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## SGA offers week to register voters



By Melissa Rosenthal  
Contributing Writer

More than 100 students registered to vote in the Student Center during the first hour of Voter Registration and Education Week.

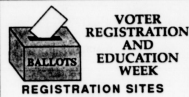
"We anticipate that up to 2,000 students will register this week," said Mike Wainscott, co-chairman of the event.

"I feel like 2,000 is a reasonable goal considering how things are going so far."

Issues Fair, the highlight of the weeklong event, will be held Thursday in the Student Center Ballroom.

National and local politicians will be present at the Issues Fair. Students will be able to ask questions to help them better determine their political views.

"We need to make the decision of who will run our country," said Layla George, an undeclared freshman. "Everyone should vote so that they can take charge of the



By TYRONE JOHNSTON/Kernal Graphics

decisions that will drastically affect their lives."

Bob Babbage, Francis Jones Mills and Susan Johns are among politicians that are scheduled to attend the Issues Fair.

Also, a conference call from Senator Ford has been scheduled. Campuses in 17 other states are

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Nursing freshman Kelly Seymour, 18, registers to vote yesterday in the Old Student Center.

## Panhellenic sponsors sexual safety events

By Tyrone Beason  
News Editor

The more students know about the risks of unsafe sex the better, Sexual Health and Safety Week organizer Melissa Browne said yesterday.

"People don't want to think about something like this," Browne said. "I know that our age group is one of the biggest at risk. The more we know the more it helps."

This week the Panhellenic Council, in conjunction with the Office of the Dean of Students, is sponsoring a series of presentations to educate students about the risks of sexual behavior, as well as safe sex methods.

Browne said she hopes sexual awareness events will become a regular part of campus life.

"We're trying to hopefully start a trend," she said. "While we're addressing some important issues, there's a lot of other issues to deal with."

Lisa Stofer, assistant dean of students for health and safety, said sexual awareness programs are vital to college students, especially those who are sexually active.

"I think that (sexually transmitted diseases) are just running rampant on this campus and on many cam-

puses around the country," Stofer said. "If there's something that needs to be done it's to get students to practice what they know."

Stofer said her office emphasizes abstinence because it is the only sure way to prevent disease and unwanted pregnancy.

All of the events associated with Sexual Health and Safety Week are free and open to the public.

Tonight the Lifestyles Leaders Players will present "Lifestyles of the Young and Healthy" at 8 in the Kirwan-Blanding Complex Commons study area.

On Friday, Panhellenic will distribute educational information at the Student Center.

The week's activities will end Friday night with a slide presentation by Richard Keeling, an expert on HIV infection among college students.

The program will be held in the Student Center small ballroom at 6:30.

Browne said the events this week are meant for everyone, not just members of the greek community.

## Weekend workshop educates students about cultural diversity

By Li-Chang Su  
Contributing Writer

The cross-cultural workshop sponsored by the Office of International Affairs and the Student Government Association was held in the Natural Bridge State Resort Park this weekend.

Six American and 20 international students from nine different countries participated in the event.

Carolyn Holmes, foreign student adviser and co-leader of the workshop, said that the goal of the workshop was to "promote appreciation of differences and understanding between Americans and interna-

tionals."

This year's workshop integrated exercises, group discussions, role playing games and case studies to help its participants learn about ethnocentricity, awareness, understanding, acceptance appreciation and selective adoption.

The workshop emphasized that visible differences like languages, food, dressing, religions and manners of distinct cultures are only the tip of the iceberg. The invisible and the most significant differences in tradition and values are much needed to be explored, workshop leaders said.

The participants were expected to

realize that their own cultures are not the only, nor the best, in the world.

Most of the participants said they attended the workshop to make new friends from different cultures and to have a relaxing weekend.

Many participants have had previous international experiences.

"Maybe these experiences made them aware what the culture is and made them eager to know what is beyond their own culture," said Brad Trainor, an cultural anthropology graduate student and co-leader of the workshop.

Most of the participants said that adapting to a new culture and keep-

ing up with their studies are the most difficult things to deal with when they enter a new environment.

Thus, the workshop leaders encouraged the participants to tell their doctors not only their physical problems but also their psychological problems, when they have illness related to "culture shock."

Also, the leaders reminded students that, because each culture has its own standards and values in different situations, students should "be open-minded, to tolerate the ambiguity of the new cultures, to have empathy, to maintain a sense of

humor, to have low goal task orientation, to be not judgmental and to have curiosity in the period of adapting to a new environment."

After spending two days together, many participants realized that they actually have many things in common even though they come from different cultures.

"If we can improve our international functioning and coping skills, our lives will be enriched through the much wide-opened eyes and knowledge," Holmes said.

Before adjourning, the participants discussed strategies to help other students on campus bridge the culture gap. They planned to help

organize cross-cultural programs for the residence halls, to encourage international students to join the Student Government Association and campus clubs, to hold an international food festival and to present a variety of international movies on campus.

Many participants said they had a very good impression of this workshop experience. Some said it increased their abilities to understand, communicate with and enjoy people who grew up in different cultures.

Some thought, however, that it should have had more outdoor activities.

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## Betts finds satisfaction in teaching

By Lance Williams  
Staff Writer

Raymond Betts, director of the Gaines Center for the Humanities, says that he's never had any doubts about his choice for a career.

He said he considers himself lucky for having found as satisfying of an occupation as teaching.

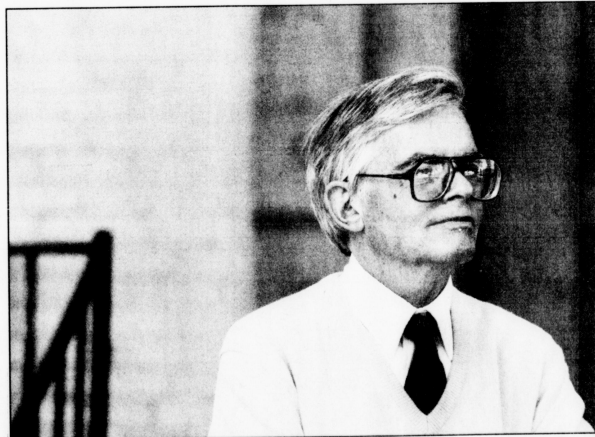
"It has always been renewing and refreshing," Betts said, describing his experience with teaching and working with students.

Because of his service and commitment to UK students, Betts, a history professor, recently became the first recipient of the newly established Acorn Award for outstanding teaching from The Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education.

He was presented with a hand-carved plaque and a \$5,000 honorarium.

Betts has taught at UK for 21 years, and he served as a member of the UK Board of Trustees for six years.

He also has headed UK's honors program for more than a decade.



History professor Raymond Betts, who also is director of the Gaines Center for the Humanities, recently received the first Acorn Award from The Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education.

His students are quick to complement Betts.

"I've been really impressed with his willingness to help students and his knowledge in a lot of areas," said Alan Purcell, a senior who is in

his second year as a Gaines Fellow.

Purcell said the small discussion groups and the classes in the fellowship program allow students to get to know each other and Betts.

"It's been a really great experi-

ence," Purcell said of his Gaines Fellowship.

John R. Gaines, benefactor of the Gaines Center for the Humanities,

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## Jones: No fall session on health-care reform

By Charles Wolfe  
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Gov. Brereton Jones yesterday ruled out a special legislative session as early as November to deal with health care.

He hopes now for a session early in 1993, Jones said in a news conference.

"This is not one of those issues that's going to get less complicated or easier as time goes on," he said. But "we are more interested in doing it properly than in doing it quickly."

Early this month, Jones called for legislation to guarantee health insurance for all Kentucky residents.

But there were numerous questions about its cost and mechanics and its effect on employers who don't now provide coverage for workers.

Jones got no encouragement for a November session from leaders of the General Assembly or the chairmen of its House and Senate budget



committees.

Like them, he had questions about the cost of his proposal and "wasn't comfortable" with estimates supplied by an Atlanta actuary, Jones said.

The administration last week hired a new actuarial firm, William M. Mercer Inc. of New York, to calculate premium costs. Jones said he was not inclined to seek a tax increase for health care.

The governor said he also planned to call a special session for enactment of ethics legislation, but its timing would largely a decision of legislative leaders.

He would not attempt to tackle health-care reform and governmental ethics in the same session, Jones

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## Perot says supporters will determine candidacy

By John King  
Associated Press

DALLAS — Ross Perot said yesterday there was "a great deal of overlap" between his economic views and those of President Bush and Bill Clinton but coyly kept his own counsel on whether he would enter the presidential race himself.

"There is no messianic drive here to have a candidate or to have me as a candidate," Perot said after emissaries of the two presidential candidates made unprecedented overtures to win the support of the Texas billionaire and his followers.

After meeting with delegations from both camps, Perot remained noncommittal, insisting the answer

rested with the supporters who placed his name on the ballot in all 50 states.

"If the volunteers ... feel that it's appropriate that I run, certainly I am going to honor their request. Then, I will give it everything I have night and day," he said.

And, Perot added, "I assure you, my campaign will be issues orient-

ed."

Earlier, he suggested a decision by Thursday.

State leaders of the Perot movement assembled in Dallas yesterday to hear the campaign presentations. On their return home, they planned to poll Perot supporters on whether

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Sunny today; high around 65. Clear tonight; low in the upper 30s. Sunny tomorrow; high in the mid-60s.

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# SPORTS

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Women's cross country team finishes third

The UK cross country teams both finished in the top five Saturday at the Kentucky Collegiate Cross-Country Championships in Louisville, Ky.

The women's team finished fifth with a team score of 51 points. Freshman Christa Prucinowski was the top UK runner, finishing third with a time of 17:57. Elissa Currins finished seventh (18:33).

Eastern Kentucky won the women's competition with 31 points, and Louisville finished second with 63 points.

The men's team finished fifth with a team score of 162. Rashid Derricks was the top UK runner, finishing 20th (26:08).

Eastern earned the sweep, winning the men's competition with 44 points, and Western Kentucky finished second with 50 points.

### Klingenberg, Goodarz fall in National Clay Courts

All-American Susan Klingenberg fell in straight sets to Kristine Newman of Duke in the third round of the National Clay Court Championships in Richmond, Va., over the weekend.

Klingenberg, who plays for the 17th-ranked UK women's tennis team, defeated William and Mary's Karen van der Merwe 6-4, 6-2 in Friday's second round. Klingenberg was seeded second in the field of 32 players. She is ranked sixth in the most recent ITA poll.

In consolation singles, Mahyar Goodarz lost in three sets to Duke's Chris Presley 5-7, 6-4, 7-5. Goodarz, who plays for the UK's 10th-ranked men's squad, is ranked 24th in the nation.

### Soccer team loses third overtime game of season

The men's soccer team lost 2-1 in overtime to Robert Morris Saturday.

The game was UK's third overtime contest of the year. UK is 1-1-1 in overtime games.

Alex DeFelipe scored UK's only goal in the game. Steve Miller got the assist.

UK fell to 2-3-1 on the year, while Robert Morris improved to 4-3-1.

Brian Dausman earned a red card for an excessive penalty and will be forced to sit out UK's next game at Cincinnati according to NCAA rules.

### Men's golf team wins Northern Illinois Invitational

Junior Andrew Price shot a 69 in the final round of the Northern Illinois Invitational to capture medalist honors and lead the UK men's golf team to its first team title of the fall season.

Price shot a three round total of 214 (74-71-69). UK shot 907 (311-302-294) as a team.

## Pre-Dentistry Society Meeting

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# Wells more effective at natural position

## Senior Black Watch member approaches UK sack record

By John Kelly  
Sports Editor

On the strong side on the UK defensive line is where you'll find Dean Wells.

Defensive end is the standard football terminology used to describe his position. But Wells plays more like an outside linebacker. Seven and a half sacks in two games attest to that.

So what exactly is Dean Wells? The Bill Curry-Larry New defensive jargon for Wells position is "strike," which is the most appropriate of any of the wacky terms Curry and New use to label their defensive players.

Wells certainly has spent this season doing some striking.

"He's gotta be tough enough to take on a double-team of a tackle and a tight end and yet agile enough to run down a quarterback in the open field and Dean has done both," Curry said.

Senior linebacker and fellow Black Watch member Marty Moore stays technical, calling him a defensive end, although he agrees the Wells is more like "an extra outside linebacker."

Curry just puts his most dominant defensive player, his best athlete, at the position and turns him loose. Moore says that is exactly what Wells is.

The 6-foot-3, 240-pound senior runs the 40-yard dash in 4.5 seconds and has a vertical leap of 38 inches.

"It was a position that was designed as a position that lends itself to one of our best athletes, which Dean certainly is," UK coach Bill Curry said. "It should be a position from which a player can dominate a game. There have been long stretches where Dean has been able to do that."

"Other players that we have had at that position are familiar names now."

The most notable strikes Curry and New have coached are former Georgia Tech standout Derrick Thomas, who currently plays for the Kansas City Chiefs, and former Alabama star Pat Swilling, now with the New Orleans Saints. While Wells knows he isn't a Swilling or a Thomas yet, he has his own NFL goals.

Wells is putting up attention-getting numbers. The aforementioned

seven and a half sacks came against Indiana and South Carolina. His total of eight and a half sacks this year leaves him only one sack away from setting a UK record for sacks in a single season.

Former All-Southeastern Conference defensive tackle Oliver Barnett, now with the NFL's Atlanta Falcons, established the mark with nine sacks in 1989.

"That's an incredible number," Moore said. "When you play four ball games and average more than two sacks a game, by yourself, that's a hell of a job. If he keeps that up he'll have a tremendous average at the end of the year."

Wells had a tough season in 1991, when he was a preseason second team All-SEC selection, partly because he never fully recovered from a shoulder injury that occurred early in the year and partly because he made a sacrifice for the team.

"We had to play him at defensive tackle because we were so thin at the defensive line that, to get our best people on the field, we felt we had to put him in the game at that position," Curry said. "It was not a happy time for any of us. And he did play with one shoulder last year. This year he's got two."

Wells said he wasn't entirely happy with playing defensive tackle, but he believed New when he said for UK to have its best group on the field, it was necessary for Wells to play at tackle. He is happier back at strike.

"The strike position is definitely more suited for me," Wells said. "I don't think too many offensive linemen looking at the scouting report were very intimidated with a 230-pound defensive tackle."

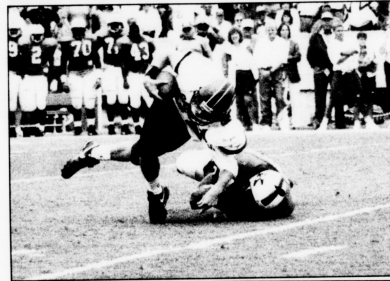
"I didn't produce the way I thought I could have last year, partly because of the injury or whatever. This year, I wanna be All-SEC at the end of the year this year as opposed to the preseason."

Moore said Wells is right on track.

"Dean's doing a hell of a job," he said. "He's beating the people he needs to on his own and we're just giving him the extra few seconds he needs to make the sack."

Wells credits his teammates and defensive line coach Lovie Smith with most of what he's done.

"I'm getting a lot of credit for all these sacks, but, it's like Coach



Senior strike Dean Wells brings down South Carolina quarterback Blake Williamson in the second quarter of UK's 13-9 win Saturday at Commonwealth Stadium.

Curry says, and like I said after the Indiana game, the other guys are doing a good job.

"The secondary's forcing the quarterbacks to hold the ball a little bit longer. We're getting pressure up the middle with our nose and tackle, and when we have a linebacker blitz, the linebackers get in there. Some of the times my job is to contain and the guys are flushing him out to me to make the play

which is fine with me."

And he says Smith, UK's new assistant coach in charge of strikes and defensive ends, gave him the freedom to be aggressive.

"He went back and watched all of our games from last year and he decided that was one of our weaknesses, that we weren't getting up the field aggressively enough on the pass rush," Wells said.

Aggressiveness and 8 1/2 sacks means quarterbacks are looking out for No. 42 now and Moore says that means that things only can get better for Wells and the UK defense. "When the quarterback's on the run he doesn't have the time to look for an open receiver because now he's worried about the sack," Moore said. "Once that kind of pressure is on him, he's flustered and he really can't make the perfect throw and that's helping us out a lot."

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# DIVERSIONS

## Almost enough said about Quayle, Brown

Indulge me while I beat a dead horse. Over the summer, Vice President Dan Quayle criticized the CBS sitcom "Murphy Brown." Many have said that there are far more important issues confronting the country. That's true, of course.

That's why many people in politics and the media have called for this issue to be dropped. Other things need to be talked about. But I don't think this is something that will go away by itself. Hollywood loves to tell jokes at Quayle's expense, and Quayle loves to respond in kind. So if we want this "Murphy Brown" silliness to go away, Americans have to remove it.

And the best way to remove this as an issue is to call Quayle on the carpet and ask him to spell out a few specifics. Don't tell silly jokes at his expense, as the "Murphy Brown" show itself did.

Quayle wants this to be taken seriously. Let's do that. If Quayle is going to make speeches about abstract ideas like "family values" and "the cultural elite," let's ask him the same probing, penetrating questions we would ask him about the economy or anything else.

Do that, and the emptiness of Quayle's rhetoric will quickly become apparent.

As a nation, let's ask the following things:

• **What exactly are you saying?** Quayle was criticized in many circles for his remarks. Some said he was attacking single mothers, which he denies. Others said he was suggesting that single parent families aren't real families, which he also denies. In fact, he's denied



saying almost everything his critics have said he said.

Well, now that I know what Quayle didn't say, could someone please tell me what he did say? And more importantly, could you tell me what possible solutions there are?

He didn't say "Murphy Brown" was immoral, nor did he say viewers of the show are immoral. (In an election year, he wouldn't dare suggest such a thing.)

He didn't advocate boycotts of "Murphy Brown" sponsors, and he didn't urge CBS to cancel or change the show.

He didn't suggest that decent citizens who respect family values should stop watching the show. So, aside from not liking the program for some unspecified reason (some type of negative impact it has on young people, I guess), exactly what don't you like, what is it doing, and what can be done?

He won't be able to answer any of these questions.

• **How could you have disliked something you hadn't seen at the time?** A few days after his remark, Quayle admitted he had never seen an episode of "Murphy Brown."

Reportedly, he first saw the program one week ago during its season premiere.

I think it's fair to ask this question. Some have said that is a moot point. It's vital to me. None of us can accurately judge something

we've never seen, whether it's a movie, TV show, book, painting, etc.

• **Can you define any of the terms you have been using during your campaign?** Can you give examples? Family values and cultural elite are just two phrases tossed about with no explanation given.

The vice president talks about "them" and "us" and "they" and "we" without telling us who any of these people are. Am I one of "us"? Am I a "they"? Somebody clue me in.

• **Aside from "Murphy Brown," the one show you especially hate, are there other non-family values shows hurting the country?** To me, most shows are apolitical. Almost none are liberal or show anything of any cultural or political relevance. Action-adventure shows and movies, with their let's-shoot-some-people, damn-the-Constitution attitude, are anything but liberal.

Quayle himself appeared on an episode of "Major Dad," a pro-military family sitcom that used to air on CBS right before "Murphy Brown." Forget this one show you've attacked. What about all TV? And all movies?

As I stated above, taking Dan Quayle's remarks about "Murphy Brown" and family values seriously is the best way to reveal the emptiness of his rhetoric. At times, Quayle has tried to back away from his "Murphy" criticism, noting that



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it was just a sentence or two in a lengthy speech.

But that's just the point. He touched on something without ever exploring it in depth. It actually would have been better had he spent more time explaining himself. Better, that is, for the American voter.

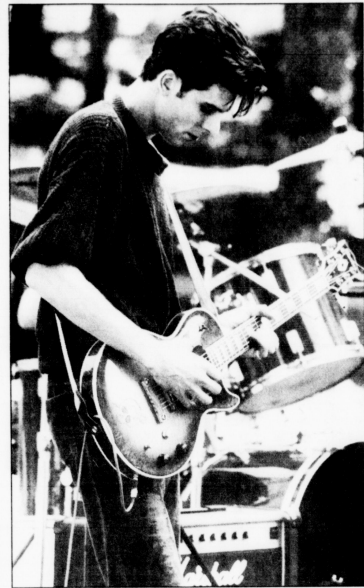
A lengthier explanation of his problems with the entertainment industry would have made it clear to us that he has nothing of substance to say. If polls are any indication, perhaps it's clear already.

Brevity and vagueness are Dan Quayle's greatest allies. Brief off-hand remarks that say nothing allow him to appear substantive, mainly because the media are too busy laughing to really give him the scrutiny he richly deserves.

Quayle's supporters would say that if the press and the media would stop laughing and give the man a chance, we would see he's actually making a lot of sense. As a Quayle detractor, I agree with half of that premise. I think if we would stop laughing at "potatoe" and "Murphy Brown" and give the man a chance by looking at the substance of what he says, we would see he's actually even more of a lightweight than we ever imagined.

Senior Staff Writer Toby Gibbs is a UK employee and a Kentucky Kernel columnist.

## DREAMING LAWN SOLOS



Skeleton Crew performs yesterday at SAB's "In the Neighborhood" concert series, which ends Friday.

## Martin Short's lukewarm acting saves yacht, capsizes comedy

"Captain Ron" Starring Martin Short and Kurt Russell Touchstone Pictures

By Nina Davidson  
Contributing Writer

"Captain Ron" aspires to be a modern pirate farce — but falls short and is just a lukewarm comedy.

The movie stars Martin Short and Kurt Russell. Short plays Martin Harvey, a Chicago businessman with a secret yen for adventure.

His uncle dies and leaves him a valuable yacht previously owned by Clark Gable. The only hitch is that the boat is moored in the Caribbean and needs to be sailed back from an obscure island to Miami in order to be sold.

The Harvey family decides to take a vacation to get the yacht, but



because they know nothing about sailing they hire Captain Ron (Kurt Russell) to navigate them safely to Florida.

Captain Ron, however, is laid-back and sloppy in his duties, leading to an inevitable personality clash with Mr. Harvey. His wife and children side with Captain Ron. But, of course, in the end, Captain Ron steps aside, and Harvey becomes a hero to his family.

"Captain Ron" is in the tradition of National Lampoon's "Vacation," but, unfortunately, it is a lackluster imitation. Chevy Chase is much more suited to the role of exasperated father than Martin Short, and Short's ravings never produce as

much laughter as Chase's.

A few scenes are humorous, but most of them were shown in the trailer. Save your money and just watch the preview.

The funniest part of the film is watching Kurt Russell swagger around with long hair and an eye patch, trying in vain not to look ridiculous.

The gruff voice he affects only adds to the moronic caliber of his acting. Martin Short's performance is uninspired, as well. Like his flop "Pure Luck" last year, he just doesn't use his comic ability to the hilt.

His cameo in "Father of the Bride" was hilarious, but he seems unable to carry a whole movie as the lead.

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## Abolishing free tickets to Kentucky officials should include Jones

### EDITORIAL

Congratulations to Gov. Brereton Jones. The ethics czar of the Commonwealth has survived the most important dilemma in Kentucky — with his eight precious UK basketball tickets still clutched in his sweaty palms.

Other state, county and federal officials weren't so lucky. UK President Charles Wethington and Director of Athletics C.M. Newton rightly forced these lesser powers to cough up their freebies and fork over the big bucks — and actually pay to attend football and basketball games.

Last week, at the request of Wethington and Newton, the UK Athletics Association Board of Directors revised the policy that gave top state officials, legislators, state Supreme Court justices, local and federal officials, and former governors free tickets to UK games.

Wethington said the governor — because he is responsible for the public's dollars — has a "unique" position deserving of such special treatment.

Why does that "unique" position require the governor to be seated at mid-court? If he were really concerned about the University and how its money is spent, Jones would do better to sit with students instead. They're the ones who can tell him what's really going on at UK — not coach Rick Pitino or the Wildcat mascot.

Thanks to Wethington's and Newton's stepping out, no longer will any state official — other than the sitting governor — receive free tickets to UK games.

It would have been nice if the governor were also forced to pay. It would have been even better if Jones would have offered to pay for his tickets in the first place.

The decision puts to rest a controversy that has brewed since two state committees questioned the practice because of potential forces of interest. After the Legislative Board of Ethics and the Task Force on Governmental Ethics fumbled on the issue, it is wonderful and, indeed, proper to witness UK taking the lead on the matter.

Many state officials and some legislators decided to pay for their tickets. However, Wethington and Newton said UK's decision and the committees' debates had nothing to do with the University's policy change.

UK trustees, high-ranking administrators and UKAA directors will continue to receive freebies. Even though the governor is still a golden calf for state university officials, this new policy is a gargantuan leap forward from the old one.

However, there are parts of the new policy that could stand to be revised. Those officials who will lose the freebies will still be afforded the opportunity to purchase those tickets, which as Rep. Joe Clarke (D-Danville) noted is still a considerable privilege.

"It's still quite a benefit to have the opportunity to purchase the tickets," he said. "You can't get them any other way. I still feel a little bit guilty, but I guess it's not as bad as the other way."

Clarke correctly realizes the tickets are not a right of public service in Kentucky. The list of officials is long. The legislators and major city officials probably have some reason to be at the games.

But former governors? The city police and fire chiefs? (Actually, the fire chief is probably legit too, considering how many false alarm runs the department has to make to campus buildings.)

Another problem is that season tickets are offered. Many of the other state universities follow similar procedures, but require that officials request tickets for specific games instead of giving season passes. UK would do well to adopt such a policy also.

Now that the flagship state university has helped set a more ethical course for all to emulate, the rest of the higher education flotilla should follow suit.

And in the meantime, we'll hope the governor forks over the money — or sits with the students.

## State Supreme Court overturns sodomy law, deals victory for gays

### EDITORIAL

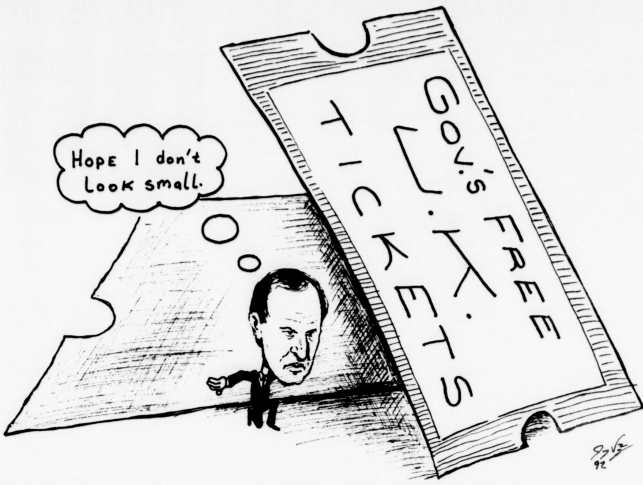
The Kentucky Supreme Court last week may not have hailed gay rights, but it did help advance the fight for legal equality and acceptance by members of the gay community.

In a 4-3 decision, the court overturned Kentucky's homosexual sodomy law which prohibits anal and oral sex between consenting adults. Justice Charles Leibson, in the majority opinion, wrote, "We need not sympathize, agree with, or even understand the sexual preference of homosexuals in order to recognize their right to equal treatment before the bar of criminal justice."

The decision solidifies the notion that government has no rightful place in the private lives, and especially the bedrooms, of its citizens. However, it should be noted that the law prohibiting sodomy with minors was not affected by the ruling. The state Supreme Court's decision has implications that reach far beyond gay rights issues. The issue here is choice.

No one, either homosexual or heterosexual, should have to make decisions based on the values of lawmakers rather than on personal rules of conduct.

The right to privacy in regard to lifestyle choice is absolutely essential in a society that prides itself on preserving individual freedoms.



## Get out of bed and involved on campus

Parents' Weekend is over.

No longer can we wait in anticipation of the day when our moms and dads will come to campus bearing homemade food and maybe even some crisp green paper.

Despite the dreary weather, parents seemed to infiltrate all aspects of campus, searching for signs of academic advancement. They found a football game and food. That about says it all.

The University put on a pretty good show for parents, but actually it's up to each student to make parents believe they're getting the most of their academic dollars.

Parents' Weekend is the perfect chance for a student to cheerlead for both UK and for the student's decision to attend this institution of higher learning. I enjoyed taking the opportunity to brag by showing my parents my desk at the Kentucky Kernel office, driving by the fraternity house, touring the residence hall and meeting students, whom I have met through various



**Joe Braun**  
Editorial Editor

campus organizations, as we walked.

When your parents asked for that fifth-time tour around the UK campus, what were you able to show them?

Were you able to take them by the Student Center where you swim laps each night, a religious center where you volunteer on weekends, a fraternity or sorority house full of friends or the office of a club of which you're a member?

If you're not involved in campus, perhaps things looked a little different for you. Perhaps you took your parents by attractive sights like the White Hall Classroom Building where you go to class each day, the lunch table where you sit alone each day and read the

newspaper, the lounge where you faithfully watch game shows daily, or maybe, if they're lucky, they got to see the Margaret I. King Library where you often study!

If you were forced to engage in the latter, you've got a serious problem. You collegiate experience is passing you by and may soon come to an end, unless you make some major changes.

Get involved! There are more than 200 campus organizations here at UK — at least one must be of interest to you. If it's politics and government, call the Student Government Association (if you can get through). Call the Student Activities Board for social functions and entertainment involvement. Call any of the campus political action groups — or whatever!

Opportunity is unlimited. Don't be content with going to class each day and returning to your room to study, grieve over a lost lover and then go to bed. Make a difference.

UK will give you a lot over the next few years, and you might just get something back in return.

The academic experience is but a small part of the degree you will receive at UK. Remember your high school graduation — those tears weren't just because you passed chemistry, but also because of the many friendships you made along the way.

I can remember last year. As I left to go home for the summer, I cried as I drove north on Interstate 75. I realized I would not see people I cared about a great deal for a long time. And it was attending the University that introduced us.

It was then I truly realized that UK was becoming a part of me. Can you say that UK is a part of you?

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### LETTERS

#### Kernel misleads students in article

To the editor:

The lead article in the Sept. 15 edition of the Kentucky Kernel was far from an adequate representation of UK President Charles Wethington speech to the campus the previous day. I urge all faculty and students to read the actual speech, available from Public Relations in the Mathews Building.

The Kentucky Kernel headline and text gave the impression that the President found waste in UK and that reform was needed. The conjunction with the Page 3 article by The Associated Press, "College tuition rises; fewer classes offered," which argued that in other universities' teaching loads were decreased, but faculty were spending very little on research, reinforced the idea that universities are "privileged havens of waste" — and maybe that applies to us.

The point of the speech was that our progress toward excellence is substantial, in which he takes pride as our president, and that research and instruction are coherent mixtures of learning.

He said: "I believe undergraduate and graduate students are advantaged in this university because we are a research university." He noted the continual advance of ACT scores of entering students — the average is up to 24.3 from 23.9 last year — and the continual advance of research funding. These go hand in hand.

The president did note the need for "reform," not because of perceived problems with our educational goals and work, but because we have sustained two serious cuts in state assistance. As he noted, grant and contract funds cannot replace state support, if only because (1) it takes local "seed" money and infrastructure to acquire grant and contract funds and (2) each grant or contract brings new tasks with the money. (The money is not ours to use as we wish, or in accordance with highest general needs.)

Thus, the president's speech carried his message of gratifica-

tion for what we have achieved, together with a warning that we must be especially vigilant now since our financial base is especially vulnerable, and that a good university is always in the act of "reform." We are always looking for better ways of doing as much as we can with the resources available to us.

Marcus McEllistrem  
Physics and astronomy professor  
Sept. 16, 1992

#### 10 reasons not to vote for Bush

To the editor:

Top Ten Reasons Not to Vote for George Bush

10. Created 2.4 times as many personal bankruptcies as new jobs.

9. Had no urban plan until after the Los Angeles riots.

8. Since January 1989, the unemployment rate has risen from 5.4 percent to 7.7 percent.

7. George Bush presided over an annual job growth rate of .2 percent — the worst since World War II.

6. During Bush's term in office, the deficit will have doubled from \$153 billion to \$350 billion by the end of this year.

5. George Bush has proposed to cut 400,000 students from families with income over \$20,000 from the Pell Grant program.

4. Dan Quayle — enough said.

3. President Bush talks about family values, but when he had a chance to act, he vetoed the Family Leave Bill.

2. During the past four years, the wealthiest 1 percent of Americans received an average \$12,626 tax cut, while middle class Americans pay \$186 more in taxes today than they did 10 years ago.

1. Bill Clinton and Al Gore are putting people first.

Mike Boering  
Communications director for UK  
College Democrats  
Sept. 24, 1992

## ON THE ISSUES

### Election '92

#### Do you support the death penalty? If so, for what crimes?



CLINTON



BUSH

"Yes, I support the death penalty also, as governor of Arkansas, I have enforced the death penalty on four separate occasions. I support expanding the federal death penalty to other heinous crimes, such as 56 offenses outlined in crime legislation considered by Congress last year."

"I support a federal death penalty for the most horrible crimes, with procedures to ensure its fair, colorblind imposition. In particular, I support the death penalty for cop killers, drugs kingpins, those involved in crime-related murders, and contract and terrorist assassins."

The Kentucky Kernel will be presenting both candidates' views daily on various issues until the election.

Source: The Associated Press

### LETTERS POLICY

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# Ex-spokesman: Impact of Perot's re-entry unknown

## Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — A Kentuckian who worked as Ross Perot's press secretary earlier this year believes it's anybody's guess what Perot's possible re-entry in the presidential race may mean.

"I don't think anybody really knows," said Squires, one-time editor of the Chicago Tribune who now operates Cinnamon Creek Farm in rural Woodford County.

Squires' opinion is that Perot may "throw Texas or Florida to Democratic nominee Bill Clinton by siphoning votes away from President Bush while possibly costing Clinton votes in California, where Bush now trails badly in the polls.

Squires said he thought Perot's impact be especially noticeable in states where Clinton and Bush are within five percentage points of each other.

Before Perot announced his de-

parture from the presidential race in July, the Texas billionaire was receiving support from more than 20 percent of those polled.

But a tepid 9 percent in a recent *Newsweek* poll said they would vote for Perot if he decided to return to the race. In that poll, Clinton received 46 percent of the support, while Bush garnered 37 percent in a three-way race.

Perot fared better in a *Time Magazine-CNN* poll that put him at 17

percent of the vote as an active candidate. That poll showed Clinton with 43 percent and Bush with 32 percent in a three-way race.

Steve Miller, a Lexington attorney working with the Clinton campaign, agreed with Squires that a full-fledged Perot campaign would put the pressure on both Clinton and Bush.

"Some of those looking for change who want to break up the status quo will be taken from us,"

Miller said. "But a lot of other people out there who are philosophical-ly strong for fiscal conservatism might be taken away from Bush."

But U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell said, "Overall, I think Perot's re-entry probably helps Bush.

"When he got out, all the 'change' votes went to Clinton, and Clinton has maintained the lead from that time on. I think Bush will be helped by Perot splitting that 'change' vote."

McConnell, R-Ky., served as one of the president's national co-chairmen in 1988 and gave a speech seconding Bush's nomination at this year's Republican National Convention in Houston.

He said voters seeking a change constitute 50 percent of the Kentucky electorate. With Perot and Clinton splitting that bloc, McConnell predicted Bush would pick up the rest.

## Betts

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said Betts is truly worthy of the award.

"I can think of no one more deserving of the Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education Acom Award for outstanding teaching than my good friend, Ray Betts," Gaines said.

"When Mrs. Gaines and I established the Gaines Center for the Humanities at the University, it was largely because we were completely confident that Dr. Betts was exactly the right person to head up this kind of innovative, interdisciplinary, undergraduate program with its emphasis on the interaction between student and teacher.

"Ray Betts is a man of rare sensibility and immaculate integrity that has a profound understanding of his vocation as a teacher.

"Dr. Betts' ability to communi- cate, his intellectual vision, and his

sense of wonder to his students and his colleagues makes the Gaines Center for the Humanities one of the most exciting and successful programs at the University," Gaines said.

Betts said that history is a subject that provides a sense of wonder.

"When you look at the immensity of the world, you realize there is no end to the activity in which you can explore," Betts said.

Betts said he was very satisfied with teaching.

But if he had the chance to look at other careers, he would like to have been a tour guide because of his love for travel.

"I have also done a great deal of writing and have found it very rewarding," Betts said.

However, Betts said that he has never had any doubts about his love for teaching.

"I have never had to second-guess my career," Betts said.

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said. "We don't want to allow any kind of controversy from one to spill over to the other," he said.

Kentucky's constitution limits the General Assembly's regular sessions to 60 days every two years. The legislature can be called into special session at any time by the governor, who controls its agenda but cannot set its adjournment date. The General Assembly's next regular session will begin in January 1994.

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taking place in the national event that will continue until Thursday.

Voter registration information can be obtained in the Kirwan-Blanding Complex Commons, Student Center, Patterson Office Tower and Margaret I. King Library.

## Perot

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the Texan should run, throw his support to Bush or Clinton, or stay out of the race and remain neutral.

The scene in Dallas was as confusing as it was remarkable, the extraordinary spectacle of both candidates sending high-level delegations to court Perot and his supporters.

Perot met in closed door sessions with the Democrats for 2 1/2 hours in the morning, gathered met for a similar length of time with Republicans.

Perot had nothing but praise for the Clinton delegation after the morning session. Participants said the session was dominated by discussion of Clinton's economic growth and deficit-reduction programs.

"There is a lot of commonality," Perot said after the meeting with the Democrats. "Where there are differences of opinion they are honest differences of opinion, with both sides looking for answers and neither side frozen in its positions."

After he had heard from the Bush camp, Perot had similarly kind words for that side.

And, asked if he also found a "lot

of commonality" with the Bush program as well, Perot told reporters: "There is a great deal of overlap."

Which plan did he prefer? "It wouldn't be appropriate for me to say," Perot said.

But Bush campaign chairman Robert Teeter said he, for one, saw a lot of differences between the Bush and Clinton plans. "It is incredulous to say that Gov. Clinton's programs are closer to this group than ours are," Teeter said.

Perot's legions were divided over whether he should run, regardless of what they heard yesterday.

"I have not heard anything that would convince me that we would be better off supporting either Gov. Clinton or President Bush," said Texas Perot coordinator Jim Serur, among the Perot leaders who is paid by the computer magnate.

"I'm very impressed and determined to keep an open mind," said Georgia Perot coordinator Ken Kendrick. Added Tennessee coordinator Steve Frederick: "They gave me a lot to think about."

"I see the Democrats and the Republicans gravitating to our position," said New Mexico Perot coordinator John Bishop. "The question is: Who would make the best leader? I feel Ross Perot is the best leader."

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Hsiau-Yuen Chong, a marketing sophomore from Malaysia, also suggested that the sponsors should have assigned each participant a certain topic prior to the workshop, in order to have more detailed presentations and systematic discussions during the event.

The workshop will be held again next fall, Holmes said.

The workshop has been held annually since 1976. Because of university budget cuts, the Student Government Association co-sponsored the workshop this year.

"We are glad to have the opportunity to provide funding for this event to reach students' needs and to join the effort of breaking the cultural barriers on campus," said Kara Kirby, chairwoman of International Concerns for SGA and one of the workshop participants.



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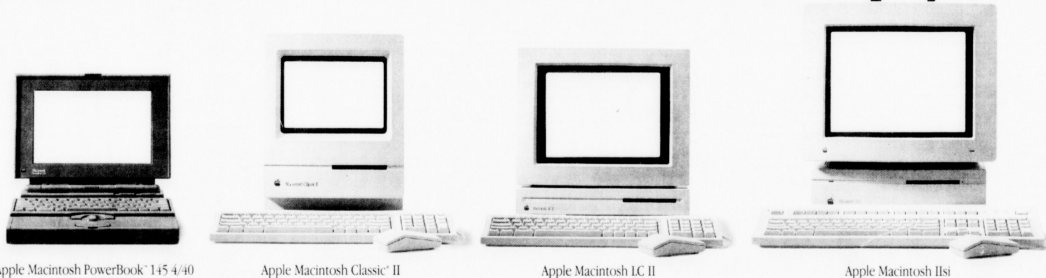
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