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Controversy, confusion mar SGA court picks

Jones criticized, November withdraws

By Jennifer Smith
Staff Writer

Political infighting and a probable constitutional violation have mired T.A. Jones' choices for judicial spots in the Student Government Association Supreme Court.

SGA President Jones announced four justice nominees and one temporary justice nominee yesterday afternoon, but Pete November, an ex-SGA president, already has dropped his name from consideration.

November made the decision last night

after current Senate Pro Tempore Heather Hennel expressed concern over his inability to separate politics and personal matters.

"I have a problem with Pete November," she said, when asked for opinion on the nominees. "He can't keep his personal feelings out of politics."

November, who was president during the 1992-93 school year, said he has been removed from the office long enough and has no feelings for or against the current student government leadership.

However, November still decided to turn down the nomination.

"I feel like if my nomination is going to cause controversy, then I'm going to do what's best for T.A. and student government and remove my name from consideration," November said.

Jones could not be reached for comment after November's exit from nomination process last night.

Jones' fifth nominee was designated as an interim choice to fill a spot until a final nominee can be found.

According to the SGA constitution, he must appoint a full board. Thus, Jones announced Brandon Voelker to be an interim appointee.

However, two current senators are concerned that the designation of an "interim justice" during the school year is

unconstitutional.

"I do not know what T.A. is doing appointing an interim justice," Senator at Large Shea Chaney said. "He can't do that."

Hennel also said Jones cannot appoint a temporary justice.

"Interims are only in the summer," she said. "There is positively no constitutional backing for this."

Voelker, a fourth-year political science major, was never made aware of his temporary appointment. He said that even if he is just filling in, he felt honored to be nominated to be a seat on the board.

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Budget debate to highlight tonight's Senate meeting. See story, page 3.

According to the constitution, however, Jones can only make a temporary appointment when the judicial board has an emergency session in the summer and the permanent justices cannot be reached. The constitution does not allow a temporary justice at any other time.

Another discrepancy in Jones' intentions to make it — tonight's Senate meeting.

Stephen Keller, a remaining justice, said Jones is going to attempt to gain Sen-

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Professors plan new observatory

By Jennifer Smith
Staff Writer

Astronomy professor Gary Ferland and associate professor Tom Troland have a dream of seeing stars through a telescope in the campus's very own observatory.

"We have plans in need of support," Troland said.

In the early part of the century, UK had an observatory on South Campus where the Kirwan-Bland-Complex now rests.

When South Campus construction started, the observatory was torn down, and plans for another one were never made until recently.

"We are not there yet," Troland said. "All of the plans are very informal ones."

Troland said there are many reasons for building a new observatory.

He said one of the main reasons is to provide a lab for the hundreds of astronomy students each semester.

"We have 1,000 students per semester taking astronomy without a lab," he said.

"Astronomy is an observatory science. No one would think of taking a science without a lab."

Ferland summed up the financial backing necessary to get an observatory built.

"The money is modest, and the need is great," he said.

"This is a very cheap thing. We predict \$100,000 from the plans we've reviewed. The cost would be relatively insignificant in comparison to the cost of tuition."

Ferland and Troland both estimate a time frame of four to five

years for an observatory to be constructed.

"I'd be very disappointed if we did not have an observatory in the next five years," Troland said.

There are no proposed sites for a new observatory. Ferland and Troland are looking at several locations on South Campus and even a few spots on the tops of campus buildings.

Their main goal in developing a site is to make it accessible to everyone.

"If it is not accessible, it does not exist," Troland said.

Another reason Ferland cited for having an observatory cited is the positive image it could project for UK.

"Astronomy is a very positive thing," he said. "An observatory could provide a positive image for UK."

Troland agreed an observatory could be used not only for UK students, but also for high school and elementary students around the region.

He said it would help increase school age children's interest in astronomy.

Both Ferland and Troland said they don't understand why an observatory has never been made a reality.

"All major universities have observatories," Ferland said. "EKU has a fine one, and U of L has two."

Troland said there have been many calls to their department recently.

"A lot is happening with the sky now," he said. "And all we have to view it with is portable telescopes."



GREG EARNS Kannel staff

THROUGH THE LOOKING GLASS Astronomy instructors Thomas Troland and Gary Ferland hold a six-inch Newtonian telescope and part of a base in the Chemistry-Physics Building. UK is the only four-year state university that doesn't have a permanent observatory.

Curing the ills

Tips on battling racism offered tonight at speech

By Tyrone Beason
Senior Staff Writer

The grip of racism, it has been suggested, is sustained not through outright acts of injustice but through subtler experiences.

So it was with Nathan Rutstein, a nationally known lecturer and founder of the Institute for Healing Racism.

Tonight, he presents "Racism in America: A Prescription for the Disease" at 6 p.m. in the Old Student Center Theatre.

In an incident years ago that he often relates to audiences, Rutstein found that he, a self-described bastion of social consciousness, was just as susceptible to racist tendencies as anyone.

The realization came one day while he was driving. Frustrated that a vehicle in front of him was moving too slowly, the impulse to call the black motorist a derogatory name came over him. He did not, but in that moment Rutstein

captured a germ to which he thought he was immune.

Simple experiences such as this one revealed to him that racism is very much a disease of mind.

Working from this principle, Rutstein, a journalist, author and educator, designed a system for healing racist attitudes that relies heavily on the sharing of personal feelings and experiences.

At a workshop scheduled for tomorrow at 2 p.m. in the Student Center Ballroom, the public will get a first-hand education in this process.

Rutstein will suggest several topics for discussion, including defining prejudice and racism and examining stereotypes. It is important, Rutstein believes, that participants in his workshops strive for openness and understanding when dealing with these divisive issues.

He even has developed principles that can be used to foster this environment but that can be applied to any discourse on race. Here are a few.

▼Do not single out any individual as a representative of his or her group.

▼Try to understand the spirit

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Nathan Rutstein

Career Highlights

▼Interviewed Martin Luther King Jr. four times from 1961 to 1967.

▼Covered Malcolm X.

▼Produced 10 films, including "Black and White in Springfield, Massachusetts" in 1990, and "Finding a Solution" in 1989.

▼Wrote several books, including "To Be One: A Battle Against Racism."

▼Established more than 100 institutes in North America.

Class helps women learn about selves

By Jennifer Smith
Staff Writer

UK's course "Women in Transition" is a refresher course for women who are considering changing careers or returning to the classroom.

"The class is to help women who are planning a career change or coming back into the workplace after they have raised a family," said Betty Gabehart, an academic adviser with the program.

Career counselor and course instructor Donna Baldwin explained another purpose of the course.

"It is to help women learn about themselves," she said.

Baldwin said most women taking the course have many roles to play, such as mother, wife, career woman and volunteer.

She said many women come to the course with a sense of urgency that they must set new goals.

The class uses personality tests, self-exploration and vocational indicators to analyze what careers and study programs best fit the student. It also takes into account the woman's abilities, experiences and goals.

Baldwin said there are three steps the course sug-

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NEWSbytes

WORLD Vatican refuses abortion compromise

CAIRO, Egypt — Delegates at the U.N. population conference made a breakthrough last night on the heated issue of abortion, but the Vatican refused to go along with the compromise.

The abortion debate has entangled efforts to draft a 20-year plan to slow the world's population growth. Yesterday's hard-fought negotiations dealt with a single paragraph in the 113-page draft report.

The compromise paragraph would urge all governments to deal with the health impact of unsafe abortion as a major public health concern. It would also urge governments to reduce the need for abortion by expanding and improving family planning services.

Delegates from the 182 nations attending the conference were to give the section final consideration today. The United States supports the compromise, while the European Union, Norway and Sweden do not.

Pope cancels visit to Bosnia

VATICAN CITY — Pope John Paul II called off his trip to Sarajevo yesterday after failing to win guarantees of safety for the people of the besieged capital of Bosnia.

The decision to call off tomorrow's visit coincided with heavy gunfire around the Sarajevo airport and a fierce artillery attack by Bosnian Serbs east of the city.



John Paul

NATION Cubans taken to Panama

WASHINGTON — About 100 Cubans being housed at the Guantanamo Naval Base were being flown to Panama yesterday, the first such group to depart the facility since it was opened to Cuban boat people last month.

The initial group agreed to leave for Panama voluntarily but State Department spokesman Mike McCurry said it was not clear whether volunteers would be available for all future transfers of Cubans to Panama.

He refused to speculate on what the United States would do with the Cubans if the six-month time limit established by the Panamanians expires without any agreement on where they would go next.

Cross-country fugitives arrested

SANTA FE, N.M. — An ex-convict and a teenager who allegedly made their way across the country by killing people and stealing their cars were captured by police yesterday as they slept under a bridge, weapons at their side.

Acting on a tip from a Santa Fe man who had given the suspects a ride Monday night, eight state police officers wielding 20-shot assault rifles arrested the pair in a concrete culvert in the high desert country.

Eric A. Elliot, 16, and Lewis E. Gilbert, 22, both of Newcomerstown, Ohio, are suspected of killing four people in Ohio, Missouri and Oklahoma and using each victim's car to get to their next crime.

"The nightmare is over," FBI spokesman Bob Hawk said.

NAMEdropping

Rod and Rachel have baby boy

NEW YORK — Rocker Rod Stewart and his wife, model Rachel Hunter, are proud parents again. This time it's a boy.

Liam McAllister Stewart — 7 pounds, 14 ounces — was born Monday at a London hospital, said Stewart's spokesman Paul Freundlich.

Stewart, 49, took time off from working on a new album to await the birth of his son. Stewart and Hunter have been married four years. They have a 2 1/2-year-old daughter.

Hunter plans to remain in the hospital for a few days before beginning work on a new exercise and nutrition video.

Compiled from wire reports.

CAMPUS

New environmental sciences dean first black female to head college

Walker stresses job skills over her sex, color

By Amelia Perkins
Contributing Writer

With the new semester under way, the campus is afloat in a sea of new faces. And at UK's College of Human Environmental Sciences, there is one very important new face — that of Retia Scott Walker, the college's new dean.

When Walker assumed her position earlier this month, it gave her the distinction of being only the second black dean on campus (J. John Harris of the College of Education is the other) and the first black woman dean at UK.

"I never thought of being the first (black female dean)," Walker said. "I accepted this position as a professional career move. I did not think of it in terms of 'Are there any other African-Americans?'"

Still, Walker said she thinks her selection does symbolize something. "I see my appointment as progress," she said. "Universities are recognizing the fact that African-Americans are qualified to hold positions with much responsibility."

"I could be called a 'twofer,' two for one. I am qualified to do the job, and I add diversity to the University because I am an African-American female."

Walker served for the past 11 years as chairwoman of the Department of Human Ecology at the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore.

Walker replaces Peggy Meszaros, who accepted a position as head of the College of Human Resources at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

With 30 years of service in education, Walker brings not only career longevity to the dean's office but also variety. Her classroom experiences range from day care to higher education. Walker also taught junior high and high school in the New York City School District.

"This range of experience has given me a perspective on educational needs across a lifespan," Walker said. "These experiences draw on each other."

Serving in the administration at a small school also prepared Walker to assume the role of dean at UK, she said.

"Being department chair caused me to wear more than one hat," Walker said.

She performed a variety of different tasks in that position. But the one task Walker missed the most is the close contact with the students.

She said she plans to make herself very visible and accessible to the students of the college.

One program designed to foster Walker's accessibility is the "Chat with the Dean."

These chats will take place twice a month and are designed as a forum for students to share their ideas and offer feedback while getting to know the faculty and administration of the college.

"These sessions will offer important contact to the students," Walker said.

April Sapp, a College of Human Environmental Sciences ambassador, said, "The 'Chats with the Dean' will be a good way to get to know the dean, especially because she is new to the area. Also, it is a good way for students to get involved with the adminis-

tration."

Walker's vision for the college is one of growth. This growth, she hopes, will come in the areas of programs, degrees and diversity.

Walker is working with Louise Gladstone, the college's director of student services, to initiate a student and faculty international exchange program, broaden the base of internship possibilities and promote the opportunities in the tourism industry.

Growth in the degree program will come in the addition of a doctoral program in family studies and accreditation of the early childhood development program.

Walker wants to increase the college's enrollment, which is now about 800 students. Walker would like to see growth in the number of men who study in the college.


NEW FACES:

Name: Retia Scott Walker
Position: Dean of the College of Human Environmental Science
Age: 54
Hometown: Hatchechubbee, Ala.
Experience: Chairwoman, University of Maryland-Eastern Shore human ecology department; assistant professor, Texas Woman's University in Denton; education instructor, Iowa State University.
Education: Bachelor's degree, Tuskegee University; master's degree, Hunter College and Pace University in New York City; doctorate, Iowa State University.
Family: Daughter, JaRee Walker, a junior at the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore.

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TV classes offer study alternatives

By Aaron O. Hall
Contributing Writer

Students with busy schedules can get their college educations delivered to them at home.

UK offers undergraduates television courses designed for students whose lifestyles do not allow time for class.

"Television courses are primarily designed to meet the needs of non-traditional students," said Nofflet D. Williams of UK's Media Education, headquartered at Freese Hall.

Students who work full-time and students who are involved in several other activities are some of those who take advantage of television courses, he said.

"It's a real convenience factor for the students," he said.

A variety of courses are offered by the program. Astronomy 191 and 192, Family Studies 251 and 252 and Biology 110 are some of the more popular courses, Williams said. Other courses include history, sociology, French and Spanish.

The duration of the television

courses is 15 weeks, with finals taking place on the 16th week.

There are 26 television programs broadcast on Kentucky Educational Television.

Two half-hour courses are consecutively aired per week, and broadcasts also may be seen on Telecable channel 16.

"About 75 percent of the students that enrolled own a VHS player," Williams said. Taping the programs allows students time to view them at their convenience, such as before or after work or when their children are asleep.

Williams said he thinks students in the classes are highly motivated because the programs are simple and the teachers are good.

"(Faculty) make the course equal to or better than the traditional class," he said.

The television course students must meet in classes for 2 1/2 hours, six to eight times a semester, as compared to 32 times a semester for regular courses.

If a student does not have a television or access to cable or



GREG EANS/KERNEL STAFF

WATCH AND LEARN Mike Kolodzi, an architecture freshman from Los Angeles, watches a program in the Telcource Viewing Center, located in the basement of Patterson Office Tower.

misses a broadcast, there is an alternative.

In the basement of Patterson Office Tower is a room where students may view various course episodes.

"There is very little difference in the amount of preparation in study at home and the traditional class," Williams said.

How much a student studies depends on that individual's study habits and how well he or she is

able to comprehend the material.

Williams stressed that television courses are not for all people. Students must be self-disciplined, independent in their learning, able to budget their time and highly motivated to succeed in a television course, he said.

"If you really feel you need contact with the instructor on a weekly or daily basis, then you should not take a television course," he said.

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Seaton funding OK with senators

By Carrie Morrison
Senior Staff Writer

When the full Student Government Association Senate meets tonight, interim legislation on the Seaton Center probably will not irk the summer absentees, some senators say.

In July, the interim Senate allocated \$10,000 to the training facility on South Campus, passing the bill by an 11-3 vote. Now, SGA has cut the cost by about \$4,000, SGA president T.A. Jones said.

"I'm sure we're going to (save money)," said athletics concerns committee chairman Mark Riddle.

Though the cost of the Seaton Center equipment has been reduced, the July bill still may be unconstitutional.

One article in the SGA Constitution states the interim Senate may vote on emergency issues if two-thirds of the full Senate is present. Another says that any issue must be deferred to the full Senate in the fall if, by its nature, it can be delayed.

Senate Pro Tempore Heather Hennel recognized the potential conflict.

"In all honesty, there could be a case that said we could defer it," she said.

"I think the case can be argued constitutionally either way."

Senator at Large Alan Aja did not support the bill in July.

"I had to vote 'no' in the summer because I felt it was incomplete," he said.

"I wanted to table it when all the senators were here ... I'd rather see the money go to scholarships or child care (grants)."

But Aja said he is keeping an open mind for the meeting tonight.

"If it comes up and I know it's something positive for the students, I'll be positive," he said.

LeAnn Norton, chairwoman of SGA's campus relations committee, voted 'yes' on the bill.

The UK Athletics Association didn't assign any money to the project, and the Seaton Center is in dire need of equipment, she said.

"My freshman year, when I lived over there, I remember I tried to get in and it was a mess," Norton said.

"(The interim senators') logic was that they wanted the equipment moved in so students

could use it when school started."

Norton pointed out that students who don't have cars have no other free workout facilities.

She also said that Riddle, Jones, Senator Russell Harper and all those involved "put a lot of work into it."

Jones said the Seaton bill has been passed and is not up for a Senate vote.

"It's a done deal ... and it's a good deal," he said.

"Three weeks after we settle on this bid, this equipment should be settled in."

Jones said the installation of the Nautilus and stair-climbing machines will only take about one day.

Hennel, however, is open to debate on the question of constitutionality.

"I welcome anyone to tell us we're doing something wrong," she said. "If there's a student or a senator who wants to challenge it, they can."

Overall, it seemed the senators this summer believe the decision on the bill was wise.

"It's a service to the students," Hennel said. Aja agreed.

"Our job is to represent the students."

Senate budget may increase

By Sara Spears
Staff Writer

Tonight's Student Government Association Senate meeting will focus on this year's senate budget, which could reach \$70,000.

That amount of money, some say, could lead to problems.

"I think that giving the senate \$60,000 to \$70,000 to work with would mean too many (executive branch) programs had to be cut to get that amount," said LeAnn Norton, chairwoman of the Senate's campus relations committee.

"There are more programs in the executive branch that could use that money instead of cutting them to allow more money for Senate," Senate Pro Tempore Heather Hennel said.

The senate may also fail to give proper consideration to funding bills brought to the floor, Hennel said. Instead, senators could be more prone to giving as much of the possible \$70,000 to whoever asks for it, she said.

But SGA President T.A. Jones said no executive programs have been cut to allow more money for the Senate. Jones confirmed that he is willing to give the Senate about \$70,000 in tonight's budget.

This summer's temporary budget, which is supposed to be an approximation of the budget to be passed in the fall, was \$34,000, Hennel said. Hennel also said no one in the SGA office has a copy of this summer's budget.

Most senators seemed to agree that \$35,000 would be enough for the Senate to work with.

"I'd rather see the executive branch use the money for certain purposes and look at these purposes closely, than just passing any bill that comes along," Norton said.

But Hennel said she believes that figure is too low.

"I don't feel that \$35,000 is a drop in the bucket for a Senate budget," she said.

She also said she thinks the Senate should have money avail-

able to use without having to go to the executive branch to get it.

"I don't see a problem with a figure like \$65,000, as long as all of the executive committee programs are taken care of and not cut to provide extra money," she said.

Hennel said that Jones promised her the senate budget would be at least \$45,000.

Senator at Large Alan Aja said the \$45,000 would please him as long as more money is used in student scholarships.

"As long as money goes to student scholarships and bringing more students here to UK, I don't care what the actual dollar amount is," Aja said.

The proposed amount will be a significant increase over last year's \$50,471 senate allowance, which was only so high because of a \$25,000 carry-over from the 1992 senate's \$74,727 tally.

Other issues to be addressed tonight include new criteria for Senate spending.

Court

Politics marring judicial selections

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ate approval tonight. Keller explained during past approvals it was proper to wait until separate committee meetings. He said most of the judicial board nominees go through the operations and evaluations committee.

Keller and Chaney both said the remaining nominees — Gerald Coleman, Michelle Slone and Dave Stringer — should have no problem gaining Senate approval.

Slone, a first-year law student, said it does not really matter that she is the only woman appointee.

"(Being nominated) is an honor," Slone said.

Stringer and Coleman were not available to comment on their nominations.

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CAMPUS



GREG EANS Kernel staff

ON THE AIR WUKY-FM disc jockey David Farmer, who has been with the public radio station for four years, broadcasts yesterday afternoon. WUKY is the second-oldest college-owned station in the country.

WUKY offers music, more

Radio station has lengthy history

By Chris Meehan
Contributing Writer

Although it hasn't received the same publicity as its harder-edged cousin WRFL-FM, UK's public radio station, WUKY-FM, consistently a different segment of the radio-listening public.

"We officially came on the air March 13, 1941," station employee Ned Keller said. "That makes us the second oldest college-owned station in the country."

The station's long history is reflected in its musical programming, which is mainly classical and jazz. Music, however, is just a small part of the overall programming of the station, which broadcasts on 91.3 FM and 92.1 FM.

As a member station of National Public Radio, WUKY's broadcasts also include BBC newscasts, popular NPR shows like "All

Things Considered," as well as locally produced shows featuring local and regional artists.

One of WUKY's most popular shows is "Curtains at 8!"

Nick Lawrence, the host, has been active in the local music scene for more than three decades and is well known in the local arts community.

"The main focus of my show is to bring classical music from concert halls and theaters to the public," Lawrence said. "Along with this music, I like to bring in the actors and musicians involved so they can discuss their work."

Upcoming artists on Lawrence's show include Lexington violinist Alyssa Park on Thursday and actor/comedian Tim Conway on Sept. 22.

As a public radio station,

WUKY does not have the luxury of selling commercial time to fill the station's coffers. Funding for WUKY comes in several different forms.

"We are funded by a three-legged partnership," Lawrence said, "with money coming from corporate grants, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and listener donations. The actual programming would not be possible without listener support."

This year's spring fund drive was hampered severely by the March ice storm that knocked the station almost completely off the air.

Ice that had built up on the transmitter smothered the station's signal, reducing the transmitter's power to only 3,000 watts.

LISTENING IN
"Curtains at 8!" airs Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 to 10:30 p.m. on WUKY-FM. For more information about the station's programming, call 257-3221 during business hours.

Campus Crusade provides non-alcoholic alternatives

By Steve Szczepanski
Contributing Writer

When students go away to college for the first time, one of their top priorities, besides finding their classes, is something to satisfy their social needs.

Some students may join clubs, get involved in the greek system or just hang out at their residence halls.

That's where religious groups, like Campus Crusade for Christ, come in.

This group has made large gains in members over the past several years, and is working to become the largest student religious group on campus.

The group holds weekly meetings on Thursdays at 7:30 in the Student Center Small Ballroom that draw from 260 to 300 people.

Last year the group's meetings included an average of 200 people.

"When I first came here in 1989, only 30 people would show up at our meetings," said Nate

Jones, a six-year director of Campus Crusade.

Jones said residence halls have become a prime place to find new members.

"This year we've sent out over 3,000 surveys to meet freshman students, then we follow up interested students with a visit to their dorms," Jones said.

"We are reaching out to students who would not normally come to us."

Jones also said that new activities Campus Crusade is providing to students also could explain the group's growth.

"At the start of the semester, we held a reception for 40 international students to make them feel welcome to the campus. We are also offering a Bible studies group to members of the greek community."

The group will meet three times a semester at different fraternity and sorority houses. In addition it plans to begin a bible studies group for international

students.

Still, one of Campus Crusade's continuing goals is to be able to adapt to the needs of students.

"We want to give students the opportunity to meet others and provide them with the basis to have healthy relationships with others. The atmosphere lets them have a good time without getting involved with the alcohol that accompanies most of college life."

Dave Brown, a 21-year-old physical therapy senior, said he came to Campus Crusade two years ago because he wasn't satisfied with the fellowship of his college life.

"I found (Campus Crusade) was accepting, friendly and fulfilling. It gave me the opportunity to have a close relationship with God."

Craig Humphrey, a 21-year-old biology senior, said he heard about Campus Crusade four years ago from his brother and was looking for a Christian group to join.

University deadlines looming

Staff report

As the third week of the 1994 fall semester begins, some significant deadlines for students loom closer.

Here are some of UK's scheduled cut-off dates for this semester:

▼Today: Last day for payment of registration and/or housing and dining fees to avoid cancellations. Students may apply for an extension if they contact UK's Financial Aid Office in the W.D.

Funkhouser Building or call 257-3172.

▼Sept. 14: Last day to drop a course without it appearing on your transcript.

Also, this is the final day to return 1994 fall semester course textbooks for a full refund at the Kennedy and the University book store.

Call Kennedy at (606) 252-0331 or the UK Bookstore at 257-6309 for more information.

▼Oct. 17: Last day to withdraw from any course offered by

UK and receive a full or partial refund. Students with questions should call the University Registrar's office at 257-3161 for more information or visit the office in 11 Funkhouser Building.

▼Nov. 1-15: This window is open for students advance registering for the spring 1995 semester.

The \$50 advance registration fee is due by Dec. 7. Contact the Student Billing Office in 257 Student Center or call 257-3406 for further information.

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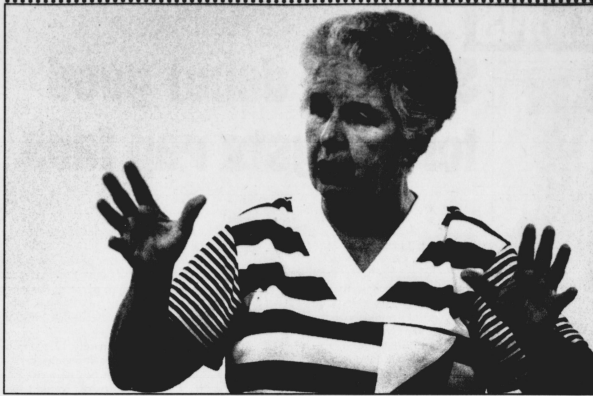
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GREG EANS Kernel staff

ENVIRONMENTALLY SPEAKING Paula Gonzales speaks to the UK Sierra Club last night in the Student Center. The environmentalist told students that people can stop the destruction of the Earth by making the right choices.

Speaker: Plan necessary to avoid destroying planet

By Kelli Knarr
Contributing Writer

"I am the ill Earth. If people trash me, I will die and so will they."

Nationally renowned nun, naturalist and humorist Paula Gonzales read this poem by a 9-year-old girl in a speech to the UK Sierra Club at the Student Center last night to illustrate the problems facing the earth's ecosystem.

Her message was simple: We are an endangered species. We may not exist in the next century unless we recognize this fact and react to it.

Gonzales said we must "fall in love with Earth" or destruction is inevitable. She encourages people to re-establish the relationship with Earth that mankind once possessed.

Instead of going to visit nature on vacation, people must learn to live within nature and become a

part of it, she said.

The damage itself is not as frightening as the rate at which it occurs, she said.

The human race does have the ability to impede this destruction through our choices.

We have numerous alternatives for the future and the key to achieving these is making lifestyle changes today, she said.

Humans must adapt to nature's style of conservation — no waste, she said.

She said she hopes mankind in the future will use the sun, the wind and the Earth for energy sources.

Humans must work together to save the planet and it's inhabitants, Gonzales said.

She believes "peace could break out on this planet" if humans can succeed with her plan, which called a realistic outcome.

"The American Dream is basi-

cally an addiction to consumerism," she said.

The planet is sick as a result of this addiction and it cannot afford to support this illness, she added.

If people cannot alter their lifestyle, they will "run out of resources and choke in waste," Gonzales said.

The future is not set in concrete so humankind must stop this environmental holocaust to replenish the Earth's resources for future generations, she said.

Her answer is inventing an industrial ecosystem where recycling isn't enough — everything continues to exist in cycles.

With this accomplishment, future generations can also establish a relationship with Earth, Gonzales said.

UK Sierra Club President Trista Claxon said Gonzales' speech was prophetic.

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Grateful hillbillies to rock Bluegrass

By Maggie Plotkin
Contributing Writer

Billed as "The Grateful Dead of Hillbilly Music" and known for its streaking antics at live shows, Tennessee's Goose Creek Symphony will hit Winchester, Ky., tomorrow with its unique brand of rock 'n' roll.

Charlie Gearheart, lead vocalist for Goose Creek Symphony, said the band's music has a "log-dabbin' hoedown feel to it."

"Our music is quite different than any other group," Gearheart said. "We sing long, storylike songs about politics, the environment and everything else you can think of."

Needless to say, it is difficult to classify this brand of rock. First off, most of the songs are long and intricate and deal with how times have changed.

Gearheart said there is a lot of jazz interwoven with rock and roll.

"This is not commercial. It's very intricate music with some funny songs, but there is no country to it," he said.

No wonder Capitol, the label for which the group has made three albums, had a hard time marketing Goose Creek Symphony. Gearheart quickly pointed out that music companies did not know how to market Bruce Springsteen and Alice Cooper either, so it is not a big concern for the band.

One aspect that causes those who have never seen the band to rush to its shows is the Symphony's billing as "The Grateful Dead of Hillbilly Music." Gearheart attributed the similarities to the following that they both have.

"We have a cult following, everyone from lawyers to garbagemen like us," he said.

Those who follow the band are given the title "Gooseheads."



Photo courtesy June Appel Recording

A ROCK OF GEESE Goose Creek Symphony, who plays tomorrow in Winchester, has been described as the "Grateful Dead of Hillbilly Music."

Goose Creek Symphony, which consists of Gearheart, Paul Spradlin, Matt McClure, Dave Duncan, Tim Lorsch and Scott Carter, along with a six-piece band, has been around since the '70s but broke up before reuniting five years ago.

But even after more than 20 years, the Symphony cannot live down its reputation for outrageous live shows.

Gene Arnett, a mechanic for the Allman Brothers Band, ZZ Top and Goose Creek Symphony, remembered one show

in particular from the late 1970s.

"I remember a guy on a unicycle, streakin' around on stage and some kind of a clown jumping around everywhere," Arnett said. "It was pretty crazy."

No doubt that this is not your everyday run of the mill rock band, but if you're thinking of going to see the live show for the nudity, Gearheart said, those days are over.

Gearheart said he is confident that the music alone will provide plenty of fun.

Sinister debut good for gangsta rap fans

By Barrett Burcham
Contributing Critic

Too many people are growing tired of the genre of gangsta rap. In the light of ground-breaking rap acts like Cypress Hill and A Tribe Called Quest, former fans and admirers of gangsta rap have abandoned the style that essentially brought rap into the mainstream.

To the ears of many, hearing more stories about peeling caps, pimpin' and sipping '40s seems as old and played out as listening to Hammer chanting "U Can't Touch This."

Such people will not be impressed with the debut album from Sinister, *Mobbin' 4 Life*, which definitely falls into the category of gangsta rap.

Over the course of the 16 tracks on this album, Sinister and The Mobsters, address classic gangsta subjects such as people they've killed, sex they've had and liquor they've consumed for the majority of the time.

The rest of the time they are mourning the loss of homies and robbing banks.

While this sounds like nothing special, this is not a bad album.

The brilliant production of Tony "D" Pizarro keeps *Mobbin' 4 Life* from falling into the boring pit that the average gangsta rap album falls into.

Each song contains an incredible track, some complete with Dr. Dre-like squeals and others with booming baselines and creative samples. The tempo varies from song to song, and this makes listening worlds more interesting.

Pizarro does a great job putting together tracks and loops that comple-

ment the voices and styles of the rappers that he is backing up.

If the subject matter of the songs and the rhyming skills of Sinister and his crew were completely up to par with the great production of Pizarro, this would be a four-star hip-hop classic.

Unfortunately, they do not complete this difficult task.

However, Sinister and The Mobsters possess enough skill and creativity to make this album listenable. All of The Mobsters are decent on the mike, but some are significantly better than others.

The number of emcees adds variety to the album, but one has to wonder why Sinister did not spend more time on the mike himself.

Lyrically, there is nothing ground-breaking here. Most of the songs deal with how hard Sinister and The Mobsters are and the consequences of stepping to them.

The best of these are "Buck 'Em Down" and "How Many Niggas Wanna Get With This." Sinister mourns the death of a friend on "I Won't Forget You G," and the crew robs a bank on "Bank Heist."

The gruesome lyrics of "Land Of The Living Dead" would give even "horrorcore"

groups like The Gravediggas nightmares.

All in all, this is a formula gangsta rap album that is somewhat better than most. Fans of this genre will enjoy *Mobbin' 4 Life*, while critics of the genre will see this as just another gangsta rap album with no creativity or purpose.

The production is first-rate, and the lyrics portray the life of a gangsta.

Many people may find that boring and old, but lyrics such as these are what attracted millions to rap in the first place.



MUSICreview

★★ 1/2
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★★ Fair
★ Poor

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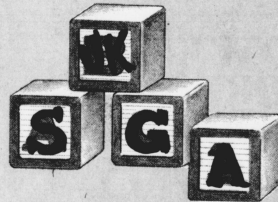
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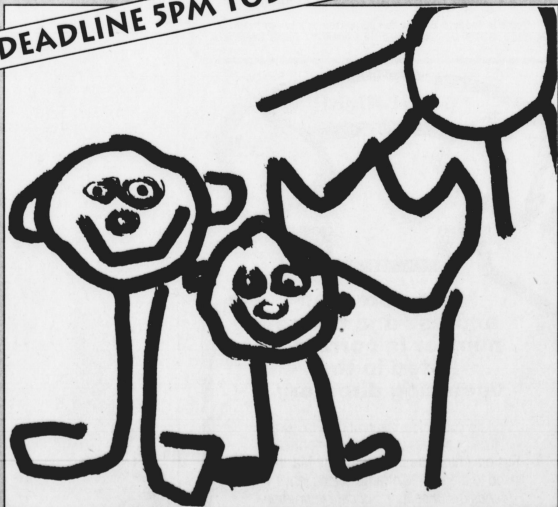


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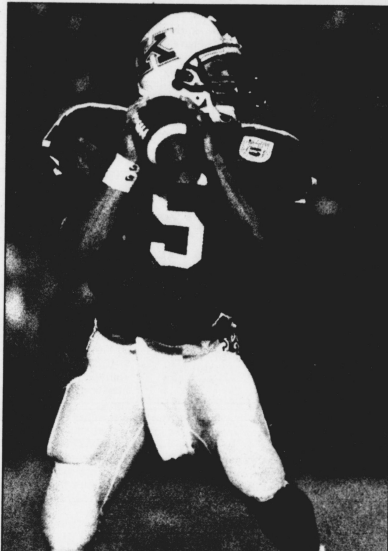
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Wildcats' big win has downside

Speedy out at least 2 weeks, will miss UF game

By Jason Battilo
Staff Writer

UK's "Game Won" victory



JAMES CRISP/Kentucky Kernel staff

SEE ANTONIO THROW UK quarterback Antonio O'Ferral will get the starting nod over the injured Jeff Speedy in Saturday's game at Florida. O'Ferral replaced Speedy in the Cats' 20-14 win over Louisville on Saturday and guided UK to the victory, scoring the game-winning touchdown.

over the Cardinals brought them the Governor's Cup and state bragging rights. The victory, however, did not come without a price.

The Cats lost starting quarterback Jeff Speedy, who separated his left shoulder, for at least two games.

UK also tapped into its emotional reserves, causing head coach Bill Curry to guard against a let-down this week.

"If (the players) came struttin' in yesterday, I was fixing to make a correction," Curry said yesterday at his weekly press conference. "Our players came in serious about getting ready. Yes, they were happy to prevail in a tough game like that, but realistic enough to know how much work they have to do."

The Wildcats work this week to prepare for Florida on Saturday in Gainesville in both teams' Southeastern Conference opener.

Florida enters this weekend's contest ranked No. 2 in The Associated Press poll after demolishing New Mexico State 70-21 to stretch its home winning streak to 15 games.

Quarterback Antonio O'Ferral, who sparked the Cats' comeback against Louisville with a 67-yard TD pass and a five-yard scoring run, will be the starter in Speedy's absence.

"Even though I was second string going into the season, I don't see myself as a second-string player, nor have I ever seen myself as a second-string player," O'Ferral said. "Of course I'm ready to go on Saturday."

O'Ferral, despite his "flamboyant" style of play, needs to take fewer chances and take better care of the football to maintain his starting job, Curry said.

"Antonio gets things done by the force of his will," Curry said. "I love people like that. You cannot intimidate him. Nothing bothers him."

The Cats' defense will be setting its sights on Florida quarterback Terry Dean, who established a new SEC record with seven TD passes in the first half last week.

"Terry played very well the other night," said Florida head coach Steve Spurrier, via conference call. "We've got an excellent group of receivers, and they all ran offensively line is one of the best around, and they gave Terry plenty of time."

The Gators also have a gifted stable of tailbacks that can keep a defense honest. Leading the way is redshirt freshman Elijah Williams, who gained 96 yards on 13 carries in the Gators' opener.

"We are very excited about going to Gainesville to play the team that has been ranked number one in the nation earlier this year," Curry said. "Certainly Florida is one of the top few teams in the country, and they have demonstrated that many times over."

Notes:

▼Dean probably is not the Florida QB that Wildcat fans know best. In last year's game, the Wildcat secondary had Dean's number, picking off four of his passes while keeping him out of the endzone.

Danny Wuerffel, the second half of Florida's talented quarterback combo, is the QB who replaced Dean and hit Chris Doerring with a last-second TD pass to give Florida a 24-20 victory.

▼O'Ferral continued his tradition of wearing a baseball cap with the opponent's logo to better focus himself for the upcoming game, sporting a Gators hat at the press conference.

He said the only cap he does not have is one from Northeastern Louisiana. He has plenty of time to find one — the Cats don't play the Indians until Nov. 12.

MSU provides pivotal match for UK

Volleyball team reeling after rough 0-3 start

By Doc Purcell
Senior Staff Writer

To the casual observer, an early season meeting with Morehead State may not seem like a pivotal match for the UK volleyball team.

After all, the Cats are considered one of the country's most formidable squads annually, and the Eagles aren't exactly a national powerhouse.

But this season, things have turned out a bit differently. And as the Wildcats prepare for tonight's 7:30 home opener against their intrastate rival, they are well aware of just how important the contest is.

After a hapless weekend in which the Cats lost their first three matches of the year, UK coach Fran Ralston-Flory acknowledges that a victory tonight would serve as a major confidence builder for her youthful troops.

And it would add a positive to a bleak start that has seen the Cats lose nearly as many games in a weekend (three) as they did last season (four).

"(The match is) very important," Ralston-Flory said. "We need a win. We are a solid team. We just don't know that yet."

If the Cats hope to erase last weekend's miserable start and prove they are deserving of the No. 20 national ranking bestowed upon them in the preseason polls, they will have to defeat a MSU

team that holds a 2-1 record entering the match.

"They aren't as big as us physically, but they are scrappy," Ralston-Flory said. "They have everything to gain and nothing to lose."

The Cats, however, are facing just the opposite scenario. And Ralston-Flory knows her team must improve in several major areas if they hope to capitalize on the situation at hand.

Specifically, the coach emphasized the need for solidifying her team's defensive system, which struggled throughout the weekend, when they won just one game in three matches.

"The play of our defensive system was disappointing," she said. "We need to improve on our response to attack patterns."

The duo of junior outside hitter Molly Dreisbach and junior middle blocker Mara Egliotis also is expected to be pivotal for the Wildcats.

Dreisbach was the only Cat named to the all-tournament team at last weekend's Purdue Invitational, but Ralston-Flory was only fairly pleased with her and Egliotis' performances.

"They played OK," she said. "But we need more positives from their positions."

MSU enters the match led by junior setter Heather Willis, who has shined in the squad's first three contests, collecting a team-high 32 kills. Sophomore setter Missy Abbott has provided 30 kills for the unit thus far. Both are expected to play major roles for the Eagles in tonight's contest.

The Cats currently hold a 14-7 advantage in the series, and they defeated the Eagles last season in Memorial Coliseum.



FILE PHOTO

GET UP Molly Dreisbach and her UK teammates are searching for a win tonight after an 0-3 start.

SPORTSbytes

Sports Illustrated names Key top defensive player

UK linebacker Donté Key has been named National Defensive Player of the Week by Sports Illustrated for his performance in UK's 20-14 win over Louisville on Saturday night.

Key, a 6-foot-3, 220 pound junior, knocked loose a fumble with 6:09 left to play and the game tied at 14, which set up the eventual game-winning touchdown from Antonio O'Ferral.

Key's second big play of the fourth quarter, an interception on the UK 15-yard line with 19 seconds left to play, preserved the Cats' win.

Coach says Cards OK

LOUISVILLE — University of Louisville coach Howard Schnellenberger says his players have bounced back from their sea-

son-opening loss to UK.

Schnellenberger said that a group of players who blamed themselves for the Cardinals' 20-14 setback Saturday night had a solid practice on Monday in preparation for Saturday's game at No. 20 Texas.

"This was a terrible loss," Schnellenberger said yesterday. "It's devastating because it goes in the loss column and because we had a real chance to defeat the University of Kentucky for the first time in 70 years."

"Even though we are devastated, we've gathered strength in the fact that we played extremely well," Schnellenberger said. "I'm very upbeat about this football team because of the guts and pride the team had right down to the last 30 seconds."

Baseball deadline approaching

NEW YORK — With four days left until the deadline for canceling the season, acting commissioner Bud Selig met with Labor

Secretary Robert Reich, who was far from optimistic about the season's continuing.

Reich said he didn't detect any movement in the owners' position, and the two sides "are still very far apart."

Selig wouldn't comment on what was said. He wouldn't predict whether negotiations would resume before Friday's tentative deadline.

Indians ready for big time

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Northeast Louisiana is willing to take some big losses to be a big-time football team.

Last week, it was No. 7 Colorado. This week, it's No. 12 Auburn. Next week, it's No. 23 Georgia.

That's life when you're a small fish in a big pond filled with sharks.

The Indians' initiation to Division I-A began last week with a 48-13 loss to Colorado. Northeast, a former I-AA power, led 3-0 in the first quarter, but by the time it was over the Buffaloes totaled 649 yards.

"We played hard and we didn't

give up," Northeast Louisiana coach Ed Zaunbrecher said, "and I'm happy with that."

He'll have to be. The first three road games are bad enough, but there also are trips to Nevada, Wyoming, Brigham Young and UK later in the year.

Holtz worried over Wolverines

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Let the games begin.

Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz rolled out some of his best "we're-worse-than-they-are" material yesterday as his No. 3 Fighting Irish prepare for their critical second-week game against No. 6 Michigan in South Bend on Saturday.

Even with Michigan running back Tyrone Wheatley doubtful with a separated shoulder and two other key Wolverines expected to miss the game, Holtz slathered on the hyperbole.

"His Michigan team is the most talented, best football team they've had since I've been here," he said. "Right now, I worry about Michigan embarrassing us."

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ViewPOINT



Anti-gun zealots threaten rights of lawful owners

Life in a box is better than no life at all. So wrote Tom Stoppard in his absurdist comedy "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead."

However, as absurd and comical as this statement is, I'm not at all amused when I hear it's sentiment being echoed throughout the American news media.

I am referring specifically to Contributing Columnist Jeff Wilder's anti-gun column in the Aug. 31 issue of the Kentucky Kernel, and generally to countless other writers and reporters who have advocated the revocation of the Second Amendment. The headline of Wilder's column pretty much sums up all of their arguments: "Ban guns; one more death is one too many."

This is an interesting assertion. Before I address how many deaths are too many, I'd like to comment on the concentration of gun-wielding maniacs in the United States compared to the number of non-violent gun owners.

Nationwide there are roughly 250 million legally owned firearms. Television and newspapers bombard Americans with what I'm sure is an inflated prediction of the 1994 national gun-related death toll: 500,000.

Even assuming this number to be an accurate estimate of firearm deaths — homicides, self defense, police shootings, suicides — in the United States and assuming that no one gun is responsible for more than one of these deaths, and assuming that only legally owned firearms in America contribute to these deaths, the above figures show that only 2 percent of the legally-owned firearms in America are used to take human life.

The math isn't that hard: 500,000 gun deaths divided by 250 million guns equals .002.

Yet I never hear this statistic on the TV or in the newspapers. Why is that? I constantly see that the NRA has a vested interest in the public's view of firearms — it's their job — but what interest might the newspapers have in ignoring 99.8 percent of the guns in America? Why is so much more emphasis placed on that other 2 percent?

Because that 2 percent sells papers and raises the ratings, maybe?

I don't know. However I do

know that I own a gun and never have committed a crime with that gun. Most of the members of my family and my friends own guns, and they have never committed crimes with their guns.

The non-violent gun owner exists in large numbers. When compared to the whole of gun owners, those who will never use their guns in an unlawful manner are clearly the overwhelming majority.

Yet the anti-gun zealots would declare all gun owners guilty even after being proved innocent and forbid anyone to own a gun based strictly on the actions of a criminal minority.

So how many is too many?

Yes, violent crime is bad. Injustice and abuse of the right to bear arms are terrible things. The victims

and the families of those who have used firearms in an unlawful manner have all of my sympathy.

But let's don't forget why violent crime seems like such a terrible thing. Let's don't forget that living in the United States does have its advantages, despite the alleged "war zones" of the inner city. Let's not forget that we have something that people in many other countries do not have: freedom.

It's that freedom that must be protected at all costs.

The Second Amendment exists to defend our physical freedom, from both the rare instances of isolated criminal attacks and the unimaginable possibility of organized governmental oppression.

Of course, I can't imagine atrocious repression of the people in our country today. I don't foresee a need for armed insurrection over something like the health-care package.

But I can imagine life after my own; I can imagine generations of Americans living after me and perhaps after the repeal of the Second Amendment.

I can't conceive of how a future president might oppress my great-grandchildren, but I also can't understand how my great-grandfather could have called another human being property.

I will not condemn future Americans to even the slightest possibility of such atrocities due to my simple lack of imagination.

Because life in a box is not better than no life at all.

Jonathan Lay is a chemical engineering junior.

Tightening the belt

Most parents give their children an allowance with the hope it might give their children the freedom to buy things on their own and, at the same time, help them learn about the value of money. The parents watch their children closely and give them advice if they see the money being wasted or spent improperly. When parents think their children have shown the right amount of responsibility, they may give the children more money or encourage them to earn some on their own.

Eventually, children should be able to make the most basic financial decisions without their parents' constant supervision. It's all a part of growing up.

Organizations at UK also fit into this mold. Many have been able to balance their funds well and spend the money wisely. Others act as though their parents are tied up in the back room, giving them the freedom to spend money at will.

Which brings us to the Student Government Association Senate. This group has thrown money at everything from party food to stationery over the past several years, and it has funded junkies for organizations to gallivant across the country. Many of these financial decisions were based more on politics than merit.

One week, a group would get funding for a project, but during the next meeting, a similar project would not get funding. It really depended on who presented the project, how the senators were feel-

ing and what time of year it was. (Senators get extremely stingy during the second semester when they realize their spending spree in the fall has left very little money in the purse for other projects.)

Our suggestions for cleaning up this kind of behavior are simple. Tonight's Senate meeting will include two very important discussion items. The first will, of course, be the budget for the new school year. The Senate will pass such a lean budget. Some SGA officials estimate the final amount could reach more than \$50,000.

That possibility makes the second item, a list of criteria for funding projects, even more important.

Setting up criteria is essential because it can finally establish the rules long needed for fiscal responsibility. Still, some senators don't get it. They continue preaching the same old party line: Each bill needs to be weighed on its own merit.

Without spending guidelines, the Senate will continue to squander student money for causes that affect only a minuscule number of students.

Although the Senate is hoping for a big windfall tonight, the executive branch should make sure the Senate doesn't see one red cent until it passes a legitimate set of spending criteria.

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Midnight basketball curbs crime

Social program in crime bill effective despite opposition

In the past few weeks, the battle over the Clinton administration's \$33 billion crime bill has taken center stage across the country.

Democrats and Republicans have waged war in Capitol Hill in an attempt to hammer out a package that each deemed passable.

And in those battles some very strange claims have been made, particularly on the part of the GOP.

Undoubtedly, one of the most atrocious protests concerning the bill involves the \$40 million allo-

cated for midnight basketball leagues in 44 cities across the country.

The program, which is designed to prevent crime in areas most prone to such activity by providing a positive nighttime outlet for inner city youth, has been under constant attack.

Republicans claim that the institution of these programs is pork, not prevention — feel-good legislation that has no real purpose but to waste countless taxpayers' dollars. They decry the idea of funding such leagues as social spending, and plead that money should be saved, all the while lobbying for get-tough attitudes toward criminals.

But let's consider the benefits reaped from midnight basketball

leagues that have been set up by government-backed community action groups already. While Republican leaders tell a story of massive government waste and purposeless programs, the blatant facts say something much different.

Take, for example, the league run in Prince Georges County, Maryland. Since its inception in 1986, the overall crime rate in the area has plummeted a monstrous 60 percent, and in the last year violent crime has dropped 12 percent.



Doc Purcell
Kernel columnist

Coincidence? Not according to police chief David Mitchell who attributes a hefty portion of the decline to the league.

Then consider the program set up in Washington, D.C., called the Midnight Education and Sports League. It offers basketball, ping pong and food to interested youth, all for free. When it first began, the organization, which is backed by strong community support, expected 100 patrons. Two hundred showed up.

The massive turnout makes a strong statement about the impact the program truly can have.

Surely even the most twisted conservative minds can comprehend these statistics. Surely, they can tell that this is truly prevention, that midnight basketball is a

way out, a safe haven in which solace can be found, a refuge from the harsh realities that are so evident in our nation's warlike urban areas.

Still the Republicans continue their selfish battle to curtail these leagues. They display the same out-of-touch attitude that has haunted party members for years. And by doing so they show how little they really care about our country's inner city youth and the terrorizing but preventable crime problems that play such a sad role in countless lives.

They say the Clinton administration is just throwing away money by funding these programs — money that could be used to build prisons to house the criminals who threaten our society's peace.

But, considering the impressive track record of midnight basketball leagues in Maryland and other urban areas, it is plain to see that

this financial backing will be money well spent — money that these programs desperately need to continue crime prevention activity.

And, despite the GOP's claims, these leagues undoubtedly will pay both social and financial dividends in the future by cutting out crime and, thus, the need for costly prisons.

It's time the Republican Party comes to grips with our nation's immense crime problem and realizes that these sort of programs can play a major role in solving rampant inner-city violence.

Midnight basketball is prevention, not pork. Conservatives everywhere should admit that they are wrong and join in the effort to build positive outlets for America's youth rather than concentrate on building prisons that solve nothing.

Staff Columnist Doc Purcell is a journalism freshman.

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LCC program tries to retain dropouts

By David Turner
Contributing Writer

By the year 2000, the drop-out rate from public schools will be approaching 40 percent, according to a U.S. Department of Education report.

Trying to catch students before they become bitter and disillusioned with a system that often seems to overlook them has been a major priority for educators and is one reason the Educational Talent Search was formed.

Established at Lexington Community College three years ago, ETS services sixth through 12th graders and high school drop-outs as old as 28. Ideally, ETS should increase high school graduation rates and entry into post-secondary education, Director Sherry Coles said.

"There is a need for the talent search," Coles said. A need, she said, that is being met.

According to their office, 99 percent of seniors participating in the program graduated from high school, compared to the 70 percent national average.

Bryan Mitchell, an ETS counselor, said, "We do a lot to supplement the schools."

He said a large part of his job is "trying to give the kids the necessary academic skills they don't get in the classroom."

Mitchell and two other coun-

selors, who hold at least master's degree in education, are responsible for more than 900 students in 24 schools across six counties.

Counselors meet with students once or twice a month. They conduct workshops in test taking, time management, communication skills and critical thinking.

Individual assistance is offered to students who are preparing for the ACT, writing admissions essays or have questions about financial aid.

Preparing high school seniors for the rigors of college admittance is an ETS priority. Last year, more than 180 seniors participated in the program. Of those, 99 percent graduated from high school and 89 percent went to some sort of post-secondary education.

The closer graduation comes, the more involved ETS becomes in the lives of its students, Mitchell said.

"It can really spark interest as far as the kids are concerned," he said.

*Campus visits are organized throughout the year and provide students with first-hand experience of college life.

In recognition of the program's success, the U.S. Department of Education extended ETS' initial three-year grant for an additional four years.

TV ignores Hispanics, new study concludes

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Even as television has improved its portrayal of blacks, it increasingly has ignored Hispanics and depicted them negatively, a new study concludes.

Hispanics are less visible in prime time than they were in the 1950s, the Center for Media and Public Affairs says in a report commissioned by a national Hispanic advocacy group.

While accounting for 9 percent of the U.S. population, Latinos comprised 1 percent of all characters portrayed during the 1992 television season. Blacks, who represent 12 percent of the population, accounted for 17 percent of all television characters, the analysis said.

"Black groups sometimes complain their portrayal is window-dressing," said the center's co-director and one of the study's authors, Robert Lichter. "Hispanics don't even have window-dressing. There's nothing there for them."

The study is to be presented at a news conference today by Lichter and the National Council of La Raza, a civil rights group representing more than 100 Hispanic community organizations. The council commissioned the report and in recent months has criticized both entertainment and news media for their portrayal of Hispanics.

The center, which studies the news and entertainment media, concluded that Hispanics have been cast in negative roles proportionately more than both blacks and Anglo-Americans.

A breakdown of characters from 1992 found that 16 percent of the Hispanic characters committed crimes, compared to 4 percent each for blacks and Anglo-Americans. Hispanics were portrayed negatively 18 percent of the time, compared to 8 percent for Anglo-Americans and 6 percent for blacks.

Minorities remain more likely to be portrayed as working-class or poor, the study also found. In 1992, 28 percent of Hispanic characters were depicted as poor, compared to 24 percent of blacks and 18 percent of whites.

La Raza is seeking to emulate the successes that black civil-rights organizations have had in demanding more representation on television, spokeswoman Lisa Navarette said.

In addition to further study, Navarette said her organization will seek meetings with the networks.

works.

"There is no question that bigotry or racism certainly plays a role in this, but I think it has more to do with ignorance," she said, when asked to explain the lack of Hispanic representation on television. "They don't know our community. We are not in the loop in Hollywood."

In a report card on the networks' performance, the study found that ABC had the least representation of Hispanics in 1992, with less than 1 percent of all characters portrayed by Latinos.

ABC spokeswoman Janice Gretemeyer said it was network policy not to comment on studies it hasn't seen. She declined to discuss in general the network's treatment of Hispanics.

Fox was first, with 2.7 percent of its characters portrayed by Hispanics; while CBS and NBC tied at 2.5 percent.

Fox had the highest number of Latinos depicted in negative or criminal roles — 38 percent — the study found. Spokesman Mark Kern said the network would have no immediate comment.

NBC was second, at 26 percent; followed by ABC, 25 percent; and CBS, 17 percent.

Sherman's Alley by Gibbs 'N' Voigt



But Seriously, Folks

Racism

Speaker to offer tips on battling racism

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as well as the words of what is being said.

*Avoid criticism or judgment about another person's comments.

Rutstein's visit is sponsored by the Student Activities Board as part of special effort to explore issues related to race.

Mahsa Vossough, co-chairwoman of SAB's multicultural committee, said the organization intends to establish its own Institute for Healing Racism, based on Rutstein's model, which would hold race-related events and healing workshops on a regular basis.

Vossough said Rutstein's approach to racism is well-suited for the general public because it focuses more on sharing than on conflict.

"It helps take a lot of the guilt away, so people can deal with issues on an easier level," she said.

Tonight's lecture and tomorrow's workshop are free and open to the public.

Women

Class allows women to explore options

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gests for its students to make the change into campus life or the job market.

The first step includes an assessment on self-values and helps the student clarify where she is in life.

The second step involves looking at the job market and the workplace.

The third step aids the student in learning to market herself for a job or a slot in a competitive graduate program.

"Instructors work with the students to interpret results, and they follow up to help (students) adjust," Gabehart said.

Many past students have gone on to successful careers.

Emily Rogers took the course in the spring 1994 semester because she relocated to Lexington and wanted to polish her skills and learn about job opportunities in the area. Rogers now is an editorial assistant for the University Press.

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