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ABOVE: Maggie Fennell, a journalism junior, paints a window of the White Hall Classroom Building for the Alpha Delta Pi sorority yesterday afternoon. Various organizations on campus have teamed up with local businesses and buildings on campus to show their school spirit in the Paint the Town Blue event.

RIGHT: Members of the Alpha Delta Pi sorority paint a section of the windows of the White Hall Classroom Building yesterday afternoon. The sorority is painting the window as part of homecoming week's Paint the Town Blue event. Participating campus organizations had from 8 a.m. Saturday until 8 a.m. today to complete their paintings.

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My Old KENTUCKY HOMECOMING



UK was Judd's first home and reason she keeps coming back

By Shannon Mason
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Even Ashley Judd went to class in her pajamas. Of course, when Judd was on campus, about 16 years ago, UK was a little bit smaller, and the buildings she had class in were close to where she lived at the Kappa Kappa Gamma house.

"I could practically go to class in my nightgown," said Judd, an actress and activist. "I probably did more than once, truth be told."

Judd often returns to UK. She is almost expected to show up at basketball games during the season, and in April 2005 she made a surprise visit to the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity house to talk about preventing the spread of AIDS and commend the fraternity for contributing proceeds from a basketball tournament to YouthAIDS.

Now Judd is returning to UK as the 2006 speaker in the Paul G. Blazer Lecture Series in the Humanities, hosted by the College of Arts and Sciences, with a lecture entitled "At the Root of My Longing: Social Justice, Feminism and Spirituality."

The lecture title is a play



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Actress and UK alumna Ashley Judd visits the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity with Kate Roberts, executive director and founder of YouthAIDS, during a surprise lunch stop at the fraternity house on Pennsylvania Avenue on April 13, 2005. The two sat down with the fraternity to talk about AIDS prevention, part of a special segment for MTVU, MTV's college channel.

on the title of the book "At the Root of This Longing: Reconciling a Spiritual Hunger and a Feminist Thirst" by Carol Lee Flinders, Judd said.

"It's a book of terrific scholarship and soul that means a lot to me," Judd said.

Judd said she rearranged the title to reference her roots in Eastern Kentucky; to highlight her passion for social justice, which began at UK; and to incorporate the reasons why she does human rights work, specifically faith and femi-

nism. Judd said she will be showing many pictures from her involvement with YouthAIDS and Population Service International and talk-

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Football alumni to help cheer on the Cats

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Homecoming week serves as a time to show school spirit, welcome back alumni and former players, and most of all, to celebrate the UK tradition.

While most of the university is celebrating UK's 61st annual homecoming, themed "My Old Kentucky Homecoming," the UK football team will remain hard at work all week preparing for its test against Georgia.

Junior quarterback Andre Woodson said he feels like the added support the team will receive during homecoming week will only serve as motivation in the Cats' attempt to upset the Bulldogs.

"We need an environment where the fans are behind us, supporting the defense and being loud, disrupting Georgia's offense," Woodson said. "At the same time, we need them cheering us (the offense) when we're on the field, because it really helps us out and gets our group clicking."

The Cats believe it's their job to defend Commonwealth

Stadium — a place where they've only lost once this season — on homecoming.

Junior linebacker Wesley Woodyard remembered the feeling of giving the fans a victory in last year's homecoming game when the Cats defeated Mississippi State.

"Any time you have the alumni coming back to watch, you know you have to give it your all," Woodyard said. "They gave it their all when they were out there playing, so you don't want to let them down. It makes you want to go out there and just play for them."

The first homecoming game celebration occurred in 1915 when UK defeated Tennessee 6-0. The tradition wasn't established permanently until 1946, and so far the Cats have a 44-16 homecoming record.

The most exciting aspect of homecoming week for the players is the chance to meet the football alumni.

"I would like to meet anybody that played for UK," said junior wide receiver Keanan

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New event kicks off

Big Blue Impromptu takes a page from popular TV show

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UK will host its own version of "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" with this year's new homecoming event, Big Blue Impromptu. Members of 20 organizations will take the stage at Memorial Hall to showcase their acting and comedic skills.

The event will take place Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Grand Ballroom.

For the first round, groups will be given one word and one location, and participants will have 90 minutes to come up with a 90-second skit that uses their word and location in a humorous way, said Ben VanderHorst, director of performing arts for UK's Student Activities Board.

"Groups will be judged based on how well they incorporate their word and location," VanderHorst said.

After advancing to the sec-

ond round of competition, the groups will receive a scenario that they will have to act out.

"This is kind of like the show 'Whose Line Is It Anyway?' where participants have to act out a situation," VanderHorst said.

While the teams are organizing their skits, Tim Young, a professional comedian and the host of Big Blue Impromptu, will provide entertainment.

VanderHorst and SAB members chose to bring Young to UK

because many of his routines focus on situations that college-aged students face.

Because Big Blue Impromptu is a new homecoming event, VanderHorst is hoping that students will come watch the event and want it to continue for future homecomings.

"This is a brand-new event," VanderHorst said. "But we're hoping to have an entirely new tradition."

JUDD

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ing about how the organizations' programs benefit the people she has met in her travels. Judd has visited Cambodia, Thailand, Kenya and Central America, putting on programs in urban slums, brothels and hospices.

Judd said writing the lecture was difficult at times, even though she has lived through the experiences she will talk about.

"There was a part of me (that said), 'Oh, I can't do it and it won't be good enough' and 'Am I going to be able to access all the references?'" Judd said, adding that as soon as she actually sat down to write, the lecture came pouring out.

"I think I scrubbed a few toilets before I actually started," she said. "Like, that was a desirable alternative to sitting down and actually writing. That's that classic student procrastination and dread syndrome."

But her procrastination and dread didn't stop her from embracing a college education.

The UK alum described herself in her college days as "zealous — zealous bordering on obnoxious."

She said she was eager to learn in an environment where trying hard to earn an education was acceptable.

"It was very exciting for me because I had always felt like a bit of a fraud in school," Judd said. "To actually really learn and have incredible professors who supported my particular brain while I learned, so that it was okay to try hard, was a big

deal to me. Because I, for some reason, always thought that because I had been told I was smart that I was never supposed to have to try hard at anything, and that was such a destructive lie I grew up with. So at UK of all a sudden, I was trying hard and I found out it was OK, and that was a relief."

As a student at UK from 1986 to 1990, Judd majored in French, minored in cultural anthropology, art history, theater and women's studies, and completed the honors program.

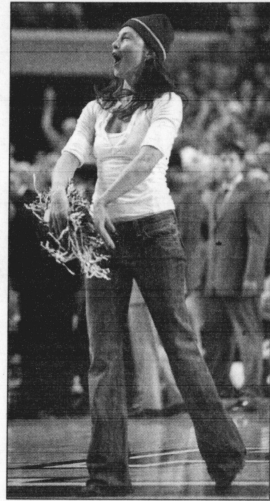
It was also at UK that Judd developed a passion for activism in social justice.

"I was always the one traipsing around campus, promoting peace, love, social justice, trying to raise student consciousness about global issues, trotting down to Triangle Park for candlelight vigils in support of Amnesty International, bothering the governor's office, calling them about various things, harassing them," she said. "I loved it. I had a great time."

Judd's life has changed since those days, but she said the education she obtained at UK is practical in her everyday life and that she's the same person.

"I don't think I've changed all that much," Judd said. "I'm still intense. I'm opinionated. And for me, it's all motivated by a sense that we're all equal, all life is sacred, and everyone has inalienable rights — that it is our job in the richer, developing countries, to help implement and respect."

Judd is still active in her work promoting social justice, as she serves as a global ambassador with YouthAIDS and is on the board of Population Service



Ashley Judd waves to the crowd during halftime of the North Carolina game last year at Rupp Arena.

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Homecoming Week AT A GLANCE

<p>MONDAY, OCTOBER 30</p> <p>Paint the Town Blue Judging at 9 a.m. Judging to determine the winning UK student organization's painting for "Paint the Town Blue."</p> <p>Banner Competition Judging at W.T. Young Library 6 p.m. Judging to determine the winner of UK student organization banner competition. Banners will be up for viewing at the W.T. Young Library and the Johnson Center from now until November 2.</p> <p>Patio Party, craft-making 11a.m.—1p.m. near the Mining and Mineral Building and the Classroom Building. Free food and attendees can make their own UK foam hand.</p> <p>Black Student Union's Night at the Movies Saw III, Fayette Mall, 3800 Mall Road Time TBA See this scary movie to start off the Halloween season before Tuesday night. Each movie ticket is \$6.00 with a student ID.</p> <p>TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31</p> <p>Big Blue Impromptu Improv-Comedy Competition Student Center Grand Ballroom, 7 p.m. A performance-based competition with teams from different student organizations compete by acting in original impromptu skits.</p> <p>Black Student Union's Open-Reason Motivation Calvary Baptist Church's Recreation Outreach Center 4:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3</p> <p>Homecoming Parade Judging area in front of W.T. Young Library, 7 p.m. UK alumni and students are encouraged to view the parade as it passes the library on its way from Commonwealth Stadium to Memorial Coliseum.</p> <p>Blue Man Group Competition (Judging) W.T. Young Library 6 p.m. Judges will pick the winning student organizations in the Blue Man Group competitions. Alumni and students are invited to watch and cheer.</p> <p>UK Alumni Association Homecoming Hoedown King Alumni House, 6 p.m. UK students and alumni are invited to celebrate homecoming and watch the parade as it passes the King Alumni House. "My Old Kentucky Homecoming" is the theme for the event and will feature a traditional buffet of Kentucky food, Bluegrass music, pony rides for children and a \$100 grand prize indoor cornhole tournament.</p> <p>UK College of Arts & Sciences Evening of Lecture and Scholarship Ceremony Lexington Convention Center, Thoroughbred Ballroom, Reception at 6 p.m. and Dinner at 7 p.m. Registration and fee are required.</p> <p>Lyman T. Johnson African-American Alumni 16th Annual Homecoming Alumni Award Banquet Radisson Plaza Hotel, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4</p> <p>UK College of Education "Skagster" Johnson Wildcat Walk for Life UK Arboretum UK alumni and students, as well as all ages welcome. Registration is at 8 a.m., walk at 9 a.m. and junior races at 10 a.m.</p> <p>UK Alumni Association Homecoming Tent Party Next to Commonwealth Stadium, 10:30 a.m. UK alumni and students are invited to enjoy live music, door prizes, foot and taigaling while warming up with other alumni.</p> <p>College of Law Homecoming Tent Party Next to Commonwealth Stadium, 11 a.m. UK College of Law alumni, students, staff and faculty are invited to the Billy's Bar-b-que catered event.</p> <p>College of Arts & Sciences Homecoming Tailgate Party Next to the E.S. Goodbarn and Commonwealth Stadium, 11 a.m. Billy's Bar-b-que and live entertainment will be available. Registration and fee required.</p> <p>Homecoming Football Game: UK vs. Georgia UK Commonwealth Stadium, kickoff at 1 p.m. Announcements of the winning UK student organizations for the parade, Blue Man Group competition, royalty and Wildcat Cup winners will be made at halftime.</p> <p>National Panhellenic Council's Step Show Heritage Hall, 3 p.m. Cost is \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Tickets are available through any Ticketmaster location.</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1</p> <p>Black Student Union Mr. and Mrs. Black UK Pageant Memorial Hall, 6 p.m. Admission is \$3 and is reduced to \$2 with a canned good.</p> <p>Pep Rally with Concert and Bonfire E.S. Goodbarn Field, 7 p.m. A bonfire to help warm fans up for the game is available to students and alumni along with music and a pep rally.</p> <p>THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2</p> <p>Kitty Carnival Service Project Haggin Field, 5 to 7 p.m. The Kitty Carnival will bring underprivileged children from around Lexington to a carnival and booth event with games, prizes, face-painting and the UK Alumni Association Petting Zoo.</p> <p>UK College of Arts & Sciences Blazer Lecture Featuring Ashley Judd Singletary Center for the Arts Main Concert Hall, 7:30 p.m. Free and open to the public.</p> <p>Black Student Union Study Night in the Cultural Center Martin Luther King Jr. Cultural Center, 6 to 8 p.m.</p>		

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— Wesley Woodyard, UK junior linebacker

FOOTBALL

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Burton said. “This is a great school, great tradition. We’re just trying to build it back up.”

Burton said that despite the added pressure of playing in front of so many football alumni, the Cats understand they need to focus solely on the game.

“It’s very important because it’s our next game,” Burton said. “It’s always important. The fact of the matter is, we need a win in a big way.”

With all the positives homecoming week brings the university and team, it also brings about possible distractions for the players. The “hype”, as Woodson described it, shouldn’t falter the Cats.

“That type of stuff happens a lot,” Woodson said. “I know there’ll be a lot of stuff going on during the week, but we’re really going to have our heads on straight because we know how serious we have to take this game.”

Woodson said that with bowl eligibility in sight, the game will likely overshadow the homecoming celebration.

“Going 6-6, you have a good

chance of going to a bowl game,” Woodson said. “But we know going 7-5 means you’re automatically going to go. So we have to take this game as a key game that we know we’re supposed to win.”

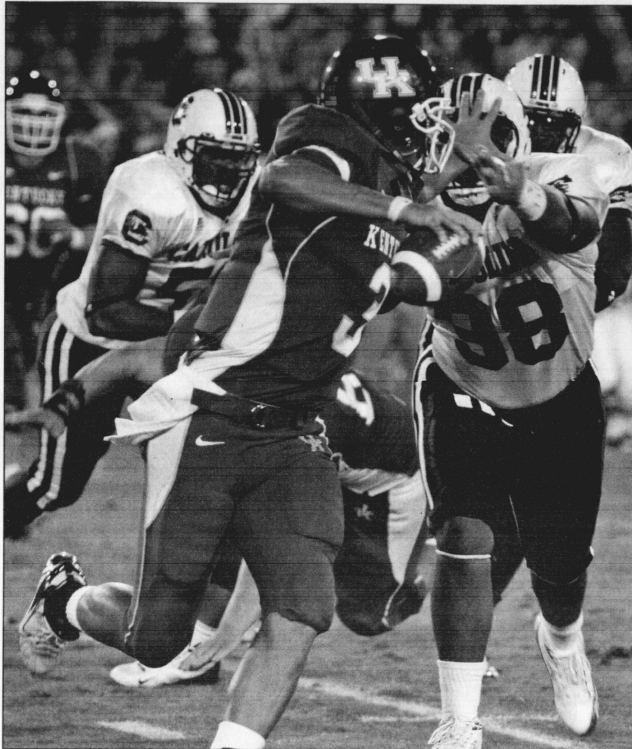
Woodyard said that during the week, the Cats will be allowed to attend a couple of events, but that he and his teammates will try to ignore most of the hoopla.

“I don’t think any of the events will distract us,” Woodyard said. “Once Thursday comes, that’s when you really have to get locked in and get ready mentally to play the football game.”

Burton said the team is so busy with workouts, watching film and attending classes that it’s hard for the players to get caught up in the off-the-field distractions. It might be homecoming week for the university, but in the eyes of the players, it’s a big showdown with the Bulldogs, Burton said.

Woodyard said he’d like to meet just about any UK alumni, but that he’s looking most forward to meeting former UK great and NFL pro-bowler Dermoniti Dawson if he attends the game. Dawson, who played center for UK, was a member of the Pittsburgh Steelers for 13 seasons.

Homecoming festivities will take place during halftime of the game.



Junior quarterback Andre Woodson attempts to shake a South Carolina defender on the Oct. 7 loss to the Gamecocks. ANDREW HUGGINS | STAFF

UK Homecoming By the Numbers

- The first homecoming was Nov. 25, 1915, when UK defeated Tennessee 6-0.
- UK has had a homecoming every consecutive year since 1946.
- The Cats have a 44-16 homecoming record. Georgia leads the series 47-10-2.
- When ranked, Georgia leads the series 23-3.
- The Cats are 3-13 when playing Georgia in Commonwealth Stadium.

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DATE	OPPONENTS	GAME DATE
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Monday, December 4th	Santa Clara	Tuesday, 12/19/06
	Massachusetts	Friday, 12/22/06
	Eastern Kentucky	Friday, 12/29/06
	Houston	Wednesday, 01/03/07
	Auburn	Wednesday, 01/10/07
Tuesday, January 16th <i>*due to Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	Mississippi State	Saturday, 01/13/07
	Vanderbilt	Saturday, 01/20/07
	Tennessee	Sunday, 01/28/07
Monday, February 5th	South Carolina	Wednesday, 02/07/07
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Remaining tickets will be sold to STUDENTS ONLY the next day from 9 AM to 4 PM at Memorial Coliseum.

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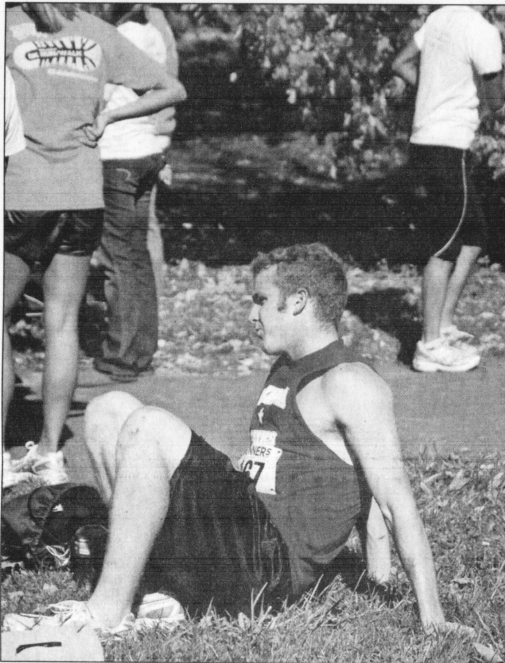
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RUNNING FOR A REASON

Erik Granlund, a business management junior, leads the group in yesterday's Homecoming 5k Run/Walk to benefit UK Markey Cancer Center. Granlund won the race.

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Erik Granlund, a business management junior, rests after finishing first in the 5k Run/Walk.

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First online SG election sees low turnout

By Blair Thomas
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Student Government is not impressed with the voter turnout in last week's freshman elections. Online voting was used for the first time in SG history last Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, but the number of voters dramatically decreased from previous years. "We are feeling major hesitation with online elections at this point," said SG Communications Director Kyle Burns. "The votes were lower than we had hoped for with using this new

method. We thought the online elections would make voting more accessible to the students." Accounting freshman Shaun Denney received the highest number of votes. The top four vote-getters were elected. "The person elected with the most votes received only 330 votes," Burns said. "Last year, Lauren Russow had the most votes, at nearly 530 votes. This is the type of decrease that concerns us." Burns thought the reason for the decrease in voter turnout may have been

the lack of strong student influence in getting freshmen to the polls. "In the past, with the old polling system, our representatives who manned the polls would get the students and basically escort them to vote," Burns said. "I think students might need that type of influence to get them to vote. This year, they were able to say, 'I'll vote when I get home later,' and there wasn't much we could say in protest." There were no traditional booths used in the election, although five laptops were set up at the Student Center

and the Patterson Office Tower Plaza where students could vote. Any computer with an Internet connection could be used to cast a vote. In addition to Denney, the other winners were psychology major Megan Baird, political science major Erin Haley, and Lindsey Smith. "We had a successful election despite the voting numbers," said SG President Jonah Brown. "We have new faces that have promising ideas to bring to Student Government." Brown said there could be many reasons other than the change in elec-

tion method that led to the decrease in voter turnout. "We experienced bad weather, problems with polling locations being open for limited hours and lack of advertising that all could have contributed," Brown said. Brown suggested implementing a more transitional method for the spring elections. "We could have the traditional polling locations like in years past and offer the option to vote online as a

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Film depicts war from Iraqi perspective

By Erin Thomas
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Students can cross enemy lines as the documentary "Meeting Resistance" makes its Lexington debut on campus tonight. The film, which examines the Iraqi insurgency against American occupation, begins at 5:30 p.m. in Worsham Theater in the Student Center. The film has not been released to theaters. Steve Connors and Molly Bingham, photojournalists and directors of the film, will be at the debut to answer audience questions after the viewing. Co-producer Daniel J. Chalfen will also attend. The filmmakers are coming to engage the campus in debate, said Beth Barnes, director of the School of Journalism and Telecommunications, which is sponsoring the movie. "It's obviously a topic that is very timely and one that is good not only for UK students, but for the entire community," Barnes said, noting that 30 people from Louisville and other areas have already obtained tickets to the film. "Meeting Resistance" is set in a Baghdad neighborhood and offers first-hand accounts of those involved in the fighting against American troops. Eight members of the insurgency are interviewed in the movie, including a teacher, a mother and a young Syrian man whose parents sent him to Iraq, encouraging him to be a martyr.

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Kernel wins 'college equivalent of Pulitzer Prize'

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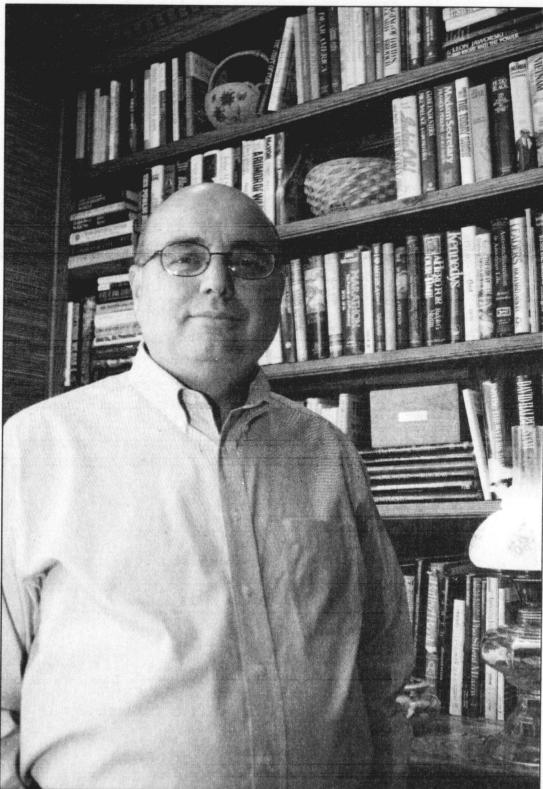
The Kentucky Kernel won the highest award in college journalism, the 2006 Pacemaker Award, on Saturday. The Kernel was one of five daily college newspapers throughout the country — and the only college newspaper in Kentucky — to win the award. "It's the college equivalent of the Pulitzer Prize," said student publications adviser Chris Poore, who works with the Kernel staff. Nominees for the Pacemaker Award are chosen based on four issues they submit to the Associated Collegiate Press for judging. Three issues must have been published during weeks selected by the ACP — one issue from a week chosen in the fall semester and two issues from a week in the spring — along with a "wild card" submission from each semester. "They don't tell you which weeks they (the judges) are going to pick, so you have to be strong all year long," Poore said. Beth Barnes, director of the School of Journalism and Telecommunications, said UK stacks up well compared to other Pacemaker-winning schools. "When I think of some of those campuses compared to UK, they're bigger and they probably have more students working on the paper," Barnes said. Winning the Pacemaker demonstrates the capabilities of UK's journalism school and the Kernel.

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Right at HOME

UK grad records the past of the university where he planted his roots

By Juliann Vachon
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Terry Birdwhistell, the associate dean of Special Collections & Digital Programs Division, graduated with a master's degree from UK in 1974 and has worked with the oral history center ever since.

For oral historian Terry L. Birdwhistell, the history of UK isn't just made of classes and administrative meetings — it's also the emotional and personal moments. To illustrate this, Birdwhistell recalled a story from an interview with a UK alumnus who was a student in the 1930s. "This man told me that he was walking down the sidewalk on Limestone one day and fainted, falling to the ground from hunger," Birdwhistell said. "The story got back to Frances Jewell McVey, the (university) president's wife, and she called the young man into their home on Maxwell Place and said to him, 'We have students who live in the attic and students who live in the garage. I want you to move here until you graduate.'" As associate dean for special collections and digital programs, it's Birdwhistell's job to record stories like this. He has spent the last 32 years at UK creating a home for the rich history of UK and Kentucky in the Louie B. Nunn Center for Oral History. Stories like this humanize the university, Birdwhistell said. In addition to conducting countless interviews with administrators, faculty and staff members, students, political leaders, and citizens, he has gathered and preserved historical documents and records to help create a comprehensive look at the past of the university and the state.

After graduating from UK in 1974 with a master's degree in history, Birdwhistell began working at the Louie B. Nunn Center for Oral History. Within a year, he became director of the program and began the transformation of a new department into a center that is nationally recognized for its quality and quantity of oral history interviews documenting the history and culture of Kentucky. Birdwhistell's career at UK has given him amazing opportunities, colleagues and friends, making the university his "professional roots." To him, there was no reason to leave. "People have always asked me why I haven't moved on like you often do in the academic life," Birdwhistell said. "My answer has always

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Race raises almost \$2,000 for child rights

By Kelly Wiley
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Braving the early autumn chill, more than a dozen UK students turned out to Jacobson Park on Richmond Road for the 2006 Child Relief and You Walk/Run race. The 5K race was aimed at raising awareness for issues involving children in India, such as lack of education and malnutrition. "Our mission is a walk for global child rights," said Ravindraraj Mamadgi, president of the CRY student group at UK. "All over the world there are poor children, and many people do not see this."

Children are at more risk from these problems than others, the group said. "Children are the most affected people in society, and they can't take care of themselves," said Shantilal Sharma, the publicity coordinator for the CRY committee at UK. The event, which is usually held at UK's arboretum, had a new location this year. "The last three years it has been at the UK arboretum, but to cut down costs this year, we had it at Jacobson Park," Mamadgi said. Though organizers said the move probably lowered turnout from UK students to about 14, the event still drew 60 people, compared to last year's turnout of 40.

Those registered were not just college students; the event brought in people of all ages, from middle-school students to gray-haired individuals. "Considering the weather, we are glad they are all here," said Ramakanth Kavuriaru, the event coordinator for CRY at UK. "The people that showed up today are the reason we still have hope in the world." The race this year brought in \$400, plus another \$1,500 in contributions, Mamadgi said. The race is not the only fundraising event the committee has put together. The group has also held volleyball and cricket tournaments and

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Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

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Aries (March 21 - April 19) Today is a 6 — Things that seemed impossible not very long ago are commonplace now. Keeping that in mind, what do you want to accomplish next?

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Today is a 6 — Let the people who can provide what you want know exactly what that is. Don't expect them to figure it out for themselves. They're not that smart.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) Today is a 7 — The next part isn't easy. Everything that can go wrong will

Don't give up, however. Everything turns out well in the end.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22) Today is a 5 — Achieving one goal is a completion, but it's not an ending. In many ways, it's a beginning, as you'll soon discover.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Today is a 7 — You won't agree with everyone, and they're not all telling the truth. And yet, compromise will come. Don't give up.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Today is a 7 — You'd rather skip routine chores, but it's hard to replace yourself. If you're gaining skills that will lead to a better job, you could call in healthy.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today is a 7 — Review your goals with loved ones, and put in whatever changes you notice are appropriate now. Raise the bar.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Today is a 5 — You don't have to go far to find your fortune, or at least some pocket change. You're sitting on a

gold mine, sort of.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is a 6 — One of the secrets of your success is your philosophical outlook. You're not limited to material things; you own the entire cosmos.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Today is a 7 — Things cost more than you thought they would, but there's no need to panic. Ask and ye shall receive, if what you're doing is valid.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today is an 8 — It always works best for you to have a definite objective. Go back to that — if you forget — temporarily. It'll be a comfort to you.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Today is a 7 — You have an advantage over the skeptics, who need hard evidence. You're willing to trust things you can't see, except in your mind's eye.

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NICOLE'S HEARTBREAK

Four months after their storybook wedding, Keith Urban is treated for alcohol addiction. How is Kidman coping?

THE DISH

While having a quiet dinner at Peter's Sushi in Brentwood, Tennessee, on October 10, Keith Urban and Nicole Kidman were the picture of contentment. The newlyweds, who ordered ceel, mackerel and lots of sashimi (but no alcohol), "were holding hands, and he was rubbing her back," says an eyewitness. But only 10 days later, on October 20, eight years after a rehab stint for cocaine addiction, Urban announced that he had entered treatment again — this time for drinking. "I deeply regret the hurt this has caused Nicole and the ones that love and support me," said the singer in a statement. "One can never let one's guard down on recovery, and I'm afraid that I have."

The sad news did not come as a surprise to those closest to the singer, who will be spending his 39th birthday on October 26 in rehab. "We saw Keith slowly come undone, so we could plainly see the need for rehab," a friend tells Us of Urban, who, also on October 20, canceled a same-day appearance at the Mohegan Sun casino in Connecticut. "We're so glad he's getting the help he needs to address his problems."

Urban had never made it a secret that in 1998 he underwent treatment for cocaine addiction at Nashville's Cumberland Heights. And all signs suggest that Kidman's eyes were wide open when she wed the country music star on June 25 after a yearlong romance. According to reports, the actress, 39, drew up a prenuptial agreement with a clause stipulating that if her hus-

band relapsed, he would not be entitled to any of her estimated \$107 million fortune. (Her U.S. rep had no comment on the alleged prenup.) But his drinking problems started not long after their highly publicized June wedding, say sources. Urban's friend of 30 years Angie Marquis, who was at the wedding, tells Us, "I was so happy that Keith had found someone that obviously loved him so much ... but he's human, and when you're an addict, things are not that easy." In a statement through her Australian rep, the Oscar-winning actress insisted, "I'm standing by Keith, and that's all I have to say."

Love Struggles

After divorcing Tom Cruise, 44, in 2001 and enduring failed relationships with mogul Steve Bing, 41, and rocker Lenny Kravitz, 42, Kidman is no stranger to heartache. "I imagine Nicole would be feeling sad and maybe disappointed, disappointed for Keith as well," says Marquis. A source close to Urban says, "She had just married the man of her dreams and was on cloud nine. She knew Keith had problems, but she probably thought all that was all behind him."

Still, those close to Urban firmly believe this is only a temporary setback. Says one pal, "Everybody in Keith's camp feels confident that he'll be able to overcome his problems."

Inner Demons

The singer has been candid about past struggles. "I had this

house in Nashville where I used to do drugs." Urban has said of his descent into cocaine addiction, which he attributed to the pressure of starting his country music career. "I remember one night crawling around on my hands and knees, looking for these little rocks [of crack cocaine] at 5 a.m. drenched in sweat." Before he managed to kick his habit, he ruined his relationship with former fiancée Laura Sigler, 35, and upset family and friends. Upon learning of Urban's latest struggle, his uncle Brian Urban told Sydney's Daily Telegraph, "I'd like to get hold of him. I would scrag him [wring his neck]."

Friends and associates point to several reasons for his recent slip. "Keith is overwhelmed," says a source close to Urban, who points out that Urban's career skyrocketed this year with his Grammy win for best male country vocal. "He was spending a lot of time in the studio recording Love, Pain and the Whole Crazy Thing," says another Urban pal. "When Keith gets in that mode, he's up all night. It's unhealthy." (His last album, Be Here, went triple platinum.) Another factor, say sources, is that Kidman wanted babies. "I wouldn't be surprised if the idea of kids and responsibility scared him," says an Urban pal. "And he knows he has to get clean for that to work."

—Gabe Guarente

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FILM

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"These are voices we don't often hear," Barnes said. "(The film) provides us with more information and different information than we usually get."

Bingham, Connors and Chalfen spent 10 months in Iraq gathering footage and interviews for "Meeting Resistance," some of which was featured in the July 2004 issue of Vanity Fair.

The documentary is entirely in Arabic with English subtitles and is distinctive because of the filmmakers' point of view as photojournalists, Barnes said.

"It has beautiful scenes juxtaposed with

some really tough rhetoric — it's a film of contrasts," Barnes said, referring to the different extremes shown in the film. One scene depicts Iraqi teenagers playing soccer in the street as an American tank rolls by in the background.

Bingham, co-creator and co-director of the film, is a Louisville native. Her photojournalism career took her to Rwanda during the 1994 genocide, and she was the official photographer of the office of the vice president from 1998 to 2001.

She traveled to Afghanistan during American strikes on the Taliban there in 2001, after the Sept. 11 attacks. While traveling in Iraq during 2003, Bingham was detained by the Iraqi government security services and was held in Abu Ghraib prison for eight days before being released to Jordan. UK students and the community at large

could use this film as a catalyst for further debate on these issues, Barnes said, adding that she hopes many will take the opportunity to discuss matters with the filmmakers, who are familiar with the situations in Iraq.

"There is a contrast between what is seen here and what we see in the film," Barnes said.

The ability of the filmmakers to get the insurgents to speak with them and to explain what motivates them differentiates "Meeting Resistance" from other coverage or documentaries about the war, Barnes said.

The film is free and open to the public. Free tickets are required for entry and are available from the School of Journalism and Telecommunications in 107 Grehan Building and was held in Abu Ghraib prison for eight days before being released to Jordan. UK tickets will also be available at the door.

BIRDWHISTELL

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been that a lot of people spend their whole academic career trying to get to a place like this, and I got to start out here."

UK professors helped spark Birdwhistell's interest in oral history as a leader in working on his master's degree, and after working to process historical files for the College of Agriculture and conducting interviews as part of his graduate work, Birdwhistell said he decided to translate that interest into a profession.

Carol Diedrichs, the dean of UK Libraries, said Birdwhistell was promoted to associate dean in 2005 as a reflection of his stature, leadership and dedication to the work he does.

"Terry has established our oral history program as one of the top 10 programs in the country," Diedrichs said. "He is a helpful, engaging person, and his knowledge of Kentucky history is absolutely invaluable to the program."

In addition to working in oral history, Birdwhistell served as university archivist from 1985 to 2001. He has also earned a master's degree in library information sciences and a doctorate degree in educational policy studies while working at UK.

Birdwhistell was responsible for documenting the history of UK through the preservation of university records, ranging from Board of Trustees meeting minutes to the series of personal interviews he conducted with UK President Lee Todd and previous presidents, such as Frank Dickey, Jack Oswald, Otis A. Singletary and Charles T. Whettington Jr.

The job was rewarding because of the prominent role UK plays in Kentucky life and public policy, Birdwhistell said.

"I think we need to pay attention to our history, especially as President Todd pushes for top-20 advancement," Birdwhistell said. "When you know the history of this place, you know how hard a job it has been to keep UK moving forward as a leader in the state."

UK has grown and expanded over the years, as most institutions do, but Birdwhistell said one of the hardest aspects to illustrate as university archivist was the multifaceted, ever-changing nature of student culture on campus.

"I've interviewed a lot of students that were here as far back as the early part of the 20th century, and they all have an interesting story about how the university has changed their lives," Birdwhistell said.

Diaries from students of the '30s, stories of college life during World War II and accounts of student unrest of the '70s all lend vibrancy to the documentation of UK's past.

Birdwhistell said he'd never forget the candid interview of one female undergraduate student who attended UK during World War II.

"Following the Depression, there was more money, more men on campus and more opportunities for women," Birdwhistell said. "I'll never forget while interviewing Terry Warth about her experience at UK during the war, she hesitated for a moment and then said to me, 'I probably shouldn't say this, but it was the most fun I ever had.'"

The university has a rich and fascinating history, and the challenge of trying to capture an accurate representation of UK has been a rewarding experience, Birdwhistell said.

The College of Education named Birdwhistell to the Alumni Hall of Fame in 2006 for his contribution to the discipline of oral history.

The Kentucky Oral History Commission also recently honored Birdwhistell as a pioneer in his field.

Esther Edwards, Birdwhistell's administrative assistant, said Birdwhistell is a great mentor whose impact on the university will not be forgotten.

"Terry is a wonderful person to work for," Edwards said. "He comes up with creative ideas, sees them through and takes everyone along with him."

Homecoming is nothing new for Birdwhistell. In fact, he's never had a reason to return to UK — he never left after graduating. UK has provided him with wonderful opportunities that he's enjoyed throughout his academic and professional career, he said.

"The friends and colleagues that I've had here over the years have made working at this university a wonderful experience," Birdwhistell said.

WALK

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car washes to raise money and awareness for CRY America. The Lexington Action Center is one of 14 centers located throughout the United States that raise money for CRY America. The money that goes to the organization will go toward helping children get food, shelter and education.

Kavuluru said he hopes this event

ELECTION

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more convenient option for those who prefer to vote from their computer," Brown said.

Representatives from SG will meet early this week to look at the specific breakdown of the number of people who voted at campus polling locations versus those who voted at an off-campus location. They hope the data will indicate if any changes to the election process need to be made.

AWARD

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Barnes said. "It's national validation of the excellent work going on," Barnes said. "It shows that UK can hold its own."

Former Kernel editor-in-chief Adam Sichko credited the team spirit and hard work displayed by the staff.

"We just took off from day one and never looked back," Sichko said. "When you have a staff that wants to come in

caused people to give some extra thought to child relief, but added that he thinks that there are other ways to promote this cause.

"Child relief is a major concern, and more can be done to raise awareness," Kavuluru said.

The CRY Committee at UK has held this event for the past three years with local sponsorship, and the organizers said the event will continue next year.

Sharma said he is confident that the cause is making progress.

"I'm optimistic that we will be able to raise awareness," Sharma said.

"We are definitely concerned by the voting turnout at the freshman elections because all of our research predicted the numbers of voters would increase," Brown said. "However, it was a good experience for us to take the online process for a trial run."

There were no major technical difficulties with the vote while the polls were open, said Robbie Hopkins, SG chief of staff.

"We did have a small problem with the webmaster and were unable to get the platforms for each candidate posted on the Web site," Hopkins said. "This is something that can easily be fixed and didn't change the fairness of the election for any candidate."

every day and has enthusiasm and wants to get better, that's every editor's dream. We couldn't have had a better staff."

Porez said winning the award should make a difference to the students who worked on the Kernel.

"I think it's important to our students, who have worked hard all year, struggled to make deadlines and lived pitiful social lives," Porez said.

Barnes also said she hopes the students understand the meaning associated with winning the award.

"I hope it makes them damn proud," Barnes said.

Congo's voting in presidential election largely peaceful

By Stephanie McCrummen
The Washington Post

GOMA, Congo — With the border closed, shops shuttered and markets emptied, millions of Congolese, with hopes as vast as their country, headed to polls Sunday to elect a president for the first time in more than 40 years.

Voting was largely peaceful, despite analysts' predictions that it would not be, as the largest U.N. peacekeeping force in the world patrolled districts and swarms of international and local observers looked on. In the west, where rain drenched the capital, Kinshasa, observers reported a slightly lower turnout than in the first round in July, but participation nonetheless appeared massive.

In the east, where rural villages have been terrorized by war and militias and, lately, hungry soldiers with guns, some polling stations estimated 70 percent to 80 percent of registered voters had cast ballots by Sunday afternoon. In the provincial capital of Goma, where electricity and pavement are scarce, people began lining up at 4 a.m.

Daniel Maheshe, 59, arrived when polls opened at 6 a.m., his orange voter card in hand.

"We need to make this country stand up," said Maheshe, a father of eight, who works as a bricklayer when he can. "This is why I'm here. We are living like beasts. This is an unacceptable life. No jobs, no medications, no schools. This is why I'm here."

Congolese election officials and the people themselves seem to have defied doubts that the vote would ever happen. But it remained to be seen whether the two presidential candidates, their personal armies and the militias still roaming the east, would follow through.

The two presidential contenders are

men accustomed to leading by force.

President Joseph Kabila's father, Laurent Kabila, toppled the longtime dictator Mobutu Sese Seko in a 1997 coup; Jean-Pierre Bemba is a businessman-turned-rebel leader-turned-vice president in Kabila's transitional government. Fighting among their supporters killed at least 14 in the wake of the July balloting, and small skirmishes have erupted here and there across the country in recent days.

Friday, under pressure from the United Nations and border countries such as Rwanda and Uganda, which have at various points backed both men, Kabila and Bemba pledged to accept the election results.

Meanwhile, holed up in a mansion in the rolling green mountains near Goma, Laurent Nkunda, a rebel leader charged with war crimes, also seems to be vying for legitimacy. He had ordered his soldiers not to interfere in the voting and, in recent months, had created his own political party, the National Congress for the People's Defense. With his power waning, observers say it remains unclear whether he will be arrested or given a position in government.

The people who lined up to vote Sunday in Goma and other villages could only guess about the future.

"My expectation is for this to go peacefully," said Jacques Nghigabulume, 46, standing in a long line in Goma.

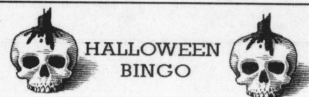
Two wars and persistent fighting among militias since then killed five of his brothers, he said. Soldiers — he was not sure which ones — looted his house in the city of Bukavu, and so he was here. "I really can't tell" how things will go, Nghigabulume said. "Because I'm not a politician."

Marie-Jeanne Ndeko, however, said she could feel things changing in a more permanent way, at least within herself.

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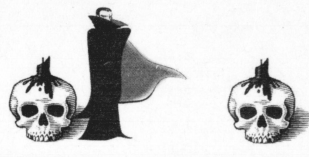


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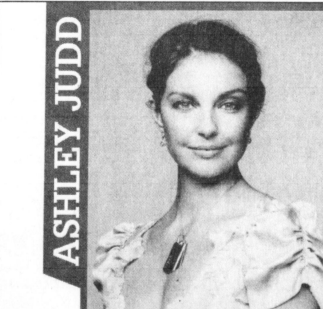
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Get "rhythm and melody" with jam band North Mississippi Allstars

By Ellen Sawyer
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They've played at Bonnaroo. They've played with Trey Anastasio of Phish fame. And now they're playing at UK.

The North Mississippi Allstars, a Southern blues and rock jam band, will be playing tomorrow at the Singletary Center at 7:30 p.m.

The Allstars, founded in 1996, are a product of modern Mississippi country-blues. Their album "Shake Hands with Shory" was nominated for the 2001 Grammy Award for Best Contemporary Blues Album.

"I would call (them) a sort of Southern-influenced jam band that is blues-based," said Michael Braun, the director of UK's arts administration program. "They play with Trey Anastasio and all of that. So there is that jam-based element. They come from the Mississippi blues tradition."

The group has been brought to UK in conjunction with the Singletary Center's Turning the Corner Series and Braun's fall class about the music business.

"I teach a class every fall in the music business," Braun said. "A lot of that class is

centered around producing these concerts at Singletary for the Turning the Corner Series."

"This has been our fifth year ... and we try to do concerts with bands students are interested in and are also commercially popular," he said.

The North Mississippi Allstars have six albums to date.

Luther (guitar and vocals) and Cody (drums and vocals) Dickinson are the sons of Memphis studio legend Jim Dickinson of the Dixie Flyers. They were born and raised in Hernando, Miss.

In an interview on Kynadmusic.com, Luther Dickinson said the Allstars are known for "hill country blues," but he argued over what that means.

"For me personally, it's the sound of the music of home," Dickinson said. "That

and a couple of other styles. Basically, my dad's music that he exposed me to with his friends. I was so fortunate to grow up there."

In the beginning, the group was more traditional and hadn't gotten its jam-band feel. Then bassist Chris Chew joined the band in 1997.

"When Chris brought the Gospel in, we started branching out, going out on limbs and breaking them. That's when our unique sound came together. I think," Dickinson said.

The North Mississippi Allstars consider themselves a rock band.

"We were so fortunate to grow up around the straight country-blues, you know," Luther Dickinson said. "We can't help it. I was heavily influenced by Jimi Hendrix and the original Allman Brothers."

"It's all about rhythm and melody," he said.

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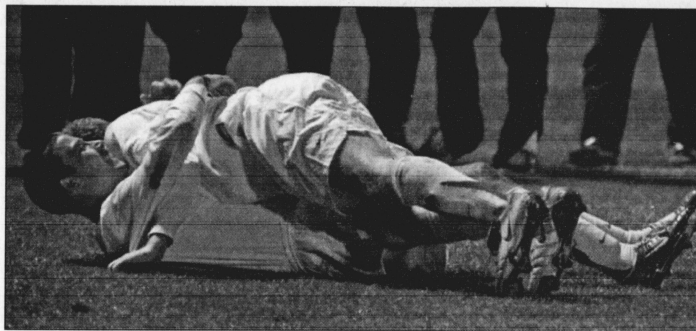
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SPORTS BRIEFS



Senior forward Riley O'Neill celebrates with freshman forward Mark Halma after scoring a goal. O'Neill scored the second pair of the Cats' three goals, the first was scored by Halma.

Win over Memphis punctuates end of men's soccer season

The 14th-ranked men's soccer team finished its regular season with a 3-1 victory over Memphis at home on Saturday night. Freshman forward Mark Halma scored the opening goal for the Cats, and senior forward Riley O'Neill tallied the following two.

Memphis got on the board after the UK defense deflected a cross past sophomore goalie Matt Troop and into their own net. The win was the Cats' seventh straight home victory. UK ended the regular season in second place in the Conference USA, behind Southern Methodist University, and will enter the conference tournament as the No. 2 seed. They will play their first tournament game on Wednesday in Tulsa, Okla.

Cats pull away with win in Starkville

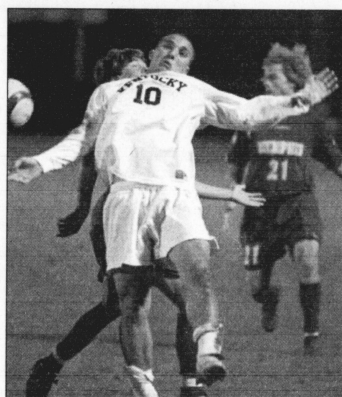
UK's football team managed to hold off a late Mississippi State comeback and win 34-31, bringing their record to 4-4 overall and 3-3 in the Southeastern Conference.

The game was tied 14-14 going into halftime, but the Cats erupted in the third quarter, scoring on four of the first five possessions in the second half. UK led 31-17 going into the fourth quarter but a late Mississippi State rally cut that lead to just three. The Cats got an onside kick recovery by Jacob Tammie with a little more than two minutes left in the game to seal their victory.

Senior quarterback Andre Woodson threw for 284 yards and three touchdowns. Woodson was 19-of-28 in passing. His main targets were receivers Keenan Burton and Dicky Lyons Jr. Burton had five catches for 81 yards and two touchdowns to go along with 93 yards on two punt returns, while Lyons tallied a season-high eight catches for 117 yards and one touchdown.

Mississippi State quarterback Michael Henig threw for 384 yards and three touchdowns, while wide Mississippi State wide receiver Tony Burks had seven catches for 192 yards and two touchdowns.

The Bulldogs managed



Junior midfielder Michael D'Agostino traps a ball against a Memphis defender in the Cats' 3-1 victory on Saturday night.

only 35 rushing yards and had three turnovers.

UK has won four out of the last five games against Mississippi State. The Cats return to action on Saturday for homecoming against Georgia.

Women's soccer wins with late goal

The women's soccer team

pulled away with a 1-0 win against Arkansas in Fayetteville on Sunday.

The decisive goal didn't come for the Cats until the 80th minute, when defender Kate Hughes headed in a corner. The win is the Cats' (11-6-3, 6-3-2) 13th shutout of the season. UK out-shot the Razorbacks 14-9.

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Volleyball cruises by Miss. St.

Experimental lineup proves to be explosive as Cats shut down Bulldogs

By J.D. Williams
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The UK volleyball team seems to have found a potent formula for success after a 3-0 sweep of Mississippi State yesterday.

Head coach Craig Skinner went with a younger lineup in yesterday's match, and his gamble — trading experience for what Skinner believed was a more successful combination of players — paid off as the Cats swept the Bulldogs 30-27, 30-24, 30-26.

"This is the lineup we feel is playing well right now and is giving us a diverse offense and playing pretty consistently," Skinner said. "We're happy the way things are going."

The Cats got their offense energized with solid performances from freshmen Sarah Rumely, BriAnne Sauer and Heather Hausfeld. Rumely, who is a multiple recipient of Southeastern Conference Freshman of the Week honors, chipped in with a match-high 40 assists and continued her dominance in joust battles.

"I thought we played good today," Rumely said. "Anytime you can get a win in three (games), especially in the SEC, it's a good thing."

In the first game, the Bulldogs jumped out to a 5-3 lead over the Cats — which would be UK's largest deficit of the match. A pair of back-to-back aces by sophomore outside hitter Ashlee Fisher evened the score, and another ace five points later by senior defensive specialist Jenni Casper gave UK a 9-8 advantage. The Cats never looked back, winning the game 30-27.

"We played pretty consistent as a team," said junior middle blocker Nicole Britenriker. "I'm glad we got the win."

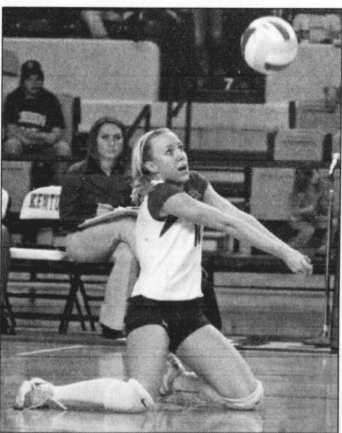
Britenriker was one dig shy of a double-double, with a match-high 16 kills on a 440 hitting percentage and nine digs.

In the second game, Mississippi State kept the score close, especially early on. But the powerful play of Britenriker proved to be too much for the Bulldogs' front line.

With the score tied 5-5, Mississippi State gave UK a boost with a service error. Britenriker capitalized on the mistake and recorded four consecutive kills, bringing the Cats' lead to 10-5.

"It's always good to get kills — it gets the crowd into it," Britenriker said.

The Cats managed to hold



Sophomore defensive setter Alisa Pierce returns a ball against Mississippi State in the Cats' 3-0 home victory yesterday.

off a Mississippi State counterattack and were able to maintain an offensive fire that propelled them through to win.

On Friday, UK played Ole Miss in a rematch of a Sept. 24 loss against the Rebels.

Hausfeld was the catalyst for the Cats, notching a career high 16 kills on a .351 hitting percentage. Her team-high performance was enough to push UK past Ole Miss in four games, winning the match 3-1 (30-19, 28-30, 30-21, 30-24).

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Taxi service provides a valuable safety benefit

In an effort to make travel safer and more affordable for UK students, American Taxi Cab Co. has agreed to offer students on UK's campus and in the downtown Lexington area \$2 cab rides.

The reduced fare will be an unambiguous benefit for the student body. Most importantly, the availability of a cheap taxi ride will help keep students from driving while drunk — and thus from endangering the lives of themselves and others.

Genesis, a student organization that focuses on finding safer ways for students to party, made the push for the service, along with Student Government and UK's office of Student Affairs.

"We just wanted a safer way for kids to get

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home," said Meredith Marcum, president of Genesis, in a Kernel article last week. "For Genesis, it's not about not drinking. It's about doing it safely or in safer ways."

Even discouraging students from walking home drunk by offering an inexpensive ride could be a life-saving benefit. In recent years, two UK students have died while intoxicated.

Brian Muth was killed in 2004 after he was struck and killed by a tractor-trailer on New Circle Road. Earlier in the night, Muth was arrested for being intoxicated at a party.

Thomas Byers was killed in 2005 when he was struck by a train near Virginia Avenue while running from police.

A readily available, affordable taxi service will hopefully prevent similar tragedies.

But the taxi service isn't just for those who are under the influence late at night.

"It's not just for those who choose to use it on the weekends (to party)," Marcum said. "It's for any day."

The \$2 taxi rides will be available anytime and will not just be for drunk students, Marcum said. In addition, students will soon be able to pay on the Plus Account.

Indeed, the availability of cheap taxis will also be a benefit for women's safety on and around campus. Those who do not have someone to walk home with will be able to take a taxi instead of risking their personal safety.

The taxi company hopes to eventually add a

downtown-to-campus shuttle van service exclusively for students, said Chris Martha, the general manager of American Taxi, in last week's Kernel.

"We figure we can make sure there's no reason for them to walk," Martha said. "Such a service would be great — not only would it ease the feet of students already on their way downtown, but it would encourage more students to get involved in the culture and life of the community."

The entities that pushed for the taxi service — Genesis, SG and Student Affairs — should be commended for their efforts in preventing drunk driving and aiding student safety. We hope they continue this work by helping establish a shuttle service to downtown.

Drive-through shots benefit flu prevention

Instead of going to a drive-through for a cheeseburger and fries, people in Lexington could drive through for flu shots last week.

For the third year, the UK Chandler Medical Center offered drive-through flu shots for \$20 last week — a great service considering the fast-paced lives people lead. All too often, people don't have the time to stop in a doctor's office to get a flu shot. But with the drive-through service, even those with rushed lives could reduce their risk of contracting the flu.

Because the shots were offered from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., people were able to get the shot on their way to work in the morning or on their lunch break. Although it would be nice if the vaccinations were available even later in the day, this schedule does at least try to accommodate the 9-to-5 work-week schedule by starting the administration so early.

As helpful as this service is, the \$20 price tag does detract from its

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appeal. Many people may not receive the vaccine — not necessarily because they don't have the time, but rather for lack of money. When these drive-through vaccinations were offered in 2003, the price was \$16, but it has since risen to \$20. If it is possible to distribute them for \$16, why not? It is a service to the community, as people who prevent themselves from getting the flu also stop it from being spread to others.

Despite this drawback, however, it's a nice change to see something healthy incorporated into people's busy schedules. With flu complications hospitalizing more than 200,000 people and killing about 36,000 each year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, this vaccination is one that everyone should have a chance to get, no matter how busy their schedules are.

Get involved with SG events on campus

Fellow students, My name is Jonah Brown, and as your student body president, I am pleased to present this column to you. This is shaping up to be a very positive, productive year for the student body, thanks to your participation and support. As midterms draw to a close, I know that everyone is anxious for a moment to relax and enjoy all the activities that take place throughout this time of year.

I want to begin by recognizing some of the efforts of your Student Government thus far. The fall semester began with our inaugural State of the Campus Address, where President Todd and I laid out our agendas for the year, while students listened on and enjoyed free food.

We've also begun hosting a bi-weekly SG President's Reception, an informal reception which gives targeted groups like Campus Leaders, College Ambassadors and the Black Student Union the opportunity to meet SG leaders and to explore potential solutions to the problems facing students.

Finally, we hosted the first-ever Voter Education Week, a series of events designed to educate all UK students about the importance of voting, the issues facing students and the candidates who wish to represent us. We hosted a mayoral debate, a City Council Candidate Reception, as well as a series of voter registration drives, where we registered close to 400 students.

Although Voter Education week has come and gone, the student interest in our government leaders must remain. I want to remind each of you to go to the polls next Tuesday, Nov. 7, and let your voice be heard.

There are many very interesting races going on, including the race for mayor between incumbent Teresa Isaacs and challenger Jim Newberry, as well as a very important race for the 3rd District (where most UK students live) council seat between incumbent Dick DeCamp and Don Pratt. I encourage you to visit our Web site (www.uksga.org) or come by our office in the Student Center to find out some more information about these candidates, polling locations and the issues that affect you.

For those of you who don't mind to miss this week's episodes of "Nip/Tuck," "The Duel," "Grey's Anatomy" and the season finale of "Weeds," I recommend coming out to the many festivities planned for our annual homecoming celebration, including our Pep Rally/Bonfire and the annual Homecoming Parade. If you don't get to the game to cheer on the Cats as they rally against Georgia, I invite you to the National Pan-Hellenic Council's Annual Homecoming Step Show, truly one of the most exciting and entertaining events this semester.

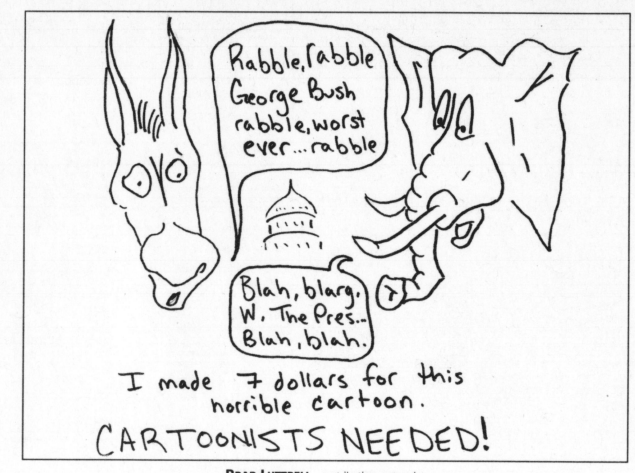
I am grateful to the Kernel staff, which has agreed to print this bi-weekly column as a way for me to communicate with the student body. I hope to use this column as a platform to keep you informed of the work that SG is doing for you. In future columns, I will focus on specific issues, such as the truth about Dining Services, the real priorities of our administrators, how the top-20 Plan is affecting students today, and what you can do to keep our tuition costs down.

You will see that there is still much to be done, but with your help and support, I will continue to fight to make the changes necessary to make this the best possible college experience for every single student.

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Guest columnist



BRAD LUTTRELL, contributing cartoonist

Work and live your passions, instead of society's wishes

I love the song "All Falls Down" on the "College Dropout" album by Kanye West. It epitomizes people not pursuing their dreams or passions.

"She has no idea what she's doing in college... She's like, (forget it; I'll just stay down here and do hair," West sings.

In the song, West is talking about a girl who chooses to go to college to please her parents. She does not know what she is doing in college, so she just settles for something besides her real dreams.

Employees in the United States are feeling increasingly dissatisfied with their jobs, according to a Feb. 28, 2005 Conference Board report (www.conference-board.org). Overall job satisfaction among employees between 35 and 44 went down about 12 percentage points — from 60.9 percent to 49.2 percent — since 1995, according to

the report. The numbers make me think about all the "could haves" and "should haves." The 35-44 year olds were once 18-29 and maybe decided to play it safe and not pursue their passion. They may have thought that their dreams were unattainable.

It brings me to the quote by Oprah: "Our beliefs can move us forward in life — or they can hold us back." I live by that quote daily, realizing my own power and taking pride in my purpose.

I believe the things that allow people to not pursue their passions are fear and how at times we put limits on ourselves. Another problem is society's standard of success. If you are not making six figures and instead choose to dedicate your whole life to mission work, you are not considered successful by society.

For example, my friend decided to follow her passion and help people develop relationships with God instead of going into engineering. Society at times can make people feel inadequate, because a job such as mission work is not considered your everyday dream job.

I disagree with the rubbish society feeds to us. In the book "Tues-

days with Morrie," the character Morrie says it best: "If you do not buy the culture you live in, create your own." I have my own culture and my own world, and I try to stay focused on what I love to do.

I admire my friend Ebonic's outlook on life — which can at times be extreme, so I do not recommend this approach to everyone — but if she is not happy with a job or passionate about it, there's nothing anyone can do to get her to stay; she will not compromise! She is a firm believer on pursuing your passion.

I always make sure that readers understand that I am learning and do not know all the secrets to life. One thing that I will stand by forever is the importance of pursuing your passion, your love, your desire and the thing in life that gives you fire to be the best. I do not buy into the overused phrase "You can be whatever you want to be," because I think you can be great at whatever you're gifted with and how you use it. So grab hold of your passion or start looking for it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Increase amount of parking spots at Johnson Center

The Johnson Center is one of UK's greatest perks. According to an article published on UK's Web site in 2003, the Johnson Center was built to act as "a valuable tool to students: central to the educational mission of the university and promoting active, healthy lifestyles." The article also mentions that the Johnson Center cost \$15.3 million that came from student fees.

As a freshman, I lived in Blanding Tower, so I could simply walk over to the Johnson Center to work out. Living on University Avenue as a sophomore, my trips to the Johnson Center became scarce because of the difficulty to find a parking spot. Sometimes I got lucky and would be able to park at the meters on Complex Drive, which runs between the dorms and the Johnson Center.

This year, I was upset when I learned that even the meters have been removed. There is nowhere to park for the Johnson Center unless you buy a pass for the newly built parking garage or an R lot pass.

Of course, there's always the option of walking. In the summer, walking to the Johnson Center is a nice little addition to a workout. However, it is unbearable to walk all the way to the Johnson Center in the fall and winter temperatures.

The mission of the Johnson Center is to promote "active, healthy lifestyles." How is this possible if the Johnson Center

is not accessible to students? Something needs to be done to make the Johnson Center a place where students can easily park their vehicles during their workout. If getting to the Johnson Center were easier for students, maybe more students would adopt a healthier lifestyle.

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Journalism and communications junior

Chandler is hardly unopposed — media shouldn't ignore Libertarian

Did the writer of the Kernel's story about Ben Chandler intend to pretend that there is no challenger in the U.S. Congress race in Kentucky's 6th District? Or were they just spinning hard for the Democrat club? Paul Ard (<http://www.ardforcongress.org>) of Nicholasville is running as the Libertarian candidate and is on the ballot this November. 7,500 track restoring our original constitutional protections. The same goes for Libertarian Brian Houillon in the 4th District. Houillon's campaign was treated to this same type of exclusionary propagandist censorship in the recent Herald-Leader endorsements. As a communications degree holder from Eastern Kentucky University, I am ashamed of the so-called journalism industry. It is as "bought and paid for" by the corporate/banking agenda, as are the two major parties.

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Students hope to raise involvement in national teaching program

By Sarah House
news@ukykernel.com

Teach For America is looking for students who are interested in a challenge and want to influence others around them — and two students are preparing to raise UK's involvement in the organization.

Shirley Addo, a communication disorders senior, and Alberto Garcia, a political science senior, are two of Teach For America's campaign managers and are trying to help recruit graduating students. Their goal is to raise awareness of the program at UK, Addo said.

"There is a need for more exposure on campus," Garcia said.

The earliest deadline for applicants is Sunday.

Garcia is also participating in Teach For America and said his hope is to see more students of different cultures become aware of and participate in the program.

TFA is a national organization that sends high-achieving college graduates to teach for two years in a rural or urban public school system.

Last year, 12 UK students were accepted into the program, Addo said.

According to the application requirements on TFA's Web site, students should submit an online application in-

cluding personal and academic information, a one-page resume, a 500-word letter of intent and a 500-word essay including personal and academic achievements. The students selected from the online applications are then interviewed over the phone. Deadlines to apply are Nov. 5, Jan. 7 and Feb. 18.

The organization recommends that applicants have strong critical thinking skills, be able to motivate others and have a desire to work to pursue the mission of helping students and families in underprivileged communities.

To be considered, students must have a GPA of at least 2.5, obtain a bachelor's degree by June 2007 and be citizens of the United States.

Students who participate in TFA gain teaching experience and leadership skills, said Recruitment Director Eric Isham. They are paid as full-time teachers with a starting salary ranging from \$25,000 to \$44,000, depending on their designated area of teaching.

Teach For America gives students the chance to become leaders of the coming generations, Isham said.

The program was founded in 1990 by Wendy Kopp, then a student at Princeton University. She created the National Corps of Teachers to recruit top students for a program to

help struggling students in public schools get the education they deserved, Isham explained. The program offers children from low-income communities the opportunity to learn the basic study skills needed to succeed in school.

Compared to those in high-income communities, children living in inner cities are several grades behind, according to TFA's Web site. They lack the education they need to succeed, and as of the year 2000, only half of them graduate from high school. The program helps to close the achievement gap of children living in poverty.

"If we don't do something about it, the gap will widen," Isham said.

Isham visits UK's campus once a month, usually before application deadlines, and can be found at the table in front of Chick-Fil-A in the Student Center, Shirley said. The Office of External Scholarships also offers to consult with potential candidates to prepare for the applications. Students can contact Addo to make an appointment with Isham on the days he visits campus.

For more information about Teach For America, visit www.teachforamerica.org or contact Shirley Addo at saaddo31@uky.com or via Facebook.

Mid-term elections could define Rove legacy

By Michael Abramowitz
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — By many calculations, Democrats are ready to make big gains in the midterm elections, enough to take over the House and possibly the Senate. But White House Chief of Staff Joshua Bolten says there is one reason he is feeling upbeat amid so much Republican gloom.

"I believe Karl Rove," Bolten said in an interview in his West Wing office Friday. "Karl Rove, somewhere inside that massive brain of his, has figured out the political landscape more clearly than the entire collection of conventional-wisdom pundits and pollsters in the entire city of Washington."

That was true for two elections in a row, in 2002 and 2004, and President Bush's senior adviser has insisted to West Wing colleagues and party faithful alike that it will be again. Rove is just eight days from having his genius designation revoked — or upgraded to platinum status.

Even within Rove's party, expectations are widespread that the Nov. 7 elections will mark a repudiation for the base-rallying, contrast-drawing brand of politics with which he and President Bush have been so closely aligned. But it's a mark of the particular place Rove holds in the Washington psyche that even the most exuberant Democrats are wondering why Rove seems so confident.

There are two questions. Is Rove just acting cocky as a way of lifting GOP morale, or does he really believe it? And, if the latter, is he deluding himself, or does he, once again, know something Democrats do not?

The answers have implications well beyond Rove's reputation.

Midterm congressional losses for the GOP, some analysts and Republican veterans believe, could effectively end the Bush presidency two years ahead of schedule.

If Republicans lose control of at least one chamber, those in the party who have long seen Rove's approach as polarizing would feel emboldened. At the same time, a new panel chaired by the man that exemplifies that establishment, former secretary of state James A. Baker III, is preparing to chart a new course on

the Iraq war — which polls suggest is the single largest reason for Republicans' current travails.

"The architect may find his engineering plans were faulty," said one former senior official of past GOP administrations, who has watched the current one with increasing dismay. "Turning out the base this year may not be a winning or a governing strategy. America seems to be looking forward to making things work together, rather than dividing people across the board."

Rove is dismissive of the idea that the Republicans will lose the 15 House seats or six Senate seats required to cede control to the Democrats. Tuesday, when the White House hosted radio talk show hosts from around the country, Rove did at least 13 interviews. He was on the phone with Washington association executives with what one called "happy talk" about voter-turnout metrics, polling data and campaign funding.

"I look at the individual races as clear-eyed as I can every single day, knowing what we are doing and knowing that we have the capacity to move the resources in if we need to do more," Rove said in a brief telephone interview from the road last week. "Incumbents are hard to defeat. Our candidates by and large have significantly more resources than they have. And we have succeeded in making these races choices between two local candidates."

Rove at age 55 counts as one of the most celebrated and notorious figures in modern presidential history. Inside the White House, he is a revered figure, known as something of a joker who will show up at senior staff meetings bearing snacks and promising a coup if Bolten is absent. Ed Rogers, a prominent GOP lobbyist, calls him "the glue" that holds the White House together.

Rove has also acquired something close to cult status among movement conservatives: After the president, Laura Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney, Rove is the most powerful draw on the GOP fund-raising circuit. Rove has headlined more than 100 fund-raisers this campaign cycle, raising close to \$13 million for Republican candidates and causes.

Interior appointee, staff scientists clash over endangered listings

By Juliet Elperin
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A senior Bush political appointee at the Interior Department has rejected staff scientists' recommendations to protect imperiled animals and plants under the Endangered Species Act at least half a dozen times in the past three years, documents show.

In addition, staff complaints that their scientific findings were frequently overruled or disparaged at the behest of landowners or industry have led the agency's inspector general to look into the role of Julie MacDonald — who has been deputy assistant secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks since 2004 — in decisions on protecting endangered species.

The documents show MacDonald has repeatedly refused to go along with staff reports concluding that species such as the white-tailed prairie dog and the Gunnison's sage grouse are at risk of extinction. Career officials and scientists urged the department to identify the species as either threatened or endangered.

Overall, President Bush's appointees have added far fewer species to the protected list than did the administrations of either Bill Clinton or George H.W. Bush, according to the agency group Center for Biological Diversity. As of now, the administration has listed 56 species under the Endangered Species Act, for a rate of about 10 a year. Under Clinton, officials listed 512 species, or 64 a year, and under

President George H.W. Bush the department listed 234, or 59 a year.

The dispute is the latest in a series of controversies in which government officials and outside scientists have accused the Bush administration of overriding or setting aside scientific findings that clashed with its political agenda on such issues as climate change, the Plan B emergency contraceptive or stem cell research.

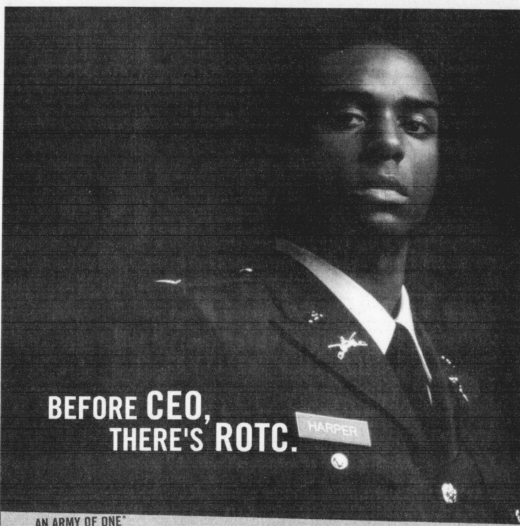
Interior spokesman Hugh Vickery said the agency has added fewer plants and animals to the list because it has been mired in lawsuits over existing listings and was more focused on ensuring their recovery than in identifying new ones.

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