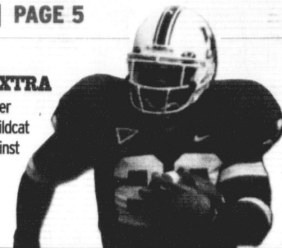


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SG spending on party questioned

CATapult: Montgomery Gentry will headline event, some in SG think money could be put to better uses

By Paul Leighty
STAFF WRITER

Student Government is hosting a concert and basketball pep rally Saturday night in Memorial Coliseum, which has led to some criticism.

Montgomery Gentry, a country music duo with roots

in central Kentucky, is set to headline the event called "CATapult," at a cost of about \$55,000.

David Wagner, arts and sciences senator in SG, said that with more pressing concerns, such as keeping the WT Young Library open 24 hours, the money used for parties like CATapult could

have been spent more wisely. He said if a party must be held, cheaper entertainment could have been found.

"For not even a tenth of the cost, we could bring a DJ who could play everybody's style of music," Wagner said.

Other SG representatives see the events as good investment and expect a large turnout.

Tim Robinson, SG president, said about \$40,000 of CATapult's cost, including

the band's cost, is being paid with student fees, which comprise three-quarters of SG's total revenue this year. The difference is derived from SG fundraising projects, he said.

Robinson said it would normally cost more to bring Montgomery Gentry to UK.

"They're doing it partly because they're big UK fans," Robinson said.

Robinson said SG's use of funds for the concert is appro-

prate and representative of what students want.

"We know it's the student's money," Robinson said. "And we believe in giving it back to them in the form of events they can enjoy."

At CATapult, President Lee Todd will make initial introductions, followed by a pep rally led by men's basketball coach Tubby Smith and women's basketball coach Bernadette Maitox.

Four thousand tickets are

available on a first-come, first-serve basis to UK students, faculty and staff.

SG staff member Edwin Orange said the night will be well worth the cost.

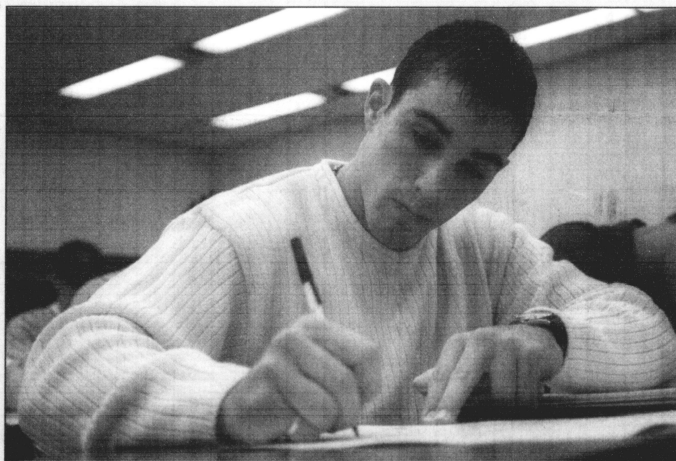
"It's a chance to cheer on the basketball team and to hear a band that has a No. 1 single," Orange said.

CATapult is one of four major events and parties that SG planned for this school

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A DAY IN THE LIFE

Abney goes for punts, politics



JOHN WAMPLER | KERNEL STAFF

Mind and body

Pen in one hand and hand-strengthening putty in the other, UK wide receiver Derek Abney takes notes in his 10 a.m. political science class.

Balance: Record breaking UK wide receiver Derek Abney has a game plan off the field

By Derek Poore
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

A pen in one hand and green putty in the other, UK wide receiver and record-breaking punt return specialist Derek Abney busily jots down notes off the blackboard.

His teacher looks out at the silent room.

"Anyone? Anyone? Bueller?" says political science teacher Anthony Edge, doing his best Ben Stein impersonation from "Ferris Bueller's Day Off."

Abney and his classmates erupt into laughter. Occasionally, Abney picks up the putty, squeez-

ing the green hunk to strengthen his fingers, an idea from his coach.

"Because I jam my fingers a lot, this helps them," he says.

This is Abney's first class, but he's been up since 7:30 a.m. studying.

With a test at 11 a.m. and practice two hours later, he wanted to take advantage of the little time he had.

"Motivation can be hard after practice. You have to get used to the workload," he says. "A lot of people don't realize that a two and a half-hour practice every day is draining. You have to keep focused."

And these days, Abney

has plenty to focus on. Saturdays, he is usually breaking Southeastern Conference records. Mondays, he's in the classroom, working toward an engineering degree and eventually his MBA.

The political science class ends, and Abney heads toward Anderson Hall for a systems analysis exam.

"I'm not really ready for the test," he says.

Balance

Fifty minutes and one exam later, Abney crosses campus for lunch at Commons: lasagna, two tacos and mixed fruit.

Abney says he is getting sick of the same campus food.

"You know, after having to eat either here or at

K-Lair because of scholarship for three years, it kind of gets old," Abney jokes.

For three years, Abney has maintained the balance of athletics and academics. He credits the football program's cooperation — and the nature of a football schedule — for making it work.

"They know all about our work loads and everything, and they're very understanding. I've only had to ask for one extension since the semester started," Abney says.

He also goes to summer school to add to the 12 hours of classes he usually has during the fall semester.

Football has a better schedule than other sports

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UK wants a win vs. Tennessee off the field



BRAD WILDER | KERNEL STAFF

A call to all arms

Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart talks with Miss Kentucky Mary Catherine Correll after the kick-off ceremony for Big Blue Crush.

How to bleed blue: The 15th annual blood drive pits UK against the University of Tennessee

By Kristin Durbin
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

A few years ago, Sara Hawkins' mother became sick with pneumonia and had to go to the hospital. That night, Hawkins learned her mother had leukemia.

Hawkins' mother is now taking her fourth chemotherapy regiment; the others have failed. Chemo can deplete a person's red blood cells, and her mother's count becomes so low, she has no energy, said Hawkins, a communication and political science sophomore. Her mother relies on donated blood to bring relief to the intense pain that comes with the therapy, Hawkins said.

"For her to even wake up and open her eyes brings her to tears," Hawkins said. "When the nurse would take her pulse, it left bruises."

Each blood transfusion her mother receives lessens the pain.

"Words cannot even describe it," Hawkins said. "You not only have more energy but you don't feel as sick anymore."

The blood Hawkins' mother receives during transfusions comes from donors, such as those who will give during the Big Blue Crush blood drives.

Next week, UK and the University of Tennessee are going head to head again to try to donate the most blood between Nov. 18 and Nov. 22. The winning school will receive a trophy during the football game in

See BLOOD on 4

BY THE NUMBERS

66,809

Total pints donated by both UK and the U of Tennessee since the competition began

3,000

Kentucky's goal in pints for the 2002 drive

90

Percent of American population that will use blood or blood products at some point in their lifetimes

14

Years competition has existed

8

Big Blue Crush victories for UK

5

Percent of eligible donors nationwide who actually give blood

3

Lives saved with each Blue Crush blood donation

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Years the Central Kentucky Blood Center has had a shortage since the start of Big Blue Crush

Source: Central Kentucky Blood Center

"Football is pretty lucky ... with games on the weekend, we don't have to miss any class."

- DEREK ABNEY, UK WIDE RECEIVER

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS.

The Low-down



The Kite Shop has a message for 20th Century Fox: 'Go fly a kite.'

Luke Fontana, owner of The Kite Shop, in New Orleans who claims filming of a movie blocked the store's entrance and hurt business over a two-day period.

Fort Campbell, Ky. soldiers killed

FORT POLK, La. — Two soldiers involved in an urban assault drill were killed Thursday when they were run over by a 63-ton tank. The accident came a day after an Air Force Reserve F-16 crashed in Utah, killing the pilot. That crash was the second fatal accident involving F-16s in Utah in less than three weeks. The soldiers were with the 3rd Brigade of the 101st Airborne Division out of Fort Campbell, Ky., which was recently stationed in Afghanistan, said Fort Polk spokesman Ron Elliott. Elliott said he didn't know if the soldiers had seen overseas service. The accident occurred about 5:20 a.m. and both soldiers were flown by helicopter to the Fort Polk hospital where they were pronounced dead, Elliott said. About 400 soldiers were participating in the pre-dawn drill at the Army's Joint Readiness Training Center. The victims were run over by an M-1 Abrams tank, Elliott said. They were not part of the tank's crew, Elliott said. Their identities were withheld until relatives could be notified. The accident was under investigation. The drill involved a battalion-sized force trying to take over an urban target, Elliott said. The training center has a simulated village that was the target of the drill. Elliott said the division was not training for any specific deployment, such as Iraq, and the exercises were scheduled a year ago. The 101st Airborne is a rapid deployment, air assault division trained to go anywhere in the world in 36 hours. About 4,000 soldiers from the division's 3rd Brigade, 187th Regiment, fought in Afghanistan. The division's tour ended in August.

Scandals hurt market, households

WASHINGTON — The string of accounting failures at big companies in the last year has cost U.S. households nearly \$60,000 on average as some \$5 trillion in market value was lost, a member of the Securities and Exchange Commission said Thursday. They were "spectacular failures," SEC Commissioner Paul Atkins noted in a speech, ticking off the high-profile cases of Enron, WorldCom, Adelphia and Tyco International. The embattled SEC — whose chairman, Harvey Pitt, resigned under pressure last week — is committed to protecting investors amid a crisis of public trust, Atkins said. "We are working hard to be more vigorous, more aggressive," he told the Federalist Society, a conservative lawyers' group.



GLADIATOR: On Wednesday, New Zealand-born actor, Russell Crowe was back in London, where British daily The Sun said he got into a brawl with a fellow kiter, Eric Watson, owner of the New Zealand Warriors rugby team. Police told Reuters that there were no arrests and no charges filed. The fight occurred at the Zuma eatery, in London's posh Knightsbridge neighborhood, starting in the bathroom and spilling out into the bar area, the Sun reported. One onlooker told the Sun that Crowe "was out of control. To begin with it was funny. He was throwing plates and it was like something out of the movie 'My Big Fat Greek Wedding.'" Eventually, however, Watson apparently gained the upper hand. "One of Crowe's minders rushed in after hearing shouting and found Crowe lying on the ground with the other guy on top of him," a witness told the Sun.

Jail a possibility for biotech officials

WASHINGTON — Officials at a biotechnology company face a possible one-year jail term if the government finds they broke laws when genetically engineered corn contaminated two soybean crops, the Agriculture Department said Thursday. The department has been meeting with attorneys for ProdiGene Inc. of College Station, Texas, to discuss possible penalties for the incidents in Iowa and Nebraska, said Cindy Smith, deputy administrator for USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. ProdiGene may have violated the Plant Protection Act, which regulates the transportation and planting of genetically engineered plants. Federal inspectors found a soybean crop in Iowa and another in Nebraska were contaminated with experimental corn. Corporate officers responsible for the violations could face criminal penalties of up to one year in jail.

Shop to Hollywood: 'Go fly a kite'

NEW ORLEANS — A kite store in the French Quarter filed a lawsuit Thursday against the makers of a movie being made there, alleging crews blocked the store entrance for two days. The Kite Shop filed the lawsuit against 20th Century Fox and Jury Productions Inc. seeking compensation for business lost due to the filming of "Runaway Jury," starring John Cusack, Dustin Hoffman and Gene Hackman. Movie-making equipment blocked access on Tuesday and Wednesday while 20,000 real estate agents were in town for a convention. "Dustin Hoffman came in and bought a kite," said Luke Fontana, a lawyer who owns the store. "But on the other side, there were over 20,000 Realtors in town for a convention and they couldn't get through." The shop sells elaborately designed kites for up to \$450. "The Kite Shop has a message to 20th Century Fox: 'Go fly a kite,'" Fontana said.

Distributor partially liable in shooting

WEST PALM BEACH — A jury ordered a weapons distributor Thursday to pay \$1.2 million to the widow of a teacher gunned down by a 13-year-old student, largely sparing the company from blame in the closely watched case. Jurors found Valor Corp. to be 5 percent responsible for the slaying of Barry Grunow, who was shot two years ago at a Lake Worth middle school. The jury said Valor didn't sell the gun with a safety feature that could have prevented Nathaniel Brazil from pulling the trigger. Attorneys for Grunow said the verdict marked the first time a gun distributor had been found liable in a shooting death. "This is a huge victory for safer guns," said Allen Roston, an attorney for the Brady Center to Prevent Gun Violence. "The jury ruled this company could have distributed a safer gun."



MURDER WAS THE CASE: A SWAT team raided the Beverly Hills office of rap label Tha Row (formerly Death Row) early Thursday morning to serve one of 17 murder-related warrants, the Associated Press reports. One person was arrested at the scene and several others were arrested in simultaneous raids elsewhere, Los Angeles police said. However, Suge Knight, the label's controversial founder, was not considered a suspect, Sheriff's department spokesperson Alba Yates said. "They're seeking additional evidence in several homicides and a conspiracy to commit murder investigation," Sheriff's spokesperson Joe Efland told Reuters. Police would not identify the victims, so it was not clear if the raids had anything to do with the long-unresolved killings of rappers Tupac Shakur and the Notorious B.I.G., or the murder last month of Run-DMC's Jam Master Jay.

Gay linguists dismissed from military

SAN FRANCISCO — Nine Army linguists, including six trained to speak Arabic, have been dismissed from the military because they are gay. The soldiers' dismissals come at a time when the military is facing a critical shortage of translators and interpreters for the war on terrorism. Six were specializing in Arabic, two were studying Korean and one was studying Mandarin Chinese. All were at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey, the military's primary language training center. The government has aggressively recruited Arabic speakers since the Sept. 11 attacks. One of the discharged linguists said the military's policy on gays is hurting its cause. "It's not a gay-rights issue. I'm arguing military proficiency issues. They're throwing out good, quality people," said Alastair Gamble, a former Army specialist. After their discharges, Gamble and former Pfc. Robert Hicks applied for other federal jobs where they could use their language skills in the war on terrorism, but neither was hired, Gamble said.

Countries argue over kidnap victims

MANO, Japan — An alleged U.S. Army deserter, whose Japanese wife was abducted decades ago to North Korea by communist spies, pleaded Thursday for Tokyo to end his visit with long-lost Japanese relatives and send her "home" to North Korea. The appeal came in a rare interview with Charles Robert Jenkins, who married abductee Hitomi Soga in North Korea in 1960. "All I want now is for my wife to come home," Jenkins said. "I have been living happily in North Korea for 37 years. This is the first time things have been painful for me." Soga is among five of the only known survivors of 13 Japanese that North Korea admits kidnapping in the 1970s and early '80s to use as language teachers. The five returned to their homeland Oct. 15. What was expected to be a two-week visit with relatives has turned into a tug-of-war between Japan and North Korea. North Korea demands their immediate return. But Japan refuses to send them until the abductees' children — and in Soga's case, her husband — are allowed to visit Japan so the families can decide together where they want to live permanently. Thursday marks 30 months, with neither country caving in.

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for keeping up with his work, he says.

"Football is pretty lucky. Baseball and basketball have to travel a lot, but football with games on the weekend, we don't have to miss any class."

Past, present, future

After college sports, Abney has other plans.

"NFL, yeah, but otherwise, maybe after some time in civil engineering, I'd like to get into politics."

Abney's football career started in his hometown, Mosinee, Wis. His success at Kentucky isn't his first. His high school, DC Everest, made the state finals his sophomore year and won the championship his senior.

"That was very special," he said.

Growing up in Mosinee is also where he got his football number. A childhood friend was killed while riding his bicycle during Abney's seventh grade year.

When it came time for Abney to pick his varsity number, he told the coach he wanted No. 12 — the number his friend had worn in seventh grade.

Good, his coach said, because that's the only one left. "Now if that's not a sign, then what is?" Abney says.

Skills

As the lunch hour continues, talk turns to football and Abney's unique ability to find that seam and take it all the way in for the touchdown.

"It's a speed issue, and I don't like to juke because that allows defenders to collapse on me," Abney says.

Abney's speed is certainly an issue, being able to run a 40-yard-dash in 4.3 seconds, but he also relies heavily upon his special teams blockers to make that lane for him.

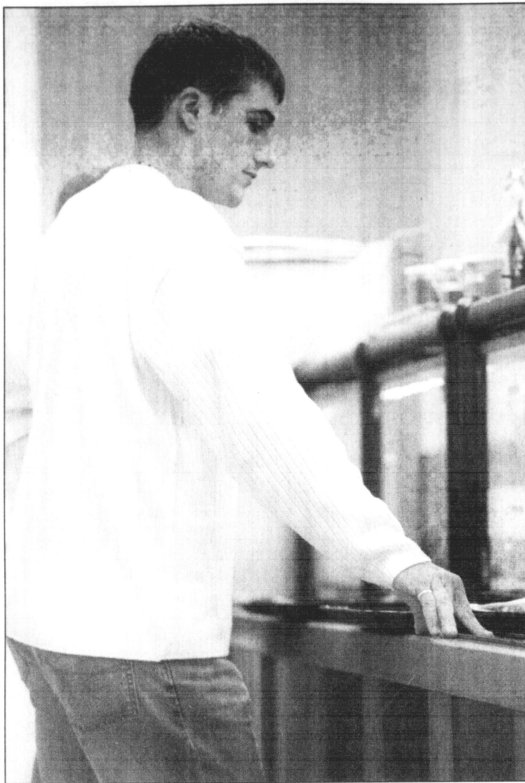
While he has made headlines lately with touchdown returns, Abney came to Kentucky for a number of reasons.

"I really liked the offense here and in the SEC. And my parents also are from Kentucky," he says.

His parents' meeting was the result of an odd collision — literally.

"They both met after being involved in a traffic accident at Georgetown," Abney says.

At 12:45 p.m., Abney walks to Nutter Training Facility to watch films at 1 p.m.



JOHN WAMPLER | KERNEL STAFF

Fuel or gruel?

Derek Abney gets lunch at the Commons on South Campus. A scholarship football player, Abney has had to eat at campus eateries every weekday, and he said after three years one can get tired of campus food.

"Practice usually goes until about 4:15 so we're usually out there about two and a half hours," he says.

A worn-out Abney leaves Nutter as the sun is slipping behind the fence along Cooper Drive. But his day isn't over yet.

"I usually take about an hour break, then get to studying," Abney says.

Of course, the memory of last Saturday's penultimate play of the game continues to haunt many fans, but Abney says the team is ready.

"I guarantee we won't be thinking about it, and it's going to show on the field on Saturday."



JOHN WAMPLER | KERNEL STAFF

UK wide receiver Derek Abney makes a catch against two UK defensive players during practice on Wednesday.

PARTY

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year, at a total cost of about \$100,000, according to the 2002-2003 SG budget.

Eric Mills, executive director of SG, said this event would appeal to fans of country-pop artists like Tim McGraw, Faith Hill and Kenny Chesney.

"It's smooth that we're getting in free," said Adam Reed, an undeclared sophomore, who plans to attend.

Brice Carr, a communication junior, feels differently.

"Even though it's free, it doesn't seem like a very good return on our investment," he said. "And I like country music."

BLOOD

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Knoxville, Tenn. Nov. 30.

Mitch Barnhart, UK athletics director, said he wants to win more than just the football game.

"The more important victory is what we do off the field," Barnhart said. "The most important thing we can do is beat Tennessee in the blood drive."

This year's Big Blue Crush is the Central Kentucky Blood Center's 15th annual drive at UK. Since it began in 1988, the center has had no shortages during the Thanksgiving season, said Marsha Berry, the center's director of communications

and recruitment.

And fewer shortages mean more people helped, said Susan Berry-Buckley, president and CEO of the center.

"It simply saves lives," Berry-Buckley said. "But it only comes from people rolling up their sleeves."

Barnhart encouraged students to do their part.

"All it takes is effort," he said.

Donors will receive a T-shirt and a chance to win a football signed by UK Coach Guy Morriss. Donors on Nov. 18 and Nov. 19 will be eligible to win two tickets to the UK men's basketball game at Rupp Arena on Dec. 17.

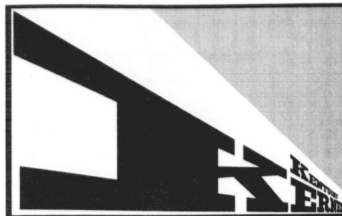
Hawkins said for she and her mother, the three to four units of blood her mother uses per week in transfu-

sions is vital.

"I can hug her and not feel like I'm hurting her," Hawkins said. "It means another day that my family can live normally."

Where to donate

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MEETINGS
 *Elections for the ISC Sports Coordinator and Volunteer Coordinators, 5:00pm, Conference Room in Bradley Hall, Rm. 207
 *Revival Bible Study, 7:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 245

ACADEMIC
 *Math Tutoring, 1:00-5:00pm, Math Resource Center 063 Classroom Building

SPECIAL EVENTS
 *La Residence Française, 5-6pm, Keeneland Hall

SPORTS
 *The Keon Do practice, 5:30-7:00pm, Alumni Gym Loft

ARTS/MOVIES
 *Russian Music, Edward Lee, pianist, Department of Russian and Eastern Studies, 12:00 Noon, John Jacob Niles Center for American Music, Rm. Lucille Caudill Little Fine Arts Library

*Readell Reception, "Minds Wide Open", 7:00pm, Readell Gallery

*Opening for the UK Art Dept. Faculty Exhibition, 5:00pm, UK Art Museum, Free!

SPORTS
 *UK Football Game vs. Vanderbilt, 1:30pm, Commonwealth Stadium

*Horse Show (western), Monthead State University

*The Keon Do practice, 11:00am-12:30pm, Alumni Gym Loft

MEETINGS
 *International Student Bible Study, 6:30pm, Baptist Student Union

*Alpha Kappa Psi Executive Board Meeting, 7:00pm, Student Center, Rm. 203

ACADEMIC
 *Math Tutoring, 6:00-10:00pm, Commons Rm. 307

*Math Tutoring, 6:00-10:00pm, Holmes Hall Lobby

*Physics Tutoring 211213, 7:00-9:00pm, Commons 307

*Chemistry Tutoring 106107, 7:00-9:00pm, Holmes Hall Lobby

*Biology All 100-level, 7:00-9:00pm, Holmes Hall Lobby

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Rodeo fans to saddle up at Kentucky Horse Park

Yee-haw: Events include calf roping and bull riding

By Lily Cooksey
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Three hundred authentic cowboys and cowgirls are riding into Lexington.

"It's time to rodeo. The Kentucky Horse Park will host the first such event to come to Lexington in eight years.

Dewayne Walker, pastor of the Mount Olivet Baptist Church, which is sponsoring the rodeo, said he is excited.

"This is a professional rodeo and we are really lucky to have it back," he said.

For UK students, this is a chance to see a live rodeo.

Bareback bronc riding, steer wrestling, team roping, saddle bronc riding, cowgirl barrel racing, calf roping and bull riding are the seven events that participants will be competing in for points during the three-hour-long main rodeo.

Afterward, there will be a "slack" rodeo, which allows extended time for those who did not get a chance to compete.

"It's family entertainment," said Rita Swain, a member of the church. "We wanted to have an event where people could come together with their children."

Will students turn out to watch these cowboys and cowgirls duke it out?

"This is something different, that not many of us have been exposed to," said Jordana Zabaneh, a marketing and management junior.

"The idea of a rodeo sounds fun and it's definitely a chance we don't get all the time."

Pre-med senior Matt Bowling said he has aspirations of being in a rodeo.

"The only thing better than watching bull riding is getting to ride the bull yourself," Bowling said.

"I'm hoping to move on from the (mechanical bull) to a real bull one day."

For history and Latin junior Alexis Bowling, this won't be a new experience, but reminiscent of growing up — her dad is a cowboy.

"I am so excited this is coming," she said.

"I grew up traveling to different rodeos. My whole family was involved, because my dad always competed."

Agriculture senior Jon Steimel said he participated in junior rodeo as a child and looks forward to going.

"I'm just disappointed that I'm not getting to compete," he said.

Rodeo in Lexington

Where: Kentucky Horse Park
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Music reviews

Pearl Jam

Riot Act

By Jack Hopkins
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Touring around the world, especially after 72 concerts in six months, can take a lot out of a rock band.

But that sure wasn't enough for Seattle-based Pearl Jam. They have also released their seventh studio album, *Riot Act*.

Throughout the last few months, it has seemed as though grunge music has experienced a rebirth.

The release of Nirvana's greatest hits (including the roaring single, "You Know You're Right"), the creation of new supergroup Audioslave by Chris Cornell (the current Rage Against the Machine) and former Soundgarden lead singer), factored with Pearl Jam's continuing productivity, it appears that grunge is back.

Well... sorta.

On Pearl Jam's newest record, the veteran band gets innovative and struggles at times.

Luckily the initial single, "I Am Mine," is one of their strongest singles since the early days, when the band had a huge follow-up. But sadly, those days are gone.

Since 1994, with the release of *Vitalogy*, many people have lost interest in the alternative rock giants.

After the releases of 1996's *No Code*, 1998's *Yield* and 2000's *Binaural*, Pearl Jam now finds itself less popular than in the early to mid '90s.

It's still a rock steady band, efficient at making solid tunes, but none have caught the same level of interest as past hits "Jeremy," "Alive," "Daughter" or "Peterman."

With a good variety of soft and hard songs, *Riot Act* seems to be a positive jump from *Binaural*.

That album didn't seem to have any punch to it, and the latest offering does. It's shown through songs like "You Are," "Green Disease," and "Save You."

But possibly the best song on the album's 15 tracks — the most Pearl Jam has had on a studio album — is the beautiful, moving, "Love Boat Captain."

With the uplifting chorus, "All you need is love," it makes one think this band is still very capable of rocking your boat, so to speak.

Lead singer Eddie Vedder is older, yet the same after 12-plus years under his belt.

With Vedder's trademark screech, anyone who has heard music by Pearl Jam would be able to pick him out.

And Vedder speaks his mind with the anti-George W. Bush track, "Bushleague." Still, it's a B-side song that should have been saved for next year's tour.

Overall, *Riot Act* appears to be a quality album with good rock songs, but if one is hoping for another *Ten* or *Vs.*, it might be better to not buy it.

But if you're a Pearl Jam follower who enjoys anything the band puts out, it's worth a listen.

Grade: B

Comeback
Grunge group Pearl Jam has released its seventh album, *Riot Act*.

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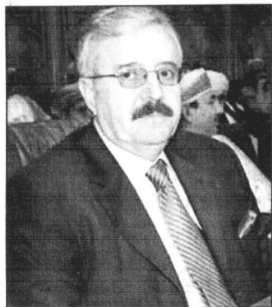
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Iraq will permit U.N. inspectors, starting Monday



Iraqi Foreign Minister Najib Sabri composed Iraq's response to the recent U.N. resolution.

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Sincerely yours: Iraq's reply to U.N. resolution 1441 does not use the word 'accept'; many still cautious

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Iraq's response to the United Nations is unclear on whether Baghdad has really accepted the U.N. resolution — and that could mean a military confrontation is waiting.

Iraq's defiant nine-page letter, delivered Wednesday to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, does not use the word "accept" but states that "we will deal with resolution 1441, despite its bad contents."

After seeing Baghdad's response, a senior U.S. State Department official said it was still not clear if Iraq had even said "yes" to the U.N. resolution demanding unfettered access for inspectors to search for weapons.

An advanced team of inspectors is due to arrive in Baghdad on Monday.

In the letter, Iraqi Foreign Minister Najib Sabri wrote that Iraq will allow inspectors back in to show "that Iraq neither had produced nor was in possession of any weapons of mass destruction — nuclear, chemical or biological — throughout the time of the inspectors' absence from Iraq."

The letter says that in "dealing with the inspectors," the Iraqi government will consider any "improper approach in showing respect to the people's national dignity, their independence and security and their country's security, independence and sovereignty."

Iraq has previously used similar language about "sovereignty" to keep U.N. inspectors out of presidential palaces and government ministries — a decade-old sticking point for inspectors.

The letter also says that if the inspectors carry out their duties "professionally and lawfully, without any premeditated intentions, the liar's lies will be exposed" and the Security Council will be obligated "to lift the blockade and all other unjust sanctions on Iraq."

The U.S. State Department said the Iraqi letter was only the first step toward compliance.

"We'll look at the letter, but that's all it is," said State Department spokesman Richard Boucher. "Iraq has no choice but to comply with the resolution's terms. Iraq's letter is one of the requirements. The next ones are full disclosure and active cooperation with the inspectors."

British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw pointed out that Baghdad's denial of having weapons sets up the possibility of a new crisis on December 8, the date Iraq is required under the resolution to disclose the full details of its weapons program.

"The next step is for Iraq to provide an accurate, full and complete declaration of all aspects of its biological, chemical and nuclear weapons programs by December the 8th," said Straw. "Let there be no doubt that any failure by Iraq to comply with its obligations will lead to serious consequences. For it is only the credible threat of force which has brought Iraq this far today."

Russia and China welcomed the announcement of the Iraqi letter, with Moscow also urging Baghdad to fully comply with the inspections and repeating its opposition to unilateral military action by the United States.

President Bush met Wednesday with U.N. Secretary-General Annan at the White House and thanked him for his leadership in negotiating the resolution.

"The United Nations Security Council made a very strong statement that we — (that) the world expects Saddam Hussein to disarm for the sake of peace and the U.N. stepped up to its responsibilities," Bush said.

After the meeting, Annan said he hoped that Iraq would fully comply with the resolution and allow weapons inspectors to do their jobs.

"The issue is not the acceptance, but the performance on the ground," Annan said.

Baghdad has promised to send another letter to Annan to outline how it believes the U.N. resolution violates international law.

The U.N. chief acknowledged that the language in the resolution does not clearly define the key phrase, "material breach." That's the point at which Iraq would be found to be not cooperating — and also the point at which the United States has promised to use military force to disarm the Persian Gulf state.

Annan said the United States is "seen to have a lower threshold" for determining what constitutes a material breach, something that he warned could be interpreted as "a flimsy or hasty attempt to go to war." Concern that the United States would be quick to attack was among the reasons it took so long to get a resolution approved by the council, he said.

Speaking at a Cabinet meeting earlier Wednesday, Bush repeated his warning that the United States would have "zero tolerance" for any Iraqi interference with U.N. weapons inspectors.

"There's no negotiations with Mr. Saddam Hussein. Those days are long gone, and so are the days of deceit and denial," Bush said.

If Saddam fails to comply, "We will disarm him," he said. U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld has indicated that a possible worst-case scenario would be for Iraq to appear to fully comply with the resolution while actually failing to comply — leaving Washington with no basis for pursuing a military option.

The U.S. accuses Baghdad of possessing weapons of mass destruction — biological, nuclear or chemical — in violation of a cease-fire it signed after losing the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

Last Friday, the U.N. Security Council voted unanimously to approve the weapons-inspection resolution and gave Iraq a week to accept it.

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Destiny, sports gods twist UK fans' dreams

UK coach Guy Morris had already had the Gatorade bath. The goalpost at the east end of the stadium was already leaning to its right. The ball rested on the LSU 25-yard-line with just two ticks remaining.

UK had already called an inadvertent timeout with 15 seconds left before Taylor Bagley kicked the go-ahead field goal and the scoreboard read UK 30, LSU 27.

Many broadcasts already listed the score as final. UK students and fans surrounded the field with bated breath, ready to storm the field.

As longtime voice of the Los Angeles Lakers, the late great Chick Hearn would have said, "You can put this one in the refrigerator. The door's closed, the light's out, the eggs are cooling, the butter's getting hard and the Jell-O is jiggling."

When the clock hit 00:00, fireworks went off and the celebration commenced.

There was just one small problem ... one minor detail. Marcus Randall's desperation heave was still in flight.

Gravity, at 9.8 meters-per-second-squared, much less a UK defender, had yet to bring the ball back down to the turf. More important, lady luck had yet to take her toll on the Cats.

The ball had yet to pinball off of three UK defenders: Quantus Cumby, Morris Lane and Earven Flowers. Derrick Tatum and Leonard Burress had yet to collide with each other.

Ultimately, the ball, seemingly and cosmically guided, landed in the hands of LSU's Devery Henderson who went in virtually untouched for the miraculous game-winning score.

Bingo. LSU 33-UK 30. Gone was UK's biggest upset since 1988, in its stead, the most famous "Hail Mary" to haunt the Cats since a Christian's prayer found the bottom of the net in the 1992 East Regional in the Philadelphia Spectrum and maybe the most famous "Hail Mary" this side of Doudie Flutie.

Instantly Chase Harp, Marty Moore and Mark Higgs were seemingly exonerated of any wrongdoing.

Maybe it was that 31-point comeback in Baton Rouge in 1994 that prompted the football gods to allow such a heinous act to occur. OK, we're even ... you hear



MARK BOULEY | KERNEL STAFF

Broken dream

The goal post stands half-torn down before the final score of 30-33 LSU, Saturday after a score by LSU's Devery Henderson in the last two seconds beat the Cats.

that LSU WE ARE EVEN.

Maybe it was the pity from those basketball gods that guided Keith Bogans' leaning, off-balance 3 to find the bottom of the net Monday night against Athletics in Action.

Present at the Purdue-Ohio State Big Ten clash in West Lafayette, even this journalist could not escape the grip of last-minute hero-

ics. Facing 4th and a yard with national title hopes on the line, OSU quarterback Craig Krenzler lofted a 37-yard touchdown pass to Michael Jenkins with 1:36 remaining for the go-ahead score and a 10-6 comeback win.

Now UK, associated with two of the most famous "Hail Marys" of all time, must regroup to face the Vanderbilt Commodores, an-

other team who has suffered its share of slings and arrows, who invade Commonwealth Stadium tomorrow. Should the circumstances repeat themselves Saturday ... knock it down Cats ... just knock it down.

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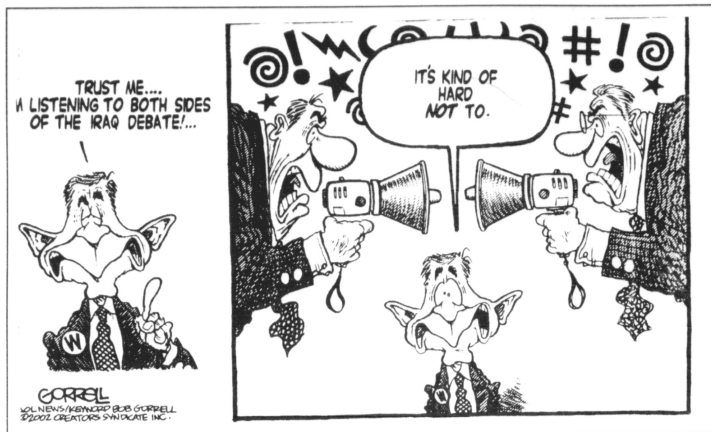
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For the second time in three weeks signs promoting Student Government's latest bash line campus walkways.

This time they advertise CATapult, a basketball pep rally and country music concert. The event will feature players and coaches from UK's men's and women's basketball teams. Montgomery Gentry, a popular country music group with roots in Central Kentucky, will headline.

SG officials say they sponsor events like CATapult, September's Hoosier Daddy? and October's Catatonic Halloween to fulfill a pledge to unify UK students. But it's hard to believe Montgomery Gentry, a group playing a genre of music with limited appeal, will unify the UK student body. Especially when you consider only 4,000 tickets are available, while 2001 UK figures suggest about 17,000 undergraduates attend the university. Add in graduate students, and the student fees of about 24,000 students will pay for the enjoyment of about 4,000, graciously assuming all tickets are taken.

Student fees pay for \$40,000 of the event's

\$55,000 cost. Less than two months ago, the Senate approved a proposal supporting a \$24 increase in student fees, including a \$3.25 hike for SG. Why do you need a fee increase when you can afford to stage a \$55,000 event?

President Tim Robinson insists events like CATapult have broad appeal unlike Student Activities Board events such as Spotlight Jazz. Interesting, since Montgomery Gentry singles aren't exactly lighting up the Billboard singles chart. They do so on the country chart, but that's for country fans, who certainly don't represent all music fans.

These events show Student Government has lost sight of its purpose. SG representatives say SAB brings only specialized events with limited appeal to UK, but organizing concerts and lectures is SAB's purpose.

Student Government is designed to represent students on campus, serving as a voice for students to administrators. It should focus on preventing tuition hikes, improving classrooms on campus and hiring more faculty members. Forget about concerts. That's not why elections are held for your jobs.

Celebrity political advisers should move to Canada

I'm continually amazed by the size of celebrity egos. It's not the elitist attitudes or the contempt most Hollywood icons have for us commoners that irritates me. It's the asinine notion that because they can squeal out a few notes to a song they didn't write or look good on camera, they are suddenly an expert on political policy.

The last several decades are fraught with instances of celebrities deeming themselves savvy political gurus whose worthless ideas are somehow worthy of our attention. It's gotten especially bad in the last few years, beginning with President Bush's campaign in 2000.

My hatred for politically active celebrities was ignited by Alec Baldwin, the mindless liberal robot who, as we all remember, threatened to move out of the country if Bush were elected.

It's too bad I cherish our First Amendment freedoms so dearly. Otherwise I could, without being a hypocrite, encourage the administration to deport this scumbag, confiscate all of his assets and belongings and donate them to the U.S. military. I'd love to see Rosie O'Donnell react to that one.

Ah, Rosie O'Donnell. Like most everyone else, I had no idea that America's "Queen of Nice" herself was in fact, a military mastermind. She revealed her expertise mere weeks after the war on terror began by decrying civilian casualties in Afghanistan and claiming that our methods "weren't working."

It took quite a bit of soul searching, but I think after the decimation of the Taliban regime I'm ready to trust the judgment of men like Secretary of State Colin Powell and Gen. Tommy Franks over the ignorant twitting of America's most popular lesbian talk-show host.

Today we have to tolerate the likes of Steven Spielberg and Barbara Streisand. Spielberg recently greeted the Cuban government with an appearance in which he denounced the U.S. trade embargo on the country as an unjustified continuation of an old grudge. I'm glad we can rely on such



Josh Sullivan
ASST. DIALOGUE EDITOR

foreign policy geniuses as Spielberg to give Fidel Castro more propaganda with which to placate the citizens he oppresses. These celebrities sure do value peace and diplomacy, but apparently they couldn't give a damn less about human rights.

Enter Streisand. I don't know about you, but after President Bush made it clear that war with Iraq was a possibility I was on the edge of my seat waiting for Streisand's expert advice on how to proceed. I know I was shocked when she thoroughly denounced the war. What's the opinion of a West Point graduate worth next to that of an actress with such a pretty voice?

On the home front, I reserve a special place in my heart for Charlton Heston. Now I love guns as much as any patriotic, blue-blooded American. I'd like to drag Michael Moore in front of a firing squad and watch him cry like a woman before he died. But the NRA needs a new figurehead. Just because Heston portrayed the Messiah 40 years ago doesn't mean he's qualified to argue the merits of the second amendment. In the early 90s, Heston attacked the Sony record label for allowing rapper Ice-T to express his beliefs on an album. Heston has a problem, common in all celebrity activists and most American citizens. He only wants to protect the rights he personally holds dear.

The way I see it, the problem of loud-mouthed celebrity activists invading politics could have been handled right after Vietnam. Our government should have publicly executed Jane Fonda for treason. Hanoi Jane played a hand in the death of at least one American P.O.W. during her friendly visits to Vietcong outposts, according to several eyewitness accounts, yet she's beloved among the American public for her film career.

Had she got what she deserved 30 years ago, maybe some of these high-headed celebrity crybabies would stay in their proper place. Baldwin, O'Donnell and their cronies need to understand that they get paid ridiculous salaries to entertain us, not lead us. God help us all if we had to depend on Streisand to conduct a war.

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Mistakes hurt, inside and out of the newsroom

This is not a column of excuses. It is about acknowledging the mistakes we have made, and explaining how we handle them.

For the person affected by an error in the paper, it can feel like the end of the world.

Inside the newsroom, it feels the same way.

Here's a tale of a recent mistake — how it happened, how people reacted and how the newsroom responded.

On Wednesday evening, the editorial board met to plan editorials for the next week. Editorials are the unsigned opinions that run under the "In our opinion" heading on the Dialogue page.

The board members decided to write an editorial in support of the University Senate's rebuke of President Lee Todd's choice of a UK insider as provost.

The meeting ended, and a member of the editorial board started writing the editorial in support of the Senate. Uncertain of all the facts, the writer consulted an Associated Press story for background. From the story, he deduced that there was no outside search for a new provost, and wrote the edit based on that premise.

Later, at least two editors and a reporter read it.

No one caught the mistake.

The next morning, an administrator read the editorial and was astonished at the inaccuracy. He sent me an e-mail, explaining how the search worked:

There was an outside search; in fact, a committee received 39 applications from outside Kentucky. The committee members narrowed the applications to seven and identified the top three. Todd then named Nietzel provost without bringing the other two finalists into campus.

Not bringing them to campus is what has drawn criticism from the University Senate.

When an error makes it into print, people start pointing fingers, yet it's difficult to attach blame to one person.

Shouldn't the reporter have gotten it right? Shouldn't the editor have caught the mistake? What about those journalism professors — aren't they teaching students anything?

Errors spread false information, often resulting in tainted reputations and lost trust of the media.

We correct or clarify all significant errors brought to our attention; yet I often wonder if anyone sees the correction box on page two.

So how do you handle it?

In this case, I talked to everyone involved with the edit about the magnitude of a mistake like this. We wrote a letter to the administrators, apologizing for the error. We're running a correction box on this page, and I'm writing this column to explain how we end up in situation like this.

We are changing the way we run our editorial board meetings. From now on, no one will write an edit without triple-checking the facts. We're going to talk more, and more people are going to read the editorials before they are printed.

At some newspapers, anyone who causes a mistake to get into the paper has to fill out a form addressing why the mistake happened and how it can be prevented. That form has to be signed by their supervisor, who puts it in the employee's file. Maybe we'll look into something like that, too.

We have a responsibility to get things right. As a main source of campus news, many people depend on us to stay informed. National surveys have shown that mistakes cause readers to lose trust in their newspapers — and cause newspapers to lose readers.

Without newspapers you can trust, much is at stake. Journalism exists to help the democratic process.

A journalism professor of mine once said he always thought it was surprising that more mistakes didn't get into print, given the fast pace of daily newspapers and the sheer volume of copy that goes into the paper each day.

He's probably right. Still, mistakes are painful. We take them seriously, examining how they were made and how we can prevent them in the future. We listen to our reader's complaints.

Still, whether you're inside or outside of the newsroom, it can feel like the end of the world.

Editor in chief Tracy Kershaw is a journalism and English senior.

Information in Wednesday provost editorial incorrect

An editorial in Wednesday's Kernel gave incorrect information about the search for a new UK provost.

UK did have a search committee for the position. The committee received 39 applications from applicants outside Kentucky. The committee members narrowed it to three finalists. President Lee Todd then selected acting Provost Mike Nietzel for the job.

The Kernel corrects all significant errors brought to our attention. Call the newsroom at 257-1915.

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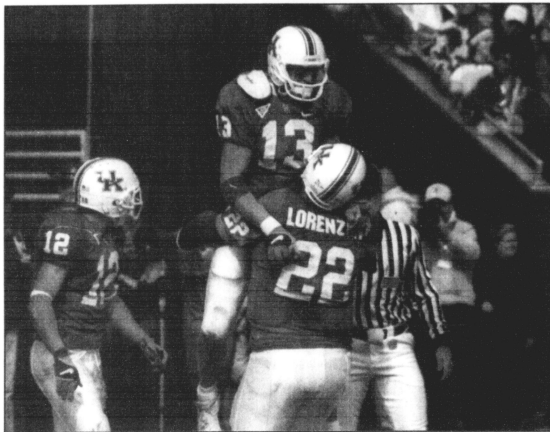
Cats move on from LSU loss

WILDCAT OFFENSE

NO.	POS.	NAME
22	QB	Jared Lorenzen
20	RB	Artose Pinner
13	WR	Aaron Boone
12	WR	Derek Abney
17	WR	Tommy Cook
11	TE	Chase Harp
61	LT	Sylvester Morris
70	LG	Jason Rollins
78	C	Nick Seitz
65	RG	Keith Chatelain
73	RT	Antonio Hall
89	PK	Taylor Begley

WILDCAT DEFENSE

NO.	POS.	NAME
18	DE	Otis Grigsby
63	DT	Dewayne Robertson
68	DT	Jeremy Caudill
98	DE	Vincent Burns
8	LB	Ronnie Riley
26	LB	Morris Lane
21	CB	Derrick Tatum
27	CB	Leonard Burress
1	S	Mike Williams
6	S	David Johnson
2	S	Quentus Cumby
49	P	Glenn Pakulak



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Senior salute

UK quarterback Jared Lorenzen lifts senior Aaron Boone off the end zone ground after they connected for a touchdown last week. Boone will play his last game at Commonwealth Stadium Saturday against Vanderbilt.

Rebound: Morriss focuses on all the positives from last week's heartbreaking loss, emphasizes the challenge Vanderbilt poses this week on UK's Senior Day

By Melanie Curtsinger
STAFF WRITER

After losing on a "Hail Mary" pass after the clock ran out, is it possible for a football coach to forget about that one play and look at the positive aspects of the game?

For UK coach Guy Morriss it is. "I got it out of my system pretty quick," Morriss said of UK's 33-30 loss to LSU last Saturday. "There are so many good things that happened in that game. You're always going to remember the bad, but if we play hard, keep our focus and learn from these mistakes we've made, we'll only get better."

It might help that the Cats next opponent is the Vanderbilt Commodores, a team that hasn't won a game against a Southeastern Conference opponent since beating the Cats 24-20 on Nov. 11, 2000 in Lexington.

"They're kinda like us," Morriss said. "They have a new coaching staff in place. They're not always going to take the field as the most talented team athletically, but you can see it in the way they play that they believe in their coaches, and they're playing with a lot of emotion."

UK vs. Vanderbilt
Commonwealth Stadium
When: 1:30 p.m. Saturday
Radio: 98.1 FM
Series: VU leads 34-36-4

UK should be running on plenty of emotion come this Saturday. With the game serving as "Senior Day" for 20 departing Wildcats, this group of seniors wants to go out of Commonwealth Stadium with a bang and a win.

"I conveyed to the team that I wanted to win my last game at home, I am a senior," said linebacker Ronnie Riley. "I want to win this game. We have to refocus during practice and keep everybody focusing."

Considering the fact that UK has lost several heartbreakers this year, including close losses to South Carolina and last week's game against LSU, it shouldn't be too hard for the team to refocus. But what might be more difficult is getting the team to not look past a Vanderbilt defense that is last in the conference in scoring and that gives up more yards on the ground than any team in the SEC besides UK.

"You kinda get excited about something like that," said Artose Pinner, the SEC's leading rusher. "I know they are going to be pumped coming in here, and they will probably do some different things defensively to stop me."

The Cats are also excited to get back to their winning ways and send the seniors out with a win — something they haven't accomplished since 1998.

"Where this program has gone and where it's headed now, things are heading in the right direction," said senior tight end Chase Harp. "I feel like (the seniors) have been the foundation of it all. I'm proud I have been a part of that."

COMMODORE OFFENSE

NO.	POS.	NAME
6	QB	Jay Cutler
40	RB	Kwane Doster
28	FB	Matthew Tant
85	WR	Dan Stricker
24	WR	MJ Garrett
84	TE	Tom Simone
71	LT	Jutin Geisinger
72	LG	Jim May
55	C	Jamie Byrum
65	RG	Mac Pyle
70	RT	Kenan Arkan
97	PK	Greg Johnson

COMMODORE DEFENSE

NO.	POS.	NAME
91	DE	Jovan Haye
69	DT	Aaron Carter
95	DT	Ralph McKenzie
54	DE	Chuck Losey
42	LB	Marty Morgan
47	LB	Hunter Hillenmeyer
43	LB	Herdley Harrison
20	CB	Lorenzo Parker
11	CB	Rushen Gibney
14	SS	Justin Jones
13	FS	Jonathan Shaub
97	P	Greg Johnson

Vanderbilt at a glance

Coach: Bobby Johnson (2-6, 1st year)

Record: 2-8, 0-6 SEC

Last week: Lost 21-7 vs. Florida

Average yards gained: 327.7 (186.3 rushing, 141.4 passing)

Average yards allowed: 414.2 (176.9 rushing, 237.3 passing)

Strengths: Wide receiver Dan Stricker is among the Southeastern Conference's all-time leaders in receptions and receiving yards.

Weaknesses: The Vandy offense is once again one of the worst in the SEC despite Stricker's receiving ability. Quarterback Jay Cutler has thrown only eight touchdown passes in nine games, but he has also only thrown nine interceptions. The VU running attack is improved, but the Commodores still lack big-play athletes on offense.

Buzz: The Commodores are still the whipping boy of the SEC, but VU has been competitive in several conference games this season. Vandy lost by four to Florida last week, by only seven to Ole Miss in September and should have beat South Carolina Sept. 28, but a inadvertent whistle cost them the game.

With Tennessee looming this week might be the "Dores last chance for a conference win."

Keys to win: Stop "Tose and beat UK's corners. Cutler has to be consistent and accurate, setting up the UK defensive backs with short screens and beating them deep downfield.

Pinner runs for conference player of year

UK record books: Last week's 143-yard performance made rebound back the fifth 1,000-yard rusher in school history

By Melanie Curtsinger
STAFF WRITER

When the UK football team was penalized by the NCAA, then-head coach Hal Mumme wasn't the only one who wanted to leave the Bluegrass.

Artose Pinner thought about leaving as well.

"After I got the job, he was the first guy in the office," said UK coach Guy Morriss. "He said he wanted to go somewhere else where he could run the football. So I told him, we're going to run the football here and we want you to be the guy."

He wasn't lying. After several seasons of high-flying offensive schemes, Morriss wanted to stick more to the ground. After explaining his new philosophy to the running back, Pinner decided to stay in his home state and finish his college career as a Cat. How close was he to leaving UK?

"Within walking distance I think," Pinner said. "I wanted to let him know that I wasn't happy here and I didn't feel like I fit into their game plan or that my talents were being used the way they should. Nobody even knew what I could do because I didn't have the chance to showcase my talents."

Now Pinner is getting the chance to do just that. Pinner said he hoped to rush for 1,400 yards and tally 300 yards receiving before the season started. Pretty lofty for a guy who only rushed for 41 last year. But with two games left, Pinner stands a chance to meet both marks.

"I'm close, and that shocks me," Pinner said. "Just to be close right now is definitely a blessing."

With 1,139 yards on the ground and 239 receiving, Pinner ranks first in the Southeastern Conference and 18th in the nation in rushing. He has scored

at least one touchdown in eight of the Cats 10 games this year. And, with his 143-yard performance against LSU last weekend, Pinner became only the fifth Cat in history to rush for 1,000 yards in a single season.

"I didn't even think I was going to be No. 1," Pinner said with a laugh. "I had high expectations for myself but, you know, I kept it simple. I believed in myself, that I could play at this level. But just knowing that I can make plays week in and week out against the best in the SEC — I never doubted I could do that."

With his UK career almost over, "Tose" — as the Commonwealth faithful prefer to call him — is looking for a storybook ending to his four-year career. Talk of Pinner as a possible candidate for SEC Player of the Year would certainly add to a fairy tale ending.

"It's a dream come true just knowing that you're the No. 1 player in the best conference in the country," Pinner said. "Riding the bench all the way

through my junior year basically, and then coming out my senior year and winning SEC Player of the Year would definitely be that storybook ending."

As for endings, when Pinner hits the field this weekend for his last home game and receives his framed jersey, he can at least be assured that he has left his mark on UK football for years to come.

"Oh that's going to go on my wall," Pinner said of his jersey. "I think I'll probably give it to my mother, because I would probably lose it. She would appreciate it a lot more."

His mother may appreciate his jersey, but Pinner has appreciated the chance the current coaches gave him.

"I'm very happy here," Pinner said. "(Morriss) really believed in me, and this year definitely showed that he kept his word. I'm just making the most of that opportunity."

Artose Pinner leads the Southeastern Conference in rushing with 1,139 yards.

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