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## Second rape reported near campus since Oct.

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A UK medical student was sexually assaulted by an unidentified male who broke into her apartment early yesterday morning, police said. The assault came almost a month after a similar sexual assault was reported place in the same neighborhood.

"We believe that this may be related to the Oct. 20 sexual assault that happened on University Avenue," said Sgt. Pete Ford with the Lexington Police

Department. "We're always concerned about any rape, but these are definitely a concern because they're both in the same neighborhood and they're currently unsolved."

According to a Lexington Police news release, the 23-year-old woman was in her room in her home on the 200 block of Conn Terrace when a man broke in, raped her, stole her laptop computer and some other items and then left. Police were called to the scene at 2:30 a.m. Ford said the victim was unable to provide a description of

the man who attacked her.

In the Oct. 20 assault, police said a man broke into the 20-year-old female victim's home and sexually assaulted her. The victim in that incident described her attacker as a black male in his early 20s, about 5 feet 5 inches tall and 140 pounds.

Unlike last month's incident, the victim in Monday's rape implied her assailant was armed with a gun, Ford said.

"You still don't think anything is going to happen to you," said a room-

mate of the victim, a pharmacy student. "I really want everyone to be aware that this has happened before."

"We heard from some people at the hospital that this kind of a thing had happened around here before, and if that's the case, people need to know. They need to be watching out. Girls need to know to be aware of what's going on around them and to know that this is a danger."

It is the Kernel's policy not to name the victims of sexual assaults. To protect the victim's identity, her room-

mates are also not being named.

Other crimes have taken place in the area as well. Early Monday morning, a student was shot outside his home on University Avenue, two streets over from Conn Terrace. The student was hospitalized and Lexington police said they have yet to apprehend a suspect.

The victim's other roommate, a UK senior, said they are already making plans to leave that residence.

The UK Police Department issued a

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## Committee caps tuition increase at 9 percent

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UK has been limited to a tuition increase of 9 percent or less for the 2007-08 school year after a vote by the Executive Committee of the Council on Postsecondary Education on Monday.

Thomas Layzell, president of the council, said the decision only sets the boundaries and does not dictate exactly how much the increase will be.

"What the council does is establish parameters so this is the outside limit for what they can charge," Layzell said.

The cap defines the limit earlier in the year than normal and gives students and administrators a better idea of how much money they will have to spend earlier on.

"For UK, they have to know how much tuition will cost so they know how much scholarship money is available," said Ryan Quarles, a UK law student who serves as student representative to the council. "It also helps parents and students. The earlier you know about expenses, the better prepared you can be."

This is the second year the council has passed tuition caps for state universities.

"Before this tuition policy, universities could set their tuition at whatever they wanted," Quarles said. "The policy that was voted on yesterday (Monday) is an extension of this."

Last year, the final determination on the tuition increase came from the Board of Trustees in March, when the board voted to increase tuition by 12 percent.

Quarles said determining the upper limit of the increase this early is a benefit in itself.

"This helps everybody," Quarles said. "It adds transparency to the tuition setting process by letting teachers and students and university administrators know what the tuition will be next year."

Layzell said the increase works with the Kentucky General Assembly's budget and the allotment for UK in line with the Top 20 Business Plan.

"The 9 percent at UK really ties into their business plan," Layzell said. "They indicated to the general assembly that if they got a certain amount of funding, which they did, they would (be able to) limit the increase."

"It's consistent with the business plan," Layzell said.

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## Forum answers questions on new job position

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Available funding, position effectiveness and necessary candidate qualities were among the concerns discussed at an open forum yesterday held by the search committee for the new Vice President for Institutional Diversity.

Carol Jordan, co-chair of the search committee and director of the Center for Research on Violence Against Women, said the VPID position will give the university an administrative leader focused on implementing a campus wide diversity plan with built-in accountability measures, a position Jordan said UK currently lacks.

Vice President of Student Affairs Pat Terrell told the panel the university should find someone with extraordinary skills to "reach across the great bureaucracy of UK and bring everyone to the table."

Terrell said the VPID should have a history of implementing successful diversity programs, not just communicating quality philosophies.

"We never seem to be able to take that next step of implementation," Terrell said.

While the search committee has looked similar

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Willie Bodue, a manager at Pazzo's, salvages the main Kitty O'Shea's sign yesterday afternoon after crews demolished the bar.

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## RAZING THE BAR

### Local bar torn down after eight years

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After eight years of operation, Kitty O'Shea's Irish Pub, formerly located on 381 S. Limestone St., was demolished yesterday.

Beginning at 8 a.m., Norwood Construction, with the assistance of Pazzo's owner, Tom Beltr, who bought up the lease for the property, began tearing down the Irish pub.

"We leased the building and opted to get out of the lease in order to focus more on the family rather than the bar," said Barry Donworth, co-owner of the pub.

Donworth co-owned Kitty O'Shea's with his brother, Ken Donworth.

Beltr said he hoped to have a new restaurant or bar in place of Kitty O'Shea's by September or October of next year.

Walking past the remains of Kitty O'Shea's yesterday afternoon, philosophy junior Melissa

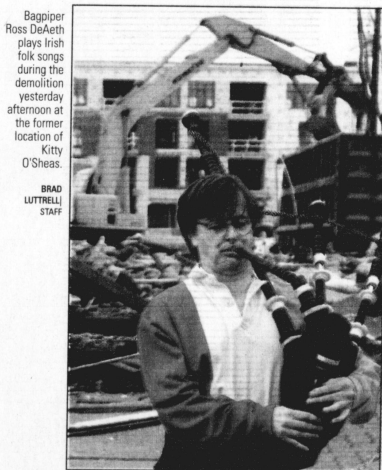
Gentry was in shock to see heavy machinery clearing off the site.

"I'm dating a rugby player and they would have social gatherings there every Saturday," Gentry said. "My boyfriend and I were devastated when we found out it was closing. It was so sad."

During a break in the demolition, Willie Bodue, a manager at Pazzo's, carried out the Kitty O'Shea's sign, which caught Gentry's eye. She immediately called her boyfriend with the intention of having him come and buy the sign.

Around 4 p.m., bagpiper Ross DeAeth played a variety of Irish folksongs along with a rendition of "My Old Kentucky Home" in remembrance of the bar.

"I played here before on St. Patrick's Day. This is the first demolition I've played," DeAeth said. "It's an end, but it's also a beginning, which calls for bagpipes."



Bagpiper Ross DeAeth plays Irish folk songs during the demolition yesterday afternoon at the former location of Kitty O'Shea's.

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## UK 77, COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON 61 Improved Cats defense passes Tubby's test

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With 5:30 left in the first half, College of Charleston guard Tony White Jr., threw a pass right to his head coach Bobby Cremins.

Cremins, whose team was in the middle of a five minute scoring funk that saw a five point lead turn into an eight point deficit because of UK's defense, could do nothing but raise the ball over his head and slam it to the ground.

UK's suffocating defense continued its tear through the half and finished with a 21-4 sprint to run the Cougars out of Rupp Arena

77-61 in front of 22,477 fans.

"I thought we got just what we wanted (on defense)," said UK head coach Tubby Smith. "We were in better help position, we took charges, we had people in the right position, we really were more aggressive to screens on the ball, we didn't allow guys to just dribble off without getting challenged... I thought they really focused in on the scouting report."

UK turned its defense up from the start of the game, in large part because of a written test Smith gave his players Monday in practice.

After the Cats finished 1-2 in the Maui Invitational and struggled to contain their oppo-

nents off the dribble and in the paint, Smith quizzed his players on the basic principles of defense and what he expected out of them.

It worked, as the Cougars shot just 32 percent for the game and had only 20 points in the three-second area.

"I think everybody did pretty good (on the test)," said guard Ramel Bradley. "Everybody knows the places we're supposed to be, it's just kind of difficult sometimes."

Both teams had a hard time getting their offense started early in the game. With 11:20 left in the first half and College of Charleston leading 8-6, Smith called a timeout to talk to

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## THE DISH

# SECRETS OF THE SEX AND THE CITY MOVIE

**Will Carrie marry Big? The show's cast and crew open up as plans to bring the hit HBO series to the big screen are back in action**

for it to happen. We always thought a Sex and the City movie was a great idea.

So why hasn't it been made yet? After walking away from movie discussions, Catrall told Canada's The Globe and Mail in 2005. "We had our time together. And the real truth of it is that we weren't best friends." But any friction between the cast — Parker, Davis and Nixon frequently clashed with Catrall, who, according to multiple reports, walked away from the movie deal when she wasn't given script approval and a salary equal to Parker's — appears to be water under the Brooklyn Bridge. "The issues that were around before are not a problem anymore," a source close to the cast tells Us. "Everyone is getting along." In fact, the biggest hurdle now may be coordinating the actresses' busy schedules.

As for the show's other supporting players, such as Chris Noth (who plays Mr. Big), a source says they have not been contacted yet. But that's not to say they're in the dark. "We've all been excited about the idea," Willie Garson, who played Carrie's pal Stanford Blatch and still speaks to Parker nearly every day, tells Us. "It's still preliminary." Indeed, Davis admits she worries too much chatter might jinx the film again. "I'm hesitant to talk about it," Davis tells Us. "When we really thought that we were going to do it, I was one of the big proponents. I talked about it a lot, and then it didn't happen. And I

felt guilty for our fans."

### Plot Details

It's not too early, of course, to speculate on a story line. Though one report claims the four characters — none of whom are living in Manhattan — reunite in the Big Apple to help plan Carrie's wedding to Big, Sex writer Cindy Chupack tells Us, "I don't know yet what Michael Patrick King is planning. There was a plan for the movie right when the show ended. But now that time has passed, Michael wanted to re-think it." (Calls to King's office were not returned.) Still, Parker has hinted at King's initial ideas. "The script was incredible," the actress said in February. "A lush, big, whimsical romantic comedy, I mean big shots, Fifth Avenue, wedding gowns, everything you want to see. Tension, conflict. There were two weddings in it." So if Carrie does actually walk down the aisle, what kind of gown would she wear? "I could see her in a folksy Irish linen or in a Balenciaga creation. She's got that certain something that makes it all look good." Sex costume designer Patricia Field tells Us, "I would be happy to see the movie happen." Clearly, she's not the only one. "Like every other woman in America, my fingers are crossed!" Candace Bushnell, author of the best-selling book that spawned the show, tells Us. "Who wouldn't want to see those four fabulous girls together again?"

—Jessica Mehalic  
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## LIVE PATIO MUSIC

### 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 9 — Scripp, save, use coupons and ask for money you've been promised. Don't spend an extra cent. You don't need to, and you'll be glad later you didn't.  
**Taurus (April 20 – May 20)** Today is a 7 — Don't talk about your finances, even to your good friends. Be humble and appreciative of anything you get. And hold onto it.  
**Gemini (May 21 – June 21)** Today is a 7 — Changes in the situation require quick adaptations in your response. Luckily, you're good at this. Keep your objective in mind.  
**Cancer (June 22 – July 22)** Today is an 8 — Be very careful if you go

shopping, and don't get a lottery ticket. You're more likely to waste money now than you are to get a marvelous deal.

**Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22)** Today is an 8 — Your family is very important but you don't always take the time to let them know how much you care. Say it tonight, with funny movies.

**Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22)** Today is a 7 — You don't need to start a controversy. Let someone else do that. Take notes and keep what you learn to yourself. Good information has value.

**Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 23)** Today is a 7 — Pretend you're broke, even if you're not. It's a good habit to acquire. Recycle and repair whatever you can. Keep your cash for more important things.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21)** Today is an 8 — The temptations are great to make an unwise expenditure. Avoid exclusive boutiques and distant relatives with sad stories.

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**Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19)** Today is a 7 — The situation's interesting, if somewhat difficult now. The first suggestion you try may not work, so don't spend too much time or money on it. Be skeptical.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18)** Today is a 7 — You'll be making money without much effort, once you get the routine down. Don't spend it yet, there are complications as yet undiscovered.

**Pisces (Feb. 19 – March 20)** Today is a 6 — Don't tell everything you know. Manage the conversation. Even one who's rather a bore will draw attention away, and that's one of your objectives.

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## RAPE

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campus safety advisory yesterday. Though Lexington Police are handling the investigation, Capt. Kevin Franklin with the UK police said his department will help in any way it can. "We are pursuing tactics and techniques to catch this guy, but if I gave specifics about what we're getting ready to do, it may diminish our ability to catch this guy," Franklin said. "But we will do whatever we can within

legal means to catch him." Erin Story, a hospitality management senior who lives in a house on Conn Terrace, said her car has been broken into twice and her roommate's car has been broken into once. "If people want to break in, they're going to break in," she said. Ford said Lexington Police are going to increase their presence in the neighborhood following these incidents. "As far as I know of, they are beefing up patrols in that area," Ford said. "There will be a noticeable police presence." Meanwhile, he said resi-

dents should take precautions. "Make sure the house is secure, doors are locked and windows are locked," Ford said, adding that precautions should extend even farther. "If they (residents) have roommates, check with them to make sure the residence is secure." Franklin also advised residents and students to report any suspicious activity to police by calling 911 or by contacting UK police directly by dialing #UKPD from their cell phones.

## TUITION

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The only way UK could increase tuition by more than 9 percent is by being granted an exception by the council, which Layzell said is unlikely, and not just for UK. "I don't think we're going to be granting any exceptions," he said, adding that this is only a one-year extension. "When it comes to 2008-09 we will take another look."

UK Spokesman Jay Blanton said because of the funding from the state and the tuition cap, UK will stand firm on a single-digit tuition increase. "The legislature stepped up and fully funded the plan for the second year of the biennium," Blanton said. "The president (UK President Lee Todd) said we would hold tuition below double digits and we're going to honor that commitment." Blanton also said this early decision helps speed UK's own budget processes. "Now that we know these parameters, the budget process is underway," he said. "Early

next year we'll announce the tuition increase." The exact amount for the increase is still up in the air, Blanton said. "It's too early to tell," Blanton said. "There will be an increase. It's a fact of life." Blanton also said the state funding along with the council's decision and UK's business plan shows off how the university and the state can work together. "It demonstrates the relationship, the partnership we hoped for when the president unveiled the Top 20 Business Plan and that the partnership can work," Blanton said.

## DIVERSITY

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diversity programs at UK's benchmarks universities, Jordan said the new position is still evolving and no single model will define it. The specifics of the job will be decided after the VPID is in place and able to contribute his or her ideas to how the program should look. "We're not going to have a nicely bowed box to give the person when they come," Jordan said. "We want to recruit a visionary that can come in and say what diversity should look like." Jordan and professor John Harris, the search committee's other co-chair, communicated the main reasons for creating the position and the importance of making diversity a value that thrives at UK, before opening the floor to comments and questions from the audience. The lack of clear job re-

sponsibilities for the VPID was a concern for Human Resources Senior Training Specialist Russ Williams. "I don't want this position to turn into someone who has so many day to day administrative responsibilities that they don't get a chance to look at the bigger picture," Williams, who is also the staff representative on the Board of Trustees, told the panel. Diversity and Multicultural Activities Librarian Reineette Jones asked the panel if the university had the financial resources necessary for the VPID to be successful, taking into consideration the expectations of the people already working on diversity initiatives. Jordan told her the VPID will have an operating budget to ensure that he or she will have the staff necessary to fulfill the needs of the program. "The position will not be under funded," Jordan said. "It will not come at the expense of taking dollars from current initiatives for multicultural affairs."

Jordan said the VPID position will be the highest diversity position at the university and will oversee all diversity initiatives, including those currently directed by Vice President for Multicultural Affairs William Turner. Jordan pointed out that the new position is not replacing anything, but it will create a better structure to address cultural, academic, research oriented and external engagement diversity initiatives at a broader level than what currently exists. "The (VPID) will allow multicultural affairs to keep doing what they're doing while enhancing diversity on campus," Jordan said. Turner said the creation of the VPID position was the right thing to do. "I'm ecstatic to see the progress we have made so far in diversity efforts at the university," Turner said. Jordan said Provost Kumble Subbaswamy hopes to fill the position no later than July 1.

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## KERNEL EDITORIALS

### College of Medicine enrollment increase promotes UK

Applications to UK's College of Medicine increased by 55 percent for the entering 2007 class, and this is most definitely welcome and good news.

"We're very pleased," said Dr. Carol Elam, associate dean for admissions and institutional advancement at the College of Medicine. "We think it bodes well for Kentucky."

Of course the news bodes well for UK, but for the entire state? It's no overstatement to say that the whole state will benefit from this turn of events.

The fact that applications to UK's medical school increased by such a large margin means UK will gain recognition from the medical community. The word is getting out that this university is the home to a prime selection among the numerous schools of medicine located throughout the nation.

UK does well to lean upon the reputation of its medical center and the educational opportunities centered there. UK's medical programs are among the most successful at UK, particularly when it comes to drawing attention and honors to the Top 20 Business Plan.

The medical center plays a healthy role in the business plan and UK's growth. Also, this validates the need for the expansion going on at UK, including the brand new Biology and Biomedical Sciences Research Building and the new bed tower expansion at the medical center.

The result? More research dollars, ground-breaking research projects, better doctors and medical practitioners and the prestige that comes along with them. All of these go a long way to benefiting the university and therefore the entire state of Kentucky.

### New Orleans project benefits community, architecture students

With New Orleans more than 700 miles away from Lexington, it may seem impossible that UK students could spend an entire semester helping rebuild the city in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. But a studio set up by UK's College of Design has done just that — and it's won a major honor for its efforts.

The Kentucky-New Orleans Architecture Studio, which UK architecture faculty organized, was recently awarded the key to the city by the New Orleans city council, according to an article in Monday's Kernel. This studio brings in about a dozen students per semester to work on reconstruction projects for clients who cannot afford professional architects.

"It feels great to be recognized by the city for our efforts," said Liz Swanson, an assistant professor of architecture at UK and co-founder of the studio, in the Kernel article. "It is an honor for the program and for UK."

Swanson and fellow co-founder Mike McKay, a lecturer in the architecture department, deserve the praise they're getting from both the

university and the New Orleans community.

It may seem radical or impractical for a Kentucky university to set up a satellite studio hundreds of miles out of state, but it's an innovative idea that makes perfect sense. The architecture students who participate in the program are getting valuable hands-on experience at what they'll be doing after graduation — working with a community to design buildings and sites.

Just as important, they're helping a city that is in desperate need. The geographical distance between UK and New Orleans doesn't mean that UK students and faculty have no stake or interest in aiding the reconstruction process. A disaster the scale of Hurricane Katrina affects all Americans; if we act as if rebuilding is just New Orleans' or Louisiana's problem, the city will never be revived.

The College of Design should be commended for sponsoring the studio, and we hope that other schools and departments are inspired to find ways to help students while also helping people in need.

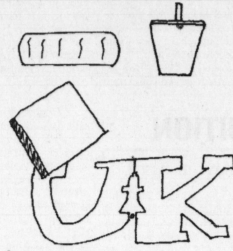
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### Study shows that money brings happiness, but is that true?

Money doesn't buy happiness. Or does it? Economist Andrew Oswald, from the University of Warwick in England said that "the connection is complex, but in fact, very rich people rate substantially higher in satisfaction with life than very poor people do, even within wealthy nations."



MEGAN VAZMINA  
Kernel columnist

His study was of Britons who had won between \$2,000 and \$250,000 in a lottery, and according to the results happiness was boosted over years. Naturally there are people who say this is all make-believe. But facts do show that people with a larger annual income admit to being very happy more often than those of lower income.

As children, we grew up hearing that money doesn't grow on trees and once again that money won't buy you happiness, but sometimes I think I would be really happy if I had a few extra dollars in my back pocket.

In college there is so much stress with tests and homework. Then there are those who work, trying to pay for tuition, rent, books and a life. Money plays an important part in our life. Credit card companies tease us with promises of unlimited funds, but we were warned not to get too far in debt. Sometimes everything would seem easier if there were more money. When high school graduation is over, we must face reality fast, paying for things and taking control of our own lives. Happiness through money seems natural.

But the same economist, Oswald, who said that the relationship between money and happiness is complex said, "People exaggerate how much happiness is bought by an extra few thousand (dollars)," and "the quality of

relationships has a far bigger effect than quite large rises in salary ... It's much better advice, if you're looking for happiness in life, to try to find the right husband or wife rather than trying to double your salary."

So we are once again back to square one, relationships make you happy — not money. I have found the ultimate solution, one that others have found as well, but I have decided to copyright the idea: have a relationship with someone who has money. Kill two birds with one stone!

In reality though, money should not consume what we do. Finding a major that will make us happy is more important than one that will be useful in making millions. Falling in love will make people happier than winning the lottery. Understand that while work and money are necessary, letting them take over your life will never bring you the joy that you deserve. It may seem like the doctors and lawyers-in-training at UK are destined to be successful and wealthy, but the teachers and social workers may be happier despite a lower income.

This isn't saying that people who are rich won't be happy! They probably will be, despite television showing broken homes and addictions. But don't let not having money make you unhappy. Or find new television shows to watch, like Scrubs instead of ER reruns!

This information comes at an important time: the holidays. Money is always tight and bills start to pile up. So it seems I should give some generic advice and say that it's family and friends who make the holidays special and memorable, not how much is spent on the latest PlayStation 3.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Don't focus on the Cats' negatives

Whoop-dee-doo, are you kidding me? Wow! Once again I'm left in disgraced disbelief. What is it going to take for fans to leave our football team with no ifs, ands or buts?

Facts are facts, I'll give you that. If we had won two more games, our bowl possibilities would be different and national ranking could apply.

So we didn't win an NCAA Championship, and there's room for improvement — there always is and I'm pretty sure our football team recognizes that without others constantly pointing it out. But come on, what's so hard about giving our boys acknowledgement and praise period?

Furthermore, I'm baffled to see fans leave before the game is over. Although I understand the frustration of losing a game, I'm referring more to the times we're winning and still half the stadium leaves before the game is over.

If you're trying to beat traffic you better try again. When half the fan base is leaving, guess what? There's still going to be traffic.

More importantly, think about the message you're sending our players. Put yourself in their shoes. They work day in and day out through the sweat, blood, broken bones and tears, and this is the kind of respect they receive during one of the most successful seasons in UK history.

Another of my favorites is those who stand in line for football tickets while doing nothing but bad mouth our team. If that's how you feel, why are you even going to the game?

It's funny how all the criticism comes from those sitting in the stands who obviously have nothing else better to do. I'd like them to sit up and see just how long they last in a single practice.

From remarks made by UK students to almost every football article in the Kernel, I find nothing but negativity, a lack of confidence, disappointment and criticism toward our football team.

This is clearly seen in columnist Chris DeLotell's article in Tuesday's Kernel. I find it a shame that anything said about UK football always focuses on the shortcomings and never on the outstanding accomplishments our boys have made this season.

So, to our football team, despite this "whoop-dee-doo" attitude, know that your efforts and accomplishments have not gone unnoticed or unappreciated. Your season and bowl eligibility should leave you feeling nothing less than proud and leave your head held no lower than high.

Sarah Sevier  
kinesiology senior and former UK athlete

### Columnist too harsh on football team

Is a record-tying, bowl eligible football season with a win over an SEC great and a near-win over a longtime, legitimate rival not enough?

Chris DeLotell's article in Tuesday's Kernel proves that no matter how much the team improves or accomplishes, the Kernel and other media outlets — not to mention many fans across the state — just can't seem to give credit where credit is due.

True, this year's Cats may not be classified as "great," but isn't being "good" better than being just plain bad? Though sports writers and disgruntled fans may not know it, the constant criticism deals a heavy burden to the morale of the players and their performance as a whole.

Luckily, most of them are able to take the murmurs and blatant insults without being disrespectful to those who are disrespecting them.

So even though words of encouragement rarely make it into print, I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to the football team for a successful season and good luck in the bowl game (even if it's in Shreveport).

Lucy Burgin  
nursing senior

### UK players, fans understand respect

I have to commend UK for showing such compassion at the football game on Saturday.

The University of Tennessee has experienced some extremely rude fans that take advantage of a rare silent moment at Neyland Stadium during an SEC match-up. Several weeks ago, Alabama did this by chanting one of their cheers while a UT player lay injured on the field.

On Saturday, after UT's Lucas Taylor took a bad hit to the head on a kick-off return and fumbled the ball, he lay motionless on the field as staff rushed to his aid.

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That moment was not printed in the local newspaper or even talked about much after it happened, but it is a moment that many UT fans will not forget. It takes a lot of class and dignity to put aside the game and the rivalry and hope for the best for your opponent.

Thank you for showing respect, it is greatly returned. I have gained a greater respect for the University of Kentucky just be-

cause of that moment. All SEC teams should portray this kind of regard for their opponents.

Kathryn J. Osborne  
biochemistry, cellular and molecular biology senior at  
The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

### Minimum wage editorial misleading

The Kernel editorial from Nov. 27 about the minimum wage was disingenuous, misleading and just plain wrong.

First, the Kernel states that "few minimum wage increases actually pass through state legislative chambers." While that statement may be technically true (most minimum wage increases are done by ballot initiative or by referendum), the idea behind it is false. In fact, 17 states and the District of Columbia have minimum wages higher than the federal rate.

Next, the Kernel claims that a minimum wage hike would result in a loss of jobs among young and unskilled workers. This is a contested theory. The Fiscal Policy Institute released a report in March of this year claiming that "employment and payrolls in small businesses grew faster in the states with minimum wages above the federal level than in the remaining states."

Even the statistics cited by the Kernel help to prove this problem is manufactured — a 10 percent increase in the minimum wage would only reduce the amount of hours demanded by 1 to 2 percent, meaning that actual money made would increase.

Finally, the Kernel cites the decline in the minimum wage in real terms, but trumpets the increase in the median hourly wage. This is contradictory.

The minimum wage is declining in real terms because the spending power of the dollar is falling. Likewise, the median hourly wage must increase at a rate that outpaces inflation in order to maintain an increase in the standard of living.

According to a report in the New York Times on Aug. 28, the median hourly wage has actually decreased two percent since 2003 after inflation is included.

The Kernel begins its editorial with three misleading claims and concludes by prescribing linking the minimum wage to the Consumer Price Index. Doing this without raising the minimum wage substantially would make the minimum wage irrelevant.

The minimum wage must be raised to a point where it can sustain themselves. Then it can be pegged to the CPI, so that it will never again fall to the irresponsible and ridiculous level it stands at today.

Robert Kahne  
political science and economics sophomore

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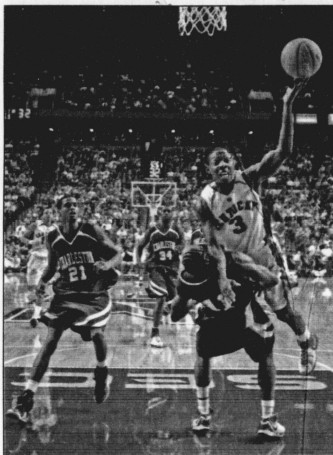
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**Right:** UK junior guard Joe Crawford and College of Charleston freshman guard Tony White Jr. dive after a loose ball in the second half of the Cats' 77-61 win.

**Below:** UK guard Ramel Bradley shoots over College of Charleston senior guard Dontaye Draper in the Cats' 77-61 win over the Cougars.



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## BASKETBALL

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his team.

After two more offensive mistakes — a shot clock violation and a turnover — the offense started clicking, and, ironically, it came from inside the paint.

Perry Stevenson scored three times under the basket. Randolph Morris was sent to the free throw line twice on turn-around moves, and hit a post jumper. Joe Crawford had two soaring layups.

By the time the Cougars scored again, with 2:59 left in the half, they were down by 10 points.

"Our key players missed some shots early and then it started to get tough," Cremins said. "We got turnover prone, (and) their pressure bothered us a little bit, even though we were prepared for it."

In the second half, the Cougars rarely challenged

UK's double-digit lead, getting no closer than 11 points. The Cats' biggest lead was 25 points after a Michael Porter 3-pointer with 9:15 left.

UK's defense stymied College of Charleston leading scorer Dontaye Draper almost the entire game, limiting him to 15 points on 4-of-14 shooting by running several different bodies at him to wear him down.

Junior Randolph Morris led all scorers with 17 points. Freshman Perry Stevenson, who came off the bench for the first time all season, scored 14 points and was perfect from the field, knocking down all seven of his shot attempts.

When the Cats play Saturday at No. 7 North Carolina, their defensive prowess will be tested again.

"I think, that's the way we've got to play defense," said Sherry Thomas, who made his first start of the season. "We've got to get back to playing hard-nosed defense, being more aggressive, trapping and rotating."

## Two early losses give Cats 'reality check'

By Matthew George  
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Things haven't gone exactly as planned for the UK women's basketball team early this season.

After last season's 22-9 performance, it seemed that the team had turned itself into one of the nation's rising programs.

But early losses to Indiana and Delaware have sent the Cats out of the national top-25, and into a rocky start that junior center Sarah Elliot did not see coming.

"It's definitely an eye-opener," she said. "But I guess we needed a reality check, so I'm not that upset about it."

Though the losses have been disappointing, Elliot said that she and the team haven't had their confidence damped.

"Yeah, we lost, but that's not our focus," Elliot said. "Our focus is making the NCAA Tournament and getting further than we did last year."

The Cats (3-2) return to Lexington after

competing in the Odwalla Classic in San Francisco. UK fell to eventual champion Delaware in the first round after allowing the Blue Hens to shoot 61 percent from the floor. But the Cats rebounded by beating Southern Illinois in the third place game.

Earlier this month, UK dropped the championship game of the Women's Sports Foundation Tournament to Indiana after shooting 15 percent in the second half.

Head Coach Mickie DeMoss shrugged off the notion that her team has been inconsistent up to this point in the season.

"I think we have played some very quality opponents, and I think they have had more to do with it," DeMoss said. "Looking at the Indiana game, we just shot miserably in the second half."

Though they were unable to win the Odwalla Classic, DeMoss said she was able to draw some positives from the team's trip to San Francisco, particularly from Elliot.

After a relatively quiet first three games, DeMoss sat down and

talked with Elliot about her role on the team, and her struggles of transitioning from a sophomore to a junior.

Elliot responded with a career high of 26 points against Delaware and notched back-to-back double-doubles in the tournament.

"When a player comes out and has a great game like she did against Delaware, that obviously helps your confidence level," DeMoss said. "She came out against Southern Illinois and continued to play confident."

UK will look for Elliot to continue that trend tonight as they host Detroit (1-3), whose starting lineup doesn't feature a player taller than 6-foot.

"Every game we try to establish our inside game, and different teams do different things to us," DeMoss said. "I don't think Detroit is just going to let us throw it in at will to Sarah, but we are going to try it until they take it away."

Tipoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Memorial Coliseum.

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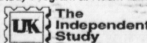
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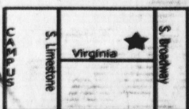
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