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UK investigating missing inventory

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Three UK employees have been suspended without pay after UK police opened an investigation into missing inventory from the UK Stores Department a week and a half ago, university officials said yesterday.

UK police received an anonymous tip on Sept. 22, prompting them to investigate the department, said acting Police Chief Joe Monroe. UK police searched the homes of the three employees last week looking for potential missing inventory, but no arrests have been made in the case, UK spokesman Jay Blanton said.

Mark Renfro, director of stores, and Siefon Carter, assistant central manager, were suspended on Sept. 25. Stacy Crossley, assistant auxiliary services director, was suspended on Sept. 26.

Renfro's lawyer, Fred Peters said he could not comment on particulars in the investigation.

"We just have to wait and see when it comes out," Peters said. "At this point I can't really talk about much because we don't know much about it."

Carter and Crossley could not be reached for comment.

"We're investigating the whole department — not necessarily all the individuals, but looking at the department as a

whole," Monroe said. "I can't specify the number of people right now, because we can't say how many people are involved."

Monroe added that all the suspects being investigated have been cooperative.

The UK Stores Department streamlines purchase orders for different university depart-

ments. It places orders for the department — including things such as computer hardware and software, medical goods, office supplies and other products — and then bills the departments and delivers the products to them.

UK Stores has an average daily inventory value of about \$1.8 million.

Gingrich calls for health care overhaul

By Juliann Vachon
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America is at the edge of enormous opportunity in health care advancements, Newt Gingrich said last night at the 20th annual UK Sanders-Brown Center on Aging Foundation dinner.

Gingrich, former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, spoke on the future of health care in America.

Gingrich said he was struck with both how close the nation is and how far it has to go in the area of health care, specifically relating to the challenge of aging.

Gingrich posed the question, "How do you move toward a lifetime of health?"

A new social contract calling for a dramatic shift toward prevention and wellness along with investment in early testing is necessary to create change, Gingrich said.

Gingrich's system calls for the balance of government-provided health care and citizens who take responsibility for their health.

"To be an American is to have a responsibility," he said.

He focused on a model of change addressing three areas: attitude, activity and nutrition.

"If you truly want to solve our core social problems and meet the greatest public policy challenges we have, then the most important slogan of the next quarter of a century is real simple: real change requires real change," Gingrich said.

A focus on positive attitudes, increased daily activity and improved general nutrition will lead to a better system than the one currently in place, Gingrich said.

The system Gingrich outlined called for the application of science and technology to the medical problems of today.

According to Gingrich, there will be four to seven times as much new science in the next 25 years as in the past 25. New knowledge combined with increased technology at cheaper costs and wireless capabilities will allow for medical advancements.

Gingrich said he does not want to look at making modest improvements to the current system, but instead wants to focus on the bold potential of the future.

The future system could use increased medical knowledge to advise people on lifestyle choices given their age, circumstance and DNA.

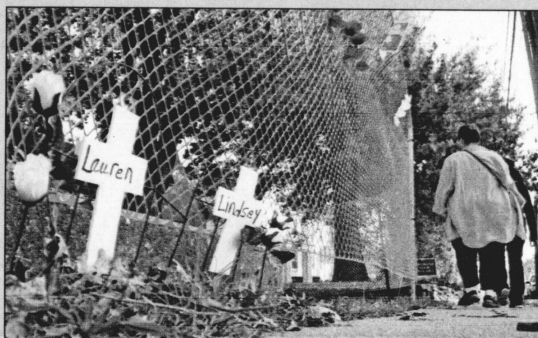
This different type of preventative system will be better for people and will also be cheaper, Gingrich said.

Gingrich gave examples of applying new technology and imagination, such as a pacemaker with an expert system capable of alerting people that they are about to have a heart attack. He also outlined a system where schools weigh students three times a year to monitor obesity and intervene when necessary.

The new system will strive to keep citizens as healthy as possible, but people must be committed to working with the government in taking responsibility for their health, Gingrich said.

Lexington REMEMBERS

Community members visit drowning site to honor victims



STAFF REPORT

About two dozen roses were woven into an orange mesh fence yesterday that surrounded the drainage ditch where two women drowned when it flooded a week and a half ago.

On the cement over the ditch, "God Speed" was written in blue spray paint. More flowers, cards and two crosses laid at the bottom of the fence yesterday when Robert Lawry stopped by with his own flowers.

"It's hard for me to even think about it, and I wanted to bring those flowers by and let the families know that the citizens care," said Lawry. "I want them to know that we are sorry."

The city put the temporary fence up at the request of the city council at Thursday's meeting. The city is looking at more permanent options, said acting Public Works Commissioner Charles Martin.

"We're looking at all the options," he said. "We have to have something that complies with existing regulations."

"We don't want a fence that traps debris and storm water in there and makes it even worse when it rains."

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Robin Jones, back, and Smitha Nair walk past the site where Lauren Fannin and Lindsey Harp went missing on Sept. 23. The city has since placed a protective fence up until a decision is made about the drain. Flowers and cards hang on the fence above two crosses with the women's names on them.



Robert Lawry of Lexington, hangs roses on a temporary protective fence where Lauren Fannin and Lindsey Harp went missing. "It's hard for me to even think about it, and I wanted to bring those flowers by and let the families know that the citizens care," said Lawry. "I want them to know that we are sorry."

SG OKs online voting for freshmen elections

By Blair Thomas
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UK students will cast ballots online for the first time during the upcoming Student Government Freshmen Elections.

An amendment passed in last night's full senate meeting gives SG the "duty and responsibility to ensure online elections and the full jurisdiction to hold them and open additional facilities for increased voting accessibility," College of Law Sen.

Tom Rauf said.

SG unanimously passed the amendment that was prompted by complaints from students that it was not convenient to go to the on-campus polls to cast their votes.

John Soward, manager of UK Information Technology, spoke to SG at its Sept. 13 meeting about measures that can be taken to ensure security of online elections.

SG President Jonah Brown, who was absent from last night's meeting because of illness,

strongly supported the amendment.

"We have been discussing the possibilities of online voting for a while," Brown said at a previous meeting. "And it is finally something we are ready to take on."

The senate also passed an act to create the 85 Percent Task Force.

According to the act, the task force is "an ad hoc committee designed to acquire student input regarding potential changes to all aspects of the

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ful now.
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FOR THE RECORD

Baby news!

Country crooner Brad Paisley, 33, and his wife of three years, actress Kimberly Williams-Paisley, 35, are expecting their first child in February.

Actor Edward Furlong, 29, and his wife, actress Rachael Bella, 22, welcomed their first child, Ethan Page, September 21.

lease, How Cool Is That Christmas, is due Oct. 10.

Movin' on

Saturday Night Live's Chris Parnell, 39, Horatio Sanz, 37, and Finesse Mitchell have left the show.

Hot tour

Madonna's Confessions tour was the top-grossing tour by a female artist, raking in nearly \$194 million in 60 shows.

rep had no comment.) Laguna Beach's Jason Wahler, 19, was reportedly arrested for misdemeanor battery Sept. 22 in L.A. (A rep could not be reached for comment.)

Do-gooder duo

Brad Pitt, 42, and Angelina Jolie, 31, have individually donated \$1 million from photo sales of their daughter Shiloh to Global Action for Children and Doctors Without Borders.

Did Hoff fake daughter's suicide?

On September 24, David Hasselhoff got a frantic call from his daughter Taylor-Ann, 16, that her sister, Hayley, 14, had cut her arm. According to TMZ.com, Hasselhoff, 54, who was en route to London, dialed 911, calling it an attempted suicide. But a rep for his ex-wife, Pamela Bach — who had accused Hasselhoff of breaking her nose and of verbal abuse during their 16-year marriage (which he denies) — tells Us Bach, 42, was home at the time and that Hayley "was playing with her cat, and it scratched her." The rep claims Hasselhoff concocted the suicide attempt from bitterness over their July divorce. Hasselhoff's rep tells Us, "It's a whole made-up story" and that Hayley "was treated and is back at home."

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Soccer rank highest in UK history

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The UK men's soccer team jumped back into the national rankings yesterday, coming in at No. 13 in this week's National Soccer Coaches Association of America poll.

The ranking is UK's highest in school history.

Earlier this season, the Cats were ranked No. 14 but dropped out of the polls following a 1-0 overtime loss to Michigan on Sept. 13.

"Everyone says it doesn't mean anything, and it doesn't," said assistant coach Matt Wilkerson. "But it's a great bit of a motivator for us."

UK is also ranked fifth in the nation defensively and seventh in the nation offensively.

"It's positive feedback for us," Wilkerson said. "But the team is just scratching the surface."

UK has given up just .44 goals a game and has posted seven shutouts this season. Starting freshman goalie Dan Williams is ranked eighth in the nation in goals allowed and is ranked 13th in the nation in saves with a .861 save percentage.

Similarly, the Cats' offense, led by senior forward and Conference USA offensive player of

the week Riley O'Neill, is averaging 2.64 goals a game.

Both O'Neill and Williams were key figures in the Cats' 1-0 golden-goal, overtime win against then No. 6 South Carolina on Sunday. O'Neill scored the game-winning goal in the 105th minute.

"The mood of the team is good with their performance on Sunday," Wilkerson said, adding that the team played a near perfect game.

"It was the first time (all season) the light seemed to click," he said.

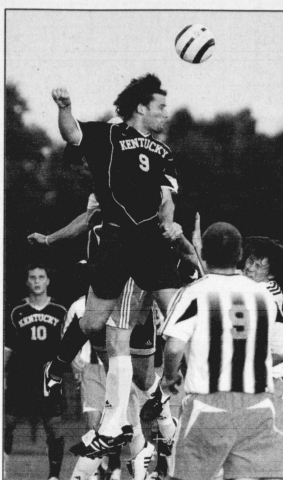
Wilkerson said the performance on Sunday was only a glimpse of what the team can do, and that it is still a work in progress.

After the loss to Michigan, head coach Ian Collins said one factor for UK's poor performance against the Wolverines was that his players were getting too caught up in their own success.

Wilkerson said the loss helped bring the team back down to earth.

UK's biggest test of the year is Saturday when the Cats travel to Dallas to take on the nation's top ranked team, Southern Methodist University.

"Hopefully (the ranking) gives our guys some confidence and lets them know they can do



Riley O'Neill heads a ball against Georgetown College on Sept. 6. O'Neill's goal in the 105th minute against No. 6 South Carolina this weekend sent UK to a 1-0 win, and shot them up to No. 13 in the national rankings.

HILLY SCHIFFER | STAFF

good things and win big games," Wilkerson said.

UK lost in a heartbreaking match last season against SMU when the Cats went up early in

the game but lost on a goal in the last few seconds.

"We hope to win," Wilkerson said. "That's our only goal going down there."

Despite problems, Cats lead in fumble recoveries

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Much noise has been made so far this season about the struggles of UK's defense.

The Cats are allowing Southeastern Conference highs in points per game (28.4), passing yards per game (260.6) and rushing yards per game (201).

Not all has been bad, however, for the UK defense.

Last Saturday against Central Michigan, the Cats recovered three fumbles, upping their season total to 10, giving them the national lead.

Not bad for a defense that ranks at or near the bottom in almost every other statistical category in the SEC.

"That's the positive," defensive coordinator Mike Archer said. "That's something that we've talked about since the spring that we didn't do a good job of last year."

Last year, the Cats recovered only two fumbles in the first five games, and 11 for the season. In the past three games, the Cats have recovered eight fumbles.

"The team is always flying around the football, making big hits," defensive lineman Myron Pryor said. "When you are in pursuit of the football on the field, there will be turnovers."

In the summer, the defense focused on creating more turnovers to give the offense a better chance to score. Pryor said the team ran a few drills in pursuit of the ball, but that most of the fumbles have been a result of instincts.

During the season, an area of emphasis has been making sure that after the initial hit is made on the ball carrier, the second person in on the play tries to jar the ball free.

"When somebody is running the ball, we've got to try to get our hands on the ball," Woodyard said. "We've got to do that

in order to have a good defense."

Turnovers have also kept the defense on the field for shorter periods of time. Pryor said being on the field for fewer plays has helped the team a lot.

"Last year we would always be on the field for 20 plays straight because the offense kept getting third downs," Pryor said. "With these turnovers, it's given our defense more of a rest."

Archer said the team's focus on producing turnovers has been great, and the unit needs to keep making its opponents drop the ball.

"They saw the ball on the ground eight times last week, and because you're talking about it and you're trying to emphasize it, now you're having success, it kind of feeds off of it," Archer said. "They take pride in the fact that they are where they are in turnovers, because we've never been there in the past three years, and hope-

fully we'll continue to do that."

Peters, Paris out

Defensive linemen Corey Peters and Jamil Paris have partial tears in their medial collateral ligaments and will be sidelined for three to four weeks, head coach Rich Brooks said after practice yesterday. Brooks said neither player needs surgery. Tight end Tyler Sexton also injured his MCL and will have surgery to repair the problem. He is out indefinitely.

Running back Rafael Little will practice tomorrow. Little is "questionable but probable," for this weekend's game against South Carolina, Brooks said.

Center Matt McCutchan worked out yesterday, and Brooks said he will be reevaluated tomorrow.

Braxton Kelley and Joe Schuler will start this week at two of the linebacker spots, replacing Micah Johnson and Johnny Williams.

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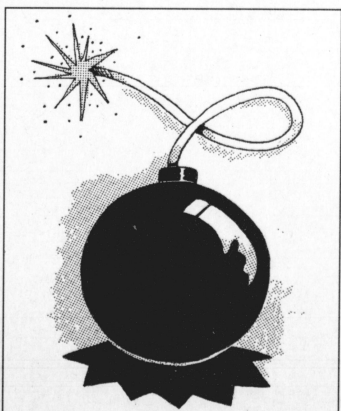
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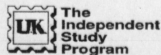
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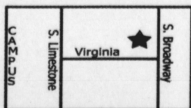
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Q&A with Jason Nehmer

Spotlight of the MAVAR@UK president

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Throughout the semester, *The Kernel* will spotlight various campus leaders. This week we are featuring Jason Nehmer, the president of MAVAR@UK, Men Against Violence and Rape at UK. This organization is in its second year and is made up of men who are concerned about the safety of women at UK.

Q. What is MAVAR@UK?

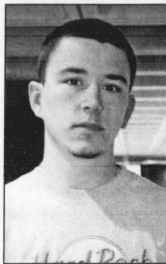
A. MAVAR@UK is basically an organization for men to change the perception of what violence against women really is. It is specifically tailored toward men, but we're open to women as well. Basically, it's just a forum for men to take action.

Q. How does UK's reported violent acts against women compare to other schools?

A. UK is right on par for the nation. We are almost right down the middle. Basically, it is important at UK, because we would like to be in the lower statistics. UK's benchmark schools like EKV, are taking actions like MAVAR@UK already. It is fine that we are in the middle, but we want UK to set the standard for other schools to lower these statistics.

Q. Why do you feel violence against women is such a problem?

A. It is perception. Most crimes involving violence against women aren't thought of as such, because they are in a college situation where alcohol is typically involved. It is up to the guys to be responsible, take control of the situation and to know the differences.



ED MATTHEWS/STAFF
Jason Nehmer, a political science and agricultural biotechnology senior, is this year's president of MAVAR@UK.

Q. Is violence against women more significant in a certain group of women or does it stretch across all types?

A. It pretty much spans across all women. Pretty much every one is at risk. Women shouldn't have to worry about making decisions to protect themselves. But reality is unfortunate, and they do.

Q. How has the response of the student body towards MAVAR@UK been?

A. I think that, at the moment, we are still falling off of the radar, and a lot of guys on campus agree and want to take an active part to stop violence against women.

Q. As president, what are your goals for MAVAR@UK?

A. I want it to become an official student organization and get a lot of members to come out. Personally, I would like to see MAVAR@UK take an active

role in the community and eventually be able to provide services as well as awareness.

Q. As president of MAVAR@UK, what is your response to the accusations of assault against two females by two Sigma Pi members?

A. Obviously nothing has been proven, but if it turns out to be true, it shows the need of better education and awareness. There are a bunch of guys in that situation that could step up and stop something like this. That is the idea of MAVAR@UK — so someone won't be so nervous or shy to take action.

Q. What specifically is MAVAR@UK sponsoring at UK to raise awareness?

A. We are helping with Take Back the Night and the White Ribbon campaign. We also have people working on an event called These Hands Don't Hurt. For this, we will set up booths outside of the Classroom Building where men will put their hands in finger paint and put their hand prints on a banner. By doing this they are saying that they are against violence against women. It is an awareness thing, and it is a nice idea but it can only go so far.

Q. Are you going to speak at the Sigma Pi house or other Greek organizations?

A. Yes, we are going to make an effort to speak to all Greek organizations. We are going to try to get members from fraternities. We are having a meeting tomorrow to talk about the launch of our talks.

Q. Do you have any Greek members, and what is their reaction?

A. We do have Greek members, but I do not know their specific names. We haven't

made that a center point thus far. National statistics of sexual assault on campuses are higher in fraternity houses and settings. It is a good idea to explore that. Why is that? We hope that if we are successful, when a situation arises where intervention is needed, so many guys in one setting and most of them are good, upstanding citizens, that some would stand up.

Q. What do you think brings violence against women on campus at a higher level, or is it even at a higher level?

A. There are certainly more situations that it can be dangerous on a college campus. Obviously alcohol is involved, and this is the type of violence that people tend to not consider. There is a difference between a hook-up and a guy and girl so gone they do not know what they are doing.

Q. Have there been any changes in the community since MAVAR@UK first started?

A. I have seen a lot more interest from men, and that was the goal. I have also seen a lot more men involved, where before they might have felt awkward.

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Q. What do you hope is the future for MAVAR@UK?

A. I hope we get more members. We would also like to have an impact on safety at UK. We want to change what is occurring right now.

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Recycled instruments bring new music

By Savannah Galloway
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Garbage cans, sinks and jackhammers will fill Singletary Center tonight. No, the building is not being renovated or torn down. Instead Recycled Percussion, a musical act that uses recycled common objects to play popular music, will be performing.

Recycled Percussion, which is composed of three drummers and a DJ, is performing at the Singletary Center for the Arts at 8 p.m. This group uses recycled tools, barrels, garbage cans, and pots and pans and mixes them with hip-hop beats to form what they call "the most ballistic live show of the decade."

Ben Vanderhose, the director of performing arts for the Student Activities Board, which

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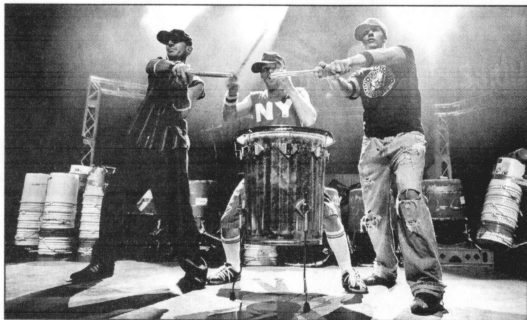


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Recycled Percussion, which is composed of three drummers and a disc jockey, perform using recycled objects as instruments. They'll perform tonight at the Singletary Center at 8 p.m., as part of SAB's concert series.

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Opposing parties encourage discussion

By Evan Israel
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Democrats and republicans don't often see eye to eye, and this week they have been looking to show everyone why.

Since Monday, members of the College Republicans and College Democrats have been congregating outside the Classroom Building and Barker Hall to promote their respective groups.

Both groups have flyers and pamphlets with discussions about party issues that they have handed out to passing students.

Although neither group worked in coordination to ensure the events happened at the same time this week, they did work on holding some events together.

Today, members of both groups will be holding a "Military Appreciation Day."

Democrats feel the event will emphasize that their party supports troops, even if its members don't always agree with the policies regarding the Iraq war.

"There seems to be a misconception that democrats don't support the military," College Democrats Secretary Joe Gallenstein said.

"I don't think there's a single one of us

who wishes harm on our troops," he said.

David Butcher, a freshman representative of the College Republicans, said that the day is a "bipartisan day," and that the event is important whether one agrees or disagrees with the war.

"They (the troops) deserve to be respected," Butcher said.

In addition to Military Appreciation Day, both groups will participate in a tug-of-war competition in front of the Classroom Building at noon tomorrow.

Various political candidates from both parties will also be on hand tomorrow to promote their positions regarding the upcoming November elections.

The two sides have often worked together, but because of the strong opinions on each side, there have certainly been areas of disagreement.

Much like how democrats feel their positions regarding the military are false, republicans feel perceptions of their party are also false.

"We're not the forceful Christians that people have the misconception of," Butcher said.

Richard Becker, president of the College Democrats, took issue with one of the dis-

cusson topics raised on Monday by the College Republicans.

It revolved around the National Rifle Association and the view of each group regarding gun possession.

"I feel the republicans' choice of topics yesterday was rather unfortunate," Becker said.

Becker said that in light of the recent shootings at some schools, the topic was not one that should have been discussed.

Brent Burchett, president of the College Republicans, apologized to anyone who may have been affected by the recent tragedies, but said it was just bad luck that the most recent incident occurred on the day of the gun discussion.

"We had no way of knowing that (the shooting) was going to be an issue," Burchett said.

He also said that the NRA is actually a major proponent of gun control, despite common perceptions about the group.

Regardless of their opposing opinions on many issues, both sides agree that the most important part of this week is educating people in Kentucky about why they feel the way they do, even if it leads to a big debate.

Plane crash survivor released from hospital

STAFF REPORT

The only survivor of the crash of Comair Flight 5191 was released from the UK Chandler Medical Center yesterday to begin his rehabilitation, according to a UK news release.

James Polehinke, the flight's co-pilot, was updated to fair condition by Dr. Andrew Bernard Monday because he was continuing to improve.

Polehinke's family declined all interview requests, according to the release, and asked that UK HealthCare discontinue its updates on his condition.

Hospital officials said they would honor the family's request for privacy.

The family also declined to release the location of Polehinke's rehabilitation.

Polehinke handed the aircraft during takeoff Aug. 27, pilot Jeffrey Clay taxied the aircraft to the wrong runway. Clay was one of the 49 who died in the crash.

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CRIME REPORT

UK Police reports from Sept. 26 to Oct. 2

- Sept. 26. Purse stolen from a car at the med center parking garage.
 - Sept. 26. Stolen purse from a building at 401 Hilltop Avenue.
 - Sept. 27. Theft from a building at a 900 South Limestone Street.
 - Sept. 27. Theft from a building at 404 South Limestone Street.
 - Sept. 27. Theft from a building at 305 Euclid Avenue.
 - Sept. 27. Fire on the 18th floor of a building at 758 Woodland Avenue.
 - Sept. 27. Marijuana use at Greg Page Apartments.
 - Sept. 27. Theft of a bike from 434 Complex Drive.
 - Sept. 27. Marijuana use at 300 Alumni Drive.
 - Sept. 28. Theft of a bike from Alumni Gym.
 - Sept. 28. Theft from 101 Prosperous Plaza.
 - Sept. 28. Compliant black dog with white paws at 140 Kentucky Clinic Drive.
 - Sept. 28. Assault at 460 Cooper Drive.
 - Sept. 29. Theft of a moped at 305 Euclid Avenue.
 - Sept. 29. Complaint of a kitten trapped in the hood of a car at 300 Alumni Drive.
 - Sept. 29. Criminal mischief, tires slashed at Memorial Coliseum.
 - Sept. 29. Alcohol intoxication at 201 Avenue of Champions.
 - Sept. 29. Criminal mischief, two male subjects breaking car windows at 850 Ross Street.
 - Oct. 1. Stolen golf cart at 1540 University Drive.
 - Oct. 2. Patient in wheelchair chasing grandmother at 800 Rose Street.
 - Oct. 2. Criminal mischief, tires slashed at 1540 University Drive.
 - Oct. 2. Theft of keys and stereo from car at 441 Pennsylvania Avenue.
 - Oct. 2. Two thefts from a building at 404 South Limestone Street.
 - Oct. 2. Theft from a bookstore at 404 South Limestone Street.
- Compiled from reports at UK Police Department.
Compiled by Managing Editor Keith Smiley.
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BAND

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is sponsoring the show, says Recycled Percussion chooses songs to perform based on today's popular music. The band adds their own twist, however, with the help of a few 55-gallon buckets and other recycled items.

Similar to the Broadway show "Stomp," Recycled Percussion uses everyday objects and mixes them with choreography and music. The band not only plays today's popular music, but it also performs original songs, Vanderhoest said.

Scott Kassapis, the marketing resources director for the band's management company, said the members of Recycled Percussion were motivated to become musicians at a young age by witnessing the use of common objects as instruments.

"They saw a guy drumming on a couple of buckets on a street in New York City when they were teens and became inspired by the idea," Kassapis said.

Recycled Percussion's music sounds exactly how the band's name implies, Kassapis said. He defines the music as "junk rock."

"It's like rhythm on steroids," Kassapis said. "They're an independent

band creating their own genre of junk rock. They use metal grinders choreographed with a light show, kitchen sinks, jackhammers and much more."

Recycled Percussion has been performing together for about 10 years and has been touring nationwide for five years, mostly at college campuses, Kassapis said.

Along with playing at 250 college campuses this year, Recycled Percussion will also be playing at major venues this fall. The band will be the halftime performance at three NBA games in Boston, Chicago and San Antonio.

While Recycled Percussion has performed at campuses all over the Southeast, the band has never at UK.

"They are very excited about coming to the University of Kentucky," Kassapis said. "It's always cool to play at a new venue and be able to inspire kids."

Recycled Percussion is a popular act on college campuses, and Kassapis says that students have voted Recycled Percussion "Best Entertainers of the Year" and "Best Music Group" in Campus Activities Magazine.

"The guys have beat out acts like John Mayer and O.A.R.," Kassapis said.

"This award means a lot to them since it's voted on by the students."

SG

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UK Dining Services Program and will have representation on the Dining Services Advisory Committee.

"I know I speak for Jonah when I stress to you the importance of this task force," SG Senate President Brent Burchett said. "This will represent the 85 percent of the student population who expressed their dissatisfaction with the current meal plan during last spring's elections."

Seven members of SG will travel to the University of Georgia Oct. 12-13 to meet with members of their dining services program to discuss and compare the way the programs operate.

UGA is one of UK's benchmark schools as a part of the Top-20 plan.

The senators also updated the full senate on projects they have in the works regarding issues such as recycling, sexual awareness, disability awareness, sponsorship of a diversity lecture series and an off-campus bus service.

The Senate gave \$1,500 from the Senate Special Projects Fund, which is set up to allow senators to give money to organizations who need financial sponsorship, to the

kickoff for Dance Blue.

"This is an event that is very important and needs financial support from Student Government to be successful," Sen. Tyler Montell, political science junior said. "Student Government will solely fund the promotion of Dance Blue with flyers and t-shirts. It is an important event that brings a lot of good to a great cause and that I think Student Government should be proud to be a part of it."

SG looks to fill cabinet positions

SG is taking applications for students interested in getting involved, Cabinet Secretary Nick Phelps said.

"We are always getting e-mails and calls to our office from students who want to get involved with Student Government," Phelps said. "This is their opportunity to (do that)."

There is room for 12 people in each of the eight cabinets to contribute to the legislation and decisions made by the full SG senate, Phelps said.

Applications can be picked up in the SG office, room 120 of the Student Center.

"The deadline has passed, but we will continue to accept applications until these positions are filled," Phelps said. "This is a perfect way for interested students to play an active role in decisions involving their campus."

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Ky. legislature should increase HPV awareness

Legislation currently under consideration in Michigan could make it the first state to require the HPV vaccine for young girls. The injection, which prevents several strains of the human papillomavirus infection, including those that lead to cervical cancer, would be administered to girls before entering the 6th grade. Other states are bound to follow; hopefully Kentucky will be among them. Kentucky Rep. Stan Lee said that although the General Assembly was not currently in session, he would be surprised if it wasn't brought up in discussion. "If I was a gambling man ... I would say it's going to be filed," Lee said. HPV, commonly referred to as genital warts, is one of the more rampant STDs. In fact by age 50, 80 percent of women will encounter it, according to the Center for Disease Control

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and Prevention. Not all of these women, and none of the men who carry the virus, experience symptoms, but it is still a threat and can still be passed on to other people. The FDA approved the HPV vaccine for release in June, and it is now available. The Kentucky Legislature should follow Michigan's lead by making Kentucky citizens aware of the vaccine and its importance in the fight against cancer and by considering making the vaccine required for girls entering the 6th grade. At such a young age, these girls most likely have not yet been exposed to the virus. If they receive the vaccine, it could decrease their chances of being affected by cervical cancer and other strains of HPV later in life by almost 100 percent.

Forget Chinese; students need help in English

The United States Department of Education gave the Fayette County school district a \$900,000 grant to teach Chinese to students in Lexington. The grant will be used to give "either 45 minutes or 55 minutes of daily instruction in Chinese or Japanese."



MEGAN VAZMINA
Kernel columnist

With an administration constantly promoting its No Child Left Behind Act, it's hard to believe that instead of focusing its resources on helping kids with english, math and science, the Department of Education is instead trying to teach children Chinese and Japanese.

In a country where students are lagging behind in education, in a world where China and Japan are fostering students who are much more academic and successful in certain areas of study, Fayette County has decided to use a grant for almost one million dollars to teach young children a foreign language.

The grant is also being used to hire four teachers in order to teach these languages. These are not the teachers that are needed for math or science. They will not help to alleviate the strain on current teachers who have classrooms with 30 or more students.

The grant comes from work on a 2020 Vision, which aims to "transform learning in the district." Transforming it by undermining the subjects that need to be taught.

English grammar is rarely taught in school now; before I came to college, the last time I had a grammar lesson, an in-depth grammar lesson, was during my freshman year of high

school. It is a subject that is glossed over, maybe because teachers assume that students are familiar with the rules or maybe because it is not a subject that needs to be taught because it is not present on standardized CATS testing.

Whatever the reason for the lack of English education, it is no excuse for continuing to disregard it. Teaching other foreign languages at a time that is critical for students only makes matters worse. At an early age, children can absorb more information, and while it would be wonderful to teach them foreign languages, there should be more emphasis on other subjects.

It seems odd, as well, that the languages Chinese and Japanese were chosen. I remember at the middle school I attended, French and Spanish were offered, and in high school the choices were French, Spanish and German.

This project may have good intentions: educating the children of Lexington in other languages and broadening their horizons, but the fact is that the children of Lexington, the children of this nation are lagging behind in basic subjects.

The land where one can achieve the "American Dream," is raising children that are not as educated as those in foreign countries. I remember in my journalism class, on a grammar test, a student from Japan scored the highest.

It seems that soon, while students may not be able to ace grammar tests or be more than just proficient in the English language, they will be able to communicate with foreigners. While not completely negative, it is still sad to see the English language, as well as other academic areas, set aside while the "transformation of learning" focuses on subjects that aren't critical for elementary and middle school students.

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GRAHAM SMITH, Kernel cartoonist

UK has improved safety, but there's room for more change

Last September, UK announced it was making campus safety one of its top priorities. To this end, UK began the Campus Safety Initiative and said it was backing it up with \$1.25 million in funding. "As we look at becoming a Top-20 institution, we need to have Top-20 students, faculty and staff, and that can't happen if they don't feel safe," said UK President Lee Todd at the announcing of the initiative.

UK established the Cat's Path. The path, marked by blue paw prints on the sidewalk, stretches across campus, giving students a well-lit, safer way to hoof it to wherever they're going on campus. Gone are the large bushes and dark, unlit areas where assailants could lie in wait to assault passersby. Add in the beefed up UK Police force, with one officer hired since last year and three more planned hires starting this

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month, and UK is making good on part of the deal. Now for the other part. As the saying goes, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

The events of the past week have further cemented the importance of education, both for students and for faculty and staff. The reported sexual assault and sexual abuse that the two victims said took place in the Sigma Pi fraternity house bring to the forefront one of the most difficult to deal with and dangerous facts about sexual assault: Usually the victim knows the assailant.

Preventative measures such as those UK has been undertaking all over campus are excellent measures to prevent assaults perpetrated by those who are strangers to their victims, but when it

comes to preventing assaults at the hands of those who are known, education is the greatest weapon.

UK is to be commended for taking action on this front as well. Educating nurses, police officers and incoming students is absolutely necessary, and UK is doing this.

Education is the tool friends use to encourage others to not tolerate violence. Education is the tool students use to keep safe from harm each day and night they call UK's campus "home." Education is what helps administrators and campus leaders make plans for the future and continue improving on existing plans and methods.

The atmosphere the university promotes and creates is essential to fixing and preventing the problem of violence. An atmosphere that makes victims feel comfortable and safe enough to speak

out is also important.

"We want a network on campus where women who have been victims can go to a person they trust and know they are going to be supportive," said Women's Place Director Dorothy Edwards, in the Nov. 15, 2005 issue of the Kernel, talking about the need to continue to build a supportive atmosphere for victims of violence on campus.

UK has already made so many steps and shown so much interest in making campus safety a priority. Now is not the time for that hard work to come to a close.

Quite the opposite, UK should continue to progress and build on the steps it has already taken. Now is not the time to falter or let up in this fight to make campus safe. To do so would be a disservice to every student, faculty member and staffer who lives or works here.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Give former senator a chance to explain

I would like if you all would get the story straight regarding yesterday's editorial, "To govern, one must show up." Yes, I did resign, and it was because of missing meetings, but you must know that I had a class conflict during the meeting time. Student Government did not take that into account. Furthermore I tried to see if I could meet with the council at different times because I am, and was, a very active student. While having a full load of classes, I was a manager for the women's basketball team and had to travel.

So, if you could please give me a chance to voice my story, I would really appreciate it. This is the second time my name has been mentioned in this paper when it comes to Student Government, and it is putting a bad light on my name and wrecking the image that I try so hard to maintain. So if you could send one of your reporters to get my side of the whole issue I would really appreciate it because up to this point it has been one-sided. Let's just get the story straight because it is not 100 percent at the moment and remember, I was the top vote-getter. I received more votes than the president at the time, Becky Ellingsworth.

Frederick Perry
agricultural communications senior

Kernel should get the facts straight on SG

Yesterday, the Kernel reported on the low attendance of last week's Senate Meeting. I am not writing to deny the fact that Senate did not make quorum, and I am saying that this is disappointing, but there are certain facts that must be addressed.

The article in regards to the mayoral debate mentioned the occurrence of the

Council Member's Reception that was scheduled for the same night. Student Government had been planning this event for Voter Education Week in hopes of getting strong student involvement in our local elections. We had worked tirelessly that week to educate and register voters, and our labors proved successful. But, this is the reason that the Senate Meeting was pushed an hour ahead of schedule. Student Government felt that it was important for our student officials to meet with our local officials. While it was Geek week and there were test conflicts, the major reason for the change was Voter Education Week.

The Kernel briefly reported on the events during the week and misreported the final day to register to vote. It is not today, but Oct. 10. Furthermore, there was no Kernel reporter at the event to inform students on local issues. The single most influential program at the university not only reported that last registration day was wrong, but has left the students at a disadvantage for not informing them of vital student issues in Lexington.

I would also like to point out that Student Government will continue to have open registration in the office up until that date. Students are strongly encouraged to register at the SG office or anywhere that provides registration. It is important for students to register, stay informed and vote on Nov. 7. The best way to affect change in our society is to vote and make your voice heard.

Chris Crumrine
communications and political science junior

UK security warning unfair to fraternities

Whatever happened to the concept that the accused are "innocent until proven guilty?" It seems to me that, at least on this campus, that is just an expression. The crass manner in which the

alleged sexual abuse and assault charges have been handled by the university and local media outlets is appalling and shameful.

The e-mail that the UK Office of Emergency Management sent out over the All Campus List Serv on Sept. 29 was out of line. I was shocked to see information included in the message that would be better fit for a cover of a gossip magazine than in a professional bulletin sent to thousands of students. The e-mail never should have included the name of the Sigma Pi Fraternity; the organization was not involved with the incident, even if two of its members were. There is no confirmation of the reported incidents occurring at the address listed, that of the Sigma Pi house at 364 Aylesford Place. Given those circumstances, the mentioning of the organization in such a manner is outlandish and should be handled accordingly.

The message's description of the suspect in question is vague and unspecific, so much that the message describes as much as a third of the male Greek population. This provides the opportunity for students to typecast fraternity males as rapists and sexual offenders, an undeserved label for one of the university's upstanding campus communities.

In closing, the case as it stands is this: two very serious charges have been filed, and there are two young men being accused. If these alleged events really did take place, then they should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law, and our deepest sympathies will go out to the victims. However, because of the unprofessional and inappropriate manner with which this issue has been dealt, Sigma Pi, the Interfraternity Council and the entire fraternal population have already been tried and convicted, and it seems that no matter what the truth is when it comes out, the damage has already been done.

W. Tyler Montell
political science junior and SG senator-at-large

Columnists needed

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A LASTING CONDOLENCE



BRAD LUTRELL | STAFF
A biker rides past the drain yesterday where Lindsey Harp and Lauren Fannin went missing during flooding on Sept. 23. On the drain, "Godspeed" is spray painted in memory of the two women.

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