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## Worley makes it three's company in SG presidential race

By Sean Rose  
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The campaign slogan "new vision, real results" projected on the back wall of the small ballroom in the Student Center last night as history junior Preston Worley announced his candidacy for Student Government president.

Worley, vice president of public relations for the Interfraternity Council, along with running mate and accounting sophomore Scott McIntosh, spoke about the importance of women's safety in the announcement in front of about 100 people.

"The most important thing has to be women's safety," Worley said last

night, adding that he only fully understood the importance of the issue after his little sister came to campus.

Worley said most people's recommendations for improving women's safety included better lighting and fewer bushes, but that only affects the 5 percent of women who are victimized by strangers. Worley said 95 percent of victimized women were assaulted by acquaintances and that forming teams to educate and engage people on women's campus safety issues were more valuable in the long run.

"The more people involved (in the issue) on campus, the safer women are going to be," Worley said.

Women's safety fell into Worley and

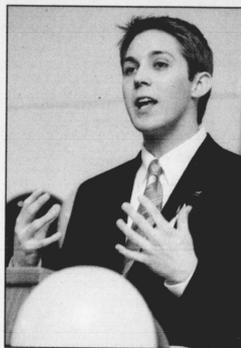
McIntosh's "ABC plan" to improve UK. That three-part plan calls for standing for awareness, back to basics for SG and campus life.

Worley also advocated a change in punishment for UK students from local police in regards to alcohol violations. He said it isn't fair for student to be stuck with "a criminal record just because they had a drink."

Worley instead proposed having any UK student caught breaking an alcohol-related law to be referred to "Choices," UK's alcohol abuse class, instead of being arrested by police.

"I think it's terrible that we are criminalizing students," Worley said.

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Student Government presidential candidate Preston Worley speaks at his candidacy announcement last night in the Student Center.

Worley, a history junior, and his running mate, accounting sophomore Scott McIntosh, represents the third ticket to announce its candidacy for the top SG office.

The election will be held at the end of March.

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One of the biggest criticisms of Student Government is how students say, 'I don't know what it does for me.'"

— Preston Worley, Student Government presidential candidate

## New cheating rule changes find 'balance'

University Senate efforts to tweak punishments take effect this fall

By Dariush Shafa  
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A new policy regarding cheating and plagiarism will reduce the minimum penalty for those offenses and give faculty and administrators more leeway when it comes to deciding student's punishment.

Currently, UK's minimum punishment for an offense such as cheating or plagiarism is a failing grade for the course. The new policy, which goes into effect next semester, gives faculty more room to decide a student's punishment and to factor in mitigating circumstances, such as a student's past record and the seriousness of the offense.

"The feeling was, the present academic of-fenses policy in official use was far too punitive," said Ernie Yanarella, chairman of the University Senate, the faculty governmental body that spearheaded the effort to change the policies.

As a result, many faculty members preferred to handle matters in secret and outside UK regulations, he said.

"I think that many faculty in the past, under the old rules, felt the action — an automatic E — (was too serious) and were reluctant to drop the hammer on a student when they could appreciate other factors," said Yanarella, a political science professor.

The new policy allows for faculty to be more judicious with their punishment and to take other details into consideration, he said.

"There's more of a sliding scale on offenses," Yanarella said. "The first offense can be treated fairly lightly."

Under the new system, there is no default penalty, and students who commit academic offenses out of ignorance or by mistake will not face as severe a penalty as if the cheating or plagiarism had occurred purposefully.

"The faculty member, in concert with the (department) chair, will have the option of a variety of penalties rather than the student failing the course," Yanarella said. "The student will receive a penalty commensurate with the seriousness of their offense."

But students who believe that they can take advantage of the new system's lighter outlook should think again, he said.

"My response to that is, if a student has a willful intent to breach academic standards and does so continuously, they will find the penalties will rise considerably and quickly and they will find themselves in hot water," he said.

Record keeping of prior academic offenses will also be improved, Yanarella said, a change he believes will also "serve as an effective deterrent." If a student with an offense has no other run-ins, the record of their offense can be expunged upon graduation as well.

Yanarella also said he sees both faculty and students benefiting under the new arrange-

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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Rosalind Welch, president of UK's Black Student Union, takes a break from her production work on her play "For Colored Girls Who Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf" last night at the Fine Arts Building.

## Fulfilling an 'obligation' to future leaders

Black Student Union president sees education as force for change

By Wes Bleivins  
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Rosalind Welch just took the GRE. Unlike most students who take the exam, Welch didn't spend much time studying. In fact, she didn't study at all.

"My dad has a philosophy on tests," she said. "If it's a standardized test, somebody should have taught the material somewhere along the way."

Education has always been stressed in the Welch household. Both of Welch's parents earned college degrees — her father, a bachelor's in political science; her mother, a master's in social work.

"My parents have shown me what an education can do," she said. "They made sure I stayed focused."

At Louisville Central High School, Welch always enrolled in advanced courses, and she earned scholarships to help fi-

nance her academic career.

High school also provided Welch with her first experience in predominately black classrooms. Before high school, she said her classes maybe had an average of three black students.

Welch admits that she came to UK because her parents "made her." Still, she doesn't seem disappointed with her choice.

"This is the best educational institution in the state," she said. "My parents told me, 'Your degree from UK will always stand strong.'"

But lately, the school's strength in diversity has been called into question by a 40 percent drop in black freshman enrollment this year as opposed to last year. That decrease, Welch said, can be attributed to UK not "playing on the same field with other universities with scores of scholarships."

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## Association gives UK student clinic bill of good health

By Shannon Mason  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

About a year ago at this time, University Health Services faced such concerns as inadequate patient privacy, limited space and too few reception areas — all adding up to the possibility that the clinic could lose its accreditation.

But yesterday, UK announced that

UHS — the primary health care facility for UK students — has been fully accredited by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care.

Accreditation means that UHS passed an extensive survey of its facilities that proves it is running in accordance with national standards, said Dr. Gregory Moore, the clinic's director.

Moore said accreditation is significant

because many outpatient health clinics like UHS do not bother to go through the accreditation process.

"Most (outpatient health clinics) don't go through the hassle of being accredited," Moore said. "We're the only one in Kentucky that has gone through the hassle."

Moore said the process is a hassle be-

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## Worley

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Worley said a better SG must include better, more effective communication between the organization and its constituency of UK students. "One of the biggest criticisms of Student Government is how students say, 'I don't know what it does for me,'" Worley said. "Well, students should know what it does for them."

To help with this, Worley said he would utilize Channel 50, a new cam-

pus TV station that UK administrators hope will eventually act as a communications network for UK organizations and students.

Worley and McIntosh also shared hopes to restructure dead week by breaking it up with a weekend to give students more time to study for exams. Both Worley and McIntosh thanked everyone who helped them and said they are encouraged by the start of their campaign.

"I'm confident their hard work is going to pay off," Worley said.

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cause the facility has to pay to be surveyed for accreditation and it's not necessary to be accredited to stay open for business.

Moore said UHS chose to have the survey done to make sure it's running properly.

"Sometimes, when you work with something, you get too close to see its faults," Moore said. "I wanted to be sure we're not missing something."

Four possible outcomes of the accreditation survey exist: the facility could fail, be accredited for six months, be accredited for one year or get the maximum accreditation of three years.

UHS achieved the maximum three-year accreditation, meaning that it won't have to go through the process again until the end of 2008.

"One of the only complaints they had was that our facility was too

small," Moore said. "But we already knew that."

A new facility for the UHS is included as a part of the UK HealthCare expansion project. The current facility has less space than any of UK's 19 benchmarks at 0.5 square feet of clinic space per student. The University of Georgia, for example, has a similar student population to UK but has about five times as much space in its clinic.

"They were reassured because we had the blueprints and know that we will start building (the new facility) in the fall," Moore said.

The new facility will expand UHS from 16,233 square feet to 38,180 square feet — more than twice its current size. UK obtained \$24 million in state bonds last year to construct the new clinic.

"They'll come back again at the end of 2008," Moore said. "The good news is, is by that time, we'll have our new

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ment.

"I think it serves the faculty because it overcomes the circumstances in the old system that encouraged people to strike outside deals," he said. "I think it's in the interest of students because it continues the protection of the students ... who can still appeal when they feel they have been wrongly

accused." The real test will come once the policy goes into effect at the start of next semester.

"It still may have flaws which we don't know about, but it is certainly better, we think, than the old system," Yanarella said. "I think that this policy is the fruit of the labor of all those who worked for a year and a half."

"It strikes a useful balance."

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## Welch

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As an example, Welch cited minimum required ACT scores. UK requires at least a 19 on the ACT for minority scholarships, while the University of Louisville requires a 17. In addition, she said Louisville notifies scholarship candidates of their status earlier than UK.

"You're just not going to compete with that," she said.

Even worse, Welch believes black students are expected to make lower scores on standardized tests such as the ACT but that only serves as extra motivation.

"(It) makes you want to excel more to disband stereotypes," she said.

UK must establish some connection to the black community, Welch said, such as facilitating "programs with children before they even start to think about college." The attitude that UK is a racist institution still permeates among blacks, she said.

As president of UK's Black Student Union, Welch said her goals include educating students, exposing students to a variety of cultures and helping them understand their purpose at the university. As a student leader, it is also her job to cultivate the next crop of leaders.

Early in her education at UK, Welch witnessed mostly ineffective leadership among students. She observed a lot of apathy and people who were "just trying to get by." This perceived apathy inspired Welch to pursue leadership positions for herself.

"When there's a lack of leadership, it's your obligation to stand up," she said. "You have to make people care."

Her leadership position and everyday tasks of college life keep Welch busy — and this

time of year is no exception. On Friday, she will produce a play for her sorority Delta Sigma Theta. The production, entitled "For Colored Girls Who Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuff," captures the struggles of black women and how they come together to find strength.

And in less than three weeks, Welch will lead a Black Student Union trip to New Orleans and the Gulf Coast area to help rebuild in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

Welch's experience as a black student at UK has generally been positive. Though she said she has never faced discrimination while at UK, she has heard other students' experiences with racial discrimination.

"If others have (discrimination experiences), then I have them. The only way to battle ignorance is with education," she said. "I'm from the city, so I need to be educated about rural areas."

Welch also credits her parents for instilling a sense of pride for her heritage.

"My parents taught me, don't allow anybody to remove your race from you," she said, adding that blacks have a culture and a history that is unmatched.

"Our motivation is to continue against all odds," she said.

Raised in church, Welch said her faith keeps her grounded. For her family, going to church was something that just happened every Sunday, much like going to school happens Monday through Friday.

Welch still attends church in Lexington as a member of the Consolidated Baptist Church. As a college student, she says church and school are connected.

"Your purpose of being in school is one thing," she said. "Your actual purpose is the bigger question."

After graduation, Welch plans on becoming a high school social studies teacher. Eventually, she would like to go

into politics to work on education policy. Her UK experience has made her "stronger" in her resolve to change education policies, she said.

"Kentucky education is near the bottom," she said. "(Administrators should ask themselves), why are we trying to get 1,000 minimum wage jobs instead of 1,000 \$100,000 jobs?"

She also wants students to heed the advice and wisdom of parents and older role models.

"There's so much we can learn if we could just stop and listen," she said.

When she stops and ponders her purpose on campus, Welch said she realizes what she is doing now as a college student and as a student leader is not about her. Instead, what she's doing is for the people who will follow in her footsteps.

"I have to make the burden a little lighter, but make it still meaningful," she said. "Because you can remove the burden, and then you don't understand what the struggle is."

"You have to understand where you come from, whose shoulders you're standing on," she said. "And then realize you'll be the shoulders for someone else."

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**Rosalind Welch, on what Black History Month means to her:**

"It doesn't mean anything to me. The month of February doesn't adequately depict any form of black history. It's almost a slap in the face, makes it a mockery."

"To understand where you come from, whose shoulders you're standing on, and then realize you'll be the shoulders for someone else ... that's black history, and it's not just in February."

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# Hispanics are sought as mining's next generation

By Jenny Jarvie  
THE LOS ANGELES TIMES

SIDNEY, Ky. — At age 15, Ricky Mullins followed his father and his grandfather into the mines. For years, they scraped and shoveled coal to put food on the table, but Mullins, now 48, fears that the family tradition will end with his son.

Despite the inherent hazards of being a miner, Mullins and others in the area consider it the best job opportunity available to them — and are proud of the work they do.

"All we have is coalmining," Mullins said. "But the companies don't want to hire local — not when they can get the Hispanics to work cheaper." The local mine company here, Sidney Coal Co., is seeking to change Kentucky mining legislation so it can hire non-English speaking Hispanic workers.

Kentucky law requires that miners be fluent in English for safety reasons, but Sidney Coal, a subsidiary of Massey Energy Inc., has claimed that it cannot find enough local workers.

"It is common knowledge that the work ethic of the eastern Kentucky worker has declined from where it once was," the president of Sidney Coal, Charlie Bearse, wrote to the Kentucky Mining Board. "Attitudes have changed among the existing workforce, which affects attendance, drug use and, ultimately, productivity."

Bearse's comments have unsettled many in this region of steep mountains and thin hollows, where the descendants of English, German and Scotch-Irish settlers have struggled as the coal industry has declined in recent years.

"It's insulting to the men and women who want to work here and stay here," said Kentucky state Rep. Robin Webb, a former miner. "Mining is their way of life."

Although migrant workers are already a presence in Kentucky's tobacco fields and thoroughbred horse farms, they scarcely penetrated the Appalachian coal fields.

Many Eastern Kentucky miners worry that bringing non-English speaking Hispanics underground would force them to accept lower wages and lead to a decline in mine safety.

Already there have been 19 deaths in Appalachian mines this year. In January, an explosion that killed 12 miners at the Sago Mine in West Virginia sparked a national debate about mine safety reform.

"I wouldn't want my son working

with a bunch of Hispanics who couldn't understand him," said Mullins, who was huddled next to a gas heater in the local Citgo gas station, smoking Marlboro cigarettes. "It's dangerous enough down there."

Mullins worked underground for more than 18 years, until he suffered an electrical shock picking a cable out of the water. When he tried to go back into the mines, he had a minor stroke and his doctor advised him not to return. He has drawn Social Security and disability payments for the last 14 years.

Mullins is far from unusual in Sidney. According to the 2000 census, 38 percent of Sidney's residents have disability status and more than 33 percent live below the poverty level — more than double the national average.

A week ago, Bearse — who declined to comment for this article — apologized to local workers in an open letter to the Lexington Herald-Leader for his remarks to the mining board. "Having lived in eastern Kentucky for much of my life," the coal company executive said, "I know there are many people inside and outside the coal industry who work hard."

The Sidney Coal processing plant looms over a thin row of grocery stores, gas stations, restaurants and a church. In the tiny, close-knit town that sits on a creek in a hollow of scrawny poplars, coal mining is the main source of income. "Used to be you were granddaddy-in," said Haskell Francis, 34, a mine foreman at Sidney Coal. "Your Daddy showed you how to do it."

Coal production in Eastern Kentucky declined by nearly a third between 1990 and 2003, according to the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals. During this time, hundreds of miners were laid off and few younger, inexperienced miners were hired, said William Chapman, a representative of the Kentucky United Mine Workers of America who is on the Kentucky Mining Board.

"The companies say they lost a generation of workers to drugs," Chapman said. "What really happened is that the coal companies stopped hiring and the generation that didn't get hired went on to do other things."

Nathan Coleman, 20, a college student who works as a trainee miner at Sidney Coal, said mines provided young people with a chance to make good money, but most tried to go to college and pursue other careers.

"Most people go to the mines when they don't have other options," said

Coleman, who plans to teach and coach football at the local high school. Belfry "When I have my teaching degree, I'll be sitting behind a desk. I won't be getting dirty."

Coal prices in Appalachia have doubled in the last three years, but many companies say they are struggling to produce more coal. Coal production in eastern Kentucky dropped by 1.8 percent from 2004 to 2005, according to the National Mining Association.

"We're losing production even though the price of coal is up," said Bill K. Caylor, President of the Kentucky Coal Association. "There is not a large enough pool of workers." Not everyone agrees there is a shortage of workers in Kentucky.

Edgar "Butch" Oldham, a miners union representative in Madisonville, said companies were exaggerating the labor shortage to further their agenda of hiring lower-paid Hispanic workers.

In the last two years, he said, 12,000 people in Kentucky have taken the new 40-hour mining training course.

"Are they really suggesting all these people are on drugs?" he asked.

Many companies say drug abuse has become widespread in the coal labor force, with miners who are fired by one company being hired by other companies. Last week, legislation was introduced to Kentucky's General Assembly to require mandatory drug testing for all coal miners.

Many who live in Sidney say prescription drug abuse has become particularly acute in the last three years.

At Williamson's Family Foods, John Williamson II scanned the aisles of his family's grocery store. "I can look at everyone in this room and tell you someone in their family that is dealing with drugs," he said.

After years of backbreaking work in cramped underground tunnels — the average miner works in a space 20 feet wide and four feet high — many older miners became dependent on painkillers such as OxyContin. Some passed their addictions on to their children, who could no longer count on mining work.

Although many responded to the downturn in the economy by self-medication, others encouraged their children to excel at high school and go on to college. (In 2003, the Belfry High School football team won its first ever Kentucky state championship.) Yet as more local students go to college, many worry that more will leave Appalachia.

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# More bodies found at buried school

By Richard C. Peddock and Alex Santos  
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GUINSAUGON, Philippines — Buoyed by the sound of tapping from deep beneath the mud, rescue crews continued to dig through more than 20 feet of mud to a buried school in hope of finding survivors three days after a massive landslide crushed this remote village.

But rescuers working into the evening, including U.S. Marines, found only more bodies, dashing hope yesterday of finding the first survivors since 20 people were pulled from the mud on Friday.

The village of Guinsaugon on Leyte Island, home to more than 1,800 people, was obliterated by millions of tons of mud that poured down Friday from a mountainside soaked by more than 24 inches of rain since Feb. 1.

Authorities are uncertain how many people were crushed by the mud, but estimates range from 800 to 1,400. More than 1,000 rescuers, including U.S. Marines and teams from Malaysia, Taiwan and Spain, have been battling the odds in the hope of finding survivors in pockets within the rubble.

Yesterday, teams using sensitive

sound equipment reported hearing scratching noises and rhythmic tapping near the site of a school where 250 students and teachers had been in class at the time of the mudslide.

Members of the international rescue effort interpreted the sounds as signs of life and redoubled their efforts.

Some of the U.S. Marines thought they may have heard voices from underground.

"We know there's something down there," said U.S. Marine Lt. Richard Neikirk. "The farther down we went, the signals grew stronger."

South Leyte Gov. Rosette Lerias, who has been overseeing the rescue effort, was elated by the first good news in days.

"First we heard scratches," she said. "Now it's rhythmic tapping. It cannot be just a rat making those sounds. It's enough that we heard a sound of life. Hallelujah! Praise God!"

At one point yesterday evening, a top government official announced on national television that 50 survivors had been found at the school. But the report quickly proved to be untrue.

Efforts have focused at the school

site because residents reported receiving cell phone messages from victims trapped in the school. But nothing has been heard from them since before dawn Saturday.

The mud initially was too soft to allow the use of heavy equipment, but by yesterday crews could use earth-moving equipment in some areas. Still, hundreds of rescuers resorted to picks and shovels and used crowbars and ropes to move boulders. They bailed water from the holes they dug using plastic bottles.

International rescue teams used search dogs, seismic detectors and heat sensors as well as the audio equipment to locate survivors.

By yesterday evening, the day's labor had yielded 13 bodies, bringing the total of bodies recovered to at least 64.

Lerias said she had no plans to abandon the rescue effort.

"It is our job to find these people," the governor said. "And if God wills it, we will find them."

At about 11 p.m., rescue operations were suspended because of renewed rains and a mudflow that officials worried could endanger rescuers.

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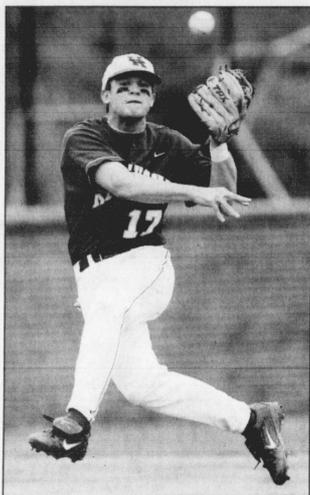
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alpha Phi Omega Active Meeting, 7:30 PM, Student Center, Room 359</li> <li>Reformed University Fellowship (RUF), 7:30 PM, student center rm. 357</li> <li>Diversity Through Our Eyes Photo Exhibit, 9:00 AM, Student Center Grand Ballroom</li> <li>Geek Week Poetry Slam, 7:00 PM, Cats Den</li> <li>Ad Club Meeting: Dan Renauld, Creative Director, Meridian, 8:00 PM, 3rd Floor, Fine Arts Library</li> <li>Fencing Club Practice, 8:00 PM, Buell Armory</li> <li>BINGO!, 7:00 PM, STUDENT CENTER CAFETERIA</li> <li>Prepare for the March 1st Career &amp; Internship Expo, 9:00 AM, 408 Rose St</li> <li>Soc. of Telecom. Scholars Meeting, 5:00 PM, Maggie Room, Grehan Building</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comedy Caravan, 8:00 PM, Student Center Cats Den</li> <li>James W. Stuckert Career Center Drop-In Hours, 3:00 PM, James W. Stuckert Career Center 408 Rose Street</li> <li>Diversity Through Our Eyes Photo Exhibit, 9:00 AM, Student Center Grand Ballroom</li> <li>Mock Interview Marathon, 9:00 AM, 408 Rose St</li> <li>Internship Information Sessions, 10:00 AM, 408 Rose St</li> <li>Prepare for the March 1st Career &amp; Internship Expo, 9:00 AM, 408 Rose St</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ICF Free Dinner and Fellowship, Organization meeting, 7:25 PM, Pazzo's</li> <li>Diversity Through Our Eyes Photo Exhibit, 9:00 AM, Student Center Grand Ballroom</li> <li>Reformed University Fellowship (RUF), 7:30 PM, student center rm. 357</li> <li>So Many Employers, So Little Time... Working a Career Fair, 3:30 PM, 408 Rose St</li> <li>Donnie Darko, 10:00 PM, Center Theater in the Student Center</li> <li>Mock Interview Marathon, 9:00 AM, 408 Rose St</li> <li>8 Ball Tournament, 7:00 PM, Student Center Cats Den</li> <li>RSA General Assembly Meetings, 5:30 PM, 359 Student Center</li> <li>Prepare for the March 1st Career &amp; Internship Expo, 9:00 AM, 408 Rose St</li> <li>Fencing Club Practice, 8:00 PM, Buell Armory</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ICF Free Dinner and Fellowship, 7:00 PM, CSF Building (across from Cooperstown Apt.)</li> <li>Prepare for the March 1st Career &amp; Internship Expo, 9:00 AM, 408 Rose St</li> <li>James W. Stuckert Career Center Drop-In Hours, 3:00 PM, James W. Stuckert Career Center 408 Rose Street</li> <li>The Edukators, 10:00 PM, Frorsham Theater in the Student Center</li> <li>Diversity Through Our Eyes Photo Exhibit, 9:00 AM, Student Center Grand Ballroom</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Swing Dance, 8:00 PM, Arthur Murray Dance Studio, 1801 Alexandria Dr., Lexington, KY</li> <li>Deadline to Apply Via CyberCAT to interview with Walgreens at the Career Center, 408 Rose St</li> <li>Deadline to Apply Via CyberCAT to interview with Progressive at the Career Center, 408 Rose St</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UKUFO, 10:00 PM, Seaton Field</li> </ul>

GO CATS!

## Keystone combo doubles up on offense, defense, superlatives



By Ryan Mabry  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

If the worth of a baseball team's double play combination is based on arm strength alone, UK should have one of the best groups in the nation.

Included among their ranks are two players who have aspirations to pitch, and a transplanted second baseman who is used to the much more difficult throw from shortstop.

"When I got up here, they told me they wanted me to concentrate on short(stop) — learn to throw it down from short first, and then maybe do some pitching," said sophomore shortstop Ryan Wilkes, who is said to be capable of reaching 94 mph on a radar gun. "I might (pitch) next year, we'll see what the future holds."

Junior transfer Ryan Strieby has also pitched in the past.

"I've been a first baseman since I was like 17. I played third (base) and pitched a little until I got to about 6-foot-4, then I started playing first base," said Strieby, who is listed as 6-foot-6 on the team's roster. "I might even pitch a little bit this year — I've got a pretty strong arm."

Wilkes took Strieby's height a step further when describing his teammate.

"We've hung out a couple times," Wilkes said. "He's pretty quiet, but I love having a 6-foot-7 guy to throw to at first base. It makes it easier."

Junior second baseman and National Player of the Year candidate John Shelby agreed that Strieby is going to improve the Cats' infield defense.

"Strieby can pick anything, so if we throw it over there, he's going to pick it," Shelby said.

Shelby, who started last

"I love playing with him ... he's just a great guy, all around."

Ryan Wilkes  
UK shortstop, on teammate John Shelby

"I'm just trying to ... go out there and be a team leader on and off the field."

John Shelby  
UK second baseman

Left: Junior shortstop Ryan Wilkes makes a throw on his way to SEC All-Freshman honors last season.

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Below: Junior second baseman John Shelby, a 2006 National Player of the Year nominee, makes a putout during the Tennessee game April 10, 2005.

KEITH SMILEY | STAFF



year as the team's shortstop, has a strong arm for the position.

"As long as I'm in the lineup, I'm willing to play anywhere," Shelby said about the switch. "It was a big transition going from shortstop to second base, but it's just something I've got to do."

Shelby said that improving his patience at the plate (he had only 11 walks in 248 plate appearances last year) would be key to his success.

"In order to stay in the lineup and succeed in this league, I'm going to have to take a few pitches and definitely draw a few more walks," Shelby said.

However, he was not as eager to answer questions about a possible run at National Player of the Year.

"I'm not even really worried about that," said Shelby. "I'm just trying to win games for the team and just go

out there and be a team leader on and off the field. All those accolades and stuff — that's nice, but I'm just one of nine players."

Head coach John Cohen was more animated when asked about the same topic.

"The problem with that (speculating about his status) is I haven't been into California to see their best 30, 40 guys or into Texas or into Florida to see their best guys," said Cohen. "I know he's pretty doggone good. I know he's as good of an athlete as there is in the draft. You can count on two hands how many guys in the country had double-digit home runs and 20 or more stolen bases (last year). It takes a special kind of player to do that."

Wilkes had nothing but praise for his middle infield partner.

"I just love playing with

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## SPORTS BRIEFS

### Rifle claims NRA sectionals

UK topped a five-team qualifier for the NCAA Tournament last weekend, shooting a 4,679 team score to narrowly defeat nationally ranked Murray State. The score should be enough to place UK in the top four of all teams headed into the tournament next month in Colorado Springs, Colo. Tennessee-Martin, Memphis and West Virginia also competed in the qualifier, finishing far behind the Kentucky squads. In smallbore, junior Amy Sowash shot a 582, which won the individual competition. Jason Dardas and Vicki Goss shot 589s and tied for second. Dardas took the air rifle portion of the competition, firing a 586 and defeating fellow freshman Andrew Roland, who shot a 585.

### Hog-wild fans draws fines

The Southeastern Conference announced yesterday that it had fined the University of Arkansas \$5,000 for violating a conference rule against spectators entering the field of competition after a game. The violation occurred after Arkansas' 85-81 overtime victory over Florida Saturday when Arkansas students rushed the court. It was Arkansas' first offense of the rule; repeated violations can result in fines of up to



Rifle junior Vicki Goss fired a 589 in smallbore to help UK past Murray State and three other schools in the NRA Sectional tournament this weekend. The Cats qualified for the NCAA Tournament with their score.

\$50,000.

### Women's soccer dominates

UK's women's soccer team was split into two squads for the UK Invitational tournament. The two will meet tonight in the finals of the tourney after going undefeated in their opening games. UK Blue finished 3-0 after downing Bellarmine, Eastern Kentucky and U17 Blast FC by a combined score of 9-1. UK White went 2-0-1,

defeating Georgetown College and Morehead State and tying U17 Ambassador Red 1-1. Sophomore forward Kate Rowlands and sophomore midfielder Sarah Gaunt (UK White) each scored twice, as did sophomore forward Callie Lanphier, who scored once in the morning for the White team and once in the afternoon for the Blue team.

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## Combo

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him," Wilkes said. "He keeps me relaxed. Every time I make an error or strike out or something... he's just a great guy, all around."

Wilkes has won some honors himself, being named to the Southeastern Conference All-Freshman team last year. But Cohen was noncommittal about rewarding that play with a move out of the last spot in the batting order.

"I like to think that if he is hitting down in the order, it's because we've got an outstanding lineup, which could very well be the case," Cohen said.

On the other hand, the hulking Strieby will probably be hitting right in the middle of the lineup.

"He is one of the most talented players I've ever worked with," Cohen said. "He's a rare combination of non-swing and miss, and power at the same time. He's a great contact guy. With two strikes he has a great approach, but at the same time, he has tremendous power."

With all the hype that

this team is bound to generate offensively, games frequently come down to pitching and defense, something Cohen preaches to his team.

"I like (the double play combo) a lot. I think John Shelby's really gotten a lot better with the double play turn; I think Wilkesy is tremendously better," Cohen said. "I think these guys are a lot more comfortable with each other. It's been a full year now and they've played together a lot, so I really like that combination."

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## GEEK WEEK EVENTS

Tuesday,  
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Faculty Lecture: Dr. Deborah Crooks, Dept. of Anthropology

'Anthropological Perspectives on Livelihood Security: Doing Fieldwork among the Gwembe Tonga of Zambia, Africa'

1 p.m., Room 230 Student Center

In 1957, over 57,000 Gwembe Tonga People were displaced from their homelands by the building of the Kariba Dam and the flooding of a large portion of the Gwembe Valley in Southern Province, Zambia. This presentation will focus on the history of these migrant families, their movement into a new environment, and their struggles to tame the frontier in hopes of improving the well-being of their families. Reception immediately follows.

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4 p.m., President's room, Singletary Center

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## IN OUR OPINION

### Make high raises an annual event

Around this time of year, UK's faculty and staff typically clutch their wallets, purses and billfolds and hope for a salary raise.

But they're smart enough not to hold their breath as they prepare to receive table scraps.

Meaningful salary pool raises have been hard to come by lately at UK. Both faculty and staff received a 4 percent salary pool raise last year but averaged a meager 1.3 percent raise over the three years before that. One of those years, UK said, "Sorry, but no extra compensation will be given."

This time around, neither group will be left high and dry. President Lee Todd told The Kernel two weeks ago that he wants to give faculty a 5.5 percent salary pool raise and the staff a 3 percent raise, plus an additional \$5 million to be used at the disposal of the employee benefits committee. And Todd added that this will be the first of several consecutive increases of at least 5.5 percent for the faculty to close the gap between UK's average faculty salary and the average faculty salary of its 19 benchmark schools.

The other nice aspect about the system is that both faculty and staff work in a merit-based set-up, meaning that not everyone gets a 5.5 percent or a 3 percent raise. Those who continually go above and beyond will earn a greater salary raise than that average figure — and those who underachieve won't be rewarded as much, which is the way the system should work.

Four words should come to the minds of faculty: Finally — it's about time.

For far too long, UK has inhabited the cellar when it comes to average faculty salary. Based on data from the 2004-05 school year, UK had the second-lowest figure, at an average of \$71,026. Purdue University ranked behind UK by a paper-thin \$200 margin.

And for far too long, top-notch quality professors — the type who devote themselves passionately to their students, their teaching and their research — have porously

seeped from UK, as other schools have wooed them with offers sometimes worth a \$40,000 difference in salary.

UK is still staring up at the competition. And there's still a long way to go in this process.

But UK must guarantee significant, meaningful salary pool increases year after year if it expects to hire the best faculty, retain the solid professors who are already here — and reach its state-mandated goal of becoming a top-20 public research institution by the year 2020.

Faculty salary raises are a worthy cause and should always be a priority for UK — and we have no problem paying more tuition to help UK compete better in hiring and retaining excellent, superior faculty.

But the difference between the 5.5 percent raise for faculty and 3 percent raise for staff is troublesome in the minds of many staff members who are the backbone of UK and make the institution function every day of the week.

The early focus in UK's Top-20 Business Plan is faculty, and Todd knows that. He doesn't seem to want to send a message that staff aren't as important, and he seems to be trying to use that \$5 million to balance out the percent difference.

In the end, that might not work, and we're not completely convinced that the \$5 million is the best possible way to help level the playing field. Some staff members agree — and they've got plenty of time to organize their opinions and encourage their leaders to confer with UK's administration on these proposed salary pool increases. Last year, UK first proposed a 3 percent increase in early March; the budget process ended in June with a higher increase, so there are at least three months to take action.

But right now, both groups should be thankful that UK has finally recommitted itself to its roots. Now that it's done so, it should stay there year after year after year.

### Fallen soldiers deserve proper honor and dignity

Most Americans will never understand the heartache felt by a family who loses a loved one in war. The Saylor family of Bremen, Ga., faced that tragedy in August 2005 when 21-year-old Paul Saylor drowned in Iraq after the Humvee in which he was riding crashed.

When soldiers die, we should all expect the military and the government to do everything in their power to ensure his or her remains are treated with the most care and dignity. The Saylor family isn't convinced that happened in Paul's case.

When his body returned to the United States five days after his death, an Armed Forces medical examiner told his family that his body was too decomposed for viewing, an assessment echoed by the Saylor's funeral-home director. The Saylor and the director are convinced the advanced decomposition was caused by neglect.

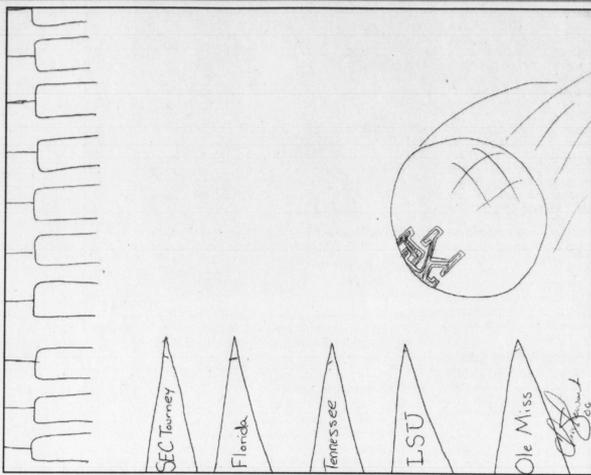
On the day Paul died, the Chronological Record of Medical Care stated that "mild rigor mortis" had set in but mentioned nothing about decomposition. When Paul's body returned home five days later, it was in the "advanced stages of decomposition," according to the Record of Preparation

and Disposition of Remains.

The Saylor family has spent much of their time since Paul's death seeking answers from the army and pushing Georgia officials to examine the military's procedures for caring for the remains of soldiers. Current protocol calls for remains to be packed in ice and then shipped to the army base in Dover, Md. Paul's mother Patti said most people don't realize there isn't even a morgue in Iraq. She also said she's learned that many soldiers' families have had similar experiences when their loved ones' remains have returned from overseas.

The federal government should take a hard look at the procedures for preparing and transporting soldiers' bodies home from war. We hope this is an isolated incident. But if not, steps need to be taken to ensure that the families of fallen soldiers have a chance to see their loved one and say goodbye. If federal funds must be spent to build preservation facilities such as morgues overseas, then so be it.

These men and women have made the ultimate sacrifice for the United States, and the government should be willing to do all it can to make sure they're treated with the respect they've earned.



CHRIS STEWART, THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

### This summer, I'll be as wireless as my phone

Wireless technology rocks my world.

Cell phones, laptops, wireless Internet, remote camera equipment, iPod FM transmitters and TV remote controls — they're incredibly convenient.

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Wireless has no limitations or restrictions. It gives you complete freedom from the outlets that have connected you to the wall for so long.

The freedom of wireless is great. But for the first time in my life, I personally will be wireless.

No, I am not protesting against electrical outlets or anything that ridiculous.

Simply put, I will be free from attachments, free from connections and free from familiarity. I will be wireless for an entire summer.

I will be stripped of all of my

cords and connections that have been my source of energy while in Kentucky and try to get re-connected to a new life in Memphis, where I'll be in a photojournalism internship.

Quite frankly, the thought of being wireless from family, friends and familiarity has given me the jitters — especially since I know nothing about Memphis.

Wait, take that back. I know two songs that talk about Memphis, and if they're true, I should have a romantic summer full of fun along the Mississippi River.

Country artist Pam Tillis asks in her song what she was to do when she was looking at a boy questioning if it was only Memphis on the Southern summer nights or maybe it was her or maybe it was him, but it sure felt right.

Singer Marc Cohn sings about "Walking in Memphis," asking whether he truly feels the way he feels or if it is only because he is in Memphis. I can only hope that the artists are correctly portraying Memphis as such a magical and exhilarating city.

Kentucky and Ohio have been my comfort zone for the past 21 years, but I am continuing on my consistent Southern migration to Tennessee to find a new network.

I believe there is something scary yet invigorating about starting over in a new place. I will be given yet another clean slate to write on.

Hours away from familiarity, I will be forced to find stability within myself without anyone hindering my decision process. I know that my internship is an amazing experience and after it is all said and done, I will wonder why I bothered wasting my time writing this column with feelings of fear.

As my mother always says, "You have never been the type to sink — you always swim." Although she is my mother and would encourage me in whatever situation, I think she is right. I will go to Memphis, start all over and then when it comes down to coming back to Lexington, I won't want to leave Memphis.

I will listen to good country music. I will eat barbecue. I will watch Elvis impersonators. I will hang out on Beale Street, but mostly, I will be walking in Memphis, not alone, but with myself.

Although I'm sure I will feel very wireless at the beginning of my internship, I'm choosing to believe that by the end I'll be connected.

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### Don't try to spin it — Cheney's the real victim

Poor Dick. Not since the Aaron Burr/Alexander Hamilton duel has a vice president suffered such intense public scrutiny for popping a cap in an attorney. Unfortunately for Dick Cheney, he lives in a society rife with liberal propagandizing, a society that frowns upon the act of murder between gentlemen — and which, as it turns out, frowns upon him as well.

Yet even Burr couldn't have envisioned our greatest fourth-estate fulfillment: the Fox News Channel, whose Brit Hume bore witness to the embattled Veep's first public statements since he shot 76-year-old Texas lawyer and prominent Bush-Cheney campaign financier Harry Whittington during a quail-hunting excursion under a clear and beautiful Texas sky.

"The image of (Whittington) falling is one I'll never be able to get out of my mind," Cheney lamented. "It was, I'd have to say, one of the worst days of my life."

As it should be, brave soldier. As it should be.

Shooting someone, as Cheney eloquently detailed, has to be one of the worst things that could ever happen to a person. Nothing in the realm of human experience could ever compare to it. Except for actually getting shot, but that's just buying into another liberal lie.

And if everyone did that, soon they'd start thinking that spying isn't as cool as James Bond made it out to be, that homosexuals should violate mar-

riage, that WMDs were a lie; that there is something seriously wrong with our glorious and strong nation.

And if everyone did that, we'd go communist.

So in an effort to reveal the heart of the heart of this nasty affair, I'll try and keep the focus (and the blame) where it belongs.

In a public statement made shortly after he was freshly released from Corpus Christi Memorial, Whittington rightly accepted responsibility for his actions:

"My family and I are deeply sorry for all that Vice President Cheney has had to go through this past week," Whittington said. "We send our love and respect to them as they deal with situations that are much worse than we've had this week."

Compared with situations like domestic spying, unruly gays and failure-resistant insurgents, a buckshot-induced heart attack can in no way compare to any of that. I mean, Cheney has like, 11 heart attacks before he's eaten breakfast, but he doesn't go around telling people, does he? No, he doesn't, because he is a strong man who doesn't whine about his medical problems.

Yet, as is often the case with strong men, the rest of the liberal media has no problem kicking him while he is down, proclaiming (as some have) that Cheney's hunting license was outdated, that he failed to notify the press and the authorities in a timely fashion, and that he is an unfit hunting partner for children.

All slander, all libel, all part of the liberal effort to spin this story in favor of the "victim," which — like the thousands made "homeless" by Hurricane Katrina or the supposed "innocent killed" in the Iraq War — only puts an emphasis on the

"negative."

What about the real negative here? Cheney won't be able to pick up any Italian-made Perazzi 28-gauge shotguns for at least a year (or however long the minor warning he received from the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department lasts), which raises the question: How will the vice president of the most powerful nation on earth continue to enjoy the kingly sport of quail hunting?

We journalists never have all the answers, but I think it's safe to say that even as the fallout from this story dissipates, it'll be a quite a while before Cheney feels comfortable holding a large-bore rifle. He may never be able to leisure the same way again.

And if there's one thing this administration has taught us, it is that the importance of extended vacation in one's political affairs is tantamount to success. So if our leaders cannot spend months at a time clearing underbrush and shooting firearms, what of our country, then? Are we resigned to a life of actual work and no play?

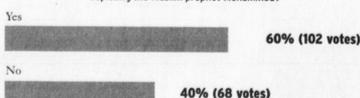
We will not entertain the thought, it would be an American to do so. We must band together as a nation to weather this storm and remember that this freak occurrence was just an isolated incident that in no way stands as a metaphor for the conduct and attitudes of the entire Bush administration.

As the nation's focus moves on, the scars (figurative ones, of course) will linger over the vice president's heart, reminding him every day of this terrible ordeal, torturing him, declaring war on his conscience and perhaps drowning him with guilt.

What a poor Dick, indeed. Jonathan Meador is a journalism junior. E-mail jmeador@kykernel.com.

### Online Poll Results

Should U.S. newspapers print the controversial Danish cartoons depicting the Muslim prophet Mohammed?



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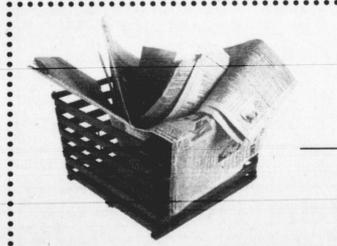
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## Raucous crowd still in rock-induced stupor after Opeth weekend concert

By Nathan Thatcher  
KERNEL MUSIC CRITIC

If you're feeling haggard and slightly hung over today, or if you smell like a bar and there's blood coming out of your ears, then I just might've seen you at the Opeth show Sunday night.

Mikael Åkerfeldt (vocals, guitar), Peter Lindgren (guitar), Martin Mendez (bass), Per Wiberg (keyboards) and Martin "Axe" Axenrot of Bloodbath (drums) played to a raucous, bloodthirsty Bogart's crowd, and it's hard to say whether the fans or the band had more fun.

After a rousing, pedal-pounding, hair-tossing opening act by Dark Tranquillity, Opeth took to the stage, and proceeded to beat the living crap out of us all with a wall of guttural growls, furious, burning string sections and drums that sounded just as good (if not better) as if Martin Lopez were there to play them.

"Opeth is my baby's daddy, and is probably one of the greatest f---ing bands in the world," said former UK student and Cincinnati resident Steve Hamm. "I wish I would've known them in a former life, and I wish I could die and be reincarnated as an Opeth roadie."

The sound this quintet produces is a wonderful mix between bludgeoning, high-energy progressive death metal, and delicate, drifting sections of long, bitter-sweet symphonic notes and Åkerfeldt's incomparable voice.

There's one wonderful thing you can depend upon when you go to an Opeth show. The band is guaranteed to play their instruments so precise that it's impossible to differentiate between the live and studio versions of the songs. They're just louder and more detrimental to your body when you see them live, though most of the detriment will come from large, sweaty, longhaired gents pushing, kicking and biting at you.

Aside from a small and inconsistent moshing area, for the most part the crowd was peacefully transfixed into adoring submission, simply appreciating the immensely talented performers on stage.



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Per Wiberg, Martin Lopez (who was replaced by Martin "Axe" Axenrot on Sunday), Mikael Åkerfeldt, Martin Mendez and Peter Lindgren make up the death metal quintet Opeth

Many of the boozed patrons would holler song requests at the band at any moment of relative quiet, and no other song got more jeering requests than "The Drapery Falls." Åkerfeldt made some sly dismissive comments before submitting to the requests, and the band started to play the song, causing explosive jubilation from the crowd.

The band got about 10 seconds into "The Drapery Falls" before suddenly stopping, causing a collective "Awww!" and then the band proceeded to laugh

at us. This process repeated itself about four times before the crowd grew tired of having their fragile emotions toyed with in such a way... damned Swedes.

In order for the Bogart's crowd to "earn" an encore, the audience had to correctly answer three questions about metal band of Åkerfeldt's choosing, which for some reason was Manowar. Thankfully, we made ourselves worthy to watch the epic "Deliverance," a song whose murderous ending breakdown is expertly designed to squeeze all of the remaining rage and elation out of the fans at the end of the night.

The Swedes and the one Spaniard were in fine form Sunday — but then again, they always are. The grace and acid that the group consistently transmits makes Opeth one of the most enjoyable live shows to be found in death metal.

### FEATURES BRIEFS

#### Porn industry welcomes Rock, Stapp sex tape with 'arms wide open'

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — A Kid Rock/Scott Stapp duet would be weird enough, but a sex tape collaboration?

From Red Light District, the distribution company that propelled the Paris Hilton sex tape, "One Night In Paris," into the annals of pop culture infamy comes the latest in a long line of internet-released sex tapes, starring Kid Rock and former Creed singer Scott Stapp.

The tape, which was shot in 1999 while Creed and Kid Rock were on tour together, shows Rock and Stapp engaging in sexual acts with four female fans. Neither of the musicians engage in any sexual activity with each other on the tape.

Red Light District has released a 40-second preview clip of the 45-minute tape on the Web sites KidRockSexTape.com and ScottStappSexTape.com. David Joseph, president of Red Light District, said that attempts to contact Rock and Stapp have been unsuccessful.

"This wasn't just shot by one person — there were a lot of people holding the camera," said Joseph. "Because of that, it's not necessary that we need (Rock and Stapp) to sign off on this. We left messages for them but they didn't respond, so maybe they didn't take it seriously."

Although Joseph declined to disclose who the tape's original owner was or specifics on what is shown in the video, he did say that the tape is "really good. I wish I was a rock star, I tell you. I'm in the wrong business."

The tape is due to be released later this year.

News of Stapp's past sexual escapades comes mere 5 days after Stapp was arrested for public intoxication at Los Angeles International Airport while trying to board a plane. The day before, Stapp was married to former Miss New York Jaclyn Nesheiwat in Miami. Nesheiwat is also the director of public affairs for the Scott Stapp Foundation, which Stapp originally founded in 2000 as the With Arms Wide Open Foundation, which focuses on needy children and promoting healthy parent-child relationships.

#### Cheney's quail-hunting mishap triggers blasts from the peanut gallery

NEW YORK — Late-night talk show hosts and comedians put Vice President Dick Cheney in the crosshairs last week, making light of an incident in which Cheney accidentally shot attorney Harry Whittington, 78, while quail hunting in Texas.

Despite Whittington's subsequent

hospitalization after being shot in the face and chest and after a minor heart attack on Tuesday from birdshot migrating close to his heart, everyone from Dave Letterman to Florida Governor Jeb Bush have gotten in on the volley of jokes that have spawned from Cheney's shot heard round the world.

"Good news, ladies and gentlemen, we have finally located weapons of mass destruction: It's Dick Cheney!" — David Letterman

"I think Cheney is starting to lose it. After he shot the guy he screamed, 'Anyone else want to call domestic wire-tapping illegal?'" — Jay Leno

"Moms, dads, if you're watching right now, I can't emphasize this enough: Do not let your kids go on hunting trips with the vice president. I don't care what kind of lucrative contracts they're trying to land, or energy regulations they're trying to get lifted — it's just not worth it." — Jon Stewart

"I'm a little concerned that Dick Cheney is going to walk in." — Jeb Bush, while wearing a bright orange political sticker.

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