

## Watts: Tuition may climb up to 10 percent

By Adam Sicho  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Student Government President Rachel Watts said yesterday UK's budget for next school year is likely to include a tuition increase of 5 percent to 10 percent.

"In general, it looks like there's going to definitely be a tuition increase," she said. "That's just from the numbers I've looked at and from what I've pieced together from different conversations. This is all very surface-level discussion."

Watts will meet with UK administrators one week from today to discuss the

budget for next school year, which she expects will include a fourth straight tuition increase.

"I'm hoping that their budget isn't just numbers but an explanation of why we're directing this much here and this much there," she said.

"We still have great value; I'll say that," she continued. "But the point is, for students who are on campus and going to class, they realize their classes are a bit larger and they're having to pay more."

"We need to seriously consider that. We need to make clear where our priorities are," she said.

Based on Watts' projection and this year's tuition rates, tuition for next school year could increase anywhere from:

- \$258 to \$316 for in-state, lower division students
- \$265 to \$331 for in-state, upper division students
- \$597 to \$1,194 for nonresident, lower division students
- \$605 to \$1,209 for nonresident, upper division students.

Board of Trustees member Russ Williams said the

board has had no formal conversations about raising tuition, and informal talks have been few in number.

"This is really early in the process," Williams said.

"I think that we're waiting for the president to come with budget proposals first."

The board must approve the budget before it becomes official, Williams said the board could begin addressing the cost of tuition, as well as

room and board, by April. Williams said he has heard in informal conversations that money generated from a tuition increase could go toward giving UK's faculty and staff pay raises.

"Traditionally, anytime we increase salaries, it's for everyone, not just one group," he said.

"It would be all salary lines, not just faculty."

Jay Blanton, executive director of UK Public Relations, said it's premature to discuss any specifics of the 2005-06 budget but said faculty and staff salary increases

See Tuition on page 2

### Tuition increases

Possible tuition increases for the 2005-06 school year if tuition is increased from 5 percent to 10 percent:

- \$258 to \$316 for in-state, lower division students
- \$265 to \$331 for in-state, upper division students
- \$597 to \$1,194 for nonresident, lower division students
- \$605 to \$1,209 for nonresident, upper division students.

## HORSE CAPITAL FOR HOW LONG?



Horses graze on a farm off Russel Cave Road in Lexington. Billboards have popped up across town in an attempt to push lawmakers to ease tax burdens on Kentucky breeders. The Kentucky Equine Education Project says other states may overtake Kentucky as the horse capital.

## Signs urge protecting horse industry

By Keren Henderson  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

When Patrick Calkins drove past a billboard on New Circle Road two weeks ago, he thought he might be dreaming.

The sign read, "Welcome to New York, Horse Capital of the World." A week later, West Virginia was making the claim. Now, it's Florida. "Last time I checked, I was in Kentucky," said Calkins, a journalism junior, waving his hand in confusion.

The billboards — which appear alongside roads in Lexington, Louisville and Frankfort, Ky. — leave many drivers asking the same questions.

And that's exactly the buzz the group responsible for the billboards wants to create.

The Kentucky Equine Education Project, an organization of horse breeders and farm owners, started the campaign to spread its message. Other states are strengthening the horse in-

dustry, and Kentucky could get left behind, one of the group's executives said. "Kentucky is the horse capital of the world today," said Claria Horn Shadwick, the group's executive director. "But will we be in five years? In ten years?"

States on the billboards offer better breeder incentives and tax policies than Kentucky, Shadwick said. For example, in New York and West Virginia, there is no sales tax on feed, fencing or equipment, she said. Kentucky farmers pay a 6 percent sales tax.

Since the horse industry has a \$4 billion impact on the state's economy and employs thousands of workers, Kentucky cannot afford to lose its place to these other states, she said.

The signs have made people curious.

"When I saw the sign I thought, 'That's stupid. What are they talking about?'" said Jessica Wendt, a Spanish junior who saw one of the billboards along Interstate 64 in



This sign on New Circle Road is one of several placed by the Kentucky Equine Education Project to lobby for lower taxes on horse breeders.

Louisville.

"I've told a lot of people about it, asked about it, but nobody knows what it means," she said.

The billboards are just the beginning of a \$1.345 million effort. The program has hired professional lobbyists to take its message to lawmakers in Frankfort. At the grassroots level, the group has leaders in 86 counties in the state, spreading the message by word of

mouth and through videos.

The program's message is not a scare tactic, it's reality, said Deborah Taylor Tatum, executive director of UK's Gluck Equine Research Foundation.

"When other states are doing so much more to lure them there and keep them there," Tatum said, "we have a long way to go just to keep up."

E-mail: khenderson@kykernel.com

## Water supporters kick off petition

By Elizabeth Troutman  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Pro-condemnation advocates rallied at Faith Covenant Church last night to discuss a petition to reverse the Urban County Council's vote to end the city's pursuit of purchasing Kentucky-American Water Co.

About 600 members of the community filled the aisles of the sanctuary on East High Street to collect petitions and donation envelopes for Bluegrass FLOW (For Local Ownership of Water), FLOW's general counsel, Foster Ockerman Jr. said the Let Us Vote steering committee hopes to have more than 18,300 signatures by mid-July.

"If we can get 20,000 signatures, then that is a big part of the campaign," he said. "On a cold night in January, I think this is a tremendous community response."

Ockerman said students should be involved in the effort. "I would encourage those students not registered to register and sign the petition," he said. "It matters greatly to students because they are the ones who will benefit."

Mayor Teresa Isaac proposed the city's purchase of Kentucky-American Water from German conglomerate RWE in 2002. Last Thursday the Urban-County Council voted 8-7 to end the condemnation, but without nine council votes, the decision can be vetoed by Isaac.

First year graduate student Shane Tedder said he has spent a lot of time studying the global politics of water. "I think water is essential to life," he said. "I think sending the profit of natural resources overseas leaves us in a vulnerable position."

Social theory and English graduate student Sarah Tackett said students should be more informed about the issue.

"Socially and actively (students) haven't been represented. When students are informed, they are inspired and enraged."

"We are what we (students) do," she said. "If we choose to ignore problems like this, they grow. If we choose to stop them, they stop. The power of change is in this room."

Gloria Singletary, widow of former UK President Otis Singletary, said the university and community have been connected for as long as she can remember.

"The university is so much a part of the community," she said. "I think the university and this town have a good relationship. It's to their (students') advantage for us to get revenue from the water company."

Former UK basketball coach Joe B. Hall distributed petitions at the meeting.

"It's important to the citizens of Fayette and surrounding counties," he said. "The university is part of that."

Registered voters interested in participating in the petition can pick up information at the headquarters at the Russell Capital Management Building on East High Street.

E-mail: etroutman@kykernel.com

## 2 officers suspended after woman injured

By Darliah Shafa  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Two UK police officers have been suspended following an incident last week when a student under arrest suffered minor injuries after nearly falling out of a police van.

Officers Eugenia Wilson and Laura Marco will be suspended for three days without pay and will then be placed on probation for 90 days, according to a police press release.

The incident happened Jan. 18 after a traffic stop on South Limestone Street when the driver of a vehicle was arrested for driving under the influence. One of the passengers, Abigail Houk, 20, was arrested for alcohol intoxication, and she and two other students also arrested for alcohol intoxication were taken to the Lexington-Fayette County Detention Center.

Between Versailles Road and Red Mile Road, one of the rear doors to the van opened, and Houk nearly fell out. One of the officers in the van, UK student Cassie Schmitt, grabbed Houk and held onto her, preventing her from falling.

Houk sustained minor injuries but was treated and released the same day. In a report, Wilson said she did not check that the rear door was secured before driving to the jail.

The officers are not currently suspended, said Jay Blanton, executive director of UK Public Relations, but will begin their suspensions within the next 30 days. That window allows the police to arrange to have other officers fill the gaps. Blanton also said there have been no complaints filed with the university or the police at this time. In addition to the disciplinary action, Blanton said UK police will undergo an informal refresher course on procedures with the van in the near future.

"After a review of the incident it was determined that departmental policies were violated and disciplinary action was taken as a result," he said. "We have an exemplary police department, and they do a good job keeping this campus safe. A very important part of that is making sure policies are adhered to."

E-mail: dshafa@kykernel.com

## Police without heat after gas line break

By Darliah Shafa  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Physical Plant Division crews struck a gas line in front of the UK Police Department, causing a portion of Rose Street to be closed for about a half hour, said Ken Clevidence, UK's interim police chief.

About 3 p.m., the crew, digging with a backhoe, struck the gas line that feeds the police station, and the Lexington Fire Department was called as a precaution. UK police were also on the scene to direct traffic and keep pedestrians away.

Though precautions were taken, firefighters said they

were not overly concerned. "It wasn't that big of a line, but we wanted to be on the safe side," said Capt. Jerry Ward.

Columbia Gas was called to the scene to deal with the leak, and firefighters remained on scene until the problem was under control.

Lisa Smith, communications manager with Columbia Gas, said that the line, a 2-inch, low-pressure line, only feeds into the police department.

Clevidence said the leak means that the gas supply to the police station has been cut off and the building is now without heat.

As of yesterday evening,



personnel were still working to restore service to the police station, but Smith said she did not know how long that would take.

If the temperature in the building drops too low, Clevidence said, the police department's emergency staff will remain in the building, and the rest of the staff will be sent home.

Steve Griffey, Joe Craft and Steve Brown look over a broken gas line near the UK police station at Rose Street and Euclid Avenue.

SCOTT LOUTHER  
STAFF

E-mail: dshafa@kykernel.com

# Tuition

Continued from page 1

are part of the plan. "The need to address faculty and staff salaries will be reflected in the budget," he said.

"Absolutely that is a priority of President Todd and his administration."

Blanton declined to speculate on how a salary increase would be paid for.

UK faculty have discussed the possibility that tuition will be raised for a while, said Ernest Yanarella, chairman of the University Senate.

"I've not heard anything officially," said Yanarella, a political science professor.

"When faculty get together, they pass around rumors. I've heard rumors about tuition increases coming down the line for three or four months."

"But until the president or provost sits down with me and discloses what the proposed budget is and where the sources of revenue come from, I try not to perpetuate those rumors," he said.

UK's faculty received an average of a 1 percent salary raise last school year, which Yanarella said did not amount to much.

"Many of us felt that it would have been far preferable to be given a lump sum," which happened several years ago, Yanarella said.

"We're dealing with really small amounts of money when you break down what the average faculty member at UK is getting."

"In my college (Arts and Sciences), most got a half percent or less — just \$300, \$400, \$500 stretched over one year," he said.

"That's really not much of a salary increase at all."

Faculty and staff financial needs have been pushed to the back burner for too long, Yanarella said.

"The faculty, the staff, they've been operating on really minuscule salary increases over the last three or four years," he said.

"These sorts of things can't be indefinitely postponed."

Failing to address these issues has already harmed UK, said Board of Trustees member Alice Sparks.

"We're lucky to keep the faculty we have now," Sparks said. "No one wants to raise tuition — it's very painful."

"But I don't see another solution right now," she said.

"It is the last thing we want to do, but sometimes we simply don't have any other recourse."

Though Sparks is not aware of any formal discussions within the Board of Trustees about raising tuition, she said the faculty will not be the only ones to suffer if they do not receive pay raises.

"If we don't keep and maintain the integrity of faculty, the students will be the ones hurt the most," Sparks said.

If students must pay more tuition so that faculty and staff can receive pay raises, they should view it as an investment, Yanarella said.

"The unfortunate fact of financial life for a public university is that it only has a relatively few sources of income," Yanarella said.

"While no one — least of all a parent or student — wants to see tuition rise, if there are dividends that come with that investment, those things need to be taken into account, like improved teaching, better faculty, and more resources for reaching our teaching mission."

"You need to think about those increases in revenues as investments, not simply as deficits that are taken out of people's pockets,"

Yanarella said.

Speaking as a parent who has put a child through college, Yanarella said how the state legislature reacts to this need in its budget will influence whether UK will need a tuition increase.

"It's still very painful" to raise tuition, Yanarella said. "We would all much prefer that we were operating in a political environment where the long-term and pressing needs of this university could be satisfied."

"We aren't. The ball is in the state legislature's court," he said.

Over the past four years, the state government has cut \$73 million in UK's funding.

To help make up that loss, UK has increased tuition for three straight years.

"The recurring costs, such as health care, are also growing," SG President Watts said. "There are costs to retain the right professors. The basic things, too, are just going up while our budget from the state is going down."

In interviews with The Kernel last week, several members of the Kentucky House of Representatives indicated that picture could change for the better.

"UK can look forward to doing well in the upcoming session," said Harry Moberly, the 61st district representative.

Charlie Hoffman, the 62nd district representative, said UK needs

more funding.

"If we're going to raise the University of Kentucky's national status and attract and retain quality teachers, then we're going to have to put our money where our mouth is," he said.

The legislature has at least one option it could exercise to help prevent a tuition increase at UK, and it's one avenue Watts said she intends to pursue.

"Our tobacco tax is one of the lowest in the nation," Watts said. "Dramatically lower than everyone else." The governor (Ernie Fletcher) wants it to be revenue-neutral, but realistically, we need that money," she said.

"I'm lobbying with everything I have," she said. "We need to focus on this one solution."

SG will hold a rally in the state capital in Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 16 to be more proactive in this regard. Watts also called on students to make their voices heard.

"We can't forget about undergraduate education," Watts said. "Students need to get involved now, be proactive now, because the decisions are being made now."

"Last year when they raised tuition, the Board of Trustees said they did not receive a single letter about the tuition increases," she said.

"That's basic — we need to do something right now."

E-mail [asichko@kykernel.com](mailto:asichko@kykernel.com)

Visit us online at [WWW.KYKERNEL.COM](http://WWW.KYKERNEL.COM)

## CORRECTION

In yesterday's article "Parking adds second office to Limestone Street garage," the article should have stated the office had previously existed, but UK's Parking and Transportation Services has added new services to the office, said Christina Balding, the department's marketing and promotions specialist.

To report an error, please call the newsroom at 257-1915 or e-mail [news@kykernel.com](mailto:news@kykernel.com).

college living redefined



NEWTOWN CROSSING

Equipped

All units are Fully Furnished and have:

- PRIVATE BEDROOMS, each with PRIVATE BATHROOMS and 9 FOOT CEILINGS
- High-speed internet & basic cable in each bedroom & living room

Convenient

- Large, well equipped fitness center
- Clubhouse with theater, group study and social interaction areas
- FREE tanning beds
- Resort style pool

SHORT WALK TO CLASSES

ON-SITE PARKING

UTILITY PACKAGE AVAILABLE



NOW OPEN Visit Our Leasing Trailer

859-226-5600 • 296 Scott St.

Hours: Mon-Fri 10-5, Saturday 12-5

## 1ST TIME ON CAMPUS!

# BRAND NAME CLOTHING OUTLET SALE

## EVERYTHING 50%-80% BELOW STORE PRICES

★ One Week Only !!! ★

MICHAEL STARS

LEI

A&F

A.E.O.

MENS & WOMENS Winter Clearance Sale

Coats • Jeans • Sweaters

Hats, Gloves, Scarves

PLUS

New Spring Fashions!!

Tanks • Tees • Skirts

Intimates

Loungewear • Logo Tees & Much More

RALPH LAUREN POLO

CREW

EXPRESS

**3 MORE DAYS !!**

**Tues-Thurs**

**Jan 25-27**

10 am-7 pm

**UK Student Center**

**Grand Ballroom**

(3rd Floor)

Great Hall Entrance

Sponsored by the  studentactivitiesboard

Bring in this flyer & receive **20% OFF** any single item. Limit one per customer per day.

# ACUI Qualifying Tournaments

- **January 27<sup>th</sup> - Foosball**
- 

Doubles Competition.

Bring your own partner or be paired at the tournament
- **February 3<sup>rd</sup> - Table Tennis**
- Singles & Doubles Competition, paddles available at the Cats Den.
- **February 10<sup>th</sup> - Spades**
- 

Bring your own partner or be paired at the tournament

Free Food and Drinks Provided at all Tournaments

Tournaments free for UK and LCC students.

Tournaments start at 7PM in the UK Student Center's Cats Den unless otherwise noted

**All Finalists receive expense paid trip to regional competition at Virginia Tech!**

Email questions to: [tournaments@lsv.uky.edu](mailto:tournaments@lsv.uky.edu)

# UK research barn burns

By Hillary Canada  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Two firefighters were injured while putting out a blaze at a UK research barn Sunday.

The Lexington Fire Department received a call at 3:15 p.m. Sunday about a fire at a UK dairy research facility at 2810 Georgetown Road, said Lexington Fire Battalion Chief Randy Gilliam.

One firefighter was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital for an ear injury. He was treated and released, Gilliam said.

The other was treated on-site for a leg injury and returned to work.

Gilliam did not release the firefighters' names. He said foul play was not suspected.

"It seems that the igni-

tion source was electrical wire feeding a service panel," Gilliam said. A 55-gallon drum of kerosene near the electrical wire fueled the fire.

Firefighters extinguished the fire within an hour but a crew stayed for a few hours afterward to monitor the scene, Gilliam said.

Robert Harmon, chairman of the Department of Animal Sciences, said that the facility, located on the Coldstream Farm, was the main facility for research on reproductive physiology and nutrition.

Harmon said the reproductive research could continue at another facility, but the nutrition studies would be interrupted.

The barn that burned, a tie-stall facility, allowed re-

searchers to isolate animals and conduct feeding trials. The other available feeding facility allows the animals to roam free, which could affect the researchers' results, Harmon said.

Harmon said it was unclear when researchers could resume using the facility.

"It doesn't look like the building is salvageable," Harmon said.

The fire did not spread to the milking parlor or any of the buildings on the farm.

"We'll have to look at in the coming months, but it will probably have to be replaced," said Harmon.

"We're just fortunate that no people or animals were hurt."

E-mail  
hcanada@kykernel.com

# Iraqi forces capture terrorist aide

By Karl Vick  
THE WASHINGTON POST

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi officials announced Monday that they had captured a top lieutenant of insurgent leader Abu Musab Zarqawi who admitted involvement in a substantial share of the car bombings carried out in Iraq since August 2003.

Sami Muhammad Ali Said Jaaf, who was taken into custody nine days ago, claimed to have supervised construction of 32 car bombs, according to Thaeer al-Naqib, a spokesman for interim Iraqi Prime Minister Ayad Allawi.

Naqib said Jaaf, who used the nom de guerre Abu Umar Kurdi, was captured in a Jan. 15 raid in Baghdad. There was no way to immediately verify Jaaf's admissions or the government's claim that he had been involved in 75 percent of the car bombings in Baghdad since 2003.

"I think they do have somebody fairly important," said a senior U.S. diplomat in Baghdad, adding that he wasn't familiar with details of the arrest.

With historic elections set for Sunday, the announce-

ment of Jaaf's capture was one of a flurry of bulletins issued by the spokesman for Allawi, who has swamped the capital's streets and television airwaves with glossy campaign advertisements.

The prime minister's office also announced the capture of Zarqawi's "chief of propaganda", 10 insurgent leaders in Ramadi, the capital of trouble, Anbar province west of Baghdad; and a resistance leader in the violent northern city of Mosul.

"Every arrest of a terrorist in Iraq is making our country safer, bringing us one step closer to a peaceful and prosperous Iraq," Naqib said.

In a setback for the elections, however, another political party anchored among Iraq's Sunni Muslim population announced that it was withdrawing support for the vote.

The United Arab Front said it was boycotting the election because of what it called preferential treatment accorded ethnic Kurds in the disputed city of Kirkuk. The party complained that a decision to reopen registration in the city swelled the voter

rolls with Kurds who now live elsewhere after having been pushed out by the government of Saddam Hussein.

"What the election commission did makes the results of the elections in Kirkuk predictable. It will be for the benefit of the Kurds," said Wasafi Asi, secretary general of the United Arab Front.

Asi said the influx of Kurdish votes will further unsettle a dicey security situation in the area while essentially fixing the outcome of any future referendum to decide whether Kirkuk joins the sections of northeastern Iraq dominated by Kurds.

"There are Arabs and Turkomans in the city," Asi said. "It is an Iraqi city for all. It cannot be considered a part of Kurdistan."

Since the fall of Saddam, returning exile groups have invested Kirkuk with nationalist significance, making a flash point of the cosmopolitan city, many of whose residents speak three languages. The Kurds in particular are eager to reverse Saddam's official policy of "Arabization," which for decades banished them from the oil-rich city.

# High court stays out of right-to-die case

By John-Thor Dahlburg  
and David G. Savage  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

MIAMI — The U.S. Supreme Court yesterday refused to get involved in the case of Terri Schiavo, clearing the way for the husband of the severely brain-damaged Florida woman to have her feeding tube unhooked by a state court order.

Barring an unlikely change of heart by Florida judges, Schiavo, now 41, could die soon in a nursing home — nearly 15 years after she lapsed into a vegetative state.

"It's judicial homicide. They want to murder her," Robert Schindler, Schiavo's father, told reporters Monday. "I have no idea what the next step will be. We are going to fight for her as much as we can fight for her. She deserves a chance."

The justices dismissed without comment Florida Gov. Jeb Bush's claim that he had the power and responsibility to keep Schiavo alive after a state judge authorized removal of the tube through which she receives food and water.

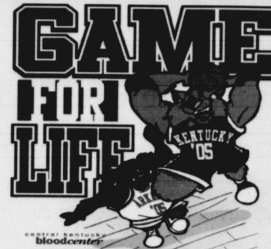
The governor was appealing a September decision by Florida's Supreme Court that found "Terri's Law" — a measure passed by the state Legislature that gave Bush the one-time power to order the tube reinstated — violated the separation of powers.

"The effect of this decision is that Terri Schiavo will die of starvation and dehydration as the result of a judicial death warrant," said Ken Connor, who served as Bush's counsel in the case. Courts have done more to protect the rights of convicted murderers than a helpless woman like Schiavo, Connor

said. But other attorneys involved with what has become one of America's most celebrated right-to-die cases said it was still too early to say that the protracted legal battles surrounding Schiavo were over.

George Felos, the lawyer for Schiavo's husband, Michael, said he had no idea when Florida judges would halt "the merry-go-round of litigation" generated by the woman's parents.

David C. Gibbs III, lead counsel for Robert and Mary Schindler, said Monday evening that he would be moving on three fronts in state courts to try to keep Terri Schiavo alive. On Friday, Gibbs said, he would assert that her right to due process had been violated because she never had a lawyer to represent her and never was brought into a courtroom.



**GAME FOR LIFE**

KENTUCKY VS ARKANSAS  
JANUARY 26-28, 2005

**BLOOD DRIVE**

**TOMORROW** Wednesday, Jan. 26

UK ROTC 101 Barker Hall Noon-5 p.m.  
UK Complex Commons 2 p.m.-9 p.m.  
UK Farmhouse Fraternity 6 p.m.-10 p.m.



**Singles GAME**

need a date for Valentine's Day?

**pick up applications TODAY**  
for the **UK Single's Game**

in room 203 student center  
or on the web @  
[www.uksab.org](http://www.uksab.org)

return applications by  
february 4th  
to room 203 student center

**studentactivitiesboard**  
[//www.uksab.org](http://www.uksab.org) 257.8867

UK Student Activities <b>CAMPUS CALENDAR</b>			
WWW.UKY.EDU/CAMPUSCALENDAR		VISIT THE WEB SITE FOR EVENT DETAILS OR TO POST YOUR OWN UK EVENT.	
<p><i>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UK Anime Club Meeting, 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM, Center Theater, Student Center</li> <li>French Film Series, 7:00 PM, WT Young Library, Auditorium</li> <li>UK DANCE MARATHON ORGANIZATIONAL FORUM, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Rm. 245 Student Center</li> <li>Baptist Student Union's English Conversation Class, 6:00 PM, 429 Columbia Ave, Baptist Student Union</li> <li>UK Fencing Club Meeting, 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM, Buell Armory/Barker Hall</li> <li>Baptist Student Unions presents "TNT," 7:30 PM, 429 Columbia Ave, Baptist Student Union</li> <li>Lefist Student Union presents Gatewood, 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Student Center 228</li> </ul>	<p><i>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-Physical Therapy Student Association Meeting, 7:30 PM, Gallery Room of WYTL</li> <li>UK Berean Bible Study, 8:00 PM, Student Center, Room 113</li> <li>UK Water Ski Club, 8:00 PM, OFF Campus</li> <li>Cat's For Christ Meeting, 7:00 PM, Student Center, Room 230</li> <li>Comedy Caravan, 8:00 PM, Cat's Den, Student Center</li> <li>Alpha Kappa Psi Informational Meetings, 7:30 PM, BE 215</li> <li>"The Rock," 9:00 PM, Baptist Student Center on Columbia Ave.</li> <li>WildWaterCats Pool Session, 9:00 PM to 11:00 PM, Lancaster Aquatic Center</li> <li>Table Francaise, French conversation group, 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM, Student Center, Room 231</li> <li>Lavender Society Meeting, 7:30 PM, Student Center, Room 228</li> <li>Central KY FCA Meeting, 8:00 PM, Upstairs in the Commons Market</li> </ul>	<p><i>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WildWaterCats Whitewater Club Meeting, 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Johnson Center Lobby</li> <li>Lefist Student Union presents Gatewood, 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM, Student Center 228</li> <li>Lutheran-Episcopal Campus Ministry Worship Service, 7:00 PM</li> <li>Wesley Foundation's Focus Worship Meeting, 7:30 PM, Student Center, Center Theater</li> <li>Lefist Women's Basketball vs. Vanderbilt, 7:00 PM, Memorial Coliseum</li> <li>Baptist Student Union's Freshman Focus Group Meeting, 7:30 PM, 429 Columbia Ave</li> <li>CSF Presents "Synergy," 8:00 PM, CSF Building, corner of Woodland and Columbia</li> <li>UK Fencing Club Meeting, 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM, Buell Armory/Barker Hall</li> <li>UK Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Meeting, 5:00 PM, Student Center, Room 205</li> <li>UK Green Thumb Meeting, 7:00 PM, Student Center, Room 106</li> </ul>	<p><i>Saturday 29<sup>th</sup></i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swing Dance, Shake Those Wintertime Blues, 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Arthur Murray Dance Studio, 1801 Alexandria Dr</li> </ul>

## TECHCHECK | not just for geeks Check out new file share connection

Napster, Kazaa, Ares — these file-sharing programs have become almost daily vocabulary to anyone with a computer. It's time to add another term to the fray: i2hub.



**Roger Chui**  
TECH COLUMNIST

So what is i2hub? Wayne Chang, i2hub's creator, said it is an "online collaboration service for Internet2, a high-speed network that connects major research institutions around the world."

Just as peer-to-peer file sharing came to the mainstream Internet with Napster, peer-to-peer file sharing has recently come to Internet2 — which was formed in 1996 to allow researchers to

quickly transfer their data — with i2hub.

Chang, of the University of Massachusetts, developed i2hub to take advantage of the high-speed connections that link Internet2 campuses, such as UK, and to bypass the "conventional Internet" so that users can download from each other as fast as Internet2 can handle.

Chang said that although he knows that i2hub users are using it for some copyright infringement, there are many legitimate uses for i2hub.

"A lot of students are able to find academic help on i2hub, collaborate on school work and socialize using i2hub," he said in an online conversation.

Universities can also benefit from i2hub. Because it uses only university-to-university lines, i2hub is "eco-

nomically a superior alternative to other systems, like Kazaa or BitTorrent," Chang said.

But several universities, including Auburn University, have already moved to block i2hub, citing concerns that Internet2 was intended to transfer research data — not movies and music. UK's policy allows peer-to-peer software because there are legitimate uses for it. The university does not, however, condone downloading of copyrighted materials.

The i2hub software itself is easy to set up. Simply install the program, which can be downloaded from <http://download.i2hub.com>. Then select a username, prefixed with [KENTUCKY], select passive mode if behind a firewall (if you can't seem to find any files, try tweaking this setting as well) and then

share at least one gigabyte of content.

That is all it takes to have access to over 100 terabytes — for those of you not technically inclined, a terabyte is 1,000 gigabytes — of content among file swappers at over 400 colleges and universities around the world. Currently, i2hub must be run from a computer connected to the university network or ResNet. An extended i2hub is planned, and it would allow students living off campus to share in the benefits of the program.

The software is currently only available to users of Windows-based operating systems, but a Mac version is in the works.

E-mail  
[features@kykernel.com](mailto:features@kykernel.com)

## Guevara undeserving of worship

"Shoot, coward — you are only going to kill a man."

Those were the supposed last words of Che Guevara. If you don't recognize the name, you're surely familiar with the image of a dashing, young, mustached revolutionary with the green beret and red star who adorns Madonna's T-shirts and Mike Tyson's flesh.



**Alex Kernal**  
KERNAL COLUMNIST

And with Walter Salles' new movie *The Motorcycle Diaries*, yet another hagiography of Guevara, it is important that we do not let this monster be venerated further in our consciousness. Guevara was a spoiled brat, a brutal killer and a failed revolutionary — not the archetype of a romantic hero burning with notions of social reform and utopia.

It's great to be young, zealous, intoxicated with hope and filled with a charming naivete about reality. Though this is

the seed of many a great humanitarian revolution, it is important not to delude ourselves of the harsh reality of life.

Robert Conquest, esteemed Cold War historian, uses Guevara as the personification of a "persistence to this day of an adolescent revolutionary romanticism, as one of the unfortunate afflictions to which the human mind was and is prone ... a revival of the cult of totalitarian terrorists."

The film, based on Guevara's book of the same title, is his account of his journeys through South America, particularly his experience in a leper colony. The actual journal is a chronicle of his disgust at the social injustice he witnesses traveling in a pseudo-Jack Kerouac fashion, which veils the Marxist-Leninist notions he espouses as he ironically drops his prestigious family name throughout South America.

With Latin heartthrob Gael Garcia Bernal, it is clear this movie is just more "Che" propaganda to copy up the truth. I have a hunch that a movie about that other youthful and passionate revolutionary, Fidel Castro, wouldn't have the same

mythical portrayals. Alberto Korda, a fashion photographer, no less, captured one of the century's most enduring images, which has come to falsely represent a dashing revolutionary full of ideals. "Che" says, "the presence of a foreign journalist, American for preference, was more important to us than a military victory."

Even in death, he used the image to his advantage. After his capturers cleaned his body to make him unmistakably recognizable, they had inadvertently created a Christ-like image to further imbibe him in the hearts of people.

To understand "Che" is to understand the role iconography, mythology, and archetypes have in our culture. What remains of "Che" today is pure myth, but what remains for the people who suffer every day in Cuba is hardly a myth. We see Fidel Castro for what he is — not some Byronic figure of revolution, but an evil dictator.

If we are going to have heroes and icons, let's limit them to those who actually deserve our respect and adoration.

E-mail  
[features@kykernel.com](mailto:features@kykernel.com)

## 20 years later, celebrity charity recording back on air

By Randy Lewis  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

A disaster continents away inspires a raft of pop and rock stars to band together and try to help.

That scenario, playing out now following the devastating tsunami that swept over large parts of Asia on Dec. 26, is the same one that led to a historic gathering of musical talent 20 years ago this week.

That's when Bruce Springsteen, Bob Dylan, Stevie Wonder, Michael Jackson, Ray Charles and 40 other

high-profile pop musicians met to record "We Are the World," the U.S. answer to the African famine that had inspired a bevy of U.K. artists to stage Live Aid.

To mark the wide-ranging and ongoing impact of "We Are the World," Friday's 20th anniversary will be marked by a mass playing of the all-star single at noon (Eastern time) on radio stations around the world.

In addition, on Feb. 1 a two-DVD set about the making of the single and the video and the USA for Africa

nonprofit group that grew out of those efforts will be released.

"The purpose is to use it to do some more good (for the original charity). That's all we care about accomplishing," said Ken Kragen, an artist manager who spearheaded the project.

The most fascinating part of the *We Are the World: The Story Behind the Song* DVD package for music fans may be the recording-session outtakes embedded in the documentary.

The footage includes an unusual "coaching" session

for Dylan.

"What happened there is that Bob is a very shy person," said Kragen. "So Dylan starts to do his solo, but he doesn't sound anything like Bob Dylan. At that point, Lionel (Richie) clears the studio except for (producer) Quincy Jones, Stevie, himself and Bob. One by one, they sit down at the piano and each one does his Bob Dylan impression."

"They're not teaching him the song but how to sound like Bob Dylan."

**Mellow Mushroom**  
Pizza Bakers

**Live Team Trivia at Mellow Mushroom**

every tuesday at 9pm  
lots of beer and drink specials  
winning team gets a \$40 Tab  
(2nd and 3rd place win prizes as well!)

803 South Upper St. (1 block behind Two Keys)-281-8111

**Monday Night**  
Miller Lite  
Pitchers  
\$5.25  
from 9 - midnight

**Tuesday**  
Team Trivia  
7:30 pm  
Karaoke  
10 pm

**Friday**  
LIVE MUSIC

**Saturday**  
UK Basketball  
Dart  
Tournament  
Karaoke

**Sunday**  
NFL  
Playoffs  
Buckets of Coors Lite & Lonestar \$10

**Wednesday**  
2 For 1 Margarita's  
8pm - Midnight

**Thursday**  
LADIES NIGHT  
Shot Specials

**OPEN LATE TUESDAY - SATURDAY!**

**FOR FRIENDS!**

40% OFF  
UK Alan Stuart Bags

50% OFF  
Selected Alan Stuart Bags

50% OFF  
Furs & Feather Bags

50% OFF  
Greek Trinket Trays

50% OFF  
discontinued Vera Bradley

January 25, 2005  
10 AM - 4 PM

Next to Starbucks  
in Student Center  
Room 206

Plus Card Accepted  
Cash, Ck, Visa, MC, AMX

**Attention: Pre-Pharmacy Students**  
Pre-Pharmacy Club Meeting  
Wed., January 26  
6:30pm-8pm  
College of Pharmacy, Room 223  
Topic: Drug Development & Clinical Research  
Speaker: Dr. Daniel Wermeling  
Call 323-2755 to reserve your spot. Refreshments!  
Talk to PharmD students & find out more about pharmacy.

**DON'T MISS**  
THE  
UK COLLEGE  
REPUBLICANS  
1ST SPRING '05 MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26TH AT 8PM  
COMMONS MARKET ROOM 306

VISIT [SUNTANCITY.COM](http://SUNTANCITY.COM) FOR MORE MONEY-SAVING TANNING OFFERS!

**FREE TANNING**

ADD A LITTLE COLOR TO YOUR LIFE!  
VISIT SUN TAN CITY AND GET 2 FREE WEEKS OF TANNING.

And don't forget to sign up for unlimited tanning at one low price with your ClubSun membership!

LEXINGTON Beaumont Shopping Center Next to Kroger 3181 Beaumont Ctr. 296-1442

**2 FREE WEEKS OF TANNING**  
Use this pass to get two weeks of FREE Tanning (offer good for new customers only)

**25% OFF ALL LOTIONS**  
WITH PURCHASE OF \$25 OR MORE!

LEXINGTON Beaumont Shopping Center 3181 Beaumont Ctr. 296-1442

move to the music...

**dance**

swing, waltz, tango, foxtrot, cha cha, rumba, disco, foxey

Dance to the music of your favorite artists.

**Learn to Dance**  
Tuesday, Jan. 25  
Beginners 7:15 pm, Intermediates 8:15 pm  
Barker Hall Dance Studio (near ROTC)

Partner helpful but not necessary. Questions? Call 257-1947.

UK ballroom dance club

# DiFranco's song remains the same

By Ryan Ebeihar  
KERNEL MUSIC CRITIC

This year Ani DiFranco has been nominated for a Grammy for "Best Contemporary Folk Album," and I can't think of a more deserving artist.

As a guitarist, DiFranco is vastly underrated. *Knuckle Down* features song after song of intricate finger picking and strumming that would embarrass most male guitarists in today's popular music scene.

Combine that with the fact that she sings in various times, as opposed to the standard 4/4 signature that most musicians fall back on, and it proves to be a rare gem. It's not more frequently mentioned as a great guitar player while inferior men are given such accolades.

This album is not the same one record affair that many of her previous albums have been. Instead of bare-bones acoustics and vocals, listeners are treated to a multitude of instruments that offer genre-bending

sounds. DiFranco's current stage partner, Todd Sickafosse, treats the audience to bass lines that sound more like a jazz quartet than a single folk musician. Former bandmate Julie Wolf plays the melodic, an odd-looking wind powered keyboard that provides strong harmonies. Fellow Righteous Babe artist Andrew Bird supplies violin and glockenspiel to the record, rounding out the melow sound.

The lyrics don't stray too far from what fans have come to expect from DiFranco. "Paradigm" is a song about her mother's grassroots activities. Other songs include tales about coming to terms with the difficulties of love, family and the obligatory stories of doing things on her own (including creating her own record label at age 18). The spoken-word track "Parameters" is a story of rape by a man who lay in wait as she returned home.

Musically *Knuckle Down* is much stronger than most



PHOTO COURTESY OF AMAZON.COM  
Ani DiFranco's newest album *Knuckle Down* features the traditionally solo strummer collaborating with a variety of musicians.

of DiFranco's past albums, with the exception of my personal favorite, *Evolve*. Lyrically however, it's typical Ani — certainly nothing to com-

plain about. All in all, *Knuckle Down* is definitely an album worth picking up.

E-mail: [features@kykernel.com](mailto:features@kykernel.com)

# Pillow addicts aren't a phenomenon

By Steven Barrie-Anthony  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

What treasure would you save if a natural disaster struck?

The key to a lifetime of sound sleep, says one Atlanta attorney, "if there's a fire, what am I going in there for? I've thought about that," says Asim Raza.

"Kids and wife. And then — my pillow. If you're 35 and you've been sleeping on the same pillow for 31 years, you don't take that lightly."

This isn't a joke to Raza, or to the many other adults who are deeply attached to the cushions that lull them to sleep each night. Before getting married, Raza told his fiancée, "My pillow is really important to me."

She laughed, so Raza reiterated: "No, I'm not kidding. This is really important." Despite the occasional joke about security blankets, "she has actually been very respectful of it," he says. "She knows what I'm like without it."

Like most people interviewed for this story, Raza isn't eager to discuss his pillow on the record. "Don't make me look like a fool," he pleads — but pillow attachment isn't anything to feel sheepish about, says Lee Jampolsky, a psychologist in Carmel Valley, Calif.

"Ironically, people aren't embarrassed about carrying 12 cell phones, but are embarrassed if they have some kind of relationship with their pillow," she says.

"It's very common, and at the core it's very healthy. Mine happens to have a name: Pillow."

Though Raza refuses to disclose his pillow's name, he will chat about its history. His parents gave him the thin cot-

ton pillow when he was 4 1/2, and it has remained nearby ever since.

It hasn't been easy. "As a kid, my brother would steal the pillow and then say, 'Either you do the vacuuming today or you're not getting the pillow back,'" Raza says.

While attending American University in Washington, D.C., Raza enlisted his roommate to help protect his pillow.

Both his mother and his grandmother have made covers for it. "I've got to get buried with this thing," he says. "But I'm a Muslim, and you're not supposed to take anything with you. I'll probably leave it as a family heirloom."

These surrogate teddy bears provide comfort and company much the way a special blanket might have soothed many of these young adults when they were young. It's a dependent and healthy relationship, experts say that stretches beyond the human world.

A beloved pillow can stand in for, or even come to represent, the feeling of connectedness that all primates require, says Craig Stanford, a professor of anthropology at the University of Southern California.

"Even chimps in the L.A. Zoo ... are very fond of the bedding they're given," he says. "They don't drag around pillows, but they do drag around their sleeping materials sometimes."

"Pilly" goes with Debra Kent wherever the 46-year-old publicist from Bloomington, Ind., travels.

"I've never felt this way about anything," says Kent of her 6-year-old feather pillow. "I didn't have any attachment objects when I was a kid. No pacifier or anything. But this

pillow, it just means home to me."

On road trips, Kent keeps it in the car. "My kids bring their pillow and blankets," she says. "Why shouldn't I bring mine too?"

Kent's friend, animal control officer Vicki Minder, can't make fun of her — after all, Minder sleeps with her own 24-year-old pillow, named "Pink."

Adults who still sleep on their childhood pillows say they imbue bedtime with the same kind of warmth and safety they felt when Mom and Dad used to kiss them goodnight and tuck them in.

As Raza puts it, "Harmony, music and warm milk all combine into a pillow. ... The smell of my pillow just immediately relaxes me. ... the same smell since I was 4 1/2 years old."

Chicago philanthropist Kathy Posner can't sleep without watching TV without cradling her 44-year-old "Happy Pillow." She cried into the pillow when she was 16 and her father died, and she embraced it six years later when her mother passed away. She carried it to college and to wherever she has moved. She totes it on trips when she can fit it in her luggage.

Pillow attachment "is something I encounter quite a bit with my clients," says Yvonne Thomas, a Los Angeles therapist — and it's a healthy alternative to addictions and vices, she says.

"There are so many ways a person can comfort themselves. They can smoke, gamble, have sex indiscriminately," Thomas says.

"Let this be the way a person copes. Instead of drinking, instead of overeating, let them reach for their pillow when they're sad and stressed."

Chiropractors and allergists tend to disagree.

A pillow should be a tool to keep yourself in correct alignment as you sleep, says Jerome F. McAndrews, spokesman for the American Chiropractic Association — and broken-down cushions don't provide the level of support that your head and neck require.

"If you get in the habit of sleeping ... with an old pillow that gives no support, you're going to encourage disk and joint degeneration," he says.

Then there's the "ick" factor. An old pillow might be "one of the dirtiest places in the home," says Jonathan Corren, medical research director of the Allergy Research Foundation in Los Angeles.

Pillows that aren't cleaned regularly and protected, he says, can become a repository for dust mites, dirt, volatile organic compounds such as wood finishes, pet dander, even mold.

If you have allergies or asthma, Corren recommends that you either toss the ancient pillow or use one of the many hypoallergenic casings available.

Or leave it in the freezer overnight to rid it of dust mites, says Glen Needham, associate professor of entomology at Ohio State University.

Many pillow-obsessed people say they sheathe their sleeping aids in mitproof covers.

But Raza says he would never trade his pancake-thin pillow for an orthopedic one, even if it meant assuaging the back pain that has long plagued him.

"What I would gain in lack of back pain, I would lose walking around with bags under my eyes," he says.

Free dinner every Wednesday night

STUDENTS,  
Please join us for a great meal and a brief worship service every Wednesday night  
St. Augustine's Chapel  
5:05 pm worship  
Home cooked meal to follow  
472 Rose Street

lutheranepiscopalCM uk lcc@qx.net  
254-3726 or 489-1222

STUDENT TRAVEL

MAKE YOUR BREAK

Spring Break '05

Beach  
»Jamaica \$579 Air + 1 week at Villa La Cigra  
»Cancun \$549 Air + 1 week at the Margaritas Hostel

Europe  
»London \$403 Air + 4 nights at the Ashlee House  
»Amsterdam \$492 Air + 4 nights stay at Hans Brinker

Alternative  
»Costa Rica \$560 Air + 1 week at beach front hotel  
»Panama City \$399 Air + 1 week at beach front hotel

Package includes roundtrip airfare from Cincinnati and accommodations. Subject to change and availability. Taxes and other applicable fees not included.

STA TRAVEL  
255 Student Center  
(859)257.4981  
[www.statravel.com](http://www.statravel.com)

Kitty O'Shea's

MON: 2 for 1 Miller Lite LN, 6- close  
TUES: Penny Pitchers - Miller Lite & Wells 9-1am  
WED: \$9 All U Can Drink \$4.50 Domestic Pitchers Live Music by Mark  
THU: 2 for 1 Wells for All, Live DJ Matt  
FRI: \$1Wells for All Karokee  
SAT: \$9 All U Can Drink Live Music by Mac & Bryan

UK Game Special  
\$4.50 Pitchers

Covered and Heated Patio  
No Cover Til 11PM; WED, THU, SAT

SPRING BREAK

BAHAMAS CRUISE \$279!

5 Days, Meals, Parties, Taxes Party With Real World Cocktails!

Panama City \$179  
Daytona \$159, Cancun \$499  
(Ethics Award Winning Company)  
[www.SpringBreakTravel.com](http://www.SpringBreakTravel.com)  
1-800-678-6386

Kentucky Kernel  
Valentine's Day Issue  
Monday, Feb. 7

The "GO FREE" Program is Back For Its Final Tour!

ROCK AND ROLL with us!

UK/LCC Students, Faculty & Employees  
RIDE LEXTRAN FREE with their UK & LCC I.D.'s!  
Call 253-4636 for details.

There's a Lot Riding on LEXTRAN!

This message and the Go Free Program are paid for by a Federal Grant.

IN OUR OPINION

## SG needs more student participation

It's early in the semester, but chatter about the March Student Government elections has begun. While the rest of campus carries on with the beginning of the semester activities, SG members and those who follow the organization are talking about what this year's elections might bring. Two members of SG have made mention of their intentions to run for president.

The Kernel would love to postpone the election extravaganza and all that comes with it, but we must admit we are already thinking about what we'd like to see this year, too. And as of now, we have one request that outweighs all others this year.

We want more choices. The truth is that, despite all our past pleas, we've come to expect certain things from SG elections every year.

We've come to expect the eager candidates' flairs; it wouldn't be an SG election without the neon-colored paper taped in layers over

each other.

We've come to expect problems with the voting process; it wouldn't be an SG election without some report of difficulty at the booths.

We've even come to expect scandal; it wouldn't be an SG election without some candidate threatening to go to the SG Supreme Court.

Unfortunately, we've also come to expect low student participation. And that's the one thing we would love to surprise us this year.

The worst thing about last year wasn't scandal or voting booth problems. It was that member seats were left empty after the election was over.

As at-large Senate candidates battled it out for seats, five of the 17 college Senate seats were left open because no one bothered to run for them. Students from the colleges of Health

Sciences, Pharmacy, Social Work, Libraries and Nursing had no representation through the election. Though these seats can be filled through appointment later, there is no excuse for this lapse.

As silly as the fights in SG may seem to some students, the organization has the capacity for effective, positive change on campus. If run by students who care about their

school and their peers, SG can do great things. Luckily it's not too late for students to get involved and prepared for the elections this

It's time more members of the student body took an interest in Student Government at UK.



MATT CAREY, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

## Inauguration a reminder of nation's blessings

Every presidential inauguration stands as a unique event in our nation's history, filled with pride, patriotism and excitement.



Ruth John  
GUEST COLUMNIST

Here I am in a packed crowd of on-lookers, straining for a view of the big screens as the president gives his inaugural address.

The cold air blusters about, nipping at noses and toes, and I am reminded of how blessed our nation is.

I wonder: do these people around me realize the same? Our short history as the United States of America has been marked by prosperity and privilege.

Have we forgotten this fact and grown complacent to that privilege? President Bush speaks of freedom and liberty, and I recall the men and women who have given their all for this country.

We stand here today in a country built on the lives of these people; the suc-

cess of our country and its ideals lies not in our government, but in its citizens.

We must assume the responsibility to "carry the torch" into this new century. I must carry this torch.

As we move forward, each person, Republican or Democrat, must recognize his or her role in the continued success of our nation.

The president is challenging our young people to "make a choice to serve a cause larger than your wants, larger than yourself."

"In your days," he said, "you will add not just to the wealth of our country but to its character."

In this era, we must all remember that this nation was made great because of sacrifice and service to something bigger than self.

Bush says, "Liberty for all does not mean independence from one another. Our nation relies on men and women who look after a neighbor and surround the lost with love."

We can't act like spoiled children, expecting daddy to take care of the bills. It is not the government's job to make our lives better. Rather, we all share in the responsibility of caring for the weak, tired and poor.

And all these people, I wonder how many recognize that the greatness of our country is found in the values and ac-

tions of each person.

America is a nation of individuals, but we cannot succeed if we are measured by individualism.

Our future success as a nation will be measured by our willingness to sacrifice our lives for a cause that is greater than us, and our willingness to fade as individual people to present a united nation.

The closing prayer rings out over the crowd and I smile. To God be the glory.

The "Star Spangled Banner" fills the air as the Marine Band plays, and I think of our soldiers.

We honor them for their service and sacrifice. We recognize and commemorate their lives. We, too, have a service and a sacrifice for our country; we must follow their examples in our families, our neighborhoods and our communities.

I feel privileged to be a part of our nation's history as I watch these events today. America is a nation blessed by God, and I am honored to be a citizen, as are we all.

And to our president, I say "Thank you for your service over the last four years. God guide and keep you over these next four."

Ruth John is a business sophomore. E-mail opinions@kykernel.com.

## Bush's rhetoric falls flat; he should take his advice

I have a dark secret to admit: I really love the ideals President Bush espoused in his Jan. 20 inaugural speech.



Brenton Kenkel  
KERNEL COLUMNIST

He spoke of the unity of the citizens of the world, saying that "the survival of liberty in our land increasingly depends on the success of liberty in other lands."

And he said that to spread such liberty "is not primarily the task of arms."

Bush stressed the need for "the rule of law and the protection of minorities."

He acknowledged that democracy elsewhere in the world may not take the same form as U.S. democracy.

Finally, Bush admonished us to "abandon all the habits of racism."

Internationalist liberals have spent decades hoping presidents would give speeches like this. Too often, on both sides of the aisle, a disturbing America-first mentality has pervaded.

But something was missing from all these high-minded ideals: evidence that Bush has done significant work to spread them during his presidency.

That's why his speech was ultimately disappointing and, in fact, saddening.

Remember the race to war with Iraq? Vice President Cheney summed up the administration's knowledge of democracy promotion as such: "My belief is we will, in fact, be greeted as liberators."

Oops. I don't doubt that the Iraq war has been quite a lesson for the Bush administration in how not to form a democracy. But it's hard for me to accept that people with such a blithe attitude toward nation-building hold at heart the internationalist ideals Bush lauded Thursday.

After all, the establishment of democracy wasn't even the ostensible reason for going to war with Iraq; rather, it was touted as a helpful side-effect that would arise from the deposition of Saddam Hussein and the deactivation of his weapons of mass destruction.

On Jan. 30, we will see the result of Bush's efforts in Iraq, when the first Iraqi elections in decades are held. I fear that "democracy" will turn into tyranny by the Shiite majority — the same situation that currently exists in Iran.

I hope I'm wrong, but the failure to suppress the insurgency in Iraq and to win the support of the Iraqi people quickly after the initial combat may become the seed of civil war or theocracy.

Bush has failed to live up to the ideals of his speech in areas other than Iraq as well.

To those "who live in tyranny and hopelessness," Bush said that "the United States will not ignore your oppression or excuse your oppressors."

He forgot to make the exception for those who live in Pakistan and Saudi Arabia, both of which have apparently been taken off the list of tyrannies we need to destroy because their autocrats made nice with President Bush after 9/11.

In addition, Bush should take his own advice on the importance of rule of law. After 9/11, his administration argued that even American citizens could be declared "enemy combatants" and held indefinitely without trial or access to a lawyer, even if no evidence was brought before a court.

This is rule of law about as much as a Hardee's 1,420-calorie Monster Thickburger is health food. Bush would do well to look over the Constitution again before arbitrarily imprisoning more American citizens.

We'll never know whether President Bush, deep down, believes what he said Thursday — after all, in the tradition of modern presidents, he doesn't even write his own speeches.

But we can ask whether his actions have lived up to his rhetoric. So far, they have not.

Bush spoke of our capability to make "the greatest achievements in the history of freedom." One such achievement would be for him to keep that idealism while radically switching the course of his policy.

Brenton Kenkel is an English freshman. His column appears on Tuesdays. E-mail bkenkel@kykernel.com.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR Conservative columnist has a point

Stephen Burnett — if you can get past his abrasive and often haughty tone — actually makes a very decent point in his article "Operating manual for inauguration protesters."

Liberals, for the anti-war, peace-loving souls that they are, have spent far too much time protesting and personally attacking President Bush for beliefs and actions that a clear majority of this country has come to support.

It seems that the correct approach would be to begin turning the beliefs of the nation around. How? Seek out intelligent and honest liberal frontmen and begin convincing the nation that liberalism is correct for America.

Bring to light issues liberals feel Bush has incorrectly dismissed or denied. What good is accomplished through silent protests, hateful banter and crude remarks? None.

Kerry lost, most likely because he was a horrible display of Democratic offerings. So what's the next step? Invent a good and worthy candidate, educate the nation, and win the next election with the grace and dignity with which Bush won this one.

And I must tell you, Mr. Burnett, you do a great deal of liberal bashing for someone who opposes remonstrating for the sake of one's beliefs.

COURTNEY CARR  
political science freshman

## Submissions

Send a guest column or letter to the editor to Opinions Editor Andrew Martin or Assistant Opinions Editor Ben Roberts. Please limit letters to 250 words or less. Be sure to include your full name, class and major with all submissions.

E-MAIL [opinions@kykernel.com](mailto:opinions@kykernel.com)

## ONLINE POLL QUESTION

Are you pleased with the job SG has done this year?

YES

NO

VOTE ONLINE AT [WWW.KYKERNEL.COM](http://WWW.KYKERNEL.COM)

## Note to readers

The Opinions page provides a forum for the exchange of ideas.

Unlike news stories, the Kernel's unsigned editorials represent the views of a majority of the editorial board.

Letters to the editor, columns, cartoons and other features on the Opinions page reflect the views of their authors and not necessarily those of the Kernel.



## Down year in league leaves Cats no room for conference errors

Let's face it. The Southeastern Conference is just not that good this year.

For the first time since 1996, the SEC may send only four teams to the NCAA Tournament.

As of now, there are only four teams with solid NCAA resumes — No. 7 UK, No. 14 Alabama, No. 24 Mississippi State and Florida.

Those four teams, plus Tennessee, are the only schools with a winning record in league play.

With its 10-8 overall record, UT does not look like a NCAA team right now. A win over UK tonight could change that, but it seems unlikely.

So that would leave the SEC with four NCAA bids — a surprisingly low number for a conference that has earned six bids every year since 1999.

This year, then, save your breath when it comes time to argue with a Duke fan about the strength of the SEC. It just isn't there.

A down year in the SEC means UK can afford few league losses if it wants a top seed in the Big Dance.

After dropping marquee non-conference matches-ups to Kansas and North Carolina, the Cats must have a gaudy conference record to have any shot at a No. 1 or No. 2 seed. Big Blue fans expect that anyway, so that's no surprise.

But if UK seems slighted on Selection Sunday (which is still forever away), blame it on a lackluster SEC.

**Odds and ends from the SEC:**

• In Georgia's 68-59 victory over Vanderbilt on Saturday, a walk-on freshman named Kevin Brophy made his first career start and scored a career-high 19 points to lead the Bulldogs to their first SEC win. Why the native of Melbourne, Australia, decided to stay in Athens, Ga., is the only question I have.

• Speaking of Georgia, I saw that a new documentary has been released — about the school's mascot Uga. For \$34.95, you can buy "Damn Good Dog: A Documentary" and learn everything you ever wanted to know about the slobbering canines that have roamed the sidelines at Georgia football games.

• A week later, the 98-49 whoopin' that Alabama gave Mississippi State still shocks me. If the Bulldogs cannot find a way to replace injured guard Winsome Frazier, they may be in for a disappointing follow-up to last year's SEC Championship.

• Back to that documentary. It's just further evidence the SEC loves football and tolerates basketball. Just look at the difference between the football palaces of the SEC compared to the modest gyms for its basketball teams.

Florida head coach Billy Donovan understands where he ranks with Gator fans.

"You have to come in with a humility that your sport is never going to be the number one sport here," he said in yesterday's teleconference. "We realize basketball isn't going to be the number one priority here."

He must not have learned that humility thing from his old boss Rick Pitino.

E-mail: twiseman@kykernel.com



**Tim Wiseman**  
SPORTS EDITOR

## Road tests continue for Cats

By Chris Fisher  
THE DOCUMENTARY KENNEL

If the last two games in Knoxville are any indication, UK's trip to Thompson-Boling Arena Tuesday night should be another nail biter.

But if the Cats play the way they did Saturday against Louisiana State, it could be a different story.

The Cats (14-2, 5-0 Southeastern Conference) take their undefeated SEC record to Knoxville tonight to battle the up-and-down Volunteers (10-8, 3-2). The game serves as the first of a three-game SEC road swing, a first in UK coach Tubby Smith's eight-year tenure at UK.

The Cats are coming off what Smith called the team's most complete game of the season, an 89-58 dismantling of a streaking LSU squad.

"We didn't make too many mistakes," Smith said. "Hopefully, it's something we can build on as we go down to Knoxville because it's always a tough time in Knoxville."

For the last two seasons, the Cats have barely escaped Knoxville with a win.

Last season, Cliff Hawkins buried a long 3-pointer from straight away with 16.3 seconds left to force overtime in an eventual 69-68 UK win.

Two seasons ago, Jules Camara hit two jumpers in the closing minutes; his second came from the foul line with 53 seconds left to give the Cats the lead for good and a 74-71 victory.

The Vols have been a tough team to figure out this season.

UT has faced a brutal schedule, including Stanford, North Carolina and Texas in the Maui Invitational.

Their losses include home decisions to UT-Chattanooga, Nebraska and an 88-63 shellacking at the hands of Vanderbilt. But the Vols bounced back with a home win over Mississippi State and then went on the road to beat Florida in Gainesville.

UT played Louisville tough over the weekend, until it was buried by a 24-2 second half run that led to an 85-62 Cardinal win.

"They're one of the most talented teams in the league, and they're still fairly young," Smith said. "This is the first of three straight road games that will really be a tough stretch for us. If we can play the way we played Saturday, we'll have a good chance."

Senior forward Chuck Hayes said UT has one of the toughest road environments in the league.

"The past two years, it's gone down to the wire in Knoxville, so that's what we



UK freshman guard Joe Crawford played nine minutes against Louisiana State on Saturday, his first action since returning to the team on Jan. 16. Crawford scored five points after missing UK's last three games.

have to expect," Hayes said. "It's a rivalry. It's going to be a battle."

Although Hayes admitted the three game road swing is a crucial stretch with Arkansas and Vanderbilt waiting in the wings, he added the Cats wouldn't be caught looking past UT.

"We haven't really thought about it," Hayes said. "It doesn't concern us. We have to go on the road to win, and we have to do it sooner or later."

Junior guard Patrick Sparks, who connected on five-of-seven 3-pointers Saturday for 15 points, said he hopes the Cats can carry over their performance from Saturday and continue their consistent play.

"I think that everybody

has figured out their role on the team, and things click better and work together better," he said. "We know when we get everybody on the same page and doing what they can, do it really slows everything down for everyone and makes things a lot easier."

Sophomore center Shagari Alleyne, who added nine points, six rebounds and four blocks Saturday, also preached the importance of consistency, both at home and on the road.

"As far as consistency, guys are getting the job done and we have to stay consistent on the road and play the way we know how," he said.

E-mail: cfisher@kykernel.com

Tonight, 7 Thompson-Boling Arena TK, ESPN RADIO: 630 AM 98.1 FM	
--	--

Series Record: UK leads, 134-62

**No. 7 Kentucky Wildcats (14-2)**

Probable Starters	PPG	RPG
G Rajon Rondo	7.9	2.8*
G Patrick Sparks	11.4	4.6*
F Keenna Azubuike	14.3	4.6
F Chuck Hayes	11.6	9.3
C Randolph Morris	8.6	3.9

**Tennessee Volunteers (10-8)**

Probable Starters	PPG	RPG
G Scooter McEvedy	15.5	3.8
G Chris Lofton	12.1	3.7
G C.J. Watson	11.6	5.0*
F Andre Patterson	7.5	6.2
C Major Kingale	4.9	3.1

\* Denotes assists per game

### SEC Men's Basketball Standings

Eastern Division	SEC	Overall
UK	5-0	14-2
Florida	3-1	11-4
Tennessee	3-2	10-8
South Carolina	2-3	10-6
Vanderbilt	2-3	11-7
Georgia	1-4	7-8
Western Division	SEC	Overall
Alabama	4-1	15-3
Mississippi State	4-2	16-4
Louisiana State	2-2	9-6
Arkansas	2-4	14-5
Ole Miss	2-4	11-8
Auburn	0-4	9-8

#### Upcoming games:

- Georgia at Tennessee (ESPN2), 7 tonight
- Alabama at Auburn, 8 p.m. Wednesday
- Ole Miss at LSU, 8 p.m. Wednesday
- Vanderbilt at South Carolina (WKYT), 8 p.m.
- South Carolina at Florida, 1 p.m. Saturday
- Mississippi State at LSU, 3 p.m. Saturday
- UK at Arkansas (WKYT), 2:30 p.m. Saturday
- Ole Miss at Vanderbilt, 4 p.m. Saturday
- Tennessee at Auburn (FSN), 6 p.m. Saturday
- Georgia at Alabama (FSN), 8 p.m. Saturday

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Tennis team hosts Louisville, Marshall

The No. 14 UK women's tennis squad begins its run for an NCAA team title today, when the Cats welcome No. 60 Marshall and Louisville to the Boone Indoor Tennis Center on the UK campus.

UK takes on the Thundering Herd at 1 p.m. before meeting the Cards at 6 p.m.

Leading the way for UK is senior All-American Aibika Kalsarjeva.

The Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, native enters dual-match season with a No. 7 singles ranking, marking the highest ranking in the history of the UK program.

She teams with sophomore Sarah Foster to form the nation's No. 7 doubles tandem.

Foster, the reigning SEC Freshman of the Year and ITA Southeast Region Rookie of the Year, enjoyed a 20-7 dual-match record a season ago and enters the 2005 season with a No. 30 singles ranking, son ago.

COMPILED FROM UK ATHLETICS REPORTS

UK Student Activities  
**CAMPUS CALENDAR**

Go Online to Submit Your Event Information

www.uk.edu/CAMPUSCALENDAR

Why watch the game on your tv when you can watch it on the **BIG SCREEN???**

Come out to the **CATS DEN** at the student center for a closer look at the action of those wildcats!

The game will be shown...  
**Free Hot Wings & Halftime Free Throw Contest!**  
Where: The Cats Den at the Student Center  
When: January 25 @ 7:00  
Why: To show support for the Men's basketball team!

**CHECK OUT OUR HOT SPRING BREAK STUDENT SPECIALS!**

**Unlimited Tanning!**

**\$29<sup>95</sup>**

Per Month

Unlimited tanning in our Level 1 premium beds! Must have student ID.

**SunTime**

**SunTime TANNING**

Now with beds of all types for deep color!  
Dual-spray and Mylic Tan too! Featuring luxury lotions by Australian Gold and Swedish Beauty. Open 7 days a week!

TATES CREEK CENTER  
NEXT TO KROGER **245.1770**

**MYC TAN**

UV-Free Tanning  
**2 visits \$19<sup>95</sup>**

One per Customer  
Must have coupon and Student ID.  
Visits must be used in 14 days.  
Expires 03-31-05

**SunTime**