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## Deaf student denied interpreter by campus office

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Jena Richards knows about overcoming obstacles.

She is a biotechnology junior at UK and has been competing in equestrian sports since she was five. She is also deaf.

Now Richards is faced with another challenge. She joined the UK Equestrian Team at the beginning of the Fall semester and requested an interpreter for team events through UK's Disability Resource Center before the first team meeting. Richards said the DRC denied her request because it did not meet the guidelines for the Americans with Disabilities Act.

"(The DRC) said their rules do not cover needs that are outside of

the classroom or school-related events," she said. "So therefore, they did not feel UK was responsible to pay for the services."

While Richards wears a cochlear implant that allows her to hear 85 percent of what other people hear, her riding helmet makes it impossible to wear the hearing device during practice and competition.

Liz Hill, executive director of the Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, said she was unable to comment on Richards' specific case, but there are legal protections for the deaf.

"Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, which covers postsecondary institutions, states that social and recreational programs and activities of the institution may not discrimi-

nate based on disability," Hill said.

According to sections two and three of the Americans with Disabilities Act, "postsecondary institutions are required by law to provide any reasonable accommodation that may be necessary for those with disabilities to have equal access to educational opportunities and services available to nondisabled peers, if requested."

UK Equestrian Team coach Michelle Zimmer said the absence of an interpreter is a safety concern. It also makes it difficult to communicate with Richards, she said, especially during team meetings and lessons.

Richards said not having an interpreter made communicating with the team difficult.

"There are about 60 members and even with my cochlear implant, I cannot hear individual voices," Richards said. "With my lip-reading skills, I cannot follow the speaker unless she's looking directly at me as if she's talking to me only."

UK spokeswoman Gail Hairston said the DRC could not comment on individual cases.

Instead of an interpreter, Richards said the DRC suggested other methods of communication like a dry-erase board and hand gestures.

"It is already hard trying to do it with an interpreter," she said. "I wouldn't even try if I didn't already have the experience I have, or have such a great coach."

Richards is currently working with an interpreter who works in ex-

change for free riding lessons from Zimmer. However, the arrangement will last only as long as the interpreter is willing, Zimmer said.

Richards said she is used to dealing with setbacks because many people do not understand her disability.

"Most people do not realize exactly what a deaf person needs or how to educate the hearing impaired," she said. "For instance, although I was given interpreters, I had a professor who sometimes would not allow them in the classroom with me. I had another teacher who would not allow me to have note-takers."

Until now, Richards said she has had only positive experiences with

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Above: Gerald Dempster stands in front of a billboard outside UK Hospital to smoke on Wednesday afternoon at the medical center and had to go outside near the curb on Limestone, where other doctors, nurses, patients and visitors go to smoke because of the new tobacco-free initiative. Below: New ban restricts smoking to outside red boundaries.

## Recent ban pushes smokers off local hospital grounds

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Heather Branim, an expectant mother, sat in a wheelchair outside the property lines of UK Hospital and balanced a chocolate drink, a pack of Marlboro's and a cigarette lighter in her hands. Because of a new tobacco-free initiative, she has to go beyond hospital property to smoke, but the distance doesn't stop her from taking a cigarette break.

"My aunt likes the rules, because she wants me to quit," Branim said, "but I'm ready to sign out ... I'm supposed to be here until I have my baby, but I don't know if I can take it."

As of Nov. 20, UK Hospital was declared a tobacco-free campus. All designated smoking areas were eliminated on

hospital property. But some hospital employees are concerned about how far away from the medical buildings the smoke-free rule takes them.

Some nurses who smoke are concerned about being outside on the corner if a crisis would occur at their stations.

"If we were inside in our old lounge and a code was called, we'd be there immediately," said nurse Tanya Burns, "but from out here it could be five minutes before we got there."

Burns said going off campus to smoke reduced efficiency by extending breaks and keeping employees off the job longer.

Despite working in health care, a business that frowns upon the health

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## UK prepares to take on \$12.7 million in state cuts

Staff Report

UK President Lee Todd announced in a campus-wide e-mail Wednesday that Gov. Steve Beshear has asked for an assessment of an additional 4 percent budget cut to the university, a reduction of around \$12.7 million in operating dollars. This cut would be in addition to the \$20 million reduction UK has already absorbed.

"No final decisions have been made, but our response to the Governor's request makes clear that everything will be considered, so everything is at risk — tuition, faculty and staff positions, salary increases, and programs and services all across campus," Todd said in the e-mail.

For more information about where possible cuts will come from, visit the UK Administration Web site, (<http://www.uky.edu/webuk/subpages/administration.html>).

## Gun stores see increased sales as possible 'Obama Effect'

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In the weeks since Barack Obama was elected to be the next president, Kentuckians seem to be running to the gun stores.

"I'd say our sales have risen at least 50 percent," said George Hodge, owner of the Gun Depot in Princeton, Ky.

Hodge said because Obama has openly supported the 1994 federal assault weapons ban and intends to reinstate it, hunters, sportsmen and gun collectors all over the country are buying up assault weapons before it is too late.

The Gun Depot has been operating since before the original ban was signed into law under President Clinton in 1994.

"The same thing happened back then too, before the ban," Hodge said.

The ban expired in September of 2004 and President Bush did not renew it.

Wes Heflin, a long-time employee at J & T Distributing, a firearms manufacturer and distributor in Winchester, Ky., also said gun sales have dramatically increased since the election. J & T Distributing primarily sells assault weapons, and Heflin said he thinks what he calls "The Obama Effect" is the reason for the increase.

"We have gone from taking one week to send out a kit, to needing eight to 12 weeks," he said.

Currently, Kentucky does not have any restrictions on the manufacture and sale of assault weapons, but with Obama in office, many Kentuck-

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## WORLD AIDS WEEK

### Speaker hopes son's death can teach others

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Ryan White always kept a sense of humor about things, said his mother, Jeanne White-Ginder. He even talked about wanting to be buried in his boxer shorts, Oakley's and sneakers.

White-Ginder spoke at Memorial Hall on Wednesday night about the struggles she went through as the mother of a child with AIDS. Ryan died from the disease in 1990. Since his death, White-Ginder said, there was not a lot of information out about the disease. White-Ginder said people thought only homosexuals could get AIDS.

White-Ginder said when she became pregnant with Ryan she was a huge Hoosiers fan, and she was excited because she might have a basketball player for a child. But Ryan was diagnosed with he-

mophilia, meaning his blood could not clot.

Ryan was given Factor VIII to help treat the disease, but in 1984, at age 13, he was diagnosed with AIDS because his treatment was contaminated with the HIV virus.

"Little did we know that the drug we thought would save him would later kill him," White-Ginder said.

Ryan was one of the first hemophiliacs to be diagnosed with AIDS and at the time, White-Ginder said, there was not a lot of information out about the disease. White-Ginder said people thought only homosexuals could get AIDS.

"At the time, people thought you had to do something bad to get it," she said. "When people in their hometown of Kokomo, Ind., became aware of Ryan's dis-

ease, he was not allowed to return to his school because the people in their community were fearful of him.

After Ryan was allowed to go back to school, he experienced discrimination and cruelty. White-Ginder said they received hate mail, she came home to all of her tires slashed one night and they even had a bullet shot through their window at one point. On Ryan's third day back at school, she said he had the word "fag" written all over his locker and on all of his folders.

White-Ginder said they even experienced resentment at the church where she had taught Sunday school for many years. One Sunday, she said nobody would shake Ryan's hand and their minister asked if Ryan could be assigned to use a specific seat, water foun-

tain and even restroom.

Even through all of the resentment and hate, Ryan wanted to educate people about his disease. He appeared on "Good Morning America," attended an Oscar party with the Reagans and had a TV movie made about him in 1989.

"We decided to represent everybody with AIDS," White-Ginder said.

Caitlin Blanford, a public health graduate student, said when her uncle was diagnosed with HIV/AIDS, her mother explained the disease to her by reading her Ryan's book.

Public health graduate student Katy Heneghan said she hoped the forum would get people interested in the AIDS epidemic.

"It's just something that college students should be aware of," she said.

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## Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** — Today is a 7 — Your team is enthusiastic, but also idealistic. You're the leader, so you also have to be the practical one. Take time to think things over before you issue your orders.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** — Today is a 6 — It's always interesting to hear how others would solve big problems. They may outrank you, but you still have the edge in common sense. Trust your own instincts first.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** — Today is an 8 — Try something outside the box to advance your own career. You'll get extra points for creativity and imagination now. Turn ideas you've been thinking about into proposals.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** — Today is a 7 — Keep on plugging away. You'll get a break soon. Traveling with a congenial partner is highly recommended tomorrow and the next day. Be prepared.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Today is a 7 — You and your partner need to discuss upcoming expenses. Make lists and set parameters you agree to stay within. Sure, there are things you want to get that will exceed the budget. Delete them.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Today is a 7 — A controversy breaks out between you and a person of eccentric tastes. You try to persuade this individual that you're right, to no avail. But in the end, love triumphs over all this silly squabbling.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — Today is a 7 — Consult with family to figure out how to do what needs to be done. Then, all get together and do it. There are other things to be done, too, but you can fit them in.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — Today is an 8 — You're generous to a fault. Keep that side of your nature under control or you'll get into trouble. You can still give a lot away, if you're creative and very frugal.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — Today is a 7 — You're in charge of keeping the communication channels open. You're good at this. People always love to hear from you. Don't spend all day talking to the same person, however. There are others on your list.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Today is an 8 — Somebody else's misfortune makes you realize how well off you really are. Offer encouragement for a person who's feeling low. All it may take is a hug.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — Today is a 7 — You'll need resources to accomplish your plans. Now's a good time to figure out what, and where you'll get them all. And estimate how much you'll have to spend.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** — Today is a 7 — You'll wake up ready to take on a challenge, and that's a good thing. There's at least one waiting for you from the moment you get out of bed. Never fear; all ends well.

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## kernel POP



# Hot holiday cookies

Food Network stars Sandra Lee and Paula Deen share their favorite sweet recipes

## THE DISH

### Stained-Glass Wreath Cookies

1 16 oz tube sugar-cookie dough

1 bag assorted round hard candies (recommended: Life Savers)

1 tube of white decorating icing

1 package of silver dragees

24 8-inch-long pieces of string

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line 2 cookie sheets with silicone baking pads. Slice dough at inch intervals; place 1 inch apart on sheets. Press a 1-inch round cutter into the center of each cookie. Remove the circle of dough and replace it with a round hard candy. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes. While still warm, make a hole at the top of each cookie with a large straw. Place baking sheet on the cooling rack. When the cookies have cooled, use the icing and evenly space 6 dots around each cookie. Push the silver dragees into the icing dots. Allow icing to harden. Place the 8-inch piece of string through the hole at the top and tie.

### Pistachio Linzer Torte With Cherry Jam

3/4 cup butter

1 cup confectioners' sugar

3 egg yolks

1 cup all-purpose flour

1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg

1/4 teaspoon ground cardamom

1 cups ground roasted and salted pistachios cherry jam

jam

In a large bowl, beat butter and sugar at medium speed with an electric mixer until creamy. Beat in yolks until combined. In a small bowl, combine flour, nutmeg and cardamom. Slowly add to butter mixture, beating until combined. Beat in pistachios. Cover, then chill for 1 hour. Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Line baking sheets with parchment paper. On floured surface, roll dough to inch thickness. Cut with a 2-inch star-shaped cookie cutter. Cut out centers of half the cookies with a 1-inch star-shaped cookie cutter. Place cookies 2 inches apart on baking sheets; bake for 12 to 14 minutes, or until edges are lightly browned. Cool on pan for 2 minutes. Remove to wire racks to fully cool. Spread jam on flat sides of uncut cookies. Top with flat sides of cutout cookies. Bake again for 2 minutes. Cool completely on wire racks. Store in airtight containers.

The superstar, 27 — who wed her longtime beau, rapper and mogul Jay-Z, 39, last April — opens up to U.S.

**Q: How did you gain the nearly 15 pounds to play Etta James in Cadillac Records?**

It wasn't the easiest thing. I ate a lot of butter pecan ice cream!

**Q: How did that SNL skit with JT come about?**

SNL talked to me about the skit. I said, "You know, I'm not sure I want to do this, because I have to hone my performance." But the moment they said Justin was going to be a part of it, I said, "I have to do this!" He is hilarious. I'm so grateful and we had the best time. It was so difficult not to laugh.

**Q: Do you celebrate any Thanksgiving traditions with your family?**

My mother cooks for the whole family. It's actually my favorite holiday, because it's not about anything but giving thanks for all of our blessings.

**Q: Do you help make the food?**

I'm not the best cook. But hopefully I'll try to make some type of pie. My favorite is sweet potato! I just have to get the right recipe.

**Beyonce's busy season**

Overachiever alert! Beyonce Knowles released her third solo album, I Am Sasha Fierce Nov. 18; three days earlier, she hilariously spoofed her own "Single Ladies (Put a Ring on It)" video on Saturday Night Live — with some help from a leotard-clad Justin Timberlake; and she channels blues legend Etta James opposite Adrien Brody in the musical drama Cadillac Records (in theaters Dec. 5).

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# ABOVE THE REST: BODY SUSPENSION

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At a party in 2002, Zak Crouch made a split-second decision that allowed him to elevate above all others that night.

Crouch signed a waiver that would prevent him from taking legal action against the people who would guide him through this experience, and within an hour, Crouch was hanging by hooks from the skin of his back.

For five minutes, Crouch's friends, and his mentors, Holly Durkin and Donnie Keiser, clapped and cheered as he suspended five feet in the air while streams of blood raced down his back.

Crouch, who is the head piercer at Blood Blue Tattoo & Piercing in Lexington, said despite this first suspension being a blur, it was still exciting and he mainly just enjoyed the fact that he was suspended.

"It was something I'd never done before, something I didn't know I could do," Crouch said. "It hurt, but that was part of the fun."

The party Crouch attended that night in Cincinnati was a body suspension party.

According to suspension.org, the act of suspension is hanging the human body from, or partially from, hooks pierced through the flesh in various places around the body.

Crouch said six hooks were inserted with a piercing needle through his upper back. He said the hooks are usually deep sea fishing hooks without barb, and they usually are eight- to six-gauge hooks, which are usually three to five millimeters thick.

One hook placed properly on the body and through the skin can hold up to 300 pounds, and each additional hook also used can hold up to 300 pounds, Crouch said. The limits to body suspension depend on each individual.

"A lot of the limits depend on how much pain you can take," Crouch said. "I've seen suspensions where one person is suspending from his own set of hooks, then another person suspending from him, then another person suspending from that guy, and then on down."

Crouch said after suspending, in the area where the hooks pierced his skin, his muscles were tense, but overall, he was enveloped with a relaxing sensation.

"I was a little wobbly afterwards, but it's very possible that could have just been from nerve crush," he said. "I was just very relaxed, and I just wanted to sit down and chill out. But the area that hooks were put in is just like any other piercing, you're sore and you're tense there."

Along with their backs, people can suspend from vari-



PHOTO COURTESY OF ROBIN SCOTT  
Zak Crouch suspends during a body suspension party in Cincinnati, Ohio in the Spring of 2007. This was Crouch's third suspension.

ous other places on their bodies. Crouch said the most common areas beside the back are the stomach and chest, and hooks can be placed so that people are allowed to sit in an "Indian-style position" while in the air.

To allow someone to suspend, Crouch said the hooks are tied to a metal brace that is designed to allow someone to tie off the hook. The brace is then attached to a block-and-tackle pulley system, which is attached to the ceiling. A rope runs from the brace holding the hooks through the pulley system to a person off on the side who uses the rope

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"It's about taking control of your body on a level that no other animal ... on this Earth can do." — Zak Crouch

## Fashion show, concert to take place at the Cats Den

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Fashion and music come together for one afternoon only, providing the kind of entertainment appealing to all.

The Cats Den will put together a fashion show sponsored by the UK Bookstore

Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Cats Den.

Sally Wiatrowski, director of UK Bookstore, said student models will show off the latest UK fashion from Jansport.

"I think Jansport will continue to do (events like this) for semesters to come," Wiatrowski said.

There will be free pizza

and a contest giveaway featuring Jansport apparel and one free iPod, Wiatrowski said.

Later in the day, the final concert of the year will take place in the Cats Den at 8 p.m.

Hair Police will headline for the concert. The band says they have not played in Lex-

ington since FreeKY Fest, a downtown music festival put on by WRFL last spring.

The band is made up of three guys that have been playing together since 2001, said Robert Beatty, a member of Hair Police.

Beatty described the music as "really loud, out there, experimental rock."

Cabaladies, Laloux and Leslie Keffer will open for Hair Police.

Laloux is a relatively new band in Lexington. The band is made up of six girls, each bringing their own style of music, said band member Sara O'Keefe.

The band plays country and pop music, but it really

just depends on what kind of song a band member writes, O'Keefe said.

"It's going to be a good show," O'Keefe said. "There is going to be a lot of eclectic music there."

This will be the last event of the year for the Cats Den. Admission is free to both events.

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# The Matches to strike a chord at UK

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The Matches are up and coming.

Louise Cincala, director of concerts for Student Activities Board, said the band's new album has been getting good reviews. The Matches were an opening act for a sold out Alternative Press Tour, and are on their way to having a large fan base, Cincala said.

"The Matches are definitely going somewhere," Cincala said. "They are well known now, but in a few years I think they will be huge."

That's one of the reasons why Cincala encourages students to come to The Matches free concert Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Student Center Grand Ballroom.

"When SAB brings in

bands who are on their way, who a few years down the road are big, it creates great memories for the students," Cincala said. "They can say I saw them before they became famous."

Cincala describes The Matches as "pop-punk." They sound like bands Say Anything, Taking Back Sunday and All Time Low, who they opened for on the Alternative Press Tour, Cincala said.

What makes The Matches different is their unique personalities and their witty and catchy lyrics, Cincala said. They describe themselves as "the band as weird as you are" on their MySpace page and incorporate their uniqueness on stage, where they portray their distinct personalities.

"Their shows are always

interesting. Their music style is that they have a lot going on," Cincala said. "Some bands are different because it's cool, but The Matches are different because that's how they think. Sometimes the lead singer wears a top hat just because he can."

On the Alternative Press Tour, The Matches performed acoustic sets on the sidewalk outside the venues after every concert. It is during these performances that the band takes fan requests.

"It keeps it personal," Cincala said. "There's no promises they will do it here because we haven't talked about it, but they do it at almost every concert."

For an opening act, SAB chose five local bands from the same genre as The Matches and let fans and UK students vote on a winner on

the SAB Web site. Nineball, from Lake Cumberland, was chosen.

"It was important to bring in a local band and for the audience to see another band as well," Cincala said.

Cincala also encourages students to use this free concert as a way to unwind before finals week.

"This is the last show of the semester," Cincala said. "It's one of your last chances to get out there and hear something new and relax before papers and projects are due."

The Matches concert will be a ticketed event. Students can get one free ticket with a student ID and tickets for the general public cost \$10. SAB encourages students to pick up their tickets in advance at the Student Center Ticket Office.

# Award-winning 'Doubt' set to debut four-day run on campus

By Amanda Wallace  
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"When one takes a step to address wrong doing, one is taking a step from God," Sister Aloysius intones during the latest production of UK Department of Theatre, the critically acclaimed "Doubt: A Parable"

The play, a Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize winner by author John Patrick Shanley, is set to debut a four-day run Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Briggs Theatre in the Fine Arts Building.

Set in a Bronx Catholic school in the 1960s, "Doubt: A Parable" is about a woman's suspicions, a priest's protestation and the conflicts that arrive between the old and the new.

The play is one act, with a 90-minute run time, and it features a cast of four actors, all of whom have been in main stage productions before. Courtney Collier, a theatre junior, plays Sister Aloysius. Ashley Smith, a theatre senior, plays Sister James. Jim Trujillo, a theatre junior, plays Father Flynn and Genna-Gabrielle Cobb, a theatre sophomore, plays Mrs. Muller.

The set, which features floating mirrors and some more realistic aspects, is different than the original play, which features a more realistic styling.

The author, John Patrick Shanley, titles his play "A Parable" for a reason," said Andrew Kimbrough, the director of the play. "He wants the audience to think of the play as about them, not the characters on the stage. So we are looking for a design that helps suggest that the audience may be a point of focus."

Kimbrough said there is great cast of people who are involved with the play.

"The student actors have been working very hard on their roles and they are certainly ready to open on Dec. 4," he said. "The faculty is very proud of everyone involved."

The UK Department of Theatre's next play, John Steinbeck's "The Grapes of Wrath," will be a co-production with Bluegrass Community and Technical College and will open in February.

For more information about "Doubt: A Parable," call (859) 257-4929. Tickets are \$5 for students, \$10 for UK faculty, staff and seniors, and \$15 for general admission. The show starts Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m.

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8 p.m., The Dame. Tickets cost \$5.
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4. Women, "Women"
5. Religious Knives, "The Door"
6. Mogwai, "The Hawk is Howling"
7. Vivian Girls, "Vivian Girls"
8. TV on the Radio, "Dear Science"
9. Brazilian Girls, "New York City"
10. Francois Virot, "Yes or No"

## SUSPENSION

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to raise or lower a person off the ground.

"It's essentially the same system for lifting an engine out of a car, just with cleaner materials," Crouch said.

The time that people can suspend also varies, ranging anywhere from a few seconds to an hour, he said.

"When you are up there, you are in control. Whatever you say to the people holding the rope goes. Whenever you can't take hanging anymore, that's when you come down," Crouch said. "I've seen people barely get their toes off the ground and want to come back down."

Crouch said he has suspended three times, and that this is mainly because there aren't many permanent places to suspend in Kentucky. He said there are multiple reasons why suspension groups have not emerged within the state.

"Kentucky, in the terms of the body modification world, is kind of backwards and behind the time," he said. "Another part of that is that the community isn't here. There aren't enough people interested to warrant having a suspension group in Kentucky. I love working in Kentucky, and I love piercing in Kentucky, but it's backwards as far as the body modification scene goes."

Crouch said a lot of this hesitation in Kentucky comes from people not knowing the finer points of body modification and suspension. "A lot of people here think it's just sticking a hole in people," he said. "Body modification is human improvement. When you wake up in the morning and you look in the mirror and something doesn't seem right, you go out and you get a tattoo, or a piercing or get something stretched. It's about taking control of your body on a level that no other animal, no other creature on this Earth can do."



Zac Crouch is lifted from the ground during a suspension party in Cincinnati, Ohio in the Spring of 2007. Multiple deep sea fishing hooks, each with the capability of supporting 300 pounds, are used to lift a person during a suspension.

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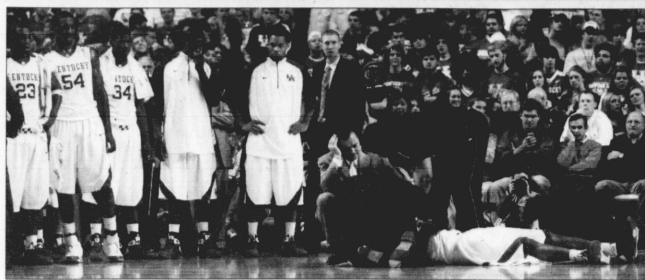
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UK players and head coach Billy Gillispie look on as junior Ramon Harris is attended to by trainers in the Cats' 103-61 victory over Lamar.

## Harris sidelined in Cats' 42-point romp

By Bobby Reagan  
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In one play, a game, season or career can change. At the 13:42 mark of UK's 103-61 victory over Lamar on Wednesday at Rupp Arena, that play happened.

It wasn't a thunderous dunk by sophomore Patrick Patterson or even a three-pointer swishing through the net by junior Jodie Meeks. Instead, it was the sound of a thud, followed by complete silence of the 21,350 in attendance.

It was the sound of UK juniors Michael Porter and Ramon Harris running into each other before both falling to the Rupp Arena floor. Porter sustained a cut over his left eye, which required 10 stitches. He returned to the bench near the end of the half but did not re-enter the game.

Harris left the court on a stretcher and was taken to UK Hospital. At press time, Harris was alert with movement in both his arms and legs and was undergoing tests. Some initial tests returned favorably for Harris, while more tests were being administered, said DeWayne Peavy, UK associate athletic director for media relations. Harris will stay overnight at the hospital.

"You get scared. Those things don't happen very often," UK head coach Billy Gillispie said, as he fought back tears during his post-game press conference. "I feel bad for both of them."

While their teammates lay on the floor, the Cats (5-2) led 19-7. Less than 10 minutes later, the Cats extended their lead to 36-15 over the Cardinals (5-1), behind Patterson who finished with a career-high 31 points. He said while it was tough to go back on the floor, it was something he and the rest of the team knew they had to do, but more importantly, something Harris would want them to do.

"We were all worried and all

had Ramon on our minds. It's hard seeing your friend go down like that," Patterson said. "But he would want us to play hard and win. So we wanted to do that for him."

Despite playing arguably their best game of the year by shooting 64 percent from the field and committing only 16 turnovers, Meeks said the win is hard to enjoy. He said now that the game is over, he and the rest of the Cats can think more about Porter and Harris.

"We just said a prayer for them in the huddle as they loaded Ramon on the stretcher," Meeks said. "Everyone was kind of shaken up. No one wants to see anyone get hurt, especially when it's your teammate."

Without two of his starters, Gillispie relied on freshmen Darius Miller and DeAndre Liggins, and junior transfer Kevin Galloway to help fill the void. Liggins finished with 16 points on perfect shooting from the field and the free-throw line. Galloway finished with five assists, and Miller electrified Big Blue Nation with a rim-shaking dunk in the second half.

"I thought everyone played well tonight," Gillispie said. "We stay organized for the most part. There are still a lot of little details we have to eliminate, but I think we made a major step forward tonight."

Gillispie and the rest of the Cats will not have much time to celebrate the win — they plan to visit Harris in the hospital soon. Gillispie said he felt helpless as Harris and Porter lay on the ground, especially not knowing what happened during the play until after the game had ended.

"Those are my kids out there," Gillispie said. "You feel helpless that you can't help them, but we have great people that can and we just hope and pray that everything works out for both of them."

## Without Harris, Cats leaders need to step up

One second the Cats were nursing a 19-7 lead over Lamar. The next second, two starters lay on the floor with no signs of getting up.

With 13:42 left in the first half, juniors Ramon Harris and Michael Porter collided head-to-head just outside of the paint. Both players immediately went down and remained on the floor for several minutes.

After a long pause, Porter was able to leave the floor under his own power with an ice pack above his eye. Harris wasn't as lucky. Over 20 minutes later, he was taken off the floor by paramedics on a stretcher and escorted to the UK Hospital.

Just like that, UK was two men down. "Those are my kids out there," an emotional head coach Billy Gillispie said after the game. "You feel helpless that you can't help them."

The Cats didn't let the injuries to two of their starters affect their play. UK extended its eight-point lead at the time of the injuries to a 26-point margin at halftime. The Cats coasted to a 103-61 victory.

But no one on the court forgot about Harris and Porter. "It's hard to enjoy wins like this when a teammate is in trouble and in the hospital right now," sophomore Patrick Patterson said.

This UK team has dealt with distractions in the past. Last season saw two walk-ons leave the team, a slew of injuries and a highly-touted freshman transfer after just six games. Already this season, UK has had to answer questions about freshman DeAndre Liggins' refusal to enter a game and an opening-game loss to the Virginia Military Institute.

The '07-08 Cats rebounded from those distractions under the leadership of seniors Joe Crawford and Ramel Bradley. This year's Cats aren't as lucky.

The team's lone senior, Jared Carter, had played just four minutes in six games coming into Wednesday's contest. Harris and Porter were two of four scholarship juniors to play in a game before the start of this season.

The test of this year's leadership will come a lot earlier than the Cats would have hoped after the frightening collision that knocked Porter and Harris out of the game.

When asked who would step up in Harris's place, Gillispie said they hadn't thought about anything like that yet. Tonight was reserved for concern for Harris's health, but if the junior forward is out for any length of time, the leadership question will need to be addressed.

Whoever steps up to lead the Cats in Harris's absence will call on UK's strong family-relationship to help this team reach its potential.

Harris's teammates spoke of a desire to win the game for him afterward. Perry Stevenson referred to Harris as a brother.

That family attitude will serve UK well as the season progresses. While the Cats' hearts were heavy tonight, their resolve was strong.

"He looked at us with a glance that everything was going to be all right," said Patterson. "We just wanted to finish it for him."

If UK makes a habit of responding to adversity on the court like it did tonight, Patterson will be correct. Everything will be all right.

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Juniors Ramon Harris and Michael Porter talk during UK's 103-61 victory over Lamar. Harris and Porter collided in the first half, and neither player returned in the game.

## Recruits show promise for Mitchell

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What a difference one year makes. UK head coach Matthew Mitchell, just one year removed from signing only one player in his first recruiting class for UK Hoops, has already signed four recruits in the class of 2009 during the early signing period.

The recruits who have already signed are a well-rounded group that includes 6-foot-6 post player Anna Cole, 6-foot-2 forward Brittany Henderson, 5-foot-10 guard Porsha Postell, and 5-foot-9 guard Adia Mathies, a leading candidate for Miss Kentucky Basketball and the 65th ranked player in the class.

Craig Hansen, national director of scouting for ESPN Hoop Gurlz, said Mathies is the biggest reason why UK's recruiting class has earned ESPN's ranking as the 42nd best signing class in the

nation. "What stands out most about the UK class as a whole is the athleticism," Hansen said. "Adia Mathies is tailor-made for the SEC and should be an impact player for the Wildcats. The tools are all there for her to be a standout guard, and she should only get better being surrounded by better players. It would not surprise me if she pushed for playing time as a freshman."

Mitchell was also very excited about Mathies, calling her "one of the more polished high school players I've ever seen. She's just very smart."

Mathies is the most touted recruit in the class, but Mitchell feels that the other players will also make significant contributions to the team in time. He sees Cole as a player whose size gives her tremendous potential, and Postell as an elite scorer. Postell led the state of New York in scoring in her junior

year with 28.7 points per game. He also sees Henderson as a good fit for the program.

A pair of hometown transfers currently ineligible to play will also join the team next season. Keyla Snowden was named to the Mid-American Conference All-Freshman team after averaging 14.2 points per game at Akron. Rebecca Gray, a Scott County product who won Miss Kentucky Basketball honors in 2007, decided to come back to Kentucky after averaging 5.2 points per game as a freshman at North Carolina.

Those six players' basketball will be very different next season, but Mitchell said he isn't worried about a potential lack of experience next year.

"I think our team will continue to grow and continue to evolve," Mitchell said. "You just hope every year that you make progress."

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## ■ KERNEL EDITORIAL

### Accreditation of all eligible schools must be UK's goal

It's time to stop talking and start doing. That's the message the UK Art Department made earlier this semester when after 30 years of talking and thinking about being accredited, they finally went through the process.

The result? Accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Art and Design, joining two other accredited art programs in the state, and thousands of current students and graduates who can feel a little better about their degree.

Accreditation has an array of benefits, but the most important is the weight a degree from an accredited program carries over their un-accredited counterparts. No one needs to be reminded of the current job market. In a Kernel article on Tuesday, Provost Kumble Subbaswamy summed up the reason why students should care if their departments are accredited.

"When there is an agency accreditation, it matters to their employers when they go look for jobs," Subbaswamy said.

Jobs aren't the only reason that students should push their departments for accreditation. Many colleges participate in various national competitions that help bring money and fame to the school. But most of these competitions limit their entries to only accredited schools and departments. Losing out on a scholarship because a student's major isn't accredited would be mighty hard to understand.

Currently, UK has 42 accredited undergraduate programs and the school as a whole is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. This is not enough.

Some programs don't have the option of accreditation, like history and English majors. While that is a sad fact, what is even sadder is that there are programs at UK that could be accredited, but are not.

Student, faculty and staff should push their departments for accreditation. Every member of every program should bring up the requirements and think of what it would take to achieve that status. It's plainly obvious that top-20 schools would have a vast majority of their programs accredited.

While that's not saying UK doesn't have that majority or isn't trying to reach it, but if everyone knows what the final goal is, then it seems like one of the easiest accomplishments would be accreditation for all programs that were able to qualify.

Students, ask your professors. Faculty and staff, ask your deans. Deans, ask UK administration. Let's push for accreditation for all.

It's really the easiest thing UK can do.

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### No matter the situation, family is the best holiday gift

Let's be honest, there's nothing better than time spent with the family.



**KENNY COLSTON**  
Kernel columnist

You really don't. How could you? You're just like your mother. Trust me.

I have a few friends who hate the holiday season. Hate it. They complain every chance they get, usually about long lines, shopping and, most importantly, spending time with their families.

And every year, I give them the same response — silence, stares and rolling my eyes.

It's probably not the nicest, most caring way to treat those friends. Some people have bad home lives, for various reasons, and every trip home is a vivid reminder or return to things they'd rather just put behind them. Some people have sick relatives and spending time here in Lexington is an escape from a sad situation. I understand all of that. Everyone has their own reasons for

dreading the holidays and spending times with their families. But those friends I was mentioning, they don't have those excuses.

Let's not beat around the bush, going back home makes you feel like you're in high school and under your parent's rules again. And after the freedom of college, who really wants that? Going out and not returning until 4 a.m. would probably subject you to awkward breakfast conversations the next morning at home, not that most people don't already have those here at UK anyway. Don't look around the room — I'm talking to you.

I cannot fathom not being home for the holidays, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas. Free food (notice my cubby cheeks?) and no responsibility sounds really, really good. I have 25 pages to type up between now and next Wednesday, so of course I'd rather be home, waking up at noon and watching SportsCenter Monday through Friday, instead of just my normal Saturday routine.

You know you want to as well. Good luck with that during Dead Week and finals.

Families are there to boost each other up, band together when it's necessary and basically be their own fighting force against everyone else in the world that doesn't give a damn about who you are and what you

stand for. My mom has three brothers and sisters. Every Sunday growing up, my family would join my endless amount of aunts, uncles and cousins at my grandmother's house. We fought, joked around and gave each other hell. To outsiders, this seems insane. To us, it was the way we came together, a group of 20 plus, to show the world that if they wanted to pick on one of us, they would get the whole lot.

That's what the holidays are all about. Sure, I really need to do my Christmas shopping before my family disowns me. And I really, really hate this cold weather because it makes me dress like a homeless person. I know that halfway through winter break this year, I'll get tired of watching movies on HBO, FX and TNT all day long and wish to be back at UK.

But if you ask me what season I like the most, winter is by far my favorite. You just can't beat presents, food and good football. Or the time spent with family.

Because awkward morning-after conversations are priceless, especially with your mother fixing pancakes while you sit nervously at the kitchen table with the person you accidentally brought home.

Merry Christmas. Tell your family you love them this year.  
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## ■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Lexington should refocus funding for Equestrian Games

As we near the 2010 Alltech FEI World Equestrian games, it is commonplace for horses to have significantly better accommodations than humans. Horse racing is an inherent characteristic of Kentucky, but we need to get our priorities straight. There is a problem when the state is spending \$29 million — yes, \$29 million dollars — on superficial improvements to Lexington for the FEI Equestrian games (Kentucky Horse Park).

Our governor has found a way to take money from the stretched state budget to make Lexington appear better than it is for a 16-day event. Ac-

ording to KHP, "Governor Beshear has defended his position that Kentucky has a reputation to protect and demonstrate that it is the best place for horses in the entire world and by having a state-of-the-art and world-class facility that it will create further interest ... in the horse industry in Kentucky."

We should take a more vested interest in the people. Lexington has homeless shelters and outreach programs for the homeless, but more should be done for this disenfranchised group. The \$29 million being spent on the FEI games to should be spent on

programs that serve our community's needs by offering more services, constructing new facilities and investing in us. Kentucky's current plan portrays the fact that it is more interested in its appearance than its citizens. Why is the state spending so much money to improve the looks of Lexington for a 16-day event when there are hungry, homeless people?

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### Columnist's views of livestock production misinformed

Tim Riley's column in the Dec. 1 Kernel demonstrates a lack of knowledge about animal agriculture. Riley implies that current methods of livestock production and harvest practices are inhumane. In fact, every aspect of animal harvest is monitored by USDA inspectors to ensure humane treatment of animals and the safety of the food product entering the human food chain. Animals are observed by USDA inspectors for many different animal welfare health factors before, during and after harvest. Only healthy animals are permitted entry to the food chain.

Sick or distressed animals produce poor-quality meat products, and are therefore undesirable from the point of views of both profitability as well as an-

imal welfare. Additionally, the USDA requires that every animal be rendered insensitive to pain before they are harvested and monitors all harvest of animals that are available for retail sale in this country.

Livestock producers take great pride in raising healthy animals, and the science of animal behavior continues to create advances in good animal handling practices to ensure animal welfare. Providing livestock with optimal animal health and nutrition results in the highest profits for livestock producers and processors. Due to a few isolated cases of inhumane treatment of livestock in the last year, some animal rights groups have swayed the general public to believe inhumane practices are prevalent

in all animal agriculture.

This is simply not true. In fact, livestock producers and processors as a whole condemn such stupidity and cruelty, and support the prosecution of those few sick individuals who intentionally harm animals. Scare-tactic propaganda aimed against livestock producers, processors and meat consumers are often full of inaccurate "facts" and ridiculously skewed accounts of industry practices. Groups that participate in this sort of marketing should consider whether their own practices are ethical before condemning the practices of other groups.

**Jacob Hulker**

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### Endless array of questions, chaos can ruin seasonal cheer

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I like the lights and the carols, the great Christmas movies and the gifts. But all that other stuff in between,

sometimes I think I could do without.

It sounds bitter, I know.

It's not that I don't love my family and don't miss them when I'm away. But tucked in the comfort of my own apartment, I'm free to eat what I want — whether it be days of McDonald's double cheeseburgers or waffles for every meal — to watch what I want, say what I want, all without the voice chirping in from the other room, "Remember, you're a lady."

But the holidays do try their hardest to convert me. I drag my suitcase in the front door of my house and am immediately greeted with the smell of cookies, the warmth from the fire that will not be put out until after Christmas day, the tree lit up and full of my childhood ornaments, stockings hanging promisingly from the mantel. It is welcoming and familiar and I sink comfortably onto the couch with a smile.

And then, my brothers roll down the stairs arguing and punching at each other, yelling for my mother. Christmas music blares from the kitchen and my mother sings along — too loudly and too off-key. The dogs are barking and my sister is complaining. My smile is scared right off my face and it's several minutes before the first person notices me sitting there and wishes me a merry Christmas.

Actually, I think it sounds

more like, "Oh, when did you get here?"

Before I know it, the fire isn't warm, it's hot. The tree is in the way, no matter where I'm trying to walk. If my mother stuffs one more cookie down my throat, I'm going to throw up. My brothers and I can't agree on what to watch (and by now they've hidden the remote from me so I have no chance at all.) And Dad sits next to me on the couch, grilling me about the future.

Again, yes, I know it sounds awful. But for everyone rolling their eyes and dismissing my complaints so quickly, I invite you to take a look around you this winter break. Odds are, you'll find yourself annoyed by one or all of your family members more than once during the three-week vacation.

But this year, I promise I'm going to try. I will try not to be bothered by my mother's singing or my brother's fighting. I will help in the kitchen. I will pet the dogs. I will answer every one of my Dad's questions.

After all, I'm most certain I'm just like my mother (I do sing rather off-key) and Christmas will come and go whether I'm on board or not. So I'm on board. Have a merry Christmas. I'm sure going to try.

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## EQUESTRIAN

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the DRC.

"I have always liked and respected UK," Richards said. "I transferred here from an

out-of-state university and UK, especially the staff of the DRC," welcomed me with open arms. The DRC has been, up to this point, very accommodating."

Richards has appealed the DRC's decision to UK President Lee Todd. If he rejects

the appeal, she plans to contact Provost Kumble Subbawamy and the National Association for the Deaf. She said she will also request an advocate from the Civil Rights Office.

At this time, Todd has not replied to Richard's appeal.

## GUNS

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ians fear that will change.

If Obama reinstates the 1994 assault weapons ban, the manufacture of 19 specific assault weapon models and any modified versions will become illegal. The ban will also create criteria for determining whether or not other firearms are considered an assault weapon.

To be classified as an assault weapon the firearm must be a semi-automatic weapon with two or more features of an assault weapon. For a semi-automatic rifle, these features include folding or telescoping stock, protruding pistol grip, bayonet mount, threaded muzzle, flash suppressor or grenade launcher. To declare a semi-automatic shotgun or handgun an assault weapon requires the firearm to have two or more assault weapon features.

On Nov. 30 during the Kenny Woods Gun Show at Heritage Hall in the Lexington Center, NRA representative Ed Monk said he believes these classifications can be arbitrary.

"Take the AR 15 and this Ruger Mini 14," he said. "Both semi-automatic rifles shoot the same kind of ammo and are just as powerful as each other."

Because of the bayonet mount and the pistol grip, the AR 15 would be banned.

President of Students for Concealed Carry on Campus David Burnett, said he agreed with Monk's assessment. Burnett, a business management senior, said he could not speak on behalf of the SCCC, but he said he viewed the classifications of assault weapons as subjective.

"The assault weapons ban was more a worthless idea than a good or bad one," he said. "The definition of 'assault' was subjective, and relied mostly on appearance."

Advocates of the ban qualify each assault weapon feature as being solely used for combat purposes. For example a pistol grip is designed to provide more stability for shooting rapidly from the hip as opposed to a classic stock seen on a hunting rifle and a folding/telescoping stock would trade accuracy for stealth and mobility in close combat.

While election results have caused upset among some gun owners, others are less concerned. Biology sophomore and firearm owner Mitch Elliot said he wasn't worried about the ban on semi-automatic weapons, but he hopes legislation won't lead to stricter policies for gun owners.

"Guns have always been an important part of my life, but since I don't own or use any semi-automatics I am not too worried," he said. "I just hope that it won't lead to even stricter policies."

## What is an assault weapon?

Since 1994, U.S. federal law has banned 19 specific models of semiautomatic rifles, pistols and shotguns and copies of them.

Law bans rifles with more than one of these features:



Note: Different features are specified for banned pistols and shotguns.

Large magazines: More than 10 rounds, banned for all weapons.

\*Not sold to public, but specified in 1994 law as a banned feature.

## Banned models

- Rifles**
  - Colt AR-15, M16 types
  - Remington-UMC 5.56
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- Handguns**
  - TEC-9 and .22
  - Mini 14 (rifle type)
- Shotguns**
  - Remington-UMC 12
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## SMOKING

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risks associated with tobacco products, nurse Robin Arvin said smoking is a habit that keeps her calm in a demanding job.

"I need a break to do this type of work," said Arvin. "I never smoked before nursing school. The job is stressful."

Joyce Hurst, a medical technician, was more concerned with the tone of the new regulations rather than with the purpose.

"I know smoking is bad for me, health wise, but I don't want the administration telling me what to do," Hurst said. "They put us on display out here. It seems disrespectful."

The plan for a tobacco-free campus was announced nearly a year ago, said Associate Vice President for Health Affairs Murray Clark. He said employees have had plenty of time to prepare for this change and he thinks the transition is going smoothly.

"We were very surprised, it's almost a non-issue," Murray said. "We have had a very good response and good cooperation."

Clark said in the few encounters he has had with pa-

tients and visitors smoking on hospital property, he has simply explained the new policy and they willingly moved. He said he has not heard any complaints from employees as of yet. As to how far they have to walk to smoke on their break, Clark said that is their personal choice.

"(Employees) can use their break time how they choose," he said. "Do they get extended time to smoke? No. It is up to an employee how to use their time."

Some hospital employees also felt there was a hierarchy of privileges when it comes to smoking.

"I'd guess that 80 percent of the smokers in this hospital are doctors," said Alborz Kalantar, a desktop support employee. "But I don't see any of them out here on the street. I wonder where they're smoking."

"Doctors are smoking somewhere," Burns said.

"I know the (Physical Plant Department) are smoking in their closets," Kalantar said. "And I've seen security workers smoking inside the line."

Murray said if an employee refused to move or continually smoked inside the property lines of the hospital, that situation would be man-

aged like any other violation of hospital policy.

Some patients said no matter where the hospital makes them go to smoke, it wouldn't make them kick the habit.

In temperatures below forty degrees, Amanda Mullins stood on a street corner outside the hospital dressed in a T-shirt and jeans.

"I've been a patient (on and off) for three years and I had no idea the rules had changed," she said. "I've got emphysema, but it doesn't make much difference to me. I have to have a cigarette. I'm checking out of here as soon as I can."

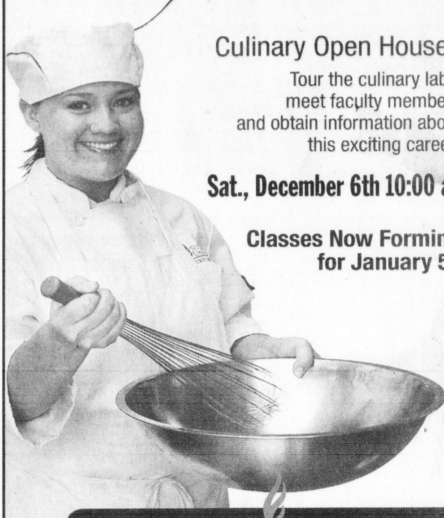
Teresa Atkinson, the mother of a patient in UK Hospital, said she couldn't understand the reason for the new rules.

"This is the tobacco state, isn't it?" she said. "Where I come from, you can smoke anywhere."

Having to walk outside the hospital limits at night to smoke also poses a safety threat, Atkinson said.

"The nurses say it isn't safe out here on Limestone, at least not after dark," she said. "They also say if you're caught smoking, you'll be asked to leave the hospital. Where would I go? My daughter's in there."

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