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## Almy moves to grand jury

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The case of a UK student charged with first-degree assault will be brought before a grand jury.

Kyle Andrew Almy, 24, waived his preliminary hearing Thursday in court to send his case to the Fayette County Grand Jury. Almy was arrested and pleaded not guilty in connection to the Sept. 27 incident that left UK student Blair Smith, 19, hospitalized with head injuries.

Fayette County District Judge Megan Thornton also ordered that Almy have no contact with Smith.

The prosecution has reviewed the case and made recommendations, First Assistant Fayette County Attorney Brian Mattone said.

"Our office has reviewed the case, and we believe that the element of a felony offense has been met," Mattone said. "We recommended the case be transferred to the Commonwealth Attorney's office."

After the case is transferred to the Commonwealth Attorney's office, a prosecutor is assigned to the case. Then, he or she will prepare the case to present to the grand jury, generally within 45 days, Mattone said.

"The presentation of the case is a secret proceeding that isn't open to the public," Mattone said. "The prosecution..."

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## VP for Student Affairs resigns

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One of UK's top administrators has resigned, she announced Thursday.

Pat Terrell, the university's vice president for student affairs, announced her resignation in an e-mail to a Student Affairs listserve yesterday. In her role, Terrell oversaw departments such as Dining Services, the Counseling and Testing Center, Fraternity and Sorority Affairs and Residence Life.

The resignation will be effective immediately, said UK spokesman Tom Harris. The reasons for Terrell's resignation are confidential, as with all employee records, Harris said.

Provost Kumble Subbaswamy issued a press release announcing Victor Hazard, associate vice president for Student Affairs will become the interim vice president for Student Affairs.

In a call to his home at 8 p.m. Thursday, Hazard said he had not yet been contacted by Subbaswamy and

was not aware of his new position.

The reason Hazard hadn't been contacted is because "this all happened pretty fast," Harris said.

Hazard will be out recovering from surgery the next few weeks, he said. However, Hazard said he will remain in contact with his staff by phone and e-mail.

Terrell will continue as a special assistant to Subbaswamy through June 2009. What she will do in the full-time position has not been defined.

In her resignation e-mail, Terrell encouraged her staff to support each other, saying "we have a great team."

"The last six years have been wonderful, and I cannot say how much I have enjoyed working with you," she said in the e-mail. "You are great advocates for our students, and I know that you will continue to keep their interests at the forefront of all that you do."

Terrell could not be reached for comment at her home Thursday night.

## PLAYING HARD BALL

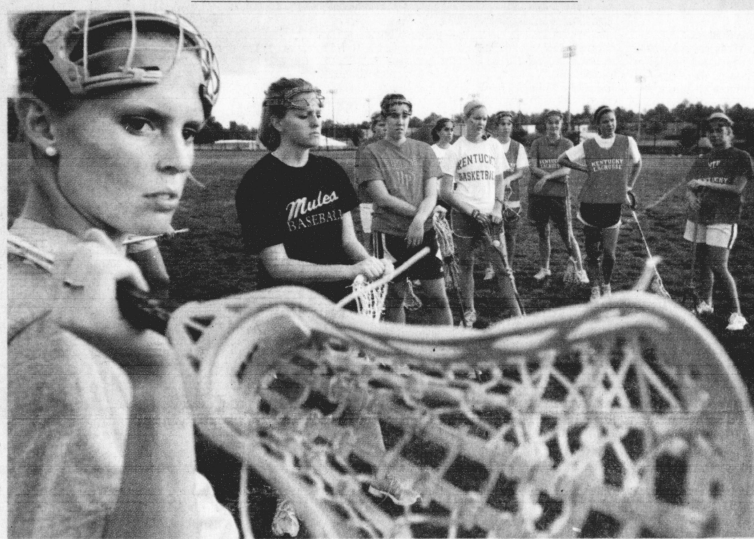


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Returning player Audrey Forthofer, left, an accounting and finance sophomore, listens to president Megan Clauson talk to the new and returning players before beginning drills on the last day of lacrosse tryouts.

Lack of funds, no scholarships and no guarantee of a position, but they're still playing.

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## Freshman elections down 20 percent

By Kelli Long  
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The number of people who voted for Student Government's freshman senators dropped 20 percent from last year.

A total of 530 students, or 12 percent of the freshman class of 4,404, voted in the election. That number is down from the 674 voters that came out last year.

The number of voters may have dropped because election dates were pushed back a week, said Katelyn Wallace, SG's Election Board chair.

"I think the majority of the reason is the way things fell and circumstances with the elections being moved from the last week to this week," she said. "The dining referendum had to be added, and it pushed the election back a whole

week. It was something that had to happen, but caused a bit of confusion."

Micha Fielden, Chase Hieman, Chris Goodale and Kyle Kirk were chosen from the 12 candidates on the ballot to serve as representatives of the freshman class in the SG Senate.

Freshman senators have the same voting privileges as all other elected senators, and will be assigned to committees and attend all Senate meetings.

"They bring a lot of fresh ideas, and bring a new perspective," said SG President Tyler Montell. "They are the future leaders of Student Government. All the freshman senators from last year are either senators now or working on our staff."

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## Groups 'step up' game to win competition Saturday

By Titley Finley  
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Tiffany Lawson is stepping up on Saturday.

Lawson, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha, will be representing her sorority at the National Pan-Hellenic Council's annual step show.

Last year more than 900 people attended the annual event. It is sponsored by the National Pan-Hellenic Council, an organization for all of the historically black fraternities and sororities on UK's campus.

Seven of the nine organizations that the council represents will battle their way to victory, and the competition is stiff, said Lawson, a human nutrition junior.

"I love the competition aspect of the event," she said.

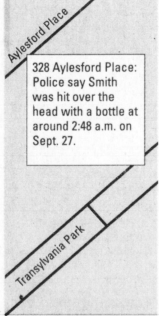
Each organization puts months of preparation into the show, beginning practices as early as August.

"I look forward to the show each year because each organization does something so different. It's never the same year to year and students and alumni come back every year not knowing what to expect," Lawson said.

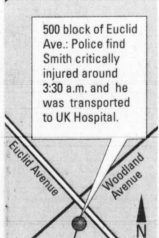
Each organization's performance will have a theme. The themes are always kept as a surprise and not revealed until the day of the show. Themes in recent years have included "The Pink Panther," Chicago, baseball, and the movies.

Psychology senior Cynae Carter is the step master for Alpha Kappa Alpha. "Mia, which means she makes up the step routine and approves all details such as costumes. Carter said her favorite part of the performance is seeing the themes

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328 Aylesford Place: Police say Smith was hit over the head with a bottle at around 2:48 a.m. on Sept. 27.



500 block of Euclid Ave.: Police find Smith critically injured around 3:30 a.m. and he was transported to UK Hospital.

## UK Opera brings classic portrayal of love, drama and comedy

By Rosalind Essig  
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La Bohème opens with the scene of four roommates just trying to get by. The scene is followed closely by two people falling in love and the story goes on.

The opera by Giacomo Puccini is a story about relationships between people that almost anyone can connect with, said Amanda Balltrip, a UK graduate student and one of the performers singing the part of Musetta.

"It's on a very real level with

very emotional, beautiful music," Balltrip said.

La Bohème is the story of two couples, which both have devastating problems, but overall there's a lot of comedy and it's a lively show, Balltrip said.

It is a shorter opera based on the musical "RENT," said Teri Jo Fuson, assistant stage manager and UK alumni.

"This is not like your average opera," Fuson said.

There are two casts made up of UK graduate and undergraduate students. They have been working

over the past few months to prepare for these performances," said Michael Ehrman, stage director for La Bohème. Cast members had to, among other things, translate the entire Italian text, Ehrman said.

In addition to preparing with vocal coaches and learning the text they've been working on the dramatic and visual aspects of the show, Ehrman said.

There is a need for two casts that alternate performances because the physical demands of singing in

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In the UK Opera performance of La Bohème, Rodolfo, played by UK vocal music graduate student Jeremy Cady, sings with Mimi, played by UK alumna Amelia Groetsch.

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### Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

To get the advantage, check the day's rating. 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** — Today is an 8 — Plan your route before you take off on your next shopping trip. Don't spend more on gas than you'll save by going to the sale.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** — Today is a 6 — As you write up your shopping list, don't get too outrageous. Better pay a couple of bills before you visit the malls.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** — Today is an 8 — You're more confident now, but you're still facing opposition.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** — Today is a 5 — Go through your closets now. You're quite likely

to find things that have gone all the way around and come back into style.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Today is a 7 — Appearances are important, but they aren't everything. Your fans love you because of your heart, not your shiny outer shell.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Today is an 8 — The work you do now will attract the attention of very important people. This could lead to more authority for you, and maybe more money.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — Today is a 7 — It's starting to look like you can get what you want, but there will be at least one setback before that happens.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — Today is an 8 — Be looking for more ways to save. It's the same as money earned. This could involve recycling or selling something you already

have.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — Today is a 7 — You have nothing against criticism, although you'd just as soon avoid it.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Today is an 8 — The work has stacked up, but that's OK. You're in the mood to do it now. You'll whittle down that pile in no time at all. Don't spend the check before it clears.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — Today is a 7 — You're lucky and getting luckier. Your group activities will start flowing more effortlessly too, especially anything involving foreigners. Start planning your next trip.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** — Today is a 6 — Household chores are starting to grab at your ankles as you walk by. Pizza boxes and empty soda cans may be encroaching on your living space.

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## the DISH

The flowers, the food, the dress! Ostrosky gives us the details of her wedding to longtime love Stern.

The Glitterati are no strangers to the legendary Manhattan eatery Le Cirque. And the star power was there in full force the evening of October 3 — Barbara Walters partying with potty-mouthed Sarah Silverman! — for the nuptials of shock jock Howard Stern and Beth Ostrosky. "Beth and Howard walked into a room full of friends excited to celebrate with them," Stern's cohort Robin Quivers tells us. "And they turned it into a clever, creative, fun party."

### Big Day

"He is my dream come true," the model, 36, tells us of Stern, 54. "It's all in one 6-foot-5-inch, beautiful hunk of love!" Sexy in Marchesa ("Absolute perfection," she says of the silk stunner), Ostrosky, carrying purple calla lilies, said "I do" under a canopy of white orchids. Perched on a box to reach the tall pair, Internet-ordained (for \$17.95!) Mark Consuelos officiated. Jimmy Kimmel read a poem and Dixie Chick Natalie Maines sang a song written for the occasion. "They were laughing, they were crying," says guest (and US contributor) Jill Martin of the pair.

As Chevy Chase gave a raunchy toast, the 180 guests (Stern's kids attended a -family-only celebration in August) noshed on asparagus risotto and tuna tataki. Says

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## Oh, the flowers

Howard and Beth get married and are more than ready with the dirty details

more profound love" with hubby Keith Urban, she added that her ex "has the same thing" with Katie. Cruise and Holmes, in NYC for her Broadway debut in All My Sons, had a night out at En Japanese Brasserie October 5. Also enjoying the big city: daughter Suri, 2, who joined sibs Isabella, 15, and Connor, 13. —Holmes, 29, her parents and Cruise's mom at Alice's Tea Cup earlier that day.

### Russell and Danielle already matchmaking

"It's the most fantastic thing I've ever experienced," Body of Lies star Russell Crowe tells us of raising sons Charles, 4, and Tennyson, 2, with his wife of five years, Danielle Spencer. "It continues to get more fun and complex with every day." The actor, 44, and his wife, 38, who met while doing the movie The Crossing in 1989 and married in 2003, are also good friends with fellow Aussies Nicole Kidman and Keith Urban. Crowe even joked that when Kidman introduced her 3-month-old daughter, Sunday, to his boys, "Nicole had one look at my younger son, Tennyson, and looked up at me and said, 'I'm a great believer in arranged marriages. I believe she made the connection between Sunday and Tennyson now — so Tennyson is already engaged.'"

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# SCORE

“We've really lost the essence of what real American football is about. I think it's probably all about money. They're not really concerned about safety.”

— Steeler Troy Polamalu, on NFL fines for late hits.



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Lacrosse balls whizzed around the club sports field on Wednesday evening as new and returning players worked hard to earn a spot on the women's lacrosse team.

## Tough season? Join the club

By Cameron Ewert  
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The publicity is minimal, the glory is personal and the hunger for a win is equal.

That type of attitude is typical for many of UK's club sports teams, where hundreds of former high school athletes and fans of a sport try to keep their dream of playing their favorite sport alive.

For many of the athletes who come to UK on scholarship, over 600 in all, a roster position, much less playing time is hardly a worry. Class is balanced between training and other mandated activities.

But for the women's lacrosse club team, none of that is a factor. Like in high school and many of UK's other club sports teams, team members must balance school, work and play.

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Watch video of women's lacrosse tryouts.

Senior Megan Clauson, president of the women's lacrosse team, has seen it all. Being a fourth-year returning player, Clauson knows the ins and outs of club sports. Clauson knows there's one thing that matters almost, if not more, than wins — money.

“A lot of fundraising is needed to keep us running. We get no help from the university,” Clauson said. “Support from family and friends helps a lot.”

Money is not the only obstacle that faces club teams. Recruitment is another downfall. Unlike varsity

sports, club teams are not able to see what talent they will be dealing with beforehand. That's why tryouts are the most important step for women's lacrosse.

Some club sports have tryouts, like hockey, lacrosse and baseball while others take an “everyone can play” approach. But for those sports who do hold tryouts, no roster spot is safe.

Many returning players said no one gets an automatic pass. During tryouts the girls get judged upon their determination, ability, and effort on the field. If they can show all three of these qualities, then making the team should follow suit.

This holds true for returning players as well. It's nothing personal, just part of the game.

“Every year we have had to

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Christina Knapp, a nursing freshman and new player, attempts to catch the ball during the last day of lacrosse tryouts.

## krystalball

Picks for Saturday, Oct. 18

### THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Vanderbilt at Georgia  
Kansas at Oklahoma  
Ohio State at Michigan State  
Pitt at Navy  
Missouri at Texas  
Virginia Tech at Boston College



## UK ready to double-date Hogs



J.D. WILLIAMS  
Kernel columnist

It's homecoming. Not just for the football team, but for the volleyball team, too. Literally.

Five of the last six conference games have been on the road for UK. The team returns to Memorial Coliseum with just one conference loss after a 15-8 defeat in the final set in Gainesville, Fla., last Friday.

But despite the loss, UK returns to its friendly confines on the backend of their best

start to a season in two decades.

The UK volleyball team offers the best chance of a win against any Razorback team this weekend. Of course, the football team will be playing Arkansas on Saturday, but it's the volleyball team that gets the first chance to knock off the Southeastern Conference foe on the hardwood Friday night.

On this historic run

through the SEC this season, the Cats have found themselves near the top of every major statistical category on defense and offense. With all the success mounting, the weekend matches against Arkansas Friday and Ole Miss on Sunday should make for an exciting outing for the Cats as they look to start a new streak in conference play.

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## Rumely setting up Cats for success

By Metz Canfield  
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Behind every thunderous spike and momentum-swinging kill, one thing remains in almost constant uniformity: the person setting it up.

Junior setter Sarah Rumely burst onto the scene her freshman year and wasted no time in letting her team and the Southeastern Conference know who she was. Earning SEC Freshman of the Year honors in 2006, Rumely also set a UK record for assists by a freshman. But when asked about whether she would rather be the one setting up the kill or actually taking it, the answer was simple — “taking the kill, definitely.”

In volleyball, consistency breeds

success. It's no surprise then that Rumely, in her third year as setter, has the Cats enjoying their most successful season yet. The reason for Rumely's success is simple — her competitiveness, which she called “the story of her life.”

“She wants to win every drill, in every rep in every practice and every competition,” UK head coach Craig Skimmer said. “I think when you throw all those things into it you get a phenomenal player.”

Rumely currently sits in third place in career total assists in only her junior year at UK. After becoming the first player in school history to earn Freshman of the Year honors in volleyball, Rumely was still set on her original goal of leaving volleyball after college. Now,

Rumely isn't as sure, considering playing at another level or perhaps coaching.

With her junior season now halfway over, thoughts of the future are beginning for the Cats. Freshman setter Christine Hartmann came to the Cats as the No. 35 rated player by PrepVolleyball.com. Rumely has been asked to help teach and train Hartmann to become another great setter in UK's volleyball history.

“There's not a setting coach in the program this year, which is fine,” Rumely said. “So I'm taking her under my wing a little bit, giving her any information that I have, if it's verbal or showing her

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# UK VS. ARKANSAS: POSITION BY POSITION

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## Quarterback

UK wouldn't be in South-eastern Conference play if there wasn't a valid discussion about which mediocre quarterback would make one less mistake than their opponent. The past two weeks, sophomore Mike Hartline was outplayed by John Parker Wilson and Stephen Garcia, but outplayed Chris Smelley. Now, Hartline faces off against Casey Dick, who has seven interceptions so far this year and single-handedly lost last year's meeting between UK and Arkansas. After literally flipping a coin between Hartline and Dick, UK gets the advantage.  
Adv: UK

## Running Back

After Darren McFadden and Felix Jones left, many wrote off the Razorback rushing attack. But Michael Smith has been a hidden gem, rushing for almost 600 yards, four touchdowns and a 5.5 yard per rush average. UK made Derrick Locke a focus last week and offensive coordinator Joker Phillips

hinted at Locke and junior Alfonso Smith becoming a one-two punch. Besides, senior Tony Dixon is not expected to play.  
Adv: Arkansas

## Wide Receiver

No Dicky Lyons Jr. on Saturday. A young, banged-up Randall Cobb. No go-to receiver. That describes UK's wide receivers right now. The return of DeMoro Ford can't cancel any of that out.  
Adv: Arkansas

## Offensive Line

Believe it or not, UK has the least amount of sacks given up in the SEC. That's right, the least. Arkansas, on the other hand, has the second most. While UK's offensive line may struggle jump-starting the run game, they are protecting Hartline pretty well.  
Adv: UK

## Defensive Line

UK has sacked opposing quarterbacks 16 times this

year, second best in the SEC. UK's defensive line is constantly referred to by UK players as their best unit. Arkansas is at the bottom of the pack when it comes to defense.  
Adv: UK

## Linebacker

Finally healthy, UK has a solid linebacking group. Arkansas is last in total defense and rush defense. Junior Micah Johnson and senior Braxton Kelley are a scary one-two combo that have pressured coaches every game so far this year.  
Adv: UK

## Defensive Backs

Junior Tread Lindley showed exactly why UK has the best pass defense efficiency in the league last week. Any time a cornerback literally takes the ball out of a receiver's hands and scores a touchdown, offensive coordinators should look at the other side of the field. Good thing for UK, David Jones has held his own for most of the year.  
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## Special Teams

A blocked field goal for a touchdown and an 84-yard kickoff return. Those were just two special team blunders that have doomed UK so far this season. Ryan Tydlacka may be the answer to the missed field goal problem, but this unit has cost UK one game and put bullets in the Cats' feet in others.  
Adv: Arkansas

## Overall

UK should beat Arkansas. The Razorbacks have the worst defense in the league, something that should help UK's anemic offense. The Arkansas offense has shown promise, as evidenced by the Razorbacks' upset of Auburn. But UK's lone strong point is defense. UK's confidence seems to be low after two straight conference losses, but surely a Homecoming win is in the works. Then again, nothing is certain in conference play.  
Adv: UK

## LACROSSE

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cut returning players. If you aren't up to par then you won't make the team," Clauson said. "We want to win."

Alex Glover, another returning player, placed even more emphasis on tryouts. She too believes that equal opportunity is important and made it clear that trying out and conditioning afterward are two of her major concerns.

Even though Glover played last year, she knew she wasn't promised a roster spot.

"I focus on tryouts and practice just the same I would if I was trying out for the first time," Glover said.

Freshman Megan VanMeter, who played three years of high school lacrosse, said she was very nervous about tryouts Tuesday. "Even though I didn't prepare for the tryout, if I make the squad I'm looking forward to conditioning to get back in shape," VanMeter said.

While rosters are set after a club sport tryout, the competition doesn't stop there. "Playing time isn't guaranteed," Clauson said, "but if you show up to practice and work hard, you have a good chance."



Returning player Regan Clauson, center, a political science junior, fights new player Megan VanMeter, a journalism freshman, for the ball during the last day of lacrosse tryouts Wednesday evening.

## V-BALL

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things." Tutelage aside, Rumeily's competitive nature could be the ultimate winning ingredient for the Cats in their quest to take the next step and win the SEC. Whether it's on the court or off, her competitive spirit is evident. Rumeily graduated first in her high school class and is on pace to set the all-time assists record at UK.

"She's so competitive," redshirt freshman outside hitter Ann Armes said. "She's the most competitive person I have met in my entire life, on the court or off the court." "I strive to be the best in everything I do," Rumeily said.

## WILLIAMS

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### Gridiron Cats

The volleyball game tonight leads into a must-win game for the Cats on the gridiron tomorrow. After losing a game that they could have won against Alabama and losing a game they should have won against South Carolina, the Cats go head-to-head with an Arkansas team that mirrors the position UK faces.

Both Arkansas and UK are searching for an SEC win to keep early bowl hopes alive. UK is winless in conference games after starting 4-0. Arkansas is 1-2 in conference play after a huge win at Auburn last weekend. With Georgia, Vanderbilt and Florida, all which are ranked

in the top-25, still left on the schedule for the 4-2 Cats, they'll have to pull it all together against Arkansas to secure a win.

The only problem is finding the pieces, if they even exist on the roster. The loss of senior wide receiver Dicky Lyons Jr. leaves a void that cannot be filled on this team. The Cats will have to make do with what they have. And what they have is quantity and not enough quality.

UK has had a revolving door at receiver to any player that even looks like they could hold on to the ball and run the right route. Now they'll have to do so without a sure thing in Lyons.

Along with the loss of a key player, Arkansas coach Bobby Petrino comes to town with a 4-0 record against the Cats, dating back to his days as Louisville's head coach. The first-year coach at

Arkansas knows how to prepare his team to play against the Cats, and more importantly, he knows how to win. The Cats have an uphill battle the rest of the season as it's becoming more evident that the offense is too young and won't be effective until next season with another year of experience and another summer of two-a-days. As for the time being, the defense will have to continue to grind it out and hope for big plays on special teams.

But one thing is certain, a good defense always keeps a team in the game. So there is plenty of reason not to roll over on the Cats just yet. They still have a fighting chance, they just have to go about it without a knockout punch.

Ladies and gents, welcome to Homecoming 2008. J.D. Williams is a journalism senior. E-mail jwilliams@kykernel.com.

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## ■ KERNEL EDITORIAL

### USP program changes were long overdue

UK students spend a year and a half of their college careers taking classes that have nothing to do with their declared major. That means 15 classes with 15 final exams, resulting in 15 grades before students begin checking off the requirements for their area of focus.

The university requires 45 credit hours to be completed in the University Studies Program, which in many majors have to be at least partially completed before they can achieve upper-division status.

But earlier this week, a panel of faculty members led students in a discussion of how to revise these requirements to modify and better serve undergraduate education.

The new program would implement a 10-class, 30-credit USP requirement, including four areas of study instead of the current nine, the Kernel reported Wednesday.

It's about time. The current program curriculum was set in the 1980s and hasn't been assessed since, according to the Wednesday article. While it's hard to believe, the world has changed over the last few decades, and with it economic, social and professional needs have evolved as well. It is nearly impossible that a curriculum set more than 20 years ago provides today's students with the best preparation for their future.

The new program would require students to complete classes in areas of humanities or social sciences to focus on problem solving, said American studies professor Susan Carvalho, a member of the faculty panel.

The communication requirement would be different than the current program by bringing more of an oral communication component to the studies. A quantitative reasoning section would implement mathematical statistics that can be used in every-day life, but more importantly, the class would teach how to solve real problems like how to pay a mortgage or interpret statistics, said mathematics professor Carl Lee, also a panel member.

In the midst of the current financial malaise, it is much more important for students to know this type of skill than to memorize logic reasoning rules.

A citizenship class would replace the current cross-cultural requirement, according to the Kernel article, and would teach concepts like civic engagement and cross-national comparative issues. This class, while still providing students with knowledge of other cultures, would allow them to learn about the U.S.'s interaction with these countries and how it affects their lives.

These curriculum changes are smart. But more than just smart, they are in the best interest of the students, and the students agree.

In the Wednesday article, Carvalho said students who attended the forum asked questions, brought up good ideas and seemed sincere. Assistant Provost Richard Greissman, a member of the panel, said student input was helpful as the group continues to polish up the new USP proposal.

"We heard new questions from students that we haven't heard from faculty in 30 meetings," Greissman said in the article.

These changes are good, but if this new proposal passes and students no longer face a year and a half of university required classes outside of their majors, this doesn't mean it will work forever. It doesn't even mean it will work for a couple of decades.

This program is one that should repeatedly be reevaluated to access how well it serves the students and how effectively the curriculum helps prepare them for their future.

## ■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Today's politicians do not care about the middle class

Mr. Politician, let's talk. First, let me say you've accomplished a lot just by getting where you are. You have proven to be a great leader, considering you hold office in our very complex country and have avoided the scandal that usually causes the destruction of men of your stature. You have done a brilliant job of transferring your role as a beacon of light in these difficult economic and social times. But let's shut off the cameras, turn off the lights and send away the political strategists and be real for a minute.

In your ads you constantly remind everyone how you are planning to change Washington, minimizing the powers that the special interest groups and corporate lobbyists have over our country. But seriously, why would you want to change any of that? These lobbyists are the ones giving you thousands of dollars to do one simple task: pass laws that benefit them. Once you do that for half of the year, you have the rest of it to relax because your job is "so stressful." So you go to one of your five houses or maybe go on a nice vacation to a foreign country.

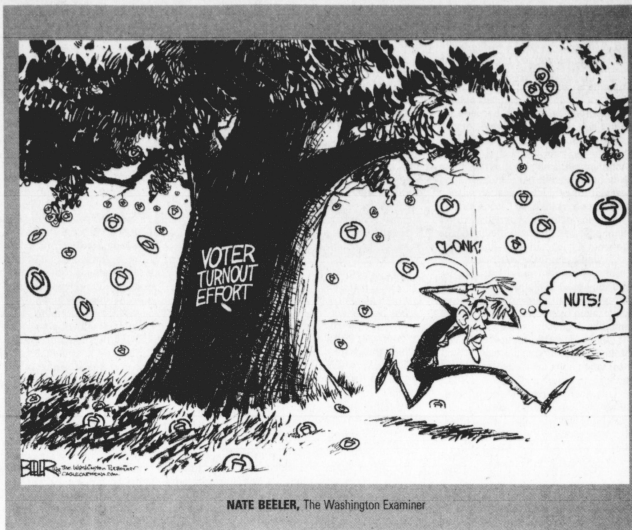
Which brings me to another thing we should clear up since we're being real here. In your ads you constantly remind everyone that you understand the plight of the average, middle-class American. Conversely, since we are being real, when is the last time you've actually cared deeply about the middle-class? All they are to you is a tool so you can get re-elected. All you have to do is run a bunch of ads painting the other candidate as an unapologetic terrorist with the help of some war veterans, tell seniors you are going to do something about their healthcare, go to rallies held by motorcycle groups and keep your affair with your secretary under wraps until the election is over. It must be so hard to do your job.

Charles Altendorf  
undergraduate studies freshman

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NATE BEELER, The Washington Examiner

## Midterms are a good time to reflect upon our personal green initiatives

At the beginning of every new school year, declarations abound. Avovals fly from our eager mouths as-

setting our noble intentions to eat healthier, exercise, stay organized, finish assignments on time or finish assignments at all. Then, eight weeks later, after two months of diligent procrastination, we face a savage demon: midterms.

Ready or not, that demon is upon us, reminding us of all we have yet to accomplish. The time is right for UK students, faculty and staff to take a good long look with-in, to assess their "greenness" and to determine whether or not they are doing everything in their power to advance sustainability in their personal lives.

At the beginning of the semester, I listed a few simple lifestyle changes we can all make that offer big boosts toward greener living: take quicker showers; wash dishes with less water; turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth; turn lights off when in other rooms; ride a bike; ride the bus; and turn down your water heater.

I'll admit that, although I preach greener living, I'm not always a perfect example. My 21st-century addiction to modern conveniences periodically gets the better of me, and I sometimes cut

corners where I definitely shouldn't. But going green is a process, and sometimes it helps to be reminded that even the smallest of efforts can yield big results. Here are a couple more easy green behaviors that you can start practicing today:

### ■ Buy food at the farmer's market.

I cannot stress this enough. Did you know that roughly one-third of the oil we consume is used to transport food? That seems so silly when we have plenty of fresh produce, meat and dairy available every week from farms in our own state. It's true that shopping at the farmer's market requires a little prior planning, and it requires that we be willing to eat only what is currently in season, but so what? If Kentucky can't efficiently produce bananas, Kentuckians don't need to eat bananas. We must be willing to make concessions in order to alleviate our energy and environmental crises.

### ■ Exchange regular incandescent light bulbs for compact fluorescent bulbs.

The Web site for Energy Star (the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's "green" stamp-of-approval for appliances and other energy-using products) reports that if every American household exchanged a single incandescent bulb for a compact fluorescent bulb, it would save enough energy to light more than 3 million homes for a year, more than \$600 million in annual energy costs and prevent greenhouse gases equivalent to the emission of more than 800,000 cars. And all it

takes is a little twist of the wrist. A common complaint about green-er bulbs is that they emit light that is literally green. Fortunately, this technology has evolved so that the light glows perfectly normal.

While compact fluorescents may seem expensive, they last a very long time, and the amount of money one saves on energy by switching to efficient bulbs (roughly 75 percent) quickly offsets the extra cost. If you don't have the funds to replace all your bulbs at once, change them individually. Whenever an old one burns out, replace it with a compact fluorescent. In small increments, you'll hardly notice the expense.

### ■ Use cloth bags when you go shopping.

We've heard the rhetoric before: "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle." While recycling is a wonderful thing, reducing and reusing have a bigger impact on sustainability. If you reuse a cloth bag every time you buy groceries, you have not increased demand for plastic or paper bags, thus helping to reduce the number of bags created in the future. If you still have old paper or plastic bags, you can also reuse those until they break or otherwise cease to be useful.

These behaviors are very easy to enact. So as you muddle through midterms, be sure to spend a little time every day asking yourself, "What am I doing for sustainability today?" In 20 years, your kids will thank you.

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## Dress for success in relationships

What exactly does a girl have to put in her milkshake to bring all the boys to the yard? And guys, where can you sign up to drink whatever it is that magically turns toads into princes? Without even knowing it, every girl is the milkshake that some guy wants to drink (although I wouldn't go up to a girl and tell her she looks like the perfect milkshake). Likewise, every guy is the toad that some girl will come along and kiss, transforming him

into the man that he really is. It sounds cliché, but there really is someone out there for everyone. Occasionally, there's even two or three someone's out there for one person, which Vince Vaughn calls "the jackpot." The only problem is this: How do you attract that person to you, and even further, how do you keep that person?

Finding someone in college can be so difficult that students have created a Web site allowing them to interact with students on their campus as well as other campuses. CampusHook is an on-line dating-service site specifically designed for colleges. There are over 100 members registered on the site as part of the UK.

Many of us are weary of online dating services, though, and believe in developing a relationship with someone the old-fashioned way: going out on a date with them. Thirty-eight percent of people surveyed on [www.topdatingsites.com](http://www.topdatingsites.com) say that looks are the first thing they notice about their date, with personality following at 17 percent. However, the same survey showed that 30 percent of people in a relationship find personality most important, while looks are at a mere 11 percent. Thus, we can conclude that a person is often initially attracted to someone because of looks, but upon getting to know them cares more about his or her personality.

There is nothing that turns heads like when a girl walks into a room with looks that turn heads. This doesn't mean you have to be a five star, but rather that you take pride in your appearance.

Sweatpants are comfortable, but sometimes you've got to reach deep into your closet and find something a bit more stunning. After you've found it and you find yourself out mingling, make sure to accomplish two things: friendly and flirty. Nothing attracts guys more than a girl who looks good and doesn't stand over in the corner.

Similarly, while a guy may think his Steve and Barry's "Rehab is for Quitters" shirt is so awesome that he should wear it every Friday night, or his "One Tequila, Two Tequila, Three Tequila, Floor" shirt, neither are going to impress a girl. If you look on the

very bottom of your pile of clean clothes there might be a collared shirt somewhere. Put that on instead.

Looking good provides the initial attraction, but the hardest part in reeling in a fish isn't setting out the bait. It isn't even losing the fish once you have it on the line.

Looks can get you a, "Hey, how's it going?" or a "How you doin'?" But they won't get you much further than a few one-night stands.

If you do attract someone enough to get that first date, then it's up to you to get a second one. You've got to find a way to show a girl that you don't only think of her when Mariah Carey's "Touch My Body" comes on, or sit with a guy on the couch on a Sunday afternoon while he yells at real-life football players because of their awful fantasy performance. The point is, do something for the other person just so you can spend more time with them. The longer you spend with someone, the more of your personality you get to show.

So ladies, next time you find that dazzling outfit in the back of your closet remember, "Your milkshake brings all the boys to the yard." And guys, when you're out sporting that collared button-down that you found next to God-knows-what in the bottom of the closet, remember that you're a long way from causing wars. Then you're on to stage two, the first date... good luck.

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# FEATURES

## frame by frame | This week's box office hits and misses

### The eagle lands while Bush 'ignites a fury'

#### Eagle Eye

Starring: Shia LaBeouf, Michelle Monaghan

After the death of his brother, Jerry Shaw (LaBeouf) comes home to find his apartment full of automatic weapons and homemade bombs. Shaw is ambushed by the FBI and taken into custody. While in custody a mysterious woman calls Shaw and instructs his escape.

Through multiple forms of communication and with the companionship of single mother, Rachel (Monaghan), the woman directs Shaw through a number of death-defying situations while keeping him in the dark of his involvement in the overall plot.

This flick has a mix of government conspiracy and futuristic science fiction. The difference in this film is the future is now and not in a galaxy years from now. A Kubrickish machine rules all technology in an extreme Patriot Act scenario.

"Eagle Eye" is a motorcycle crash course of a great time with thrills and a fascinating plot that continues to advance throughout the film. The plot rolls fast and packs a serious punch in the two hours of screen time.

Like many technology-based thrillers ("Enemy of



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Shia LaBeouf (left) and Michelle Monaghan (right) star in "Eagle Eye."

Eye.") you have to lose yourself in the overbearing onslaught of computer-based brainpower. It is too easy to consider a flick like this a crock and brush off the idea of an all-knowing computer as simple science fiction. It is better to just take the movies word for it when it comes to the extent of the computer's ability.

This film runs 118 minutes and is rated PG-13 for excessive adult language and strong scenes of violence. As far as action flicks go, this one keeps the cheesy explosions to a minimum and keeps a plot rolling throughout. And with a \$70 million gross to date, it shows everyone loves a good government conspira-

cy. Grade: B-

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#### Sex Drive

Starring: Josh Zuckerman, Clark Duke, Amanda Crew

Plot: Ian (Zuckerman) falls in love with an online damsel and after being pushed by his friends, takes off on a road trip from Chicago to Knoxville in hopes of tracking down his virtual crush.

The Scoop: I will be surprised to see if this film brings anything new to the table that we didn't see from films like "Road Trip" or other films in this genre. Be expecting crude laughs and unnecessary nudity to fill holes where a plot should be.

#### Max Payne

Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Mila Kunis

Plot: A pair of vigilantes (Wahlberg, Kunis) team up to track down a serial murderer in New York City, meanwhile being hunted down themselves by the law, the criminals and New York corporations.

The Scoop: Mark Wahlberg as a tough guy? Good enough for me. Wahlberg comes out with his darkest film since "Fear" and director John Moore is challenging himself with his darkest and bloodiest film to date and hopes to overcome his past opening weekend fizzles.

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## Humorist to share laughs with students

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A little humor never hurt anyone. If it did Hallmark would never sell a funny greeting card and David Sedaris would not be on the New York Times bestselling list.

Sedaris will be on campus Saturday for "An Evening with David Sedaris," to showcase his witty, truthful, non-fictional humor.

Sedaris said in an interview with Time magazine that his books are mostly autobiographical and should definitely be classified as nonfiction.

"I've always been a huge exaggerator, but when I write something, I put it on a scale. And if it's 97 percent true, I think that's true enough. I'm not going to call it fiction because 3 percent of it isn't true," Sedaris said in Time

magazine.

Most know Sedaris from his 1992 debut on National Public Radio with his essay "Santa Land Diaries." He later went on to release two bestselling novels and several collections of personal essays, with his most recent collection of essays being "When You Are Engulfed in Flames," according to a UK press release.

In an interview with Entertainment Weekly, Sedaris said that he writes about his family a lot. He said many people ask him if his family is still talking to him considering some of the things he writes about, but Sedaris said he discusses the stories with his family first.

Sedaris said he may discuss his many aspects of his life in his writing but readers still don't know everything.

"They don't know every-

thing. I've never written about my sex life. I've never written about what goes on, like, in the bathroom. I mean, I wrote a story about finding a turd in somebody else's toilet," Sedaris said to Entertainment Weekly.

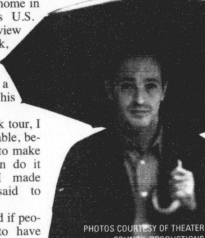
With his new book being released, Sedaris came back to the U.S. from his home in France to begin his U.S. book tour. In an interview with Newsweek, Sedaris said to spice up the tour and make some money, he put a tip jar in front of his book-signing table.

"For the last book tour, I put a tip jar on my table, because you just have to make it fun. I didn't even do it every night and I made \$4,000," Sedaris said to Newsweek.

He said he figured if people really wanted to have

their book signed they would pay \$5.

If students really want to see Sedaris perform, he will be on campus Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Singletary Center of the Arts Concert Hall. Tickets are \$30 for students and \$60 for general admission.



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## New season, manners and respect not her style

Rude, crude and socially acceptable.



POLLY RADFORD  
Kernel columnist

The new second season of the "Sarah Silverman Show" premiered Wednesday, and it looks like another crazy season for Sarah and her kooky bunch.

Sarah Silverman, who plays herself on the show, continues to push limits by using instances of off-the-

wall, daily life. All of her old friends are

back including Steve Agee, Brian Posehn, Jay Johnson and Laura Silverman (Sarah's sister).

Sarah Silverman is notorious for her offensive humor, which uses fart jokes, songs and inappropriate animal bestiality as a catalyst for her successful series. After being nominated three times, she finally received an Emmy for the song that she wrote about the actor Matt Damon and she proved that funny women can be rewarded to. She is so funny that she can appeal to not only women but men as well.

Comedy Central spokeswoman Jenni Runyan said in email there were 10 new episodes in this upcoming sea-

son and there is plenty to look forward to.

"There are great storylines coming up this season," Runyan said. "Sarah trades in her friends for new ones, Sarah thinks she sees Osama bin Laden on the street and runs him over with her car. Sarah becomes an adult bed-wetter. Sarah loses her keys and has no choice but to become homeless."

"Season Two: Volume One of the Sarah Silverman Program" is in stores now. "The Sarah Silverman Program" will air Thursdays at 10:30 p.m. on Comedy Central.

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## Keeneland goes blue for UK

By Ashley Gatlin  
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Green is customarily the prevalent color around Keeneland, but Friday everything is going blue.

For the second year, UK has teamed up with Keeneland to kickoff the Homecoming weekend festivities during "See Blue Day" Friday.

"The pep rally really is a lot of fun, and it gets everybody in the Homecoming spirit," said Christina Marrilla, events coordinator at Keeneland.

UK President Lee Todd, Wildcats UK cheerleaders and the UK pep band, will be out at the track for the pep rally at 11:30 a.m. before Saturday's football game

against the Arkansas Razorbacks.

"Last year was so much fun," said Larissa Amburgey, a special education junior. "Football and Keeneland are two of my favorite things, and I am looking forward to it again this year."

Tim Couch, Craig Yeast and other former UK football players will be honored during the events and will be signing "See Blue" hats at the paddock between 2 and 3 p.m.

The hats will be sold for \$15, and all the proceeds will go to DanceBlue, a charitable organization with all proceeds going toward the UK Pediatric Oncology Clinic.

This year, Tops in Lex is sponsoring a cornhole event before the pep rally at the

Keene Barn at 10:30 a.m. The winner of the event will receive a Keeneland package, which includes V.I.P. box seats for the day, dining and other fun events for that evening.

"I will definitely be there for the cornhole this year," said Mandi Epperson, a communications senior. "Last year I had a blast, and I have been looking forward to it all week."

At the pep rally, blue bracelets will be handed out to students, faculty, staff and alumni for free admission for the day. For those who cannot attend the pep rally, a student ID will be needed to gain free admission. Free food and drinks will also be served.

Live racing starts at 1:10 p.m.

## Judge upholds Web site seizures

By Jill Laster  
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A Kentucky judge has upheld an order to seize the domains of 141 gaming Web sites Thursday, saying opponents' argument that judicial interference will have a damaging effect "does not ruffle the Court."

"The Internet, with all its benefits and advantages to modern day commerce and life, is still not above the law, whether on an international or municipal level," Franklin Circuit Judge Thomas Wingate wrote in a 44-page opinion.

The decision follows an order about a month ago seizing 141 online gaming Web sites, a move supported by Gov. Steve Beshear. Opponents have argued shutting down Web sites that operate around the world is outside Kentucky's jurisdiction and imposes on free speech.

"Today's ruling is a big step backward for both personal rights and internet freedom," said John Pappas, executive director of the Poker Players Alliance, in a press release on the group's Web site.

A final hearing on the sites' seizures will be Nov. 17.

## STEP

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of everyone's show being revealed.

"So much effort is put into this, I cannot wait to reveal and see everyone excited for our 15 minutes of what we have worked on," Carter said.

The doors at Memorial Hall will open at noon Saturday for UK's step show, and the show begins at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance and can be purchased at the Student Center or \$20 at the door.

## ELECTIONS

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The ballot also featured a referendum asking freshmen their opinion on the recently revised dining plan, which switched to a limited number of swipes per week instead of per semester, as it had been in previous years.

About 63 percent of voters, 320 students, said they were dissatisfied, compared to the 185 happy with the change.

Freshman senators will be sworn in at the Senate meeting Wednesday, Senate

President Jackie Colgate said. New freshman senators brings a fresh perspective, she said.

"It is cool to hear how they feel about things like the meal plan, because they usually are more in touch with university," Colgate said.

Natasha Milby, an integrated strategic communications freshman, voted Thursday at the Commons Market. She believes that the elections are an important way to get involved.

"It is important that we vote and have representation in Student Government," Milby said.

## LA BOHÈME

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an opera are high, Ehrman said.

"They're singing over the orchestra without any mic at all and that takes a lot of vocal stamina," said Ehrman.

The 50-piece orchestra is like another character in the opera, Balltrip said.

"They're another reason

why UK Opera Theater is so successful," Balltrip said.

Amelia Groetsch, a graduate student and one of the performers singing the character Mimi, echoed that sentiment and added that things have been going really well so far.

"We have a great crew and a great orchestra as well as a great cast," Groetsch said.

Nick Provenzale, a doctoral student and one of the

Marsellos, said he thinks La Bohème is a love story anyone can relate to. He said he's excited for the upcoming performances of La Bohème.

"We've been working hard and it's going to be a good show," Provenzale said.

UK Opera Theatre will be performing La Bohème on Oct. 17, 18, 25 and 26 at the Lexington Opera House. Tickets can be ordered at the Singletary Center box office and are \$12 for students.

## ALMY

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tor will present the evidence to the 12 jury members. They will then decide whether to indict or dismiss the case."

Nine votes are required to indict or dismiss.

"If the grand jury thinks that there is not enough evidence for a felony indict-

ment, they can indict on a misdemeanor," Mattone said.

If the grand jury decides to indict the case as a felony offense, Almy will have a felony arraignment on a grand jury indictment in Fayette County Circuit Court.

Almy's attorney, Pam Ledgewood, could not be reached for comment.

Almy has one prior offense, a speeding ticket in

2006.

Smith has three prior offenses. He was arrested on charges of public intoxication and disorderly conduct Aug. 27. He pleaded not guilty at his Sept. 11 arraignment. His pre-trial begins Nov. 17 at 10 a.m. in Fayette County District Court. He was also charged with possession of alcohol by a minor Sept. 5. Smith's arraignment for that charge was Thursday.

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