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Todd takes funding outlook to trustees

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After weeks of meetings with state officials, campus leaders and the media, President Lee Todd addressed the effects of a drop in state funding in front of the UK Board of Trustees.

"It's like a hospital. If you tell an administrator, 'You can hire as many surgeons as you want, but no new operating rooms,' it'd fall apart," Todd said, "and that's the state we're in right now."

During the board's first full meeting of the semester, Todd said the university's most important request for the 2008-10 biennium is operating funds, which UK uses to pay salaries and hire new employees. The second-highest priority for UK is capital projects, which include building construction and renovations.

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LEE TODD UK president

Todd said a budget cut like the one Gov. Steve Beshear asked public universities to prepare for — a 12 percent decrease in state funding in addition to a 3 percent cut already in place through July would hinder

UK's ability to find people and space. To help the state deal with budget difficulties, Todd said that his office is preparing a report with suggestions for how the state can save money using the same methods UK uses in areas like healthcare costs.

"I think it is a very good time in the state to look at the places we spend money," Todd said.

Whether the board will approve less funding for projects in coming months is still not certain, said Frank Butler, executive vice president for finance and administration.

Butler, who has worked with the board on financial matters, said decisions by the state legislature in the next few months would shape UK's budget, as the amount of funding from the state won't be known until March or April.

"The only thing we know for sure is the 3 percent budget cut," he said.

During its meeting yesterday, the board also approved hiring Michael Speaks as the new dean of the College of Design. Previously, Speaks was a professor at the Southern California Institute of Architecture and a lecturer for the University of California, Los Angeles Department of Architecture and Urban Planning. He will officially take over as dean on Feb. 1.

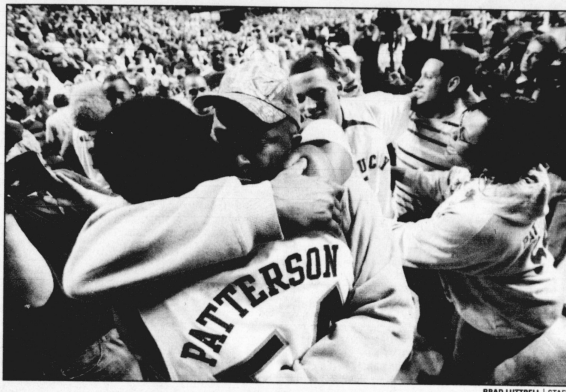
Speaks replaces David Mohney, who resigned as dean in June after serving more than 13 years. Mohney stayed at UK and is currently a professor in the School of Architecture.

Finally, the trustees approved yesterday the three finalists for an alumni seat on the board: NBC sports announcer Tom Hammond, Northern Kentucky businessman John Cain, and Washington, D.C., lawyer Jo Hern Curtis.

UK graduates voted between Nov. 30 and Dec. 31 to select the finalists, whose names will now be submitted to Beshear. The governor will choose one to serve a six-year term from July 1 to June 30, 2014 as one of three alumni trustees.

The newly selected trustee will succeed Myra Leigh Tobin, an alumni trustee since 2002 whose term expires June 30.

UK 72, TENNESSEE 66 ROCKIN' RUPP



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Buster Patterson Jr. hugs his son, freshman forward Patrick Patterson, after UK's 72-66 win over Tennessee last night in Rupp Arena. Patterson led the Cats with 20 points and 8 rebounds in his 39 minutes of play.



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Sophomore forward Mark Coury, left, and sophomore guard Derrick Jasper block a shot from Tennessee guard JaJuan Smith.

Victory proves UK can still win the East

The national pundits have been saying all year how the Southeastern Conference is having a down year. Two-time defending national champion Florida doesn't have the same firepower, and only three teams are ranked.

According to that logic then, yes, the SEC is down. But in terms of excitement, you need look no further than the Kentucky basketball team's first four conference games of the season.

Two of those four games went into overtime. The other two games came down to the gun and were decided by five and six points, respectively.

Which is exactly why the SEC is anything but down. If UK's first four conference games have displayed anything, it's that this whole SEC race is wide open. UK is right in the mix of that uncertainty.

Last night, UK knocked off No. 3 Tennessee 72-66 in front of a nostalgic and noisy Rupp Arena crowd. With the win, UK now should have a new focus.

UK can't get a large bid to the NCAA Tournament any-



JONATHAN SMITH UK's first four conference games of the season

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Cats upset No. 3 Vols, knock off first top-5 opponent since 2005

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Twenty-six point four seconds.

The clock read 0:26.4 when freshman forward Patrick Patterson dropped in two free throws, pushing the UK lead to eight points and all but sealing the biggest win thus far in the Billy Gillespie Era.

And after those 26.4 seconds ran off the clock, Patterson and the Cats (8-9, 2-2 Southeastern Conference) celebrated their 72-66 win over No. 3 Tennessee (16-2, 3-1 SEC) last night in front of 23,443 fans at Rupp Arena.

"I was like, 'God please, if there is a God, help me out here,'" Patterson said. "I knew I could make it, but I was hoping it wouldn't rim out, but luck was on my side and it went in. I was tired but I was fighting through it."

The Cats did it with a newfound interior offense and a stifling defense, a surprise given Gillespie's harsh criticisms of UK's defense after its loss to Florida on Saturday night.

Patterson and fellow big man Perry Stevenson combined for 34 points and 15 rebounds to lead the Cats to their first win over a top-five team since beating Louisville in 2005. Patterson led the Cats with 20 points and 8 boards.

On a night when Tennessee was supposed to boast the balanced offense, it was UK who tallied four double-digit scorers, as senior guards Ramel Bradley and Joe Crawford added 16 and 10 points, respectively.

Tennessee's Chris Lofton, a Maysville, Ky., native, came out of the gate hot, scoring 14 first-half points and propelling the Volunteers to a 36-30 halftime lead. But Lofton didn't score in the second half until he hit two free throws with 2:19 left to play. Lofton was able to break the SEC career record for 3-pointers, nailing five to push his total to 367, passing former Arkansas Razorback Pat Bradley.

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UK opposes allowing guns in cars

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A bill under consideration by the state legislature that would allow guns to be kept in cars on college campuses is gaining opposition from legislators and educators across the state, including at UK.

Another Kentucky law allows state citizens to keep a gun in their car, but it does not apply at colleges and universities, which are allowed to set their own firearm policies.

The university currently bans firearms on campus, and President Lee Todd said he hopes it will continue this way.

"We believe that policy best serves the safety of our students and employees," said UK spokesman Jay Blanton in an e-mail. "We would hope that the members of the Kentucky General Assembly recognize that the university administration and Board of Trustees are rightfully suited to manage and set policy that is in the best interest of the campus."

The bill, sponsored by Rep. Bob Damron, D-Nicholasville, would change the Kentucky law that allows individual state colleges and universities to ban firearms on campus.

While House Bill 114 has more than 50 co-sponsors, it will likely not leave the judiciary committee because Chairwoman Rep. Kathy Stein, D-Lexington, is opposed to it.

"The bill just isn't specific enough," Stein said. "It leaves too much up for interpretation — things that should be left up to the universities to decide. Meddling in the affairs of the universities is not high on this committee's list of priority issues."

Stein said she doesn't plan to call the legislation for a committee vote.

Damron said he doesn't understand Stein and other house members' strong opposition to the bill because it's "no big deal."

"I only want to allow responsible gun owners to keep their weapons in their cars when they drive to work or school," he said.

If the bill were to become law, it would allow people to keep concealed guns in their cars while parked on campus and on other university property, including stadiums, arenas and hospitals, Damron said. The gun owners could remove the guns to defend themselves if threatened.

Student Government President Nick Phelps doesn't think there is a need to have guns on UK's campus.

"I've heard no complaints, no upset people over not being al-

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Students lead debate on presidential candidates, stances on key issues

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About 40 people debated hot topics in the presidential race, including healthcare, Social Security and the Iraq War, last night at a panel discussion in the Student Center, and most agreed that the Democrats have a leg up in the race right now.

"The Republicans are going to have a bloodbath," said Thomas Roberts, one of the three panelists and president of UK College Republicans.

Four Republican candidates have a good shot at winning, he said, but none of them is really taking the lead.

"The Republicans aren't in a good position right now," said Roberts, a political science and economics senior. "We're not

excited about any of our candidates."

The forum, organized by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., began with a bit of insight into how the path leading up to a presidential election works.

"What we basically want to do is educate students on the election process and how the primaries work, as well as offer insight into the issues that each candidate is trying to offer," said Brittany Ingram, a communication junior and member of Delta Sigma Theta.

Both political parties have similar processes to select their candidate, which is done through caucuses and primaries held throughout the first several months of the year and leading up to nominating conventions in August and September. Ken-

tucky holds one of the last primaries, which will be on May 20.

No matter where this state has stood in the past, all three of the panelists agreed that Kentucky could make a difference in this year's election.

The Democrats are holding strong candidates and the Republicans are split between their own, said Richard Becker, a panelist and co-chair for the College Democrats of Kentucky. Even the smallest vote could make a difference in who lands the nomination, he said.

"One of the worst things that happened to our politics here in Kentucky is that it became too much like the horse races," said Becker, a political science and history junior. "I think we're in the place where we're trying to

pick our nominees and right now it's just about policy and nit-picking."

For students who want to know more about the candidates, Roberts suggested doing research beyond just watching the presidential debates, because the arguments may take away from the candidates' stances on issues.

He encouraged students to go to the candidates' Web sites, which have detailed information on where they stand. Becker and the other panelist, John Ghaelian, historian for UK College Democrats, agreed, saying it was worth doing research for this election.

"In 2008 we have the unique ability to vote for candidates who stand for something," said Ghaelian, a history junior.



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Thomas Roberts of UK College Republicans, right, John Ghaelian, center, and Richard Becker, left, of College Democrats answered questions last night as part of a forum organized by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.

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Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

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

Aries (March 21 - April 19) Today is an 8 — You're in an awkward position, when you're trying to be two places simultaneously. You may be tempted to cancel both those appointments, and do something more fun. You might get away with it, too.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Today is a 5 — To the casual observer, it may not look like you're doing much. Actually, you're saving, which works very well for you. It's not easy. Save up, so you can spend.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21) Today is a 9 — There's a bit of confusion, as you have to choose between two attractive options. Don't worry, you can have one now and the other

one later. Set your priorities. **Cancer (June 22 - July 22)** Today is a 6 — Don't waste another minute, even if you're sort of nervous about trying the Unknown. Either admit you're doing what you love or put in the correction. Choose it or change it.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Today is an 8 — You're very attractive now, so don't waste all your time on business. Set aside a healthy chunk of it for pleasure, too.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Today is a 4 — Don't be hasty. Think about all the possible consequences. Everything will turn out all right, by the way. Knowing that doesn't give you an excuse to take wild risks. Make a wise choice instead.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today is an 8 — Social activities interfere with your private time. Keep everybody in communication and minimize the problem. Make it one big party.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Today is a 9 — Extreme caution is advised, if you're going to win the game. Traditional skills are impor-

tant, of course, but creativity gives you the edge.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today is an 8 — News from far away provides calming reassurance. Others seek your advice and you're able to help them solve a problem. Thanks to your participation, all ends well.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Today is a 6 — Keep your financial situation a secret, even from yourself. Don't think about the money you won't let yourself spend. Pretend you've already spent it.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today is an 8 — Show polite restraint with a person who thinks he or she knows it all. Only make corrections when you're sure you're right. Have the facts at your fingertips.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Today is a 4 — If you can get the job done, under adverse conditions, you'll make an excellent impression on the authorities. Give it your best shot.

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Under attack after big loss, Romo sticks by Simpson

All the "Jessica Jinx" talk isn't getting to Tony Romo. The Dallas Cowboys quarterback and his team were eliminated from the playoffs after suffering a 21-17 loss to the New York Giants on January 13 — just a month after Romo gave the worst performance of his career, as a pink jersey-clad Jessica Simpson cheered from the stands. And even though Simpson avoided the Giants game, Romo, 27, has come under fire from fans who felt he should not have spent his downtime with Simpson, 27, in Los Cabos, Mexico, during the week before the game. "It's not a wise thing when you're a somewhat unproven quarterback," Dallas Morning News columnist Tim Cowlishaw tells Hot Stuff. Still, a source says, "Tony is in love with Jessica and thinks she's his ideal girl. He is pissed that he lost, but he won't leave Jessica because of it." Simpson is just as enamored, according to another insider, who says the singer recently gave Romo some framed lyrics to a Bruce Springsteen tune (she told the source it was "our song"). Adds the pal, "She's never been so in love — including with Nick Lachey!"

Miley Cyrus' 9/11 Tribute

Miley Cyrus is used to teary-eyed fans excited to see her. But on December 26, the singer her-

self got weepy. That day, the Hannah Montana star, 15, and her dad, Billy Ray Cyrus, 46, visited NYC Fire Department Ladder Company 10 (which lost four firefighters on September 11, 2001). "They were in tears once we told them what some of the guys went through," fireman Gary Kolsch tells Hot Stuff. Still, the Cyruses managed to spread some holiday cheer: Billy Ray sang "Silent Night," and Miley signed autographs. The mood brightened even more the next day, when Kolsch and his daughter went backstage at Miley's concert on Long Island — and the pop princess stopped over to say hi. Notes Kolsch, "My daughter is still talking about it!"

Jessica & JT Make It Work

What goes around comes around, indeed! Last year, Jessica Biel followed love Justin Timberlake as he hopscoched the globe on tour. Now that the actress, 25, has jetted to London to begin filming the romantic comedy *Easy Virtue*, Timberlake is returning the favor. "Justin is sad to see her go, but he'll definitely be visiting her," a source tells Hot Stuff of the "Sexy-Back" singer, 26. "They're looking forward to spending time together in London." Meanwhile, Timberlake isn't sitting at home crying a river. Two days after Biel's departure, he hit L.A. nightclub Villa, where he chatted with single pal Kate Hudson, 28. But a Timberlake source insists it was all innocent: "He said hi to be nice, because they

know each other," says the insider. "He is so happy with Jessica. He's very much in love."

Ashley & Jared Make Out!

New year, old love! Ashley Olsen, 21, and Jared Leto, 36 — who dated briefly in 2005 — turned heads while holding hands and getting cozy at the Art of Elysium gala in L.A. January 12. "They looked like a couple and were making out," a witness tells Hot Stuff. But an Olsen source denies this: "They aren't back together. They're friends."

Josh Talks of Marriage

According to Josh Duhamel, he and The Dutchess had dated long enough! "You know when it's time, and it was time," the star, 35, says of his December engagement to Fergie, 32. Although the couple of three years have yet to set a date for their wedding, they aren't planning to spend forever as fiancés, Duhamel tells Hot Stuff. "The sooner the better!"

Jessica's New Family House!

Jessica Alba needs growing room. Hot Stuff has learned that the actress, 26 — who's pregnant and engaged to Cash Warren — has purchased a \$4 million, four-bedroom, 4,686-square-foot Beverly Hills pad. The Italian villa-style home's must-see feature? A pool with a waterfall!

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STADIUM RATER: MEMORIAL COLISEUM



The women's basketball team battles with Auburn on Sunday afternoon at Memorial Coliseum. Nicknamed "the house that Rupp built," the arena houses the women's basketball, gymnastics and volleyball teams.

'The house that Rupp built' rich in history, tradition

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The women's basketball team upset then-No. 18 Auburn on Sunday to improve to 3-1 in Southeastern Conference play. The Stadium Rater returns to take a look at Memorial Coliseum, the Cats' home court, which also houses UK's volleyball and gymnastics teams. This is the third installment of a special feature rating UK's stadiums, arenas and athletic facilities from a fan's perspective. Ratings are based on a scale of one to five tickets, with five being the best. The overall rating is not an average, and all opinions are strictly those of Matthew George. The Stadium Rater will run periodically throughout the school year.

Overall



Memorial Coliseum is probably best known as the venue of the UK men's basketball team from 1950 to 1976, but since then it has been the home to the women's basketball, volleyball and gymnastics programs. With the Cats' season in full swing, it's due time for the Stadium Rater to evaluate the qualities of the legendary arena. Memorial Coliseum is one of the richest historical sports facilities in the country and provides a versatile and fun-filled experience for fans of all the sports it houses.

Seating



For 26 seasons, the men's basketball team filled Memorial Coliseum to its then-capacity of 11,500 fans. And while Memorial only houses 8,500 seats today, it offers a premium view of the floor from any of them. In 1983, UK packed the arena with a record crowd of 10,622 fans to watch the team's 80-66 upset win over No. 5 Old Dominion. The lower portion of the arena is chair seating, but much like most basketball facilities, the upper arena features bleacher-only seating. Over time, bleacher seating can be an uncomfortable experience, but then again, fans should be standing and cheering for the majority of the game anyway.

Playing Surface



The court at Memorial Coliseum is your standard college basketball hardwood. The floor has been resurfaced multiple times over the years, and its age is noticeable, yet the playing surface remains in great shape. Any court that can be kept up during games by towel time, bleacher seating can be an uncomfortable experience, but then again, fans should be standing and cheering for the majority of the game anyway.

Game-Day Availability



Located on Avenue of Champions in the middle of UK's campus, Memorial Coliseum is easily within walking distance for students living in the North or South Campus residence halls. The walk is no greater than the one for class. For families and students living off campus, UK opens up parking in both adjacent employee parking lots to accommodate travelers. But those lots tend to fill up quickly, often forcing last-minute arrivals to scour the surrounding streets for a spot to park. Gymnastics, volleyball and women's basketball tickets are free for students, staff and faculty with a valid ID and are affordable for everyone else. Ticket rates are \$2 for children and \$5 for adults.

History

Memorial Coliseum housed national championship teams in 1951 and 1958 in the one sport that has historically defined the state of the UK athletics program: men's basketball. Nicknamed "the house that Rupp built," the legendary Adolph Rupp occupied Memorial from 1950 until his retirement, which alone makes it one of the most historically significant sports facilities in the country. During the men's basketball stay in the arena, the Cats put together a 129-game home winning streak that finally ended in 1955. The streak still stands as a national record. The building also housed arguably the most phenomenal player ever to dawn a UK uniform: Valerie Still. During her four years at UK, Still scored more points than any other basketball player, male or female, with 2,763 career points.

Atmosphere

Memorial Coliseum can be daunting, and it can be fierce, but above all else it is fun. The men's basketball team sold out all of its games from 1950 to 1976, and the women have consistently ranked among the SEC leaders in total attendance. And it's evident that in situations like the back-and-forth game against then-No. 18 Auburn on Sunday, the Cats fed off the energy of the home crowd. But the UK Hoops team gives back to the crowd as much as they receive. During player introductions, fans are blessed with a fireworks display, and members of the Chick-fil-A Junior Wildlife Club get to meet the players at center court. After the final horn, a featured player of the game sticks around by the scorer's table to sign autographs. The resulting relationship between players and fans creates a gripping, yet family-friendly, sporting atmosphere.

Home-Field Advantage

Since taking over Memorial Coliseum with the migration of the men's team to Rupp Arena in 1976, the women's basketball team has notched a 290-128 record in the historic building. UK Hoops has finished in the top 20 nationally and in the top three in the SEC in attendance over the last three seasons, which has helped develop a raucous home-court advantage in the boxy arena. In 2006, the volleyball team pitched in, ranking in the top 35 nationally as well, with the home crowd helping propel the squad to a 279-128 Memorial record since the program's inception in 1977. Not to mention, the men's basketball team sold out every home game during its 26-year stay in the arena.

Tom Brady is limping, but he will play in Super Bowl

By Tom Rock
Newsway

NEW YORK — First things first: Tom Brady will play in Super Bowl XLIII. Sorry, Giants fans.

"I'd have to be on a stretcher to miss this one," he said on his weekly radio spot Monday morning.

While no one was wheeling the league's MVP around the streets of the West Village on a gurney, he was spotted there on Monday wearing what appeared to be a walking boot. The cast-like boot on his right foot was there to help what has been reported as a minor high ankle sprain. Brady will have two weeks of rest before playing again in Phoenix on Feb. 3.

As the man perched atop Esquire magazine's "Best Dressed" list in 2007, Brady's wardrobe undergoes a lot of scrutiny. Now, as he prepares for his fourth Super Bowl appearance, his footwear has become a lightning rod and the early centerpiece of hype week.

Whether or not Brady will be at full

strength against the Giants is clearly a legitimate question. And while it's not one the Patriots are likely to answer — they will not be required to release an injury report until a week from Wednesday — the boot was clearly more medicinal than fashion-minded. A video of Brady walking with a slight limp was posted on TMZ.com. He did not appear to be limping in Sunday's AFC Championship Game against the Chargers, although he did throw three interceptions and was sacked twice.

Adding to the speculation and, likely, quelling the fears of all of New England, are photographs of Brady from later on Monday evening when he and his girlfriend, supermodel Gisele Bündchen, were spotted at the Manhattan club Butter. Brady wore black shoes and no boot at that point. There were also photographs taken of Brady on Tuesday, walking with neither the boot nor a noticeable limp. While reporters tried to ask him questions, Brady was amble enough to scurry past without answering.

"Anybody who thinks a little tweak is

going to stop him is just wasting ink," Tom Brady Sr., told 1050 ESPN Radio in New York on Tuesday. The quarterback's father, however, said he and his son had not even discussed an injury.

Brady has started 126 consecutive games in the regular and postseason, but he does have a history of playoff ankle injuries. In 2001 Brady sprained his ankle in the AFC Championship Game against the Steelers and had to be replaced by Drew Bledsoe. He was able to return for the Super Bowl that year and was named MVP for leading the Pats to an upset over the heavily favored Rams.

Again — sorry, Giants fans. While it's not clear when or how this injury occurred (presumably during Sunday's game against the Chargers) Brady did give a tacit confirmation that he had suffered a leg injury during that weekly radio appearance.

"There's always bumps and bruises," he said. "There will be treatment this week. In games like this, you get a little nicked up. It's nothing serious."

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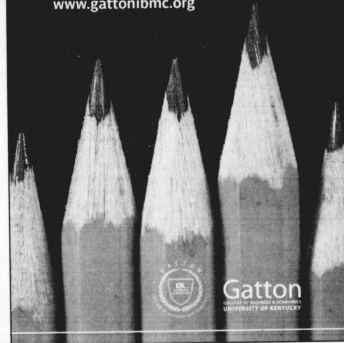
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Lecture to discuss fascination of reality TV

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"American Idol" is back for another season, and millions of viewers will keep their Tuesday and Wednesday nights free to curl up on the couch and watch the popular reality television show. But why do so many people find "American Idol" and other reality TV shows fascinating?

Katie Braun, this year's winner of UK's annual *Breathitt Lectureship*, will discuss that topic tonight at 7:30 in W.T. Young Library Auditorium. Braun's lecture is titled "In a competition full of hamburgers, you're a steak!": "American Idol" and the Rise of Reality Television in the Maintenance of Our Egos."

Any UK undergraduate can apply for the *Breathitt Lectureship* with a proposal for a

lecture in the humanities, said Lisa Broome-Price, interim director of the Gaines Center for the Humanities. A selection committee chooses from among the applicants, and the winner receives a \$500 honorarium.

The committee chose Braun, a psychology senior, for the lecture because her proposal showed significant knowledge and research along with great enthusiasm about her topic, Broome-Price said.

Braun said she wanted to research the rise of reality TV and what psychologically attracts viewers to watch it.

"It's basically about why people like and enjoy reality television, and why people like watching other people humiliate themselves," Braun said.

Viewers can get pleasure from "American Idol" in two ways, Braun said. One way is to compare themselves to an ex-

cellent singer and be able to reflect that talent on themselves.

"Or, the more interesting thing," she said, "is that they can compare themselves to someone who's worse, like in the 'humiliation rounds' at the beginning."

The show's producers include only the most arrogant and deluded contestants in the humiliation rounds, Braun said, so viewers don't have to feel bad about taking pleasure at the poor performances.

Braun encouraged students to come to the lecture because "besides the free food at the end, I will be showing excerpts from reality TV shows that show humiliation," she said.

Braun will also present her lecture at a pop-culture conference in Albuquerque, N.M., later this year.

Lexington-based band makes music with noise

Since 2006, the band Noisy-crane has provided Lexington with a healthy dose of freaky folk.



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Combining a c o u n t r y rock with weirdo aesthetics, varied instrumentation and digre-like balladry, the group has filled local clubs and basements with music that is intriguing, compelling, challenging and, well, noisy. Two members, singer and multi-instrumentalist Cody Swanson and drummer Sean Rose (a Kernel managing editor), took the time to answer a few of my questions.

Q: How did Noisy-crane start?

Cody: I started using the name Noisy-crane for a solo project I started my senior year of high school. I played either acoustic or with a looping pedal I used for drum or guitar parts I had recorded at home. The band Noisy-crane started in December 2006. I already had known Sean Rose for a while but had just learned he played drums, so I asked if he would want to come to my house and jam a bit.

Sean: Originally, I think he just wanted to see what having

drums on his live stuff would be like. We both liked his songs with drums backing them so we kept playing together and decided I was in the "band" or whatever it was we had going.

Q: Tell me about Noisy-crane's sound. I hear a lot of Neutral Milk Hotel in there, but there are clearly other influences as well. What do you want your music to sound like?

Cody: Yeah, I'm very influenced by Neutral Milk Hotel, which can be good and bad. It's bad when I find myself trying hard not to sound like them because no one, including myself, enjoys a less hip remake. I think what I get from Jeff Mangum and his band is how to make music that can sound raw and have more power of emotion because of it. The singing's not always perfect, and no one in the band was a truly classical and technical musician, but they all kind of made something that people can feel. That's what I want to do: make music that has a heart-wrenching feeling behind it, and maybe is a little catchy too.

Sean: As a band I think we have an appreciation for folk music and are probably more rock musicians at the end of the day. So any concoction of folk and rock 'n' roll that's not cliché, or a typical "folk-rock" sound, would be what we're after. We have lighter folk songs, and we have songs where we want to melt peo-

ple's faces off.

Q: Noisy-crane has played as a band with various numbers of musicians. What was the progression in terms of band members, and what do you envision as the end result? Do you want Noisy-crane to end up as a duo? A three-piece? An amorphous collective?

Sean: As long as we have a core center to the band like we do now, that's all we really need. When push comes to shove and we can do a lot with what we have, we all know a couple instruments decently well, so that helps.

Cody: Yeah, an amorphous collective would be my dream. When Austin (Tharpe) joined, it really felt like we had real songs going. Jacob Gahn joined the band for about a month during the 2007 spring semester before he left for New York, and he was able to play these parts I had written on melodic or trumpet or play bass and let Austin play an electric lead and then all sorts of things could happen. For our (CD) release show at the Icehouse, we wanted to play the whole record from start to finish, so we enlisted the help of about seven or so friends to join us on various instruments, and it was a blast. It was the most chaotic show I've ever been in, but it was really fun too. Now, we usually play as a three-piece again. In the future, I would love to have something where friends and band mates can fluctuate for live performances, and I try to write

songs that can accommodate either 10 people, or maybe just me on guitar.

Q: You released your first full-length album in October. What was the recording like?

Cody: Recording was stressful and really fun at the same time. It was a small operation taking place in two bedrooms and on a basically no budget. When things started coming together, though, it was amazing.

Sean: Recording the drums was kind of interesting because we had a guitar track of the songs I could play to, but they weren't in tempo. So instead, Cody played guitar out in the hallway with the door shut, while I listened to his playing on headphones and laid down the drums. It was actually a pretty effective system for us. "Smooth and Calm" was the only really hard song to record. It's over seven or eight minutes long and following along to that without lyrics was hard. I felt like I had a baby after we were done with that.

Noisy-crane is in the process of recording a new album. They will perform at the Icehouse, which is located at 412 Cross St., on Feb. 26 with national artist Baby Dee and Lexington group Attempt.

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Actor Heath Ledger, 28, found dead in Manhattan

By Karen Heller
The Philadelphia Inquirer

Australian actor Heath Ledger, 28, whose searing performance in "Brokeback Mountain" won universal acclaim and an indelible place in cinematic history, was found dead in a downtown Manhattan apartment yesterday.

New York police said drugs may have been a factor, though the cause of death is under investigation. Sleeping pills were found at the scene, according to police.

"It is a great screen performance, and good as the best of Marlon Brando and Sean Penn," the New York Times' Stephen Holden raved of Ledger's 2005 spare, Oscar-nominated performance as laconic Ennis Del Mar, who struggles with his forbidden love for a fellow ranch hand, played by Jake Gyllenhaal, in 1963 Wyoming. The Philadelphia Inquirer's Carrie Rickey called it "a shattering performance."

Ledger followed up that role as the title character in "Casanova," going from a repressed homosexual felled by the loss of his one true love to a voluble, serial seducer of women.

"I feel like I'm wasting time if I repeat myself. I can't say I'm proud of my work," he said in an interview with the New York Times. "I feel the same way about everything I do. The day I say, 'It's

good' is the day I should start doing something else."

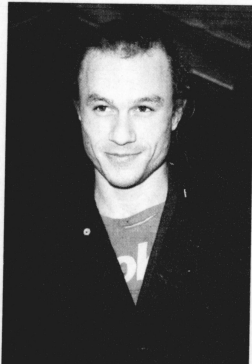
Ledger most recently appeared in "I'm Not There," Todd Haynes' rumination on Bob Dylan. He had completed work as The Joker, in the Batman movie "The Dark Knight," scheduled for release this summer, and was cast in Terry Gilliam's "The Imaginarium of Doctor Parussius" at the time of his death.

His big break came in 2000 when he played opposite fellow Australian Mel Gibson, as Gibson's son in "The Patriot." Other roles included that of Billy Bob Thornton's son in "Monster's Ball" (2001) and a surfer in "The Lords of Dogtown" (2005). Of his lead role in the 2001 rock-and-roll medieval hit, "A Knight's Tale," Ledger said: "It's a little uncomfortable doing love scenes in armor, but, you know, when the heat's on, the heat's on."

Despite initial concerns about its commercial appeal, "Brokeback Mountain" became one of Ledger's greatest box-office successes, grossing \$53 million, second only to "The Patriot" at \$113 million.

On the set of "Brokeback Mountain," Ledger fell in love with actress Michelle Williams, who played his unloved wife.

The couple had a daughter, Matilda, in October 2005, and made a home in Brooklyn, but separated last year.



Australian-born actor Heath Ledger was found dead at a downtown Manhattan apartment in New York yesterday. In this 2007 file photo, Ledger attends the New York premiere of "I'm Not There."

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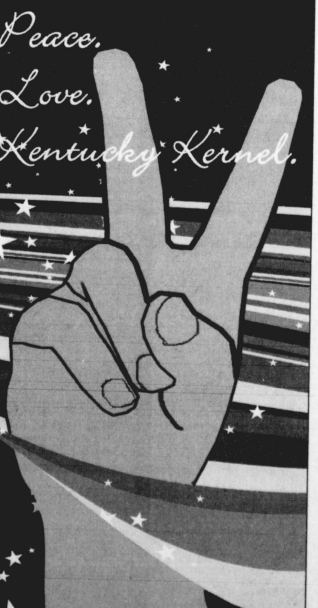
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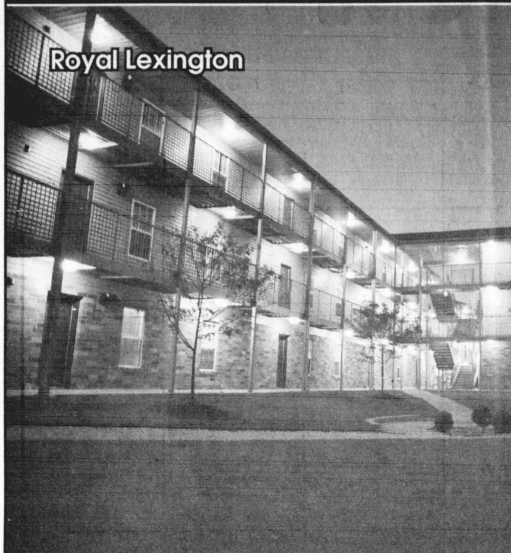
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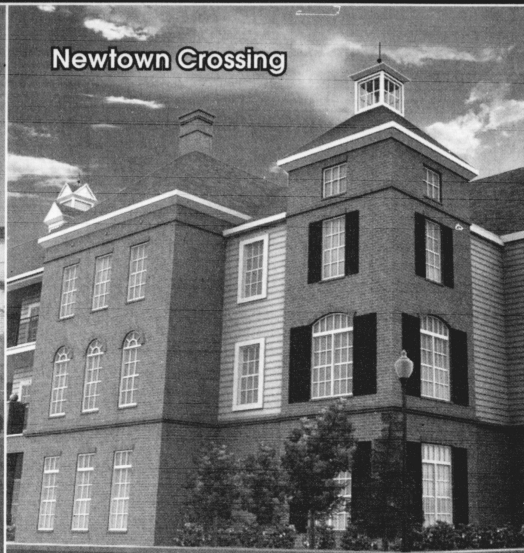
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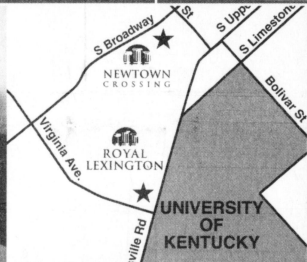
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Spending Spring Break in Lexington?

Margaret Lies | Kernel PR

This spring, break from the books — not from the fun. Contrary to popular belief, staying in the Lexington area for the week doesn't have to consist of boredom, self pity, jealousy and lack of sun.

Yeah, maybe most of your friends are headed down south to some tropic location, but staying in Lexington can save you money and still provide a week full of excitement.

In fact, every day of the week can be an adventure! So, here is a week of plans to help you make the most of Spring Break week in and around Lexington.

Sunday, March 9

Kick off the week with a drive to Raven Run Nature Sanctuary. Enjoy a leisure Sunday stroll in the serenity of the woods. Grab a friend, a picnic basket and a camera. Enjoy the outdoors and good company, all while getting some exercise. Find it at 5888 Jacks Creek Pike in Fayette County. The park is open daily. After your hike, hit up a local favorite like Ramsey's for a refreshing home-style dinner.

Monday, March 10

Everyone loves a road trip! Instead of sticking in the Lex today, hop in your car and head to nearby Cincinnati. Visit the Cincinnati Art Museum (free admission), do some shopping at Kenwood Mall and then cross back into Northern Kentucky for more shopping and dinner at Newport on the Levee. (For an events schedule visit www.newportonthelevee.com/events/).

If you're looking for more than Cincinnati has to offer, check out the visitor center Web sites for Indianapolis, Nashville or Gatlinburg, Tenn.

Tuesday, March 11

So the week might be called a break, but you can still learn something! And who doesn't want to know more about Abe Lincoln? The Singletary Center features "Lincoln: The Man, the Music, and the Legacy." Celebrating the 200th anniversary of Lincoln's birth in the Commonwealth, this concert is sure to be a good decision! Showtimes are 10 a.m. (\$5 per seat) and 11:30 a.m. (\$4 per seat). Following the show, head over to the new Center Court complex close to campus (behind Kennedy's Bookstore) and take your pick from a hot sub from Firehouse Subs or have a burrito made your way at Moe's Southwest Grill. While at Center Court, ladies can enjoy shopping at General Eccentric.

Wednesday, March 12

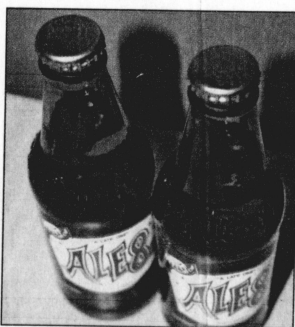
Sleep in today. Then grab a friend and a pile of pancakes at IHOP on New Circle Road, and then head over to The Mad Pot-

ter to try your hand at painting pottery. Let your imagination run wild displaying your creativity! If you're looking to walk off a few of your pancakes from the morning, take a walk around the UK Arboretum after painting pottery. Cap off your day with bowling until 1 a.m. at Southland Lanes on Southland Drive.

Thursday, March 13

Just because you didn't head down south doesn't mean you have to keep your sunless look. Check into the skin friendly spray on tanning at SunTanCity.

In the evening, if you're willing to dish out a little bit of cash, take a drive to Centre College in Danville to see the renowned Tchaikovsky Ballet and Orchestra's production of Romeo and Juliet. Featuring 60 dancers, a live orchestra of 55 musicians and much more, this production of Romeo and Juliet at the Norton Center for the Arts starts at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$30 to \$60.



Friday, March 14

This morning, celebrate a local favorite! Ale-8-One, the soft drink bottled in Winchester since 1926, offers tours on Friday mornings at 10:50 a.m. Call (859) 744-3483 to schedule in advance.

And, while the tour may be great, the day is not over yet! Spring break wouldn't be complete without someone getting a tattoo! Head down to Tattoo Charlie's to get inked.

You might as well get an extra piercing while you're at it.

Saturday, March 15

After a busy week of Spring break-style fun, you'll need a little pampering. The Lexington Healing Arts Academy, located just off Southland Drive, offers amazing massages starting at a student-friendly rate of \$30 for 60 minutes of treatment.

You must call (859) 252-5656 in advance to schedule an appointment.

If you're not fond of such a hands-on experience, head downtown to the annual Shamrock Shuffle 3K Race starting at 10 a.m. (www.shamrockshuffle3k.com) followed by the St. Patrick's Day parade beginning at 1:30 p.m. from Main Street and Midland Avenue. Visit www.lexingtonStPatsParade.org for more information.

Then, finish off your week with a night of dancing! The UK Swing Dance Club is hosting a swing dance at Arthur Murray Dance Studio, located at 1801 Alexandria Drive in Lexington.

Free lessons are offered from 8:15 p.m. until 9 p.m.; dancing will continue until midnight. All are welcome to attend. The cost is \$5 per person which includes refreshments and party favors. For more information call (859) 323-3633.

If the list of things-to-do outlined above doesn't tickle your fancy and you're still looking for a few more ideas, fill in your time with one of these other ideas that just might brighten your week (or someone else's):

- If you have friends working in Lexington over break — visit them at work or join them for lunch.
- Read the book you haven't had time to read
- Host a dinner and a movie night with friends at your apartment or see a flick at the Kentucky Theater.
- Discover the true "spirit" of Kentucky with a visit to a local vineyard like Equus Run Vineyards or Talon Winery, or learn about the tradition of Kentucky Bourbon with a trip and tour of The Woodford Reserve, Buffalo Trace or Wild Turkey Distillery.
- Take a trip to the state capitol in Frankfort, for ideas go to www.visitfrankfort.com.
- Head down to Cumberland Falls or Red River Gorge for a few days of camping.

These suggestions should help ward off some of the sulking and dullness that spring break in Lexington attempts to create. If you're lucky maybe all your friends who went away will wish they had stayed in Lexington after they realized how much fun they missed!

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New ideas for Spring Break '08

Andolyn Johnson | Kernel PR

A new trend in spring break trips gives college students the opportunity to travel and become a volunteer to help communities in need. Alternative spring break is an experience unlike the traditional beach vacation, but could prove to be more rewarding.

This year UK's Center for Community Outreach partnered with the national organization, Break Away, to offer two alternative spring break trips.

"This is the first year alternative spring break trips are being organized by UK's Center for Community Outreach," said Executive Director Lexie Dressman. "We are hoping to make it a tradition and provide more opportunities in the future."

The CCO has two programs. Once Upon a Time in Appalachia in Merryville, Tenn. or Habitat for Humanity in

Albany, Ga. The trip to Merryville involves cultural and environmental preservation centered on the Cherokee Nation and rural Appalachia. Habitat for Humanity builds or renovates housing for families in need.

For more information about CCO's alternative spring break visit www.uky.edu/VolunteerCenter/.

If you have a destination in mind, the options for alternative spring break trips are almost endless. Whether you prefer to join a clean-up crew, work with children, teach adults or build houses, there are trips for almost every deserving cause.

Other organizations offering alternative spring breaks include www.national.unitedway.org/asb/, www.reliefcampuscrusadeforchrist.com and www.unitedplanet.org/quest.html.

Safety First

Jillian Rogers | Kernel PR

"Stop! Don't touch me there. These are my private squares."

Fortunately, safety awareness has come a long way from this childhood riddle. These days there are many other dangers we need to worry about; alcohol poisoning, theft, assault and sharks (obviously).

With spring break coming up in a few months, now is the time to start planning where to stay, what to bring and how to pay for it. But, safety never really seems to be the major focus of the trip.

After years of being preached to by parents, teachers and volunteer policemen, the "safe spring break" talk becomes white noise; much like the teacher on Charlie Brown. So, to refresh your memory here are some spring break safety tips that could be a lifesaver.

If you are like many college students, you are headed down south to the beaches. And since you are living on a college student budget and gas is expensive, you're probably sharing a car with four other people. Spring break travel is a dangerous endeavor in and of itself. In order to make it there and back in one piece, plan when you are leaving because driving at night is risky especially if you are tired.

Try to leave early in the morning. This way you will drive in as much daylight as possible. Females especially need to be careful about where they stop for gas. Avoid stopping late at night in the middle of nowhere. Take note of the major cities you will be driving through so you can plan when and where to fill up. Also, take turns behind the wheel. Driving for ten straight hours will be tiring and you won't be as alert as you were at the beginning of the trip.

Whatever your sleeping

arrangements, make sure you are safe at your hotel. Always lock your door especially when you're asleep. Hotels around spring break are prime targets. Look through the peep hole before opening the door. If someone claims to

work for the hotel, call the front desk for verification. This may seem stupid and inconvenient, but it sure beats being robbed or assaulted.

Your physical safety should be your primary concern. Always travel in groups even if it's just to run upstairs to grab your sunglasses. Both guys and girls need to be careful about where they go alone because even the toughest guys can be robbed at gun point. Granted this is an extreme scenario, but you never know.

Balconies are a nice place to view the ocean from your room. However, they can be dangerous. Sober, climbing up the balcony sounds kinda fun but drunk, it sounds awesome. Alcohol impairs your judgment so if something sounds like a good idea may be a lot of fun you will more than likely end up getting hurt.

Alcohol: almost every spring breaker's friend/enemy. It can both make and break your trip. The dangers of alcohol are nothing new but a lot of people base their spring break around responsible.

Don't drink too much. There is a line between having fun and getting out of control. Sometimes you end up drinking more than you planned so before you go out decide what

and how much you want to drink. Because how much you drink depends on your friends and their encouragement of your drinking, plan how you are going to refuse a drink or cut off your supply. And don't by any means, drive drunk.

Drunk driving is a huge no-no, but driving in an unfamiliar city plus alcohol equals disaster.

A lot of assaults during spring break are alcohol related. This is another reason why excessive drinking is a bad idea. Meeting people on the beach, at your hotel or in the bars is fun and exciting but don't get too friendly. In some cases, sexual assault starts out flirtatious and innocent but ends up going too far. Be aware of the people you meet and never go back to a stranger's room or for a walk on the beach alone. Looks can be deceiving especially if you're drinking.

Have a system with your friends. Make sure you leave the bars with everyone you came with. Have all of your friends' phone numbers and be sure to keep your phone where you can easily get to it. Stick together and watch out for each other.

Spring break comes once a year so enjoy it ... while being safe. These tips aren't too demanding and won't prevent you from having a good time. All you have to do is beware of your surroundings, watch out for your friends, know when enough alcohol is enough and watch out for sharks.

"Just remember, it's always fun until someone gets hurt."

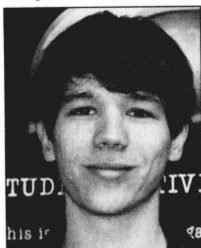
— Jillian Rogers, ISC Junior

Just a Reminder:

UK students, don't forget that Spring Break 2008 overlaps with several important men's basketball games. Before you book your plane tickets to Acapulco, remember UK plays Florida on Sunday, March 9, the first weekend of Spring Break. The SEC Men's Basketball Tournament also falls during break, Thursday, March 13 through Sunday, March 16 in Atlanta, Ga.

Walk-n-Talk: 'What Are Your Spring Break Plans?'

Margaret Liles | Kernel PR



Cliff Dickens (2009): "I'm going to Chicago to visit my girlfriend."



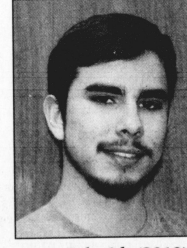
Ashlee Harris (2009): "Going home to Madisonville. Hopefully, I'll be doing absolutely nothing!"



Brittany Ball (2009): "I'm flying to the Keys with a few friends for the week!"



Bryan Kennedy (2010): "Going to the 'Boro (aka Owensboro)."



Tony Schmidt (2010): "Road tripping somewhere. Probably going to Florida, but I'm not quite sure yet."

STA Travel: Cheap, Flexible, & Easy

Kati Tharp | Kernel PR

Are you tired of the rain and snow? Are you ready to get away for a little while? Look no further than the Student Center. Located just past the ticket office in the Student Center, is STA Travel, an independent travel agency brought in by UK to assist with student travel needs.

Where's the spring break hot spot for Kentucky students this year? Negril, Jamaica. According to Jake Cunningham, UK's STA Travel Branch Manager, "With its exciting nightlife and a seven-mile beach, Negril is the ultimate Spring Break spot for college students." STA Travel offers specials to Jamaica starting at just \$719.

Other popular destinations include Cancun, Mexico starting at \$769, Acapulco, Mexico starting at \$639 and trips to Costa Rica where you can see the ocean, jungles, waterfalls and volcanoes in eight days for only \$995.

If you want to travel within the States, no problem. STA Travel can help you hit the slopes in Breckenridge, Colo., or the Florida beaches of Daytona, South Padre, Ft. Lauderdale and many more.

Many students like to plan big group trips for Spring Break, and STA Travel will reward you for booking large groups. When you book ten people for any Spring Break '08 package, the 11th person is free. If you don't want to

worry about cover charges and long lines at the bars, look into the Xtreme Party Passes that include open bar tickets to the best bars and clubs.

STA Travel is flexible too. After booking a trip, UK student Liza Smith said, "They worked well with us to accommodate our payment plans." Just how easy is it to plan a trip with STA Travel? Annie Rouse, who recently booked a trip, said STA Travel was "really easy to work with. They were especially good at communicating with us and making the process as easy as possible." Once you are at your exotic location, if any problems arise, don't worry, your UK travel agent will be available during working hours, and someone at the STA Travel national call center is available 24-7.

So what are you waiting for? Reservations are available now and the sooner you book, the less expensive your trip.

Call STA Travel at (859) 317-2685, email them at uky@statravel.com, visit them online at STATravel.com, check out their Facebook group "Cheap, Flexible, & Easy ... STA Travel" or, better yet, head over to the STA Travel store in the Student Center and book your trip today.

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Affordable and stylish hair for students

Jesse Vice | Guest Writer

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Gemini's is a new salon in Lexington that opened in October. James Carrie is the owner and is looking to have more student customers.

"I want students to know what I am about," Carrie said. "I am up-to-date with the latest trends in hair."

Gemini's is a unisex salon and Carrie says that he can also do ethnic hair. The prices at Gemini's are unbeatable, not to mention the location is convenient for students. It is located in the shopping center at 366 Waller Ave. Suite 111. Haircuts are \$10-15 and color and highlight start at \$35. Also, he does chemical relaxing for \$35.

"The prices are so low so that people are able to come check me out and see what's going on at my salon," Carrie said.

Alisa Oerther, senior, recently had her hair cut at Gemini's Salon, she said, "It was a great experience. He was so friendly and generous. He

did a great job and it was so cheap."

Carrie was born in Bloomington, Ind., and began learning about hairdressing at a young age.

He says he washed someone's hair at the age of five at his family friend's salon.

He graduated from hair school in Toledo, Ohio at Toledo Beauty Academy.

Carrie, then, moved to Bowling Green, KY and opened his own salon. He said that he donated a lot of his time to the philanthropies of the fraternities and sororities.

"I like to make it fun and be involved. I also like to get to know the students," Carrie said.

Carrie is looking forward to getting involved with the UK community.

Gemini's is open 7 days a week from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Appointments are available at (859) 357-8051 and



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Gemini's Hair Salon is located on Waller Avenue, just past the railroad tracks. Gemini's is running a student special on haircuts, at a very affordable \$10 to \$15.

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Do's and Dont's For the 'best week ever'

Logan Mayer | Guest Writer

So, you're ready to embark on the self-proclaimed best week ever, or so your friends say with as many exclamation points allowed on a Facebook wall.

I hope the upcoming week is a rousing success, but I'd like to make a few suggestions how to celebrate this spring holiday by staying safe, making memories and keeping your dignity.

Don't be the tough guy who claims they've never worn sunscreen, if you're going to the beach.

You will take one of the worst punishments the sun has ever given out.

The guy on the couch wearing three layers of aloe isn't as cool as he thought he was when he fought the sun a mere 100 miles away from the equator.

The "Whatever happens in Vegas, stays in Vegas" line you've heard is a complete lie!

I'd be willing to wager that what you do on your getaway will most likely be heard before you land back in town.

Nobody wants to have their reputation ruined because of a spur of the moment decision to join in on the contest run by the Beach Boy DJ

with beads around his neck.

On that note, please don't scream just because the DJ playing the latest Usher jam told you to "let him hear ya Spring Breakers!"



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When he's throwing out beads to the loudest people on the dance floor — please don't beg like a dog for his treat.

Girls, that good looking charmer from Georgia who you met on the beach, most likely doesn't want to get to know what makes you the great person you are after a 2 a.m. techno party.

If he asks you to continue your conversation back at his place, ask him to go to lunch tomorrow and see if you can get to know him better then. This is for safety reasons.

Of course, spring break doesn't have to be about partying and "what-

not". It can also be a time to reunite with friends you haven't seen in a while. Find a good place that none of you have been and have a blast. Just because you don't get a wristband

for the hotel you stay in, doesn't mean spring break can't be more fun than the more "trendy" locations. Speaking of wristbands, please don't have a competition of who can keep theirs on the longest after spring break.

We're in college now.

Most likely all the people you're trying to impress with that club you

went to have been there, done that.

Nothing is cheesier than the guy who has his electric yellow bracelet on for two months.

Other than that, call your family and tell them you're still alive, every day if you can.

Especially if you were fortunate enough to have financial help from them on this quest, they'd be much appreciative and would get a better night's sleep.

Everyone enjoy the week and be safe. Making memories is the most important part of a spring break getaway. Just make sure they are good and safe ones.

Sun-kissed skin

Alisa Oerther | PR Staff

Everyone wants that golden shine when first taking off that T-shirt on the beach.

Tanning before vacation will help you attain this bronzed look. There are a few safety rules to make your tanning experience go smoothly.

Always wear eye gear to keep UV rays away from your eyes. If you are a first-timer gradually build up the amount of time you spend in the tanning bed. Try starting at 10 to 12 minutes.

Also, to avoid any skin concerns try using a mystic tan first.

Lastly, remember to put lotion on before and after tanning.

"I buy special lotion for before tanning and a different one for after," explains Jen Jones an undecided junior.

Many college students are on budgets, especially around spring break. Here are a few tanning salons that will help keep more money in your pocket.

Southern Rays Tanning

468 Southland Drive
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Southern Rays also offers two other locations, but Southland Drive is the closest to cam-

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The Palms Tanning

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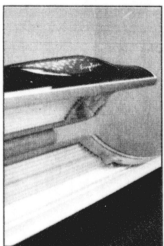


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Sun Spa has the most to offer of the tanning salons around Lexington.

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Sun Tan City offers fast, faster and the fastest tanning bed types and mystic tanning. Sun Tan City has Club Sun, which is a monthly tanning club that averages \$18.88 a month.

When spring break comes around, Sun Tan City always offers specials for students. Don't forget to look in the Kernel for coupons.

Golden Tan

2434 Nicholasville Road
(859) 278-3285

Golden Tan offers 40 different beds ranging from face tanners, stand ups and mystic tan. For students with their I.D., a visit is only \$3.

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