "You really got dominated out there today." As the team bus burrowed through the right back to Chapel Hill, an impromptu karnoke session broke out. Each tune piped over the bus's PA. system was greated by an enuption of Bughter, followed by volleys of high-octave shrieks that tested the limits of the human eardrum. This behavior was mild compared to the annual bus dendering ritual, during which freshmen have to shimmy their way up and down the aisle to what rooks forward Heather O'Reilly—with might have made this year's U.S. World Cup term had into theen for a leigh-up-calls' bodry part O'n the trip back from Maryland on Oct., freshman forward libby Guess recalls with a sile. "Heather and light a little carried way and astated freshing the student." smile, "Heather and I got a little carried away and started freaking the student managers." *Freaking*? "Oh, yeah," says manager Bill Wiswesser, his eyes

widening and a blissful grin coming to his face. "It was awesome! There was one manager who didn't go on that trip, and when we got back he heard about the log dances and was like, Ant, I'm never missing another trip again ever!" (So as not to hortfy any parents who may have picked up this issue, it should be pointed out that the dancers were fully clothed and, according to the girls, everything was PG 13-rated at worst.)

Talk to the players about the program and one word comes up again and again. full. Dorrance has learned that to keep the team productive, he has to allow everyone to cut loose. Practices are never longer than 1½ hours, and there are no curfews, few rules and ne Albours before game time dirinking ban, which many coaches enforce." I have firends who play at other schools where It's like Goldown. 'O' Relly said as a sha at in her hotel for mon the night before the Virginia game watching Game 6 of the World Series. "Here, Anson trusts us." Buy watching, Crushing Pier, Heiden Drugon nohe le playon, Guess looked up to add. "He wants us to have a life in college. I mean, I'm in a soronity, and get no buy intramural sports, which lots of players don't at other schools, He makes sure that we—what's the saying?—broaden our horizons." Dorrance himself is a study in contasts, a superney successful, detail—oriented former national team coach who in person is mellow and, in many ways, a human caricture. Fit and younger looking than his 52 years—the product of intense roller hockey games that he, his assistant coaches and some of the players regularly compare in on a patch of UNC parking to the bird. When the recently received his first ever ever the message on his cellphone—a layler asking. "Marst's up, A Dang?"—Dorrance read it aloud as if pronouncing a foreign word and, with each successive repeak, deve louder peaks of laughter from the team. Though the pieces of the comment of the productive of insighter from the team. Though the prosesses a Googee-eque depth of nowledge about soccer, Corrance is blissf

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Johns Hopkins Blue Jays Men's Lacrosse



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That is not an idle boast. The UNC program is head and shoulders above most others in many respects. In addition to the 17 championship trophies at the state-of-the-art McCaskill Soccer Center, there is the \$100,000-plus Nike sponsorship and the pods of screaming girls who beg for autographs after

games. There is the famous quote from legendary men's basketball coach Dean Smith that UNC is not a basketball school but "a women's soccer school," a sentiment later echoed by former Tar Heels defensive end Julius Peppers. There are World Cup stars like Hamm and Carla Overbeck returning to practice with the team. Better yet, there are current players like Reddick, Lori Chalupny and Lindsay Tarpley who sometimes miss practices or games to play for the national team. And then there is the support of the fans, exemplified by record-breaking crowds that have topped 6,000.

But while players enjoy the benefits of a nationally renowned pro-

THE RECRUITING PITCH

EATHER O'REILLY is the type of player who can revitalize a soccer program. An adrenaline-fueled freshman forward who chases down the ball with such grimacing passion that her teammates call her Angry Chicken, she was invited to the training camp for the 2003 World Cup team before she had even played a day of college soccer. So why did she choose North Carolina? "The main reason I came here," she says in her raspy voice, "was because I wanted to leave four years later as a better player. You look at the players who've come before, and you know they must be doing something right." Told of this sentiment, UNC coach Anson Dorrance beams like a proud father. "That's what we

UNC's record and legacy sold itself to blue chips like Mia Hamm, April Heinrichs and Cindy Parlow. These days, however, the Tar Heels must compete with a number of other ols, whose coaches lure recruits by ing them that they can be superstars where rather than cogs in the Caroli machine. UNC operates a year-round recruiting program spearheaded by r coach Chris Ducar, who maintains a database of recruits on his laptop. Prospects eekly packet in the mail, and Ducar fields phone calls and answers e-mails. He maintains a network of club coaches and

the top recruits for his personal visits.



gram, Dorrance never allows them to feel entitled or become too cocky. Team members still have to work the concession stand at North Carolina men's basketball games. Ostensibly, the grunt work is done because the program needs to raise money, which is itself a strange irony. While women's teams at football-rich schools like Nebraska boast operating budgets of \$400,000 and higher, UNC's is stuck at \$65,000. "The logic," explains Sander, the team manager, "is that we're already winning with what it is, so why raise it?" Any excess costs for food and lodging on the road come out of the pockets of Dorrance and assistant coach Bill Palladino, who bring in good money from the summer camps they run. Flights and hotels are often picked up by other schools, the ones with fat, Title IX-enhanced budgets that can afford to fly out the nation's premier program for

a game. As a result UNC usually plays only a quarter or so of its matches each season on its home pitch at Fetzer Field.

Though illuminating, this still doesn't explain why the players peddle hot dogs or sometimes ride four to a seat on a long bus trip or warm the bench even though they were blue-chip recruits. Do you suppose, Reddick is asked, that this is part of why the team is so successful? That the ethos of having to earn every minute of playing time, of having every weakness exposed in practice and of being regularly humbled might be what has made the program so consistently great? She considers the thought, then smiles and says, "Yeah, you could be on to something there." G

Michigan Wolverines Ice Hockey

1948 TO '56

Won six of the program's nine NCAA titles in this nine-year span; present-day run includes nine Frozen Fours (two titles) in 12 years.



Miami Hurricanes

1972 TO PRESENT

Hurricanes have qualified for the NCAA tournament 31 straight years and advanced to the College World Series 20 times, winning four titles.



UCLA Bruins Men's Volleyball 1970 TO PRESENT

Now in his 42nd year in Westwood, coach Al Scates has won a Division I-record 18 national championships.



Cal Golden Bears Men's Rugby 1980 TO PRESENT

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another: Rowing is not a sport, but don't be offended, neither are several other NCAA events

"I AM SHOCKED," WRITES

Rachel Polinski, a junior starboard stroke at Notre Dame. Rachel is appalled by what Matt Birk of the Minnesota Vikings was quoted as saying in these pages (SIOC, Oct. 21). Asked if rowing is a sport, Birk, a Harvard alum, said, "On a scale, if football is a 10, then rowing would be a two. One would be Quiz Bowl."

I, too, am shocked. There's a Harvard grad in the NFL?

Anyway, Rachel, here's my reply: I attended Notre Dame. I rowed for Notre Dame. Rowing is not a sport.

Put the oar down. Hear me out. Before anyone passes judgment on whether rowing or bowling or badminton are sports (and the NCAA says that they are), let me ask this: What is the definition of "sport"?

"I don't think there's anything clear-cut about what is or is not a sport," says Richard Lapchick. That is disheartening to hear, since Lapchick, 58, founded Northeastern University's Center for Study of Sport in Society. And if he doesn't know. . . .

"There's no supreme wizard who rules on this," says Lapchick. No? Allow me. First I went



Atticus Finch on Rachel and put her under direct examination:

JW: To be a sport, do you need an athletic component?

IW: So chess is not a sport?

RP: No. It's a game.

JW: Can you have judging?

RP: Yes, as long as demanding physical exertion is involved. JW: Ballroom dancing is a sport? RP (sighing): Yes.

Therein lies the problem. If ballroom dancing is a sport, then why not the shenanigans on Fear Factor? Why not synchronized

skating? Why not a marching band competition?

How can you debate whether something is a sport without bothering to define what a sport is? Merriam-Webster defines sport as "a recreational or competitive activity which involves a degree of physical exertion or which requires skill in the playing of an object for scoring." (How long, then, until beer-pong is a varsity sport?)

I have a better definition: "An athletic competition in which defense is directly deployed."

Soccer? Sport, Tennis? Sport, Fencing, field hockey, football? Sport, sport, sport. Rowing, synchronized skating, even golf: athletic activities, but not sports.

Does that invalidate Rachel's claim to be an athlete? No. But consider this: Rachel, and thousands of rowers like her, practice indoors on ergometers. Then, in the midst of winter, they attend erg competitions to see who can "row" the fastest time. What is the difference between putting in 15 minutes on an erg as exercise and doing the same thing at an "indoor regatta"? Nothing, except the venue.

What, however, is the difference between kicking field goals alone on a practice field and doing so in a football game? Ask Bobby Bowden. G

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