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UK receives 'C' on environmental report card

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UK received a "C" on its efforts to preserve environmental resources on campus, a grade that UK's top facilities official said could be higher if the university used energy more efficiently.

The Sustainable Endowments Institute released its 2008 College Sustainability Report Card yesterday. UK's grade has increased since January, when the institute gave UK a "C-" on the 2007 report card.

"We use a lot of electricity at UK and all our heat is coal produced," said Bob Wiseman, UK's vice president for

facilities management. "Energy use is going to take a lot of work. The first step is conservation."

Students living on campus can aid UK's fight to save energy by turning the lights off when they leave a room, Wiseman said.

"Dorms are huge energy users, and there are a lot of energy-using devices that are very energy intensive," he said. "Students can help by making some efforts in conservation."

The institute graded the 200 U.S. and Canadian colleges and universities with the largest endowments on the factors of administration, climate change and energy, food and recycling, green

building, transportation, endowment transparency, investment priorities, and shareholder engagement.

Wiseman said he is not sure how the institute reaches specific scores, such as the difference between an "A" and an "A-."

"It is a very subjective process," and it needs to be looked at in perspective, Wiseman said.

"They'd like to see endowments invested in more sustainable investments," and base their grades on that, he said.

Large research institutions are generally in the "B" to "C-" range, Wiseman said.

"Smaller schools tend to have an easier road to hoe," he said.

UK is in the "C+" range overall, Wiseman said.

"We're better in recycling and institutional processes than they gave us credit for," he said. The institute gave UK a "C" in both the administration category and the food and recycling category.

UK Greenthumb Co-coordinator Brittany Zwicker said she thinks sustainability awareness is starting to build.

"I think we've started moving in the right direction," Zwicker said.

Academic departments and areas around campus set up tables and booths

at the first annual sustainability showcase to display what particular departments had to offer in their efforts to respect the environment, she said.

"A lot of what is being done wasn't transparent, and (the showcase) showed people what UK is doing," she said.

"I think a 'C' is a pretty fair score," she said, but she added that UK is not where it needs to be and should work toward a higher score.

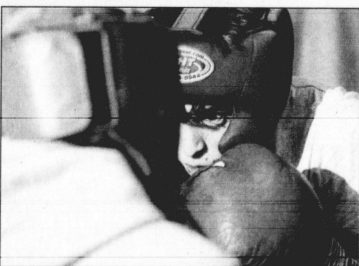
The College Sustainability Report Card is the only comparative evaluation of campus and endowment activities that protect natural resources at the colleges and universities in the United States and Canada, according to the report card.

BOXING IN THE BASEMENT



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Members of the UK Boxing Club look on as landscape architecture junior Tyler Sexton, left, blocks a punch from marketing freshman Jason Greene during practice yesterday evening.



History junior Luis Lopez doesn't have time to stop and nurse his bleeding lip during a UK Boxing Club sparring match yesterday evening in the basement of the Alumni Gym.

The air outside was cold, but the basement of the Alumni Gym was hot and humid as members of the UK Boxing Club pounded the bags in preparation for their fight tomorrow in Columbus, Ohio. The club, which meets every weekday in the basement of Alumni Gym, has about one fight every two weeks, said George Ginter, the club's head coach.

While boxing may seem like a brutal sport, Ginter said nobody ever gets hurt, aside from a few bloody noses and concussions. The club costs \$20 per semester and is open to students, faculty and staff. There are about 25 active members, five of whom are women. The club supplies everything needed for participation, but members must buy their own hand wraps and mouthguards, Ginter said.

SG passes reduced funds for service trip

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The Student Government Senate was divided at last night's meeting over legislation that requested funding for two Greek projects.

Two resolutions, one asking for \$4,000 for a service project in New Orleans and the other requesting \$3,747 to fund a new bike path through sorority circle off Columbia Avenue, both accepted friendly amendments to decrease the money needed.

In a 19-4 vote, the Senate approved an amended \$1,500 to help pay for the Greek service trip.

The money will be used to pay for hotel rooms for eight executive members of the Interfraternity Council, eight from the Panhellenic Council and eight from the National Pan-Hellenic Council to travel to New Orleans for a two-day service project with the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now.

Several senators expressed concern because of the amount of money going to a project that isn't open to the entire student body.

"This organization rarely funds things that all UK students aren't invited to join," said Graduate School Sen. Noah Meeks. "I just don't see how we can justify taking from a budget college students' money when they aren't allowed to go."

Sen. Jackie Colgate noted that IFC, Panhellenic and NPHC all have their own operating budgets.

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Schedule book lacks names of instructors

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Students looking through their copies of the Spring 2008 schedule book may notice something missing: The names of instructors are not included for any of the courses listed.

Because of a problem during the schedule-book processing system, course instructors are listed only in the online version of the class schedule, available through the myUK portal (<http://myuk.uky.edu>), said Associate Registrar Bruce Manley.

The Integrated Research Information Systems team compiles the schedule books from reports from the university computer system, Manley said. He said he's not sure of what specifically went wrong in that process. This is the first time he knows of the problem occurring, he said.

"We were able to pull the current information for online," Manley said. He suggested that students use the online version since it is continuously updated. "As soon as we make a class change, we notify the IRIS team, and they make corrections," Manley said. "Changes are made effective immediately."

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After tour, See Blue comes home to Keeneland

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Students will be able to go to Keeneland Race Course for free as part of homecoming week.

See Blue Day at Keeneland, sponsored by UK and Keeneland, will kick off at 11 a.m. tomorrow with a pep rally, including UK cheerleaders and the pep band, free food, and door prizes.

Students who attend the rally will receive special bracelets for free admission to the races and access to free reserved seating, valued at \$6.

Students, alumni or faculty who cannot attend the pep rally can show

their UK ID at the door for free admission to the races.

"People go out to Keeneland for their homecoming festivities anyway," said Christa Marrillia, Keeneland's event coordinator.

UK is providing use of the university's cheerleaders and pep band, and Keeneland is covering the cost of admission, Marrillia said. The event will happen regardless of inclement weather.

"So many people come in from out of town," she said. "It's logical to have a real feel for Kentucky events and combining homecoming with Keeneland."

See Blue Day at Keeneland is one event in the See Blue marketing cam-

paign, which President Lee Todd announced at his State of the Campus address in September, Blanton said. "The key is — as with any mode of communication — to make it appealing," Blanton said. "We're trying to create more visual appeal to what we're doing."

The 15-city bus tour around Kentucky is the first major marketing campaign since Todd became UK's president in 2001. The bus tour ended Oct. 11, but the campaign will continue through events like tomorrow's Keeneland day.

The research for the See Blue campaign took about a year, and involved surveying about 1,000 randomly sampled high school students

inside Kentucky and about 1,000 out-of-state students, Blanton said. Current UK student leaders also took the survey, he said.

"Inside the state, UK is highly regarded by students," Blanton said. "Outside the state, the challenge is just that UK is not well-known. Outside the context of athletics, a lot of UK's academic programs are just not well-known."

The campaign's goal is to generate interest in UK by creating a recognizable "brand statement," Blanton said.

"The idea is to leverage the passion people feel about the campus and about UK athletics," Blanton said.

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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 a 7 — It's getting a little bit easier to gather information. It's easier to spill the beans, too, so watch out. Loose lips sink ships.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Today is a 6 — Luckily, working under pressure is one of your specialties. You'll pop through the difficult phase into the fun part, soon.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) Today is a 6 — Don't gossip, even if pressed. The odds are too high you'll be misunderstood. Or, even worse, what you say will go straight to the person you're talking about.

who'll understand quite well.
Cancer (June 22 - July 22) Today is a 6 — You don't always say what you really think in an argument. Speak up, even if it's difficult. Don't assume they know what you want. Make it obvious.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Today is an 8 — A far-reaching scheme needs a little more work. For example, if you're planning a trip, get the very latest map. Also, have an alternate route already worked out.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Today is a 7 — Hidden costs are the name of this game. Finding them is your assignment. Some are buried pretty deeply, so digging is definitely required.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today is a 6 — Should you tell a person with very strong opinions where and how you disagree? Could be fun. It's up to you.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Today is a 7 — The prize definitely goes to the one who's most efficient now.

You'll get extra points and respect for making a tough job look easy.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is a 6 — Passions are strong. Make sure there's not something important you're overlooking. Don't ignore your friends this time. Consider their considerations.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Today is a 7 — You feel pushed to take action, but it's hard to make up your mind. Let the others race off in all directions. Maintain your cool and you'll win the race.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today is a 7 — The more you go through the material, the more trouble you'll save yourself! A big project has a lot of room for mistakes. Avoid as many as possible with intensive planning.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Today is a 7 — Don't agree to anything that's going to cost you. If the agency wants a fee, make sure it's affordable. You can earn more money without going into debt.

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LOVE LIVES

Vanessa swears her love

THE DISH

So much for the stories that Nick Lachey and Vanessa Minnillo's love is on the rocks. "Oh, is that the new rumor?" she asked Us October 8 at the L.A. launch of Bongo's spring collection. "No, sorry. We are still very much together!" And they made it clear the next night during dinner at Fabrocini's in L.A.'s Bel Air neighborhood. "Nick reached his hand across the table and took her hand in his," says a witness of the duo. "She was telling a story and he was cracking up!" But beyond Lachey's sense of humor, Minnillo, 26, tells Us it's the encouragement he gives that matters most. "He's very supportive," she gushes of the singer, 33, who's at work on a new CD. "That makes him very great."

times, I had to read the whole story — and then play the characters!"

Jane's Dancing Partner

Since the October 1 death of her mother, Mieke Frankenberg, *Dancing With the Stars*' Jane Seymour, 56, tells Us, "I feel cool moving on because that's what my mom wanted me to do." But she's not doing it alone, thanks to her actor hubby of 14 years, James Keach, 59. She says, "Every day I come back from dancing and I'm, like, crippled . . . and he massages my feet!"

about falling head over heels for *Mad Men* actor Jon Hamm. "The rest is history." Nine and a half years of dating later, Missouri native Hamm, 36, admits he's still similarly smitten. Of the actress, 37 — whose ABC comedy, *Notes From the Underbelly*, returns midseason — he says: "She's just the most beautiful, intelligent woman I've ever met."

Ashley's Secret to Romance

Even though her new gig as the face of Red by Marc Ecko has her criss-crossing the country this month, High School Musical star Ashley Tisdale, 22, is committed to keeping her relationship with dancer beau Jared Marullo a priority. "It's definitely hard when you're always traveling," she's said of love. "But if you really want to date and put time into it . . . it can work!"

Usher & Tameka's Miami Baby-moon

"Tameka is a very positive influence in every aspect of my life, and has always been," Usher tells Us of his wife of nearly three months, Tameka Foster. He isn't kidding: Even though the stylist, 37, is expecting their son in just two months, she still made a point of celebrating the singer's October 14 birthday (the big 2-9!) in style — with a surprise trip to Miami. "She's trying to get him to unwind," a source says of the duo. Their relaxation recipe? Bunking at The Stet and shopping for baby.


Maroon 5's Adam Levine's Cinderella Waitress

It's been more than a year since Maroon 5's Adam Levine first met Becky Ginos when she was a waitress at N9NE Steak House in the Palms in Las Vegas, and the singer, 28, and aspiring painter, 22, are still going strong. The rocker recently gushed about her on Howard Stern's radio show. "She's so beautiful," he said. "She's incredibly talented. . . . She is amazing!"

Mad Men's Jon & Jennifer — Love at First Sight

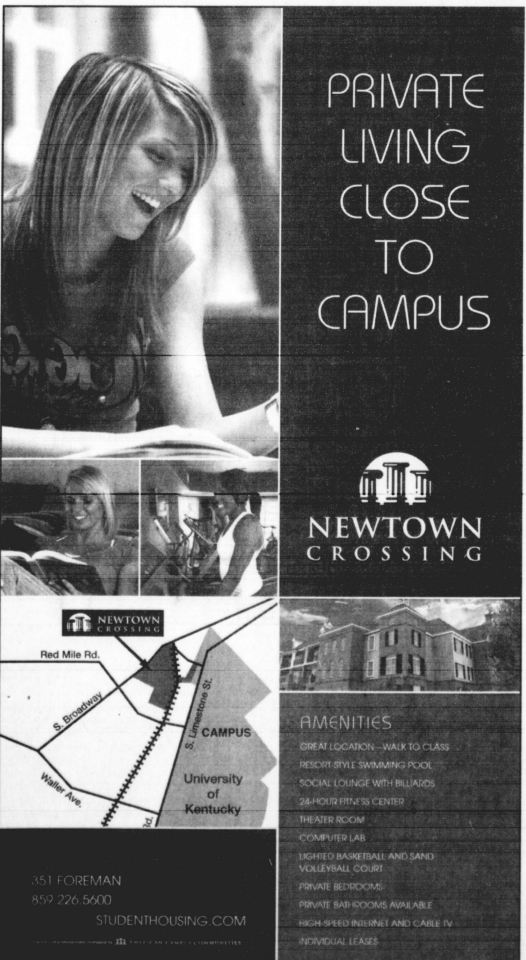
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Bonfires, costumes and trick-or-treating are all a crucial part of fall festivals and Halloween. These traditions have been passed down from generation to generation and have become customary in the United States. However, these rituals date back to long before 1776.

The ancient Celtic festival, Samhain, was a celebration of the Celtic new year, which began on the first day of November. They believed that on the night before the new year, the boundary between the world of the living and the dead was blurred, and the ghosts of the dead returned to earth. They would have huge bonfires and dress up in costumes of animal heads and skins, and they made animal sacrifices in the fire.

When the Romans conquered the Celts in A.D. 43, their traditions were combined. In 800, the pope declared Nov. 1 to be All Saints Day, and the night before was deemed All Hallows Eve. These celebrations continued to combine fires, costumes and ghost stories. As immigrants began to migrate to the United States many years later, these traditions became part of the American way of life.

Tales from the campus crypt

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As the days grow closer to all hallows eve, fear escalates and people want to be spooked. Sometimes students take road trips to supposedly haunted houses in cities surrounding Lexington in hopes of being scared. But this year, look no further than UK's campus for some frightful tales of ghostly women, suicide and fallen carpenters.

Spindletop Hall

Late at night, in the hallways of the 72-year-old building, a blue dress can be seen. Inside the flowered day dress there allegedly rests a transparent woman named Pansy.

Various staff members have spoken of the ghost at Spindletop Hall, UK's employee and alumni club, said Spindletop general manager Gerald Marvel, who added that he has yet to see anything.

"I guess if you are a believer (in ghosts), it is possible to see something," Marvel said. "I am not a believer, so I haven't seen anything."

But for both believers and skeptics, the story of Spindletop matriarch Pansy Bernadette Merritt Yount holds true. Pansy and her husband Miles Frank Yount struck oil in Texas in 1925, and they just happened to name the land Spindletop, Marvel said. This discovery brought an immense amount of money, and Pansy Yount used some of this money to build herself a stable of American Saddlebred horses.

Eight years to the day of their enriching discovery, Miles Frank Yount passed away, and Pansy took up her belongings and moved to Kentucky, where she established Spindletop Farm in 1935. Pansy Yount left Kentucky in 1955, Marvel said, and she sold the estate to UK in 1957.

"She never felt accepted into the blue-blood culture in Kentucky," Marvel said. "She never felt at home."

On the day that the estate was passed over to UK, Pansy Yount died.

Now the hall exists as UK's faculty, staff and alumni club. According to Spindletop's Web site (www.spindletophall.org), nearly 1,300 families and individuals are part of the club. Some believers might say there's one more.

Patterson Hall

The door to the attic gaped open and was swinging back and forth as if a breeze was pushing it. However, no one had been to the attic that day.

Farrah Dicken, director of Patterson Hall, said she encountered this scenario just a few days ago. She said no one has a key to the attic except for maintenance people, and no one had been called that day.

Still other times, she said, people claim to see the lights on in the attic.

The story that has spooked this fear of the attic is somewhat debated, Dicken said. Yet the core of the tale remains constant. "A number of girls committed suicide in the attic, and the story says they haunt the building, specifically the attic," Dicken said.

The time of the mass suicide is what remains to be debated. Dicken said she has heard four different stories.

When Patterson was first built, it was an all-girls dorm and was purposefully placed away from the rest of the campus, Dicken said. One story is that the women were given a hard time at school and that they killed themselves to escape from their hardships.

Two other stories Dicken said she has heard take place during World War I and World War II.

"Many of the girls had boyfriends and brothers in the war," she said. "They killed themselves instead of dealing with the difficult situation."

Finally, Dicken said she heard the girls committed suicide around the time that the stock market crashed in 1929 because their families had lost so much money.

Regardless of when the supposed suicides took place, students still enjoy sharing the tale and keeping the haunted tradition alive.

"Freshmen come in and ask about the story because they have heard about it from an older sibling or friend. It is just fun to think about," Dicken said. "People complain about UK not having traditions, but this is a spooky bent on one. It connects people who live here with people who used to."

Singletary Center for the Arts

Around 30 years ago, two men fell from the catwalk of the main stage in the Singletary Center and died. Today, some believe these two men still wander the halls and catwalks of the Singletary Center at night.

Bobbie Owen, office manager at the Singletary Center for six years, said it is the little things that make her believe the building is haunted.

"Sometimes I will lock a door, and when I check it, it will be unlocked," she said. "Other times, the doors will open randomly."

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City has its share of ghostly sights

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Lexington and the surrounding areas are offering students and residents a chance to see Freddy Krueger, Jason Voorhees and Michael Myers in person. If that isn't enough, thrill-seekers can face fears like snakes, clowns, darkness and tight spaces.

Still other students who are really looking to get spooked can see Leatherface from "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" rip through a movie screen and chase them around. These are all features of Halloween attractions in Lexington and the surrounding areas where students can take part in outdoor and indoor frights.

Indoor Frights

Enter the dream world of a demented girl. Sarah Johnson is said to be an evil child who poses as a corpse or a little girl.

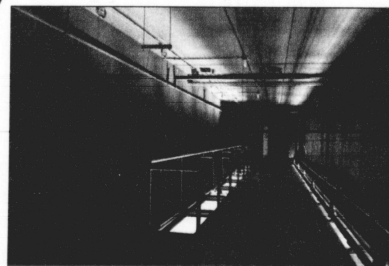
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Left: Spindletop Hall, UK's employee and alumni club, is said to house a ghost named Pansy Yount who roams the halls in a blue-flowered dress. Yount was the matriarch of Spindletop Hall before she sold it to UK.

Right: Stories say the ghosts of two men walk above the Recital Hall in the catwalk of the Singletary Center. Two workers fell from the catwalk of the main stage more than 30 years ago while the center was being built.



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'Curse' of musical composition lands professor a national award

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Unlike many kids, when Joseph Baber was young, he found adventure in writing music instead of books or playing pretend.

"When I write my music, it is like Peter Pan going to the window and seeing a whole new world," he said. "My music is my adventure."

The UK music composition professor discovered his talent around age 12. A national community recognized it earlier this month when the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers presented him with the 2007-08 ASCAP Plus Award for writers of concert music.

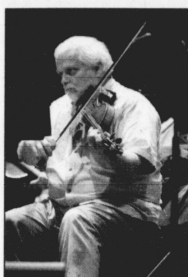
Baber started composing music when he had to miss a year of school because of an illness. Practicing the violin for hours when he was sick led Baber to his composing career, which he has spent the past 35 years of at UK, he said.

"Composing music is a curse to me, I have tried stopping but I can't," Baber said. "Ultimately I have no reason to stop. This is all I know."

Baber writes and performs musical compositions for churches, schools and private-company gatherings in the community and is the principle viola in the Lexington Philharmonic.

His compositions include orchestral overtures, suites, two symphonies, several marches and two-tone poems. His most well known works are three collaborations with novelist John Gardner on the operas "Frankenstein," "Rumpelstiltskin" and "Samson and the Witch."

"I have written over 300 pieces, and I have to trust directors that they will not alter my music," Baber said.



Joseph Baber practices viola with the Lexington Philharmonic on Tuesday evening.

ALLIE GARZA STAFF

Although he uses traditional, European music, it is different than many other classical composers because it has a midwestern twist to it, he said.

Baber has been an award-winning member of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers since 1971.

Though he has received national attention, Baber said he writes music for himself, not panels of judges.

"I write for my own pleasure," Baber said. Baber is currently working on an opera that he expects to complete for the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial in 2009, to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the former president's birth.

GHOSTS

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domly."

Owen said toilets will flush when no one is in the bathroom and that lights randomly turn on and off.

Owen is not the only one who has seen strange happenings at the Singletary Center. She said Jeff Keller, a technology expert who also played the tuba, decided to practice around midnight a few years ago in the Recital Hall of the Singletary Center.

Keller was recording himself when he thought he heard footsteps in the catwalk, Owen said. He stopped playing and listened to his recording — and he could hear the footsteps in it, Owen said.

The folklore adds to the campus culture, she said.

"Personally, I think the campus is devoid of being personal," Owen said. "Students just view campus as a bunch of brick buildings where they go to learn. When you hear these stories, it brings the buildings to life. They have a past like a person does."

MAKE YOUR WEEKEND PLANS

1. Poltergeist pioneers

Spirits of Fort Harrod's pioneers come alive for a few hours at Old Fort Harrod State Park's Haunted Frontier. Event festivities include a large maze and ghost stories in the graveyard. The event will run Friday and Saturday from 7 to 10 p.m. For more information, call 734-3314.

2. Bite me!

The Kentucky Ballet Theatre presents "Dracula," a Halloween thriller, at the Lexington Opera House. Performances are Friday and Saturday night at 8. Tickets cost \$12 to \$25. For more information, call 252-5245.

3. Night of the living dead

Zombies are taking over the streets of downtown Lexington this weekend. Every year, individuals from the Lexington community get together to resurrect Michael Jackson's "Thriller" video. This Saturday the public is free to participate and watch the recreation at 6 p.m. at Mecca. On Sunday at 7 p.m., the zombies will hit Main Street to do their dance. For more information, call 254-9790.

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who can see people's greatest fears and use those fears against them. Kentucky Paranormal Investigators' Nightmare Haunted House, located at 1211 Manchester Street in Lexington, opens up her dream world to the public. Standard tickets cost \$11 in advance and \$14 at the door. For more information, visit KPI's Nightmare Haunted House Web site (www.2scary.com).

The Hustonville Haunted House has gone through a major change. With a new owner and many new elements inside and out, this 10-year-old haunted house is sure to bring a crowd. Tickets are \$10, and the attraction is located in Hustonville, Ky., at 9837 E. Main

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9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door.

Fillmore's Therapy w/ The Harlequins
10 p.m., The Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$5.

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7 p.m., Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$15.

Gov't Mule w/ Grace Potter & The Nocturnals
8 p.m., Madison Theater, Covington. Tickets cost \$27.

SUNDAY, Oct. 28
Tori Amos
8 p.m., Louisville Palace, Louisville. Tickets cost \$42.50.

Pat Monahan
8 p.m., Madison Theater, Covington. Tickets cost \$20.

TUESDAY, Oct. 30
Stars of Track and Field w/ Eskimo Joe
9 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$6.

FourStar Alarm w/ Covington and The Invitational
9 p.m., The Southgate House, Newport. Tickets cost \$5.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 31
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8. New Pornographers — "Challengers"
9. Rilo Kiley — "Under The Blacklight"
10. New Young Pony Club — "Fantastic Playroom"

Street. For more information visit Hustonville Haunted House's Web site (www.hauntman.com).

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Locke now key for UK's rushing attack

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When the UK football season began, not many people imagined that freshman running back Derrick Locke would be carrying most of the load in the Cats' ground game at this point in the season.

With starting tailback Rafael Little returning for his senior season, the Cats figured to have a potent 1-2-3 punch at the running back position with contributions from junior Tony Dixon and sophomore Alfonso Smith. But nagging injuries to the trio have limited the Cats' featured running backs and has opened the door to an unlikely source.

Locke, a fourth-string running back for the Cats, has quickly taken advantage of the opportunity. Against nationally ranked opponents Louisiana State and Florida, he carried the ball 34 times for 140 yards and a touchdown, helping the Cats to a 1-1 record in those games.

"I felt like if I was getting my chance, I felt like I could do my part," Locke said. "It was something that I was wanting to

happen. Things happen for a reason so I guess it's just my time."

Locke originally signed with UK as a track athlete. He always had ambitions of playing football in college, but it wasn't until the track team showed head coach Rich Brooks the film of the tailbacks' blazing speed that Locke's dream finally became a reality.

"I did feel he could be an SEC tailback once I finally saw him on film, absolutely," Brooks said. "If it hadn't been for our track program, I would have never seen him, and I would have never had that opportunity."

Even when Locke joined the football team, it appeared he would rarely carry the football, if at all. Through UK's first three games, the Hugo, Okla., native was handed the ball just eight times.

But after all three running backs ahead of him on the depth chart battled injuries during the Arkansas game Sept. 22, Locke finally got the opportunity to display his raw speed and talent. Against the Razorbacks, Locke racked up nine second-half carries for 48 yards and a touchdown to

help lead the Cats to a 42-29 come-from-behind win.

"Whenever they put me in the game, I want the ball," Locke said. "If it's the fourth quarter and they need a fresh back to come in and run it hard, I'm that guy."

The freshman tailback was once again that guy against the Gators on Saturday, getting the majority of the carries in the second half when Dixon went down with a sprained ankle.

"That's been big for us," said offensive coordinator Joker Phillips. "We want to run the football, and if we don't feel comfortable with a quality tailback back there, you tend to throw the ball a little bit more. But we haven't shied away from running the football."

Phillips said he has been impressed with Locke's ability to make big runs against some of the nation's best defenses, and he thinks the future is bright for the young tailback.

"I think he can be as good as anybody's been around here," he said.

On the year, Locke has totaled 351 yards and three touch-

downs on 60 rushing attempts. Even though he brings a different running style than some of the other Cats' tailbacks — he is known primarily for his quickness — he has helped maintain the SEC's fourth-best rushing attack while the other UK running backs recover from injuries.

"You have a variety of everything," Locke said. "I can mix it up with a lot. I can be speed; I can be power, shifty, whatever you want to do. There's so much that you just haven't seen yet, but it's going to come out. I feel like once I get in my comfort zone, you're going to see a lot more from me."

Brooks believes Locke is getting close to that comfort zone and said he has performed far beyond typical freshman expectations.

"Derrick Locke has responded more like he was a junior or a senior," Brooks said. "He hasn't been faint about it, he hasn't been weak of heart or mind or spirit. He's been a very, very important part of where we are right now. Without him performing like he did, we wouldn't be where we are."

Brooks and Croom are losers no more

Their names have been linked together like Steve Spurrier and Bobby Bowden's, but for a totally different reason.



JONATHAN SMITH
Kernel columnist

Spurrier and Bowden's names were joined for excellence and championships. Their names have been linked together because they're Rich Brooks and Sylvester Croom. The "Kings of the Hot Seat."

Not anymore. Brooks cooled in the second half of last season and

froze with this season's unprecedented results.

Croom's quest for job security has been just as tough, if not tougher, than Brooks' has been. But now he's beginning to prove that he was the right hire for the job, just as Brooks was here at UK.

The year before Croom took over at Mississippi State, the Bulldogs won two games. Croom improved on that immediately by winning three games in his first season.

In each of the next two seasons, Croom still won just three games. That might not seem like much progress, but it was. Four of the Bulldogs' losses came by 3 points in his third season. That shows the program was competitive even in its rebuilding stages.

Taking all of those lumps is finally starting to pay off for this year. The Bulldogs won four of their first six games. They've

since dropped two in a row to fall back to 4-4, but with UK on Saturday, followed by Alabama, Arkansas and Ole Miss, getting to six wins and reaching a bowl game is completely realistic.

Does just slipping into a bowl game sound familiar?

"We've still got something to play for, which hasn't been the case for us in the last few seasons," Croom said. "So our guys are excited about the possibility of trying to get ourselves in position to be bowl eligible."

"We have a lot to play for," he said.

In some ways, Croom has made more progress than Brooks did in the same amount of time.

Croom took far less time to get a signature win. And then another, and another, and another.

In 2004, Mississippi State knocked off No. 20 Florida 38-31. The next year, the Bulldogs crushed rival Ole Miss 35-14 in the annual Egg Bowl.

Last year, the Bulldogs won on the road against Alabama. And this year, Mississippi State won on the road against an Auburn team that is an eyelash or two away from being undefeated.

Those are the type of wins that turn programs around.

Brooks' program-changing victory — last year's goal-post game against Georgia — came midway through his fourth season, which was far more time than it took Croom to notch his four landmark wins. To be fair, Brooks has had plenty since then. But it took him plenty of time to get the first one.

"Every year they've had a big win," Brooks said. "This year the win on the road

at Auburn is right up there, as good a win as anybody has had in the country."

Those are also the type of wins that help recruit better players.

Bulldog running back Anthony Dixon is fifth in the SEC in rushing yards per game and first in the league in rushing touchdowns. He's a sophomore.

Derek Pegues is in the conference's top ten in both punt and kick return yards. He's a junior.

Wesley Carroll has played in every game at quarterback this season, starting four of the last five games, and he has thrown 109 passes with no interceptions and two touchdowns. He's a true freshman.

The future looks great for Mississippi State.

"I don't think there's much doubt that they're a better football team talent-wise," Brooks said.

And I don't think there's any doubt that, if given time, Brooks and Croom have shown they can win.

Through 42 games at Mississippi State, Croom is 13-29 overall and 5-23 in the SEC. Brooks' numbers were identical after 42 games at UK.

On Saturday, Croom will take his 4-4 club into Commonwealth Stadium to try to upset UK during his fourth season.

In his fourth season, Brooks was 4-4 going into the upset win over Georgia at Commonwealth Stadium. How has that worked out for UK? Pretty well.

So who are the losers now? Not Brooks.

And, here shortly, not Croom either.

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Rice's two goals lead men's soccer over Marshall

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Sophomore defender Barry Rice scored two goals last night to lead the UK men's soccer team to its third conference win of the season, as the Cats battled through cold and windy conditions to defeat the Marshall Thundering Herd 3-1 at the UK Soccer Complex.

The Cats (5-7-2, 3-2 Conference USA) took the lead early, converting on their first two scoring opportunities to notch the game's first two goals.

Senior forward Aaron Swanson logged the Cats' first goal in the game's 17th minute when, after receiving a through-ball at midfield, he carried the ball to the penalty box and fired a shot that slipped under the legs of Herd junior goalkeeper Craig Ratanamorn.

"Aaron's goal was excel-

lent," UK head coach Ian Collins said. "He really helped to create a lot of opportunities tonight."

Rice's first goal came just minutes later.

UK was awarded a direct free kick from 24 yards out after a Marshall foul in the contest's 20th minute. Rice stepped up to take the kick and fired a ball that curled up and over an outstretched Ratanamorn, tucked just under the crossbar and landed in the back of the net to give the Cats a 2-0 first-half lead.

"I tried to use the wind to my advantage," Rice said. "I got it up and over the wall, and it went in under the bar."

The Cats held a two-goal advantage over Marshall (8-6-1, 2-3 C-USA) until the 29th minute when senior defender Nick Daniele scored on a rebound after a save by UK

sophomore goalkeeper Dan Williams. Williams had deflected a Marshall corner kick but couldn't hold onto the ball, setting up the rebound opportunity.

After the third combined goal in the first 29 minutes, both teams held strong defensively well into the second half. However, Rice was given a chance to post his second goal of the night in the 76th minute, and he converted.

Junior midfielder Brad Frederick hit a corner deep in the penalty box. Rice soared through the air and headed the ball into the corner for his second goal of the night and his team-leading seventh goal of the season.

"I thought his header took terrific skill," Collins said. "Rice was going away from the ball, the wind was swirling and he still snapped it off."

The win was the Cats' fifth of the year, and Collins said both the offensive and defensive efforts gave him reason to celebrate.

"We defended hard against a very good team tonight," Collins said. "We're very happy to gain three points in the conference standings and move on to the next match."

Although there are only three conference games before the start of the C-USA Tournament in Birmingham, Ala., Collins is optimistic about the Cats' potential for the rest of the season.

"We obviously have to keep working," Collins said, "but once everybody gets healthy, we can compete with anybody."

The Cats return to action Saturday as they travel to Miami, Fla., to take on Florida International.

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■ KERNEL EDITORIAL

Likely tuition hikes should spur students to vote in state races

Next school year's tuition increase will be 9 percent, the same as this year's, if the state gives UK all of its requested funding, UK President Lee Todd said Oct. 18. His announcement is a reminder of why students should participate in state politics.

Todd told legislators that UK needs funding increases of \$19.8 million for the 2008-09 school year and \$20.9 million on top of that for 2009-10, as outlined in the Top 20 Business Plan. Since UK received about \$336 million in state appropriations this school year, according to the university's 2007-08 budget, those would both be significant increases.

UK's Board of Trustees does not set tuition rates arbitrarily — the amount of funding available from the state is a major factor in the board's decision. The governor and the General Assembly are responsible for how much funding UK gets, which is why students concerned about college costs should take political action.

The Nov. 6 elections for governor and other statewide offices are a perfect time to start. The governor, who submits the initial budget proposal to the legislature and has veto power over the final budget bill, obviously has a major influence on the process.

Even if students think the gubernatorial campaign's major issues,

gambling and ethics, are irrelevant to students — they aren't — tuition is undeniably a pressing matter. That should be reason enough for UK students to research the candidates and cast an informed vote in the Nov. 6 election.

The upcoming election isn't the only forum for students to influence the budget process and fight for more higher-education funding. Even students who aren't registered to vote can write, call or e-mail their local senators and representatives, whose contact information is available on the Legislative Research Commission's Web site (www.lrc.ky.gov/Legislators.htm).

If enough students (and parents who help pay tuition) contact state legislators about the importance of funding the Top 20 Business Plan, the General Assembly will understand that tuition is a major issue for Kentucky families. That could greatly aid UK in securing these large funding increases at a time when numerous localities and agencies are lobbying for money.

Unless UK students make it clear they're paying tuition — and that double-digit tuition increases are unacceptable — the General Assembly won't have much incentive to fully fund the Top 20 Business Plan. So if students want affordable college costs, they can't afford to be apathetic.



TOM WILKINS, Kernel cartoonist

Don't hand out birth control to middle-school children

Last week, the Portland School Committee voted to allow students at Kings Middle School in Portland,



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Kernel columnist

Maine, to receive birth-control pills and patches. This plan, according to an Associated Press article, makes it the first middle school in Maine to offer pills and patches. Now 11-year-old girls have access to all forms of birth control.

The pills aren't handed out in the hallways as the students walk by — anyone who visits the student health center to be treated must get parental permission. This doesn't necessarily equal parental permission for contraceptives, though.

According to another Associated Press story, the student health center offers a variety of services to students including immunizations, and treating anything from acne to sore throats. Once parental permission is received, all treatment is confidential. Under state law, parents cannot find out what their child is being treated for unless the child tells them.

No matter how few students may or may not actually be receiving birth control in the form of pills or patches (condoms have been available for many years), giving it even to 13-year-olds is wrong. Even besides the moral objections, it comes down to science.

These children — and they are children — are still growing and developing, and they shouldn't be engaging in sexual activities. Although it's nice to say that they will be protected even if for some reason they do, the cons outweigh the pros.

In August, Reuters reported on a study that showed that oral contraceptives have a negative impact on bone health and the skeleton. The study was of female military cadets with an average age of about 18. If there is the possibility of bone problems in adults, I can't even imagine the negative impact that drugs like the pill can have on 11-year-olds, many of whom haven't even hit puberty yet.

As for the patches that may be dispensed, the maker of the Ortho Evra patch had to issue a warning that there is a greater risk of blood clots and other serious effects while using it, the Associated Press reported in November 2005.

It's irresponsible to start giving

medications to children without knowing the full implications for the future. Just because the pill or the patch are effective at preventing pregnancy doesn't mean that every female of any age can take them without serious side effects.

Taking pills isn't always easy either. It can be difficult for people to remember to take it every morning at the same time, and in the case of the pill, missing doses means that it is not totally effective. Schools can issue pills to students all they want, but if not taken properly they are ineffective and can give a false sense of security.

The students are too young to be engaging in sexual activity anyway, and that is something that the school needs to consider addressing in other ways. Are there really so many sexually active females on campus that there is an urgent need for birth control? Have all other remedies been exhausted?

Before inundating children with medications that can be physically detrimental, all for the sake of reducing pregnancy, maybe more should be done to prevent children from engaging in these high-risk activities.

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McGovern's lecture benefited conference, serves as example

UK should strive to host more captivating speakers like George McGovern, a former senator and 1972 Democratic presidential candidate, who spoke on campus Oct. 10 at the Making Sense of the Vietnam Wars Conference.

The conference brought a serious and relevant discussion to campus, and having a speaker like McGovern made it all the more powerful.

McGovern's speech centered on how the current war in Iraq has striking similarities with the Vietnam War, which he observed firsthand in three visits to Vietnam. His powerful, emotional speech helped bring home a now-distant historical topic to students who were born long after the war ended.

It was when the senator started talking about his experience in Viet-

nam and seeing the destruction of not only a country, but of its people, that he broke down and got choked up. Seeing a speaker like this definitely will go a long way toward informing students at the college level about the war in Vietnam.

By bringing a well-known figure in U.S. political history to campus, the conference organizers helped draw attention to a subject that may otherwise have been easy for students to ignore.

UK should follow the same steps in future conferences on campus, by both focusing on relevant topics and inviting speakers who will draw students' attention to the discussions. Doing so will help contribute to a greater atmosphere of thought and debate among UK students.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

School spirit means more than just showing up

I was back on campus for the first time since I graduated in 2002 to attend "College Game-Day" and the football game against the University of Florida on Oct. 20. The last time I saw a game was when Louisiana State University beat UK in 2002 while fans were rushing the field and we lost. I thought I would never see a game again. I decided to go with a few friends, and I just want to let every student know that our crowd was pathetic at "GameDay" and at the game.

Yes, we showed up in droves and had a record crowd, but you could hear a pin drop in the section I was sitting in.

At "GameDay," I asked people if they were planning to go inside the library and study, when they said no, I screamed at them and asked them why they were not loud. Yes, when the cameras came by, people got loud, and at the game when we had a big play or there was a first down, people got loud. But then it was back to silence. Why?

I could understand it in Rupp Arena, where tickets have stayed in families for ages and senior citizens take up most of the arena's seating capacity, but in Commonwealth Stadium?

Since leaving UK, I have seen plenty of games in other stadiums — Ohio State University vs. Pennsylvania State University two years ago, and plenty of Browns and Bengals games. I really need to know if we have a home field

advantage or not. UK fans, do yourself a favor and watch this week's OSU vs. Penn State game at Penn State. You will get to see a real home-field advantage, and the crowd will be making noise from start to finish. If you're not there to help the team (i.e., make a home-field advantage), why did you buy a ticket to the game?

Robby Kochhar
UK alumnus, class of 2002

Free market can't save the environment

This letter is in response to Brett Nolan's column "Environmental troubles require market solutions, not regulation." Even the most ardent free-market supporters must acknowledge the existence of externalities — the effects of a transaction on third parties. In the case of the environment, those third parties are future generations. Relying on a purely economic solution to a potentially distant environmental problem requires people today to value the quality of life of those future generations as highly as they value their own. We all know that is not a realistic expectation.

While a free-market approach will not work, I agree that regulation is not the answer either. A better solution is to provide economic incentives to develop and use environmentally friendly technology. Governments or foundations can offer grant money or rewards for groundbreaking research. How about a worldwide competition to

develop an engine that runs on air? These kinds of things cannot happen in a truly free market. We need the government to intervene, just with an eye toward shaping the future rather than controlling it.

Tony Cox
Finance senior

Beshear has 'dozens' of problems

I wanted to spare a few words of praise for Thomas Roberts' column in Tuesday's Kernel, specifically the part about KET's debate between the Kentucky gubernatorial candidates. Though I was unable to watch the debate, I am glad Roberts pointed out the glaring ignorance displayed by Steve Beshear during the debate.

As president, vice president, treasurer, secretary and member of the Future Egg Farmers of America, I was shocked that Beshear did not know the price of a dozen eggs. Meanwhile, Gov. Ernie Fletcher was able to answer questions about both the price of a loaf of bread and a gallon of milk. I wanted to pass along a hearty huzzah to Mr. Fletcher from some other organizations I am involved with, mainly the American Breadmakers of the Heartland and the Cow-Milkers Council.

It is high time that national politics were no longer beholden to John Kerry, the Heinz Company and the rest of the Condiment Mafia. I for one will be using my vote to send Steve Beshear a strong message on this egg issue. It is painfully

obvious that this is the most pressing item during the upcoming election, and I hope you all agree that removing officials who have violated the public trust is a very distant second.

Dylan Piper-Kaiser
Mechanical engineering senior

Stand up against immature fans at Commonwealth

In response to Allyson Smith's Oct. 22 letter about the immaturity of several UK fans at the football game on Saturday, I'd definitely agree that there are many spectators who go absolutely too far when it comes to "spirit." It isn't at all fair to treat another team's fans the same way that was demonstrated toward Smith's friends. UK's fans should be recognized for their class and respect, not for their vulgarity and immaturity.

However, instead of complaining to people who are equally upset with the outrageous behavior of these fans, Smith should have gotten the attention of an authority at the game, if she didn't do so, and allow him or her to handle the situation. There were plenty of local and state police present that could have put a stop to the unacceptable behavior.

Hopefully in the near future, UK's fans can be remembered by other universities as spirited, but respectful. Stay classy, Kentucky!

Laura Clark
Undeclared sophomore

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Harvard prof: Time's uneven flow can be sped but not reversed

By C.J. Conklin
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If time could be manipulated, changing hours into minutes and minutes into seconds, the slow-moving sea urchin would be as active as any college student.

Eric Mazur, a Harvard professor who supervises one of the nation's top research groups on the basis of time, spoke at UK last night on his attempts to tackle time.

Mazur described a childhood summer trip to Italy, vaguely recalling the colors and events of the Venetian countryside. The trip to Italy, he said, represented how the calendar says nothing of the flow of time. A day is a day, a month is a month, and a year is a year. But Mazur questioned why some days seem unbearably long while others seem too short to have happened.

Mazur explained that in one second, the time of a human heartbeat, light travels from the earth to the moon. In 1,000 sec-

onds, light makes a round trip to the sun. And in 10,000 seconds, light travels to the planet Uranus.

"The flow of time is undoubtedly uneven, and what is so perplexing and annoying is that when you're having fun, time flies, and when you're not, time finds a way of dragging on," Mazur said.

The flow of time could be explained through the life of a sea urchin, he said. At any given time, a sea urchin appears to be doing absolutely nothing. If an hour were changed to a second, however, a sea urchin would be just as active as a human in real time.

"We can open up a whole new world if we change the speed of a clock," Mazur said.

He explained how the mind uses a real a sequence of events from the past to understand the future before it happens. For example, Mazur said he knows what he will look like in his jacket before he puts it on.

He explained that time is unidirectional and continuous.

People can't return to the past, just as their lives can't begin in ashes, progress backward to old age, continue with the growing or coloration of hair, shrink back to the age of baby bubble, and end in the womb.

Mazur and his researchers work with laser pulses that capture an exorbitant amount of light for a very brief moment. The researchers funnel the light at an object by using multiple mirrors and beams that allow them to capture a picture of the object. By moving the mirrors, they can capture pictures of the object at different times.

The idea for that process came from the research of the late Harold Eugene Edgerton, who was a professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His studies included pictures of a bullet piercing a balloon, a bullet splitting a card in half, a bullet slicing through an apple and a bullet inside and exiting a light bulb. At the time of the picture, all of the objects retained their shapes as they were struck with a bullet.

After much debate, the Senate did not approve the resolution to create two new bike paths behind the sorority houses on Rose Street because of a lack of information.

Also at last night's meeting, the Senate unanimously approved \$785 to help sponsor a basketball tournament to help raise awareness for the student organization Men Against Violence and Rape at UK.

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"We fund tons of other organizations because they have absolutely no budget, they have no way of getting money," Colgate said. "I feel this money would be better spent on one of those organizations."

Sen. Jesse Parrish, one of four sponsors of the resolution,

said the reduced amount of money wasn't too much, considering the value of the service project. He said the organizations decided to travel to New Orleans so they wouldn't be distracted from the service project by familiar surroundings.

"Who is going to want to go somewhere like Cincinnati, where they could be 45 minutes back with their friends having fun?" Parrish said. "The idea is to get completely away from

UK."

the College of Communications and Information Studies. "As a former UK student, I can see how it would be helpful to have the names listed."

English and political science senior Molly Smith compared the new schedule books to toothbrushes without toothpaste.

"It's better than nothing but not good enough," she said.

The registrar's office has not received any complaints regard-

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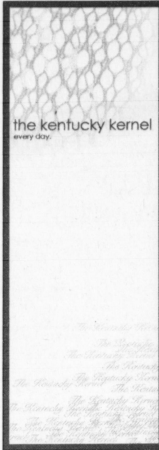
Some UK students have expressed concern over the information being left out of the schedule books.

"A few students weren't exactly pleased," said Ashley Clark, the assistant director of student services and academic adviser for

ing the lack of instructors' names in the schedule books, Manley said.

"I think people realize the information is online, and they have been looking there," Manley said.

The IRIS team is continuing to work on the problem, Manley said, adding that he hoped to resolve the problems by the time the Summer 2008 schedule books are printed.



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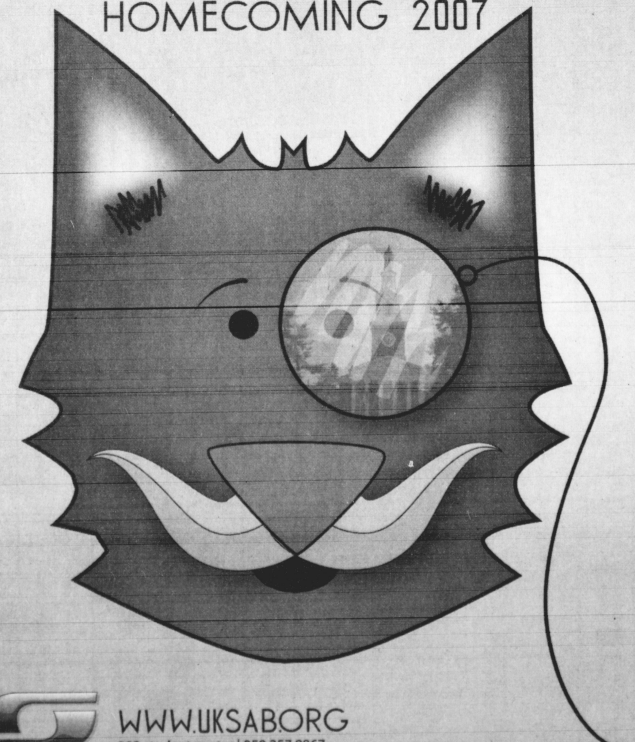



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SATURDAY



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UK vs. Miss. State