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STUDENT LIFE

About the Jack-o-Lantern

The first jack-o'-lanterns weren't made of pumpkins. They were made out of rutabagas, potatoes, turnips and even beets!

Irish legend tells a story about a man named Stingy Jack who was too mean to get into heaven and played too many tricks on the devil to go to hell. When he died, he had to walk the earth, carrying a lantern made out of a turnip with a burning coal inside.

Stingy Jack became known as "Jack of the



Lantern," or "Jack-o'-lantern." From this legend came the Irish tradition of placing jack-o'-lanterns by doors on Halloween to scare him away.

— Source:
<http://www.bronnax.net/~mbuchara/realm/halloween/jack.html>

Creepy, scary, near harmless

"Spider" is a common name for 34,000 species of arthropods.

Spiders have eight legs connected to a cephalothorax.

Some spiders have adapted to underwater life.

Hardly any spider will attack unless provoked.

All spiders have venom, but most spiders cannot break human skin.

World's most venomous spider is the Daddy Long Legs. Fortunately, they can't bite humans.

A spider spins silk to make its web.

— Source:
<http://scritec.org/track/tracks/f00078.html>

— Ron Norton

THE 411

Tomorrow's weather



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Again, mostly cloudy tomorrow and Saturday.

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Michelle Eads, a psychology sophomore at UK and secretary of the American Sign Language Club at Lexington Community College held a silent conversation in the Oswald Building yesterday.

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| KERNEL STAFF

Talking hands

New organization giving deaf students the chance to master a different language

By Maureen Chinn
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

This semester, a new academic club formed at UK.

So? Well, for one thing, this club is made up of people who can have complete conversations without ever opening their mouths.

No, they don't read each other's minds; they use American Sign Language.

American Sign Language is a nationally recognized foreign language based on hand signals and finger spelling, which represent words or letters in English.

These signs and words form sentences that in turn allow deaf people to communicate with others.

With close to 40 members, this club was formed to help not only deaf students but any students interested in the language.

The club gives students a way to practice their sign-language skills as well as other ways of communication, such as lip-reading.

The club also allows students to get a feel for what it's like to be deaf and also what the language is all about.

The only requirement for becoming a voting member of the club is to be a student at UK or Lexington Community College.

"The club was started because there wasn't anything like it in the area," said Frank Adams, the club's president. "People have a lot of misconceptions about deaf people."

Vice President Casey Meadows said more people need to be aware of ASL.

"Deaf people are not trying to fit into a hearing world because they have their own world," Meadows said.

"Deaf people have their own culture that the community needs to become aware of." UK students might find it difficult to get information about the language because UK doesn't offer any ASL classes.

UK doesn't recognize ASL as a foreign language, Adams said, and the club gives stu-

dents a way to answer any questions they might have about ASL.

The club also provides a link between school involvement and interaction with the deaf community, said Adams, who pointed out that every day, students probably walk past or talk to a deaf person and don't know it.

The goals of the club include getting UK and the community involved with ASL and educating the general public, Adams said.

The club doesn't have a specific meeting date, but students are welcome to participate in several activities, such as deaf social events at Fayette Mall, and monthly silent games where no talking is allowed.

The club also plans to get involved with a deaf children's basketball team, he said, to provide a link between the classroom and ASL, Adams said.

For more information about American Sign Language classes students can call LCC, or ASL Club President Frank Adams at 278-6356, or check out the website at <http://members.aol.com/weirdopa/index2.html>.



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— Frank Adams, president,
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STUDYING ABROAD

International flavor

Rome if you want to ...

Applications are now being accepted from full-time UK faculty and staff.

Deadline is Nov. 2. To apply, send a brief research proposal, curriculum vitae and approximate dates you would like to spend at the University of Rome to:

Rome Exchange Program
Appalachian Center
624 Maxwellton Court
University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY
40506-0347.

For more information, call the Appalachian Center at 606-257-4854.

The Italian connection

English professor grabs a taste of European culture in Rome, eager to return to country

By Jennifer Taylor
STAFF WRITER

Gurney Norman has been twice, but is ready to go again.

Norman, an associate professor of English, participated in a direct exchange program with the University of Rome first in 1989 and then again last December.

"On the surface it's fun and there's a certain prestige for UK and the University of Rome, but it's also part of multi-culturalism and global thinking," Norman said.

The program, established in 1968, focuses on cultural diversity and international experiences and allows the scholar to research while being submerged in a new environment.

"It helps interdisciplinary and comparative research and broadens the scholar's world view," said Nancy Unger, assistant director of the Appalachian Center, which administers the program.

Three names will be submit-

ted to the University of Rome, which will pick the applicant who will spend up to a month in Italy. The selected scholar will receive free round-trip air fare to Rome and a cost-of-living stipend. The university will also arrange living accommodations for the scholar, Unger said.

Ricardo Durante, the Italian scholar will visit UK Nov. 2. Durante will primarily be studying contemporary American poetry, literary translation and creative writing. He also has a special interest in Appalachian writing.

"I think when Italian scholars come to UK we get to see ourselves as others see us," Norman said.

During his time in Italy, Norman visited the sites of huge battles which took place during World War II. Because of his interest in American soldiers' experiences in Italy during the war, he visited three battlefields: Salerno, Cassino and Anzio.

"At an emotional level, these

battlefields moved me tremendously," he said.

Norman gave two formal presentations during his stay in Rome. He focused his speeches on the interest Italians have in the Appalachian region of the United States and Eastern Kentucky.

"I tried to give a picture of cultural difference," Norman said.

"The interest the scholars have in Italy stimulates scholars here to think about the region in terms of the international."

Norman said many of the reports about the United States reach Italians through television and give them a generic sense of Americans.

He said this program is one way of sharing the rich cultural diversity of the states.

"It's about having these Italian scholars interested in American differences," Norman said.

Apart from conducting research and giving speeches, Norman was also able to travel, taking a 1,000-mile auto tour through the mountainous Calabria region in southern Italy.

CAMPUS

The long, hard trip to equality

Researcher examines black women's hardships in South

By Matthew T. Patton
STAFF WRITER

Enjoying freedom was hard to come by, especially for the 19th century African-American woman.

But women took a stand and came to enjoy freedoms and advance in a South dominated by whites.

One researcher spent a great amount of time studying African-American women of the South and will discuss her latest book today at UK.

Tera Hunter of Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, will present "Work that Body: African-American Women, Work, and Leisure in Atlanta and the New South" at 3:30 this afternoon in 230 Student Center.

Hunter's recent book, *To Joy My Freedom: Southern Black Women's Lives and Labors after the Civil War*, traces the lives of African-American women in Atlanta after emancipation and shows how they built neighborhoods, churches, mutual aid groups and leisure institutions.

UK deals with little when it comes to African-American women, said Jan Oats, joint appointment instructor in the Women's Studies Program and English departments.

"The situation of African-American women needs more visibility, as does any number of ethnic minorities," Oats said. "To understand a big segment of a minority, we need to address these issues. One of the major tenants of the Women's Studies Program is to include women of color."

Because the program is a joint presentation with the African-American Studies and Research Program, Oats said, both communities will benefit from the ideas Hunter presents.

Patricia Cooper, an associate professor in the history department and the program, invited Hunter to come speak when she was the director of women's studies last year.

"Through her research, she was able to reconstruct working women, primarily in Atlanta," Cooper said.

"Scholars have talked about the limitations after the civil war of African-Americans and the efforts by whites to re-institute a white supremacist system after the fall of slavery.

"What Hunter does is show the ways in which those efforts to reassert control were met by fierce resistance, even by women who were poor and without resources," Cooper said.

"Hunter has uncovered wonderful, vivid evidence about the system of domination whites were trying to re-impose and how these women were able to negotiate, resist and subvert the efforts to control them."

Hour-long outage hits buildings

By Jessica Coy
NEWS EDITOR

Things got a bit squirrely on Central Campus last night when a squirrel climbed into a main power substation and tripped a breaker, causing an hour-long power outage.

Although most people on campus were startled by the sudden power failure, Dave Seaford, building operator for Physical Plant Division, said squirrels getting trapped in power transformers is not unusual.

"It happens all the time," he said. While Physical Plant staff were frantically working with Kentucky Utilities to assess the problem and get power back to campus, many students were enjoying an unexpected break from class.

"We were getting ready to start class when all of a sudden, nothing," said Aaron Anderson, a third-year architecture student. "Everyone said, 'Let's go to Lynagh's.'"

"It's too bad, I'm sure it would have been

See OUTAGE on 8 >>>

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down

Winnipeg elects openly gay mayor

WINNIPEG, Manitoba — A city councilman once featured in a documentary about gay foster fathers has won the mayoral race in Winnipeg, becoming the first openly gay mayor of a major Canadian city.

"It was a history-making night," said Glen Murray after returns compiled late Wednesday showed him easily defeating six other candidates.

Winnipeg is Manitoba's capital and, with 667,000 residents, is the largest Canadian city between Toronto and Calgary, Alberta. Murray, 41, became one of Canada's better-known gay politicians six years ago when, with his troubled foster son, he was featured in a film documentary called "A Kind of Family."

Mother in prom death gets 15 years

FREEHOLD, N.J. — The woman who gave birth at her high school prom, then strangled her newborn and returned to the dance floor was sentenced yesterday to 15 years in prison.

Under the plea agreement, she could be released in less than three years.

Melissa Drexler, 20, had pleaded guilty in August to aggravated manslaughter.

Dressed in a bulky gray sweater, Drexler was tearful during the sentencing and uttered only a one-sentence statement when asked to speak.

"I'd like to tell you I'm really, truly sorry for what I've done, OK?" she said.

Superior Court Judge John A. Ricciardi said the case was "very difficult" and made more difficult by the intense media interest in the case. He termed Drexler's actions "explainable but not excusable."

"She is not a monster. She is not someone to be gawked at, to be vilified by the public and the media. She is entitled to our understanding, our compassion and our prayers," the judge said.

Shuttle crowd includes celebrities

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Some real heavyweights came out to see John Glenn's return to orbit — including boxing champion Evander Holyfield.

But there were other high-powered personalities, from other worlds: Leonardo DiCaprio, star of the movie *Titanic*. Bruce Willis, star of *Armageddon*, and a passel of U.S. senators and representatives, Massachusetts Democrat Edward M. Kennedy among them.

A whole list of celebrities had been anticipated at the Kennedy Space Center — some ru-



SPACE CADETS: A number of celebrities and athletes, including boxer Evander Holyfield, turned out to watch history in the making, as John Glenn made his solo flight into space yesterday.

more, some announced. But the VIP section at the Banana Creek viewing area was divided into two sections, and the one with the important people was barely in view of journalists.

Was that Virginia Sen. Chuck Robb? Why, yes. Where were the members of Aerosmith? At a third private viewing area, mostly reserved for the astronauts' families.

DiCaprio might have avoided journalists' notice entirely, except that he stopped to chat with a shuttle astronaut on the way out. A White House staffer prevented a photographer from taking pictures, and the heartthrob of millions declined to talk to a reporter before getting on a bus.

Prior to launch, indications were that a number of stars would attend. But NASA officials could not immediately say whether they were at the Banana Creek site or some other viewing area.

Feminine boy shakes up school

CARROLLTON, Ga. — Patrick Nelson had heard there was a cross-dressing boy enrolled at his high school. But darned if he could figure out just who it was.

"I looked for him the first couple weeks. The honest truth — I didn't even know," Patrick said.

One day, he was talking about the mystery to a friend, who smiled and pointed to the pretty blonde at the desk next to his.

"I said, 'No way, that's too weird!'" Patrick recalled. "Then I thought about it, and I said, 'So what's so weird about that?'"

But while Patrick and his friends were willing to accept Matthew "Alex" McLendon's feminine appearance and mannerisms, others in this rural, conservative western Georgia community of about 20,000 weren't.

And so 15-year-old Alex withdrew from school under pressure, leaving supporters of the popular, easygoing student wondering what threat they had supposedly been protected from.

"Alex wasn't causing any problems. She got along well with everybody," said classmate and friend Meaghan Denkers. "She wasn't trying to change anybody to be like her or anything."

"Alex represents something that's way beyond the experience and the comfort zone of the very conservative people we live with," said Lori Lipoma, Meaghan's mother and a drama teacher at the school. "I really think we all lost something very precious that night."

Cruise, Kidman win big in court

LONDON — The Tom Cruise courtroom drama that played out yesterday in London was no movie.

A libel court awarded "substantial" damages to the movie actor and his wife, Nicole Kidman, who sued a London newspaper after it alleged they are gay and that their marriage is a sham. In court, the lawyer for Express Newspapers withdrew the allegations and acknowledged they were "entirely false."

Compiled from wire reports.

ACADEMICS

Dollars available for UK students

Graduate School Fellowship Office awarding doctoral students in second competition

By Kacia Galbreath
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The Graduate School Fellowship Office is accepting nominations for a \$3500 scholarship, which will be awarded to a doctoral student who will attend the International School of Theory in the Humanities.

"This is the second competition for this particular fellowship. Last year was the first year," said Lisa Collins, director of the graduate school fellowship office.

The student will attend a five-week summer program at the University of Santiago de Compostela in Spain.

Doctoral students who are in the humanities or humanities-related areas are eligible.

Related areas include the College of Education, College of Arts and Sciences, Architecture and the College of Fine Arts.

Last year's recipient Yanira Paz concentrated on one particular seminar, "Imaginary Ethnographies" during the program.

Edward Stanton, UK's representative for the summer program, said the program was designed to diversify the humanities programs.

"We felt there was a need because there were schools of the humanities, but no international school," said Stan-

ton, a Spanish and Italian professor.

In the College of Education, students studying administration and supervision, curriculum and instruction, educational and counseling psychology, educational policy studies and special education are eligible to apply.

Under the College of Arts and Sciences the departments of English, Geography, History, Philosophy, Spanish, and Italian and the department of historic preservation in the College of Architecture are eligible.

Students will begin studying in Spain in July and will stay five weeks, during which time they'll study and participate in the School of Theories and Humanities at the University of Santiago.

Stanton said the diverse community involved in the program will be an important part.

"This is a marvelous opportunity for one doctoral student from UK to be exposed to other doctoral students all over the world," Stanton said.

Nominations are due by Nov. 20. Applications can be picked up in 365 Patterson Office Tower, or call 257-3261. Additional information can be found by visiting: <http://www.rgs.uky.edu/gsfellowship/fellopps.html>.

Attacking the president ... has apparently become an obsession with the Republicans.

— Al Gore, as Democrats lashed out against a \$10 million Republican ad campaign that makes an issue out of the Monica Lewinsky scandal.



ROLLIN' IN THE DOUGH: Actor Tom Cruise and actress and wife Nicole Kidman came away smiling, after winning their libel suit against a London newspaper for saying the two were gay.

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MEN'S SOCCER

UK wakens for 3-2 win

Comeback: After sluggish first half, coach's speech, Cats rebound to defeat Miami (Ohio)

By Richard Cook
STAFF WRITER

The Wildcats walked off the field last night covered in blood, grass and glory after a 3-2 comeback victory over the Miami Redhawks.

"We came out for revenge in the second half," UK defender Tyler Cook, who scored two of UK's three goals said.

The victory was even sweeter because of the history between the teams. Last year, the Redhawks defeated the Wildcats 2-1. The defeat ended UK's season early, putting them out of Mid-American Conference title contention. With that in mind, and facing a single goal deficit at halftime, the team knew something had to change.

At the half, coach Ian Collins took the team into the darkness above the field and berated the team's performance.

"Coach said what some of us needed to hear and what others knew," Baker said. "I knew I'd had a flat first half."

Freshman defender Ilkka Jantti said the team underestimated the Redhawks in the first half. Collins called it one of the worst halves UK has played all

year. "It was a terrible first, but a great second half," he said. And it was like a different team came out to play the second half.

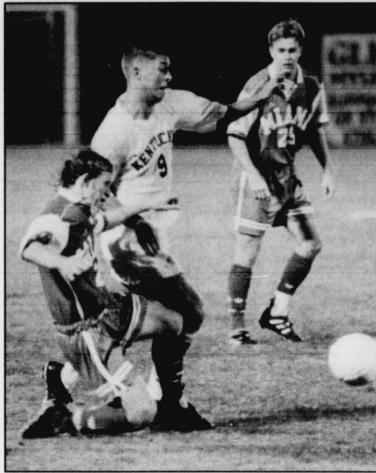
"We woke up and started to play," Cook said. "We realized how big this game really is."

The Wildcats are ranked No. 2 in the MAC and a loss would have pushed that ranking down, potentially killing the NCAA Tournament dream. Only six minutes into the second half, Baker served a corner kick to Cook, who dove it high into the net. Defender Ryan Grady assisted in the equalizer.

But Miami, desperate for a win, came back and scored less than 17 seconds later. It seemed UK's fate was sealed.

"I was curious to see how the team would handle it," Collins said. "In a strange way, I was glad to see their second goal."

The immediate response by Miami to UK's first goal could easily have flattened the Wildcat spirit, but instead the team rallied. After the goal, the team showed the character that has been developed in heartbreak losses like Belmont and Akron.



MOBIE HILGER | KERNEL STAFF

UK's Tyler Cook fights off a Miami of Ohio player during last night's 3-2 victory. The Cats play their last regular season game at home on Sunday.

"We proved we can win," Jantti said. "It's a good sign."

The team came back again. It was not, it seemed, willing to let its dream go yet. The Wildcats controlled the ball well, putting it within scoring range again and again.

Four players had shots on goal: Cook, Fernandes and Baker had three shots each. Grady, with only one shot for the night, made it count when he went one on one with Miami goalkeeper Michael Hickey. With a skillfully-placed kick,

Grady put the ball in the net and proved UK can finish their shots.

Cook explained why the team was able to take so many shot and finish.

"We knew we had to win," he said. "The team was elated with the win, knowing how close they had come to letting it get away from them, but learning anything can happen if the desire is there."

"We had the desire to play," Jantti said.

UK basketball or football?

By Adam Spaw
STAFF WRITER

Could this really be happening?

Has all the excitement of Hal Mumme and Co. left UK students (gasp!) forgetting about the start of basketball season?

In years past, come this time of year, seats at Commonwealth Stadium were like the gas tank on the way to Florida for spring break - empty.

But since the arrival of Tim Couch and the Hal Mumme "Air Raid," times have changed and seats have filled. The old saying that football season ends at Midnight Madness looks to

be a thing of the past. With a team likely to qualify for a bowl game and a quarter-back making a run toward the Heisman, are UK students getting caught up in all the pigskin hype and forgetting that basketball season starts Tuesday?

Education junior Brandon Allender was one of few who were in line Monday morning, when tickets were sold for UK's first two exhibition games.

"I was utterly disgusted when I got up and got in line and saw there were only about 10 of us," Allender said. "What happened to the 18,000 people who were partying on Euclid last March? If you're going to be there for the celebration,

you need to be here when it starts. Being a Wildcat fan isn't a part-time job, it's a full-time job."

Andy Machenheimer, a finance senior, said the football team deserves all the attention they have received.

"Not only is the football team having a good year, they're just exciting to watch," Machenheimer said. "I want to give them a lot of credit, but we're not Nebraska or Notre Dame. We're Kentucky and our history is in basketball."

Machenheimer also said the thought of playing past November has a lot of Cats fans pumped up about UK football.

"We'll probably be playing football in December for the first time in about five years," Machenheimer said. "It'll be exciting to know we still have a bowl game to look forward to in the middle of basketball season."

For Brandon Allender, football season is already over with.

"Football season is officially over at midnight Oct. 15," Allender said. "If you want to go to a football school, go to Ohio State."

Travis Hubbard, a journalism freshman, said, "The only thing that could top a bowl win and a national championship is a bowl win, a national championship and a Heisman trophy."

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The Campus Calendar is produced weekly by the Office of Student Activities. Postings in the calendar are free to all registered student organizations and UK Departments. Information can be submitted in Rm. 203, Student Center or by completing a request form on line at <http://www.uky.edu/StudentCenter>.
Posting requests are due ONE WEEK PRIOR to the Monday information is to appear in the calendar. For more information call 257-8867.

FRIDAY 10/30
MEETINGS
Catholic Mass, Newman Center, 12:10pm
LECTURES
Robert C. May Photography Endowment Lecture Series presents Anne Noggle, 6pm, UK Art Museum
SPORTS
UK Volleyball @ Tennessee, 7pm
Cross Country SEC Championships thru 11/1, Knoxville, TN
SPECIAL EVENTS
Gates Who's Who Game sponsored by French Residence, 5pm, Blending basement
Halloween Party, Newman Center, 8:30pm, Free Call Greet at 255-8567 for more info
Bake Sale Sponsored by the Student Social Work Assoc., 10am-2pm, Student Center Food Court
*King Cafe featuring Africanian Poets, 7pm, Room 124 Student Center

SATURDAY 10/31
HALLOWEEN!!!!
ARTS
UK Jazz Ensemble w/UK Jazz Ensemble Alumni Band, 8pm, Singletary Center, \$5 and \$4 admission
RELIGIOUS
Catholic Mass, Newman Center, 6pm
INTRAMURALS/RECREATION
Whiffle Ball Tournament
SPORTS
UK Men's Basketball Blue-White Scrimmage, 4pm, Memorial Coliseum
SPECIAL EVENTS
*Halloween Party sponsored by the Cosmopolitan Club, Jewell Hall and the Office of International Affairs, 8pm, Bradley Hall, \$2 cosmo members, \$4 non-members, \$5 at the door; tickets available Bradley Hall Rm 202
Red River George Hike, meet at 9am at the Newman Center, call Kevin at 255-8566 for more info
Caribbean Dance with Sandra Calro, 11:15 am, Barker Hall, \$8 public, \$5 students

SUNDAY 11/1
ARTS
Drums Around the World, 3pm, Singletary Concert Hall
Graduate Recital: Denise Smith, Flute, 5pm, Singletary Center
UK Percussion Ensemble, 3pm, Singletary Center
RELIGIOUS
University Proutie Service, Christian Student Fellowship, 11am, 502 Columbia Ave.
Sunday Catholic Mass, Newman Center, 9am, 11:30am, 5pm, 8:30pm
MEETINGS
UK Buddhist Association meeting, 4pm, Room 124 Kastle Hall
Phi Sigma Pi meeting, 8:00pm, Rm. 230 Student Center
INTRAMURALS/RECREATION
UK Athletics Club meeting 1-3pm, Alumni Gym Loft, for more info contact Chris Sweat at 245-5887
Whiffle Ball Tournament
SPORTS
UK Men's Soccer vs Northern Illinois, 1:30pm, UK Soccer Stadium, Free w/ Student ID
UK Women's Soccer vs Michigan, 2pm
UK Women's Golf @ Memphis Women's Invitational
SPECIAL EVENTS
Spaghetti Dinner, Newman Center, 6pm, \$2
Campus Cafe, 10:45am, Memorial Hall, call T.B. Oakes for more info at 224-1600

The Nightmare Before Christmas
Showing
Wednesday, October 28
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UK's Emami an open book

UK tennis star making a splash in NCAA while still remembering her difficult past in Iran

By Craig Carter
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

If Massoumeh Emami's life were put into book form, it could be a best seller.

But don't call the New York Times yet — the UK senior tennis player is still working on a few chapters.

Her story begins with a revolutionary war. Had it not been for this war, she might not have been around to lead UK's women's tennis team this season...sort of.

Emami was born in Iran during the late 1970s, a time of revolution in that country. Because her family name was associated with people in the old government, her parents decided it would be best to move the family out of the country.

"At the time when we left, it was really not safe," Emami said. "Our name was not exactly a good name to have after the revolution."

Emami doesn't think she would be where she is in her career had they not left.

"I wouldn't have had the coaching or the same intensity," Emami said. "It wouldn't have been the same experience."

After leaving Iran, Emami and her family lived in London until age four and then moved to Las Vegas.

At first she wasn't drawn to

tennis for the love of the game, but more because she wanted to be like her older sisters.

"My whole family plays tennis, and we'd always go to the club and play," Emami said. "I was so much younger and wanted to do what they were doing. I picked up a racket and started hitting against the backboard."

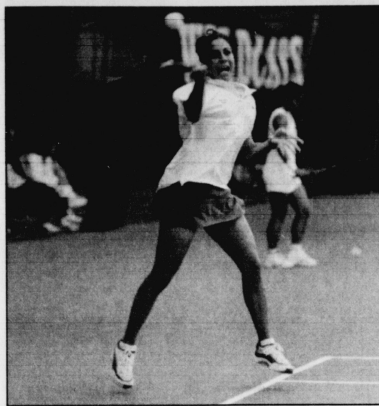
Even though Emami wasn't the first person in her family to start playing tennis, she may be the best. Her sisters played high school tennis, but Massoumeh was the one who stuck with it. She said her parents pushed her more because of how young she was when she started to play.

When she was 10, her family moved to northern Virginia, where Emami continued to increase her involvement in tennis by playing in national tournaments, where Emami was pretty successful.

"I was always ranked No. 1 or 2 in my section," she said. "And I was always ranked in the top 30 or 40 in the country."

During her junior year in high school, Emami started to be recruited by colleges. She narrowed her decision to UK and North Carolina before picking the Wildcats.

Emami has faced adversity throughout her life and her family continues to travel back and forth between Iran and the States, leaving her somewhat



UK's Massoumeh Emami returns a shot during a match last spring. Emami finished in the Round of 16 at last weekend's All-American Championships.

on her own. UK head coach Mark Guilbeau said that's where her teammates and her character come in to play.

"The team is a big support system," Guilbeau said. "But Massoumeh is extremely tough deep down."

It's that toughness that has propelled her to the top of her game. She was asked to be captain by Guilbeau before the season and has not only been a vocal leader, but has also led by example.

"Massoumeh shows the importance of working hard," Guilbeau said.

Just last weekend, she finished well at the All-American

Championships in California. The tournament is one of four major college tournaments in the country, which puts her with some of the nation's best players.

While her experiences at UK have been great, she said she must move on.

"I'm not ruling out any options, but I definitely don't want to play tennis for a career for the rest of my life," Emami said. "There's a lot of stuff other than tennis that I want to do."

Whatever direction she goes, it's OK, because remember, she's still working on a few chapters.

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Volunteer double-shot

By Katy Crossen
STAFF WRITER

The Cats are looking for a few good Volunteers.

The UK Volleyball team takes on Tennessee tonight in Knoxville, and senior Jenny Muzzey is looking forward to heading to her home state.

"They're a respectable team," Muzzey said. "We've played with them the last couple of years. I'm excited because some of my friends from high school go there."

Muzzey's pals might not show up, but the Cats will be there. The Cats also play UT this Sunday in Lexington, but tonight will be UK's first match with Tennessee this season. Coach Jona Braden says the team will take tonight's game one step at a time.

"We're focusing on Friday night," Braden said. "It's a big rivalry, playing Tennessee in any of our sports. More than anything, it's stepping on the floor, coming off of a weekend with two wins, and this is the last team of our East division

that we haven't seen and we're playing for the first time."

The team has had to work on a few techniques this week in practice to better prepare for this weekend. Freshman Whitney Sample said the team will have a lot of options to choose from.

"We've been working on a lot of defense because they run the middle, so we've been working on digging up the middle," Sample said.

Junior Jaclyn Homan said in the past week, the team has become familiar with the Vols' game, and Friday will be good preparation for Sunday.

"We'll know their tendencies," Homan said. "For the past few days coach has been telling us they have a very good middle that can strike the ball real well, and we've been working on blocking the ball. Hopefully we'll stop her and get to know her real well for Sunday."

Braden said the double-header weekend is unusual for UK, given that one game will be played at each team's home.

"I've never done this before, except for a double-elimination tournament," Braden said. "I think it will be interesting."

Homan said wins this weekend are important for the Cats to stay on track in conference play.

"I think we need to keep going in the SEC East," Homan said. "For the past two years, we've split with Tennessee, so it's important for our team to win both of them and keep on the right track, especially since next week we're going to South Carolina, Georgia. We need to stay on the winning streak."

A winning streak is important to the Cats' success.

"Every time we've stepped on the floor, on the whole, we've seen progress," Braden said. "The suggestion I would make is remain tough mentally, because whenever UK is tough mentally, we're very hard to stop."

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Shake with the Sheik

Duncan Sheik returns with *Humming*, a new album of pop tunes and mellow music

By Brenna Ohlson
ASSISTANT SCENE EDITOR

Sometimes you need something a little mellow. And with *Humming*, Duncan Sheik gives you a little mellow to work with.

After the success of his previous album, from which came his popular hit, "Barely Breathing," Sheik releases 11 songs that would usually come out of your mother's stereo, but listening to the disc early on, you realize you don't care.

Between Sheik's melancholy lyrics and intense musical style, the album gives the listener an excellent hour of listening satisfaction.

The tracks vary in pace, though all showcase Sheik's abundant talent as a pop artist.

Musically speaking, the album displays Sheik's prowess on instruments, from acoustic to electric guitar to cello to piano.

One of the highlights of *Humming* is Sheik's intertwining his lyrics with the music.

The songs' words are episodic in nature and tell the standardized pop music "all about love" story, but in a surprisingly poetic and empathetic manner.

For example, in one of the album's highlights, "Bite Your Tongue," Sheik says, "...and so you see I have no intention of giving you the easy way out/Yes I'll smile as I burn the self-help section of my local bookstore."

I'm sure Mr. Sheik doesn't condone burning sections of local bookstores, but the political themes than run through *Humming* only add to the overall quality of the CD.

On "Everywhere, Everywhere," Sheik lets loose one of the album's finer tracks.

The song's lyrics parlay imagery of emotions and scenery. It's a little bit like

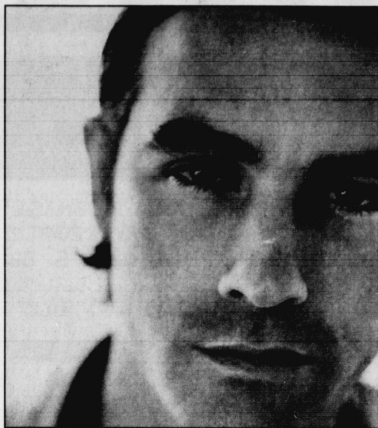


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On his latest album *Humming*, Duncan Sheik uses his poetic style to highlight the profound emotional statements in his music.

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Overall Sheik's album is a good mix of words, music and talent.

It thoroughly showcases the skill Sheik possesses as a musician. For a good hour of

mellow, flip *Humming* in the stereo, and let the music relax you.

Rating: B

TELEVISION

A little Dawson goes a long way

Why is "Dawson's Creek" so popular? One television critic thinks he has the answer

By Jonathan D. Gent
TELEVISION CRITIC

You know, a lot of people have asked me why exactly I watch "Dawson's Creek." After all, it is a teen drama about a group of kids in high school. It has been compared with "Beverly Hills, 90210" countless times.

Well, the truth is, Dawson has always seemed a little bit like me.

He's a film nut, obsessed with Steven Spielberg. More than that, Dawson is a hopeless romantic, but with a touch of cynicism. The only thing I ever differed with him about is his naivete. You see, my boy Dawson is dense. Joey (Katie Holmes) has been Dawson's

best friend since they were kids.

Joey is gorgeous, and in every way is a perfect girl for Dawson; and he never noticed it.

Every show of the first season began with Joey basically telling Dawson in a roundabout way how she felt (usually during some philosophical argument about mass media), and Dawson not even remotely picking up on it. Sad really.

So, at the end of last season, Dawson and Joey finally kissed, setting the stage for their romance to blossom. Not good.

This season has been Dawson pissing the viewers off with his pigheaded romanticism getting in the way of everybody.

He forgets Pacey's birthday (Pacey being his other best friend), reads Joey's journal, and sits idly by while his parents' marriage falls the hell apart.

When the show began, Dawson was filming a movie. His movie was going to be entered in a local film festival. The first four shows hit the film thing hard.

Dawson then began dating Jen, and the film thing dropped off the face of the show.

Dawson lost all focus, that I understand. You start to fall for someone, you do have a tendency to lose long-range focus.

But when Jen dumped Dawson, he didn't even go back to the movie. In fact, since its disappearance, the film has only been brought up once this season, and that was in passing.

The point is, one of the things that made the show lik-

able to me was the film thing. A kid, as obsessed with movies as I was at that age, and the adventures he has. And that part has disappeared for all intents and purposes. Well, what now?

Well, the make up for it, the show has added new characters, and more importantly have given Pacey (Joshua Jackson) a larger part on the show.

Pacey was the clown prince of the show last season, and really has given the show some needed pickup in its second season.

He has his own plot lines, and even his teacher (his girlfriend/teacher) is coming back for one show this week.

So, "Dawson's Creek." Hopefully, this kind of sophomore jinx gets itself worked out soon. Otherwise, it could be the end for the only show on television about a newspaper television critic (hold on). Just kidding.

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READERS' FORUM

Expressions

Shut up and take your political dose of medicine

To the editor:

In response to Gaddis' letter to the editor, I must say, "Stop crying!"

I read every word of the article in question, and feel sorry for Gaddis. An opinion column is for opinions, Gaddis. If you feel persecuted enough to insult the intelligence of the author and every conservative on campus, then "walk a mile in my shoes."

On the contrary of what is learned in our political science department, there is a liberal bias in the mainstream media. For example, the Lexington Herald-Leader only endorsed the Republican in the Congressional and Senate races that had virtually no opposition. Every Sunday I read the "Opinions and Ideas" section of the Lexington Herald-Leader. And every Sunday, I am overwhelmed with articles by John Pearce and cartoons by Joel Pett. Yet I do not cry and insult the intelligence of these people.

If you cannot hold your tears because one opinion in the Kernel does not go your way, then get out of political science! When you get out into the real world, you will find most businesses like conserv-

ative ideas, such as tax breaks, and less government regulation.

On another note, how can we trust and continue to endorse the most powerful man in the world to make decision that affect our lives, if he can't keep his "slick willy" in his pants?

STEPHEN SCOTT JEFFRIES
 MARKETING SOPHOMORE

Recycling plan doomed due to lame containers

To the editor:

It is admirable that the University is attempting a recycling plan of their own without being forced. There are places in the United States where recycling is required by law, and communities will search through trash and fine citizens who throw out recyclables. But if the initiative fails to take hold at UK, it would be their own fault.

It appears to me that, especially in the White Hall Classroom Building, they have not done a good job of making recycling easy. When recycling is a voluntary action, it should be made as simple to the public as possible. The aluminum can recycling containers in the Classroom Building are lu-

dicious. While most recycling containers' only instruction is what goes in it, these devices have picture diagrams to explain how to use them. I highly suspect that these devices also cost the University quite a bit more than a simple blue trash can with a hole slightly larger around than a 12-ounce can cut in the top.

And what about the paper recyclers next to them? They have white swing-top lids. They look just like a regular trash can from the top. How about a flat top with a slot cut in it, and "Paper Only" written above it? It's no wonder they're usually filled with trash instead of recyclables.

G. KENNETH ROGERS
 ENGINEERING SENIOR

Crime is crime, no matter what

To the editor:

I would like to clue Clayton Sanford on something: Stupidity doesn't make murder legal. Murderers don't in the "heat of passion" happen every day in this country, and guess what? The murderers are held responsible for their crimes anyway. A crime is labeled a "hate crime" when it threatens an entire group of people. When someone is killed and their body strung up so all can see, it is apparent that the perpetrators wanted to send a public message — in this case, to threaten gay people.

SARAH GLENN
 LEXINGTON

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Clayton Sandford
 KERNEL COLUMNIST

Witches not confined to 18th-century novels

Over the past year, I have had an opportunity to converse with a young lady here in Lexington who considers herself a witch. Through numerous conversations, this young lady has proven to be quite charming as well as intelligent and articulate. I've thoroughly enjoyed learning more about her and her beliefs.

Yet as a devout Christian, I've struggled with the idea that anyone claiming to be a witch could possibly be anything other than a pawn of Satan. Paganism at its core is a celebration of life's earthly pleasures. Indeed, there is no celibate clergy in paganism. Many leap at such practices because it provides immediate gratification. It tends to operate on the idea that which feels good and doesn't hurt others is OK. In fact, the entire new age movement is simply rehashing old pagan concepts.

Admittedly, most modern witches practice a benign faith, harming no one. In fact, many who claim to be witches are assets to the community in general. Yet, like the old axe, the road to hell is paved with good intentions. In my mind, I've always fallen back on the notion that any pagan philosophy is an affront to God and therefore evil.

Certainly cases such as the ongoing struggle in Missouri in which a witchcraft practitioner is suing to have a Christian symbol removed from a small town's emblem does not endear witches to the Christian faith. But famed religious scholar C.S.

Lewis puts forth an interesting argument concerning groups, such as the members of the witch movement and pagans in general. Lewis might argue that those who consistently practice good, even if that good is not oriented toward the Christian deity, are entitled to some measure of respect and perhaps even a chance at salvation. Conversely, those who practice evil, even though committed in the name of God, are damned. This would seem to be the loophole with which to accept paganism. But Lewis would also find an important distinction between people never exposed to Christianity who practice paganism and those who reject Christianity in favor of paganism.

Admittedly, my friendship with a witch has caused a great internal struggle within myself. Because she is such a nice person, I've twisted and turned to be comfortable with her core beliefs. I've weighed every argument and counter argument. I've considered the '90s notions of tolerance and diversity as well as the concept of religious freedom in the United States. Finally, I've considered the highest law. As a Christian, I'm admonished not to judge, because I will be judged by the same standard I impose on others. While I truly like the good qualities of my witch friend, I cannot abide the concept of rejecting God, even in the face of moralist actions. If I'm damned for rejecting paganism, it's a cross I'll gladly bear.

Creative costumes a must for Halloween



Beverly Spitzer
 KERNEL COLUMNIST

fun; it consisted of a Puritan costume and shrieking. "I saw Goody Murphy with the devil!" I welcome each Oct. 31, because I can dress up and be melodramatic without being sent to Charter Ridge. Costumes go over best when you typecast yourself. Because I'm dark-haired, eerily skinny and pale, I often dress as a witch, a skeleton or Morticia Addams. Last year, I chose the most appropriate character of all: After consulting a comic book, I sewed white ruffles to the neck and cuffs of a red turtleneck and a red stripe near the bottom of my long black wool skirt. I rolled red knee socks into doughnuts around my ankles, slipped into scuffed dockers, and skinned my short hair back into a scrawny ponytail. Presto: Olive Oyl!

After practicing my imitation ("Help, Popeye! Haalp!"), I shambled downstairs to coax my first-floor neighbor into attending our grad school's Halloween party. I had been pestering him for weeks to accompany me as Popeye, but would settle for persuading him to give silliness a chance. "I don't have a costume," he

protested wearily. "Oh, for heaven's sake, just throw a sheet over yourself and come as a ghost. All my sheets are Jurassic Park ones."

I didn't know if that was true, but I wasn't about to investigate his bed. I also had an inkling he wouldn't accept my offer of an old floral sheet. He probably wouldn't want to look like he was haunting a gay bar. "Well, can't you modify some of your normal clothes?" I persisted, twirling like a model.

"They're all so grungy, the only thing I could go as is a serial killer." I lit up. "Wait here — don't move," I cried, and ran back up to my apartment. I grabbed a box of Cheerios®, stabbed a paring knife into it, dribbled ketchup around the slit like blood, and leaped back down to his door. I thrust it at him and said, "Here. You're a cereal killer."

This year, I'm exploiting another characteristic — my baby face — and going as a fairy. (I plan to cast a spell on my toughest professor — it's the only way she'll give me an A on my midterm.) This role has the added distinction of being in stark contrast to the usual ranks of vampires, hoboes and, this year's favorite, Morticia Lewinskys. The most entertaining person at the party will probably be my shapely friend, who will be dressed as Marilyn Monroe. She plans to saunter up to all the Monicas and whisper, "You know, before I'd talk to an independent counsel, I'd kill myself!"

IN OUR OPINION

Color blindness

Black children learning a bad habit

Chances are, powerful leaders like Martin Luther King, Jr. and Frederick Douglass didn't worry that they were acting "too white" when they pursued the academic dreams that made them influential revolutionaries of their times.

Apparently, some circles of the black population (mostly young people) frown upon academic achievement while aligning it with the white experience. It might be news to some people, but black people can't be themselves and excel in academics at the same time. Granted, children can be misgendered and peer pressure induces irrational behavior, but this negative stereotyping catches people at a crucial period in development when children's potential emerges and life goals are assessed.

Shaker Heights, Ohio, provides the perfect backdrop for the incongruities between black and white high-school performance. In this school district, each child reaps the benefits of good teachers, modern facilities and a healthy budget. According to the school system, black students constitute slightly more than half of the population, but around 80 percent of them fail at least one portion of the ninth-grade proficiency exam or who earn Ds or Fs in at least one major subject after fifth grade. Thus, excluding economic disparity and leveling the playing field still produces profound differences in performance. Researchers now look to subtle forces possibly at work.

And unfortunately, researchers have concluded that the influence of peer groups has the most powerful influence on the scholastic performance of young people. They've concluded that economic factors and school segregation do not have as much of an effect as previously thought, especially after observing the similar economic and racial composition of the Shaker Heights school system.

One reason that transcends all racial boundaries is the breakdown of the American family. And in Shaker Heights, as well as across the country, black children, not parents, are influencing their friends by telling them that if they try to achieve at school, then they are "acting white."

Achievement for people of color was long subdued by the racism of the white majority. In many instances, it still might be. But people need to understand that, regardless of one's skin color, achievement in school is crucial to success in life. Not everyone can win Powerball or make a living as a singer or professional athlete.

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CAREERS

Gender gap growing

Report shows a growing disparity between men and women computer science grads

By Mark Matthews
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COLLEGE PARK, Md. — At a time when the Information Superhighway increases its speed limit on almost every day, fewer women drivers are merging into the growing fields of technology and computer science.

Fewer than 30 percent of computer and information science undergraduates are female, according to an American Association of University Women's Educational Foundation report released last week. The gender gap is even larger at the graduate level, the report said.

This national trend is even more apparent on Maryland's campus. Only 20 percent of the 1,888 undergraduate students in the computer science program are women, a sharp drop from 40 percent eight years ago.

"We don't know why we

are seeing this drop," said Gwen Kaye, the computer science undergraduate program coordinator. "There are a lot of explanations, but we don't have anything (concrete) going. We are concerned."

Larisa Kofman, president of the Women's Circle and a computer database editor, discussed a few of the explanations.

She said women's reluctance to pursue computer science majors relates to "a general fear of technology," whereas men become interested in technology and have more of a hands-on experience at a young age.

"Women assume the usual gender roles and learn what is acceptable," she said. "Here's a stereotypical situation: In an office, women are getting the grunt work, they are typing memos, writing inter-office mail and doing other data entry things. There isn't an opportunity to work on or re-

search the web." To fight the developing problems, both professional and private, the Society of Women in Computer Science develops programs to help the 374 female computer science majors on campus.

The SWCS formed last year to serve as a support mechanism for the decreasing number of women in the computer science department, SWCS co-organizer Maria Jump said.

"As a group, we are trying to generate a web of support for women who are interested in the field of computer science, to help them adjust to the program and to provide them with positive role models from within," Jump said.

The SWCS is also developing mentor and outreach programs, organized study groups and computer science seminars.

Jump and co-organizer Nancy Debnam said they agree with Kofman's claim that traditional social roles spill over into the workplace, widening the technological gap between the sexes.

OUTAGE

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a very interesting lecture," Anderson said with a smile.

Students streamed out of the White Hall Classroom Building wearing smiles and bewildered looks, but upstairs in the building's darkened hallways, many more milled about waiting to see if the power would stay out long enough for their 6 p.m. classes to be canceled.

The power outage seemed almost too good to be true for Tiffany Padgett, a secondary history education junior, who was supposed to take a test in her Psychology 331 class.

"This is great," Padgett said. "But I think it was planned, it's a Thursday, it's a pretty night out and I think everybody just wants to go home."

Tony Baxter, a computer science professor who teaches a class which is broadcasted via satellite for faculty at Lexington Community College, wasn't so thrilled about the outage.

"I guess we'll just have to do it again next Thursday, there's nothing any one can do about it now," he said.

Students in computer labs and classes might have been inconvenienced when the lights went out, but for some students, the outage meant their scholarship money might be delayed by a week.

Army ROTC instructor Lt. Patrick Sargent said he was entering scholarship information into the computer when the power went out.

"Now the information won't get sent out until next week, and several students won't get their tuition money on time," he said.

Fire truck sirens were heard throughout campus during the outage, as Lexington firefighters headed to campus to check elevators for trapped passengers. But Seaford said no one was trapped, and that everything was back to business as usual within two hours.

The outage didn't affect everyone though. While many students were waiting for the power to come back on, sever-

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