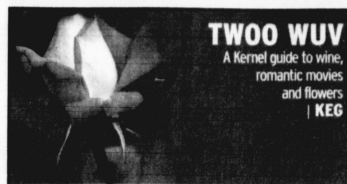


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Army depot prepares for war with Iraq

Weapons of mass destruction: Decision forthcoming on disposal method of chemical agents stored in Ky.

By Derek Poore
STAFF WRITER

Bases and battleships aren't the only areas of the military that are preparing for a strike in Iraq.

Since Thanksgiving, activity at the Blue Grass Army depot has increased, according to Dave Easter, depot public affairs officer.

Easter will speak to the American Society of Mechan-

ical Engineers tonight in the Boone Center.

He will discuss the current activities of the depot, which is located near Richmond, as well as the technology involved in disposing of the chemical weapons stored at the complex.

Controversy has surrounded the depot as various groups debate the best

method of disposing of the chemical weapons stored there. A plan to incinerate the chemicals was nixed last fall.

Easter says the final word on the fate of the chemical agents is due any day.

"It should be formalized in the next week on how to destroy our weapons," Easter said.

"I'm going talk about how big the depot is, [the] things we're doing right now, and the current status of our chemical weapons," Easter said.

"Approximately 1.7 percent of our [nation's] chemical weapons are stored here."

Last month, more than 200 protesters used the depot as a backdrop to speak out against the impending war with Iraq.

When the decision on destroying the chemicals comes, it will likely draw from four suggestions detailed in an 854-page Army report released this year.

In the report, the U.S. deputy secretary of defense said the preferred technique for destroying the weapons

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Lexington health board considers smoking ban

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Health officials in Lexington, a hub of burley tobacco sales, will begin drafting a regulation to outlaw smoking in bars and restaurants.

A similar measure is pending before the city council, which tabled a proposed ordinance by a 6-5 vote in December. A public hearing on the matter is scheduled for Feb. 20.

On Monday, the Fayette County Board of Health voted unanimously to start drafting a restaurant smoking ban.

The board would probably not vote on the matter for two more months.

Mayor Teresa Isaac, who sits on the 13-member health board, said she voted for the measure because the evidence about the health consequences of second-hand smoke is "irrefutable."

But Isaac said that as mayor, she would have to weigh economic concerns of bar and restaurant owners.

At Monday's meeting, surgeons, doctors and public health crusaders beseeched the health board to make Lexington the first Kentucky city to ban smoking in public buildings.

For too long, Kentucky has held the "notorious distinction" of leading the nation in adult smoking, said Todd Warnick, manager for the tobacco-control program at the county's health department.

Gene McLean, a lobbyist hired by area restaurants to fight the ban, disputed the findings of health professionals about the dangers of second-hand smoke.

"There is no evidence that conclusively decides this issue," he said.

He also assured the board that some kind of "costly legal battle" would ensue if it passed a smoking ban.

Council action is still the preferred method to ban public smoking, said Phil Scott, attorney for the health department, because it would face less of a challenge in the courts.

But Scott argued that the health board had every right to enact its own rules, perhaps by tying them into the licensing of restaurants and bars.

"I now have a full-circle perspective and can relate better to what families and patients may be going through."

- KRISTI GRAVES, RESEARCHER OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE AT THE UK COLLEGE OF MEDICINE



BRAD WILDER | KERNEL STAFF

Living with cancer

Cancer patient Maggie Duff, of Hazard, takes her chemotherapy treatment at UK's Markey Cancer Center. Current research at UK is studying alternative ways to treat the effects of cancer.

UK researcher studies innovative cancer therapies

Quality of life: New treatments seek to improve both physical and psychological health

By Derek Poore
STAFF WRITER

A UK researcher is seeking new, alternative ways to treat the effects of cancer.

Kristi Graves was an undergraduate at James Madison University when her mother was diagnosed with breast cancer.

Graves, a postdoctoral researcher at the Department of Behavioral Science of the UK College of Medicine, explained

that her interest in the field stems from personal hardship.

"When I was a sophomore at James Madison University, my mom was diagnosed with breast cancer," Graves said. "I was very impressed with how well she took charge of her care and her incredible spirit and coping abilities. At that point, I decided I wanted to learn more about how patients and family members cope with cancer."

According to a report pub-

lished by the American Cancer Society, various forms of the disease will kill 556,000 people this year.

The medical field is searching for new approaches to cure the disease and mitigate its effects.

Graves will study two new methods of helping patients cope with their illness and compare them to standard care

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10 UK police cruisers could be defective

Lawsuit: National Association claims the Ford Crown Victoria has faulty parts; UK police not planning to replace vehicles yet

By Emily Hagedorn
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Ten out of the UK Police Department's 16 police cruisers are Ford Crown Victoria Interceptors — a car many police departments are finding to be defective.

In a lawsuit filed Jan. 29, the National Association of Police Organizations claimed Ford failed to repair a defect that could cause its cruisers to burst into flames when hit from behind.

Ford has denied these claims. UKPD is not part of this suit, but its Crown Victorias have been

part of recalls in the past, said Cmdr. Travis Manley, director of UK's Communication and Information Services.

UKPD was in the process of phasing out the Crown Victoria, but that effort has been put on hold until a new police chief is found.

The department has been without a chief since November, when its former chief, Rebecca Langston, became Commissioner of Public Safety for the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council. UK hopes to have the new chief chosen by the end of this semester.

"Right now we don't have

money to buy any new cars anyway," Manley said.

If a defect is found, the cruisers will be repaired, Manley said. The Crown Victoria is the most common police car in America. Of the 350,000 police cars, about 80 percent are Crown Victorias.

UKPD's other cruisers consist of five Chevrolet Impalas and one Chevrolet Suburban.

While most of the damage done to UKPD's cruisers is from side collisions, Manley said that if a defect is found, it will be a concern. Cruisers usually accrue more damage and are involved in more accidents than other vehicles.

"Your risk factor definitely goes up because of the nature of our job," he said.

Radio station, printing press brace for cuts

By Rebecca Neal
STAFF WRITER

As UK faces the prospect of state funding cuts, faculty worry about job security and students fret over tuition hikes. But programs on the periphery of UK could also be hurt.

UK's public radio station, the University Extension and the University Press are among those programs looking for alternative funding sources.

Roger Chesser, the general manager of WKYU, said listener contributions would be even more important to the station in case of significant cuts in funding.

"Listeners can turn on a radio and never pay us anything. But we always hope our listeners will see the need and contribute," Chesser said.

The station already holds fundraisers to supplement its funds from the university and federal government, he said.

The station's total budget is \$1.4 million, Chesser said. One fundraiser, Heard It Through the Grapevine, was held two weeks ago. Chesser said raising money at such events is becoming more difficult.

"Our expenses are rising, so our profits are dropping," he said. Chesser said the station will have another listener support drive starting Feb. 18.

WKYU broadcasts National Public Radio and BBC programming, which Chesser said is expensive. "Our most popular news and cultural programs cost us a good chunk of money," he said.

Chesser said he is already trying to save money in case of cuts.

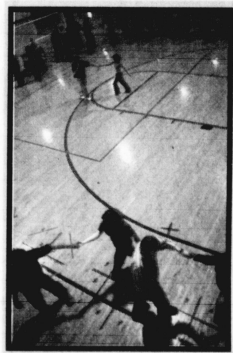
"If we have to make cuts, we want to do it without our listeners hearing any difference," he said.

The dean of the University Extension program said he hopes budget cuts won't affect students and available courses.

"We'll try not to impact class offerings, but it may mean that employees are going to have to double up on duties," said Philip Greasley.

Greasley said University Extension operates evening and weekend classes, sun-

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RACHAEL KERLEY | KERNEL STAFF

The Swing Dance Club, which meets every Monday night at 6:30, has its largest enrollment with over 100 members. Here you can learn any dance from the jitterbug to the lindy starting at either the beginner or the intermediate level. See Scene, page 4.

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down



For the health of our students, we believe that a ban on cigarette smoking in residence halls is an important step in protecting and improving the current and future health of our students."

UK President Lee Todd, in a recent letter to state Rep. Jim Wayne, D-Louisville, sponsor of a ban on smoking in dorms.

Todd supports dorm smoking ban

In a recent letter to state Rep. Jim Wayne, D-Louisville, UK President Lee Todd said he supports a bill that would ban smoking in dorms, residence halls and other campus-owned and sanctioned housing at public and private colleges. "For the health of our students, we believe that a ban on cigarette smoking in residence halls is an important step in protecting and improving the current and future health of our students," Todd said. Todd said Kentucky universities are among the last to adopt smoke-free residences and he said he is concerned about students' health. Wayne, the sponsor of the bill, said the driving force behind the bill is the concern about student safety and health. The proposal, House Bill 98, is backed by the state Council on Postsecondary Education. The House Education Committee approved the bill last week but the bill is expected to run into opposition when it comes up in the full House.

Free smoking cessation class offered

Smokers can get help quitting with the UK Markey Cancer Center and its Cancer Smoking Cessation Program. The Cooper/Clayton group, support program, uses research-based methods to help people quit. Participants will also have the opportunity to enter the "Bluegrass Quit and Win" contest, in which participants have the chance to win up to \$2,500. The class begins Feb. 11 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the first floor of the UK Markey Cancer Center Whitney Hendrickson Building. To register or for information call 323-5278. Walk-ins are welcome.

Lecture heralds Irish exhibit

Helen Vendler, Harvard professor and The New Yorker magazine critic, will give a free lecture Thursday titled "W.B. Yeats and Lyric Poetry," at 3 p.m. in the President's Room of the UK Singletary Center for the Arts. Her lecture marks the opening of "Irish Literature, 1699-1944: An Exhibition," an exhibit at the UK Special Collections in the Margaret I. King Library. The exhibit includes more than 150 rare books, autographed manuscripts and autographed letters.



DUDE, A SMALL BAG?
Benjamin Curtis, better known as the "Dell Dude" from the computer company's television commercials, was released from jail Monday after being arrested on Manhattan's Lower East Side on suspicion of trying to buy marijuana. Curtis was arrested at 11:30 p.m. Sunday and charged with criminal possession of marijuana when an officer saw him making the purchase from Queens resident Omar Mendez, a police spokesman said. Police said Curtis was buying "a small bag" and was not being charged with intent to distribute. Mendez, 19, faces charges of drug sale and possession. "At no time was there ever any intent to distribute," Curtis' attorney, James Moschella, told CNN. "The case is over." Officers made the arrest as part of Operation Condo, a special anti-narcotics detail. Curtis' agent, Bonnie Schumofsky, refused to comment on the arrest.

Party offers check-ups, entertainment

Free blood pressure screenings, cholesterol checks, dancing routines, aerobic demonstrations and a step show by UK's Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity are among many activities offered at the American Heart Association's 7th Annual Heart and Soul Fest. The event will be Feb. 22 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lexington Traditional Magnet School, 350 N. Limestone St.

LCC hosting program about Iraq

In hopes of helping students, faculty and staff learn more about Iraq and U.S.-Iraq politics, LCC will be among many colleges and universities hosting Iraq Teach Ins on Monday. The Teach In includes a showing of Hearts and Minds, a documentary about the Vietnam War. The Teach In is sponsored by LCC's Peace and Justice Coalition. For more information email LCC_Peace_and_Justice@yahoo.com.

UK schedule book, bulletin awarded

Several UK admission and recruitment publications received top honors at the 18th Annual Admissions Advertising Awards hosted by Admissions Marketing Report, the national newspaper of admissions marketing. UK's University Bulletin received the highest award, the Gold Award for colleges and universities with enrollment over 20,000. UK's Schedule of Classes and UK's complete recruitment package — the bulletin and schedule book — won Merit Awards. Over 700 institutions participated in the competition, with 140 competing in the "over 20,000 enrollment" category.

Bucks for Brains may take cut

FRANKFORT — A preliminary budget proposal to be introduced Monday includes a \$120 million cut from Kentucky's Bucks for Brains program, said committee Chairman Rep. Harry Moberly, D-Richmond. The program pledges to match universities dollar-for-dollar for their research. Under the spending proposal the only three areas not expected to see budgetary cuts are elementary and secondary education, human services and corrections, Moberly said. The rest of state government would see about 2.6 percent worth of cuts to agencies this year. House Democrats plan to discuss the idea Tuesday afternoon. Moberly said, and the plan should head for an appropriations panel review on Wednesday. The hope is to have House lawmakers vote on the measure Friday, Moberly said.

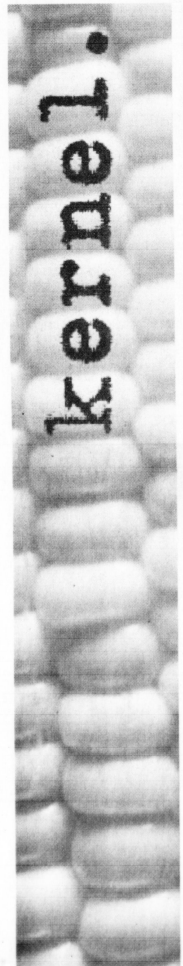
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Selected reports UK police from
Feb. 3 to Feb. 9

- Feb. 3: Theft reported from 305 Euclid Ave. at 2:52 p.m., cell phone stolen.
- Feb. 3: Disorder reported from University Drive and Huguette Ave. at 5:27 p.m.
- Feb. 4: Theft reported from 800 Rose St. at 8:39 a.m., purse stolen.
- Feb. 4: Theft of a vehicle reported from the bus stop at the Nutter Field House at 4:04 p.m.
- Feb. 4: Domestic dispute reported from 158 Greg Page Apartments at 4:48 p.m.
- Feb. 4: Scalping reported from 430 W. Vine St. at 7:51 p.m.
- Feb. 4: Scalping reported from 430 W. Vine St. at 8:02 p.m.
- Feb. 5: Theft reported from 430 W. Vine St. at 12:05 a.m., pick-pocketing.
- Feb. 5: Suspicious car reported from 538 Rose St. at 1:20 p.m., black Chevrolet left running on third floor.
- Feb. 5: Drug/marijuana use reported from Greg Page Apartments at 7:16 p.m.
- Feb. 5: Suspicious circumstances reported from 1540 University Drive at 9:35 p.m., subject on skateboard being pulled by car.
- Feb. 5: Theft reported from 800 Rose St. at 11:41 p.m., purse stolen.
- Feb. 6: Shoplifting reported from the student bookstore at 11:50 a.m.
- Feb. 6: Theft reported from 404 S. Limestone St. at 12:39 p.m.; keys and credit cards stolen.
- Feb. 6: Theft reported from 409 S. Limestone St. at 3:05 p.m.; purse stolen.
- Feb. 6: Suspicious circumstances reported from 845 Red Mile Road at 7:51 p.m., juvenile selling newspapers.
- Feb. 6: Theft reported from Kirwan tower at 8:19 p.m., state championship ring stolen that was worth \$500.
- Feb. 7: Suspicious car reported from Veterans Drive at 1:41 p.m., yellow and white semi-truck parked for over an hour.
- Feb. 7: Criminal mischief reported from 410 Rose Lane at 3:19 p.m.; someone broke all the windows out of car.
- Feb. 7: Criminal mischief reported from Red Lot at 11:30 p.m., glass in bus stop appears to have been shot out.
- Feb. 8: Theft reported from Tolly-Ho parking lot at 5:27 a.m., subject entered police vehicle and stole wallet and police baseball cap.
- Feb. 9: Alcohol intoxication reported from 769 Woodland Ave. at 2:10 a.m., subject in and out of consciousness, throwing up and inability to hold up head.
- Feb. 9: Disorder reported from Blazer Drive at 3:44 p.m.
- Feb. 9: Theft of a vehicle reported from Blazer Drive at 5:19 p.m. Suspicious male in the late 20s with a beard and hat seen; gray Buick Park Avenue stolen.

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CIA chief tells Congress terrorism threat is high



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CIA Director George Tenet, left, testifies before the Senate Intelligence Committee in Washington Tuesday as FBI Director Robert Mueller, background, watches. Tenet and Mueller say al-Qaida still poses the greatest terror threat to America, but that their agencies are far better prepared to detect and prevent attacks than they were before Sept. 11, 2001.

'Not idle chatter': Officials say intelligence shows al-Qaida may use radioactive or chemical weapons

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Intelligence information suggests al-Qaida attacks may occur as early as this week in both the United States and on the Arabian peninsula, CIA Director George J. Tenet told Congress on Tuesday.

The information led to last week's raising of the national terror alert level to "orange," the second highest of five levels. The information came from "multiple sources with strong al-Qaida ties," Tenet said without providing details.

"The intelligence is not idle chatter on the part of terrorists and their associates," Tenet said. "It is the most specific we have seen, and it is consistent with both our knowledge of al-Qaida's doctrine and our knowledge of plots this network — and particularly its senior leadership — has been working on for years."

The information pointing to imminent attacks was gathered both in the United States and overseas, said

FBI Director Robert S. Mueller III, who joined Tenet and other intelligence chiefs to brief the Senate Intelligence Committee in an annual public session on threats to national security.

The CIA director said the information suggests the attack may involve a "dirty bomb" — a weapon that spreads radioactive material over a wide area — or chemical or poison weapons. Officials last week worried the attack was timed to coincide with the hajj, a Muslim holy period this week.

But Mueller and Tenet said the U.S. government has no specific information pointing conclusively to where, when or how terrorists would strike. They said raising the national alert level — and taking security measures at government and business centers — makes it more difficult for the terrorists to carry out an attack.

Tenet had little information Tuesday morning on a new audio message attributed to Osama bin Laden, which aired later in the day

Some previous recordings of the al-Qaida chief have served as a prelude to terrorist attacks.

The CIA chief also repeated many of Secretary of State Colin Powell's statements last week to the United Nations regarding Iraq's efforts to acquire chemical, biological and nuclear weapons, and linking al-Qaida supporters to the Iraqi government. Tenet said the key link between Baghdad and al-Qaida is Abu Musab Zarqawi, a senior associate of bin Laden.

About two dozen of Zarqawi's followers remain in Baghdad, where Zarqawi spent two months last summer. All are members of Egyptian Islamic Jihad, a terrorist group that has merged with al-Qaida, Tenet said. But he said he has no evidence suggesting Iraq has any operational control over Zarqawi's group or al-Qaida.

Echoing Bush administration policy-makers, Tenet and the other intelligence chiefs offered little hope that U.S. inspections would prompt Iraq to disarm, saying Saddam is intent upon and capable of circumventing the inspections.

Bush: Tape links Iraq to bin Laden

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration, which once urged American television networks to show restraint in airing messages from al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden, on Tuesday spread the word itself that another tape had surfaced.

Secretary of State Colin Powell said the apparent new bin Laden recording claiming solidarity with Iraqi Muslims was evidence of the administration's claims of ties between Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and al-Qaida.

Powell delivered the news that the audiotape would be played on the Arab TV station al-Jazeera even before the news outlet said it had such a tape. "Be patient, it's coming," Powell responded.

And it did. About three hours after Powell's revelation before the Senate Budget Committee, al-Jazeera said it had received the tape, which it then broadcast.

U.S. counterterrorism officials said the audio message was probably a real recording of bin Laden.

The administration nonetheless wasted no time in saying the tape was a key element of President Bush's argument that Saddam must be disarmed soon, before he hands weapons of mass destruction to terrorist networks like al-Qaida.

"What the secretary has alluded to this morning gives further proof of the concerns that we have about Iraq and al-Qaida linking up," Bush spokesman Ari Fleischer said.

A senior administration official cited several statements made by the speaker as proof of a "burgeoning alliance of terror" between Saddam and bin Laden.

The speaker urged Iraqis to carry out suicide attacks against Americans and defend themselves against a U.S. attack. The speaker also urged Iraqis to dig trenches and engage in urban warfare to fend off U.S. troops. However, the speaker said nothing about direct ties between al-Qaida and the Iraqi government — saying his followers only share a common interest with Iraq. He denounced Saddam's secular, socialist al-Baath party as "infidels."

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was neutralization; water oxidation was the second choice.

According to Easter, the depot houses a smaller amount of chemical agents than many depots around the country, but the nature of the weapons stored there is more sensitive.

The Army depot is not only used for chemical weapons storage.

"Predominantly we are

responsible for providing materials to the Department of Defense," Easter explained. "From plastic explosives to rockets, and everything in between."

Easter said the depot provides protective gear to guard soldiers against the effects of chemical weapons.

The Blue Grass Army Depot is under the direction of the Joint Munitions Facility in Rock Island, Ill., and the Army Materiel Command in Virginia.

Easter will speak at 7 p.m. at the Boone Center on Rose St. after a dinner at 6 p.m. Admission is \$9 for students and reservations are preferred. Call 859-57-6336 ext. 80659.

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methods.

"The main goal is to compare two different quality-of-life interventions," Graves said. "To improve quality of life for cancer patients." Graves said that she eventually wants the study to help decrease health problems while increasing psychological well-being.

Graves said this relatively new form of study has been done twice before with cancer patients, but never in terms of comparing the two variations.

"It's building on past research," she said. "One of the programs is a writing intervention, where pa-

tients will write three times, and that's been done with healthy populations as well as medical populations in the past."

Self-expression is the main drive for the first group, explained Graves. Patients will be asked to write down their thoughts on a regular basis.

The second group will receive what is called group education, in which such issues as body appearance and relaxation processes will be addressed.

The third group will be a control group, in which the patients will receive only the standard methods of care.

"They don't go through any projects that I'll have them do; they would be given a list of resources in the community," Graves explained. "They won't receive any psychological interventions from my

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mer school, the Carnahan House and Japanese Saturday school. It has a budget of about \$4.25 million, he said.

"We'll probably cut back on our publications, and things we put out for marketing purposes," Greasley said.

The cuts could also affect the publication of books about Kentucky, said Stephen Wrinn, director of the University Press.

study." Both types of treatments have been shown to have a physical and psychological impact.

"The results from the group drive for it (are) that people usually report less depression, less anxiety, the more psychological outcomes," Graves said.

"Whereas the writing (results in) more physical improvement."

Graves said she would like to see between 200 and 250 people in the study, and that anyone who has cancer or has had cancer in the past can participate.

"Anybody who has been diagnosed with cancer — they can be in treatment or can have gone through treatment awhile ago," Graves explained.

Both young and old are welcomed. Graves said that students who have or have had cancer, or if a family member who has been diagnosed would like to participate, are welcomed.

Her mother lost her fight with breast cancer in December of 2000.

Graves said the entire course of her mother's illness was a learning process.

"I believe the experience of helping to take care of her and seeing how the experience shaped me and my family has strengthened my desire to work with cancer patients and their families," said Graves. "I now have a full-circle perspective and can relate better to what families and patients may be going through."

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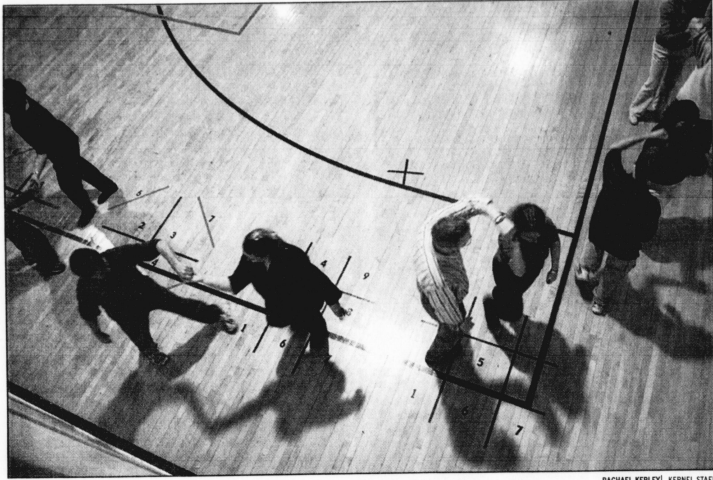
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Members of the Swing Dance Club practice their moves Monday night during their classes, which are held every Monday at 6:30 in the Alumni Gym. Here you can learn every dance from the Jitterbug to the Lindy.

New opportunity: UK Hepkats Swing Dance Club offers lessons in Lindy Hop, Balboa and other dances

By Laura Bogenschutz
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The UK Hepkats Swing Dance Club is jumpin', jivin' and dancing up a storm on campus this semester.

With 1930s and '40s Big Band music in their ears, Mike Richardson and his wife, Mary, are dedicated to bringing swing dance to UK students, faculty and the Lexington community.

"We see ourselves as a cultural opportunity," said Richardson, member of the Hepkats and program coordinator in the College of Pharmacy.

"You can learn to swing dance at other places in Lex-

ington, but we focus on the traditional Big Band era."

On Monday nights, the music of Duke Ellington, Benny Goodman and others can be heard in Alumni Gym as the Richardsons, President Stacia Sanders, and Vice President Josh Stuart teach steps to dances like the Lindy Hop, the Jitterbug and the Balboa.

But swing dancing is not always as fast as most think. The club focuses on teaching proper slow dancing as well.

"Dancing is an important interaction between opposite sexes; we teach the social graces needed so you do not step on your partner's toes," Richardson said.

The Hepkats have expanded to 120 members in the past three years since students interested in swing dance founded it in 1999. It attracts members from all around Lexington. Members travel from Nicholasville and Versailles to dance with the club.

"I believe we are in line with Dr. Todd's vision of joining the campus and community," Richardson said.

Local high school jazz bands from Lafayette and Tates Creek get a chance to play at dances to gain experience. The Hepkats' small budget only permits them to have larger out-of-town bands on occasion.

On Feb. 28, The Cigar Store Indians will be performing at the UK Student Center Ballroom. The club is excited about the dance, as

they only get use of the UK ballroom once a semester. To get as many people involved as possible, the Hepkats have advertised all over campus.

Whether they are jitterbugging or waltzing, the UK Swing Dance Club has put the spin on dancing in Lexington. Try it out for a fun and creative way to meet people or just learn how to spare someone's toes.

Dancing 101

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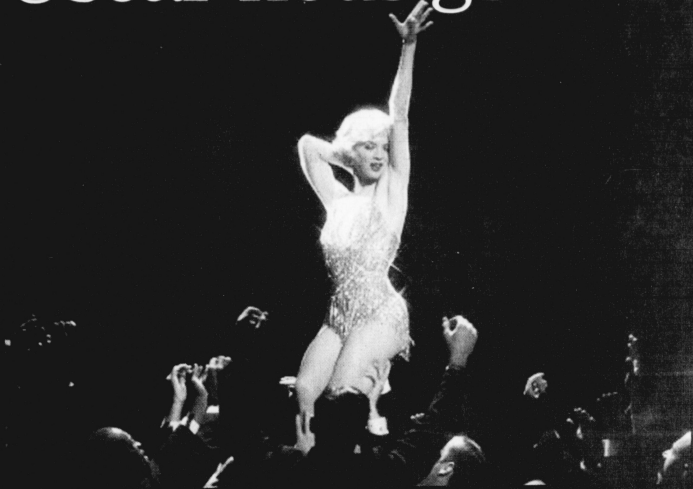
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Renee Zellweger stars along-side Catherine Zeta-Jones in the Broadway hit *Chicago*. *Chicago* has been nominated for Best Picture.

This year's Oscar nominations range from historical era pieces to simple comedies

Best Picture

Nominees:

Chicago — Marty Richards (II)
Gangs of New York - Alberto Grimaldi, Harvey Weinstein
The Hours - Robert Fox (II), Scott Rudin
The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers — Peter Jackson, Frances Walsh, Barrie M. Osborne
The Pianist — Robert Benmussa, Roman Polanski, Alain Sarde

Best Actor in a Leading Role

Nominees:

Adrien Brody for *The Pianist*
 Nicolas Cage for *Adaptation*
 Michael Caine for *The Quiet American*
 Daniel Day-Lewis for *Gangs of New York*
 Jack Nicholson for *About Schmidt*

Best Actress in a Leading Role

Nominees:

Salma Hayek for *Frida*
 Nicole Kidman for *The Hours*
 Diane Lane for *Unfaithful*
 Julianne Moore for *Far from Heaven*
 Renee Zellweger for *Chicago*

Best Actor in a Supporting Role

Nominees:

Chris Cooper (I) for *Adaptation*
 Ed Harris for *The Hours*
 Paul Newman for *Road to Perdition*
 John C. Reilly for *Chicago*
 Christopher Walken for *Catch Me If You Can*

Best Actress in a Supporting Role

Nominees:

Kathy Bates for *About Schmidt*
 Queen Latifah for *Chicago*
 Julianne Moore for *The Hours*
 Meryl Streep for *Adaptation*
 Catherine Zeta-Jones for *Chicago*

Best Director

Nominees:

Pedro Almodovar for *Hable con ella*
 Stephen Daldry for *The Hours*
 Rob Marshall for *Chicago*
 Roman Polanski for *The Pianist*
 Martin Scorsese for *Gangs of New York*

Best Writing, Screenplay Written Directly for the Screen

Nominees:

Far from Heaven — Todd Haynes
Gangs of New York — Jay Cocks, Steven Zaillian, Kenneth Lonergan
Hable con ella — Pedro Almodovar
My Big Fat Greek Wedding — Nia Vardalos



Nicole Kidman plays author Virginia Woolf in Steven Daldry's *The Hours*.



Daniel Day-Lewis and Leonardo DiCaprio fight each other in *Gangs of New York*.

Y tu mamá también — Alfonso Cuarón, Carlos Cuarón
Ice Age — Chris Wedel
Lilo & Stitch — Chris Sanders (III)
Sen to Chihiro no kamikakushi — Hayao Miyazaki
Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron — Jeffrey Katzenberg
Treasure Planet — Ron Clements

Best Animated Feature

Nominees:

Ying xiong (China)
Mies vailla mennesisynty (Finland)
Nirgendwo in Afrika (Germany)
El Crimen del padre Amaro (Mexico)
Zus & zo (Netherlands)

Best Cinematography

Nominees:

Chicago — Dion Beebe
Far from Heaven — Edward Lachman
Gangs of New York — Michael Ballhaus
The Pianist — Pawel Edelman
Road to Perdition — Conrad L. Hall

Best Art Direction-Set Decoration

Nominees:

Chicago — John Myhre, Gordon Sim
Frida — Felipe Fernandez del Paso (I), Hannia Robledo
Gangs of New York — Dante Ferretti, Francesca LoSchivo
The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers

— Grant Major, Dan Hennah, Alan Lee (II)
Road to Perdition — Dennis Gassner, Nancy Haigh

Best Costume Design

Nominees:

Chicago — Colleen Atwood
Frida — Julie Weiss
Gangs of New York — Sandy Powell (II)
The Hours — Ann Roth (I)
The Pianist — Anna B. Sheppard

Best Music, Original Score

Nominees:

Catch Me If You Can — John Williams
Far from Heaven — Elmer Bernstein
Frida — Elliot Goldenthal
The Hours — Philip Glass
Road to Perdition — Thomas Newman

Best Music, Song

Nominees:

Chicago — Fred Ebb, John Kander (For the song "I Move On")
8 Mile — Eminem, Bass, Jeff (III), Luis Resto (For the song "Lose Yourself")
Frida — Julie Taymor, Elliot Goldenthal (For the song "Burn It Blue")
Gangs of New York — Bono, The Edge, Adam Clayton (I), Larry Mullen Jr. (For the song "The Hands That Built America")
The Wild Thornberrys Movie — Paul Simon (I) (For the song "Father and Daughter")

Best Effects, Visual Effects

Nominees:

The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers — Jim Rygiel, Joe Letteri, Randall William Cook, Alex Funke (I)
Spider-Man — John Frazier (I), John Dykstra, Anthony LaMolina, Scott Stokdyk
Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones — Rob Coleman, Pablo Helman, John Knoll, Ben Snow

Best Documentary, Feature

Nominees:

Bowling for Columbine — Michael Moore (II), Michael Donovan (II)
Daughter From Danang — Gail Dolgin, Vicente Franco
Prisoner of Paradise — Malcolm Clarke (II), Stuart Sender
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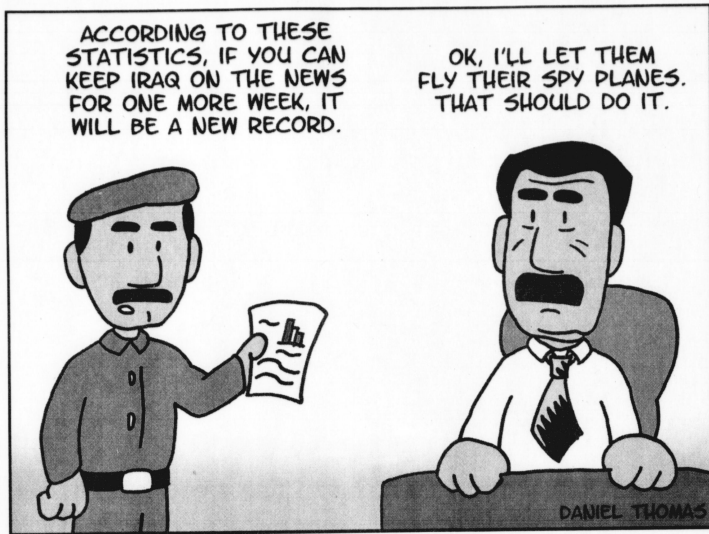
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Here's to fairness in elections

A good clean fight — that is a goal to strive for in this year's Student Government presidential elections. In the past two years, these elections have been filled with controversy, both during and after the election.

One of the largest sticking points has been the oft-quoted "experience clause," introduced to the SG Constitution in 2001. It states that to run for a chief leadership position, the candidate must have spent one year in office in "student government."

In 2001, the SG Election Board interpreted this clause to mean that one year in a leadership position in any student organization would satisfy the experience clause. This still caused trouble for presidential candidate Nic Wilson, a transfer student from Morehead State University who had served as vice president of that school's Student Government Association. He was eventually allowed on the ballot, but he first had to file a claim with the election investigator.

In 2002, the board adopted a stricter interpretation of the clause, saying "student government" meant only SG. It ruled that being vice president of a fraternity, as was the case for candidate Ben Hayes, did not meet the requirement. Like Wilson, Hayes had to fight before he was finally placed on the ballot. His argument went all the way to the SG Supreme Court.

Both Wilson and Hayes lost valuable campaigning time because they had to expend so much energy just to gain the right to participate. They entered their races with a distinct disadvantage. Current SG President Tim Robinson won both elections.

This year, the experience clause shouldn't present such a problem. All four presidential candidates have served at least a year in SG, meaning they meet even

the strictest interpretation of the clause. All but one of the vice presidential candidates have SG experience, too. There is hope the board won't interpret chief leadership position to include vice president, and there will be at least one less headache this time.

That being said, there is the definite need for a fair election. In 2001, four claims of election violations were filed against Robinson and his running mate, Caroline Harralson. In 2002, 35 claims were filed against Robinson and his new vice president, Mary Katherine Thompson.

While some may say these claims were a matter of sour grapes, the fact is that in each year, Robinson and company were found guilty of one violation. These violations were not considered serious enough by the Election Board of Claims to overturn either election, but they shouldn't have happened in the first place. If someone takes an extra stroke in a friendly game of Putt-Putt, or foot-faults in a Friday night bowling outing, it's no big deal. But SG is not a game, and it shouldn't be treated as one. Candidates should follow the rules to the letter. The reason why there are spending limits, limitations on where signs can be posted and other restrictions, is to ensure fair competition. No candidate should be able to win simply because he or she has more money to spend on signs and T-shirts.

It would be a great thing to see an election that actually worked the way it was supposed to, with no election violation claims filed, and the winner being able to take office without being covered by a cloud of controversy. Let's have a good, clean fight this time.

U.S. should proceed sans France, Germany

On June 6, 1984, President Ronald Reagan stood on Omaha Beach in Normandy to deliver a speech commemorating the 40th anniversary of the D-Day invasion.

On this occasion, Reagan spoke of the unity of the allied cause, saying, "We sought to bring all freedom-loving nations together in a community dedicated to the defense and preservation of our sacred values."

In 1984, Reagan stated the alliance had succeeded throughout the post-war world. Indeed it had.

Today the alliance is threatened by the same nation the D-Day invasion was directed against, and, quite ironically, the nation that so many men fought and died to liberate.

No one will dispute that fighting in 1944 was justified. Europe had been overrun by a brutal dictator that did not hesitate to murder members of different ethnic groups with poison gas. Nor did he hesitate to invade his neighbors to gain power.

So why is fighting in 2003 not justified? I won't go as far as to equate Saddam Hussein with Adolf Hitler, but similarities do certainly exist.

Saddam has gassed an ethnic minority within Iraq — the Kurds. In the



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recent past he has also invaded his neighbors in hopes of obtaining a monopoly on the world's supply of oil.

Last week, Secretary of State Colin Powell carefully laid out to the United Nations Security Council reasons for going to war with Iraq. The presentation swayed the opinions of many Democrats in the United States who had prior reservations about the potential war.

Unfortunately, it did not have the same effect internationally. Germany and France remain opposed to the war, and on Monday jointly blocked a NATO effort to defend fellow alliance member Turkey against a possible attack from Iraq.

The actions and words from Germany and France during the past few weeks have been nothing short of despicable. It is clear both nations have only their own interests in mind, including their oil supply from Iraq.

According to a New York Post column, Americans in France have been told to claim to be Canadian to avoid being assaulted. This is ridiculous. Are these nations our allies or our enemies? Right now, I could make a strong case for the latter.

The next step that should be taken by President George W. Bush is rather simple. Due to the blatant disregard by France and Germany of the foreign policy objectives of the United States and its European allies, the time has come to withdraw American ambassadors

from both nations. Cut off all funds going to France and Germany and close all military bases in either country.

Obviously, this is not going to occur. Germany and France will undoubtedly continue their policies of appeasement. If many experts are correct, France will jump onboard the coalition at the very last minute. Should this occur, the response from those involved should be "Thanks, but no thanks."

There is no doubt Iraq will be defeated with or without the assistance of France and Germany. As Bush said in his State of the Union address, "the course of this nation does not depend on the decisions of others." If Germany and France choose not to join the coalition, that is their choice. They will be left behind in a world moving more and more toward freedom.

To paraphrase Reagan at Omaha Beach, we can never forget those who fought bravely to liberate the people of France and to sow the seeds of democracy among the German people. Regrettably, the people of those two nations seemingly have forgotten. For their sake, hopefully the cowardice being shown by the French and German governments will someday be forgotten, and those two nations can join the rest of us in a world with one less brutal dictator.

Wes Blevins is a history senior. His views do not necessarily represent those of the Kernel.

READER RESPONSE

Change in lottery system comes at students' expense

To the editor:

As we sit in Memorial Coliseum, boos rain through out. No, they are not slams at an opposing team; they are reactions to the change in the lottery system.

At the Feb. 3 lottery, the UK Athletics Association decided to change the group selection process from a random drawing (more boos as another group is herded to the floor) to a drawing of a starting point that vastly favors outlies. While this method is frequently employed at concert lotteries, this has never before been the system for basketball lotteries (more boos) in my four years at the university. This change is like playing a basketball game and deciding at halftime that the teams can only use one hand. You cannot change the rules in the middle of the game (and still more boos plus profanities this time) and it is not fair to the collegiate fan base.

This system has changed the dynamic of the lottery and not for the better. Part of the lottery was the chance of being drawn next, whether next meant the fourth or 81st group. This method has also created a somewhat hostile environment among lottery participants. Not the ideal way to kick off "Rivalry Week."

I will say the lottery seemed to go a little faster, but at what cost? Angry and disappointed students. That is not something I would want to risk again.

CHRISTY NIMICK
PSYCHOLOGY SENIOR

Not enough evidence to justify U.S. military action in Iraq

To the editor:

Our country stands at the brink of war with Iraq. As I write this, the 101st at Ft. Campbell is on its way to the Middle East for deployment, and gasoline prices have shot up 10 cents per gallon in a two-day span. I wonder as this conflict hits home: if people will still be supportive of sending troops to remove Saddam Hussein.

Since the Bush administration started beating the war drums, I can't get away from the fact that the United States has never stood for starting wars. We attacked Afghanistan in response to the Sept. 11 attacks by terrorists harbored by Afghanistan. The Bush administration has not demonstrated that Iraq is a clear and present danger to the United States.

Boil down the recent presentation at the United Nations Security Council, the State of the Union address or Bush's Cincinnati address to the country, and the evidence is just not there.

What bothers me just as much as that so many Americans have supported war on Iraq, I'm no peacenik, but how can we stand for freedom and self-determination while supporting an unprovoked attack on a sovereign nation? It's not a matter of whether Hussein is monstrously brutal and despicable. It's not a matter of how easy or quickly the United States can defeat Iraq in a war. If America doesn't have a principled stand for freedom, all it has is might. The Roman Empire had might without principles, and they occupy the dustbin of history.

While most Sept. 11 terrorists came from Saudi Arabia, and North Korea actually admits to nuclear production, our government remains fixated on Iraq. War is sometimes necessary, but I don't think this one will make us safer.

DON E. THOMASON
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Saddam comparable to Hitler, but Bush is no Roosevelt

To the editor:

In a recent letter to the editor, James Hartman wrote "Sadly, this opinion is both dangerous and misguided," referring to Andrew Grossman's column "Making excuses for Bush's policy." I know it is unusual for someone to respond to another's letter to the editor, but I decided not to hide behind my pacifism.

Yes, Saddam's regime is allowing millions to starve, but I doubt we would save their lives if the United States invades Iraq. Published by the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (a Nobel Peace Prize recipient), findings showed that by not going to war, we would avoid a "human catastrophe." IPPNW's executive director stated, "Neither Iraq's suspected weapons programs nor Saddam Hussein's tyranny provide moral or military justification for risking the lives of massive numbers of innocent civilians." The death toll is predicted in the several hundreds of thousands.

President Bush and Secretary of State Colin Powell have yet to receive approval from the United Nations to attack Iraq. They also have yet to provide hard evidence that Iraq, in fact, has nuclear weapons. Perhaps the United States is jumping the gun. We know that North Korea possesses nuclear weapons and has threatened the United States. Hartman wrote, "We seek to deter hostile nations who are building their own weapons." I'm pretty sure we (the United States) have nuclear weapons, and by our government's past actions, we seem to be quite hostile. Oh, wait a minute, we have a permit to carry nuclear weapons because we are responsible.

Unfortunately, I do agree that American foreign relations are just looking out for our best interests. Oil? Oil does look pretty attractive to our government. Iraq seems to have quite a bit of it. We have an oil tycoon as president. Just a coincidence? We are the dominant power in the world, and we cannot lose that position. War is not inevitable. Simply the United States will not stop until it dominates the world's oil supplies because no one stands in the way of our best interest.

Hartman made many references to World War II and compared Saddam to Hitler. Understandable. However, Bush is definitely no Roosevelt.

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Quick-starting Cats breeze past Bulldogs



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Cats and Dawgs

UK junior Gerald Fitch drives to the basket. Fitch scored 14 points.

By Steve Jones
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The Cats are making the nation's toughest conference look awfully tame.

A dominating 87-67 victory over the No. 20 Georgia Bulldogs Tuesday at Rupp Arena continued a UK trend of overwhelming offensive spurts and consistent defense that has propelled the No. 3 Cats to a 9-0 Southeastern Conference record.

A week after beating top-ranked Florida by 15 points, the Cats easily handled the Dogs, who were considered the SEC East's other favorite. "They're playing championship ball," Georgia coach Jim Harrick said of the Cats. "This is a magic, magic moment for them."

As has become common throughout the Cats' recent run in the SEC, UK was able to get off to a quick start and take a substantial lead into halftime.

UK (19-3 overall) connected on five 3-pointers and was aided by 10 points from junior forward Erik Daniels in the first half.

A UK run of 9-2 to start the game and another of 17-7

in the latter half of the first session keyed the Cats' 42-30 lead at the break.

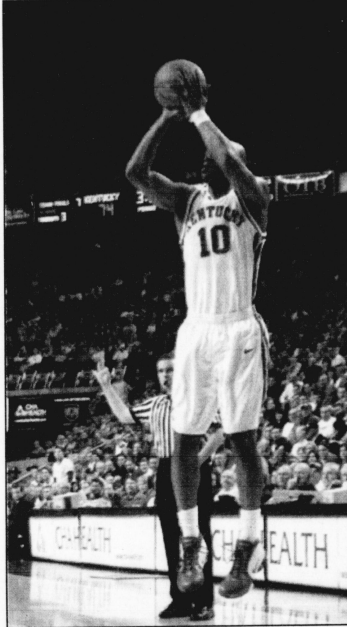
Any possibility that the early lead would cause a let-down for UK was quickly eliminated when the Cats came out of the locker room playing as effectively as they did when they went into it.

The Cats made the second half's first 11 points to take a 53-20 lead with 16:05 left. "We've had a tendency to slip off in the second half, but we wanted to get after them," UK sophomore Chuck Hayes said.

After the teams traded baskets for a few minutes in the second half, the Cats again went on a demoralizing run — this time 10-2 and capped by a break away dunk by freshman forward Keleena Azubuike. With 7:11 remaining, the UK lead had swollen to 31 points at 74-43. "We tell our players all the time the first five minutes are critical," UK coach Tubby Smith said. "When you can do that it just builds up that momentum."

UK guard Keith Bogans said defense has keyed the Cats' huge runs in its 13-game win streak.

"Defense is offense," Bo-



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UK senior Keith Bogans shoots a 3-pointer. Bogans scored 12 points.

gans said. "As long as you can play great defense, you can get steals and put the opponent on its heels and get easy shots."

UK coach Tubby Smith said his team tried to outman Georgia with its depth. "We wanted to try to wear Georgia down," Smith said. "They don't play a lot of people. I felt that was key."

The Bulldogs made one final attempt to rally when they ran off 12 straight points of their own, but it was too

little too late as a 3 by Bogans made it 77-55 with 3:26 left to secure a big lead.

Georgia's other top gun, forward Jarvis Hayes, scored 17 points, and forward Damien Wilkins led the 13-7 Dogs with 21.

UK's balanced attack landed six players in double figures in scoring. Senior center Marquis Estill led UK with 16 points and 12 rebounds. Hayes also notched a double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

Cool Cat seniors sent off

So long: Three veterans to play final game at UK against Duke at Rupp Arena Sunday

By Jeff Patterson
STAFF WRITER

Three Cool Cats face a single final scenario Sunday.

Win, lose or tie, three UK hockey careers will end after the Cool Cats' season finale against Duke at Rupp Arena.

Alex Derhohannesian, Justin Smither and Aaron Stephenson will play their last games in UK uniforms. "I'm going to miss it like I've never missed anything before in my life," Derhohannesian said.

Smither and Stephenson shared the same sentiment.

The Cool Cats have been a force in the tenure of these seniors. During the five years that Derhohannesian and Stephenson have donned Cool Cat uniforms, they have a record of 83-57-6. Smither came to the team in the 1999-2000 season and his four-year record is 61-50-4.

These seniors respect those that came before them and are thankful for the opportunity to play. "It is such a good setup because all the elements are in play," Derhohannesian said.

He praised the coaches and management for doing so much for the team. He said the fans made the games exciting for the players.

"One of the most exhilarating experiences anyone could have is when we hear the Cat growl and come out there and step out on the ice," Derhohannesian said. "The adrenaline rush is like no other."

The Cool Cats (11-15-1) will have one last adrenaline rush at the Lexington Ice Center on Saturday night when they play Duke (8-10-2). Then the seniors have their swan song Sunday afternoon against Duke at Rupp Arena.

Alex Derhohannesian has been plagued by injuries from time to time, but has still managed to net 45 career goals and 52 assists.

And he always provided a colorful quote. "Once, in a hockey related mishap, Derhohannesian had a tooth knocked out. The tooth is still in place and can fall out at will."

"We lose teeth and we get concussions; it is a fun sport," he said.

Rallying Cool Cat comebackers, scoring his 100th career point or scoring four goals in a game — accomplished against Toledo this season — won't top his favorite moment on the ice. That distinction belongs to a

game against Penn State on Jan. 13, 2002. He scored the game-winning goal in overtime to beat the Nittany Lions 5-4.

Playing hockey for the past 17 years has been great, but playing for UK the past five years is unparalleled to any experience I have ever had," Derhohannesian said.

Justin Smither, UK's assistant captain, has been a leader by example. He has matured as a hockey player and as a person in his four years at UK.

"He was a little kid when he came and he has grown to be a man," said assistant coach Pasi Holopainen.

The senior forward from Louisville has accumulated 22 goals and 38 assists in his four-year career.

Smither enjoyed playing against national power Indiana more than anybody else. Indiana won all six contests with the Cool Cats, however. On the other hand he beat his hometown team, Louisville, all 10 times they met on the ice.

Sure, Smither is going to miss suiting up for the Cats. But what he will miss most is being with the "family."

"I am going to be lost without it," Smither said.



Smither

Aaron Stephenson, UK team captain, has been the textbook definition of a leader. Whether it is by crushing an opponent against the glass or by giving a rallying speech, Stephenson has been the leader of this team. He has been a captain for the past three seasons.

"Stevie teaches the guys our system," Holopainen said. The Flint, Mich., native has 68 goals and 60 assists in his stellar career.

Being from Michigan, Stephenson was always eager to play the University of Michigan. In a career full of highlights, he enjoys the win over the Wolverines' club team his freshman year the most.

Another highlight for Stephenson came in the Cats' championship game victory over Purdue last season at the Frozen Pond Invitational Tournament. The captain scored two goals that day, one being the goal that put the Cats up for good.

Stephenson goes down as one of the greatest players to ever don a UK hockey jersey. He relishes every moment of his illustrious career.

The UK hockey experience is one that I'll take to the grave with me," Stephenson said.



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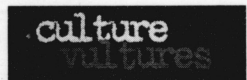
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V-day: cards, cookies and middle school dances



Valentine's Day. Ugh. At one point in time the biggest worry about Valentine's Day was how good your valentine bag looked. I know in my grade school classes there were some big competitions over who designed and colored their paper bag the best.



STACIE MEIHAUS
KEG EDITOR

Valentine's Day was an excuse for an end-of-the-day party, cartoon-covered valentines and those candy hearts which, while they now have newfangled things like "Call Me" and "E-mail Me" printed on them, used to say things like "Be Mine" and "You're Cute."

As we progressed through grade school, the V-day celebrations got quicker and quicker at the end of the day. Instead of an all-out party with drinks and snacks, we now got a cookie or cupcake. We didn't have to give everyone in the class a valentine. They started to be more special.

But, if you were as lucky as I was, you had something even better to look forward to on V-day weekend: The Valentine's Day Dance.

A dance was one thing that was able to work 150 middle schoolers into an absolute tizzy.

And right then, we should have known. If things got this crazy at 12, how bad would they be at 22?

We were barely pre-teens, and we already were getting nervous over the opposite sex. Who we would dance with, how good we looked. There was a lot of pressure riding on this dance. In the sixth grade I think I even tried to put on mascara, which became an outright disaster of black smeared cheeks and stuck-together lashes.

Sometimes there was a full week of furtive planning about which one of your friends would ask the guy you "liked" to dance with you. I still have a valentine from the class party where a friend of mine wrote, "Take my advice. Ask Jon to dance." In our minds, there was a lot riding on the night.

We talked about whether it was

appropriate to turn down someone who asked you to dance (the consensus: it was definitely rude, you can handle almost anyone for one slow song).

We would go into the dance, and immediately clump into our own little groups. No matter how much we talked about how many people we were going to dance with during the last week, we suddenly were faced with the reality of the dance.

We were going to have to ask people to dance. We could be rejected! We could not be asked to dance all night! We could have to dance with someone we don't like — or someone we did like, which was sometimes worse.

None of this dance craziness included actual couples, dozens of roses or bottles of expensive wine. None of us wore dresses or suits to this dance. We were dressed in jeans, and if someone gave us flowers, most of us would be more embarrassed than excited.

But it's funny how similar those exciting dances were to the upcoming President's Gala. We dress up more now, and it's doubtful that the free soft drinks of middle school would win out over a cash bar. But we still talk about who we are taking or who we are meeting there.

We still can get a little hurt when Scottie or Lottie-too-hottie gives a silly valentine to our best friend. We still like the pageantry and treats, only in more expensive doses.

We take this holiday and dress it up. Our former hour of carefully writing classmates' names on cartoon valentines turns into shopping for a significant other, or filling out valentines for close friends. We gave up the cupcakes and punch when we all started to figure out that sometimes it was more fun to have one valentine instead of a whole classroom full of them.

I think the President's Gala is one way to bring back that exciting grade school, end-of-the-day party or Valentine's dance — this time with pretty dresses and tuxes instead of cupcakes and punch.

And that's fine, because V-day can be fun and exciting, if sometimes a little stressful. There's still something fun about dressing up and dancing.

Maybe next year, we'll also have V-day parties in our classes. With cookies and punch...

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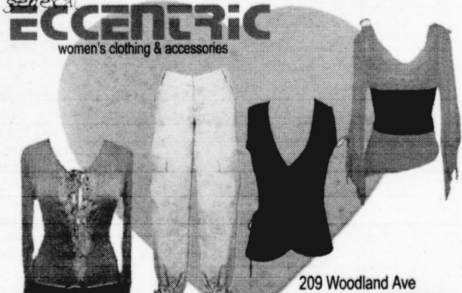
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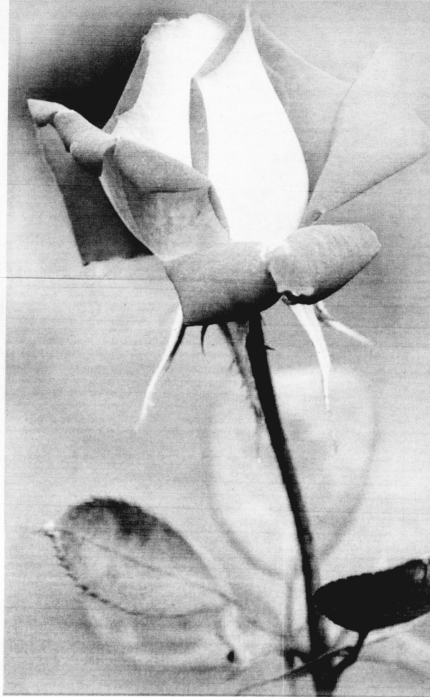
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VALENTINE'S DAY CONCERT
Alec, Chad Cook, Dewey Moore Soldiers and Rhythmic's Acoustic Underground will play from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. Friday at Art's Place. Tickets will be \$4 in advance at the door, and \$4 with canned goods. The canned goods will benefit Cook's Pantry. The show is for all ages.

IN THE GARDEN OF LOVE FLOWERS
The new actor's Guild play follows the life of scientist Rachel Carson, who began the ecological awareness movement. The play runs from Feb. 13 to March 2. It shows on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and on Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$2 for students, too for regular admissions and \$14 for seniors.

A bottle of wine can make Valentine's dinner just fine

BY FRANK MARCUS
HE CENTER
Red wine, white wine, champagne and everything in between—choosing a wine to go with a Valentine's Day dinner can be a daunting task, as well as an expensive one. Generally, wines match the color of the food they are paired with, for example, white meats like chicken and pork would take a white wine, while red meats like beef would take a red wine. Wine with pasta can vary depending on the sauce.

But according to the wine lover's Web site www.wineoverspace.com, an international wine page based out of Louisville, there are few combinations of food and wine that don't work well. Members of the wine lover's Web site discussion group suggested champagne for quick, easy and tasty pairing with a Valentine's Day dinner. "Champagne is associated with romance and good champagne will tend to go nicely with many different types of food," said Mike Filippini, a Sacramento, Calif., member of the Wine Lover's Discussion Group. Filippini also suggested that people make sure their dining companion likes a certain type of wine before they purchase it. Jesse Stone, the moderator for the Food Lover's Discussion group (another discussion group on the site) and an avid wine collector, suggested, pairing wines with foods of the same type of taste. "Big food likes big wines," Stone said. "So steak and lamb love cabernet sauvignon. Lighter meats like pork and poultry love medium-bodied wines like merlot."



A dozen roses
Roses come in an array of colors. Although according to www.weddingphotography.com roses are an indicator of love, different colors also indicate different things. Here are some roses and color symbolism from the Web site, so you can pick accordingly. Burgundy: unconscious beauty. Multiflora: grace. White: "I am worthy of you." Yellow: decrease of love. Withered: unfaithful. Red: pure and lovely. A single rose indicates simplicity, while white rosebuds indicate girlhood. Roses aren't the cheapest flowers, either. Here are some prices of roses around campus.

Capturing that lovin' feeling through romantic movies

BY FRANK MARCUS
HE CENTER
When the American Film Institute picked the top 100 greatest romantic movies of all time, they also laid out a good guide to follow for setting the mood for a romantic Valentine's Day celebration. Here are a selection of the films of the countdown along with year of release and ranking on the list. To check out the full list, visit www.afti.com/rv/passions.asp.



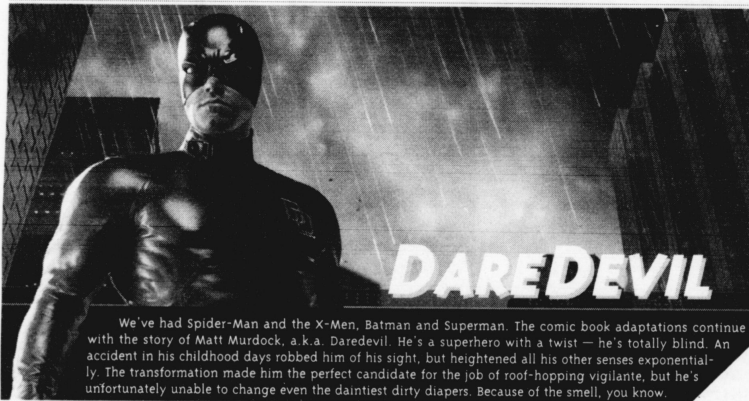
- *Love Story* (1970) No. 1. This film is home to one of the funniest love quotes of all time, "Love means never having to say you're sorry." I suppose we can give Oliver (Ryan O'Neal) a little credit, after all, his lover Jerry (Ali MacGraw) isn't doing so well at the time.
- *Singin' in the Rain* (1952) No. 16. This is one of the brightest, funniest and happiest musicals of all time. It will definitely make you smile.
- *Casablanca* (1942) No. 1. This film was the top love story on the countdown. It won a Best Picture Oscar, among other awards. Set during World War II, the film is a telling of a love story between exiled American and nightclub owner Rick (Humphrey Bogart) and married woman Ilsa (Ingrid Bergman).
- *Sharepeare in Love* (1998) No. 50. This is a fantastic film that garnered both Best Picture and Best Actress in the Academy awards. Even my father, who usually hates a movie for the more gratuitous violence it has, didn't think this film was under-lyer. Saving Private Ryan.
- *The Graduate* (1967) The Graduate is No. 34 on the list of greatest romances.
- *The Graduate* (1967) No. 34. Before there was Trifler's mom, there was Mrs. Robinson (Anne Bancroft). Does Benjamin (Dustin Hoffman) really think he should be involved with a girl and her mother at the same time? Here's to you, Mrs. Robinson. You've made Benjamin a happy man.
- *The Princess Bride* (1987) No. 88. A humorous modern fairy tale makes up this film. It's a cute quest film in which the honorable Westley (Cary Elwes) tries to save the Princess Buttercup from having to marry an awful man.

You'll want to bear in mind that the ultimate, underlying rule that overrides all the others is "Drink what you like."

—ROBIN GARR, MANAGER OF WWW.WINEOVERSPACE.COM

FRAMEBYFRAME

By Lucas M. Thomas



DAREDEVIL

We've had Spider-Man and the X-Men, Batman and Superman. The comic book adaptations continue with the story of Matt Murdock, a.k.a. Daredevil. He's a superhero with a twist — he's totally blind. An accident in his childhood days robbed him of his sight, but heightened all his other senses exponentially. The transformation made him the perfect candidate for the job of roof-hopping vigilante, but he's unfortunately unable to change even the daintiest dirty diapers. Because of the smell, you know.



RABBIT-PROOF FENCE

In these weekends of light mainstream Hollywood releases, you can always count on downtown's Kentucky Theatre to pick up the slack. One off-beat offering you'll find this weekend is *Rabbit-Proof Fence*, a tale of three young Australian girls attempting to escape a government training camp in 1931's roughneck Outback.

SECRETARY

Ah, the American secretary. The most unappreciated and stereotyped profession in our society, perhaps, and at long last there's a movie to back up all those water cooler stories. The heroine in this particular film is a 20-something woman who's just been released from a mental hospital. Sounds like good receptionist qualifications to me.



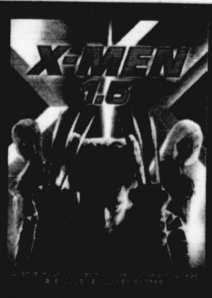
THE JUNGLE BOOK 2

It seems like it's only been a month since the last inappropriate animated Disney sequel — oh wait a minute, it has been. Following quickly behind the straight-to-video sequel *101 Dalmations II*, this newest franchise double-dip offers a second chapter in the saga of Mowgli the Man Cub. This one's going to theaters first, but don't worry, seeing it in its opening weekend has not been determined to be a bare necessity.

X-MEN 1.5

If fake animated films getting sequels in 2003 isn't enough oddity for you, how about something even weirder — a half-sequel. Presenting *X-Men 1.5*, a movie that's already been released once on DVD, but has now been enhanced and remixed so much that the studio felt it best to add an extra 1/2 onto the film's title. Basically what you're getting here is the first *X-Men* film on steroids, overflowing with extra materials, behind-the-scenes featurettes and a partidge in a pear tree. It's meant to tide fans of the mutant team over until the release of *X-Men 2*, the true sequel, in early May of this year. The disc probably isn't a worthwhile investment if you already own the previous DVD release, but you can at least point it out to your friends sitting on the rack and convince them that it's actually an all-new film that they just forgot to notice a few months ago. That would be funny.

DUD OF THE WEEK



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WHAT'S GROOVIN' AROUND UK

On Tap...

For the week of Feb. 12 - Feb. 18

MUSIC

TONIGHT

The Swells w/ Crunchies.
10 p.m. High on Rose. Tickets cost \$3.

Yonder Mountain String Band.

9 p.m. Blue Cats, Knoxville. Tickets cost \$15.

THURSDAY

Big Maracas.
10 p.m. High on Rose. Tickets cost \$3.

Barnhouse Effect.
10 p.m. Cheapside. Tickets cost \$4.

JEB.

10 p.m. Fishtank. Tickets cost \$4.

Apples In Stereo.
9 p.m. Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$8.

DJ Logic.

9 p.m. Mad Frog, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$10.

FRIDAY

Groovatron.
9 p.m. Fishtank. Tickets cost \$5.

Outspoken.

10 p.m. AIA. Tickets cost \$6.

Kim Taylor & Chris Collier.
9 p.m. Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$5.

Mother Jane w/ Wishing Chair.
9 p.m. High on Rose. Tickets cost \$5.

Strolling Rones.
10 p.m. Cheapside. Tickets cost \$4.

SATURDAY

Voodoo Symphony.
10 p.m. AIA. Tickets cost \$6.

Ekostik Hookah.
9 p.m. Headliners, Louisville. Tickets cost \$12.

Strolling Rones.
10 p.m. Cheapside. Tickets cost \$4.

100% Poly.
10 p.m. Fishtank. Tickets cost \$4.

The Hub w/ Giant Judy.
9 p.m. High on Rose. Tickets cost \$4.

20 Miles.
9 p.m. Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$7.

Erykah Badu.
7:30 p.m. Bogart's, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$20.

Neko Case.
9 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20. Headliners, Louisville. Tickets cost \$10.

Coldplay.
8 p.m. Monday, March 10. Palace Theatre, Louisville. Tickets cost \$32.50.

SUNDAY Electric Collective.
9 p.m. Fishtank. Tickets are free.

TUESDAY Club Dub Sessions.
10 p.m. High on Rose. Tickets cost \$3.

Sleater Kinney.
10 p.m. Friday, Feb. 21. Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$12.

Elton John & Billy Joel.
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 12. Rupp Arena. Tickets cost \$48.25 - \$185.25.

Devil Stomp w/ Medusa Devil.
10 p.m. Varsity Blue. Tickets cost \$3.

Phish.
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22. US Bank, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$32.

Tori Amos.
8 p.m. Saturday, March 15. Palace Theatre, Louisville. Tickets cost \$35.

COMING SOON

The Murders.
6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19. Arts Place. Tickets cost \$5.

The Shantee.
11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22. Barrel House Brewing Co., Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$6.

Signor Ros.
8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 26. Brown Theatre, Louisville. Tickets cost \$20.

Bela Fleck & the Flecktones.
8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20. Tennessee Theatre, Knoxville. Tickets cost \$30.

Toad The Wet Sprocket.
8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22. Bogart's, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$20.

Pinback.
9 p.m. Saturday, March 29. Headliners, Louisville. Ticket prices TBA.

Bill Ferris Trio.
10 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27. High on Rose. Tickets cost \$3.

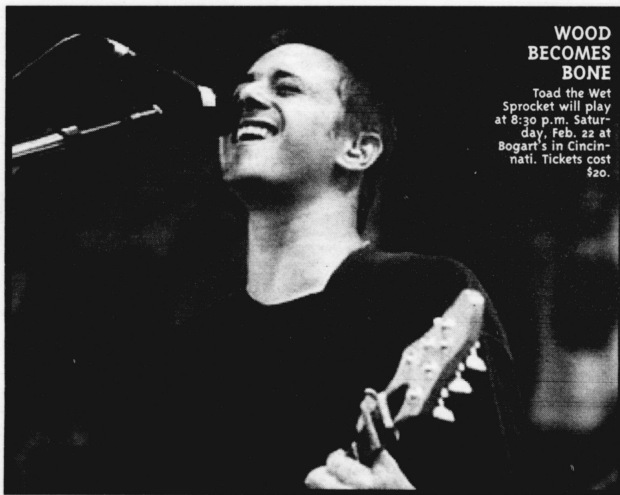
Frank Black & the Catholics.
9 p.m. Sunday, March 30. Headliners, Louisville. Ticket prices TBA.

Galactic.
10 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27. Headliners, Louisville. Tickets cost \$15.

G-Funk.
9 p.m. Saturday, March 1. AIA. Tickets cost \$6.

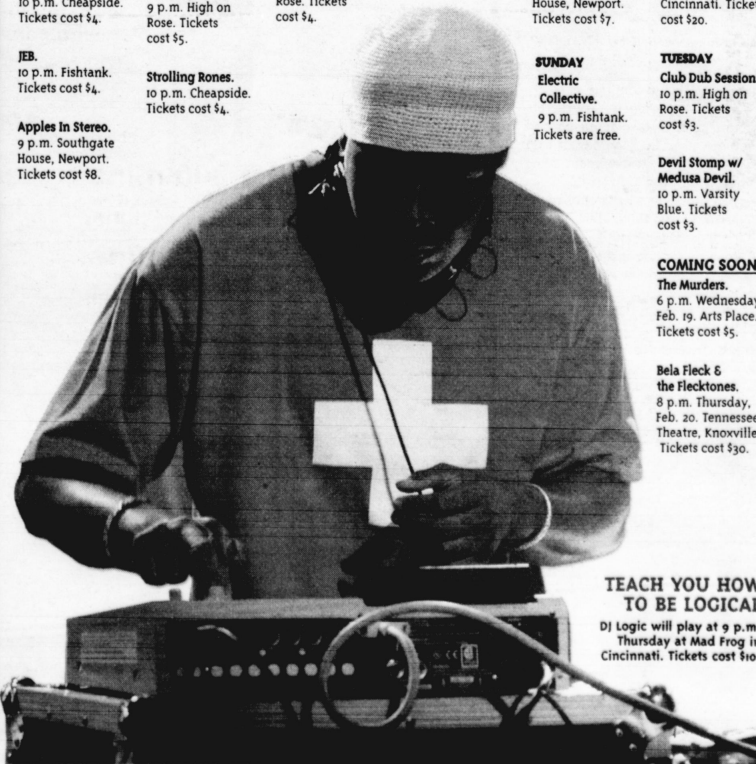
TEACH YOU HOW TO BE LOGICAL

DJ Logic will play at 9 p.m. Thursday at Mad Frog in Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$10.



WOOD BECOMES BONE

Toad the Wet Sprocket will play at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22 at Bogart's in Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$20.



—Compiled by On Tap Editor Robbie Clark

Grooving for GOD'S PANTRY

RHYTHMATIC'S ACOUSTIC UNDERGROUND JOINS FOR VALENTINE'S CD RELEASE, FUNDRAISER



SCOTT LASHINSKY | KERNEL STAFF

Club Dub will play with Rhythmatic, Axis and Deep House Souldiers this Friday at Art's Place.

STACIE MEHAUS
KEG EDITOR

Drum, bass and hip hop will resonate within Arts Place this Valentine's Day. Rhythmatic's Acoustic Underground will be holding a CD release party for its new CD, *Acoustic Underground*.

But the concert won't only benefit Rhythmatic's Acoustic Underground and the other artists who will be performing. The concert will also serve to collect donations for God's Pantry, a Lexington food bank organization that helps to alleviate hunger in Fayette County and throughout central and eastern Kentucky.

Axis, Club Dub and Deep House Souldiers will join Rhythmatic's Acoustic Underground at the concert. To help raise canned goods, the bands will sell discounted tickets to concert-goers who bring a canned good to the door.

"They're all good bands just trying to do the same thing - make good music," said Chuck Moreland, who is also known as Rhythmatic.

Moreland said that there will also be a monetary donation to the pantry.

"I've done stuff for (God's Pantry) before," Moreland said. "They feed a lot of people."

God's Pantry is a non-profit organization that relies on private dona-

tions to be able to continue work.

"We very much appreciate groups such as this doing canned food drives for the food bank," said Barbara Hagen, development coordinator for God's Pantry. "We're very fortunate to have groups in the community who think of us."

Moreland said that his new CD is a good excuse to hold an event, something he said he hasn't done in awhile.

Moreland said that his music, as well as the music of many of the artists, tries to fuse both electronic and acoustic-style music. He plays bass, does the turntables and also produces music at Underlying Themes.

"I'm trying to hype up my new CD. It's just something to do, you know?" Moreland said.

CANNED GOODS

Rhythmatic's Acoustic Underground will hold a CD release event at 8 p.m. Friday at Art's Place. Music will also be provided by Axis, Club Dub and Deep House Souldiers. The event is for all ages.

Tickets cost \$4 in advance/\$6 at the door or \$4 with canned goods. The event will benefit God's Pantry. Tickets can be purchased from Chuck's Music, Sami's Music, Spy Records, 808 Records, CD Warehouse and CD Central.

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