



The weekend

Car troubles

The weekend can usually be a good time to let things hang out and fit the stereotype of college students that are permanently engraved in the minds of your landlord, your old neighbor who lives behind you and police officers.

So because of that I found it fitting that I was pulled over Saturday night because my stupid self tried to use my windshield (I before e except in Budweiser!) washers on a windshield that must have been well below freezing because it instantly became ice.

I only mention this story of my ignorance because the officer parked behind me, after I had already stopped to scrape off my ignorance on my windshield, because I had been "swerving." I told him matter-of-factly that I had not been drinking. His response, "I didn't say anything about drinking." In the end, maybe it was my idea that all cops would think a college student out on a Saturday night swerving around would think that I was drunk. Silly me.

Other things this weekend:

The one reason that I would like to be a UK fan instead of a UK fan was brought to my attention this weekend. They serve beer at their games. Games would be more expensive, the crowd would be rowdier, and Rupp would be a harder place to win in (unless you're Penn State) if we could change that aspect of the concession stands.

Denny Crum was not told of an eminent release in his meeting with U of L higher ups. That is the right decision considering he is a Hall of Fame coach.

Overheard joke: A doctor and his wife were having a big argument at breakfast. "You aren't so good in bed either!" he shouted and stormed off to work. By mid-morning, he decided he'd better make amends and phoned home. After many rings, his wife picked up the phone.

"What took you so long to answer, dear?" "I was in bed." "What were you doing in bed this late?" "Getting a second opinion."

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THE 411

Tomorrow's weather



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Hi Lo

Clouds, clouds abound on Tuesday.

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SPOTLIGHT

Gore brings politics to the classroom

Professor Gore: Al Gore will teach journalism classes at Columbia

By Tracy Kershaw
NEWS EDITOR

Professor wasn't the "P"-word Al Gore wanted to proceed his name, but for the next four months, it will.

The former vice president accepted a journalism professorship at Columbia School of Journalism, where he will teach a seminar called "Covering National Affairs in the Information Age" with a Columbia professor and a former New York Times staff writer.

According to the Associated Press, he will lecture between six to eight times this semester and may return for a second semester.

Gore will also teach classes at Middle Tennessee State and Fisk University while working on a book, according to Thursday's New York Times.

Gore was a reporter for the Tennessean from 1973 to 1976 before beginning his political career. Since then, his life has been fodder for journalists across the country.

This gives him an interesting perspective to a journalism class, said UK Journalism Professor Maria Braden.

"He's seen it from both sides of the fence," Braden said.

If Gore were to join the journalism faculty at UK, Braden said her only concern would be politicizing the department.

"One of the fundamental things we try to teach students is to be objective," she said. Otherwise, his political experience would be a great teaching tool.

"He could teach how campaigns manage journalists and the news," she said. "And he could talk about the times he had been hurt or burned (by the media)."

The course Gore will help teach — which already existed and already has students registered — covers national news reporting, from major political issues to smaller, more personal topics related to national news, according to the Columbia Daily Spectator.

Braden wonders how Gore will behave in front of a classroom.

"We've seen that very robotic side of him," she said. "But there were flashes of a real person in there."



Gore



Taking the plunge

From top, left: Jeff Ullmer, a plant soil science sophomore, Cordell Pierce, a psychology senior, and Daniel Flournoy, a political science sophomore, hit the 34 degrees water Saturday morning for the Polar Bear Plunge. Proceeds went to the Special Olympics.

Tia Chilton, a UK police officer, dries off after plunging. Plungers get free food from GattITown.

NICK TOMCEK | PHOTO EDITOR

EXTRACURRICULAR

Opening up rugby to women at UK

Ready, set, go: Women's rugby team will soon be added to roster of UK's athletic programs

By Ben Adkins
STAFF WRITER

It may be a man's world, but the playing field is no place for those kind of social stigmas.

This will soon be proven by the addition of women's rugby to the roster of UK's athletic programs.

Kenny Ernstberger, a political science junior and president of the men's rugby team, has played for over two years and is almost solely responsible for starting the women's team. Ernstberger said he wanted to start the team simply because there are not many collegiate women's rugby teams in the state.

"UK was the only school in the state with a men's team that didn't also have a women's team," he said. "So I decided we needed one."

According to Ernstberger, another factor that led to his decision is that UK's men's team is a part of the Indiana Rugby Union, which has nearly as many women's teams as it does men's teams. He added that the president of the union is also a woman.

Ernstberger said that at last Thursday's meeting, 35 women showed up, twice the amount needed for a rugby team. He added that there really is no limit to the number of people that can join the team.

"If you've got the heart to play, you can play," Ernstberger said.

Also, there is no experience required to join the team. According to Ernstberger, nearly none of those present at the meeting have ever played the sport before and because of that, getting the team started will be a relatively slow process.

"I will probably only schedule

about two games for them this semester since none of them know how to play," he said. "It's going to take a while to teach them."

Because rugby is such a physical sport, insurance is required to play on the team. Ernstberger said this was a concern for some of the women at Thursday's meeting.

"When insurance was mentioned some of the girls looked a little worried, but that's a concern with the guys, too," he said. "It is a rough sport, but it's controlled."

Another concern Ernstberger hopes to alleviate is any costs or fees students would have to pay.

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Real rugby

UK men's and women's Rugby will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Seaton Center, or for more information call Kenny Ernstberger at 259-1141.

KUDOS

Student raises voice for Bush's inauguration

La, la, la: Student rejoins high school choir, sings at Bush's inaugural ceremony

Kathy Wyatt
STAFF WRITER

Jason Roberts has something in common with Marilyn Monroe. They have both sang in front of the president of the United States.

Roberts, a computer science freshman, had the privilege of singing during the presidential inauguration, as part of the Youth Performing Arts School Choir, a program at DuPont Manual High School in Louisville.

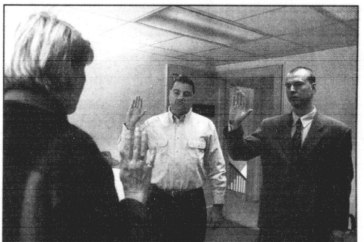
This second tenor was a member of the choir for two and a half years and was one of five graduates asked to return and sing with the choir. Senator Mitch McConnell of Kentucky coordinated the inauguration and being an alumnus of Manual, chose this choir to provide music.

"I was in West Virginia on a ski trip when I got the invitation. I was ecstatic," Roberts said.

See CHOR on 2

UKPD

Joining UK police force no easy task



NICK TOMCEK | PHOTO EDITOR

Rebecca Langston, UK chief of police, swears in Paul Grant and Matt Keller last Thursday at the UK police headquarters on Rose Street.

By Nick Tomceck
PHOTO EDITOR

"The words," ...faithfully execute to the best of your ability... were spoken by Rebecca Langston, UK chief of police, last Thursday, when she swore in Matt Keller and Paul Grant as UK police officers.

Keller previously worked with Lexington Metro Police before coming over to UK and Grant used to work for UK Police and decided to come back two weeks after leaving.

Both officers have undergone thorough training, with the Department of Criminal Defense and on the job training, said Bobby Carpenter, captain of police administrative services.

Keller and Grant will be on probation with the UK police for the next three to six months, to make sure they are doing their job in a proper manner. Then their field training officer, who was assigned to them earlier in their training, will evaluate them.

The total amount of training for a new recruit is about 34 weeks, Carpenter said.

She said not everyone is cut out to be a police officer and while recruits are in training, some may take more time to learn.

See RECRUIT on 2

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down

Search goes on for earthquake survivors

AHMEDABAD, India — Desperate rescue workers climbed atop mountains of debris and screamed into the crevices Saturday, hoping for some sign of life from thousands trapped by western India's devastating earthquake. About 2,500 bodies had been recovered, and one official said the death toll would end up reaching 13,000. While thousands of rescuers clawed at the rubble and hope faded, stunned survivors of Friday's 7.9-magnitude quake slept in the open, panicking as more than 80 aftershocks rippled through the hardest-hit state, Gujarat. Most had no water, food or medicine. Others refused to eat, keeping a tearful vigil as emergency workers drilled bit into concrete in search of their buried loved ones.

Bush outlines education plan

WASHINGTON — President Bush, in the first radio address of his administration, said Saturday he wants to give lagging schools the support they need to improve, but warned he must see results. Democrats said they have the votes to block the president's most contested idea — federally funded vouchers for children in the worst performing schools that would pay for private tuition or tutoring. And Bush signaled possible flexibility on that part of his education plan. Responding for Democrats, House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri said he is glad Bush shares the goal of improving schools. But he assailed the idea of allowing parents to use federal money to pay for private schooling.

Appointment emblematic of larger fight

WASHINGTON — The fight over John Ashcroft's nomination as attorney general is a preview of the ideological and political contests sure to surround any conservative President Bush may select for the Supreme Court, those on both sides of the Ashcroft battle agree. Although even his harshest critics concede that the deeply conservative former Missouri senator is likely to be confirmed to head the Justice Department, liberal groups and some senators hope to rough him up in the process. Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee delayed a vote on Ashcroft until this week, and have had him busy answering more than 260 written questions in the meantime. Opponents hope that an early, tough nomination battle may help dissuade Bush from naming strong conservative ideologues to the Supreme Court.

Middle East peace talks show progress

TABA, Egypt — Israeli-Palestinian peace



WATCH YOUR MOUTH: Fans are currently rushing to get their hands on a sound bite that features Britney Spears freaking out prior to her performance at the Rock in Rio festival in Brazil. The clip features a light-hearted but anxious Spears using the F-word.

talks ended with an upbeat tone but no agreement Saturday, leaving further peace efforts to a possible meeting between Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. Though an accord remained distant, the two sides said in a joint statement that the six-day talks in the Red Sea resort of Taba were "unprecedented in their positive atmosphere" and left them closer than ever to an agreement. Officials on both sides said Barak and Arafat may meet in Europe next week in a last-minute effort to forge a deal before Israel's fateful Feb. 6 elections, which pit Barak against hawkish challenger Ariel Sharon.

Blackouts continue in California

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Power-starved California lurched into Super Bowl weekend under a round-the-clock electricity alert as state officials, utility executives and consumer groups huddled privately Saturday in their ongoing effort to keep the lights on. The manager of California's electricity grid declared a Stage 3 emergency through the weekend, which means reserves dipped to 1 1/2 percent or less statewide. The Independent System Operator said it did not anticipate rolling blackouts during the weekend, but urged Californians to keep up conservation efforts that have had an effect on the state grid estimated at about 1,000 megawatts daily.

Measure could spell trouble in Oregon

JACKSONVILLE, Ore. — Oregon practically invented what it means to be green, leading the nation in restoring salmon habitat, reigning in urban sprawl and protecting farms and forests from becoming housing tracts. But in November, voters shocked property rights advocates and environmentalists alike by approving a constitutional amendment known as Measure 7 that could bring all those regulations — and even local zoning — tumbling down. Amid the hot presidential race and 26 measures on the ballot, Measure 7 got little attention before election day.

U.S. recession not expected

DAVOS, Switzerland — The U.S. economic slowdown will cut the global growth rate but shouldn't drag the world into recession, a key financial official said Saturday as police turned war cannons on anti-globalization protesters nearby. Because of the recent U.S. slowdown, the International Monetary Fund is revising its prediction of last September that the global economy would grow 4.2 percent. IMF Deputy Director Stanley Fischer said. The new prediction will be considerably lower, "possibly in the range of 3.5 percent," he told the World Economic Forum in this ritzy Alpine ski resort. But, he added, "we are a long way from a global recession."

Compiled from wire reports.

CHOIR

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He began traveling from Lexington to Louisville as often as his schedule would allow attending the extensive, five-day-a-week rehearsal. Roberts said he wasn't stressed, but that he regretted missing some of the practices.

The 93-member choir left for Washington D.C. on Wednesday before the inauguration and returned to Kentucky the following Sunday. Their visit to the United States Capitol included touring, practicing with the U.S. Marine Corps band, and taping the three songs they planned to perform.

"The most exciting part was when we were doing a sound check on Friday and you could hear our songs echoing through the streets of D.C.," Roberts said.

On Inauguration Day, because of time constraints, the choir only performed one song, "America the Beautiful," 15 minutes before the president was sworn in.

Roberts explained his feelings before the performance. "I was extremely cold, but rather excited considering we were singing for the nation," he said.

And Roberts will definitely remember the first year he was able to vote. "I voted for Bush, he won, and I got to sing at his inauguration," he said.

RECRUIT

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and others may see that they are not suited for the job work.

"Being a police officer is such a diversified job and they have so many responsibilities," Carpenter said.

Though the responsibilities are extensive, Officer Matt Keller is ready.

"I feel great. I'm very excited," Keller said.

Langston admits having a low staff in the past, but expects five more trained recruits to come to UK.

Two of the recruits started training in December.

The hiring process not only takes many weeks of training but is also costly, Langston said.

"It costs a lot to recruit, hire and to equip and to train a new recruit. We want to provide the best police service to UK and also to make sure we stay on the cutting edge," Langston said.

RUGBY

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He hopes to work with SGA on getting the jerseys paid for since players would have to furnish their own shorts and cleats.

"If there are any dues at

all it would only be 10 or 15 bucks, depending on what SGA will do for us," he said.

Ernstberger also thinks this is a good opportunity for students to meet new people, and said the girls will probably become good friends, as the guys have.

"If you're looking for your niche, this could be it," he said.

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STATE NEWS

Man sits in jail to protect daughter

Missing girl: Mother disappeared with daughter; Divorce blamed on religious beliefs

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BRANDENBURG, Ky. — The divorce of an Egyptian man and his American wife who is now in hiding with his child has left a trail of misery for the family, whose split is rooted in differing beliefs.

Looking at a photo of his missing daughter at his home in Georgetown, Mohey Mahmoud wonders if he'll ever see 10-year-old Sarah again.

Meanwhile, the man who could know the girl's whereabouts, church deacon Kent Boyd, is sitting in jail, refusing to answer questions about

his daughter and granddaughter. Boyd, 74, believes he is protecting them from Mahmoud, his former son-in-law.

A judge granted Mahmoud custody of Sarah last year — but the victory has been meaningless.

His ex-wife, Susan Mahmoud, disappeared with the girl in June, and he has not heard from Sarah since.

The Mahmoud divorce case involves a clash of cultures and religions that reached a peak with a mother who took her child and simply vanished.

Susan Boyd, an school teacher with a Christian upbringing, met Mahmoud at the Officer's Club at Fort Knox in 1981.

The two hit it off. In 1983, they married in Cairo. Afterward, the couple returned to Kentucky.

Initially, the couple agreed to practice their religions independently. But tensions surfaced.

Mohey Mahmoud said he was once ordered to leave his in-laws' home for refusing to eat chicken that Susan's mother, Frankie Jewell Boyd, had fried in lard with pork fat.

Eating pork is a violation of his Muslim beliefs.

The tension escalated in 1989 when Susan Mahmoud

became pregnant. Eighteen months after Sarah was born, the couple separated.

Susan Mahmoud was awarded custody and moved back to Brandenburg, and Mohey Mahmoud was given visitation every other weekend.

A divorce was granted in 1993.

After that, quarrels over custody of the child heightened, and Susan Mahmoud alleged that Mohey Mahmoud was sexually abusing his daughter.

The allegations were later unfounded, and a Meade County Circuit Court restored Mohey Mahmoud's once-revoked visitation rights.

CRISPY

Couple believes they have found KFC recipe

Doing chicken right: KFC corporation taking legal action against couple

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SHELBYVILLE, Ky. — The handwritten note that Tommy and Cherry Settle discovered in their basement a year ago could be the answer to one of the country's best kept culinary secrets — Col. Harlan Sanders' recipe for fried chicken.

The couple bought their Shelbyville home, a white mansion on U.S. 60 West, from Sanders and his wife, Claudia, in the early 1970s.

About a year ago, the two were digging through a box of books from the basement and found a leather-bound datebook from 1964. Cherry Settle told the Lexington Herald-Leader.

Among appointments and other notes was a recipe for fried chicken that called for 11 herbs and spices, she said.

It's the same number that makes up the recipe for one of the temples of fast-food culture — KFC's "Original Recipe" fried chicken.

The recipe is known by only a handful of people in the world, according to KFC's web site.

In putting the recipe together, one company blends a mix that represents only a part of the recipe. Another company blends the remainder, with neither company ever having the complete recipe.

The Settles were consider-

ing selling the planner through an auction house, but first they contacted KFC to see whether the company could verify that the recipe was authentic, Settle said.

Last week, KFC filed a lawsuit in Shelby County Circuit Court asking that the recipe be given to the company.

Amy Sherwood, a spokeswoman for KFC's parent company, referred on Saturday to a prior statement "While we think it improbable that any individual has the secret recipe to our famous fried chicken, we took Mr. Settle's threat seriously."

Sherwood said she was referring to the company's allegation that the Settles approached KFC looking for payment for the datebook. Cherry Settle denied that charge.

The judge handling the case, William Stewart, said he plans to sign an order unsealing the lawsuit on Monday. The Sanders datebook is now in a courthouse safe.

The Settles' attorney, Glenn Cohen, says even if the company decides the recipe contains the secret of KFC's chicken, Cohen said it will argue it is still the Settles' property.

"Mr. Settle purchased the house and these effects from Col. Sanders, and he has every legal right to them," Cohen said.

POLITICS

State's young Green Party searching for niche

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — During his run for the 4th District Congressional seat last year, Ken Sain hoped his backing of industrial hemp for Kentucky farmers would catch the attention of voters.

But Sain, who quit his job of 14 years at a Cincinnati newspaper to run as Kentucky's first Green Party candidate, got a hard lesson.

Sain collected just 1.6 percent of the vote for the seat won by Democratic incumbent Ken Lucas.

Despite that, the tiny party made modest gains during the 2000 campaign, evolving from a no-name third choice led by human rights crusader Ralph Nader to one that has five regional organizations in Kentucky and a strong presence on

college campuses. The party is now setting its sights on growth — and many believe it can be done by focusing on issues members believe are important to Kentuckians.

The party's pro-environmental platform could grab Kentucky voters concerned by two recent disasters.

"Kentucky is a great place for a Green Party because you have people who have become disconnected" from politics, said Ned Meyer, secretary for the Green Party in Lexington and a sociology professor at Lexington Community College.

But a tall hurdle that stands before the Greens — and all third parties in Kentucky — is the state's voter registration system.

In Kentucky, Democrat and Republi-

can voters register directly with their party. Third-party backers get lumped under an ambiguous "other" category that doesn't designate a specific party.

Despite their disadvantage in registration numbers, third-party candidates have often appealed to Kentucky voters.

Randall Lloyd, a political science professor at Eastern Kentucky University, said voters pick between the two major parties because they feel a vote for a third party would be wasted.

Lloyd said any third party that wants to grow has to figure out how to reach people.

"They've got to attract people that are interested in their issues," he said. And by nature that's tough, because "third parties tend to be idealistic and far from the center ground."



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<p>Fri 2</p> <p>MEETINGS *Cultural Event in French Mtg., 5-6pm, Keeneland Hall Basement</p> <p>SPORTS *Tae Kwon Do Club Practice Hours, 5-6:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft</p> <p>LECTURES *Dept. of Entomology Colloquium, 4pm, Ag. Science Cr. North A-7</p> <p>ARTS/MOVIES *"Dante's" Exhibit Begins, UK Art Museum, Through March 4th</p> <p>INTRAMURALS/RECREATION *"Open Gym" Volleyball, Uplink Campus Ministries, 8pm, Calvary Baptist Church Gym *"Recreation Night, Uplink Campus Ministries, 7pm, Calvary Baptist Church Rec. & Outreach Ctr. *"UK Wildwatercraft Mtg., 6:30pm, 112 Stud. Cr. *"Recreation Pool, 53</p>	<p>Sat 3</p> <p>MEETINGS *Newman Center Mass, 6pm</p> <p>SPORTS *Tae Kwon Do Club Practice Hours, 11am-12:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft *"Men's Basketball @ Columbia, 1pm</p> <p>ARTS/MOVIES *"Hole Church" 8pm, Singletary Cr. CH</p> <p>INTRAMURALS/RECREATION *"Recreation Pool, 53</p>
<p>Sun 4</p> <p>MEETINGS *Newman Center Mass, 11-12:30pm, 5pm, and 8:30pm *Noon Chapel, 12:00pm, Manhattan Chapel on Richmond Rd. *"Men's Basketball @ Arkansas, 2pm, Memorial Coliseum *"Bible Study: Jesus the One and Only, Uplink Campus Ministries, 5-7pm, Calvary Baptist Church</p> <p>SPORTS *UK Judo Club, 5-7pm, Alumni Gym Loft *"Women's Basketball @ Arkansas, 2pm, Memorial Coliseum</p> <p>INTRAMURALS/RECREATION *UK Aikido Club, 8-9:30pm, UK Alumni Gym Loft *"Recreation Night, Uplink Campus Ministries, 7pm, Calvary Baptist Church Rec. & Outreach Ctr. *"UK Wildwatercraft Mtg., 6:30pm, 112 Stud. Cr. *"Recreation Pool, 53</p>	<p>Kappa Delta's Battle of the Bands Thursday, Feb. 1 6:30-9:30 Student Ctr. Ballroom</p>



Numbers

33

points scored by the UK reserves. Vandy's bench scored 44 points - 21 by Matt Freije and 15 by Billy Richmond.

12

UK's rebounding margin. The Cats grabbed 40 rebounds to Vandy's 28. It was the first time the Cats were not out rebounded since beating Tennessee 45-35 on the boards three games ago.

60.9

UK's shooting percentage in the second half. Both teams shot 38.5 percent from the field in the first half. UK ended the game at a 46.8 percent clip, while Vandy shot 41.8 percent.

Wake up

"It didn't seem like the guys were really awake when we came out for warm ups."

-J.P. Blevins, UK junior point guard on UK's tendency to start games slowly.

Just enough

"We feel good that we could withstand a charge by (Vanderbilt)."

-Saul Smith, UK senior point guard on defending the lead and holding off Vanderbilt.

No help

"He almost single-handedly got them back in the game."

-Tubby Smith, on Vandy freshman Matt Freije's exceptional play with the Commodores trailing by 20.

SCOREBOARD

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

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VICTORIOUS

Cats slam the Dores

UK 86, Dores 75: UK outlasts Vanderbilt in a game of scoring runs

By Ron Cox
STAFF WRITER

The Cats came home to the friendly confines of Rupp Arena on Saturday for a tough 86-75 win over Vanderbilt after losing consecutive road games to ranked opponents.

Coming into the game, the Cats were riding a six-game home winning streak, while Vanderbilt was sliding down a streak of their own - 23 straight losses against UK at Rupp.

Still, the Cats started the game rather sluggish, allowing the Commodores to take an early lead. The Dores took an 11-4 lead with 14:40 on the clock, getting scoring from six different players.

"I thought we were ready to play, but we weren't ready," UK coach Tubby Smith said.

That's when Smith went to the bench, and the Cat reserves responded by going on a 13-0 run in just under four minutes. Freshman point guard Cliff Hawkins capped off the run with a steal and slammed in two of his four points.

"Our starters came out slow tonight," said Marquis Estill, who led the Cats with 19 points off the bench. "We were talking about that on the bench, and we knew that we needed to go in the ball game and step it up."

The run put the Cats on top 21-16, erasing the Dores' 16-8 lead. The Cats held on to the lead for the rest of the game.

They stretched their first half advantage to 12 at 32:20, but Vandy went on a 7-2 run in the last two

minutes, cutting the lead to seven at the half.

The Cats started the second half by pulling a complete 180 from the way they started the game.

"We knew we had to come out and play better than we did in the first half," freshman Erik Daniels said. "We came out there and took better shots and played more patient."

They got their spark from the starting backcourt. Keith Bogans and Saul Smith accounted for UK's first 13 points of the second half, hitting three three-pointers combined.

Smith ended the game with a career-high 18 points, hitting 3 of 4 threes and scoring 16 in the second half.

"He made some big baskets and made some good decisions," the coach said. "He shot the ball well, better than he has in a long time."

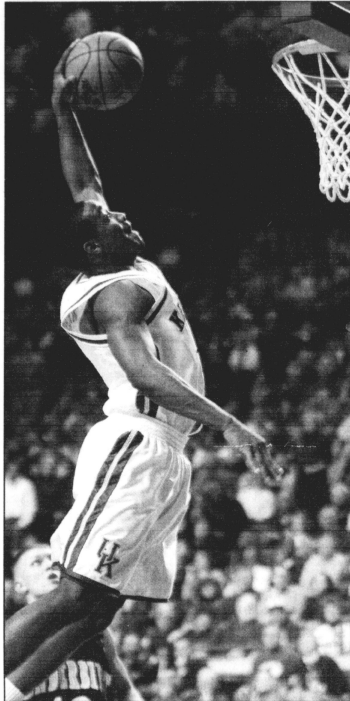
After two free throws by Tayshaun Prince, UK had its largest lead at 49-29.

But the Dores fought back with tremendous play from freshman forward Matt Freije, who scored 15 of his 21 points after Vandy was down by 20.

"We had a lot of problems with Matt Freije," coach Smith said. "He almost single handedly got them back into the game."

Vandy pulled to within two, 58-56, with just over nine to go in the game leaving many to wonder if the Cats would allow another big lead to head to another dreadful loss.

"They built up a lead that proved to be insurmountable," Vandy coach Kevin Stallings said.



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Ease in on

Freshman Cliff Hawkins' dunk midway through the second half punctuated a 13-0 run to put the Cats ahead for good. Hawkins scored four points and UK's reserves combined for 33 points.

Travis Hubbard
SPORTSDAILY EDITOR

Still in need of a leader

"We are here with coach Smith &..."

It looked like a statement across the front of all 12 UK players' warm up T-shirts Saturday. Maybe the players were sick of the criticism UK coach Tubby Smith and the team has received.

Maybe no matter what happens the players will be behind their coach 100 percent and believe in him. But the back of the T's read, "The American Cancer Society to Fight Cancer," as part of Tubby Smith and the University's association with the charity.

A noble and tremendous statement, but not the statement UK fans and Smith are necessarily looking for.

Smith was none too happy after the Cats got off to another lethargic start against Vanderbilt. Then, blowing a 20-point lead early in the second half did not alleviate his exasperation or dissatisfaction.

In his post-game press conference Smith was less than pleased with his team's performance and energy despite an 11-point victory. Two un-Tubby like near-outbursts revealed his frustration.

Still, Smith remained confident that his players would begin to show the energy and desire everyone expects of them.

And what everyone — fans, coaches, media and even the players — is looking for, is emotion. The Cats need the one player

who is willing to be the man.

The team has no leader. With the exception of Keith Bogans' Namathesque guarantee against Tennessee no one has raised his voice on or off the court. They are a team of no self-motivation.

With only one senior and two juniors it's easy to blame inexperience on the lack of leadership, but each person should at least take initiative to motivate themselves.

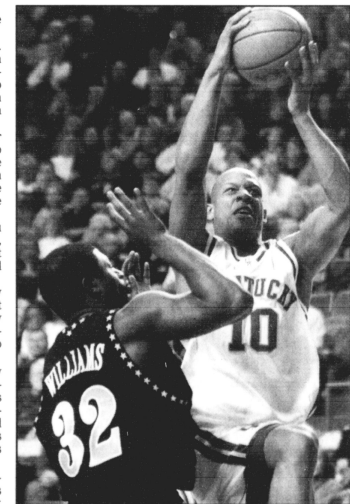
"You can say all you want and wave your hands, but it's all about going out there and doing it," said Saul Smith, the lone senior.

Well put, but obviously everyone does not come out with the necessary energy and motivation. Tubby recognizes it and is left to ponder what he can do.

His trademark Tubby stare has lost its effectiveness, shouting only warns his voice and now he has resorted to a disgruntled and disgusted slouch in his chair. He can shake his head, but still no response.

UK has received spirited play on several occasions from youngsters like Erik Daniels, Marquis Estill, Gerald Fitch and Cliff Hawkins, but with limited playing time their actions don't speak as loud as similar performances by their elder teammates.

Eventually, for this team to achieve UK basketball standards of success Saul, Tayshaun Prince or Keith Bogans need to make an enduring statement. The



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Keith Bogans' guarantee of a victory over Tennessee has been a rare occasion of UK players being vocal on or off the court.

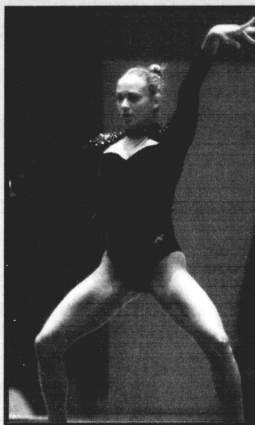
three Cats that log the most minutes are the logical and most experienced candidates along with junior J.P. Blevins.

Saul's 18-point career-high performance was

gallant, but until someone shows some consistency over several consecutive games and a desire to be a leader, the team will remain a faceless, emotionless accumulation of 12 guys.

FLIP OUT

GymKats fall hard to Michigan Wolverines



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Superstar

UK senior gymnast Beth Coleman performs in the floor exercise Friday in the GymKats' match versus No. 5 Michigan. Coleman scored 9.75 and 9.80 in her exercises, but Michigan won 196.325-193.800.

Falling down: Loss to Michigan drops the winless GymKats to 0-3 for the brief season

Samantha Essid
STAFF WRITER

The University of Michigan's women's gymnastics team topped the UK GymKats from the first event on to win 196.325 to 193.800 Friday.

The Wolverines boasted a record of 5-3 coming into Friday night's competition. After vaulting in the first event, UK's Aronda Primault had to ice her ankle the rest of the meet. According to UK head coach Leah Little, Primault had been sick all week and unable to practice with the team, but she just wasn't up to 100 percent.

It was a mass of little mistakes that cost UK the win against Michigan.

"You can't go against the No. 5 team in the nation and expect to win not staying on the equipment," Little said. UK struggled to stay atop the equipment in several exercises.

"Michigan was coming in with a really talented team, but it could've been a closer competition."

-Beth Coleman, the lone senior on the GymKats squad

One thing that definitely played in the favor of Michigan is the fact that one of their team members, Elise Ray was the captain of the 2000 U.S. women's gymnastics team in Sydney last summer.

Julia Gore beat her out for third place in the all-around competition Friday night. Karina Senior of Michigan won the all-around competition.

"God's given us a lot of talent. We just have to use it to the best of our ability. We have high hopes as a team," said Gore, last year's SEC Freshman of the Year.

Despite being 0-3 this season, the GymKats have what it takes, according to the team, to win.

"I'm a little disappointed, because we are a lot more talented than we were showing out there, but once we pull the pieces together, we'll be great," said sophomore Mindy Smith.

Nicole Allen set a personal best record on the balance beam with a score of 9.825. Despite the mistakes that the GymKats have made this season, coach Little said that this is her most talented team.

The GymKats next meet is this Friday at 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Coliseum as they take on Georgia, George Washington and Radford College (Virginia) in a quad meet.

SADDLE UP

Equestrians trot to strong finish

Giddy-up: UK Equestrian team places ninth out of 26 teams at the 2001 Tournament of Champions Invitational at Midway

Scott Sloan
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And they're off! But they are not racing. They are jumping, walking and trotting. The UK equestrian team competed Saturday in the 2001 Tournament of Champions Invitational at Midway College in Midway, Ky. UK, as a team, placed ninth in a field of 26 teams that included some of the nation's best equestrian squads.

"This represents the best of the best in the nation," said Jim Arrington, the tournament coordinator and coach at Miami (Ohio).

The tournament included fence classes, in which riders jump their horses over a series of fences standing between 2 feet 6 inches and 3 feet tall. In flat classes, riders can walk, trot and canter their horses around a ring.

Each category included 26 competitors, one from each team, who were divided into two sections with the first place winners facing each other in a championship challenge to determine the winner.

The limitation of only one team member in each category hurt UK as six of the team's riders were forced to watch from the stands.

"Not having a walk-trotter hurt our per-

formance," said UK coach Elaine Schott. "But I'm proud that the girls did so well."

UK was unable to enter a team member in the walk-trot equitation because of the lack of a walk-trot rider. Therefore, UK was able to compete in only seven of the eight categories.

UK team members still won five ribbons in the seven categories in which they competed.

Val Buesching earned UK's highest score by placing second in the intermediate equitation over fences category.

Jill Magee competed in open hunter seat equitation and earned a fourth place ribbon. The category involved walking, trotting and cantering the horse.

Dorie Kidwell, who has only been with the team for a semester, placed fifth in the walk, trot and canter hunter seat equitation. This competition tested the rider's skill to make smooth transitions between walking, trotting and cantering the horse.

"I had a pretty good run," Kidwell said. "It was a great motivator since I haven't been doing this very long."

Erin Hjertstedt earned two sixth place ribbons at the tournament. Her first came for novice equitation over fences. The second was for novice hunter seat equitation.

Tara Bramblette, the 2000 national champion intermediate rider, competed in the open equitation over fences competition, but did not place due to a refusal by the horse, in which her horse would not jump over a fence.

"I just had a bad day," Bramblette said. "Everything else was going good but one mistake cost me."

Team member Stacy Gronemeyer returned to action for the first time after breaking her arm during a fall last year but did not place in the intermediate hunter seat equitation category.

This was UK's first competition since winning the 2000 NCAA Division I Invitational. The invitational was held at the University of South Carolina and saw UK nearly double the score of the second place team.

Saturday's Tournament of Champions Invitational is independent of regional competitions and does not affect the current standings. UK is currently in second place in their region and is only three points behind the leader, Midway College.

"We didn't lose anything by coming here to Midway," Magee said. "We really got a good look at the competition."

The competition included teams from the University of Connecticut, Oklahoma State, Fresno State and Penn State.

UK's next competition is February 10-11 at Morehead State University. For more information about the event or the team, call Elaine Schott at 489-0481.

"I had a pretty good run. It was a great motivator since I haven't been doing this very long."

— Dorie Kidwell, equestrian team member

Death of a legend

Al McGuire, one of the most successful college coaches in the 1970s, died Friday. McGuire retired from coaching after leading Marquette University to the national title in 1977.

McGuire profile
Name: Alfred James McGuire.
Age: 72; born Sept. 7, 1928.
Alma Mater: St. John's.
NBA playing career: New York Knicks (1951-54); Baltimore Bullets (1954-55).

Coaching career: Dartmouth (1955-57); Belmont Abbey (1957-64); Marquette (1965-77).

Television analyst: 1977-2000.
Honors: Named coach of the year by The Associated Press, United Press International, The Sporting News and the United States Basketball Writers Association (1971). Named coach of the year by Medalist Sports Education (1974). Elected to the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass. (1992).



NICK TOMCEK / PHOTO EDITOR

Fight club

Ryan Barrett of Miami, Ohio fights against UK freshman Dameron Robinson at a home boxing match Saturday. Robinson won the fight with a unanimous decision. The UK boxing team is a club sport coached by George Ginter. The team practices at 630 S. Broadway and has produced 19 All-American boxers in the past eight years. The team practices Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Sportsbytes

Big strokes

The UK swimming and diving teams defeated Cincinnati on Friday, Jan. 26, breaking five pool records during the meet. The men defeated the Bearcats 131-109, while the women downed UC 127-109.

The No. 23 men's team (4-1) was led by Macon White and Roger Watkins as they broke pool records during the meet. Two other pool records fell to the Kentucky relays. White won the 500 freestyle and Watkins won the 100 breaststroke. David Tweedie won the 100 and 200 freestyles, while Shaun Zitani took the 100 butterfly and Aaron Workman won the 50 freestyle. Tweedie, Fernando Barros, and Daniel Wimer swam to a one-two-three sweep in the 100 freestyle.

The No. 24 women's team (6-

2) was led by Melissa Olson, who broke the pool record in the 400 individual medley. Kelli Stein added another win in the 100 breaststroke. Jaime Siegle won in the 50 freestyle and Amanda Bourgeois took the 100 freestyle. Jenaca Pumphrey combined with Shawna Sechrist and Jaime Siegle to sweep the backstroke.

Women's basketball

Knoxville, Tenn. — Freshman SeSe Helm charted her second straight double-digit performance with a team-high 10 points in UK's 83-59 loss to No. 3 Tennessee on Sunday.

The Cats (5-14, 1-7 SEC) jumped out to a 9-4 lead in the first half before the experienced Lady Vols used a 14-0 run to pull ahead 46-16 at the break. Tennessee forced a total of 29 UK turnovers and never looked back as 13 of the 14 Lady Vols scored

at least two points.

The Cats return to Memorial Coliseum to play host to their final non-conference opponent on Wednesday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m. versus Virginia Commonwealth.

Plane crash kills athletes

BYERS, Colo. — Two Oklahoma State basketball players, six staffers and broadcasters associated with the program were killed aboard a plane that crashed while returning from a game in Colorado last night.

The plane crashed 20 miles south of Denver after taking off from Jefferson County Airport.

Oklahoma State players Nate Fleming and Dan Lawson, sports information employee Will Hancock, a basketball program executive, a trainer, a broadcast engineer, Oklahoma City broadcaster Bill Teggin, and the two pilots were aboard the plane, said OSU sports information director Steve Buzzard.

Head coach Eddie Sutton, a former head coach of UK's men's basketball team, had taken one of two other flights, officials said.

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Giddy up, little racetrack...

Churchill Downs faces competition

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Churchill Downs Inc., one of the largest companies in the racing industry, is facing increased competition as it moved closer to finding new revenue outlets. The Indiana House of Representatives passed legislation that would let Churchill install casino-style "pull-tab" machines at its Hoosier Park racetrack, and at off-track betting parlors in Indianapolis and one to be built in French Lick. But the bill would also eventually end the track's subsidy from the state's riverboat casinos. Other horse groups would still benefit from casino admissions taxes, which would be increased. More important, the legislation would allow the boats to operate dockside. That means people could go aboard the boat continuously instead of every two hours, as they do now. The largest such boat in the world, Caesars Glory of Rome, operates about 13 miles from Churchill Downs in Louisville.

Put your hands on your head...

Complaint board finds fault in force

NEW YORK — The city wants to allow the same civilian agency that investigates police misconduct to take its cases to court in order to make the complaint process more efficient. Currently, the Civilian Complaint Review Board investigates claims of abuse filed by the public, then sends cases with evidence of misconduct to police department lawyers who decide whether the cases can be prosecuted. Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik and Mayor Rudolph Giuliani hope the change will clear up misconceptions by both police and the public. Under the change, expected to be finalized within 90 days, the board would not forward any cases to the police department but instead would prosecute the cases. However, it still would have to forward any recommendations for disciplinary action to the police commissioner, who would make the final decision. The New York Civil Liberties Union praised the proposal. The Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, the union representing about 27,000 police officers, withheld judgment, saying the details of the proposal are too sketchy.

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GOOD EVENING, LARRY.

Buenos Noche, Mr. King.

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IN OUR OPINION

Out with the old, battling the new

Lee Todd steps out of the ring and into the controversial fire as he takes on the presidency

Newly elected UK President Lee Todd will have some steep mountains to climb when he steps into office.

Not only will he have to deal with a student body who feels shut out by the previous administration, but he will also have to deal with all the other hassles that come along with a high profile position in the community.

UK students should go into Todd's administration with an open mind and attempt to level off some of the mountains Todd will have to climb because Todd, like anyone else about to begin a new position, deserves a fair chance.

And it seems as if Todd is ready to take this chance. When Board of Trustees members made it official that Todd was going to be UK's next president, Todd made the statement that he would not fail. Going by Todd's past professional experience this seems like an accurate statement.

His "I will not fail attitude" obviously assisted him in attaining the success he currently has. It helped him go from working as a newspaper deliverer in Earlington, Ky., when he was a young man, to earning Ph.D. degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. It also helped him start two successful technology companies, Projectron in 1981 and DataBeam Corp. in 1983.

It is this type of attitude that will assist UK in becoming a Top 20 public research institution by the year 2020. This is also the type of attitude that students should adopt because it will take more than a president to help UK achieve this goal. It is going to take everyone from students to faculty members to administrators.

Todd is coming into this University at an opportune time. Not only is it an opportune time for the University, but it is also an opportune time for students. When UK reaches its goal of becoming a Top 20 public research institution, our degrees will, in turn, become more valuable. But before our degrees can increase in value, students' relationships and attitudes toward UK administrators need to become more substantial.

UK students should return Todd's promise of not failing. If he's willing to make that pledge to the University, then we should be willing to make it, too.

Clay McDaniel

The past, the present, the presidential gamble

Sometimes I even amaze myself. I wrote a column shortly before the November election detailing the reasons why I find Al Gore less attractive than a pant suit. Foremost among them, he was no Bill Clinton. And in a moment of utterly remarkable foresight, I commented that I would love to sit down and have a beer with the now ex-President, even though he would undoubtedly stick me with the tab. Amazing enough, he did exactly that.

No, it wasn't me, and it wasn't over a pint of Guinness, but, according to London's The Sun, Clinton ate and ran after dining on Cajun shrimp and a ciabatta sandwich during his visit to the British capitol in December.

And while it was most likely an innocent mistake, this provides me with an excellent opportunity to discuss some of the items Clinton has left us to pay for now that he is a private citizen once again.

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ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Not their finest hour

When Sirs Whitmore and Geoffrey came to our school as finalists for University president, they brought with them a ray of hope for our school. We saw their credentials. We saw their accomplishments. Moreover, we saw how they had made a difference at Iowa and Maryland, how these schools had flourished under their guidance. However, there are many things that need to be said to these men.

Sirs, we are a changing University. We have a bold dream to become one of the finest public institutions in the nation. Your enthusiasm, your competence, and your experience were the missing pieces.

We needed leadership that could only come from an outsider, who wasn't rooted in the parochial roots of UK. We needed to abandon the old ways without looking back, cutting all ties with the limited and somewhat poorly regarded institution we were building upon the decent school that we are, and working to become the fine University I believe we can be.

The president is an all-important piece of this dream. We need strong leadership, someone who isn't afraid to challenge antiquated policies and paradigms. Last year, we raised far more money than anyone hoped to gain, and the elements of change at our school abound.

President Wethington drew the ire of students, fairly or unfairly. We perceived him as being above us, unreachable and consequently out of touch. We seldom had the opportunity to speak with him, though he was quick to lecture us.

Our input was nothing against his advisers, nor against his ambition for pandering to the Board of Trustees.

When you came, you showed us what a real president might be like. You asked us questions, even as we questioned you. What's more, you listened to the answers. You cared about our educational experience, what we liked and disliked, and you seemed more in touch with the student experience than any administrator many of us has ever known.

When the last week of the decision process came, I remember feeling a sense of relief. The long reign of "good ol' boys" who were born and bred as Wildcats was finally coming to an end. Regardless of which of you was chosen, I knew you would have a great asset to our school.

Mr. Geoffrey, I am disappointed with you. For a few weeks, I was among your most vocal supporters. In all fairness, you did warn us that you might

accept the position in Iowa, yet you led us on beyond all belief. In the end, you shunned the students you seemed to care so much about, and we learned of your decision, of all places, through the Associated Press wire. You've let us down, first by abandoning us in the final day, second by not having the grace to tell our student body, in writing or in person, why you decided to leave before a decision had even been made.

Mr. Whitmore, your offense has been much greater. You accepted no such rival position, had no such flimsy excuse. You left us hours before the board met, leaving us without option, taking this most important decision out of our hands entirely. We still don't know why you decided to withdraw so suddenly, so abruptly. The only response you were able to give over the phone was something about "personal reasons."

Sir, personal reasons do not fabricate overnight. They do not build and build and suddenly, at just the moment before our decision, overwhelm you. If there were any legitimate reasons for withdrawing, you knew of them far before last Tuesday. I doubt there were.

Gentlemen, you have let UK down. We now have Lee Todd, a man with no outside experience and very strong ties to the old establishment, taking the office you pursued. In all fairness, he may prove to be a great man, bringing change and a new direction to our University, and I will not go so far as to insult him. He has done nothing wrong in the last week, though he's done nothing right, either. I believe this will be the theme of his entire term as president.

Sirs, we have a great dream at UK, and this presidential selection was vital to bringing greatness to our school. This is my first year here, though I've lived in Lexington most of my life. I want this change as much as any student or administrator, and I'm very frustrated that you've treated our decision so lightly.

I wish you both luck in your positions, and I hope that you bring those schools the great things you could have brought to us. I harbor no bad feelings for either of you for your decisions, merely your timing and conduct.

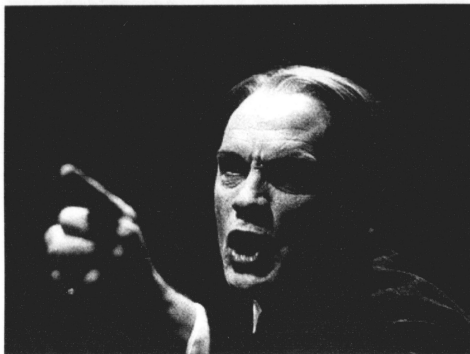
For me, the worst thing you've done is guarantee that, if UK does become America's next great university, it won't be during my educational career.

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ART IMITATES LIFE

Malkovich overshadows film



John Malkovich (left) stars in *Shadow of the Vampire* as famed German director F. W. Murnau, a filmmaker so obsessed with making a good film he cast a real vampire (Willem Dafoe) in the lead.

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Prince of darkness: John Malkovich impresses as the manipulative, obsessed director of the silent German expressionist classic 'Nosferatu'

By Patrick Avery
ASSISTANT SCENE EDITOR

Expecting a movie titled *Shadow of the Vampire* to be a horror movie would be a good assumption. However, it turns out you would be wrong in this case.

Shadow of the Vampire stars powerhouse actors John Malkovich and Willem Dafoe in what is essentially a behind the scenes documentary of the clas-

sic vampire movie *Nosferatu*.

As the film begins we find out that director F.W. Murnau (Malkovich) tried to film "Dracula," but could not obtain the rights. So he changes a few minor characters and plot points and creates his vampire film.

Murnau's puppet master of all his actors and crew, hires a real vampire he calls Max Schreck (Dafoe) for the role of Count Orlock. Max Schreck appears to be a great

method actor because he appears only in character and only at night. Murnau struck a deal with Schreck in order get a real vampire for the role. Schreck is promised the neck of the beautiful leading lady if he delivers a great performance.

Murnau's crew includes Udo Kier as producer Albin Grau, Cary Elwes as photographer Fritz Wagner, Catherine McCormack as the actress Schreck is promised and come-

dian Eddie Izzard as the leading actor of *Nosferatu*.

The strength of the movie lies with the performances of Malkovich and Dafoe. Malkovich keeps even a person with a two-minute attention span glued to his every word as the power control director. Murnau would be compared to James Cameron today.

Dafoe also delivers as Schreck but his performance owes many thanks to the extensive costume work.

Unfortunately for *Shadow of the Vampire*, the story drifts away from the performances and becomes incoherent because of poor editing.

Another problem is the five-minute opening credit sequence. Overtures are understandable for epic motion pictures, but at 93 minutes this movie hardly meets the standards of an epic.

One can compare *Shadow of the Vampire* to the movie *Boufingier*, starring Eddie Murphy and Steve Martin. In *Boufingier*, Murphy's character is in a movie he doesn't know he's in. Martin however tells his cast and crew that he likes to stay in character much like Schreck.

The only real difference between these movies is the style. *Boufingier* was light-hearted while *Shadow of the Vampire* is a much darker comedy.

Shadow of the Vampire is fun if only to hear Malkovich's treachery as a control freak. Emerge from the shadows of your dorm rooms to see a good movie.

Grade: B+

GIMME A 'D' FOR DUMB

Teen heist comedy nothing to cheer about

Sis boom blah: Stereotypical teens decide to play 'Bonnie and Clyde' when a perky compatriot gets pregnant

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Sugar and Spice stems from a little ditzy about Jack (James Marsden) and Diane (Marley Shelton), two high school sweethearts doing the best they can. This is, after Diane becomes pregnant and they are both thrown out of their houses.

Diane is the "perfect" gratingly perky cheerleader and Jack is her dopey quarterback boyfriend. When Diane's "sisters," the four other members of the "A" squad, discover their friend has "become a statistic," they are dismayed but supportive. They pledge to do whatever it takes to help their friend in her time of need.

Jack and Diane move in together and begin to work against the bills that steadily force them further into debt. As Diane's belly gets bigger and her pocketbook gets smaller, she and her friends come across the only logical plan to provide fully for the

baby. Robbing a bank with toy guns and "Betsy doll" costumes, while armed with the knowledge reaped from movies becomes the perfect way out of debt.

This is all told in retrospect by bitter "B" squad member and witness to the final crime Lisa (Marla Sokoloff). Her hatred of the "A" squad rivals only her desire to be one of them.

The characters offer highly stereotypical roles. There is bad girl Kansas (Mena Suvari in a secondary role), religious Hannah (Rachel Blanchard), Conan O'Brien fanatic Cleo (Melissa Georgina) and Harvard-bound Lucy (Sara Marsh).

Along with constantly positive Diane, none of these girls so much as bend from their stereotypes. While the wide array of characterization offers some humor in the girls' interaction, it also lends to a cast of one-dimensional characters. Diane is positive in the beginning, and she still is at the end.

No one changes, and no one cares to. There is no lesson learned and no one minds. Except, of course, the audience, who realizes that the movie might very well have had absolutely no point.

At times, the film is laugh-out-loud funny. Unfortunately, it is a thin line whether the laughter comes from the film's humor or its stupidity.

Although director Francine McDougall almost created a film with a plot and substance, the entire project gives up at some point in the middle of the movie.

There is also an end scene where the audience gets the low-down of the futures of the characters. By this time the audience is already gathering coats and searching for car keys. Instead of resolving the present stories of the characters, the film gives only blips of distant futures.

There is nothing nice about *Sugar and Spice*. This is a harmless fun time-filler that refused to go the distance to become a good movie. Without active ingredients, even the greatest amounts of sugar and spice just leaves nothing but a stomach ache.

Grade: D+

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