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Third LCC building opens

Finished product to create center of campus

By Ty Halpin
Managing Editor

The new academic and technical building at Lexington Community College is providing more than just desperately needed space.

It also is creating a real campus environment, LCC President Allen Edwards said.

"Once the walkway is put in, it will tie campus together," Edwards said of the new \$3.5 million facility, which opened last week. "This building will become the hub of campus. It will be a sort of social center for students."

The building has been five years in planning, legislation and construction, and Edwards is pleased with the results.

Edwards, himself, has put a lot of time and effort into this project. The results, he says, are satisfying.

"To me this is very gratifying to see our campus expand," he said. "It's wonderful to see ideas we had five years ago come into being now. Now professors are filling of-

fices, and students are using the new lounges."

With the new facility, LCC's two other buildings will be able to house things more tailored to their layouts.

"The other two buildings have been overused," Edwards said. "Storage rooms were being used as classrooms. This construction will recapture the other buildings. We've had to make do for a long time. Now, all the buildings will be in order, and we'll be able to do the things we wanted to do before."

So far, Edwards and LCC officials have been pleased with the way the project has turned out.

"It has already passed a couple of tests," Edwards said. "We've had a few heavy downpours, and the roof has handled them with no trouble. Also the air conditioning system has been very balanced with the heat we've had. That is very encouraging."

Edwards said he doesn't think there will be any more construction at LCC, at least for now.

"I hope this completes this campus," he said.

LCC doubled its enrollment in credit hours during Edwards' seven years at the school. More construction eventually may be needed to meet the demands of a growing number of students.

The school already owns property at the corner of Nicholasville Road and Man O' War Boulevard that could be used to relocate or expand facilities.

"We will have to take a look at this fall's enrollment and see what happens," Edwards said. "If it doesn't grow too much, we won't need to start planning for a new building. If it grows as much as 10 percent, this is an indication that we need to start planning for the growth."

Edwards recently announced that he will be leaving LCC in August to become president of Pellissippi State Technical Community College in Knoxville, Tenn. A new LCC president has not been named.

NEW RECRUIT



JAMES CRISP/Kernal Staff

Fireman Kevin Devine shows National Youth Sport Program member Venita Swain his gear. Story, p. 4.

Disney interns whistle while they work; earn college credits at Magic Kingdom

By Kathy W. Larkin
Contributing Writer

While completing internships this spring at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla., six UK students earned college credit and paychecks.

But the Disney program, which is coordinated through UK's Office of Experiential Education, was more than just another part-time job, the students say.

Disney recruiters visit UK's campus twice a year to deliver a presentation and interview interested students.

Penny Medley, assistant director for the Office of Experiential Education, said that if students do well in the interview portion of the selection process, they usually are invited to work. Not all job openings, however, are necessarily related to students' majors.

Kirsten Kaak, a student who plans to enter the physical therapy

field, confirmed that her Disney job didn't quite relate to her career choice, but she said the experience was worthwhile.

Kaak worked as a souvenir merchandiser in the Magic Kingdom's Frontierland, which required her to wear period costumes.

"We all complained the first couple of weeks," she said of having to wear the outfits, "but once we adjusted, we really started to love it."

Theresa Jones, a psychology senior who worked as a food and beverage hostess at Disney's Typhoon Lagoon, agreed with Kaak.

"It was definitely good experience," Jones said. "I would encourage anybody to do it. Anytime you were not at work, you had access to the park, no charge at all."

The experience, however, goes beyond a guaranteed job of 30-plus hours a week. Participants

also attend weekly seminars while enrolled in the college program.

"The seminars touched on business, interviews, resumés — learning that could apply elsewhere," Jones said.

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INSIDE:

Correction: In the July 1 issue, the story on LCC should have said that it is the second largest community college in the state.

Tom Cruise delivers in new drama, "The Firm." Page 5.



COURTESY OF WALT DISNEY COMPANY

UK students (L to R) Kristen Kaak, Jon Gillette, Chris Totten, Alene Isaac, and Theresa Jones pose with Minnie Mouse.

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Moore named acting director of UK School of Journalism

By Victoria Moyer
Staff Writer

Roy Moore, director of graduate studies for the UK College of Communications, has been named acting director of the School of Journalism.

Moore, who assumed the post last week, will hold the job until

July 1. He fills the position left vacant when former CBS news reporter David Dick resigned.

In the school's search for a new director last year, Moore, the only candidate from UK, was one of two finalists for the job. When the other finalist, Chuck Stone, a journalism professor at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, withdrew his application, officials decided to reopen the search.

Moore said he was disappointed with the outcome of the first search because he believes he is qualified for the position and has good student and faculty relations.

However, after several weeks of discussion, Moore agreed to act as temporary director of the school for the upcoming year.

"I think we can make some major steps forward," he said. "There is a lot that can be accomplished in one year."

The new search is an attempt to attract a new, wider pool of qualified applicants, said Doug Boyd, dean of the College of Communications.

Boyd said he and Chancellor for the Lexington Campus Robert Hemenway, who were to make the final decision on a new director, wanted to "make a significant appointment." He said it is "sometimes appropriate to bring in someone from the outside."

Boyd also said the search was reopened because "the pool of applicants was not as strong as hoped for."

Hemenway had no comment on the reopening of the search.

The second search will begin in the fall with a new search committee, consisting of faculty, professional and student representatives, Boyd said.

Plans for the new search include advertising the position nationally, a strategy that also was used in the first search.

An advertisement placed during the first search asked for applicants with academic credentials, administrative experience and noteworthy professional backgrounds.

Associate journalism professor Maria Braden, chairwoman of the first search committee, said the ideal candidate should have "good managerial skills, a close rapport with the students and a general understanding of the University."

NEWS BRIEFS

Transportation center director receives national honor

Calvin G. Grayson, director of UK's transportation center, recently received the S.S. Steinberg Award from the American Road and Transportation Builders Association.

The award recognizes a person who has made an outstanding contribution to transportation education.

A native Kentuckian, Grayson has been director of the Transportation Center and associate professor of civil engineering at UK since 1983.

Grayson's has received numerous awards and honors, including being named one of the Top 10 Public Works Leaders by the American Public Works Association.

Study shows higher accident rates for elderly women

A UK study shows more women older than 65 are involved in automobile accidents than men of the same age, but the study did not show sex differences for women younger than 55.

The study, conducted by Nikiforos Stamatiadis, an assistant professor of transportation engineering, is based on accidents occurring on Michigan roadways between 1986 and 1988. The study took into account how much older men and older women drive.

Stamatiadis hopes to obtain similar data for Kentucky so he can compare results from the two states.

In the study, women older than 65 showed a higher rate than men of the same age for accidents at intersection areas, for accidents involving turns and for accidents during the day.

"That could point to a gender trend — for example, left turn accidents may be indicative of physical limitation due to the smaller size of elderly females," he said.

Engineering students win national contest

Five UK engineering students recently won first place in a national contest for developing a manufacturing process expected to prevent workplace injuries and save money for a Kentucky company that makes automobile wheels.

The students — all members of the local chapter of the Society of Women Engineers — won top honors in the Team Tech competition at the SWB national convention in Chicago. The competition is for teams of students who have solved real-world industrial problems.

The chapter was awarded \$2,400, including \$200 for each team member. The students competed against teams from Purdue University, University of Washington, University of South Florida and California State Polytechnic Institute.

The students developed a way to automate the process of "deburring" sharp edges on aluminum wheels after they are cast and machined. Alumitech of Somerset is considering adopting the process, which would save the company about \$70,000 and help safeguard the health of employees.



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Intern

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But for some students, the living experience became the most memorable of the semester.

Nearly 1,500 college students live in a Disney apartment building about 10 minutes from their job sites. Rent is deducted from the students' pay, and a shuttle service provides free transportation to and from work each day.

The complex also houses international students from Epcot Center's Cultural Representative program. A social coordinator employed by Disney plans parties and events to allow and encourage the students to meet people from other universities, as well as other cultures.

"The more people you're willing to meet, the better time you'll have," said Marshall Hixson, a UK finance and accounting senior. Hixson said there was "no problem meeting people," who were "from all over the country and from around the world."

As a lifeguard at Typhoon Lagoon, an aquatic theme park spanning 56 acres, Hixson worked one of the more stressful positions given to students. He had to be at the park for extensive lifeguard training two weeks before other students arrived.

Despite the job's responsibilities, Hixson said his "job was one-tenth of my Disney experience."

In addition to positions in food services, merchandising and transportation, students can choose to do custodial or hospitality work.

Alene Isaac, a UK senior, was fortunate to be placed in her first preference — attractions. Isaac was one of a cast of more than 200 that presented a Hallmark attraction, "The Great Movie Ride," in the Disney-MGM Studios Theme Park.

Isaac said each student receives a casting call and audition when he or she arrives at the park. This helps Disney locate students with acting or singing talent.

Besides Disney's college program, Isaac also attended weekly seminars given on Disney property by professors from the University of Central Florida. Through these seminars, she received additional credit hours in public relations.

Isaac enjoyed her Disney experience so much she decided to stay for the summer.

Kaak and Hixson also would like to return to Disney to work, and both view Christmas break as a possibility. In fact, Walt Disney World encourages their college program graduates to return to them as employees and recently has formed an alumni association, said Kent Phillips, Disney's manager of college relations.

"Over 18,000 students have participated in the college program since it began in 1980," Phillips said, noting that Disney hires about 3,000 college students each

year. Because the company has 35,000 employees, students working through the college program comprise nearly 9 percent of the work force.

Interestingly, the only age requirement is that the participant be at least 18 years old.

"Non-traditional students have come, a few people in their 40s," Phillips said. "Generally though, they're sophomores, juniors or seniors, 19 to 21 years."

Another nine UK students are completing Disney internships this summer, and three more are confirmed to arrive this fall, Phillips said.

The Disney college program now recruits from more than 300

schools throughout the United States. Though some schools allow students to earn either college credit or recognition for their internships, UK students must earn credit, Medley said.

Typically, a student earns no more than three credit hours, but there are exceptions, she said.

Disney personnel will return to UK's campus in October to recruit for the 1994 spring and summer semesters.

UK's Office for Experiential Education offers nearly 600 internships — about half of which are paid — that are available to all majors, Medley said.

"Disney is wonderful, but it's not for everybody," she said.

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SPORTS

Low-income youths learn sports, education in UK program

By Steve Perry
Contributing Writer

For most kids, summer consists of sleeping, swimming, playing ball and no worries about school or learning. But for 325 Lexington youths, summer fun and learning are one in the same.

These boys and girls, ranging from 10 to 16 years-old, are partic-

ipating in the National Youths Sports Program held at UK. Co-sponsored by the federal government and the NCAA, the program gives low-income youths something more than just athletics.

"The kids learn different sports and have fun, but they also learn about life," said Richard Riggs, project administrator for the pro-

gram.

The program, which is free for children whom qualify, began on June 7 and continues thru July 15. The children are picked up by bus and participate in the program from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Monday thru Thursday. Riggs believes the program has a significant purpose. The children spend two hours each day learning various sports and another hour spent for "knowledge activities."

A child may spend the first two hours of the morning learning football, gymnastics, softball, track and field, or some other sport and the other hour learning about drug education, various career fields such as law or medicine, be a part of a USA Today class which discusses what is going on in the world today, or a nutrition class.

In the nutrition class the value

and nutritional content of a Coke or Big Mac may be learned and the kids are allowed to see for themselves what food is nutritious and what foods are not.

"We know kids are always going to want Cokes and Big Macs but we want them to learn about their nutritional value and to try to use better alternative foods to eating or drinking a Coke every time," said Cisco Bryant, activities director for the program.

The knowledge activities are taught by outside experts such as attorneys, teachers, and other professionals and also guest professional athletes visit and speak to the kids on various subjects. Recently, former UK running back Mark Higgs, now with the Miami Dolphins and Frank Minniefield, a standout defensive back for the Cleveland Browns, visited the

program and spoke on drug education. UK football coach Bill Curry is also an annual speaker for the program.

The various sports are taught by 16 staffed project aides with many also being successful athletes. Former UK football player Derrick Thomas serves as a project aide for the program and he also feels the program is beneficial for the kids.

"It gives them something to do for the summer and gives them good role models to follow," Thomas said.

Riggs said he feels the program also gives the kids a better understanding of education.

"The program gives the kids a chance to make goals for their education, to study hard, and realize that it is important to be prepared for another profession besides sports."

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Staff Report

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Their new album, *The Grape Prophet*, is a concept album about the dangers of cults. The lead singer Mike Knott based *The Grape Prophet* on an experience he had with a cult that some of his friends joined.

The concert is sponsored by the UK Wesley foundation, the Methodist youth group on campus.

Buzzy Boone, a member of the Wesley foundation, said the concert is not your standard Christian music. "It's certainly not a church service. If you go to the concert, you're not going to be preached to. It's still a good time."

Boone said L.S. Underground has not quite been accepted into the mainstream of Christian music. "They don't play in many churches. Most of the churches don't understand where they're coming from."

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Business as usual for Tom Cruise in 'The Firm'

By Nina Davidson
Arts Editor



Rating: three out of four popcorn boxes

"The Firm" traces the career of Harvard Law graduate Mitch McDeere (Tom Cruise). Mitch has many job offers from prestigious companies but chooses the Memphis law firm of Bendini, Lambert and Locke. The firm offers him a generous salary along with a new Mercedes-Benz and a house in the suburbs.

The offer sounds too good to be true. Eventually Mitch and his wife Abby (Jeanne Tripplehorn) discover the firm is hiding some



secrets about their wealthy clients.

However, Mitch has to feign ignorance in order to keep his job—and his life. He also has to play a game of double jeopardy with the FBI, who want him to testify against the firm.

"The Firm" is a visual ode to money in the opening scenes. The camera lingers over the sleek Mercedes-Benz, the palatial offices of Bendini, Lambert and Locke, the luxurious hotel rooms the lawyers stay in on business trips. The audience drools in greed along with the

McDeeres.

Tom Cruise gives a solid performance as Mitch McDeere. The role of a cocky young man with a good heart is Cruise's specialty. His endless variations of this role include "Top Gun" and "Far and Away."

Jeanne Tripplehorn also gives a good performance as Mitch's beleaguered wife. She plays the role with intelligence and compassion.

Gene Hackman, however, steals the show as Avery Tolar, Mitch's

cynical mentor. Hackman manages to generate sympathy for a thoroughly corrupt and unlikable character.

"The Firm," based on the John Grisham thriller, is a fairly suspenseful movie that keeps you on the edge of your seat for most of the film.

However, at three hours long, "The Firm" drags in a few places. Copying files and doing paperwork are major parts of the action in the film.

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VIEWPOINT

Dowdy should narrow focus, concentrate on budget cuts; Rome wasn't built in a day

EDITORIAL

Student Government President Lance Dowdy should be commended for not easing back in a lawn chair and sipping lemonade this summer.

Dowdy has spent the hot days of June and early July getting a jump on things, as his recent election as chairman of the Kentucky Board of Student Body Presidents will testify.

In addition, Dowdy has inquired about joining the National Student Congress, both of which are organizations that could help SGA lobby for students in Frankfort.

But Dowdy must pace himself. Rome wasn't built in a day. And it will take more than a day — or even months — to cure all the ills of UK's campus. Dowdy must take a step back and evaluate what he hopes to accomplish and then work to meet those goals.

Nothing can be accomplished by jumping into the fire on every issue, except getting burned.

It would be unwise to fall into the same trap that seems to have snared President Clinton: trying to do too much in a short amount of time.

A long stretch of road and many obstacles lie ahead for Dowdy, and he has to be prepared. The easiest way to keep on track is to keep things simple.

During the summer, there aren't as many groups on campus asking for Dowdy's assistance. When the fall semester begins, Dowdy must filter out issues and attack only those he sees as important. He can't afford to take on every groups' complaints and still function as president.

Dowdy needs to focus on important issues facing every student at UK, not just certain groups. After all, he is representing *all* of the UK student body.

Remember, Dowdy serves the students. His most pressing issue is to help UK acquire more state funding and ease the crunch of spiraling tuition on students who have to scratch and claw to be able to afford a higher education.

Despite getting to sit with the big wigs in board meetings, getting choice tickets to UK basketball games and a parking spot most students would die for, Dowdy must remember those who elected him and why.

It's fine to set other goals and have other ideas, but don't take on so much so early that you can't accomplish anything.

LETTERS

Senator defends his position; says both sides should attend

To the Editor:

I wanted to take this opportunity to respond to last Thursday's editorial, which repeats the same sort of criticisms that have been going on for the last several years. I feel this sort of criticism is good, because it keeps the Student Government Association accountable for its actions.

However, I feel the editorial was premature relating to the reasoning why I wanted to send two senators to the national convention of the United States Student Association.

The convention goes over a broad spectrum of ideas and problems that face institutions all over the nation. The reason why I proposed that two senators attend is because senators are the only ones who technically can create the bills

and present them to the senate.

The executive branch of SGA could learn all the important information at the conference, but is limited on how far it can implement the information. I was worried that SGA would not be well represented by having an all-executive branch with no senate members.

What every student at UK must think about is this idea: Is the cost worth the benefit. By looking at how much we would be spending compared to how much we would be gaining (students' money and knowledge for our leaders) then I have no doubt that the cost is definitely worth the benefit not only for now, but forever.

Students go to school to become more knowledgeable in the area of their desired study. The same concept must be considered in the idea of sending our leaders to this convention.

Stephen Dawahare
Senator at Large



Campus leaders should come out of closet, gain information about lifestyles of gays

SGA should get ideas from all students at UK



Joe Braun
Kernel Columnist

lar consent.

While recent studies now show only 1 percent of American men are choosing to be gay, UK has decided to become a leader in the country and defy popular sentiments by sheltering gays with UK's non-discriminatory policy.

Dr. Debbie Powell's remarks in last week's Kentucky Kernel demonstrate why adding sexual orientation to UK's student non-discriminatory code is questionable.

"Anything that promotes diversity is positive," she said.

Anything? Anything includes everything from quota admission practices to ethnic cleansing.

If Powell's statement is true, then UK Housing needs to get on the phone and contact Ohio State University pronto. OSU recently followed this same radically abused philosophy when it created homosexual housing on its campus. It took the Ohio General assembly to step in and correct their twisted ways by forbidding it.

The city of Cincinnati also recently tried to give gays special rights. It took thousands of signatures to take a city-wide referendum on the issue, scheduled for the fall, to let the people decide if the city council has the right to decide gays are special without popu-

Student Government Association Senator at large Heather Hennel perpetuated the problem with the misconception that the majority of students at UK were in favor of the proposal. While she, and her circle of senate cronies, may have liked the idea, a large campus-wide poll never was conducted to support her psychic intuition into the minds of 22,000 students.

Do students at UK believe gay students deserve special privileges beyond those granted to them by federal law? I bet not — and the need for gay and lesbian support groups proves it. Students at UK do not accept homosexuality as a mainstream movement and the people of Kentucky would not either.

The states of Colorado and Oregon, the Baptist and Catholic churches, the United States military, and a strong and vocal majority of the National Association of Colored People are all vehemently opposed to adding sexual orientation to the growing list of minorities claiming they need special protection. Twenty four states still outlaw sodomy, including President Clinton's own Arkansas.

And Hennel, a student senator for whom only 1,272 students voted, believes a majority of UK students are not opposed? Perhaps she should be the campus psychic,

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It would take a majority — after all, we live in a democracy where the majority rules without infringing on the rights of the minority, not catering to them.

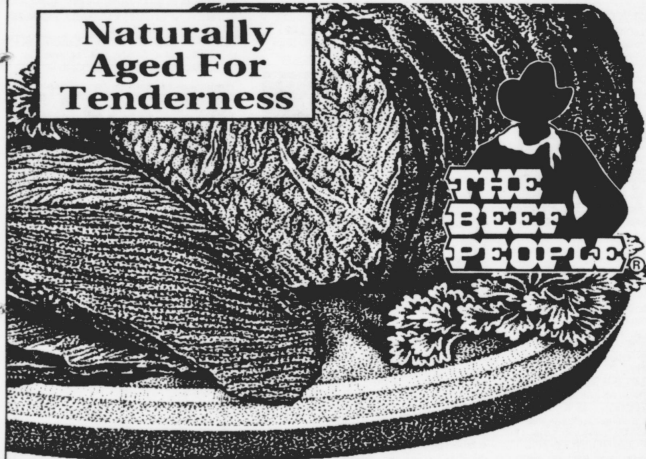
The April 26, 1993 edition of *Time* magazine contained a three-year study by the Battelle Human Affairs Research Center in Seattle, which found only 1 percent of American men are gay. The national lobbying group ACT-UP and President Clinton claim 10 percent of the population is gay, despite this survey — which *Time* magazine said "was the most thorough report on male sexual behavior ever."

Powell, Hennel and Clinton need to come out of their closets and get educated about homosexuality — you can learn a lot from researching facts and opinions, not just feelings and intuitions.

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