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Keg ordinance ready for formal vote

First reading goes through with little voiced opposition, DeCamp says tagging not targeted at college students

Ryan Garrett
STAFF WRITER

Students voiced little dissent at the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council meeting last night. As a result, an ordinance requiring the urban county administrator to tag all kegs containing six or more gallons of malt beverage purchased or consumed in Fayette County is on its way to a formal vote.

After the first reading of the ordinance, Student Government President Rachel Watts thanked the council for their willingness to listen to students, but also told them that the students still do not support the ordinance.

Watts said students believe laws already in place to prevent underage drinking

are sufficient and the proposed ordinance is just an additional burden on people who may not be breaking any of those laws.

SG Senator Braphus Kaalund also spoke before the council.

"I did find out that the attorney general of the state can render an advisory opinion to the council," Kaalund said. "I ask that the council write to the attorney general for an advisory opinion on this to resolve matters of legality."

The legal matters of the

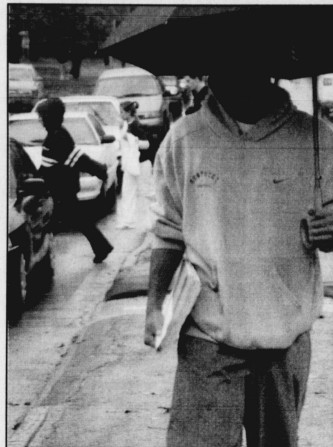
ordinance are disputable, Kaalund said, since Bowling Green is the only other city in the state to enact a similar ordinance.

Some council members said they hoped students' concerns had been addressed and resolved at the forum hosted by SG Monday night.

"I think there was a lot of important discussion at Monday's forum," said councilman Dick DeCamp, who represents the city's third district, including UK's campus.

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A DAY IN THE LIFE



JOHN FOSTER | PHOTO EDITOR

UK wide receiver Chris Bernard walks down Rose Street on his way to K-Laif for lunch after his business psychology class.

Bernard juggles books and ball in his busy day

By Jeff Patterson
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Chris Bernard unfolds his *Office Space* film analysis paper, then looks over his shoulder to see what Ahmad received.

Ahmad laughs. "Unbelievable," Bernard says. "Oh well."

Unfazed by Ahmad's higher score, Bernard jokes around with Elly Wainwright, an integrated strategic communications senior. After returning papers to her students, UK professor Melody Carswell continues teaching her 10 a.m. business psychology class Wednesday.

Bernard, an economics senior and UK football wide receiver, writes "Elly stinks," on her Kernel Entertainment Guide.

Then he waves it for his classmates to see. Embarrassed, she knocks his arms down.

They share a laugh and go back to taking notes on cognitive performance tests.

10:50 a.m.

Class ends.

Bernard uses his umbrella as a cane and goes down two flights of stairs in the Whitehall Classroom Building.

Sheltering himself

See BERNARD on 6

Pharmacy staff member teaches swing dancing

By Robin Pearce
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Mike Richardson promised his wife 20 years ago that he would learn how to dance.

He finally had the time to make good on his promise after retiring from the military and going to work for UK.

"We like to get together and dance to good music," said Richardson, a program coordinator in the College of Pharmacy.

The Richardsons loved the music of the '30s and '40s, but Lexington didn't have anywhere to take lessons, so they taught themselves.

They would watch old movies, teaching videos — anything to see the moves and steps, he said. The couple would go to swing dance workshops across the country, with classes during the

day and dances at night.

It took about a year before the couple was comfortable dancing in public, he said.

Richardson said he had to learn to love to dance, but his wife was a natural dancer.

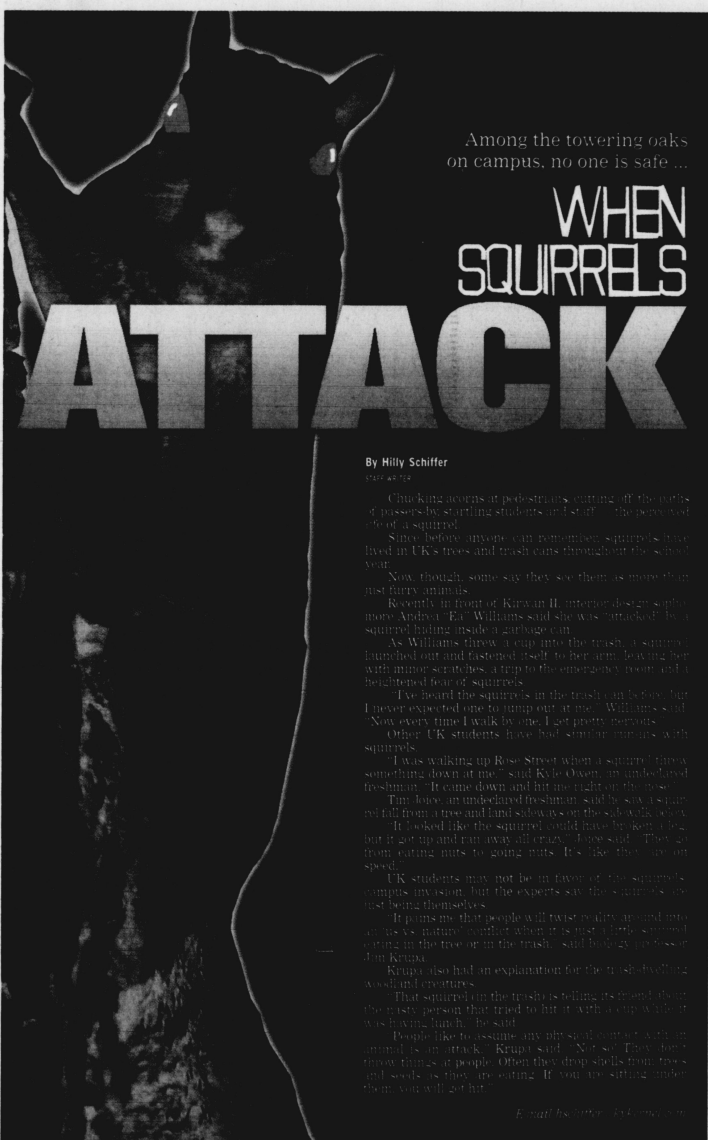
"Girls are naturally inclined to dance," said his wife, Mary Richardson. "They grow up dancing around their bedrooms with their hairbrush."

After mastering the basics, the couple transitioned into teaching.

Now, four years after the couple first took up swing dancing, they teach it to UK students once a week.

"He's worked really hard — not only to become a good dancer but being able to teach it to someone else," Mary Richardson

See SWING on 2



Among the towering oaks on campus, no one is safe ...

WHEN SQUIRRELS ATTACK

By Hilly Schiffer
STAFF WRITER

Chucking acorns at pedestrians, cutting off the paths of passers-by, startling students and staff — the behavior of a squirrel.

Since before anyone can remember, squirrels have lived in UK's trees and trash cans throughout the campus.

Now, though, some say they see them as more than just furry animals.

Recently, in front of Kariya II, a squirrel did just that more. Andrea "E" Williams said she was "attacked" by a squirrel hiding inside a garbage can.

As Williams threw a cup into the trash, a squirrel launched out and fastened itself to her arm, leaving her with minor scratches, a trip to the emergency room and a heightened fear of squirrels.

"I've heard the squirrels in the trash can before, but I never expected one to jump out at me," Williams said. "Now every time I walk by one, I get pretty nervous."

Other UK students have had similar run-ins with squirrels.

"I was walking up Rose Street when a squirrel threw something down at me," said Kyle Owen, an undeclared freshman. "It came down and hit me right on the nose."

Tim Lowe, an undeclared freshman, said he saw a squirrel fall from a tree and land sideways on the sidewalk below.

"It looked like the squirrel could have been a nut, but it got up and ran away all right," Lowe said. "They get from eating nuts to going nuts. It's like that, but on speed."

UK students may not be in favor of the squirrel's campus invasion, but the experts say the squirrels are just being themselves.

"It pains me that people will twist reality and make squirrels a natural wonder when it is just a squirrel eating a nut in the tree or in the trash," said biology professor Tom Krupa.

Krupa also had an explanation for the trash-busting woodland creatures.

"That squirrel on the trash is telling us about the person that tried to hit it with a cup while it was having lunch," he said.

People like to assume any physical contact with animals is an attack, Krupa said. "Not so. They do a few things to people. Often they drop shells from trees and so on, so that, in our eyes, it can be sitting under them and you will get hit."

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ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

The Low-down

Medicinal marijuana could help multiple sclerosis

LONDON — A marijuana pill appeared to relieve some of the symptoms of multiple sclerosis in the first scientifically rigorous study of the strongly debated drug. The research, published this week in *The Lancet* medical journal, found that even though improvements could not be detected by doctors' tests, a greater proportion of patients taking the drug reported reduced pain and muscle stiffness than those taking fake capsules. Experts said the mixed results make them tricky to interpret. Some said they were encouraged any improvement was noted, while others said if there had been a major effect, it would have shown up in the doctors' tests. One study leader, Dr. John Zajicek of the University of Plymouth in England, said the research raises questions about what's more important: a doctor's measurements or the patient's perspective. Multiple sclerosis, a common nervous system disease, causes a range of chronic symptoms, including muscle stiffness and spasms, pain, tremor, fatigue, depression and bladder problems.

Bennett fired from Kentucky State University

FRANKFORT — Kentucky State University fired men's head basketball coach Winston Bennett Thursday after an internal investigation showed compelling evidence that he assaulted a student, Athletic Director Derrick Ramsey said. Last week, senior guard Ricky Green filed a complaint with the Franklin County attorney's office alleging that Bennett struck him in the face, caused his nose to bleed and tore his shirt. Bennett, a former star at the University of Kentucky, was suspended the next day Bennett expressed regret and remorse for the incident in a statement released Thursday. "If there was ever a time when I wish the hands of time could be turned back, it is right now," Bennett said. Top assistant Tom Patterson was named interim coach. Ramsey would not comment on whether Bennett would receive a severance package from the university, citing possible litigation. Bennett, who had a 44-43 record in three seasons, was a former Mr. Basketball from Male High School in Louisville. He starred at Kentucky from 1983-88, played professionally, then returned to UK to work on its broadcast crew and as an assistant coach. His 1,399 points rank him 20th on UK's career scoring list.

Nickel gets a long-awaited face-lift

WASHINGTON — After 65 years with hardly a change, the nickel is getting two new looks next year. One design will feature clasped hands of friendship between the U.S. government and American Indians and the second will show Lewis and Clark on a keelboat. Thomas Jefferson will stay on the "heads" side. The new nickels unveiled Thursday by the U.S. Mint commemorate the bicentennial of the 1803 Louisiana Purchase and the 1804-1806 Lewis and Clark expedition. The commemorative themes will replace the image of Jefferson's home, Monticello, now on the back of the coins. The current design was introduced in 1938. The first of the new nickels will roll out in the spring. The back of the coin will bear the words "United States of America," "Louisiana Purchase" and "1803." There is an image of hands clasped in friendship — one with a military cuff to symbolize the U.S. government, and the other with an ornate bracelet to represent American Indians. Above the clasped hands is a tomahawk crossed by a peace pipe. The images are similar to those on Jefferson Peace Medals, which were presented ceremonially to Indian chiefs and other important leaders.

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Trial for Somerset sheriff's murder under way

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SOMERSET, Ky. — The alleged mastermind of a plot to murder Sheriff Sam Catron was a cocaine dealer who wanted to get one of the front-line leaders in the war on drugs out of the way, the prosecutor in the case said Thursday.

Commonwealth's Attorney Eddy Montgomery said in his opening statement that Kenneth White, 56, went so far as to show the triggerman where to hide to get the best shot. White is charged with complicity to murder in the April 13, 2002, killing of the Kentucky sheriff.

Montgomery said White recruited Danny Shelley, a drug-addicted ex-Marine, to shoot Catron with a 25.06-caliber Remington rifle. "Kenneth White is a murderer just the same as

if he had pulled that trigger," Montgomery said.

Catron, 48, a soft-spoken man who lived with his elderly mother, was a well-known enemy of drug traffickers. He earned his pilot's license so he could fly a helicopter to search for marijuana fields in the rolling farmlands and wooded hills of Pulaski County.

Catron was shot minutes after delivering a campaign speech at a volunteer fire department in Shopville. A single bullet fired from about 90 yards away killed the sheriff, said Kentucky State Police Detective Todd Dalton.

Prosecutors contend the killing was the culmination of a plot masterminded by White to get the heavily favored Catron out of the race.

Two others, including Shelley, already entered guilty pleas in the case and are expected to testify against White in the trial

that began Thursday morning. Jeff Morris, a former deputy of Catron's who was also a candidate for sheriff, and Shelley, who was helping in Morris' campaign, were sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for 25 years. They have said that White came up with the plan to kill Catron and that they went along with it because they were afraid of him.

Defense attorney David Hoskins said White's involvement with Morris and Shelley was to help in the campaign, which he became involved in because Morris had once responded to a family emergency when he was working as a deputy.

"This is something that Jeff Morris and Danny Shelley cooked up," Hoskins said. However, Montgomery said it was White who planned the shooting, going

so far as to show Shelley where he should hide to wait for an opportunity to shoot Catron.

Hoskins, in his opening statement, said Shelley was a drug dealer and drug runner who often bragged about his marksmanship abilities.

Detective Todd Dalton, the first witness called Thursday morning, used graphic photographs to describe the murder scene. One showed Catron's body covered with a sheet.

Catron's mother, 87-year-old Jennie Rachel Catron, wiped tears as other family members tried to shield her eyes from the photographs.

Shelley's mother, Lillian Shelley testified that she didn't know her son was involved in drugs.

"I knew he was taking trips," she said, "but I didn't know what for."

The trial will resume Friday morning.

KEGS

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"We had good discussions from Alcohol Beverage Control and other supporters," DeCamp said. "They explained their position clearly and there was a better understanding reached."

Students have expressed

concern over potential loopholes in the ordinance, such as an underage person arriving at a party intoxicated. DeCamp said most of those questions were answered as well.

Watts, however, was not so certain.

"I don't feel like there was an answer posed to every concern that students had," she said. "I hope if they are going to pass (the ordinance), it is passed with

the intent of enforcing it fairly as far as questions that are not answered in the ordinance."

DeCamp said it was the residents he represents who originally conceived the ordinance.

"Some constituents were concerned and asked if I would bring the idea before a committee," he said. "And the committee voted unanimously to bring the idea before the council,

which agreed to put it on the docket for a first reading."

The council and ordinance supporters said the ordinance was not created to target students.

"The purpose of this ordinance is to put on notice those who are of age that they are not to buy kegs for use by people underage," DeCamp said.

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SWING

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said. At a local swing dance, they met the Hepkats, UK's Swing Dance Club.

The club was just starting out, so Mike and his wife Mary began to teach them what they had learned.

"(Mike) took us from a small but strong group to an organization that does more than just dance," said Ryan Grogan, vice president of the Hepkats and a mechanical engineering junior.

The club not only works on their dance steps but also works with community organizations — especially those dance clubs that are just starting out.

"He's so generous with

his time and he is definitely dedicated to the students. Even outside the club, he and his wife are willing to do anything to help us," said Kim Delaney, president of the Hepkats and agricultural biotechnology junior.

Richardson believes anyone can learn to dance. "It's not hard, it's just different," he said.

The trick: learn the basics, he said. "Dancing is nothing

more than walking put to good music," Richardson said.

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If you go The Hepkats will be hosting a swing dance on Nov. 8 in the Student Center Grand Ballroom.

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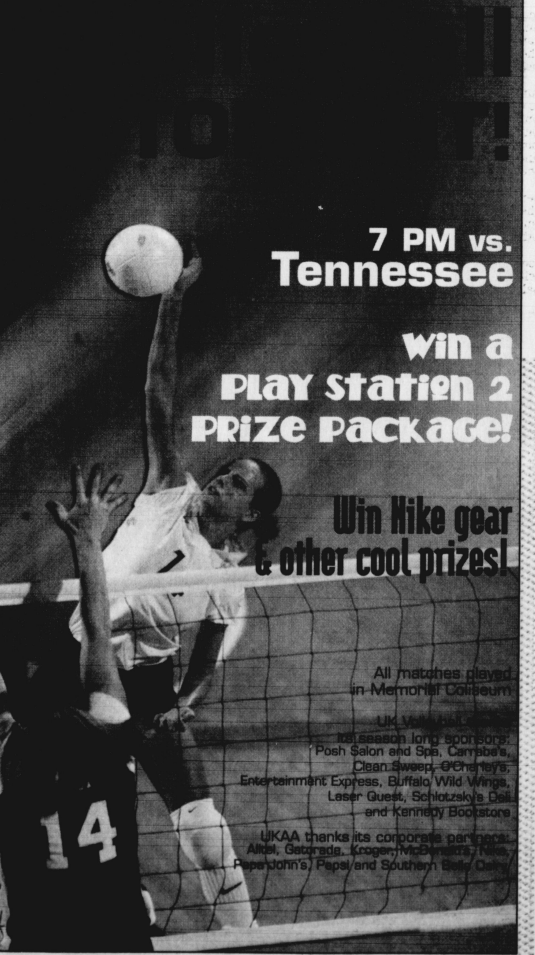
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Experience healthy fine-dining on campus

By Lindsey Keith
STAFF WRITER

Amid the current struggle between Americans and obesity, the Lemon Tree offers a healthy choice for diners on campus.

The upscale student-run restaurant offers students, faculty and staff a healthy alternative to greasy fried fare.

With a staff comprised of 10 students working in this semester's quantity foods production class, the restaurant is open from noon until 1 p.m. on Thursdays.

The restaurant is a combined effort of Campus Cuisine and the College of Human Environmental Sciences. It started in the 1970s, then called the Lemon Tea Room, and served light meals daily. Eventually, the Tea Room evolved into the student-staffed Lemon Tree.

The Lemon Tree offers complete meals with a variety of healthy options.

"The meal always includes soup or salad and several different entrees," said Maggie Cook-Newell, instructor of the quantity foods production class. "We always have vegetarian options, meat entrees with two sides and bread that is usually baked here." Two choices of dessert are also offered.

Since the students are all working to be registered dietitians, nutrition researchers, or going into the hospitality or tourism fields, Cook-Newell said nutrition is an essential factor in planning meals.

"We look at the nutrition value of our meals and try to balance it so that if we serve a heavy appetizer, we have a light dessert," Cook-Newell said. "We modify things to meet nutritional needs."

Patty Otis, food service manager for the Lemon Tree and Block & Barrel, both located in Erikson Hall, said the restaurant provides healthy, accurate servings.

"Portion sizes are true lunch portions," she said. "It is three ounces of meat, four ounces of potatoes and four ounces of vegetables. It is not like going to a restaurant and eating double or triple the correct portion size."

Hospitality management senior Candice Bailey said the Lemon Tree offers more nutritional value than any other place on campus.

"We offer a variety of foods that are nutritious, and with every meal you get a salad or soup and vegeta-



FILE PHOTO

Culinary expertise

UK dietetics major Chris Boyd prepares Kentucky hot browns at the Lemon Tree in Erikson Hall. The hot browns were prepared for a special Kentucky Derby-themed lunch.

kins," Bailey said.

Meals vary from their popular Greek meal to "comfort foods."

"(Our customers) want us to do something different and a little more exciting," Bailey said. "They come here to get something different, plus work with the students. It is a five-star effort."

The Lemon Tree also serves its lunches on china and uses glassware, linen tablecloths and linen nap-

kins.

"It is a true fine dining experience," Cook-Newell said.

Weekly rotating positions gives student employees a chance to appreciate all tasks, even the less appealing ones.

"The students certainly learn the value of a good dish washer," Cook-Newell said.

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If you go

The Lemon Tree is located in Erikson Hall. It is open on Thursdays from noon until 1 p.m.

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*Tax Kwon Do Club Practice, 5:30-7:00pm, Alumni Gym's Loft	*UK Landis Movie "Get Real", 8:00pm, WTY Library, Rm. Auditorium	*College Worship Service, 8:12pm, Southside Church of Christ
*UK Landis Movie "Get Real", 8:00pm, WTY Library, Rm. Auditorium	*UK Hockey Game vs. Louisville, Midnight, Lexington Ice Center, \$5.00 at the door	*Chemistry Tutoring, All 100 Level Classes, 6:00-8:00pm, 307 Commons
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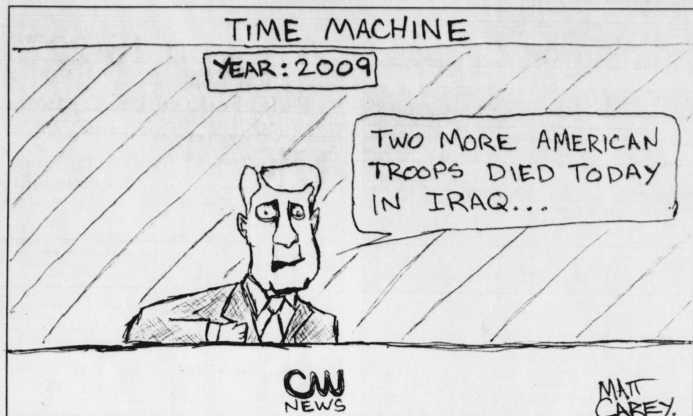
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IN OUR OPINION

New leaders should fund KEEES

The Kentucky Education Excellence Scholarship, known as KEEES, provided more than \$58 million to more than 56,000 college students for the 2002-2003 fiscal year, according to a report released by lawmakers earlier this week. But many of these students could have to look for other means of financing their education and new students could just be out of luck completely. Unless some serious changes are made, funding for the program is projected to fall short.

For the 2005-2006 year, KEEES needs \$69 million, but the need is projected to exceed the funding available by \$3.3 million, or five percent. For students who rely on that money, it's a scary thought.

KEEES makes a big impact on which students come to UK from in-state high schools. First granted in 1999, KEEES gives financial aid to Kentucky students who choose to further their education in-state. Awards are based on academic achievement and ACT scores.

"I already knew I was going to college," said one student in a recent Kernal article, "but it had some leverage on making me stay in the state."

According to the report released this week,

state funding has become increasingly important to students as the cost of higher education rises. KEEES is a unique program because it's funded entirely by net profits from the Kentucky Lottery. The Kentucky Lottery Corporation is not allowed to advertise this, however.

The president of the corporation, Arch Gleason, has testified before the Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education that marketing surveys show people would be more likely to participate in the lottery if they knew where the money was going. Advertising that the money helps college students would seem to be one easy thing lawmakers could work on to help. We would also like to see more research done into the possibility of using taxes, like a cigarette tax, to help. It's time we all get serious about our futures and those futures start with education.

During the political races that ended with the elections this week, almost every candidate in almost every race mentioned education as a priority. Now that they have been elected, it's time they get serious about making good on their promises. In many ways, our futures rely on it.

Oops, that wasn't a cartoon!

You may have noticed a slight problem with Wednesday's Dialogue page. In the space where you would normally find a witty, hilarious editorial cartoon there was an ad for Subway sandwiches that was neither smart nor funny. We apologize. A printing error robbed you, the reader, of your daily dose of dialogue comedy. We are especially apologetic to those of you who wasted irreplaceable moments of your life trying to get a joke that wasn't there. Furthermore, readers should not mistake the error as an endorsement of Subway dining or Jared.

To report an error call The Kentucky Kernel at 257-1915.

Bush bashing won't serve Democrats in the end



Andrew Martin
JOURNALISM SOPHOMORE

This year's election campaign gave voters in Kentucky a preview of some of the issues slated to be debated hotly in next year's presidential election. The economy was arguably the biggest issue. Kentucky's loss of 67,000 jobs was a focal point of the campaigns. Attorney General Ben Chandler blamed Rep. Ernie Fletcher, who in turn blamed Gov. Paul Patton for the state of the economy.

In next year's presidential race, there is no doubt that the economy will be the key domestic issue. Democratic presidential candidates have less than a week to convince the American public that they can do better than Bush.

Though these candidates don't realize it, they have made a series of amateur campaign decisions and policy stances.

Some Democrats are telling constituents that this is the worst economy since the Great Depression. However, they have conveniently left out several

facts. Unemployment numbers, while higher than in previous years, were actually higher in the late 1970s under Jimmy Carter.

Currently, the economy is expanding, with the strongest gains for a quarter since 1984, in a situation similar to the current one. Ronald Reagan cut taxes at the beginning of his first term, as did George W. Bush. According to some economists, jobs are the lagging factor. If unemployment rates begin to recede before next year's election, then Democrats will lose credibility on this issue.

With the war on terror and the war in Iraq, it is obvious that many question the President's decision even though most of the Democratic candidates are senators that voted in favor of last fall's resolution to authorize military action.

Whether one agrees with those accusations or not, none of them are constructive criticisms. When he visited UK, former South African President F.W. de Klerk said that the U.S. needed to stop bickering about the decision to go to war and decide what needs to be done to secure democracy in Iraq.

Democrats argue that the United States should not have acted unilaterally,

should relinquish control to the U.N., have found no weapons of mass destruction and have done little to help the Iraqis.

However, the United States has rebuilt Iraq's infrastructure, including over 1,000 schools, back to pre-war levels, or in some cases, better. The United States did try to enlist UN help in the war, but did not get it. But we've since put together a coalition of 37 other countries to help in Iraq.

President Bush has said that we must hold to our promise and not back out of Iraq. Many political scientists believe that Saddam and many terrorists have studied Vietnam as a U.S. policy failure and seem to believe the United States will lack the willpower to carry out its foreign policy, as we did in Vietnam.

By securing a democratic government in Iraq, we could be making an investment in world peace, as no two democracies have ever gone to war with one another. If we fail to do this, we could very well be attempting to once again police an uncooperative government that ignores the plight of its citizens.

Democrats need to seriously consider the issues and stop carelessly throwing around negative

rhetoric. It's not going to get us anywhere.

Campaign tactics tie into this. Negative campaigning turns off voters. We've known this for a while, but for some reason politicians are too worried that if their opponents do it, they must retaliate to avoid losing the race. So far, President Bush has remained above this, even shrugging off comments by Sen. Ted Kennedy, who called Bush a liar.

Part of the appeal of challengers over incumbents is that they are fresh and have new ideas. Never before have presidential candidates actively campaigned so early. These candidates have debates on TV every week. They should start a TV series. This lack of novelty may cause candidates to peak too early and cost them the race.

If Democrats want to win in 2004, they need to stop telling the public what's wrong and give voters a vision of what they believe is right for this country, and they need to consider whether they're playing all their cards too early.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Legal pain pill users treated as criminals

I feel compelled to express myself regarding an issue that continues to affect me, and thousands of others like me, every day I am alive. That issue is chronic pain and the stigma attached to those of us who have been prescribed narcotic drugs such as Hydrocodone or Oxycotin to help us deal with our pain.

I have had two ruptured discs in my lower back and a discectomy to relieve one of them. I was given epidural shots of steroids which caused a rare disease, Osteonecrosis, which is a rare side effect of large doses of steroids. I then had to have both of my hips replaced in order to keep from having to be in a wheelchair. I am 29 years old and have been dealing with chronic pain for seven years.

I have been taking prescribed narcotics daily for two and a half years. I have a physical dependence on them. I have had numerous other pain management therapies that help, but do not provide the relief of the pain meds. I have found that a combination of all the therapies and the meds works best. Yet when I go to get my prescription filled, or move to a new area like I have done recently and change doctors, I am treated as if I am a criminal. I did not ask for the injuries and disease that I have had to endure. I actually need the medicine I take, and yet I am made to feel like I am lying about my pain or am making up problems to get the meds. It doesn't help that I have long hair, several ear rings and a beard, which combine to fit a stereotype of what many think of as someone who abuses drugs.

In reality I am an unemployed professional Customer Service Manager and a full time "house husband" and graduate student. I am appalled at the unsympathetic attitude of the medical community to those of us who have legitimate problems. We are often put on trial and given the third degree everywhere we go. I understand the problem, but I also feel that "innocent until proven guilty" has some merit.

If you are in the medical profession and you read this, please remember that there are those of us who have to live in severe pain every day and are not "addicts."

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Big business gets off easy; time for corporate tax hike

The Democratic Party has enjoyed bashing the Bush administration for its uncomfortably close ties to Halliburton, Harkin and Enron. Article after article has alleged that this regime has had the closest ties to Corporate America since Calvin Coolidge and William McKinley, two presidents from America's unregulated past. Sen. John Edwards rails that President Bush "gave" Halliburton the country of Iraq, without free and unfettered competition.



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Richard Gephardt says the failure of the Bush economic plan is directly tied to his coziness with "the wealthiest one percent." Indeed, at this time in the campaign the Democratic candidates are falling all over themselves in vying to be the most "anti corporate America" individual, but they never answer the real question: What should we do about Corporate America?

Yes, we can rip them unmercifully for not doing their fair share, for weakening America by dodging the IRS and embarrassing Americans with their self-indulgent excesses. But we, like the politicians, are evading the question.

We dodge this question because the Democratic Party remains ambivalent on the issue, playing a delicate game of appeasing the liberal-socialist base while still trying to maintain cordial relations with corporate tycoons once they get into office.

Does America have to be Corporate America? Can we still be a viable and wildly prosperous nation without the barons of industry towering tenfold over those who are supposed to keep an eye on them? Several of the Democratic candidates, principally Joseph Lieberman, have hinted at rewriting the federal tax code, with the corporate world clearly the target. Bill Clinton struggled with this issue for his entire term. He believed in his heart that corporations could not be trusted to do the right thing, but without them, the dreams of Silicon Valley would be punctured and, most importantly, a sagging economy would not get him reelected in 1996.

Thus we are left with a Republican Party that has long believed that tax cuts for corporations encourage them to invest in themselves more, and facilitate growth. Their continuing drive toward deregulation certainly contributed to the collapses of 2001. We know the president's position, but we don't know the position of the Democratic Party. Does the party subscribe to Lieberman's Theodore Roosevelt imitation? Does it firmly believe that it can increase taxes on Corporate America and continue to keep prosperity alive?

We have enormous problems and social concerns in this country, not the least of which is a depleted treasury. The additional income from Corporate America could do wonders for the people of America, even as we here the howls from conservative sectors that we're destroying capitalism. But until the Democratic Party signs on (which will not happen until they get over their fear of the socialist label), this issue will remain on the fringes of society and not be discussed.

I believe that we can increase our current "demands" on Corporate America, and I strongly assert that we can do this without killing capitalism or the value of profit. Corporations run the United States of America, and in many respects, they were responsible for the blooming of American interests in the 20th Century. But is this not the 21st? Both Roosevelt presidents successfully raised taxes on Corporate America, closed loopholes and managed not to unhinge American society, despite the wails from the imperial CEOs.

Whenever the next Democratic president is inaugurated, I hope that he or she enters into sweeping tax reform, and shows how corporations can really make America better — by placing a few more drops in the bucket.

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Cats take shutout streak into MAC tourney

By Ben Roberts
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When the Mid-American Conference Tournament begins this weekend, UK's opponents will be searching for something that has eluded them all season — a goal.

Not only did the Cats sweep through their conference schedule with a perfect 6-0 record, they did it without surrendering a single goal.

Sophomore goalkeeper Andy Gruenebaum is one of the players most responsible for the team's run. The two-time MAC Player of the Week recorded 17 saves in league play and was in goal for all six shutouts.

Gruenebaum said if the Cats are to be successful in the tournament they must stay on the offensive.

"Ever since we've been in the MAC I think there's been a target on our back," Gruenebaum said. "But what

Coach (Ian Collins) has been talking to us about is putting the target on their back and going out and battling them."

Another key player for UK's tournament success is junior forward Jamal Shteiwi. Also a two-time MAC Player of the Week, Shteiwi leads the team in both points (22) and assists (11).

He said the Cats need to keep the same attitude they had in the regular season.

"I'm sure we're up on some people's notebooks saying that we haven't had a goal scored on us," Shteiwi said. "But we just have to go out there with the same attitude. We just have to beat teams."

The Cats won't know which team they will face first until today's first round matchup between Bowling Green (6-8-5, 2-3-1 MAC) and Northern Illinois (3-12-2, 2-4 MAC) has been decided. By finishing first in the conference, UK received an automa-

tic bye to the semifinal round Sunday which will be played in Bowling Green, Ohio.

Gruenebaum said the Cats would be in for a tough battle no matter who advances to Sunday's game.

"Either team we play will definitely be bigger than us so we need to win every battle," he said. "They're both great teams, they're both going to give us a good game."

UK defeated Bowling Green 3-0 and Northern Illinois 1-0 in regular season play.

Sophomore defenseman Brandon Stewart said beating the same team twice in one season will not be easy.

"All of our games in the regular season were pretty tough," he said. "I know they're really going to be bringing it in the tournament."

Another incentive to winning the MAC Tournament is an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament later

this month.

Collins said a chance to move on to the NCAA Tournament may have teams playing above their potential.

"I think at this stage everybody's fighting for a chance to get into the NCAA Tournament and that spurs teams on," Collins said. "And teams also know that if you lose it's over."

Should the Cats win their semifinal matchup Sunday, the MAC Championship would be played at the UK Soccer Complex.

Collins said playing the championship game in front of UK fans would be a huge advantage.

"We want to play the final here, that's our goal," he said. "We want to play in front of our fans and make it a special night next weekend. But to do that we have to win on Sunday."

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BERNARD

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from the cold rain with the umbrella, Bernard saunters to K-Lair for lunch.

After waiting in line, he orders his food: three hot dogs, one cheeseburger, some fries and a 7-Up.

With his empty cup in hand, he grabs a red bottle and squeezes it.

Ketchup 7-Up?
"No, man," he says. "Cherry 7-Up."

1 p.m.

Bernard starts lifting weights at the Nutter Training Facility.

After a light 40-minute workout, he heads over to the players' lounge to shoot a relaxing 30 minutes of pool before heading over to practice.

Bernard puts on his pads in the locker room. Senior offensive tackle Antonio Hall leads a chorus of "Crossroad" by Bone Thugs-N-Harmony mocking Bernard.

2:30 p.m.

Bernard catches some bullets from quarterback Jared Lorenzen. But that is pretty much the extent of his practice.

4:10 p.m.

The fun returns for Bernard. Practice is just about to end.

After losing a seven-overtime game to Arkansas, Bernard hopes for a chance to relax.

Then head coach Rich Brooks orders his players to run "gassers" (running from sideline to sideline twice).

But the wide receivers are the only group not to make it in under 37 seconds, so they run it again.

"You got to be back here in 18 (seconds)," says senior wide receiver Derek Abney.

Breathing deeply after the second gasser, Bernard shows frustration.



Before practice

Above, UK senior wide receiver Chris Bernard gets ready for practice with sophomore wide receiver Glen Holt. At right, Bernard shoots some pool in the players' lounge at the Nutter Fieldhouse next to Commonwealth Stadium.

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gives him grief for his music. "It's some techno stuff," Ahmad says.

Bernard shrugs off the remarks, goes in the room and looks at his keyboard.

He wrote a song with it and played it to the team during the August camp.

But he can't read sheet music, so he is taking piano lessons.

7:05 p.m.

Bernard watches himself on the television as he plays NCAA Football 2004.

He won the game's Heisman Trophy playing as himself, catching 206 passes.

Lorenzen threw for more than 6,000 yards.

Facing third-and-10, he passes to himself, but ends up two yards short.

"I'm so slow in this game," Bernard says. "I get so pissed at myself."

He planned on seeing *The Matrix Revolutions*, but it sold out.

He wanted to dress up like Morpheus. That plan is on hold until next Halloween. "I've got the black leather trench-coat; I just need the glass," Bernard says. "It's going to be tight."

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