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Today's students working harder



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HARD AT WORK: More UK students are working part- or full-time jobs than ever before. Students cite various reasons for working, including paying for tuition increases and gaining job experience. Also, some non-traditional and graduate students must hold jobs to cover family expenses.

Students with jobs becoming 'the rule' in '90s

By **TONJA WILT**
Executive Editor

This is the first part of a three-day series about the changing student body.

When Bob Clay came to UK as a freshman in 1965, there was only one student on his residence hall floor who worked while taking classes.

Twenty-five years later, as UK's director of Residence Life, Clay said he wouldn't have much trouble finding a working student on any floor of UK's 18 residence halls.

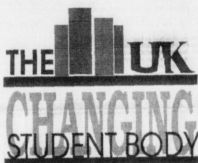
"I think that the availability of financial aid was less (then) but the cost of going to school was less," Clay said. Today "I think in financial aid there is very little 100 per-

cent need met. Therefore they have to work on campus."

According to the records of the UK Student Temporary Employment Service, there has been a rise in student employment since 1986, but in the last two years the number seems to have peaked and leveled off. In 1986, 1,000 employment vacancies were filled by students, compared with the 2,000 positions filled last year. The same number of positions are expected to be filled this year.

Lillian Downing, manager of the STEPS program, attributes this increase partially to the program's service, which sometimes involves educating and bartering with the employer.

She described this service with a hypothetical situation: "They may



call and say, 'I want a law clerk. Can I pay them \$4 an hour?'" Downing said. "We'll say no because it won't be worth their while."

With this service "we are getting them better jobs — more career-related positions," she said.

The student employment increase affects not only UK, but Lexington businesses as well.

Betty Melvin, the administration assistant at Norrell Temporary Services Inc., 2365 Harrodsburg Rd., has noticed a dramatic increase in student employment in the past 10 years. A decade ago students were more likely to approach the temporary service in search of their first job, she said.

"The working student has become the rule rather than the exception," Melvin said. "Definitely more students are coming to us now who have had three or four jobs before because of the increase in the number of students who either want to work or must work."

Although reasons vary as to why students work, Melvin said some

students look to Norrell for job experience.

"If you leave college without work experience, you wouldn't have a resume," she said. "It's sort of unusual to have a student graduate from college and have no experience."

Laurie Perkins, an accounting junior who has had four jobs, first started working as a high school senior at a Pizza Hut to gain job experience.

Perkins said she started working "because I'd never had a job ... I just wanted to try it out. Before I got my job I was quiet and shy and when I became a hostess and waitress I opened up."

Some students, however, work for other reasons. Communica-

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Balancing class, job necessary

By **TONJA WILT**
Executive Editor

For working college students to survive academically, time management is essential, according to counselors at the UK Counseling and Testing Center.

"If they don't learn to manage, they don't learn to survive," said Betty Hall, head of the center's Learning Skills Program.

Such is the case for Byl Hensley. Hensley, a full-time student and a Gaines fellow, works 50 hours per week at two jobs and volunteers 15 hours a week to student organizations.

The English education junior volunteers his time at WRFL-FM, UK's student-run radio station, and at the Student Activities Board so he has "the opportunity to change things rather than complain about them."

In order to maintain this lifestyle and keep a 3.85 grade point average, the 23-year-old must manage his time effectively.

"I know when I have to study and I do it," Hensley said. "Work forces you to organize your time."

Because it's not easy for anyone to juggle a load like Hensley's, the Counseling and Testing Center offers the Master Student Program, a 12-hour, non-credit course "to make the student study harder, not necessarily smarter," Hall said. "We basically give them some simple strategies and use what will be best for them."

Most students find that the key to balancing a job and a full-time class schedule successfully is to work no more than 20 hours a week.

"Students can work up to 20 hours a week and still have time to do the studying they need," Hall said. "If they work any more hours they really put their academic sur-

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Early Add/Drop to help campus avoid stress

By **TOM SPALDING**
Editor in Chief

Hassle free. No long lines. Fast service.

Those are the three reasons why the UK Registrar's Office wants students to participate in the early Add/Drop session — which begins today

— instead of waiting until the beginning of next semester.

"It's the easiest chance students have to adjust their schedule," said Lisa Collins, UK's director of registration. "For people who need courses, this is the time to get them.

We hope people will take advantage of the opportunity."

Traditionally, many students don't adjust their schedules in early Add/Drop for a variety of reasons, however. That's a trend Collins and the registrar's office would like to see reversed.

The benefits of early Add/Drop, she said, include peace of mind for students unsure about their schedules for the 1991 spring semester, and peace for UK officials who have to deal with the onslaught of people registering the first week of January.

"We hope (students) got a good schedule during (advance) registration, but if you didn't, now is the time to come back," Collins said. "We want everybody to have a complete and good schedule before the semester ends."

Graduate students will get the

first crack at registering today from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Seniors may go through Add/Drop today from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

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Life-sized Monopoly raises awareness

By **AMY PLAYER**
Contributing Writer

If you walked by Haggin Field yesterday and heard "Go directly to jail," you might have wondered what was going on.

The answer, however, is quite simple. Vince Waldrom's Communications 525 class played a life-sized game of Monopoly yesterday afternoon in hopes of raising awareness for Habitat for Humanity International.

The class' assigned goal was to raise and measure awareness for a local organization, and they were responsible for deciding how to go about it.

So why Monopoly? "We chose Monopoly because anyone's luck can change with the role of the dice," said Natalie Lile, a Com 525 student.

"Habitat for Humanity International builds good homes in decent neighborhoods for families in need," said Lile, a communications senior. The non-profit organization al-

"We chose Monopoly because anyone's luck can change with the role of the dice."

Natalie Lile

lows families to finance their homes without interest for 20 years, enabling them to live in good homes and still finance their houses.

There is a catch, however. The families must put in 200 hours of work, in which they are required to help build their own homes. In addition, they must help other families with their houses.

"All supply and work is strictly donated by the community," Lile said.

From 12:30 yesterday afternoon until midnight, Waldrom's class rolled two gigantic dice and moved around this play-Monopoly board, made by the students.

"We hope people will take notice and become aware," said John Charles, a political science senior.



STEVE MCFARLAND/Kernal Staff

DO NOT PASS GO: Communications seniors Anissa Smith (left) and Shauna Daniel play Monopoly.

UK TODAY

A teleconference will be held at 1 p.m. in the Old Student Center Theater to bring together the national heads of the eight traditionally black fraternities and sororities.

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INSIDE: SINGERS TO REVIVE 18TH CENTURY MUSIC TRADITION

DIVERSIONS

'Three Men and a Little Lady' gets comedy formula just right

By JULIA LAWSON
Staff Writer

The word sequel usually makes me cringe, but "Three Men and a Little Lady" overcame my negative preconceptions.

With the original cast from "Three Men and a Baby," this film was sure to be a crowd-pleaser.

Tom Selleck, as Peter, has made women swoon and men jealous, but no longer does Selleck have to rely on his looks. His acting ability alone is enough.

Ted Danson plays self-absorbed Jack, Mary's (the little lady) biological father.

He still has that something that makes "Cheers" one of the most popular comedies on television.

As an honorary father along with Steve Guttenberg's Michael, Peter is "the glue that held this family together," says Jack.

But what really makes this movie work is America's weak spot for a good romantic comedy — the formula of "Three Men and a Little

Movie Review

Lady."

When we realize that Peter loves Mary's mother, Sylvia (Nancy Travis), there is no question the two will get together in the end. Although the audience expects

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this, the way the scene is played makes it a real show-stopper.

But when someone else proposes to Sylvia before Peter does, a rock the size of a boulder is thrown in the plan. Then the guys discover that Sylvia plans to marry and move to England with her daughter, and must swallow their pride.

They go to England to try and bring Mary back — and Sylvia, if

Peter can muster the nerve to ask her to marry him instead.

A refreshing aspect of the film was the three men's willingness, however inept, to discuss the facts of life with Mary.

When she brings this topic up over lunch, Peter spills the speech that he apparently learned in Parenting 101.

When Mary is utterly confused, Sylvia takes her aside to explain,

and the relief evident on Peter and Michael's faces is comical.

The fact that this unconventional family works out well is unusual, but not unbelievable.

And as far as I can tell, there are no hidden ghosts in this film.

"Three Men and a Little Lady," rated PG, is showing at Northpark Cinemas.



COURTESY TOUCHSTONE PICTURES

Mary's unique family parents together in the film "Three Men and a Little Lady," starring Ted Danson, Steve Guttenberg and Tom Selleck.

Bayley-Hazen Singers to revive 18th century musical traditions

Staff reports

Revolutionary era tunes and folk hymns, as well as Malcolm Dalglish's "Hymnody of Earth," will be featured as Vermont's acclaimed Bayley-Hazen Singers perform in concert at Memorial Hall tonight at 8.

Hailed by *The Washington Post* for their "sheer agility, vitality and color," the dozen members of Bayley-Hazen Singers are among the country's foremost performers and proponents of the lively and arresting music of the late 18th century New England singing school tradition.

These songs were created by itinerant singing masters for the hearty rural singing movement that flourished from 1770-1810.

It is immensely powerful music, featuring open, medieval sounding harmonies, haunting modal melodies, energetic rhythmic counterpoint, and the fiery rhymed verses of Isaac Watts. This is the music that formed the basis for the Southern Sacred Harp tradition.

Bayley-Hazen's program also features selections from "Hymnody of the Earth," a marvelously evocative cycle of songs by the well-known traditional music performer Malcolm Dalglish. The musical roots of this masterpiece can be found in shape-note singing, Skaer hymns,

Georgia Sea Islands songs and a variety of traditional instrumental styles.

Many of the texts are drawn from the poetry of Kentucky native Wendell Berry, some are traditional hymn verses, and others are written by the composer himself. Dalglish has absorbed and transformed all these elements with his wide-ranging rhythmic and harmonic imagination into something entirely new.

"Hymnody of the Earth" is the most powerful and original work of American vocal music that I have encountered in many years," said Bayley-Hazen director Larry Gordon, also a choir director and singer

with more than two decades of experience.

Bayley-Hazen Singers have been featured performers at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington and are veterans of two overseas tours. They are especially known for their rhythmic togetherness, fierce, hard-edged sound, good tuning and informal manner. Their presentation always includes lively historical and musical commentary in addition to the fine singing.

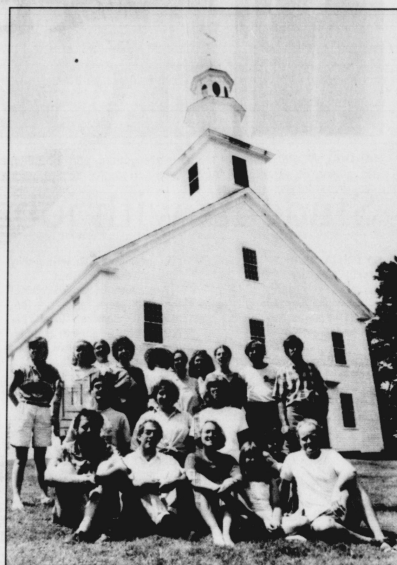
Their Lexington stop is part of a two-week performing tour in Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia and Kentucky. The tour also will bring them to the Alabama State Sacred Harp convention in Birmingham next weekend.

Director Gordon is known through his work as leader of the Word of Mouth Chorus, which performed widely in the late 1970s and recorded the Nonesuch album of shape-note music *Rivers of Delight*.

Gordon has recently co-edited the "Northern Harmony," a recently released 160-page hardcover collection of 54 songs from the New England singing school tradition.

Copies will be available for sale at the concert, along with the group's cassettes.

Tickets for the Bayley-Hazen Singers concert are \$5 for the public and \$3 for students. For more information call Ron Pen, 257-8183.



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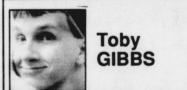
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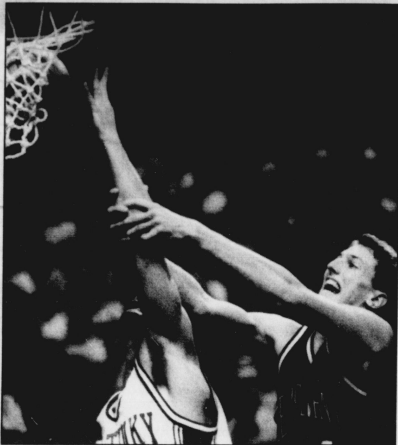
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SPORTS

Cats face Bear of a team



MICHAEL CLEVENGER/Kernal Staff

IN VAIN: A Pennsylvania player reaches for the basketball, but all he can reach — and grab — is Deron Feldhaus' arm in the Cats' win.

By AL HILL
Staff Writer

UK basketball coach Rick Pitino may be more excited to see the ESPN commenting crew than the University of Cincinnati Bearcats tonight.

And with good reason. ESPN will give the probation-ridden Cats national coverage for the first time since their 1989 loss to Vanderbilt during the Southeastern Conference Tournament.

The Bearcats, on the other hand, will give UK its first big test on the basketball court this season.

Pitino says the team is up to the challenge.

"We're looking forward to this game," Pitino said. "It's one of the toughest games on the schedule. They're a definite top 20 team — it's going to be a great game for us."

Since their disappointing loss to Vandy in that bitter 1989 season, the Cats — along with the Bearcats — have turned into a possible top 20 team.

UK has a new lineup, led by senior Reggie Hanson and newcomer Jamal Mashburn. Cincinnati has two seasoned seniors in 6-4 guard Louis Banks and 6-5 forward Levertis Robinson, who has NBA-caliber abilities, Pitino said.

Pitino said he most fears Banks, who averaged 22 points in Cincinnati's two games this season. The victories were over Sam Houston State and Kent State in Cincinnati's own Delta Bearcat Classic.

"Banks is their go-to person. He's going to create problems. He's one of the secrets in college basketball but not for long ... he's a first-round draft pick," Pitino said.

Banks and Robinson, who also holds a 22-point scoring average, will combine with a supporting cast led by 6-4 forward Herbert Jones (21.5 points per game) to give the untested UK team top-notch competition.

Though the Bearcats aren't tall — their tallest player is 6-7 senior starting center Keith Starks — they have experience and raw talent on their side.

"Cincinnati is very similar to the Louisville team (of last season),"

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Pitino said. "They have great athletic talent, they're well coached and they can run the court."

"But what impresses me the most is their maturity."

Pitino plans to use the starting lineup that whipped Pennsylvania last Saturday 85-62 — point guard Sean Woods, two guard Jeff Branson, forwards John Pelphey and Jamal Mashburn and center Reggie Hanson.

The Penn game also gave the second-year UK coach a chance to re-evaluate his off-the-bench talent. He has set up a nine-man rotation of the starters, junior forward Deron Feldhaus, freshman center Gimel Martinez, guard Richie Farmer, with Junior Brady and Carlos Toomer sharing time in the ninth spot.

"There won't be as much substitution as you saw in the Penn game," Pitino said.

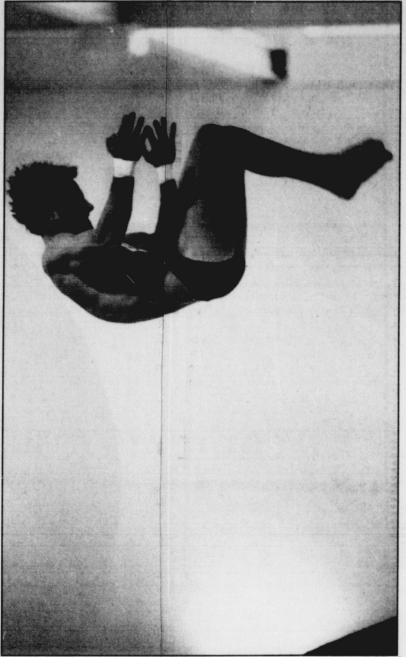
The two teams first met in 1904 and since have played a total of 35 times, 25 of which the Cats won. The last time the two teams played was 1987, when the Cats beat the Bearcats 101-77.

Bearcats coach Bob Huggins is in his second year at UK. Last season he was named Metro Conference Coach of the Year as his squad finished 20-14 overall. Huggins uses an aggressive brand of basketball, and his team averaged 91.5 points in those first two season victories.

Kats face Ohio State
The undefeated UK women's basketball team will play Ohio State University (1-0) tonight at 6:00 p.m. tonight in Memorial Coliseum.

Admission will be free and the first 1000 fans to pass the gates will get a free grilled hotdog and coke.

Diver Down



MICHAEL CLEVENGER/Kernal Staff

Matt Scoggin dives his way to victory yesterday in the World Trials.

Farrell-Ovenhouse, Lucero make World Championships

By TIM WIESENHAHN
Staff Writer

During the sixth annual World Championship Team Trials at the UK Lancaster Aquatic Center last night, Julie Farrell-Ovenhouse and Wendy Lucero became the first pair

of divers to secure berths on the U.S. team.

The team will compete in the World Team Aquatic Championships Jan. 3-13 in Perth, Australia.

Farrell-Ovenhouse, a criminal justice junior at Michigan State University, trounced the field of 11 divers, scoring 961.56 points and winning the women's 1-meter spring board final by more than 58 points.

Lucero, a 1988 Olympian and the current U.S. 3-meter springboard champion, claimed second place by racking up 59.04 points on her final dive to edge Krista Wilson, of Laguna Hills, Calif.

Farrell-Ovenhouse's performance was the model of consistency last night, as the Brighton, Mich., resident received only three marks below a 7.0.

"I came here with a lot of confidence, and I really think the key to confidence is consistency," Farrell-Ovenhouse said. "Sometimes you get in such a trance standing there that you just have to focus."

Lucero said she saved her best dive for last, an inward 1 1/2 pike, to hold off a charging Wilson.

"You try to have your best for last, because in a clinch situation you want to have the dive your most comfortable with," Lucero said.

"I pretty much didn't hit anything except the last dive. It's nice to rise to the occasion when you know you have to do it."

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Donovan program gives scholarships

By MARK BURDETTE
Staff Writer

UK's Sanders-Brown Center on Aging has announced two annual student scholarships to be offered by the Donovan Scholarship Committee for gerontology study.

The scholarships will be awarded for the 1991-92 academic year and are available to juniors, seniors and graduate students from any discipline.

The Donovan Scholars Program, which celebrated its 25th anniversary at UK last year, allows people 65 and over to take tuition-free courses at the University. Funding for the scholarships will come from \$70,000 raised in endowments last year by the Donovan Scholars.

Linda Kuder, the associate director for education at the Sanders-Brown Center, said committee members think the scholarships are

a good way to thank UK and promote the study of aging at the same time.

"With the growing number of older people in our population, the study of gerontology is more important than ever," Kuder said. "Aging programs have grown considerably over the last decade. With more money available for research and more course offerings on aging, we hope more students will consider gerontology as a career."

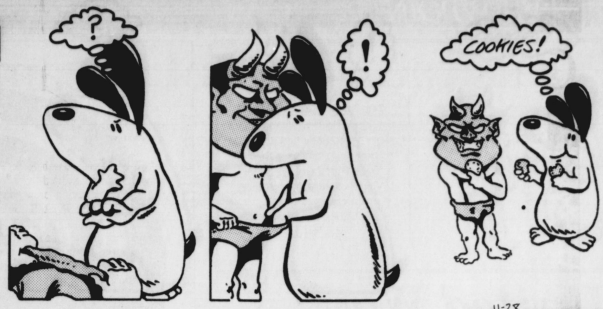
The deadline for application is 4:30 p.m. Feb. 15. A brief essay is segment of the scholarship application and should address the topic, "How I envision the lifestyle of a 70-year-old in the year 2015."

Applications should be sent to Roberta James, Director Donovan Scholars Program, UK, Lexington House, 658 S. Limestone St., Lexington, Ky., 40506-0442.

Gerontology has applications in

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Students with junior classification can register tomorrow from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Sophomores also may register tomorrow from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Freshmen and non-degree students are eligible to register Friday. The times for freshmen are 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; times for non-degree students are 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Students who pre-registered at the Patterson Office Tower mezzanine should go to the back door of the Gillis Building; those who advance registered at their college sites should return there for early Add/Drop.

Collins said students shouldn't have any accessibility problems. If they come to early Add/Drop and still don't get what they want, the registrar's office will be open finals week from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in 207 Gillis Building, on a first-come, first-served basis, she said.

Students can register anytime after their appointment.

But, she said, "if you procrastinate, you may not get the classes you need."

Typically, students who go through early Add/Drop are not satisfied with their schedules. Also, students thinking about changing their majors or who aren't doing particularly well in some courses should take advantage of early Add/Drop, Collins said.

About 750 students registered at the central site last year, Collins said. Although she is unsure how many students will participate in early Add/Drop, Collins said all students should solve their registration problems now to prevent problems later.

"For some people it's not possible," she said. "For those whom it is possible, come on and let's get it done now."

Advance registration fee due by Dec. 12

Students must pay a \$50 advance registration fee, due by Dec. 12. A few tips: The office won't accept any mailed payments after that date, Collins said; also, students should include their Social Security number on the check to ensure proper credit.

Those who don't pay should be warned that their registrations will be canceled, and they will have to go through late registration and pay a \$40 late fee.

"We really hope everybody can remember to pay their fees," she said. "I would not want to be faced with classes starting and not having a schedule."

Off-campus towing rising

By SUSAN KAUFMAN
Contributing Writer

Campus parking policies are well known to most UK students, but off-campus rules don't seem to be as familiar.

Some local restaurants have been towing cars more quickly than the University, and some towing companies have begun to watch restaurant parking lots very closely.

On Oct. 23, UK Women's Golf Team member Jane Lohr parked her car in the parking lot of Arby's on South Limestone Street and went inside to eat. Teammate Chris Miller pulled into the lot, and the two crossed the street for a golf team photo.

Lohr said only two minutes

passed before two Metro tow trucks blocked their cars.

"They were right there, one for each car," Miller said. The tow truck drivers demanded \$40 apiece, even though witnesses said Lohr had eaten in the restaurant and had a right to park in the lot.

Lohr and Miller paid the \$40, and now Lohr says towing has simply "gotten out of hand."

Kathy Taylor, a manager for Arby's, said the restaurant does not hire Metro Towing, although a Metro Towing employee usually patrols the lot during lunch hours and tows the cars of people who leave.

Lohr said she feels badly for Miller and Taylor.

"Personally I feel that was wrong, but you have to draw the line," she

said. Taylor also said that while Metro Towing's method may seem unfair, she has to remember that business is a concern.

"I don't like towing anyone," Taylor said. "They have to understand this is a business ... to make money."

Metro Towing also patrols the McDonald's on South Limestone Street. Employee Bill Ball said numerous signs are posted to warn customers about possible towing. He said he only tows cars if they are parked improperly or known to be unattended.

Metro Towing tries "to be open and honest about the deal. They are really fair," Ball said.

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tions sophomore Kathy Chastain first began working when she was 16 to avoid boredom, but her reasons have changed since then.

"I have to pay for tuition and everything," said 19-year-old Chastain. "I put over half of my paycheck in the bank in my savings account for tuition and car insurance."

The working student increase may be related to changes in the student body, especially in the growing numbers of non-traditional students, those 25 years old or older. Non-traditional students and graduate students usually have more of a need to work than undergraduates.

"For graduate students, for those in all areas, there is a trend that more and more are working," said Eddy VanMeter, a professor in the College of Education. "For graduate students, many times they are already going out into a work setting."

Susan Byars, who works with non-traditional students in UK's Academic Support Services, said these students usually work while taking classes.

"Given the way things are now-

days, just a huge number of non-traditional students work. They have families to support so they must work. It's becoming so that it is a rare student who does not work," Byars said.

"A lot of adults are in school for the reason that they want to promote their career, update their skills."

And the trend of working students

isn't likely to end soon. "I'm assuming that the trend will continue unless we have an economic downturn," Byars said.

VanMeter agreed that many students work to pay for tuition increases.

"I don't see any reason to think that any less of that will be going on," VanMeter said.

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vival in jeopardy." Although 20 hours is the recommended upper limit, some students should work less than that, depending on how stressful their working environment is, said Mike Nichols, psychologist and director of the center.

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United Way spirit should fill UK all year

Last Wednesday was both a time for Central Kentucky to give thanks and to get ready for the giving season. For the 16th consecutive year, the United Way of the Bluegrass reached or exceeded its fund-raising campaign goal, collecting more than \$6.3 million from Central Kentuckians.

It is encouraging to see that the University community can demonstrate its social responsibility, when called upon, to help out a worthwhile social agency. But UK ought to need more than just a campaign to show its benevolence; it should be part of its everyday life and outlook toward the world.

Seven of the United Way of the Bluegrass campaign's 25 divisions did not meet their goal. As UK division co-coordinator Claudia Peck said, "We need to give UK a giant thank you."

While UK deserves a pat on the back for its extra effort late in the campaign drive, the entire region ought to give the United Way of the Bluegrass a giant thank you for its year-round services to the Bluegrass.

The United Way of the Bluegrass provides many social services that would go unmet without it, including help for the handicapped and the economically disadvantaged.

While the area ought to be proud of its efforts in the United Way of the Bluegrass fund-raising campaign, it ought not to wait until next year to give again. Although the holiday season is a time of celebration and joy for most of us, there are those who have not been blessed with a steady paycheck, roof over their heads or food on their table. It is important, therefore, that during this season of good cheer that spirit of giving which put UK over the top of its United Way goal continue to carry it during the holiday season.

LETTERS

Writer out of his league

This is in response to J.J. Haws' Nov. 9 letter to the editor in which he addressed the criticism of "Doggy Bag." I find "Doggy Bag" highly amusing; it is a nonsensical type of comic to which I often look forward in order to lighten the pressures of everyday life.

Nevertheless, I take issue not with Kenn Minter, but with Haws himself. I understand the logic behind his argument against taking the comic strip too seriously.

I totally agree with that portion of his criticism. Although I've never met Minter, I'm certain that he never intended his comic strip to serve as a corollary to social commentaries by George Will.

I take issue with Haws in his criticism of a subject on which he has

Calm down over 'Doggie'

UK students — get a life, a grip and some perspective. Lately, a great majority of letters being sent to the Kernel have been anti-"Doggie Bag" words of wisdom. People writing in to the Kernel are saying how disgraceful this comic strip is, how un-funny its subjects are and how college students should not have to be subjected to this kind of humor.

Before anyone else takes their turn standing on the soapbox, think of a couple of things first:

"Fine, you may not think 'Doggie Bag' is funny. But, possibly, there are those on this campus that do. Because a few find the humor 'in bad taste,' should those who like the humor be robbed of their right to read it? Apparently a few people thought it was in good taste or else it would not have ended up in the Kernel.

Here is something very simple to do. If you don't like it: don't read it. (Oh my, who would have thought of that?)

So calm down and turn your attention to more important things. Give this topic a rest.

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little understanding — Christ and who He is. I'll suffice it to say that I'm tired of liberal philosophy-types running their mouth, denigrating the sanctity of God and His Son, Jesus Christ.

Admittedly, the Church has many faults, one of which is people who claim to be Christian teachers, who missed their calling to become three-ring circus leaders.

However, Haws' "logic" failed when he made a comparison of the sanctity of Christ and His Word to his paradigm of the world constructed of base metaphysical precepts.

If you want to critique something within the realm of your understanding, please choose a topic of which you are capable of making a criticism.

It is clear that Haws overstepped his bounds on this one.

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Only Washington can solve the nation's fiscal crisis

People seem to like nothing better than blaming someone else for their problems. Case in point: the American tendency to cry "tax the rich" when budget problems loom.

The recent budget crisis in Washington and re-election campaigns across the country have brought out this tendency to expect the rich to write a check and solve America's financial problems.

In how many Mitch McConnell and Harvey Sloane commercials did you hear promises to ease the tax burden of the middle class by raising taxes of the upper class?

But the "tax the rich" philosophy of ending budget woes only underscores the gullibility and shortsightedness of the Americans who accept these campaign promises and echo that cry.

While the rich should be taxed — and should pay more than those who earn less — there is only so much money to be squeezed out of these people who many Americans wrongly visualize as real-life Scrooge McDucks, counting their money all day.

How many American millionaires would you guess there are? Not that



Advice on surviving the holiday season

This is the yuletide season once again, friends. It's that magical time of year when you plant giant pine trees in your living room, run around the neighborhood singing at people's houses and tell tiny, impressionable children that a bearded fat guy will slide down every chimney in the world bearing Nintendo games and Teen-age Mutant Ninja Turtle action figures.

But getting through the average '90s Christmas requires a little more planning and mental preparations than Christmases past. As a service to readers, here's my own little guide in making the holiday season go down a little easier.

I've noticed that people always moan about how crowded stores are during the month before Christmas. When I shop for presents, I find the convenience stores to be about as crowded as they always are.

Picking up those routine gifts — chips, luncheon meats, five-pound bags of ice, handgun magazines — is as easy at Christmas as it is during birthdays or anniversaries.

But the cost of Christmas gifts soars during December, you say? With this sluggish economy, what can John Q. Consumer do to beat the high cost of Christmas gifts?

Here are a few tips I find valuable:

• Try the old reverse-sides-of-the-family switcheroo. Take the stuff you received from your dad's side of the family last year, box it up, slap on the ribbons and wrapping paper, present it to members of your mom's side of the family. Everyone gets a gift that's only a year old, they're all none the wiser, and you save a valuable hunk of change.

• Buy gifts years in advance for added savings. But what could you buy years in advance that will stay in style, you ask? Non-perishable canned goods. Is there a gift more suited to the spirit of the holiday season than a king-size can of Pig-



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gly Wiggly green beans? I think not. Christmas means carloads of loopy relatives crawling out of the woodwork at all hours to eat your food and use all your hot water. Sound like a living heck? Well, make it work to your own financial advantage.

Don't think "house" — think "hotel." Room rates, food bills, valet parking, pay toilets — be creative! The list of ways to fatten your wallet could be endless.

But when relatives file into the house, keep those eyes open. The Christmas season means hoaxsters, charlatans and con men will be out in full force.

With dozens of strangers filling the house, few family members have the foggiest notion who anyone is anyway.

So it becomes easy for non-relatives to slip in, mingle with the family, chow down during the big meals, then load up a bag full of Christmas goodies and vamoose out a side door while everyone else is watching "The Osmonds' Christmas in Maui" on the TV in the rumpus room.

Your solution? Require a valid driver's license and birth certificate to get into the house.

Any yahoo can claim to be your eighth cousin Al from Fat Lip, Arizona. Have a detailed family tree nearby to corroborate the guy's story. And be sure to have the number of the local bonko squad close by as well.

Once you've established who's family and who's not, you'll find the need to make conversation. Making conversation with distant relatives



JERRY VOIGT/Staff Artist

can be tricky. Patterns of conversation develop.

One uncle seems unable to say anything to you except, "you really are growing like a weed. I can't believe the way you've sprouted up," despite the fact that you stopped growing years ago.

A cousin regales you with the story of the time he sheared his face off in a threshing machine. An aunt who still thinks you're 12 years old discusses her neighbor's recent surgery.

Men sit in the living room on sofas and chairs, legs crossed, waving different color socks at each other. They discuss power tools, gas mileage, football.

Women in the kitchen prepare ghastly casseroles they read about in Women's Day. They discuss the weather, recipes and recent "Oprah Winfrey" topics.

Children run amuck, argue, scream at each other and knock over

treasured family heirlooms. You can look forward to the fact that you get to sit at the kiddie table during the meal. So what can you do to cope? Hit the remote control. Check out the third quarter of the General Foods International Coffees' Irish Mocha Beef All-American Bowl, where Idaho State Teachers' College squares off against the Fighting Wombats of Southwestern Florida A & M.

So kick back with your long-lost Uncle Ulysses, drink in a little egg nog, enjoy the colorized "It's a Wonderful Life" on cable and count your many blessings.

And if a toothless Santa Claus in white beard and trenchcoat wants you to donate to the Salvation Marines, just hold on to your money belt.

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Meredith LITTLE

many. And really, how much is a million dollars? Not enough to enable you to quit your job and sail the Caribbean for a year, as many would believe.

A B-1 "Stealth" bomber costs more than it would to send the Brady Bunch to Harvard for four years. And there doesn't seem to be enough money in America to get Ronald Reagan's vision of a "Star Wars" defense system off the ground.

In fact, we could raise taxes 5 percent on every American with an annual income of \$1 million or more and still wouldn't have enough money to cover last month's cost of "Operation Desert Shield."

So where does the money come from to pay for the B-1, Strategic Defense Initiative and the massive U.S. force in the Persian Gulf — not to mention domestic, non-defense programs? The middle class, of

course, because it has the largest combined wealth of any segment of America.

"Tax the rich," while not a valid answer, certainly is an easy one. The rich are an easy target because of a long-standing American distrust of anyone not of or from the working class. People become upset whenever they think someone has money or possessions they don't deserve.

For example, how many of you felt even a little twinge of anger or injustice when you found out that UK President Charles Wethington and Board of Trustees Chairman Foster Ockerman signed a contract to give Wethington a salary increase — making him the highest-paid university president in Kentucky?

What about when you read that they made the pay hike retroactive to July 1 on the basis that he should get the additional salary that other UK faculty and staff received since the increase went into effect on that date? Just an example, of course.

And if a simple answer appears on the surface to work, as "tax the rich" seems to, why not echo it and forget about finding a viable answer to a problem?

So the answer is not in raising anybody's taxes. It lies in forcing Washington to abandon its vision of a monstrous Visa card with indefinite spending ability and no monthly payments.

But the real answer does not lie in indefinitely raising the taxes of the rich. But neither is it to raise the taxes of the middle class ad infinitum.

When you asked your parents for an allowance raise because what you wanted to buy exceeded your buying power, did they say, "Sure, how much do you need?" or did they tell you to buy less expensive toys? The politicians in Washington need to buy less expensive toys.

College students are inundated with offers to apply for credit cards. Those who do soon learn that just because it's plastic doesn't mean it is not "real" money, and that if the credit limit is exceeded, Visa or MasterCard become considerably less friendly than when they encouraged the student to spend, spend, spend.

Imagine the havoc one of us students could wreak without a credit limit and only a vague penalty for non-payment, then multiply it times

several hundred legislators with tastes for very expensive toys, and you have the scenario of the recent budget fiasco in Washington.

So the answer is not in raising anybody's taxes. It lies in forcing Washington to abandon its vision of a monstrous Visa card with indefinite spending ability and no monthly payments.

That mentality needs to go, along with the toys that don't seem to work very well, such as the multi-million dollar "Stealth" bomber and the ridiculous "Star Wars" defense plan.

If that attitude does continue, I wonder how long it will be until the already faltering middle class changes its cry from "tax the rich" to "oust the politicians."

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Scoggin wins final

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Scoggin leads men's platform

Matt Scoggin, the current U.S. platform champion from Austin, Texas, pushed his banged-up limbs to win the men's platform final No. 1 in yesterday's opening competition.

"I felt really good — my legs were strong," Scoggin said, despite suffering from a minor toe injury. "When my legs are strong I'm happy — all the body parts were working, and there weren't any glitches."

Scoggin nailed a reverse 2 1/2 tuck during the sixth round, earning the 1990 Goodwill Games platform silver medalist five 9s from the seven judges and cementing his lead over the seven other divers.

"It's one of more my consistent dives," Scoggin said. "I've been doing it since I was 14, and it's a low degree of difficult dive — it's only 2.7."

Scoggin explained that most of the divers in the platform competition were performing dives of high-

er degrees of difficulty — around 3.4.

"That's something that I'm going to work on in the future," Scoggin said of the more difficult dives. "I use the reverse 2 1/2 now because my reverse 3 1/2, which has a degree of difficulty of 3.4, is not any good — yet."

A scary thought, considering that even without performing his unrefined, reverse 3 1/2 tuck, Scoggin scored 594.15 points, waltzing past runner-up Pat Evans of Cincinnati, who scored 555.15 points, and third-place finisher Chuck Wade of Brandon, Fla., with 533.91 points.

Scores from final No. 1 and final No. 2 will be added to determine the order of finish and the two world team members.

Although he is virtually a shoo-in to earn a spot on the World Team after the No. 2 men's final on Friday, Scoggin said he isn't ready to relax.

"Even though I've got a lead, all those guys can come back and have 10 good dives — I've seen them do it," Scoggin said.

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1. Matt Scoggin	594.15
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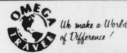
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