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SAB proposal may add Student Center shops

By Alison Kight
Staff Writer

Need a quick caffeine fix before you run to the bank and withdraw some cash to get your hair cut? Well, soon you may be able to do all of this at one time in one place — the Student Center.

The Student Activities Board has been working on a proposal since last year that would bring a variety of services to the Student Center, including a coffee house, a copy service, a barber shop/salon,

a full service bank and a dry cleaning and laundry service.

"There are some other things we're considering (adding) too," SAB president David Craycraft said.

SAB now is working with the UK Legal and Purchasing offices on a Request for Proposal, which, if approved by the UK administration, will allow SAB to start accepting bids from independent contractors.

Craycraft said he already has talked with some UK administra-

tors about the proposal, including Frank Harris, director of the Student Center; James Kuder, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Robert Hemensway, chancellor for the Lexington Campus.

"Some people were very enthused by the idea," Craycraft said.

Harris said he and Craycraft had been discussing the proposal for quite some time. "SAB identifies things that they think are needed, and we try to work it out," Harris said.

Craycraft said he will meet with UK President Charles Wethington at the end of the month to discuss approving the proposal.

"It looks really good right now," Craycraft said.

Vice Chancellor for Administration Jack Blanton, who oversees UK Food Services, said at first he had reservations about Craycraft's proposal for a new coffee shop in the Student Center.

However, Craycraft told him the coffee shop would serve only a few beverages and food items,

Blanton said, leaving him with no objections to the proposal.

SAB has been working on this proposal since last May, and Craycraft said he was pleased that students will reap the benefits of SAB's hard work.

"While everyone only reads the bad stuff about us, we make a difference," Craycraft said.

"We're not just all talk or hype."

Craycraft said he thought the idea to put the facilities in the Student Center was a good one

because it was "obvious and convenient."

Undeclared junior Cher Davidson said she thinks adding the services to the Student Center is a good idea, and said she especially liked the idea of having a full-service bank on campus.

"I think everything would be really beneficial," Davidson said. "A lot of us come from far away and can't do anything with our out-of-state bank accounts. A bank right on campus would be great."

Baha'i student shares healing with UK

By Emily Bramer
Staff Writer

Her name means "moonlight" and for four years individual and family development senior Mahsa Vossough has beamed rays of hope and vision for equality across campus.

Even though she never planned to come to UK, Vossough was born in Teheran, Iran, and lived there until she was four. In 1978 she fled the country with her family for fear of religious persecution.

LOOKING ahead

The spring semester's Institute on Healing Racism continues tonight and every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in 230 Student Center. The meetings are free and open to the public.

Because Vossough is a Baha'i, she said her belief put her life was in danger.

"We had to leave — everything," she said. "It's still not safe for me to go back."

Ironically, her religion advocates the elimination of all prejudices. "We believe in the oneness of God, religion



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and man," she said.

They also believe the "spirit" of all religions is the same and that valuable lessons can be learned from each faith. After moving to Louisville, Vossough began learning a different culture and even a foreign language.

"We always joke that my mom learned English from watching soap operas and I learned by watching Captain Kangaroo," she said.

Before her freshman year, Vossough applied to work in Israel for the Baha'i World Center, but the job fell through. As a "joke" she had applied to UK. When she first arrived in Lexington, Vossough said she experienced an incredible loneliness.

Instead of wallowing in self pity, she decided to improve her situation and put her religious beliefs to work.

She started by joining the Baha'i Association on campus and the SAB's multicultural committee where she organized programming for international students.

Last year she became the first and only non-African-American to join Zeta Phi Beta.

Vossough said she was welcomed warmly into the sorority, which she called "historically black, not exclusively black." This year she brought the Institute for Healing Racism, which her SAB committee sponsors, to campus.

MAHSA VOSSOUGH

AGE: 21
BIRTHPLACE: Tehran, Iran
HOMETOWN: Louisville
HIGH SCHOOL: Oltam County High School
EDUCATION: Individual and family development senior
FAMILY: Parents, Mina and Masoud; sister Tina.

Political science junior Beverly Coleman said she believes the Institute is an excellent idea because "it gives people an outlet to address issues peacefully." Coleman said Vossough's motive for helping people is truly genuine.

"She's not working toward another line on her resume. She really cares about healing racism since

A RAY OF HOPE Senior Mahsa Vossough brought the Institute on Healing Racism to UK this semester.

she believes we are all members of one race — the human race."

Vossough said she hopes the Institute will continue after she graduates in May. Eventually she wants to be a marriage and family therapist with her own private practice — but not just yet. Next year she will either be in China teaching English, in Russia helping Iranian communities deal with alcoholism or in Seattle working for Diversity Dance, which teaches acceptance of differences.

"It's hard to be different," she said. "But I'm stronger from it."

Female Kirwan resident protected in seclusion

By John Kelly
Campus Editor

A female UK student who allegedly has been stalked by her ex-boyfriend for seven months is being protected at a secluded location and escorted to her classes, resident advisers told students in Kirwan Tower last night.

The woman told her story to UK police Friday, and three warrants were issued for her ex-boyfriend's arrest, RAs said. The 19-year-old man checked himself into UK Hospital Friday because of a kidney problem and

checked himself out at 3 p.m. Sunday before UK police could question him, RAs said.

At about 10 p.m. Sunday night, an RA working at the Kirwan Tower front desk called UK police, saying the man was in the building, UK spokesman Ralph Derickson said. UK police had instructed RAs to call immediately — even to sound a fire alarm, if necessary — if the man was seen inside the building.

Minutes after officers arrived, a fire alarm was pulled on the sixth floor, RAs said. After evacuating students,

the second alarm, a note read: "A male fire alarm to cover the escape of a student who threatened to kill his ex-girlfriend."

UKPD agreed to take the system offline and physically check the hall during the night to prevent any further occurrence. "Only part of the system was offline, assistant fire chief Bill Holleran said. It was back in operation at about 12:30 p.m. Monday. RAs told students last night that all fire alarms were operational.

UK Police Chief W.H. McComas did not return phone calls yesterday.

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The slot was vacated in July 1994, when Linda "Lee" Magid left for a position at a private Tennessee firm.

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NEWSbytes

NATION O.J. requests one minute with his jury

LOS ANGELES — Murder defendant O.J. Simpson asked yesterday for a one-minute audience before his jurors, a stunning turn to a day dominated by attorneys scrapping fiercely over last-minute evidence the defense dumped on prosecutors.

Defense attorneys surprised the prosecution with a list of 34 new witnesses and a videotape of police walking through blood at the murder scene. They also offered evidence of an alibi for the first time — a witness who says she saw Simpson's distinctive white Ford Bronco outside his home at a time when the prosecution alleges he was two miles away killing his ex-wife and her friend.

Deputy District Attorney Marcia Clark called the new evidence "trial by ambush" and said she was "absolutely shocked" by the last-minute disclosure. Opening statements are to begin today.

Minimum wage may be raised to \$5

WASHINGTON — The White House yesterday signaled that President Clinton will recommend a minimum wage increase, most likely to \$5 an hour, with the announcement coming as early as tonight's State of the Union address.

Press secretary Mike McCurry told reporters that Clinton has "a very firm idea" how he will act on the issue.

Without saying outright that Clinton will propose a hike, McCurry argued the administration's case for raising the rate, which is now \$4.25 an hour.

An administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Clinton's economic team recommended over the weekend that Clinton propose an almost-immediate 50-cent increase in the minimum wage and an additional 25 cents later, raising the rate to \$5 an hour.

NAMEdropping

New Bond gets new wheels

SPARTANBURG, S.C. — The new James Bond, Pierce Brosnan, is abandoning his beloved British Aston Martins for a German BMW. But it'll be made in the U.S.A.

"Goldeneye," due out in November, will have Brosnan at the wheel of BMW's secret new two-seat convertible roadster, United Artists said Sunday.

Agent 007's car will be blue, but BMW's mum on other details, like when the car will be available to the masses or what it will cost superspy wannabes for their own Bond-mobiles.

The car is being made at a South Carolina plant. Installation of Bond gimmicks, like machine guns and oil slick buttons, was handled by United Artists, said Bobby Hitt, community relations manager for BMW.

Compiled from wire reports.

Vice president to be selected

By Jennifer Smith
Staff Writer

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New vice president will be named today

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thinks Bramwell was the "ultimate choice." He said he did not foresee any problems receiving the board's support and approval.

"I've interviewed him personally several times," Wethington said.

"I am convinced he is the absolute strongest candidate for this position. I'm just delighted we could get him here."

Bramwell said minority recruitment always has been one of his main objectives. He said he has played a major role in increasing diversity at Brooklyn College of

C.U.N.Y.

"We have increased the number of unrepresented groups graduating from the university and enrolling in the university by 22 percent over a two-year period," he said.

Search committee member Kim Anderson, of the chemical engineering department, said Bramwell's "open support of minorities" will make him a positive addition to UK.

"He was personable, and I think he's going to

work well with both the faculty and the students," she said.

Mary Vore, a pharmacologist and committee member, said all of the candidates were very qualified, but she was impressed by Bramwell's broad background in science.

Bramwell earned master's and doctorate degrees in physical chemistry from the University of Michigan.

Vore said Bramwell's "creative and inventive responses to questions that stumped

other candidates" made him the best choice.

She also said he has been actively involved in getting young people involved in the sciences.

She said he had many good ideas during the interview process. However, she said she thinks it will take a while for him to get used to the position.

"The vice president for research and graduate studies is a big job for anyone," she said. "It's a step up for him... but the committee is confident he can handle it."

Bramwell serves on the advisory board for CHEMTECH, an American Chemical Society news magazine.

Also, he leads review panels for the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health and the American Chemical Society.

Campus

Fitzgerald Bramwell

EXPERIENCE: Dean of graduate studies and research, Brooklyn College of the City University of New York; chemistry professor, Brooklyn College of the C.U.N.Y.; principal investigator for various National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health and New York State initiatives.

EDUCATION: Bachelor's degree from Columbia University, master's and doctorate degrees in physical chemistry from the University of Michigan.

FAMILY: Wife, Charliott; four children

CHE approves construction study

Staff, wire reports

The state Council on Higher Education yesterday appointed its own study group to decide what should be done about universities accepting ownership — and operating costs — of buildings built outside of ordinary state appropriations channels.

UK's new \$58 million library and an engineering building proposed for the Paducah Community College campus fall into that unusual category.

"It's with the intention to get our house in order," CHE Executive Director Gary Cox said in a telephone interview after the meeting.

Several schools around the state have broken from the traditional process for finding funding of capital construction

projects, which means letting the council and then the state approve of the projects.

Paducah and UK privately raised money for their engineering and library facilities respectively.

In addition, the University of Louisville swapped some of its land for resources to build its new football stadium.

As a result, higher education is getting a lot of new buildings at no construction cost to the state — but also no more money allocated for maintenance and operation costs, Cox said.

"That's the concern," Cox said. "We need to get our arms around that."

The study group, made up of higher education, school and state officials, will examine the state's present policy and draft

recommendations in time for the 1996 General Assembly next January, Cox said.

Cox said the study is not intended to obstruct the construction of the UK's library.

In a related matter, the council also put off a decision yesterday on a simmering controversy about engineering education in far western Kentucky that has put universities and communities at odds.

The council, which sets policy for the state's eight universities and community college system, will hire a consultant to study the need for professional engineers across the state.

The engineering dispute has put UK and the Paducah community into a bitter fight with Murray State University, the only four-year institution in the Jackson Purchase area.

UK has pledged to provide the faculty and staff for PCC to maintain an adequate engineering program.

As a community college, PCC traditionally has offered only two-year programs, while Murray State has traditionally been the four-year degree institution.

But the longstanding rivalry between the two has erupted. Supporters of the engineering program in Paducah have received pledges to raise \$8.4 million.

Design work on the proposed building has begun and supporters hope to start construction by spring with completion by November 1996.

Under that schedule, construction would start before the council gets a report from the consultant, due in September.

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DiVeRSions

Drama centers on Kentuckians

By Claire Johnston
Staff Writer

Controversy and excitement surround the next endeavor of the UK Theatre Studio, a play titled "Fire In The Hole."

The production is the Lexington premiere of "Fire," the seventh act of nine in "The Kentucky Cycle," a series of acts that trace the lives of several Eastern Kentucky families.

"Fire" bases its plot on the unionization of Eastern Kentucky coal miners and will be performed tomorrow at 8 p.m., and Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. in the Blackbox Theater in the Fine Arts Building.

Because of the large number of students expected, the cast and crew suggest audience members arrive an hour before each performance to receive the free tickets.

A symposium following Wednesday's performance will include speeches concerning "Fire." Open dialogue from the audience is encouraged.

The discussion will focus on the surrounding "Fire," which has been accused of being degrading toward and promoting stereotypes of Eastern Kentuckians.

Mike Freedman, coordinator of the play, explained that the theatre department decided to produce this act of "The Kentucky Cycle" upon request of Glenna Flannery, producer and director of the play.

"This production is student-directed and performed, and it speaks to Kentuckians," Freedman said.

Refuting the controversy, Freedman explained that the play is based on realism, not stereotypes.

"The characters are admirable and quite heroic, not evil," he said.

The UK Theatre Studio first took "Fire" to Harlan and Breathitt counties and Frankfort before bringing this play to UK.

The tour gave the studio the opportunity to perform the play in the same area upon which the play is based.



FISTS OF FIRE The cast of 'Fire in the Hole,' a scene from the controversial play 'The Kentucky Cycle,' cry out. The studio is playing this week.

Flannery said the cast's apprehensions toward performing for the Eastern Kentucky audience were eased by the standing ovation "Fire" received.

"This play is not a documentary," Flannery said. "Although it is based on fact, people can recognize that this is a piece of art, not a historical piece."

The central character is Mary Anne Rowen Jackson, a woman who wrestles with personal strife throughout the play.

"In the beginning she has given

up hope and lost all sense of hope, but then she gains control," said Kara Wooten, who plays Jackson.

Wooten said her character is positive in its portrayal of an Eastern Kentucky woman.

Flannery viewed the controversial piece in realistic terms. "Many people believed that this play shows dark images ... but there are good and bad people and images," Flannery said. "I think there is a hunger for 'The Kentucky Cycle' to be produced in its entirety in Kentucky."



LOOKING ahead

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Directory talks may come to head

By Perry Brothers
News Editor

Unlike the professional baseball strike, there might be a light at the end of the tunnel in negotiations between UK and the Student Government Association regarding the campus phone directory.

A revised copy of a contract that details both the University and SGA's rights and responsibilities in the production of the phone book is on its way to the UK legal offices for consideration.

Amy Abernathy, SGA's execu-

tive director of student services, said earlier this week that the University was trying to eliminate an existing student right by trying to control the editorial content of the cover and the introductory pages because of complaints about the 1994-95 UK directory's cover.

The back of a UK swimmer's head bearing a blue Wildcat's paw is featured on the cover.

If the University agrees to the latest revisions, Abernathy said, the new contract will protect student rights.

This is the second time the student organization has returned the 1995-2000 contract to the

University. The first contract, dated Nov. 18, 1994, was rejected because of multiple differences between it and the last directory contract, which was signed by former SGA president Sean Lohman in 1989.

If the third set of revisions, submitted yesterday to Eugene Williams, the vice president for Information Systems, receives the UK legal offices' approval, Bailey said he will sign.

Williams said he has reviewed the proposed revisions and foresees a swift end to the negotiations.

He said the contract should be

settled before early February in order to begin preparations for the 1995-96 book.

If negotiations fail, however, the SGA stands to lose the annual revenue from the sale of the directory's advertising.

In the past 15 years, the revenues have ranged from \$15,000 to \$20,000 a year.

Abernathy said she would rather the SGA take the cut in funds than the cut in student rights, especially in this case because the money is deposited into the president's discretionary fund, not into student services.

City's race forums may come to campus

Staff report

UK officials said yesterday they are sketching tentative plans to bring part of a series of community race relations talks to campus next month.

Mayor Pam Miller's fourth annual Speak Out sessions on the topic "A Community Conversation: Healing Racial and Other Divisions in Our Community" begin today in the council chambers at the Lexington Government Center at 6 p.m.

More discussions will take place at various locations throughout Lexington and the campus until the end of February.

Ann Garrity, UK assistant to the chancellor for community projects, said UK's Catholic Newman Center has a Speak Out session planned for Feb. 5 at 10 a.m.

The Newman Center is inviting everyone from the community to participate in the discussion, Garrity said.

UK also may host a Speak Out discussion late next month, Garrity said.

Although no date has been scheduled, Garrity said her office is looking for a time that would be "as convenient to students and faculty as possible."

The sessions probably will last about one hour.

Garrity added that all campus organizations are encouraged to hold their own Speak Out sessions.

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- ▼ Because of a reporter's error, a story in the Jan. 12 issue of the Kernel gave the wrong schedule for the Aeromed flight crew. The crew works three 12-hour shifts a week, and four hours of laboratory work.
- ▼ Because of a reporter's error, a story in the Jan. 17 Kernel gave the wrong fraternity membership for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha social fraternity.



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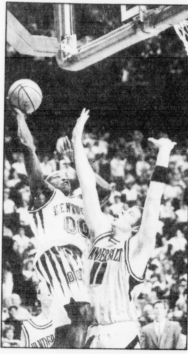
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SPORTS

O'Neill likes Pitino's 'hungry' Cats

By Jason Dattilo
Assistant Sports Editor



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POINT THE WAY UK coach Rick Pitino said yesterday that he plans to move Tony Delk (00) to point guard next season.

Ever since its 88-86 upset loss to Louisville on New Year's Day, Rick Pitino's squad has been playing like a team on a mission.

UK's mission was interrupted temporarily against Georgia, but after burning the midnight oil, the Cats once again seem poised to make a run at the Final Four in Seattle.

"The thing I like about Kentucky's team is Rick's not satisfied with anything they do," Tennessee head coach Kevin O'Neill said during his weekly teleconference.

O'Neill's Volunteers will battle the restless Wildcats tomorrow in Rupp Arena. Tennessee will be trying to tarnish UK's perfect 6-0 Southeastern Conference record.

"I think what he did after the Georgia game was outstanding for

his team," O'Neill said of the midnight practice Pitino called after the Georgia game, an 83-71 UK victory. "I think you see a hungry Kentucky team, and that's dangerous for the rest of the teams in our league."

The hungry Cats have been using stifling defense to gobble up recent opponents. In its last four games, UK has held opposing offenses to just 15 percent shooting from behind the three-point line. Pitino has been quoted as saying "defense wins championships," but if the Cats are to make a serious run at the Final Four, their offensive production will need some refining.

"We really have so much improvement to make," Pitino said yesterday via conference call. "When you watch our basketball teams in the past, you see 24 or 25 assists, you see a really good machine on offense."

"This is not a very good machine on offense right now."

Pitino said some of the Cats' scoring woes can be attributed to players' having to learn different positions and roles.

"We're teaching Jeff Sheppard how to play the point," said Pitino, whose team's overall record stands at 12-2. "He's never played it in his career, and that's taking away a little bit from offensive efficiency."

In addition to teaching players new positions, Pitino also has been juggling his lineup trying to find the chemistry to carry the Cats to the next level.

Nine different players have started at least two games for Pitino, and the four other players on the roster, excluding walk-on Cameron Mills, have been on the floor at critical points during the year.

Notes:

▼Tip-off for the Wildcats matchup with the University of Arkansas on Sunday now will be at 2 p.m., instead 3 p.m. The change was made to accommodate CBS, which will televise the game nationally. The game will be played in Fayetteville, Ark.

▼Pitino said yesterday he intends to teach Tony Delk the point guard position next year.

Delk, who leads the team in scoring from his two guard spot this season, needs to learn the new position to become a better NBA prospect, Pitino said. This move could leave the UK coach with three players competing for the job at one guard: Anthony Epps, Sheppard and Delk.

"If he plays the (point guard) his senior season, I think he's a first-round draft pick," Pitino said.

Forward will walk on at UK

Staff report

Jason Lathrem, a 6-foot-7 forward from Greenwood High in Bowling Green yesterday committed orally to walk on at UK next season.

The 6-foot-7, 210-pound Lathrem visited Lexington last weekend.

"After talking to (UK coach Rick Pitino), I just decided this would be the best thing for me," said Lathrem, who is averaging 24 points, 12 rebounds and 6 assists per game.

Lathrem said he had been offered scholarships from several smaller schools.

The Cats are involved in recruiting Lathrem's teammate Dameron Fishback, a junior who is widely considered one of the top guards in Kentucky.

SPORTSbytes

Arkansas, 'Bama ready to face off

FAYETTEVILLE — When Alabama comes to town tonight the best athletes in the country will be on the visitors' side of the court. Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson said yesterday.

"I consider athletes those that can outrun and (out)jump you," the coach of the ninth-ranked Razorbacks said. "They have tremendous athleticism. They block shots and are quick to the ball. We are not that way."

"It's nothing for them to have eight blocks in a game, and that is demoralizing," he said. "We don't have those type of athletes. We have pretty good players, yes. Great athletes, no."

Alabama (12-4, 3-2 Southeastern Conference) is bringing with it the stingiest defense in the league, allowing an average of only 62.5 points. The Tide is shooting 47 percent from the field, which is fifth in the league.

Arkansas (15-3, 4-2) leads the league in scoring average with 90.3 points and is second in field goals at 49 percent.

Raiders, 'Cane want Davis

IRVING, Texas — Dallas Cowboys defensive coordinator Butch Davis is considering head coaching offers from the Los Angeles Raiders and the University of Miami, according to published reports.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram and The Dallas Morning News reported yesterday that Davis listened to a job offer from Miami and talked to Raiders boss Al Davis on Sunday.

"There is this huge list of things I'm contemplating," Davis told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "There are so many factors in making the decision. I know I don't want a short-term contract. I know there is a certain amount of authority I should have."

The newspaper said its sources indicate Davis is favoring the Raiders over Miami, both of whom have discussed guaranteed five-year contracts. Miami faces possible NCAA probation.

AP Top 5 stay put

Massachusetts and Connecticut remained 1-2 in the college basketball poll for the third consecutive week yesterday, but the Huskies again closed the gap on the top-ranked team.

The Minutemen (13-1) edged Temple 59-58 at home Saturday, prompting three members of the national media panel to take first-place votes from them.

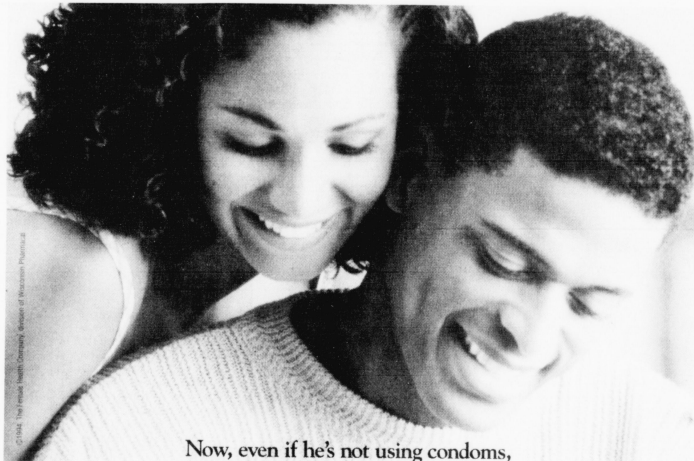
Massachusetts was No. 1 on 44 ballots, and had 1,616 points, 22 more than the Huskies (14-0), the only unbeaten Division I team. They had 19 first-place votes, three more than last week, when they trailed the Minutemen by 40 points.

There were no changes in the top nine spots in the poll. North Carolina was again third, followed

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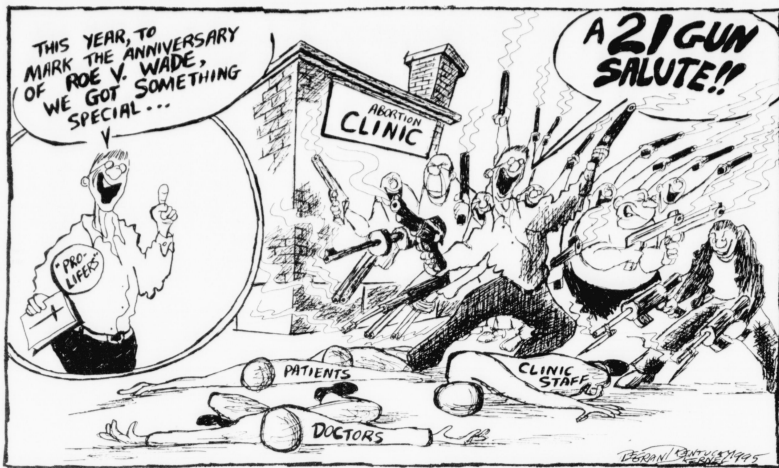
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ViewPOINT



Liberal speakers, game shows: SAB deserves lawsuit

Let's see if I have this right. The Student Activities Board hordes up gobs of student dollars in order to dole it out to artsy-types and lecturers who will grace our campus with a wide range of views. All this in an effort for us unenlightened students to have our minds pried open and our perspectives on life enriched.

Oh, the unfairness of it all! This would mean SAB would have to be accountable to students.

Of course the people that hold this view have been reviled and demonized for making such a silly claim. In fact, on our very own editorial page, SAB cinema chairwoman Meredith Nelson claimed SAB was accountable and that elections are unnecessary.

"Nelson said, 'We spend our budget as wisely as possible...'"

I question that wisdom. SAB, with Nelson's prodding, shelled out money last semester to send one student to Houston to interview for an appearance on the game show "Jeopardy!" He didn't make it on the show.

I suppose this is that fiscal responsibility that SAB roots its horn about. Incidentally, Nelson said that SAB does not have time to answer to every special interest when making decisions. Don't worry though, people who want to be on game shows are exempt.

So who do we blame for the actions of this organization? Well, the buck must stop at the very top, and sitting at the top of this rabble is SAB president David Craycraft. Craycraft has proved that he can whine and bitch with the best of them.

Last semester, Craycraft sniveled that College Republicans' executive director David Samford, who has tried very hard to bring a conservative speaker to campus, "doesn't have enough to do with his time." I take it that, to Craycraft, participating in SAB is a waste of time since that is all Samford has done.

When Craycraft learned last week that the College Republicans were meeting with the American Civil Liberties Union and discussing a possible lawsuit against SAB, he said he thought the group was wasting its time and that it would disrupt the business of SAB.

"We won't get our job done, and as a result, the students won't get what we normally offer," Craycraft said.

Well, that's comforting. All chance of reconciliation is over.

SAB purposefully has confounded any chance of bringing a conservative speaker to campus. I see little wrong with College Republicans playing hardball. They are only adopting the philosophy of another great civil rights leader, who would surely be invited by SAB to speak at this campus if he were still alive.

By any means necessary." Editorial Editor Trent Knuckles is a political science senior.

INFORMED SOURCES "NO MATTER what, God wants us to be happy. He doesn't want us to be sad. Birds sing after a storm. Why shouldn't we?"

Jello Biafra, former lead singer for the Dead Kennedys (and a liberal), was invited by SAB in 1990 to speak. Biafra showed his patriotism by burning an American flag on stage in Memorial Hall. I'm sure his mother is proud.

And in 1992, in cahoots with the Student Government Association, SAB brought Jesse Jackson (a well-known liberal) to give thoughtful oratory on politics and the state of race relations in our country. Of course, this was not the first or the last time we were to get similar perspectives.

Spike Lee, William Kunstler, KRS-1, Henry Louis Gates Jr. and Amiri Baraka (liberal, liberal, liberal, liberal and racist liberal respectively) have had their pockets lined with our money and imparted their wisdom to us.

Noticing a trend here? If not let me give you hint. *All of these people are liberals!*

In all of this time, SAB saw fit to invite only one conservative to campus to speak. Dinesh D'Souza. Ever heard of him?

Enter SAB's exploits last semester. A group of campus conservatives (College Republicans) recognized the liberal slant in SAB-sponsored speakers on campus and decided to do something about it.

Did they firebomb the Student Center? No. Did they riot, loot and steal out of frustration? Hardly.

The only thing they did was participate in SAB's committees, which any student can join, and give their opinion. Judging by the reaction of some, you would have thought the College Republicans were threatening to kill babies unless they got a conservative speaker.

SAB gave excuse after pitiful excuse to justify its failure to bring a conservative speaker.

Pat Buchanan — too expensive or too political depending on who you ask.

G. Gordon Liddy — while considerably less expensive than Buchanan, still too rich for SAB or a criminal, again depending on who you ask.

Walter E. Williams — a bargain basement price but not well-known enough. It goes on and on.

Some have suggested that SAB is unaccountable to the students at that, since they do spend a good chunk of student money, the officers should (gasp!) be elected.

Rose Fitzgerald, in a 1983 interview. The matriarch of the well-known Kennedy family died Sunday at the age of 104.

Contract on SGA

Censorship has reared its ugly head, this time over a bald, tattooed head on the cover of a certain campus phone book.

It seems that the picture on this year's phone book has upset the sensibilities of a few around campus who get offended at the sight of a bald head every time they want to look up a phone number.

Besides making Kojak spin in his grave, the dome-haters also have alerted the senses of the "sensitive" patrol in the UK administration.

Those with the information quickly jumped into action against the Student Government Association in hopes of stopping any more attempts at injecting humor into a cover. They don't want those people who have seen Memorial Hall and Bradley Hall for years to faint at the sight of something new and original on the cover.

How does the "sensitive patrol" plan to stop the dastardly phone book desecraters? By requiring SGA to get administration approval for the cover and the SGA-produced introductory pages of the phone book.

UK officials wouldn't want something like

free speech on a college campus, now would they?

It's time for the officials to back off and allow SGA to continue the job it has performed well over the past several years. Forcing students to sign a contract like this is childish and only causes more problems. The contract is still waiting for a signature before anything can happen with next year's phone books.

SGA President Benny Ray Bailey should make sure that next year's leaders will have control before signing anything.

IN OUR OPINION If he signs a contract that takes away SGA's free speech, then he might as well dissolve the entire organization.

Right now, the only effective thing student government has is a voice, and losing that is losing the life of the group.

Before doing something as drastic as signing over control, SGA should just tell UK to do the phone book itself. It only brings in \$15,000 in revenue anyway, and a more fiscally conservative Senate could make up that difference.

So, President Bailey, either fight for your voice or just shut up.

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READERS' forum

Ridicule common practice to quiet liberal arguments

To the editor:

Nathan Hutchinson's letter on Monday was one of the funniest letters I have seen printed. It was humorous not for its wit or charm, but for its assertion that "liberals" use personal attacks to cover up the inadequacy of their ideas.

It has been an inescapable fact of American political discourse in this past 15 years that personal attacks have been a key to the ascendancy of the Republican party. The evidence of this pattern can be found in several notable conservative forums.

It goes without saying that Rush Limbaugh uses this kind of approach, resorting frequently to name-calling and mockery to make his points.

Indeed, every conservative pundit and commentator (with

the possible exception of the well-bred William F. Buckley — not a great thinker, but very civil) uses this kind of attack to ridicule and de-legitimize any other opinion. It can be said, and I think fairly, that the conservative debate strategy is this: I am Right, and there is no room for argument; therefore if you disagree with me, you must suffer from some human frailty to hold that opinion.

Neo-conservatives constantly question the motives of those who disagree with them, hinting that they are either stupid, crazy or corrupt.

Rush Limbaugh uses this tactic in its crudest form: A clip from an address or press conference by a prominent Democrat is played, and in a small window in the corner, Limbaugh is seen making faces at the speaker. Limbaugh then offers his own biased interpretation of what the speaker said and ridicules the idea for another minute (to raucous applause and catcalls from his young Republican audience) before moving to a new topic or plugging his own publications.

This is not an exception to conservative thought, it is the mainstream.

Pundits like extremist Pat Buchanan use this same tactic, as does the team of Rowland Evans and Robert Novak.

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Supercriminalizing hate speech won't eliminate bigotry

It is undeniable that this country has a serious problem with race relations. Probably one of the more gruesome and revolting manifestations of this race problem is the widespread occurrence of hate crimes.

Members of one race, gender, religion or sexual preference commit generally violent and sometimes fatal criminal acts against another person simply because they are different.

This sounds ridiculous (after all, what did the civil rights movement teach us?), but it is occurring at an alarming rate and that rate is on the rise.

Fortunately, the majority of us are repulsed by these hate crimes. Unfortunately, our knee-jerk government officials are attempting to use this as another sound-bite for their next campaign commercial.

When the public becomes out-

raged at the size of the deficit, the solution in Washington is to ban deficit spending. Similarly, Washington's solution to our growing hate crime problem is to ban hate crimes.

Specifically, Congress decided in the Crime Bill to "supercriminalize" hate crimes by changing sentencing procedures to enhance the penalty for crimes committed with a bigoted motive.

This means that if you commit a crime and are sentenced to 10 years, that sentence can be raised to 12 or 13 years if it is proved that your reason for committing the crime was a bigoted belief.

Although this may sound like a good idea at first, there are two major reasons why this is just another shortsighted and misinformed idea coming out of Washington.

First, the hate crime penalty

enhancement is a blatant violation of the First Amendment.

This is something that the Supreme Court recently failed to acknowledge. Instead, it decided to avoid the question, ultimately making a grave error by allowing a Wisconsin statute similar to the Crime Bill enhancement to stand.

The illegal act that is committed in a hate crime is already punished — the enhancement is only for the bigotry and the only way that a motive such as this can be proved is with things that the defendant said or groups that he or she belongs to — speech and assem-



Kyle Norman
Kernel Columnist

blly.

The threat is that if the government can punish us for believing something that they decide is "bigotry" what is to stop them from deciding next year to supercriminalize acts committed because of a certain stance on abortion or any other political belief that they may disagree with?

The second major problem with the enhancement is that actions like this will only serve to inflame bigoted beliefs, ultimately causing more hate crimes.

The reasons for this are many, but I will just touch on a few of the more obvious examples.

First, the enhancement most likely will be used more often against minorities (especially minority leaders) than it will be used against those attacking minorities.

The reason for this is that

investigators, prosecutors, judges and juries are all likely to hold the same bigoted beliefs (consciously or subconsciously) that will cause the enhancement to be used to the detriment of the same groups that it is attempting to help.

This very thing already has happened in both Great Britain and North Carolina when legislation along these same lines was passed.

In North Carolina, three of the first five people that the enhancement was applied to were black defendants.

Secondly, the enhancement will only serve to reinforce common bigoted beliefs about minorities. The message that is sent is that the minority groups are too weak and helpless to deal with themselves — they need the government to protect them.

The result will be more attacks

on minorities. Just as the teacher's pet is picked on at recess and left out of the group, minorities will be further excluded from and attacked by society due to resentment.

Finally, legislation like this will only halt real societal solutions to bigotry. Criminalizing these actions is just a quick fix.

Rather than take necessary steps (like education) that would ultimately lead to the elimination of bigoted beliefs, society will rely on a hate crime penalty enhancement to solve the problem.

There will be no perceived need for these critical actions and the momentum that has been building for decades toward the eradication of bigotry will be compromised.

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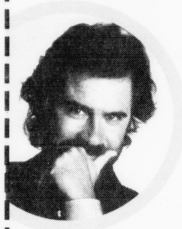
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