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Shakespeare Festival delights at Arboretum. See page 6.



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Mummeball era begins next week

Practice on Aug. 4 to start 'Raid'

By Steven Scrivner

It happens each fall.
Thousands of UK football fans get their hopes up thinking maybe this is the season the Cats

put it all together.

Then, usually after the first few games, those fans are faced with reality - and a lousy football season. Not only have the Cats failed to meet expectations, they rarely showed signs of competi-

UK won four games last sea

son to raise their record to 9-24 over the past three years. Fall practice starts Monday, and new coach Hal Mumme will try his hand at turning hopes

into reality.

Mumme may not have inher-Mumme may not have inherited the tools for a quick turnaround having lost 11 starters from last year's team, but he cited his team at Valdosta State (Ga.) as evidence he can resuscitate UK football.

"The first year we were 5-4-1; the second, 8-3," Mumme said.
A repeat performance could add him to the list of adored coaches that come in and turn a program in shambles around.
One weapon Curry did leave

One weapon Curry did leave Mumme is quarterback Tim

Last season, UK's top gun-to-

be was silenced in a run-oriented offense that made 430 run attempts to just 261 pass attempts; and only 84 of those

came from Couch.

But things have changed.

Couch figures to throw as many passes in two games as he

many passes in two games as ne did all of last year.

"Over the last 8-10 years, we've averaged 45-48 passes a game," Mumme said. "Don't look for that to change much.

"Tim will be throwing the ball a lot, but we'll

a lot, but we'll have a good running game."
Based on what

he's seen in the spring drills, spring drills, Mumme said the the offense will center around

Couch, wide receivers Kevin Coleman and Kio Sanford, and running backs Anthony White and Wendell

Tight end Jimmy Haley also figures to have a bull's-eye placed on his jersey for Couch's

placed of his persey for Couch's target practice.

Although offense is Mumme's passion, the defense is what weighs heaviest on his mind.

"That's the place where we need to do the best recruiting,"

The Cats will play a pressure 4-3 (four linemen, three line-backers) defense, said Mumme. How well they play it is what concerns him the most.

Mumme said this season is

going to be a challenge for defensive coordinator Mike

See MUMME on 4



THEME PARK TERROR Fourteen people were stranded 75 ft. bigb on the Kentucky Kingdom roller coaster T2 late Tuesday night for at least three hours. Some, including a 13-year-old boy and a UK student, were stuck for five hours on the Louisville theme park ride. This photo was shot just after the coaster's 1995 opening.

Area roller coaster traps 14 for hours

UK student among those stuck on ride Tuesday

By Brian Dunn

Rushdi Ruwaim boarded Kentucky Kingdom's coaster T2 knowing

the ride was the last run for the day. He didn't know he'd be on the ride for almost five

hours.
As Ruwaim, a As Ruwaim, a UK electrical engineering senior, and 13 others braced for the first great fall, the ride came to a jolting halt—75 ft. off the ground.

engineering senior

The first hour, I was okay."

Rushdi Ruwaim

to nearly 12:10 a.m. on Wednesday, the riders remained in their seats with their feet dangling off the suspended roller coaster as park officials produced to fix the ride,

Ruwaim said. Although nobody

was hurt, some rid-ers had to wait almost five hours for fire fighters to reach them, Ruwaim, the second -to-last rider to be removed, said. "The first hour, I was okay," he said.
"The second and third hour, my back

f the ground.

From 8:45 p.m. on Tuesday pain; my leg started giving me

pain."
Mike Fallot, the park's executive vice president, said park officials had readied a mechanical lift within an hour of the

coaster stopping.

"We had a lift in place at 9:45 p.m.," he said. Then, he said the Louisville Fire Department arrived and took control

ment arrived and took control of the operation. Ruwaim, however, wasn't brought to the ground for another four hours, at 1:45 a.m. Wednesday. And he said fire fighters didn't arrive until about mid-

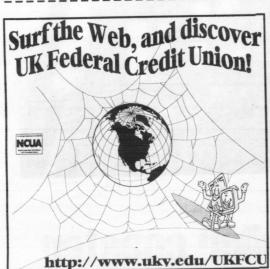
night.
"Why did it take us five
hours to get us down?" Ruwaim

"Why didn't they call the fire fighters to get us down?" he added.

Fallot said he couldn't explain why it was not until

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Chlamydia cases top new list of U.S. STDs

Disease passes gonorrhea as most common

By Joe Dobner

The U.S. Department of Public Health estimated that there were four million new cases of chlamydia this year.

It is now the most common

sexually transmitted infection in the U.S., having surpassed gonorrhea, and it costs \$2.2 billion a year in medical expenses.

Chlamydia is an easily transmitted disease. Women stand a 40 percent chance of contracting it single act of intercourse with

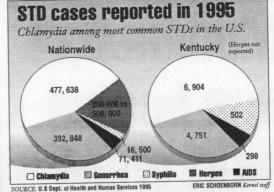
an infected individual, while males have a 32 percent chance.

Many of those cases will go undetected, as 80 percent of women and 10 percent of men do not display any initial symptoms. If transferred to present the manufacture of the manufac toms. If symptoms do present themselves, they are usually in the form of unusual genital dis-charge and/or painful urination. Additionally, women may experi-ence unusually heavy periods or abdominal pain

In addition, having chlamydia increases a person's chance of contracting HIV by as much as five times.

"I would love to see more students using protection if they're going to have intercourse," said Pam Woodrum, a health educa-tor with the University Health

Like HIV and many other STD's, using condoms reduces the risk of contracting chlamy-dia. Unlike HIV, chlamydia can be transmitted by oral inter-course, in addition to anal and



vaginal intercourse. Kissing is

vagnal intercourse. Rissing is safe, however.
Standard gynecological exams don't detect chlamydia. Even though a woman may have a yearly pelvic exam, most doctors don't routinely test for chlamy-

dia unless they have reason to suspect an infection.

The test involves taking a culture of either the urethra or the cervix, is painless, and is relative-

y inexpensive.

"We encourage all women to get tested," said Jan Harman, executive director of Planned

executive director of Planned Parenthood of Lexington.
Because chlamydia so often lacks symptoms, some people never get tested. Advanced chlamydia is not a pretty thing.
"The effects of untreated chlamydia are more severe for women than men," Harman said. If left untreated, chlamydia infections can lead to a host of complications including pelvic complications including pelvic inflammatory disease, endometriosis, ectopic (tubal) encometriosis, ectopic (tubal) pregnancy, and sterility in momen. It can cause urethritis, epididimytis, Reiter's syndrome (a form of arthritis) and sterility

"If [a male] believes he has been exposed, then he should certainly get tested," Harman added.

Infants born to infected mothers are at high risk of con-tracting chlamydia, resulting in conjunctivitis or neonatal pneumonia. Infected women are also at greater risk of miscarriage or premature birth.

premature birth.

Treating chlamydia is easier than detecting it. Unlike HIV, chlamydia is caused by a bacterium, Chlamydia Trachomatis, and can be quickly cured with antibiotics. Patients can either be given a single Azithromycin pill or can take doxycycline pills for a week.

Planned Parenthood is currently conducting an awareness and prevention campaign to deal with the spread of chlamydia. Students who wish to be test-ed for chlamydia can specifically

ask their doctor for a chlamydia test, or can call the University Health service at 323-2778 or Planned Parenthood at 252-0448. Results are usually available by the next day.

Coaster

Student stranded for five hours on ride

From PAGE 1

explain why it was not until 12:10 a.m. that the fire department gave the go-ahead to use the lift to evacuate the ride.

In the hours dangling in the In the hours dangling in the air, Ruwaim said he got to know the four surrounding riders' names, but they didn't talk much because of the whipping winds. Ruwaim said the hardest part of the experience was that he was separated from the people he came to the park with.

They were to meet him at

They were to meet him at about 9 p.m. Ruwaim asked park officials to page his friends, but the friends found Ruwaim them-

selves two hours later.

"That's two hours they didn't know anything," he said.

Fallot said about half the rid-

railot said about hail the liters were evacuated by 1:30 a.m., almost five hours later. The park compensated Ruwain with 10 free admission passes and \$20 worth of coupons for food.

"We were lucky it didn't rain,"

Ruwaim said.

The Associated Press also contributed to this story.

UK students get Chandler's help

Foundation honors scholars, Wethington

By Manish Bhatia Staff Writer

The first man of UK was honored this Saturday at the 5th annual Chandler Foundation Dinner and Awards Evening.

Amidst dignitaries that included past governors and famed country singer Loretta Lynn, UK president Charles Wethington was given the 1997 Kentuckian Award.

ian Awaru.
"He is a man that has given great inspiration," said Edward T. Breathitt, the 51st governor of Kentucky. "He will never weaken in his resolve to serve the University of Kentucky".

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A short video presentation showed the progress made by the 10th UK president towards making UK one of the top institutions in the nation.

The new William T. Young library, presently under construction, was regarded as one of his key accomplishments.

Wethington asserted that UK was absolutely critical to the commonwealth.

"This state needs this university more than anytime else," he said.

Wethington pointed out that, next to the state government, UK was the most influential entity in the state.

The other highlight of the evening was the presentation of the annual college scholarships to eleven young men and women from Kentucky.

"We are looking for future governors, scientists, . . and we will keep them in Kentucky," said Wilford A. Bladen, chairman of the scholarship committee.

Bladen said the requirements for the \$4,000 scholarship applicants included their being a resident of Kentucky.

Biaden said the requirements for the \$4,000 scholarship applicants included their being a resident of Kentucky and graduating from a high school in the state. Students also had to get recommen-dation letters and write a statement of

Scholarship winners

Eight UK students received \$4,000 yearly scholarships Saturday.

▼Whitney Suzanne Hale (Richmond)
Public Administration Grad School

▼Amy Brewer (Florence)

▼Carrie Leigh Williamson (Eddyville)

▼Brock Anthony Triplett (Ashland)

▼Jennifer Agnes Goff (Owensboro)
Pharmacy senior

▼Michael Andrew Rose (Murray)

▼Michael Paul Brinkman (Ft. Wright)

▼Michael David Stone (S. Williamson)

goals as part of the process.

According to the Chandler Foundation, more than 800 nominations were received for the awards. All proceeds from the \$100-a-plate dinner went towards the scholarship fund.

The Chandler Foundation was formed.

in honor of the late A.B., "Happy" Chandler, who served two terms as governor of Kentucky (1935-39, 1955-59); as US Senator (1945-1945); and as major league baseball commissioner (1945-51).

He was commisioner in 1947 when major league baseball admitted the first African American, Jackie Robinson.

"My grandfather did care very deeply about education," said Ben Chandler III, attorney general of the commonwealth of Kentucky. "(This function) is about education," he said.



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NEWSbytes

NATION Budget accord reached by White House, Congress

The White House and Congress reached an agreement and passed a new landmark budget bill this week.

Many believe the budget signals a shift in federal priorities from the elderly to

Among the new provisions in the bill is a tax credit worth up to \$1,500 a year for college students and their families for the

first two years in college.

For the third year and fourth years, the credit will drop to \$1,000.

Also, the bill calls for a federal cigarette tax of 24 cents a pack, which might

rette tax of 2 cents a pack, which might raise \$8 billion a year. In 2000, that tax will increase to 34 cents a pack and, in 2001, it will increase again to 39 cents a pack.

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Mumme

New day for UK football begins on Monday

Major and his staff.
"We lack speed on defense, but the attitude is great."

Although he jumped from Division II football to a big Division I program, Mumme feels things haven't changed that

There's not a hell of a lot of change

from VSU," he said. "We played in the best conference down there and we will up here. We played six of the top 20 teams

down there; same up here."
Although football Mumme-style is likely to excite many fans, a good many more still doubt that Mumme is the right man for the job.

"I don't even think about that," he said. "People that are highly successful fear

"I have a lot to prove to myself."
His goal is to win every game.
"If we lose, believe me, I'll be the most disappointed man in Kentucky," he said.
"The people of Kentucky and the said." The people of Kentucky deserve a win-

Sports scene hits

Unlike a calendar, sports have no beginning and no end — they run con-

Sure, each sport has it's own seasonal slot, but in general, they are a continuous

thing.
Unfortunately, we're now in the dead

No basketball, except for the WNBA.
No football, except for the Arena League
and Canadian Football League.

Impostors!
While channel surfing on a given weekend, one's likely to find tennis, golf, baseball and NASCAR. Not

Exactly a great menu.

Unless Tiger Woods is in contention, golf is always skipped over with a quick click of the remote control.

NASCAR would be exciting to

attend, but watching it on TV is as stimulating as watching New Circle Road traffic for three hours.

Tennis is okay - but the ball never does anything different - it just goes back and forth over the net. Who says

John McEnroe was bad for the sport?
As for baseball, I've developed "5ports-center-itis" where the only baseball I watch is the Cliff's Notes version in which ESPN condenses three hours of sleep-inducing play into 60 seconds of high-liohts.

lights.

Summer is definitely not a couch-potato sports fanatic's best season.

Notes from the summer siesta:

• 30 days until kickoff of the 1997-98

30 days until kickoff of the 1997-98 NFL season!
 Everyone knows Derek Anderson can jump. (Remember that vicious dunk over Louisville's Nate Johnson?) So what's the big deal that Michael Jordan noticed too? It's about time he caught up.
 What golf coverage should be like when Woods is not near the top of the leader board.

leader board:

"We're at the British Open in Troon, Scotland where Tiger Woods is still eight strokes off the lead, back to more NFL

Steven Scrivner

As a loyal Cubs fan, I have lowered my goals this season from a division cham-pionship to beating the Reds for fourth

place.

Case in point that NBA salaries are out of control: Travis Knight averaged five out of control: Iravis Knight averaged live points and five rebounds per game as a backup for Shaq last season. What does he get this year? A seven-year, \$22 million contract from Rick Pitino. (Sounds like Rick needs a refresh-

er course in bargain shopping.)

• Too soon for a Super Bowl prediction? Never.

diction? Never.

A friend keeps telling me how good the Denver Broncos will be this season, but knowing how good they were last year and what they did last year, I like Oakland and San Francisco to be playing Jan. 25 in San Diego.

• WGN-TV should really consider instituting a mandatory.

WGN-TV should really consider instituting a mandatory retirement age. This became obvious the other night when a batter laced a double down the rightfield line and Harry Caray called it "a short fly to centerfield."
 Tennis player Boris Becker is 29 years of age and retiring because he's no longer as competitive as he used to be. Baseball's Tony Gwynn is 37 and having a career year.

year.

Think sports are fair?

Did anyone stay up until 3 a.m. for the sole purpose of watching Tour de

France coverage?

• It's still hard to be optimistic about the Bengals this year. To me, they're just like the Cubs - I always think this is the

like the Cubs - I always think this is the year, but end up having to wait until next year to think the same thing.

• Since I gave a Super Bowl prediction six months early, I might as well toss out a couple teams for the World Series: Atlanta (duh) and Seattle. Good pitching beats good hitting almost every time. Atlanta in

• Did I mention that the NFL season is just around the corner?



LIFE IMITATING ART Several people view the art collection at the Otis A. Singletary Center for the Arts. The UK Art Museum brings in several exibits each year.

World-class art at UK museur

Well-known exhibits visit Singletary

By Candice Lucas Staff Writer and Lisa Rippetoe

Mona Bismark had just arrived from

And people welcomed her to the UK

And people welconied lief to the Art Museum.

They oohed at her dresses. They awed at her pictures. And they followed the fine line from her letter from Salvador Dali to her portrait by Salvador

And there she was, the "Kentucky Countess: Mona Bismark in Art and Fashion," a June exhibit in the Art Museum that featured Dali's portrait of

Mona Bismark.

"The Salvador Dali (painting) was a loan," said Harriet Fowler, director of

the UK Art Museum.

A variety of things affect what comes in and out of the museum, she said.

in and out of the museum, she said.
The painting was in Paris, France.
"We put in a request (to display the portrait) over two years ago," said Fowler.
In order for the museum to obtain
the Dali painting, a detailed loan con-

tract had to be drawn up, Fowler said.
The museum had its heart set on the Dali painting.

"It was so perfect for the exhibition,"
Fowler said.

Other exhibitions such as "We Saw the Music: Rock and Roll Photography" by Baron Wolman and Jim Marshall, "Large Scale Contemporary Work from the J. B. Speed Art Museum" in Louisville, and "Jacob Lawrence: Toussaint L'Ouverture Series" were dis-played on courtesy loans of other insti-

"Three or four years in advance, we'll sign for an exhibition," Fowler said.

In addition to borrowed works, the museum has a permanent collection consisting of Julien Dupre's "In the Pasture" and Willard Metcalf's "Giverny."

The museum has an "extremely diverse schedule," Fowler said.

diverse schedule," Fowler said.

Exhibits range from Russian icons to side show banners or fashion.

"It's (diversity) something we pride ourselves on," she said.

Several different types of funds are used to purchase works for the permanent collection. For example, the Robert May Photo Endowment Fund wide in sequiring a photographs by aids in acquiring photographs by nationally recognized photographers, she said.

When deciding on additions to the permanent collection, Fowler said. "It's

"We look at the whole collection," she said. "It's almost like a family.
"You make a commitment when you buy a work of art," she said. "Gifts are a great part of our collection."

The pieces of art work that are added to the permanent collection are bought through art dealers, private individuals or auctions, Fowler said.

Aside from the numerous pieces of art displayed at the museum, it also has an educational department, as well as other programs that exceed the allotted

As the permanent collection grows and plans are made for future exhibi-tions, the museum hopes to expand one

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LENO ME YOUR EAR Above, Jennifer Nacke as Cleopatra and Matt Wheeler as Antony are among the ast members with UK ties. Left, Enobarbus is portrayed by Walter Tamis in the third and final production of the 1997. Lexington Shakespeare Festival at the UK Arboretum. 'Antony and Cleopatr

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Fitness needs

ties need help.
A study conducted by the Committee on the Adequacy of Recreational Facilities found UK to be below average compared for free use, while the rest of its hours are scheduled around classes and other recreational facilities.

The only figure that

The only figure that gave us hope was that UK has more than the average number of outdoor bas-ketball courts, but that figure (5.5) is still very

Not only are the facilities inadequate, but there seems to be little time for students to use them.

During the summer, udents are allowed students almost no time in indoor campus recreational facili-ties due to camps and limited hours. From November to March, the Seaton Center main gym is only available on the weekends

During the remaining months, students are limited to six hours per day. This is not enough time for the active student to squeeze fitness into their schedule.

The emphasis on health and fitness has increased dramatically with college students, but the University has failed to meet that growing

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RRECTION

The following is a letter received by the editor on July 29, from Timothy Wills, an attorney representing Kennedy Book Store:

I am writing you on behalf of Kennedy Book Store, Inc. and the Kennedy Book Store, Inc. and the Kennedy family which owns and operates Kennedy Book Store in regard to the article and cartoon published in the July 24, 1997 edi-tion of the Kentucky Kernel depicting and describing Kennedy's as a "rip-off artist." With the end of another academic session approaching, it did not come as a surprise that your editorial staff was once again attacking the business of textbook buy-back and sales. However, the depictions and accusations in the latest editorial cartoon have risen to the level of libel and defamation.

Kennedy Book Store under-stands the Kentucky Kernel's interest stands the Kentucky Kernel's interest in reporting about the issue of text-book costs to the students at the University of Kentucky. Nonetheless, it is misleading for the Kentucky Kernel to present only one side of the textbook buy-back and sales process. In an attempt to remedy these misconceptions, Kennedy Book Store has, on several occasions, extended invitations to your editorial staff to visit the store and learn firsthand about the textbook business. Despita these invitations, the Kentucky Kernel continues to criticize Kennedy Book Store in ignorance

As young members of the n media, the staff at the Kentucky Ker-nel has no doubt encountered words such as "libel," "defama-tion," and "slander." The editorial staff of the Kentucky Kernel should observe a more appropriate and proper level of journalistic respon sibility. In short, the staff should take the time to learn the facts.

Kentucky law allows those who are targets of false and defamatory statements to demand a correction The statement contained in your editorial cartoon is false and appears to be motivated by malice. Consider this to be Kennedy Book Consider this to be Kennedy Book Store's request for a correction. Specifically, Kennedy Book Store requests that the Kentucky Kernel retract the assertion that Kennedy Book Store is one of "Lexington's two biggest rip-off artists" and to correct the editorial article cover-ing the dollar amounts quoted ing the dollar amounts quoted which are not based on fact. This correction should be published within ten (10) days of the receipt of this letter.

If the Kentucky Kernel chooses

not to make the retraction and cor-rection, the Kennedy family and Kennedy Book Store will pursue all legal remedies suitable to them to recover damages for the injury to

their reputation and business.
Sincerely,
Timothy C. Wills, Vimont & Wills PLLC

The Kentucky Kernel attorney contacted Mr. Wills and requested that he provide Kennedy's version of the facts with respect to the statements identi-fied in his letter. The following is Mr. Wills' response.

▼ The statement in the editorial ▼ The statement in the editorial cartoon referring to Kennedy Book Store as one of "Lexington's two biggest rip-off artists" is false and defamatory. This statement accuses Kennedy Book Store of an act of theft or financial exploitation. The Kentucky Kernel has no basis for this

statement. Kennedy Book Store is a member in good standing of the Lexington business community and is conducting a lawful business under the laws of the Common-wealth of Kentucky. The Kennedy family and Kennedy Book Store demand a retraction and an apology for the the depiction and state-ment outlined above.

▼ Absent evidence that the facts and figures published in the editorand figures published in the editor-ial cartoon and the opinion article were compiled by investigative reporting or based on actual transactions specific to Kennedy Book Store, the facts and figures are false, misleading and defamatory as talse, misleading and detamatory as they pertain to Kennedy Book Store. The facts and figures are hypothetical and do not fairly or accurately represent actual text-book buy-back or sales prices and figures at Kennedy Book Store. The Kennedy family and Kennedy Book Store demand a correction in the nature of a statement stating that the facts and figures contained in the editorial cartoon and opinion article were based on hypothetical figures and did not fairly and accurately represent actual textbook buy-back and sales prices at Kennedy Book Store.

The Kentucky Kernel apolo-The Kentucky Kernel apologizes for the statement describing a battle between "Lexington's two biggest rip-off artists" in its editorial cartoon of July 24. The Kentucky Kernel further states that the hypothetical purchase and resale figures in its July 24 editorial were not based on actual textbook buyback and sale prices at Kennedy Book Store.

Red light logic

Driving on campus is tough enough. You weave your way around one way streets, potholes and con-struction detours.

Red lights at intersections like S. Limestone St. and Euclid Ave.,

Woodland Ave. and Euclid Ave. as well as Cooper Drive and Tates Creek

Drive and Tates Creek
Road prohibit you from
turning turn right on red.
Students get pulled over
in droves by Lexington
and UK police for ignoring or missing the warning
signs, and it is mostly for
pedestrian protection,
which we applied. pedestrian protection, which we applaud. But why can't there be a

compromise for the inter-sections near campus where cars pose a signifi-

cant threat to pedestrians?
We think there is one corner that has it right — Columbia Ave. and Rose St. At that light, right turns are prohibited on red lights from 8 a.m. opinion to 4 p.m., which is

a logical measure to protect pedestrians dur-ing the busiest traffic times.

There is no need to wait for a green light to make a right turn at 3 a.m. when there isn't another car in sight for miles, which many of the signs force you to do.

We hope that UK and Lexington officials will take another look and make some driver-friendly changes to these policies

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Tobacco should be outlawed

Author's note: all statistics obtained from the Centers for Dis-

asse Control.

n the wake of the recent
\$350+ billion settlement
between the government between the government and the tobacco industry, I can't help wondering why such a set-tlement ever became necessary. Why is it still legal to smoke why is it still legal to shoke tobacco, years after everybody with any common sense realized that tobacco is both addictive and deadly? If the government had done the right thing years ago (1964 to be exact), the recent settlement would never have become a possibility, because the entire cigarette industry would have long ago been wiped out. By allowing the industry to con-tinue, the government makes another mistake.

another mistake.

Tobacco is addictive. The issue is beyond dispute. It has become common knowledge. Any smoker who has attempted to quit will testify to this. Ask around if you are in doubt.

Tobacco is deadly. This issue, as well, is beyond dispute. Ask anyone who has ever had a relative die of heart disease, lung cancer, esophageal cancer, chronic lung disease, bladder cancer, pancreas cancer or kidney cancer. just some of the maladies associ-

just some of the maladies associated with tobacco use.

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), women who smoke while pregnant are more likely to have adverse birth more likely to have adverse birth outcomes, including low birth-weight babies. Low birthweight is the leading cause of death among infants. Not only are smokers killing themselves, they are killing their unborn infants.

The damage does not stop there. Studies have identified at

least 43 chemical compounds in tobacco smoke that cause cancer in humans. Each year, because of exposure to second-hand smoke, an estimated 3,000 nonsmokers die of lung cancer, and 300,000

children develop lower respiratory infections.
Government efforts to David Hicks

Kernel

curb nicotine addiction failed miserably. Despite an age limit, more than 3 million teenagers under 18 smoke half-a-billion cig-

arettes each year, and more than half of those consider themselves dependent on cigarettes. Every day, nearly 3,000 minors become regular smokers. Most adult smokers (around 80%) began as minors, and about one-half of teenage smokers continue to use tobacco products as adults. long as cigarettes are available, teenagers will continue to teenagers

acquire and use them.

Tobacco use is the leading preventable cause of death in the preventable cause of death in the US, causing more than 400,000 deaths each year and costing more than \$50 billion in medical

Faced with such overwhelming figures, why does the gov-

tine to be legal, while restricting the sale of non-addictive sub the sale of non-additive sub-stances like marijuana? Is it because it is an individual choice to smoke cigarettes? It's also an individual choice to use marijua-na, heroin, LSD or crack, but I don't see Joe Camel shooting up on any billboards. Is it because those narcotics are deadly? Reread the figures in this article if you think that narcotics are deadlier to society than tobacco smoke. I am not arguing for the legalization of marijuana or any other narcotic, but because of its

other narcotic, but because of its glamorized image, and much more importantly its addictive quality, tobacco is too deadly to remain legal.

Yes, the elimination of the tobacco industry would have dramatic consequences, costing many people their jobs. Those people are working, however, in exchange for the lives of their fellow Americans. The tobacco industry does nothing but kill industry does nothing but kill

people. All those employed in the tobacco industry are there the tobacco industry are therefore, indirectly, killing people in exchange for money. What a great deal, eh? "Here, smoke this, it will addict and eventually kill you. Oh, and why don't you pay me for it? I need the cash."

Despite the perative reports

Despite the negative reper-cussions, tobacco must be outcussions, totacco finds: to out-lawed, or at the very least made by prescription only. It is a tick on the back of society — it serves no positive purpose whatsoever, and does nothing but suck the life from our country. It causes an enormous number of casualties every year, many of those innocent children and noninnocent children and non-smokers. Every year, smoking kills more people than AIDS, alcohol, drugs, car crashes, mur-ders, suicides, and fires com-bined. Tobacco kills, and nothing more. It must be outlawed.

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Drivers lack tolerance and respect

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least that's how things gen-erally seem to work on the

Road rage is now a trendy issue. There are apparently people out there that are, to borrow a phrase from Neal Stephenson, type A drivers with rabies.

Various public health and auto

Various public health and auto safety advocacy groups fault aggressive and excitable drivers with thousands of deaths each year. Personally, I prefer to blame a combination of being stupid and being inconsiderate.

When in a car, one is surrounded by a half-ton to a ton of metal. Tough auto glass and rubber seal out the outside world. One can completely control the interior environment by selecting one's own music, one's pre-

ing one's own music, one's pre-ferred temperature and one's

arriver temperature and one's particular seating arrangement. The exterior environment is much more difficult to control, primarily because there are other drivers out there. Everybody has

different driving habits. The problem with road rage is that there are a subset of drivers whose driving habits are the only correct driving habits, at least to themselves.

This justifies the cor-

rect drivers being incon-siderate of all the other drivers' habits, because the correct dri-

vers are always right.

Some correct drivers never drive over 55 miles an hour drive over 55 miles an nour because it isn't safe. Other cor-rect drivers drive 80 miles an hour because that's what inter-states were designed for. Still other correct drivers never signal their turns because it doesn't matter. Another correct view is that it is always necessary to sig-

Mhen you get two correct drivers whose habits disagree, bad things tend to happen. Appeals for common sense by public safety officials are moot, because common sense about nal turns.

driving differs from per-Joe son to person. What the drivers of

What the drivers of America really need is a good strong dose of toleration and respect for other drivers. Just because somebody drives

because someoody drives like a bat out of hell doesn't make them a bad person, and people who drive slowly aren't necessarily morons. Unfortunately, the fast and

aggressive drivers tend to get all the blame for being inconsider-ate. This isn't entirely correct.

Although aggressive driving can lead to accidents, slow and indecisive driving is similarly

driving 10 miles an hour faster than traffic is dangerous, driving 10 miles an hour slower than traffic is equally dangerous, because everyone else is relative-ly speeding. Slowing to a near stop before turning or merging with traffic is likely to get one Minimum speed limits are almost impossible to enforce, because there are legitimate rea-sons for driving slowly. Because sons for driving slowly. Because there are many reasons for dri-ving slower than traffic, rear-end collisions are legally considered to be the fault of the driver in the

rear. However, being a jerk is per fectly legal. Having the right of way won't heal injuries or circumvent the inconvenience of

having a wrecked car.

Driving at or below the legal limit in the left lane is legal. It is limit in the left lane is legal. It is also annoying to those people who speed. Stopping to merge onto New Circle road is also legal, but is highly annoying to those people who are stopped behind. Tailgating is legal, but often frightens and angers the person being tailgated.

Drivers who commit illegal acts often justify their actions with the obnoxious behavior of others. People who run red lights often feel like they should

have been able to make the light had the people in front of them not waited so long when the light was green. Running a red light is wrong and dangerous, but a driver that feels the need to safely secure the cheeseburger he'd been eating while the light was red before moving, prevent-ing some of those behind him from getting through the light, is

similarly wrong.

A sense of power and invincibility accompanies driving a car.
However, drivers should remember that there are other similarly powerful and invincible drivers out there on the road.

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Obnoxious behavior by other drivers doesn't justify dangerous driving practices, but by the same token, the legality of many kinds of obnoxious behavior shouldn't be taken as a license to piss people off.

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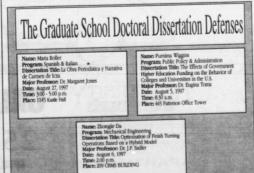
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