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## Wilkinson appoints self to UK board

### Many faculty disappointed with influence of politics

By GREGORY A. HALL  
Associate Editor

Calling for reform of Kentucky's higher education system, Gov. Wallace Wilkinson appointed himself yesterday to the UK Board of Trustees with the intent to do so.

Naming himself to a six-year term, Wilkinson said he wants to reform higher education like he did when he supported the 1990 reform of elementary and secondary education in the state.

Wilkinson's gubernatorial term expires Dec. 10, the same day as the next scheduled trustees meeting.

Some faculty and at least one education advocate said the move was ill-advised and further politicizes the University.

"After all, the relations between the governor and the University in the last few years have been tense and often confrontational," said faculty trustee Raymond Betts.

Wilkinson criticized UK's handling of an NCAA investigation of its basketball program and former UK President David Roselle before he resigned.

Critics claimed that Wilkinson stacked the Board of Trustees to put Charles Wethington into the UK presidency.

Some faculty also noted that the appointment places now-UK President Wethington in a precarious position — between the incoming gov-

ernor, Brereton Jones, and the outgoing governor, who appointed or re-appointed a majority of the board.

The appointment "just continues that process of politicizing what is supposed to be an educational enterprise," said faculty trustee Carolyn Bratt. "I think it's a step backwards in the educational reform movement that has been started in this state."

Governors sat on the UK board during their term until 1972, when a law was passed taking the sitting governor off the board.

"The idea was to separate the University from elected politics, and this puts it back in them and really feeds people's cynicism about the political process," said Robert F. Sexton, executive director of the Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence.

"This takes politics in appointments to the extreme and is sending the signal that the University has been totally politicized at the government level," he said.

The governor's intent to reform higher education received a mixed initial blessing.

Wilkinson said he wants to attack some of the most entrenched traditions of higher education, beginning with the role of full-time, tenured faculty members.

Wilkinson said those professors do not spend enough time in the classroom, teaching students.

"There's nothing wrong with research or publishing, but we can no longer afford for a substantial percentage of our full-time, tenured faculty to be involved only in research and publishing."

Research that is paid for with tax dollars should benefit both the state and its students, Wilkinson said.

Sexton acknowledged there is room in higher education for reform. "He's saying some of the right things," he said in reference to faculty spending more time with students.

Faculty questioned Wilkinson's intentions.

"I would hate to see a reform of higher education come to mean that somehow we're doing it all wrong," said political science professor William Lyons, noting UK's worldwide reputation.

Political science professor Malcolm Jewell said the governor's reform effort could be a detriment to the institution.

He said the reform would mean the increase in faculty workloads. "The faculty has suffered as many heart attacks as we need around here."

That would cause a mass exodus of quality faculty, he said.

The reform also would mean that faculty would spend less time researching, Jewell said. And if so,

they have "no business teaching graduate students," one of UK's primary roles in Kentucky higher education.

And Bratt said Wilkinson placing himself on the board impedes any reform effort.

"He is a political person who is, in fact, pursuing a political agenda, and that is not always consistent with pursuing an agenda of educational reform," she said.

"If you look at what is going on in reform with K through 12, the attempt has been to remove politics from the school systems," Bratt said. "And we go exactly in the opposite direction in higher education."

Proposals made by Jones and state Rep. Ernesto Scorsone (D-Lexington) are being discussed, which would reform the trustee selection process to remove some of the political influence.

Roughly, the proposals call for a committee to be set up to nominate three candidates for positions on the boards of state universities from which the governor would select the appointee.

"The quality of the various boards of trustees and regents around the state do vary depending upon whom the governor selects and the purpose in mind," Betts said. "I'm one of those who is very strongly behind the Scorsone proposal."

Jewell and others said the appointment could compromise Wethington's power.

"It puts President Wethington in

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## UK REACTS

### Charles Wethington, UK president



"This is an appointment of a trustee to the board of the University of Kentucky, and I will work with Gov. Wilkinson as I do with other board members. I truly believe that my role is to work with the Board of Trustees that is given to me and I will continue to do that to the best of my ability."

### Raymond Betts, faculty trustee

"I'm disappointed and disturbed.

After all, the relations between the governor and the University in the last few years have been tense and often confrontational."



### Foster Ockerman, Board of Trustees chairman



"We welcome the governor to the board, and I'm sure he'll make a contribution. He has had a lot of experience in the various affairs of government. He is interested in education. He has shown that in his support of the new education program.

"The governor will be another member of the board. We have a good president and he's very capable."

### Carolyn Bratt, faculty trustee

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## Students upset by governor's news

By KELLEY POPHAM  
Staff Writer

Jeff Morrison said the worst thing that could happen to UK happened last night when Wallace Wilkinson appointed himself to the UK Board of Trustees.

"I don't think he's qualified to be on the board," said Morrison, a social work senior.

Morrison was not alone in his disapproval. Students interviewed shook their heads in disbelief at Wilkinson's announcement.

"It's incredulous," said Cindi Meisenhelder, an English senior.

Beyond the initial reaction of outrage, students said they are concerned that Wilkinson is not an advocate of higher education and could not possibly overcome current budget cuts that he imposed.

"It seems like it's kind of a conflict of interests, because how can he help us? How can he possibly overcome these budget cuts? It

seems so paradoxical," Meisenhelder said.

John Mefford, a political science sophomore, has seen how the newly imposed cuts have affected his department.

"It's hurt everybody really bad," he said. "I don't think he's going to rise above that at all."

"One of his campaign (promises) was to improve education, and all of a sudden we have this cut and there's a hiring freeze at the University and the University is being blamed for spending too much money," said Bill Marsh, a business junior.

Russell May said he was against the appointment but was not surprised.

"After him being governor and basically cutting UK's budget, he'll probably end up raising tuition and cutting the budget more," said May, an etymology senior.

Marvin Oligie, an education senior, was the only student inter-

viewed who approved of Wilkinson's appointment.

"I think there will be more direct input with him being on the board. He'll get things going a little bit faster. I think (the board) can work together to bring Kentucky's education up to par," Oligie said.

Some students find fault with Wilkinson's placement only because it was by self-appointment.

"I don't think he should be able to be self-appointed," said Jay Fischbein, an accounting senior.

"I'm sure his goals are in the right place. I don't think there's any question about that. I think the controversy is how he got that position," he said.

Stephanie Whit said she is concerned about whether Wilkinson's motives are misplaced because he lacks a college degree.

"I know he tried to get it from UK and they turned him down," said Whit, an agriculture communications junior. "I don't know wheth-

er he'd be doing it for us or trying to do it for himself to try and get his degree."

One student said the problem lies in the whole selection process of the board members.

"I think the Board of Trustees is filled with ex-governors, and that shows how screwed up the system is in this state," said Bob Baker, a freshman. Wilkinson's appointment "looks like a typical thing for leaving governors to do. They don't want to lose any of their power."

Nikki Dixon said she has seen no commitment to higher education during Wilkinson's stint.

"I think that a position on the Board of Trustees is a really important position, and I don't think that somebody appointing themselves is a very good idea," said Dixon, a first-year dental student. "I think it should have a lot more input than that from other people."



The lighting of the Christmas tree in Lexington's Triangle Park marked the beginning of the holiday season.

## Santa to make calls to select children

By JEN BRYANT  
Contributing Writer

Children of UK students, faculty and staff may be hearing from Santa Claus soon.

For a personal call from Santa to their children, parents need only pick up and fill out an information sheet from Campus Recreations in 145 Seaton Center.

Parents should provide Santa with some hints that may make his call

more genuine such as names of best friends, siblings and pets. Santa will give children special instructions such as "eat your carrots" and "clean your room."

For the skeptical child, Santa will be able to tell them what they received last year and how Santa plans on getting into the child's home.

David Stockham, UK's dean of students, has volunteered as a phone Santa for the past several

years. "The great majority of calls are just delightful," said Stockham, who said he loves the range of reactions Santa generates from children.

Stockham said some children get excited and talk forever, while others are frightened and will only talk through their parents.

Kathy Cole, who is coordinating the event, said several people play Santa each year. She said she recruits people from various colleges

and campus offices.

Cole inherited the Santa Calls program when she came to UK eight years ago. The calls are free but are limited to 3- to 8-year-old children of UK faculty, staff and students.

Information sheets must be returned to Santa Calls by next Friday. The calls will be made on Dec. 17 and 18 between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

## American hostage freed after five years captivity

By EILEEN ALT POWELL  
Associated Press

DAMASCUS, Syria — American Joseph Cicippio, gaunt and weary, was freed yesterday after five years of captivity in Lebanon, and the U.N. secretary-general said another U.S. hostage could be released in

days.

Cicippio, 61, could muster only a weak smile and brief remarks when he met with reporters at the Syrian Foreign Ministry. He told of being moved 20 times during his captivity, of being denied newspapers, radio and television by his pro-Iranian kidnappers.

"I have to learn everything all over again," he said.

His family in Pennsylvania said they were worried by his appearance.

Hours after being freed in Beirut and driven to the Syrian capital, Cicippio was reunited with his Lebanese wife, Elham. They then flew to

Germany, where doctors will determine if he should immediately be sent to the United States for treatment.

Cicippio was the eighth Western hostage — including seven long-time captives — freed in Lebanon. See HOSTAGES, Page 6

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# SPORTS

## Time to eat food, wrap up loose ends and give awards

Every football team has a banquet to end the season. Whether a winning team or a loser, the banquet is a great time. It is a time to eat some good food and to wrap up the loose ends, the losses, the wins, the dissention, the envies, the pranks and the general football madness in a box of lame, roasting, feel-good jokes.

And, of course, awards are given. Now, to the point. If I were giving awards to the UK football team — which will enjoy an early banquet this year — these are the ones I would give:

**The "DOCTOR IS OUT" Award** goes to UK coach Bill Curry. Curry denied allegations that certain coaches (namely defensive coordinator Larry New) underwent a "brain transplant," after the UK's defense allowed 49 points to Georgia.

The remark was obviously intended for those that contended that Curry should transplant New with a new defensive coordinator.

**The "I DON'T CARE IF IT RHYMES" Award** goes to 5-foot-8, 145-pound flanker Kurt Johnson. Kentucky Kernel columnist Al Hill, in trying to pick a nickname for the dynamic junior, came up with Kurt "The Squirt" Johnson.

Johnson, at a press conference a few weeks later, asked Kernel Sports Editor Tim Wiesenbahr if he was from the Kernel. When "Wez" said he was, Johnson said, "Tell that guy at the Kernel I don't like the 'Squirt.'"

Johnson's own appropriate suggestion: "Stunt Man."



**Bob NORMAN**

**The "PERSONAL FOUL THIS" AWARD** goes to defensive tackle Jerry Bell. Bell, famous on Louisville's South Side as a menace to peace and prosperity, is a fighter. His late hit in the Indiana game — which was a questionable call — gave UK lousy field position for their last, fiasco-ridden, losing drive in that 13-10 loss. Bell was charged with more personal fouls than sacks during the season.

**The "I DIDN'T KNOW YOU CARED" AWARD** goes to left guard Todd Perry. Perry was minding his own business, lining up to block an Indiana lineman during a crucial situation on that last doomed drive. Then-quarterback Brad Smith, apparently dazed, lined up behind Perry as if he were the center. Perry has never snapped a ball for the UK football team.

Terry Samuels, alerted to the situation, grabbed Smith and told him what he was doing, deterring Smith from goosing an unsuspecting Perry.

**The HEROIC DEPARTURE AWARD** goes to Donnie Redd. The redshirt freshman, in that all-important Indiana game, took a wide pitch from Brad Smith on IU's 13-yard line on a sweep. In cutting the sweep, the 5-7, 165-pound tailback strained his right quadriceps.

Seeing open field, Redd ran straight ahead — as he was unable to cut — and ran through a tackler to the end zone.

Redd leaped up in post-touchdown ecstasy and was mobbed by teammates. Then, with a high, bouncing, limping run, started his way to the sideline. Then he slowed down. Then he fell to the ground. Then he finally crawled off the field. It was the best UK run of the season and Redd's last as a freshman.

**The "COME ON UP TO UK! ANYBODY CAN PLAY HERE!" AWARD** goes to Troy Hobbs and his father. Hobbs, a Florida native and Miami Southridge High School graduate, walked on at UK last season and this year earned a scholarship as a flanker. Hobbs and his father then talked fellow Southridge High graduate Willie Cannon to give it a shot. Cannon did and — after blocking three kicks in a scrimmage game — earned a scholarship during the preseason.

Cannon earned the scholarship during the Florida game when he blocked a punt and recovered a fumble.

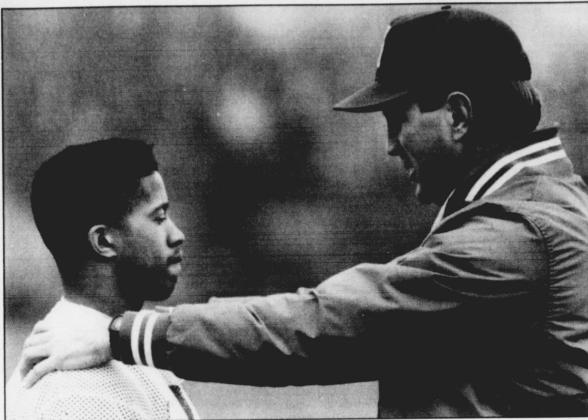
**The "EENIE MEENIE MINIE MOE" Award** goes to UK quarterbacks. First Freddie Maggard was expected to start. After Maggard's shoulder injury, Brad Smith got his turn. After Smith failed to get the offense moving, Pookie Jones took over. Then Jones and Ryan Hockman alternated at quarterback for the rest of the season.

Wonder if Curry was drawing straws?

**The "I CAN RUN" Award** goes to Pookie Jones, who lit up UK's gridiron with slashing, spectacular running. Jones put opposing defenses in awkward positions with his scrambling ability. He ran for three touchdowns in the exciting Florida game.

**The "SOMEBODY GET ME A NAPKIN" Award** also goes to Pookie. After dazzling the crowds with his running ability, he would often make them cringe with his Parkay-laced fingers, as Jones let the ball slip often from his hands.

**The "I GOT 'EM, I GOT 'EM, I ... DON'T GOT 'EM" Award** goes to offensive lineman Greg Lahr. Lahr was eaten up by several defenses this season, and the revolving quarterbacks paid the price.



KERNEL FILE PHOTO

UK's Kurt Johnson left, confers with Coach Bill Curry during football practice this fall. Johnson started at wide receiver and returned kicks this season.

Lahr may not have quite gotten over his water skiing accident during the off season. At the time, there was quite a mystery as to how Lahr sustained a "puncture wound on his upper thigh." Curry, not one to publicize beach disasters concerning his team, withheld the true cause.

**The "I CAN DIP WITH A BAD LIP" AWARD** goes to senior nose guard Joey Couch. Couch, who led the team with his open personality and sincere effort, took a lot of beating last season.

He could often be seen lying flat on his stomach on the turf after making a particularly tough tackle. He would get up slow and then, with duty on his mind, set back up in the trenches.

On one such occasion, during a preseason practice, Couch was very slow to get up after making a shoe-string tackle on a surging Matt Riazzi. Riazzi's kicking heel had smacked Couch under his face mask, bloodying and fattening his lips.

After practice, Couch didn't hesitate to go straight to his dip cup and put a pinch between his gums and lower lip. Considering the aches and pains of preseason drilling and training, the sting of the dip was probably a welcome and refreshing

change of pain.

**The KEYNOTE GRADUATION SPEAKER AWARD** goes to Curry. Curry followed in the footsteps of the best high school principals in America when he said that this year's team was his favorite.

"When we start winning championships" and people start asking Curry if the championship teams are his favorite, "I'll say ... remember that '91 team," the coach said.

And this great class of '91 will go far in life if they face new challenges and listen to their elders.

**The STING AWARD** goes to cornerback Don Robinson. In that infamous Indiana game, Robinson hit IU tight end Rod Coleman after

catching a Trent Green pass on UK's two yard line. The catch most likely would have set up an IU touchdown.

Robinson, however, in a textbook precision tackle, lunged from UK's end zone and nailed Coleman hard. Robinson's helmet connected with the football, knocking it loose and into the hands of Marty Moore for a touchback.

The hit perfectly embodied the desperate goal of the Cats — to create turnovers against superior teams.

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## Win over Giants gives Bengals brief highlight

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals' unexpected victory over the Super Bowl champion New York Giants gave the Bengals a brief highlight in a season that has been dismal.

Sunday's 27-24 victory for Cincinnati (2-11) broke a three-game Bengals losing streak. It also had some players wondering whether the Bengals could have broken out of their funk earlier this season if coach Sam Wyche had been quicker to adopt the get-tough approach he took last week.

The Bengals played so poorly in their 38-14 loss to the Los Angeles Raiders on Nov. 24 that Wyche apologized to reporters and made his team watch six hours of game films and run wind sprints the day

after the defeat.

"Sam's Sam," said quarterback Boomer Esiason, who passed for 204 yards and a touchdown Sunday. "I don't think he has to change. The players have to change."

Esiason has been critical of veteran Bengals players this season for not trying hard enough to win, although he has refrained from singling anyone out by name.

"Players need a kick in the butt from the head coach," Esiason said.

"The only game there's been no effort was last week and he responded," linebacker Carl Zander said.

"I know I don't need seven-to-nine-hour days to get motivated," wide receiver Tim McGee said. "This personality of Sam doesn't match him. Everyone has to find a way to give a winning effort."

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# DIVERSIONS



## Tuesday lineup strong, but TV weak this season

By DEBORAH HASTINGS  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Tuesday is the week's best night for television watching. Of course, that's not saying much.

There are several high-quality shows beamed into American living rooms Tuesday evenings. But even that isn't enough to change the fact that taken as a whole, television really sinks this season.

For the 40-and-under set, Tuesday nights haven't been the same since Life According to Hope and Michael Steadman (better known as "thirtysomething") was canceled earlier this year.

Yuppies' incessant whiners were the 10 p.m. favorite of many barely wrinkled overachievers. Then this fall, in the Steadman's stead, came "Homefront," a drama about post-World War II life in Los Angeles.

But period costumes and elaborate scenes shot at L.A.'s historic Union Station can't cover a clunker. "Homefront," brought to you by the makers of "Dallas" and "Knots

Landing," is a rare blight on Tuesday's schedule.

Indeed, the most disturbing part of watching TV on Tuesday is that some of the night's best programs are broadcast simultaneously by different networks. In the absence of a VCR, this can be annoying.

Kicking off the evening's prime-time drama slate on NBC is "I'll Fly Away," the best new show on any night's schedule.

Set in the 1950s Deep South, "I'll Fly Away" (which takes its name from the title of a gospel song) portrays a white, Southern lawyer trying to do the right thing while raising two children with the help of a black maid.

The wife and mother of this family have been sent to a mental hospital, where it appears she will be staying for a while (at least this season, anyway).

The program stars Oscar nominee Sam Waterston (who played journalist Sidney Schanberg in 1984's "The Killing Fields") as Forrest Bedford, an Atticus Finch prototype. Regina Taylor plays Lily Harper, a black domestic who

supplies household amenities and a social conscience to the conservative Bedfords.

"I'll Fly Away," though critically acclaimed, has suffered heavy ratings losses to "Full House," ABC's formulaic, but highly popular 8 p.m. sitcom. This despite the drama's genesis — it was created by Josh Brand and John Falsey, the team that conceived "Northern Exposure" and "St. Elsewhere."

NBC's all-drama lineup Tuesdays is anchored at 9 p.m. by "In the Heat of the Night," the 3-year-old series patterned after the Academy Award-winning feature film of the same name.

Starring Carroll O'Connor as Mississippi police chief Bill Gittling and Howard Rollins as detective Virgil ("Call me Mr.") Tibbs, "In

the Heat of the Night" also tackles race relations in the South, though the writing is less witty than that of "I'll Fly Away" and the production values are poorer.

"Law & Order" at 10 p.m. is still one of the best programs on prime-time television. The NBC series starring Michael Moriarty, Paul Sorvino, Christopher Noth and Richard Brooks has proven itself unafraid to tackle the most controversial of contemporary subjects despite heavy financial hits caused by advertiser defections.

Tonight, the NBC dramas go up against "Wildflower," a Lifetime cable film directed by Diane Keaton and starring Beau Bridges. Also featuring Patricia Arquette, the 9 p.m. movie depicts a near-deaf epileptic kept locked in a shack by her

stepfather.

Over at ABC, the network's comedy lineup continues its winning streak. "Roseanne," at 9 p.m., remains one of the top-rated programs on television, as does "Coach," which follows at 9:30 p.m.

Stand-up comedian Tim Allen's "Home Improvement" sitcom is the only new show of the season to break into TV's top 10 list. Broadcast at 8:30 p.m., "Home Improvement" has the enviable position of being sandwiched between "Full House" and "Rosanne."

CBS has its own Tuesday night success story with "Rescue 911," a hokey but well-watched reality series hosted by William Shatner. The re-enacted real-life tragedies of everything from drowning children to stabbing victims is a bit hard to

watch over dinner, but American viewers consistently make it one of CBS' best-liked shows.

The network has chosen not to fill the 9 p.m. slot with original series programming. For the most part, CBS broadcasts feature films in that period, though last week its Tuesday miniseries finale of "In a Child's Name" was the most-watched show on television.

And if commercial network-and cable-hopping aren't enough to keep Tuesday viewers happy, PBS' "Frontline" airs at 9 p.m. with consistently excellent documentaries. Last week's "The Secret Story of Terry Waite" detailed the connection between the recently freed Church of England envoy and Oliver North.

## UK tackles rape, racism in Lee's 'Mockingbird'

By JULIA L. LAWSON  
Staff Critic

The UK Department of Theatre tackles the serious issues of rape and racism in its production of Harper Lee's "To Kill A Mockingbird" at the Guignol Theatre.

The play — which is beautifully designed and professionally acted — is a must see. The cast, particularly Matt Poage and Matthew Stone, demonstrates the high degree of talent at UK.

If awards were given for each performance, the MVP in this case should go to Tina Tober, who played Scout. Simply put, she was good. She was much like a major league southpaw pitching another no-hitter. And throughout the play, she left no doubt that she was Scout. Hitting right on the mark, Tober could well be on her way to a spotlight-filled career.

Although the Guignol Theatre may not be Radio City Music Hall or the Schubert Theatre, director James Rodgers and Russell Jones, set and lighting designer, overcame this and presented a tasteful rendition of "Mockingbird."

Ervy Whitaker also deserves much acclaim for his performance as Tom Robinson, the defendant in

the rape trial. He combines solid acting talent with a sensational voice. Because of all the racial tensions on campus, Whitaker has made a bold statement by taking on this role, and he has done it with style.

Although presenting a rape scene on stage can create problems, this production did it right. The attack on Jem and Scout included the appropriate dose of intensity and excluded the painful sight of a blood-ridden Bob Ewell or a traumatized Jem. The point is clearly stated and causes the audience to ponder what has happened. And this was done without shoving it down the collective throats of the audience members.

In a nutshell, the actors were first-rate and their timing was flawless. "To Kill A Mockingbird" proves that the Department of Theatre knows its business in bringing together fine talent and a good story to the stage.

"To Kill A Mockingbird" will continue Thursday through Saturday nights at the Guignol Theater, located in the Fine Arts Building. For ticket information, call 257-4929.

## Open house to showcase faculty, student artwork

Staff reports

An open house will be held Friday at the Reynolds Building, showcasing works by UK art faculty, staff and graduate students from 6 to 9 p.m. The event will be hosted by the Studio Art Graduate Seminar and the Department of Studio Art.

In addition to the studio spaces which will be exhibiting both completed works and works in progress,

classrooms will be opened to display examples of student work. Various demonstrations will also be held during the open house.

Works in the annual "Student Showcase" will be juried by Central Bank of Lexington. Local bands Black Cat Bone and 10 Foot Pole will perform as well.

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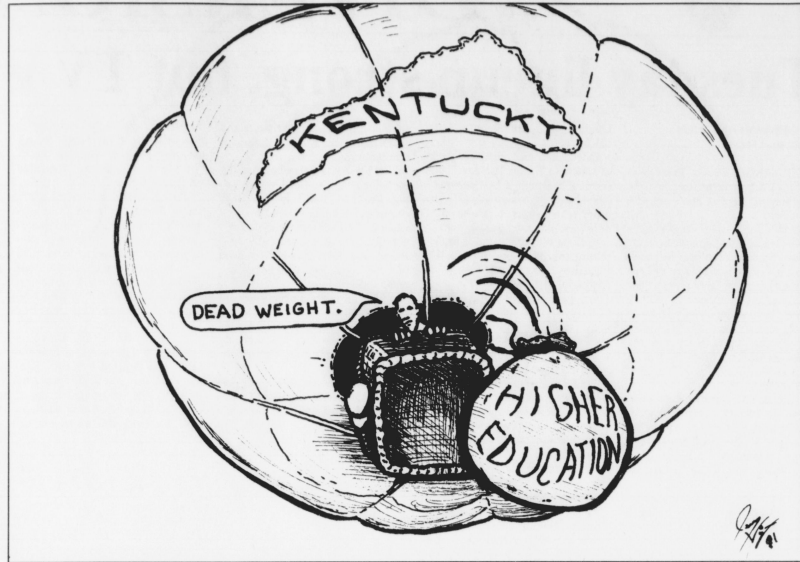
## Welcome to the state where a budget cut is never far away

It seems as though we have talked about this before, but the message never gets across. UK now is facing a \$15 million dollar budget cut and things are not pretty.

Teacher salaries, however, will be protected from the ax. It is typical that once again, as we get close to the benchmark salary level, the state imposes a freeze on any increases. UK cannot recruit and maintain a quality staff of teachers if this continues.

The budget crisis has also caused a cut in spring 1992 classes to be offered. Richard Edwards, the new dean of Arts and Sciences, said classes that were expected to be filled still were being offered. This severely limits what students are able to take, especially regarding electives. Prospects for having a normal load of classes offered next year also appear dim.

And the steps that are being taken to cut costs in other areas bor-



der on the ridiculous. For instance, the Department of Political Science has eliminated long-distance phone privileges for its faculty. Now that's a little silly.

However, things could get worse. If state revenue continues to decline, there could be even more harsh budget cuts, which could mean layoffs. Edwards said it would be difficult to make further cuts in Arts and Sciences "without any layoffs."

Edwards also added that UK was ready to move ahead of other universities if it weren't for the cuts.

"It's sad to see this happen, because the University and especially the College of Arts and Sciences were in a position to raise the reputation of the University and improve the quality of what we do."

To our new dean — welcome to Kentucky, where budget cuts within higher education are never far away.

## Letters

### Column on AIDS 'courageous'

To the editor:

I have not seen N. Alan Cornett's column on AIDS — only what the Lexington Herald-Leader reported. I liked what I read. It was a courageous stand and seemed to generate a loud commotion.

AIDS is not chicken pox, true, but we need to avoid plunging over the precipice of hysteria. Some-

times it is better to "stand there" and consider rather than "do something" in haste and make an error.

Stand fast. Know that you are not alone.

Sandford Logan Weiler, M.D.  
Daniel Boone Clinic  
Nov. 22, 1991

### Cornett shows lack of sensitivity

To the editor:

Alan Cornett, you are certainly entitled to your own opinions. However, in your Nov. 12 column "Magic and AIDS," by labeling particular AIDS victims "innocent," you are saying that certain other victims are not. This is simply not the case. Every single victim of AIDS is innocent; not one of them ever asked for it, and not one of them ever deserved to get it. Such labeling of particular victims, twice in your column, demonstrates a total lack of sensitivity.

I realize that the ideas you expressed do contain a few valid points: it is true that those who abstain from promiscuity probably will greatly reduce their risk of contracting the HIV virus. Magic Johnson's statement might make people re-evaluate their own personal behavior, and maybe this way a few more deaths could be prevented. But once people begin dying (because for them a common cold might also be a death sentence), it is really no longer important how they got infected in the first place. As Bobby King stated in his Nov. 12 column, also concerning Johnson, "Lord knows it is none of our business." Those dying people are no less "innocent" than any other victim, and they deserve our compassion, not less.

Since this semester began, I've read articles in the Kernel describing a lack of racial and cultural sensitivity within the UK community. Shouldn't we all try to be more sen-

sitive and more aware of those with lifestyles that differ from our own? You indirectly refer to homosexuals with words such as "perverse" and "illicit," yet you find the stories of those who contracted AIDS through blood transfusions, health care workers or those who were born with it "heart wrenching." Every case of AIDS is a tragedy. It is too late to judge victims by their personal behavior once they are dying. Any sensitivity toward homosexual AIDS victims is missing from your column. Of course, as I stated before, you are entitled to your own opinions.

This is also not to mention the fact that you have done nothing at all except to perpetuate the myth that AIDS is a "primarily homosexual disease" by stating just that. The very day you made this statement, a headline from one of the Kernel's front page articles read "Study says 3/4 AIDS cases heterosexual." The article stated that a study released by the World Health Organization (WHO) showed that 75 percent of the people infected with AIDS worldwide contracted it through heterosexual sex. Not that this information should be entirely new to anyone who pays attention to current issues. I honestly would have expected a little more from a Kernel staff member. Obviously, I was wrong.

L.J. Fister  
Unleaded freshman  
Nov. 13, 1991

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## It's Wally World Part II: Really



N. Alan CORNETT

Niccolò Machiavelli would have been proud. Gov. Wallace Wilkinson has really done it. The unthinkable has happened. Just when you thought it was safe to watch the news: Welcome to Wally World Part II.

Meet soon to be former Gov. Wallace Wilkinson: entrepreneur, politician, school reformer and UK Board of Trustee member. Kind of scary isn't it? I know — it's hard to take. Just say it slowly: "Wallace Wilkinson is on the Board of Trustees."

I can see the meetings now. He'll stride in, Board Chairman (and Wilkinson appointee) Foster Ockerman will genuflect. Carolyn Bratt will run to get him coffee and Raymond Betts will fill up his jelly bean jar. OK, it may not be that bad. There probably will be no jelly bean jar.

Look at this from the governor's perspective. He failed to get a constitutional amendment passed so he could run again, failed to get his wife the Democratic nomination and was going to be out of a job in just a few days. What was he to do? Where could he go? The answer was right there before his eyes — return to his beloved alma mater and set it straight. (In reality he

didn't want to miss out on those good Willet basketball tickets. They are in the Top 20 you know. He also wanted to finish up that college degree at no expense.)

OK, seriously. No really — seriously.

He wants to help UK. Really. He does. You know how much he's done for us already. Now Wally can dedicate oodles and oodles of time to us. Wow! It makes me feel all fuzzy inside. Really. It does.

Remember that reform package that was passed concerning primary and secondary education? (The one he more than likely never has read.) Well, Wally wants to do the same here. Reform us. We need it. Really. Wow!

Do we really deserve this? Are we that special? Wow!

Just think: The man who got rid of that evil David Roselle, the man who took Eddie Sutton's side, the man who refused to re-appoint that pest Larry Forgry to the board, the man who said that the university presidents "whined" will be with us for six more years. Giving us all his special attention. Really. Wow!

I suppose Wallace's Books can pretty much count on that bookstore contract now. They'll probably even try to stop giving the impression that they are dealing in stolen textbooks just to be nice. Really.

According to Wally (and The AP wire service), he wants UK faculty members to take more time teaching, be more accountable to their students, wash their students' cars



Welcome to Wally World

and all become accomplished chefs (Italian, not French). He wants to help prevent dropouts, ensure that students learn something while they're here, end world hunger and bring about world peace. Honestly. He does.

I figure we can replace that silly Patterson statue with a statue of Wally. A nice big one. One that's taller than Patterson Office Tower itself. I'm sorry — Wilkinson Office Tower. We've been needing to change that name anyway.

Of course we want to remind our newest trustee that the Kentucky Kernel is independent. I-N-D-E-P-E-N-D-E-N-T. We probably will criticize you some, gov'nuh. You can't do anything, though. Really. But Wally knows he will be criti-

cized because of his appointment. That's OK. He says he can take the heat. Actually he says he's the only person who can take the heat. Really. He said it. Wow!

Let's see. Four years as governor plus six years as trustee means 10 whole years with Wally. The Wally Decade. Wow!

Some would say this is a little silly. Some would say I'm not treating this with the respect it deserves. I am. Really.

Wow!

Editorial Editor N. Alan Cornett is a history senior and a Kernel columnist and is just tickled pink to have Wallace Wilkinson as a member of the UK Board of Trustees.

## Condoms have no place in schools

Columnist's Note: For all of you who feel compelled to write letters saying I am trying to impose my values on others — I am. Further, saying we cannot legislate morality is simplistic. All laws are based on the moral standards of society.



Joe BRAUN

The New York City public school system, the largest system of its kind in the country, began distributing condoms to its students last week.

And beginning in January, a national condom distributor plans to distribute new "Safe Play — Kiddie Condoms." These condoms are geared toward "the younger generations," manufacturers said.

These new condoms will be bright fluorescent colors. Studies of buying patterns, if not sales figures alone, will show ages 13- to 16-year-olds absolutely adore fluorescent. As a special bonus you can also get a free plastic key chain with a purchase.

Children and teens do not need access to condoms at these ages or any other under the age of legal consent.

While government cannot control

Condoms currently are distributed there at no charge to students. By requiring students to walk to the Med Center to obtain condoms, they will be forced to think about their actions and associate prophylactics with more than just items in vending machines.

Sex is not something that should occur casually. But to say sex doesn't occur casually on a regular basis would be denying reality. Actually, someone, somewhere is having sex as you read this. But UK officials, as representatives of the state, should not endorse such carnal acts.

Most other universities across the country do not have condom machines conveniently located inside student residence halls. They do, however, distribute them at their medical facilities, which is proper. UK obviously thinks students should not waste any time at all when they're "in the heat of the moment." Just have sex — don't stop and consider alternatives or the ramifications of the act, just go downstairs with some spare change and poof! — instant protection and immunity from your actions.

The only place on campus condoms should be distributed is the Albert B. Chandler Medical Center.

Wrong! Wrong! Wrong!

If distribution of condoms is made less convenient for students, they might decrease protected sexual activity, or at least delay it, but this is not a solution.

People who take the other side contend that abortion rates, cases of sexual diseases and pregnancy rates will rise. People who become pregnant, after willingly choosing to have sex before marriage, should accept pregnancy as a consequence for their mutual actions. If people wait and engage in sexual intercourse within marriage, the creation of a child might be a blessed event or a gift to the couple — not a burden or a cause for abortive measures.

Sex is a serious matter. And decisions concerning sex also are serious matters. Until adults take responsibility for their urges and actions we must force them to think — remove those condom machines from residence halls.

Joe Braun is a political science and journalism freshman and a Kernel columnist.

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# Registrar's Office relocating to Funkhouser

By **MONICA BRYAN**  
Staff Writer

The Christmas holiday may be even merrier than usual this year for some UK students. Santa undoubtedly will visit students this year, but one gift he won't bestow upon them is grades.

Usually the grades arrive near Christmas Day. However, this year the University will issue the evalua-

tions slightly later, a few days after the holiday, according to the Registrar's Office.

The office is moving from the Ezra Gillis Building to the ground floor of the W.D. Funkhouser Building and will cause a lag in getting records out to students this semester.

UK's Registrar's Office includes such offices as student records, transcripts, registration, advising

office, residency office and others. The move will take place Thursday through Dec. 13.

Temporary services will be set up maintaining essential operations on the mezzanine of the Patterson Office Tower.

The purpose of the change in location, said Randall Dahl, UK registrar, is "to become more centrally located and be of a greater help to students."

Admissions, housing and financial aid are all consolidated in Funkhouser.

If the Registrar's Office also is located in Funkhouser, it becomes a "one-stop shopping," where students will be able to take care of several things at one time and in one location, Dahl said.

Another advantage to relocating is that the registrar will be fully accessible to handicapped students, a

feature not available at the Gillis Building, Dahl said.

Although the move will be inconvenient for some students, Dahl emphasized that UK chose this time of year for the renovations to cause the least possible disruptions. Although students will be able to order transcripts by mail during the move, there still may be an eight- to 10-day gap in service.

For additional information, such as advance registration dates, information on Add/Drop or other service locations, call the Registrar's InfoLine at 257-1212.

As of Monday, Dec. 16, the Registrar's Office will be in full operation on the ground floor of Funkhouser.

Because of the construction near the building, the best way to enter is through the door nearest Erikson Hall.

## Leadership group holding dinner

Staff reports

A campus leadership organization is holding a dinner today for presidents of various organizations to discuss the qualities of leadership.

Omicron Delta Kappa, an honors and leadership fraternity, is hosting the dinner at the Helen G. King Alumni House, located at the corner of Rose Street and Euclid Avenue.

Adrian Jones, president of Omicron Delta Kappa, said the dinner is "an opportunity for presidents of campus organizations to meet with other presidents and ask questions."

UK President Charles Wethington will be the guest speaker. Topics discussed by Wethington and the other presidents will include "leadership qualities and some of the activities going on at UK," Jones said.

Presidents of all fraternities, sororities and other regular organizations, as well as members of Omicron Delta Kappa, are invited to attend. The reception begins at 6:15, followed by dinner at 7 p.m.

Jones said that by holding the dinner in the Alumni House and giving students the opportunity to meet Alumni House director Bob Whitaker, "Hopefully, the students can establish some type of bond or net-

work" in order to land jobs in the future.

Some spaces are still available for those presidents who would like to attend the free dinner. Anyone interested should contact Ruby Hardin of the Alumni Association by 11 a.m. today.

The event is sponsored by the UK Alumni Association. Entertainment will be provided by the Roy Gayton Trio.

## University's purchase of Pin Oak Farm complete

Staff reports

Pin Oak Farm will officially replace UK's Coldstream Farm today as the University's agricultural research site.

UK bought the 1,478-acre farm for \$11.5 million from Allen E. Paulson Living Trust. Pin Oak is lo-

cated on U.S. 60.

Paulson accepted a 35-acre tract on the farm, valued at \$1.2 million, as a gift to the University.

Coldstream, on Newtown Pike in Fayette County, is being developed as a research campus.

The first tenant on the campus is Hughes Display Products, a divi-

sion of Hughes Aircraft.

The Kentucky General Assembly in 1988 authorized UK to purchase the farm and its Board of Trustees approved the purchase at a September meeting.

C. Oran Little, dean of the College of Agriculture, said the move of the University's animal research

to the Woodford County farm will be "gradual" and will depend on the development of specific research facilities on the site.

Little said the new site will provide excellent opportunities to develop new research ideas as the university moves toward establishing a world-renowned animal research center.

## Hostages

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since August, when the kidnapers asked the United Nations to intervene.

Two Americans, journalist Terry Anderson and educator Alann Steen, and two Germans still are held. An Italian is missing, but reports say he is dead.

At the United Nations, Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar who has worked for a swap of Western hostages, Arab prisoners under Israeli control and missing Israelis — said he felt another hostage would soon be set free.

"I hope that in the next few days I could have one more, and I will be probably Mr. Steen, and I hope that Mr. Anderson is not too far away from being freed," the U.N. secretary-general said.

Ciccipio told reporters he had surgery for a stomach ailment in the past two months, adding, "I'm very happy about that, or I may not have been here this day." In the United States, Thomas Ciccipio said his brother had an intestinal blockage.

Ciccipio's family in Norristown, Pa., watched his televised news conference, and appeared shaken by what they saw. His sister, Helen Fazio, cried throughout the broad-

cast, saying "He's not well. He doesn't look well at all." And David Ciccipio said his father "looked sad — like he was ready to cry."

Joseph Ciccipio was acting comptroller of the American University of Beirut when he was kidnapped Sept. 12, 1986. Yesterday he was clean-shaven, missing the beard he grew while being held by the Shiite Muslim group Revolutionary Justice Organization — an Iranian-allied faction that three times threatened his life.

"I'm happy it's over," Ciccipio told reporters. "I'd like to put it all behind me. And I'd like to get going to the next day as my first new day of my new life."

Of his captors, Ciccipio said: "They said they hoped they (hostages) would all be released by the end of this year, that everything has been more or less resolved now."

Syria's foreign minister, Farouk al-Sharaa, told reporters he hoped Ciccipio's release signaled a further acceleration of hostage releases.

"We hope within a week there will be other hostages to be released," Sharaa said.

In other developments yesterday, the United States paid Iran \$260 million to compensate for weapons seized during the 1979-80 Tehran hostage crisis.

## Wilkinson

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an almost impossible situation," Jewell said. It places Wethington between "the man who appointed him president" and Gov.-elect Jones.

"Wethington is stuck between him (Wilkinson) on the one hand and the governor of the state (Jones), with whom (Wilkinson) feuded for most of his four-year term," Jewell said.

Lyons said Wethington's first priority would be with the sitting governor.

"A president of a university has to deal with the governor who is in office ... particularly one who is in good rapport with the legislature," Lyons said.

"The University obviously has to have good strong bridges to Gov. Jones," Sexton said.

"We welcome the governor to the board, and I'm sure he'll make a contribution," Ockerman said. "He has had a lot of experience in the various affairs of government. He is interested in education. He has shown that in his support of the new education program."

"The governor will be another member of the board," he added. "We have a good president, and he's very capable."

Faculty trustee Betts said Wethington could stand up to Wilkinson. "It's certainly not going to inhibit him," Betts said. "I'll say this, I think (Wethington) is his own

man."

The UK board is one of the most prestigious gubernatorial appointments and comes with tickets to most University athletics events.

Lyons doubted that Wilkinson would use a role on the board to aid a possible second campaign for governor in 1995.

"It's hard for me to believe that you would build your next gubernatorial race on being a Board of Trustees member at UK," Lyons said. "I may be surprised."

Information for this story also was gathered by Staff Writer Joe Braun and by The Associated Press.

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