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UK targets long-distance learning

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UK offers an option for people who would like to take college courses at UK but live too far away. UK Distance Learning Programs allow students to earn degrees without ever attending a class on the Lexington Campus.

Through interactive video, also called compressed video, a faculty member in Lexington can lecture to students at community colleges in several Kentucky towns, including Paducah, Owensboro, Ashland and Prestonsburg. The system is fully interactive, meaning the students and professor can see, as well as hear, each other.

"It's really excellent technology," said Anay Spears, associated director of libraries.

More than 400 people took classes through interactive video last year.

This year 101 students are enrolled in doctoral programs in education using interactive video, Spears said. Two different doctoral programs in education are wailable through the technology, Education are wailable through the technology, Education are wailable through the technology. Education are wailable through the technology, Education are wailable through the technology. Education are wailable through the technology and the control of th

interactive video.

A wide variety of classes are available, including courses in agriculture, math, family studies, library science, engineering, pharmacy, social work and education.

Several allied health professions courses are available, including nursing, physical therapy and clinical laboratory science.

In addition to interactive video, Distance Learning Programs offer courses via satellite.

A faculty member conducts a course in Lexington, which is then broadcast by satellite over the entire continental United States.

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Satellite technology is not as interactive as compressed video. Students can still see their instructor, but he or she can't see them. It can, however, reach many more people.

"Each system has its good points," Spears said. He said that a person in Pittsburgh graduated last year with a mining engineering degree through the stellite program.

UK is cooperating with KET Star Channels satellite network to offer several programs, including



Attendant playing Cupid on campus

By Kimberly Glenn Contributing Writer

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Driving into the parking lot behind Funkhouser Building, more than just the stop sign and orange cones make motorists pause at the booth of parking attendant Elizabeth Jelinek.

As they wait for her to wave them on, they also take a moment to gaze at her holiday decorations.

Pharmacy senior Stacy Taluskie has been a usual passerby of Jelinek's booth over the past four years and has "seen her gamut of the holiday spirit. Taluskie said that Jelinek's decorating "years" and the personal was also been a way to be a support of the personal was also been a to be a support of the personal was also been a way to be a support of the personal was a support of the personal was

year on the job.

"I don't like to see holidays pass without observing them and since I can't be home to celebrate them, I cel-

ebrate them here," she said.

Over the years, Jelinek's celebrations have expanded. She now decorates her booth for Halloween, Homecoming, Thanksgiving. Christmas, Valentine's Day, Ste. Patrick's Day, Easter and "any other I take a notion the steep the steep that the steep th



VALENTINE VENTURE UK sophomore Todd Brooks, (top left), goes shopping for some last mimboliday items. Parking attendant Elizabeth Jelinek, (above) greets a motorist at the parking go

she said that she doesn't pay any attention to the cost.

Jelinek added she enjoys the extra work and expense that goes into doing something special for the holidays because "it seems like people enjoy it, and that it brightens up their day."

For one student, seeing Jelinek's decoration is a special part of her day, Mechanical engineering freshman Tasha Sims said she likes to pass by the booth to see the decorations.

Although you may pass by her

booth and see Jelinek dressed in any variety of outfits from the Easter Bunny to Snoopy to Elvis, she does take her job seriously. As each car comes by, she is precise in telling them where they can and cannot park and for what lengths of time.

Jelinek said that over the years she has gotten very favorable responses from people.

"I enjoy seeing the smile on people's faces as they come by," she said, "especially the children."

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Bonded building projects costing over \$400,000 and destined for state ownership — university libraries, for example—would need the General Assembly's advance approval under a bill approved by a House committee yesterday. The bill was ponsored by Rep. Fred Nesler, D-Mayfield, for an advisory board that recommends priorities for buildings in state government. "The UK library — that's what prompted the board to propose this legislation," Nesler said in an interview after the State Government Committee meeting.

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UK, denied funding for a new library by the General Assembly in 1994, took a roundabout route. Bonds were sold by the local government and backed by the university's athletics association. Because the university is a state institution, Nesler said, the state's bond rating might suffer in any default on financing for the library.

NEWSbytes

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Gambling fraud may be growing

Bambling fraud may be growing

WASHINGTON — The rapid expansion of legalized gambling across the nation, combined with limited resources for enforcement, has opened opportunities for laundering ill-gotten cash, the government says.

"The extraordinary growth of the gaming industry in recent years — especially riverboat and Indian gaming — may create new scenarios for money laundering for which we are not prepared." Sen. Sam Num, D-Ca., said yesterday.

Cash betting in casinos grew from \$117 billion in 1984 to \$40° billion in 1994, reports an industry trade publication, "International Gaming and Wagering Business." Allow some legalized gambling. Almost 60 riverboat casinos were launched between 1991 and March 1995, American Indidus began 237 gaming operations, including 119 casinos, in the decade ending in March 1995, the GAO said.

NAMEdropping

Flliott's mother serves as host

Elliott's mother serves as host
NEW YORK — Our next topic: "Mum, Take
Over My Talk Show, I'm Going to Be a Father" on
a very special edition of ... "The Gordon Elliott
Show."
Tess Elliott was flown in from her native Austalia to take over the TV host's duties for Elliott,
39, who with his wife, Sophie, became proud parents of their first child. Angus Alexandre Illiott
was born Feb. 1.
"What better way to exercise nepotism than on
the day of the birth of my first child." Elliott said.
Compiled from urite reports.

Students spend 'Friends' time

By Chris Padgett
Staff Writer

Diet Cokes, snacks and special "Friends" prizes
will be awarded to UK students who decide to take
part in a promotional campaign for the highly
rated NBC sitcom.

UK's chapter of the Public Relations Student
Society of America, is sponsoring 50 parties on
campus Feb. 22 to increase viewership of the
Warner Brothers' sitcom.

UK's PRSSA landed the campaign after completing an application provided by the marketing
company U.S.A. Concepts. The organization provides students who are interested in public relations
with some experience in the field.

"Having friends over to watch 'Friends' sounds
pretty cool," said Maya Margolin, an undeclared
freshman.

The parties are free and open to any group of
seven or more students who would like to host one
in their apartment, dormitory or Greek house.

"We are sponsoring this campaign through our
organization to provide our membership with
some public relations experience," UK PRSSA
President Brandy Bailey said. Ware looking forward to the opportunity to alke part in this type of a
"UK was chosen as one of 50 schools to take part
in the nationwide campaign. Beginning Thursday,
sign-up booths will be located on campus for those
which is a show that many college students
watch and we hope this will allow our members to
gain some experience in this type of a project,
"Trinki ki would totally cool if I were able to go
see Courtney Cox," said Michael Thomas, a mathematics sophomore.

Students who are interested in hosting their
own "Friends" party should call Perkins at 3232920 or Brandy Bailey as 323-4704, A booth will
be set up in the Enoch. J Grehan Journalism Building tomorrow for interested students.

Group gears up for Valentine's Day

By Ben Abes On-line Editor and Mary Dees Staff Writer

and Queen Leigh Cunningham will accompany the winner and a guest to the game.

The party was open to all campus residents. Resident adviser and co-sponsor David Johnson said the group hopes to make this an annual event.



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Cats in training: JV project works

By Jill Erwin

This summer, UK coach Rick Pitino contemplated using a junior varsity basketball squad for the first time since 1976.

The plan was for the team to provide extra instruction and playing time for incoming freshmen Nazz Mohammed, Jason Lathren, and Oliver Simmons, along with sophomore walk-on Cameron Mills.

Mills.

The JV Wildcats finished their season last week with a 9-4 record.
And it seems the experiment was a success, especially for the four players who will continue with the varsity team.

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Mills led the team in scoring with a 23.7 point average.

Mohammed pitched in 23.1 while Simmons and Lathrem contributed 18.6 and 10.7 points a game respectively.

All four players averaged more than 26 minutes a game with Mohammed getting a team-leading 30.8 minutes a contest.

"Without the JV team, we'd just be sitting on our butts, watching the varsity play," said Lathrem, who is also a walk-on. "The environment of the game-type atmosphere has helped me."

Mohammed, a center from Chicago, was labeled a "project" player when he first came to UK. Since enrolling, he has dropped more than 50 pounds to 247. The junior varsity team helped him improve his low-post game.

"I learned how to play help defense, and I'm getting better at tolocking shots and rebounding," Mohammed said.

The IV team allowed the players the opportunity to compete in game situations, and gave them much-needed experience.

"It helps to keep my game on edge until I'm ready to play varsity," Simmons said.

"I feel I'm real close (to being able to play varsity)," Mohammed said. "Right now, the important part is me getting better at sliding my feet."

The junior varsity team also gave UK students and basketball managers the chance to put on a Wildcat uniform and improve their basketball skills.

"Just like playing against the varsity makes me a better player, them playing against the varsity makes me a better player, them playing against the varsity makes me a better player, them playing against the varsity makes me a better player, them playing against the varsity makes me a better player, them playing against the varsity makes them better," Lathrem said. "The better the competition, the more it helps them."

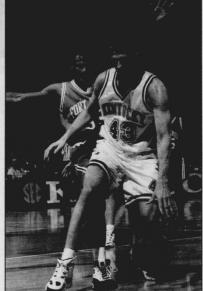
All four players endorse keeping the team around in years to come, but Mills doubts it will happen.

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Mills said it is a lot of work for head coach Delray Brooks and coach Winston Bennett.

"Coach Pittino might rather have them doing something for the varsity. There are a lot of things that will go into deciding if we have a JV team or not," he said.

Simmons offers another point of warning—attendance



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JV CONTRIBUTOR Freshman Jason Lathrem was on who gained valuable experience this year with the june was one of four UK players the junior varsity team.

home game — dramatically less than the thousands predicted before the season. However, the Cats drew an average of 1,302 on the following the

Baseball team returns plenty of experience

By Rob Herbst and O. Jason Stapleton Staff Writers

Although the UK baseball team finished 29-32 and fifth in the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division last year, a solid core of experienced players raises expectations for the upcoming season.

fielder

Green.
Predicted to finish third in the
SEC East this year behind Tennessee and Florida, head coach
Keith Madison believes this could
be one of his best teams ever.
"On paper, it is one of the
best," Madison said yesterday at a

news conference at Memorial Coliseum. "They have great attitudes and are a fun team to coach."

The Cats come enter the season with confidence after finishing second in the SEC Eastern Division Tournament.

"I'm more concerned about our team being over confident rather than under confident," Madison said. "But we can use that as a springboard."

Madison believes this team's greatest strength is its ability to run the bases. Green will be looked on to lead the Cats in base running this season after setting the SEC single-season stolen base record with 54 last year.

To go along with the speecd UK also has power in the middle of the lineup with Jay Tedesco and Pete Pryor. Tedesco tied for second in the SEC in homers with 17 while Pryor clubbed 10 round-trippers during 1995.

The combination of speed and

power is something Madison likes.

"Our team can supply a lot of punch," Madison said. "Green and (Pau) Blandford do a great job of setting the table."

UK's pitching staff was riddled with injuries last year. All-American candidate Scott Downs missed much of last season due to appendicitis and a shoulder injury.

In limited action, Downs was effective. He struck out a teambest 102 batters in 76.1 innings, including a UK single-game record of 18 against Indiana. He should be able to pitch in time for conference action on March 8.

Junior pitcher Curtis Whitney was also plagued by injuries last year, but Madison said Whitney is ready to pitch.

"Whitney's 100 percent," Madison said. "He's throwing better now, than any point in last season."

The Cats also have youth on

freshmen. One frosh, shortstop Kenny Miller of Joliet, Ill., will be in the starting line-up when the season starts.

"Kenny is a fine defensive player and will become a fine offensive player," Madison said.

Madison believes that Miller comes in as one of the premiere shortstops in the country. Chip Rhea, last year's shortstop, moves to third.

The season gets underway this weekend for the Cats. They will take on Florida Atlantic (4-1) in a three game series in Boca Raton, Fla.

The Cats play their first 11 games on the road before opening at home March 5 against Kenucky Wesleyan.

"We're considerably ahead of last year," Madison said. "Last year, we were not a quality division one opponent, much less a quality SEC opponent. We are a much more solid team."

Men's tennis downs intrastate rival Louisville 6-1

The No. 21-ranked UK men's tennis team easily dispatched intrastate rival Louisville 6-1 last night at the Hilary J. Boone Indoor Tennis Center.
"Traditionally we've defeated Louisville soundly, but they're much better this year and I think our players realized that," said UK

coach Dennis Emery, whose squad improved to 3-0 on the young sea-

The No. 3 singles match provided the only tight competition for the Cats aside from Patrick Johansson's 6-1, 6-4 loss to U of L's Kane Easter at the No. 6 spot. It took three sets, but UK's Marcus Fluitt used his powerful serve to defeat U of L's Clay Bibbee in the No. 3 match, 6-4, 3-

6, 6-3.

The No. 1 singles match between UK's Cedric Kauffmann and the Cards' Russell Schutzman was a reunion of sorts. Both players attended high school in Bradenton, Fla., while attending the Nick Bollettieri Tennis Academy.

Mauffmann, the seventh-ranked player in the nation according to the latest Roles rankings, took the reunion match, which included a first-set tiebreaker, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3.

"It was no secret for either one of us," said Schutzman, whose squad fell to 3-2 on the season. "We both have similar games and we tried to keep the ball away from each other's forehands."

Another reunion occurred in the No. 4 singles match between U of L's Robby Robertson and the Cats' Dan Spaner. Robertson, who lost 6-3, 6-0, attended UK last season before transferring to Louisville for his sophomor each

Louisville for his sophomore sea-son.

The Wildcats' three doubles teams of Spaner and Marcus Flutt, Kauffmann and Ludde Sundin, and Ariel Gaitan and Patrick Johansson swept their Louisville opponents. Gaitan also picked up a singles win from the No. 5 spot, a 7-5, 6-3 victory over U of L5 Peter Chow The three doubles wins count



as one total point in the final score.

score.
"It's a big rivalry," said UK's
No. 2 player Ludde Sundin. It was
Sundin's 6-1, 6-2 victory over
Chris Steel that clinched the victory for the Cats.
"You always want to beat
Louisville," he said.

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SPORTS

Wildcats face rematch of closest SEC battle

It's time for the rematch of UK's closest Southeastern Conference game of the season as No. 2 UK plays host to Georgia at sold-out Rupp Arena tonight at 8. The last time UK battime UK battime UK battime UK clast down to the wire before Cats down to the wire before Inially falling 82-77.

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teams that got after each other, it was physical and very well-played as far as the competitive nature of both teams."

"I thought we turned the ball

over too much in (the first game against UK)," UGA's first-year coach Tubby Smith said.
"We utilized

one game of the season as No. 2

UK plays host to Georgia at Soldout Kupp Arena tonight at 8.

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Edwards, "and all you guys know that because you play against him,' so the person we have to hold in the highest esteem is Allen Edwards."

Edwards scored five points in the final six minutes to help the Cats escape with the win.
"I remember it was close and a lot of people got into foul trouble," Edwards said of the first UGA game. "I was told to come in and give the team a lift, which I think I did."

The Dawss (14-7, 5-6) proceed.

game. "I was told to come in and give the tearn a lift, which I think I did."

The Dawgs (14-7, 5-6) proceeded to drop their next two games following the heart-breaking loss to the Cats.

They righted the ship in time to win their last three contests, including Smith's first SEC road win last Wednesday at LSU.

"We're pretty much doing the same things we were doing when we lost to Kentucky before and when we lost to Kentucky before and when we lost five out of six games on the road, "Smith said.

"We were able to get a victory on the road at LSU, which is an accomplishment. So hopefully that will carry over into the game against Kentucky, You have to stay poised."

Smith said the environment that the Dawgs will be entering on UK's home court could give his team some problems.

"Certainly, Rupp Arena is one of the toughest places to play at in the country and it's going to be interesting to see how we respond on the road," Smith said. "With so much noise and fan involvement at Rupp Arena, your kids have to stay for the production of the country and it's going to be interesting to see how we respond on the road," Smith said. "With so much noise and fan involvement at Rupp Arena, your kids have to stay for the production of the country and it's going to be interesting to see how we respond on the road," Smith said, "With so much noise and fan involvement at Rupp Arena, your kids have to stay the production of the country and it's going to be a supported to the production of the country and it's going to be a supported to the production of the country and it's going to be a supported to the production of the country and it's going to be a supported to the production of the country and it's going to be a supported to the production of the country and it was a supported to the production of the country and it was a supported to the production of the country and it was a supported to the production of the country and it was a supported to the production of the country and it was a supported to the production of the pr

good ball-handling will come into play."

Anthony Epps scored only two points in 16 minutes of play against UGA, but remembers what the Dawgs did to them in the first game to keep the score so close.

"They were physical and rest with came out to play," Epps said.
"We're going to have to be a lot more physical (tonight) and other than that we're just going to go out and play our ball game and do what coach wants."

▼With 10 home games down and only three left, UK is leading the nation in attendance with an average of 23,800 fans per contest.





8HOOTER UK guard Anthony Epps (above) pit points against Arkansas Sunday. The Cats' All



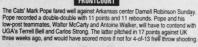
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14.1	Off. Rebounds Per Game	14.0
21.8	Assists Per Game	12.0
17.2	Turnovers Per Game	23.4
5.3	Blocks Per Game	2.9
12.3	Steals Per Game	8.1

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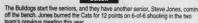


Anthony Epps showed once again why he's the Cats' point guard when the gam on the line. The junior from Lebanon, Ky., scored a career-high 17 points against Arkansas Sunday, including a number of key baskes. With Epps playing well an freshman Wayne Turner contributing quality minutes UK's point-guard situation once considered a weakness has become one of the learn's strengths. Georgia counters with one of the SEC's top backcourts in Katu Davis and Fertha Robins

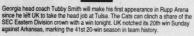
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80.1	Points Per Game	65.7
42.7	Rebounds Per Game	34.9
13.1	Off. Rebounds Per Game	11.4
19.1	Assists Per Game	12.6
15.4	Turnovers Per Game	16.6
4.5	Blocks Per Game	4.1
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THE PIG TIME 'Babe,' the story of a good natured pig caught in an identity crisis, is one of the nominees for best picture.

By Dan O'Neill and Robert Duffy

Every year film fans get excited about the Oscar nominations in hopes that this will be the year the Academy will take on some meat and nominate what we consider

and nominate what we consider the best films.

Once again, the disappointment was no different than from years past, as films that tackled tougher material were left off the list of best pictures.

"You have to understand that when you really follow the Oscars, it's like horse racing," said Kenneth Turan, film critic for the Los Angeles Time.

neth Turan, film critic for the Los Angeles Times. Dead Man Walking and Leaving Las Vegas — although nominated in three major categories — led the list of snubs for the prestigious award, with the Academy opting for the mainstream, grossly over-ated Apolo 13. With nine nominations (not including Tom Hanks ... thankfully), Ron Howard's mundane, predictable space adventure proved the aging committee remain stuck in the status quo.

year's nominations are the 'Cinderella' picks of both Babe and The
Postman,' said Michael Wilmington, film critic for the Chicago
Tribune. 'And the fact that most
of the darker films of the year like
Leaving Las Vegas and Dead Man
Walking and Casino were ignored
for best picture and did less well
(in the nominations).'
Although films like The Usual
Suspects, Casino and Seven showed
up in a few categories, none were
given their proper due. Both
directors Martin Scorsees and
Bryan Singer made extraordinary
films, but were ignored in prefer
ence of surprises Chris Noonan
(Babe) and Michael Radford (The
Postman).

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Other pre-nomination favorites who were notably absent included Nicole Kidman (To Die For), John Travolta (Get Sbørry), and Jennifer Jason Leigh (Georgia). Not only were these performances left out, but the critically acclaimed pictures themselves, received a total of one nomination between the three. The American President, which received much attention at the Golden Globes, was only nominated for its original score.

Another favorite missed yesterday was The Bridges of Madison County.

"The Bridges of Madison County."

Another tavortte misses of day was The Bridges of Maditon County make them the strongest contenders for Best Picture.

Bahe's tale of a gallant pig won the hearts of audience members as well as the Oscar committee with its seven nominations. A final Best Picture nominee — Italy's The Postman — marked the first time in 22 years (Ingmar Bergman's Cries and Whipers) that a foreign film has been selected among America's best.

"What's interesting about this "SERD TODAY!!

Oscar Nominations

Best Picture of the Year

'Apollo 13' 'Babe' 'The Postman (II Postino)'
'Sense and Sensibility'

Best Director

Chris Noonan 'Babe' Mel Gibson 'Braveheart' Tim Robbins 'Dead Man Walking' Mike Figgis 'Leaving Las Vegas' Michael Radford 'The Postman (II Postino)'

Best Actor

Nicolas Cage 'Leaving Las Vegas' Richard Dreyfuss 'Mr. Holland's Opus' Anthony Hopkins 'Nixon'
Sean Penn 'Dead Man Walking'
Massimo Troisi 'The Postman
(Il Postino)'

recognize several worthy performers.

"I think the Academy did a pretty good job of spreading the wealth among a great number of films," Harris said. "Members voted with their hearts."

Fabulous supporting roles from Kate Winslet (Sense and Sensibility), Kevin Spacey (The Usual Support), and Thm Roth (Rob Rey) were justly acknowledged for their work. Leaving Las Fegar and Dead Man Walking deserved every one of their four nominations, which included Best Actor (Nicholas Cage, Sean Penn), Best Actress (Elisabeth Shue, Susan Sarandon), and Best Director (Mike Figgis, Tim Robbins).

And why are directors nominated for the best director spot, but their films don't get a best picture nod such as Robbins and Erys."

Best Actress

Susan Sarandon 'Dead Man Walking' Elisabeth Shue 'Leaving Las Vegas' Sharon Stone 'Casino' Meryl Streep 'The Bridges of Madison County'
Emma Thompson 'Sense and Sensibility'

Best Supporting Actress

Joan Allen 'Nixon' Kathleen Quinlan 'Apollo 13' Mira Sorvino 'Mighty Aphrodite' Mare Winningham 'Georgia' Kate Winslet 'Sense and Sensibility'

Best Supporting Actor

James Cromwell 'Babe' Ed Harris 'Apollo 13' Brad Pitt '12 Monkeys' Tim Roth 'Rob Roy' Kevin Spacey 'The Usual Suspects'

Best Foreign Language Film 'All Things Fair' (Sweden)
'Antonia's Line' (The Netherlands) lead Thi ing in Da cha pho

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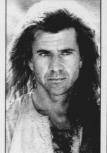
'Dust of Life' (Algeria)
'O Quatrilho' (Brazil)
'The Star Maker' (Italy)

Best Original Screenplay

'Braveheart'
'Mighty Aphrodite'
'Nixon'
'Toy Story'
'The Usual Suspects'

Best Adapted Screenplay

'Babe' 'Leaving Las Vegas'
'The Postman (Il Postino)'
'Sense and Sensibility'



BRAVEHEART Mel Gibson was inated for best director.

but their films don't get a best picture nod such as Robbins and Figgis?

"One problem in the Academy
is that directing nominations are
voted by directors and yet everyone votes for the best picture
nominees," said Lewis Beale, a
film industry reporter for the New
York Daily News.

On the other hand, it certainly
is a strange commentary on Hollywood when a talking pig can
shake up the Oscars.

"General consensus this year is
that it's been a bad, bad year for
films," Robert De Salvo, assistant
editor of Movieline said. "(This
year) is one of the worst in the last
give to 10 years. You can't think
of any picture that could have
dominated the awards."

With big budgeted flop like
Waterworda and Strange Days hitinated for best director.

ting the scene, perhaps Hollywood thinks more money will
result into better quality.

"A lot of people that work in
the industry are as dissatisfied (of
the industry) as the criticis and
audiences are," Turan, said. "Big
budget movies don't make anyone
happy but the actors and the
agents involved."

And that's where the swine
comes in. Babe's good natured
humor made it one of the endearing films of the years.

"We're all rooting for Babe for
best picture of the year," De Salvo
said. "If the pig wins there's going
to be a big party in California and
at Movieline!"



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Throneberry brings act to Louisville

Editor's note: Jason Arbenz is the lead vocalist and guitar player for Throncherry. The band will be playing tonight at the Butchertown Pub in Louiville, Ky. Staff Writer Danielle Dove recently had the chance to talk with Jason over the phone.

Q: How did Throneberry get

Q: How did Ibroneberry get started!

J.A.: We got started in about 1990; we were just musicians who just wanted to be in a band.

We've recently had a member change, we replaced our drummer of the first six years with Michael Horrigan, who was actually the drummer in a band I played with before Throneberry. We have had quite a history — we have been playing together for a long time. It was just a matter of being friends and having enough in common musically and personally to give it a go.

common musicany are pro-togive it a goo.

What people don't realize is the amount of personal dealing with each other that takes place.
That's the reason that many bands break up before they fulfill their expectations, due to personal

expectations, due to personal issues.

Q:So do you think that you all are pretty clase as a group and if there are conflicts that you can work them out for the most part?

J.A.: Yes, there is definitely an underlying admiration and respect among us that allows us to work well together. In order to do the best you can, people have to be told things occasionally.

We've all been in bands before where each member played according to his own judgment. If that yields the best possible product then great, you've got an ideal situation, but more often than not it doesn't.

it doesn't.

Q:Where did you get the name

Throneberry?

J.A.: We got it from a crappy baseball player named Marvelous Marv Throneberry. He was kind of famous for his mediocrity and we thought it might be a funny idea to name ourselves after a

Stan Whitley Contributing Critic



VOCAL VENGEANCE Alias recording act Throneberry will be performing tonight with the Ass Ponys.

Skiploader probes personal problems

cruddy baseball player. After throwing out a bunch of suggestions, Thromeberry on paper didn't look cruddy at all.

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minutes but I felt like we did a good job with the crowd. There was actually some people moshing to us. I mean you've heard our record it's not a mosh record. We got people very involved and it felt like, yes, we can do this in front of a big crowd.

like, yes, we tau a big crowd.

Oh I've got a good one, we played with Uncle Tupelo the night before their last show. It was in their hometown, it was kind of a send off for them, it was really sad. That was a pretty meaningful experience.

experience.

Q:Where would you like to see the

Q:Where would you like to see the band in five years?

J.A.: My goals have always been long-term. I would love to make 10-12 records and someday sit back and say: "Here are all my albums."

I would love to make two or three records in a row that are like the five-star records that everyone would acknowledge as a great piece of work.

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For skiploader singer/song-writer Tom Ackerman, exposing the personal details of his life in his lyrics is a top priority. His writing demonstrates a desire to probe into his own personal prob-lems in search of solace.

On skiploader's major label debut, from can through string, Ackerman has penned some admirable lyrics.

With the song "Hubris," he explores his tendency to self-depreciative, and the common struggle many of us have with pride.
"I don't trust how I'm starting

pride.
"I don't trust how I'm starting to like my own voice/the sound of my head swelling/think I was cooler when I hated myself?"

Other songs touch on the loss of friends and family, parental relationships and homosexual experiences in a fresh, articulate manner.

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"I just watched him crumble: a time-lapse, anxious wither," sings Ackerman on "2/17/95," a tribute to a friend who committed suicide.

Where the album starts to fall apart, however, is when the songs begin to sound homogenized and somewhat indistinguishable from one another.

They often fail to deliver the strong emotions inherent in the lyrics and end up feeling more limp than progressive and innova-

tive.

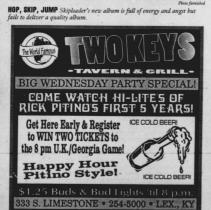
That's not to say that the members of skiploader aren't all very accomplished musicians; each produces a sound that meshes well with the other members of the hand.

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Student counts way to high score

To pass the certified public accountant's exam is a feat in itself, but to score among the top in the nation is a true honor. Virginia Leigh Harris, a post-baccalaureate student at UK's Gatton College of Business and Economics, recorded the second-highest score in the country on the CPA test given in November, and the highest score in Kentucky.

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"It's an incredible accomplish-nent to do this well on the exam," aid Susan Stopher, executive irector of the Kentucky Board of accountancy, which oversees the est in Kentucky.

Harris' score earned her the Elijah Watt Sells Silver Medal, presented by the American Insti-tute of Certified Public Accoun-

tants, which will be awarded to her in March at the Kentucky Society of Certified Public Accountants. The nation's top scorer received the Elijah Watt Sells Gold Medal.

Harris said she had no idea she had done so well.

"It's a hard test," she said. "I was just glad it was over, and I hoped I passed."

Harris, 30, began preparing three months

passed."
Harris, 30, began preparing three months prior to the exam and attended a UK review Harris

course.
"I really didn't mind studying,"
she said. "There was a whole
stretch from mid-October to the
test in November when I did little

Dan Fulks, associate professor the School of Accountancy, new Harris had the potential to

perform well on the exam.

"I wouldn't bet on anyone finishing number two in the country, but it certainly came as no surprise," Fulks said. "Leight is one of the best students we've had. She certainly kept me on my toes."

Fulks said UK students usually rank very high in the state on the CPA exam. Harris, who was working in an international training program, decided to enroll in classes at UK after doing business work for some of her friends and family.

She was attending UK's Gatton College when she took the test in November.

"UK's department (of accountancy) was great for me. They taught me both, the theory — what the numbers mean and the math," she said.

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In May 1990, she earned a master's degree in international commerce from UK's Martin School of Public Policy and Administration.

In 1987, she received her bachelor's degree from the School of Foreign Service in Comparative and Regional Politics at Georgetown University.

Harris, a Lexington native, joined the tax department of Dean, Dorton & Ford, a Lexington CPA firm, in January.

Harris' achievement marks the second time in less than a year that a UK alumnus received special attention from the AICPA.

In May, Jodi Frazier, 23, who accounting from UK in 1994 and her master's from UK in



State schools reaching out

RICHMOND, Ky. — Universities are increasingly using high-tech devices to broadcast classes to students around the state, and many believe the "distance learning" programs will change almost every facet of higher education.

It is already widely used by many high schools, and distance learning is coming to the forefront of higher education discussions now for several reactions.

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Gov. Paul Patton has touted it as a way to make colleges more efficient and still let them reach out to serve older students who don't live near a uni-

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The state of Kentucky also is getting more technology to make distance learning possible. The state is now in the second year of a federal grant that has provided \$8 million to help set up a network of interactive television sites, known as the Kentucky Telelinking Network.

The state and local governments also have kicked in another \$8 million for the effort. Kentucky already had about 17 such sites before it got the federal grant, said Karen "Sam" Miller, project coordinator for the telelinking network. Miller said her agency used the grant to set up 47 more sites, and hopes to complete at least 45 more this year.

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Satellite delivery, too, is poised to expand. Kentucky Educational Television now has two channels for distance learning. A new contract that takes effect in June will give it three, said Mike Clark, KET's director of programming opera-

When the Council on Higher Education s veyed universities about the number of courses they offer through distance learning, it found that the number had tripled in the last two years. "This thing is really going to explode," said Larry Fowler, the council's director for special

Programs.

Proponents of distance learning see the new technology as a way to spread opportunity to those who otherwise might not have access to higher

who otherwise might not have access to higher education.

For instance, if three people in a remote location wanted to take a certain course, universities would say no because it wouldn't be worth the money to send a professor there.

But if several other spots also have a handful of people who want the same class, the university can combine those groups and use technology to teach the course simultaneously in different sites. It's also a way to save money and time, by cutting down on driving time.

Interactive television, also referred to as compensed video, uses special phone hookups to transmit video and sound. A teacher in one classroom, for instance, can see and hear students across the state almost instantly.

But that's not the only way to teach courses electronically. Kentucky universities had already been delivering "telecourses" by satellite for several years.

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That arrangement allows students at multiple alyears to see the broadcast. The teacher can't see them, but there is a two-way audio connection.

Patton, in a speech to the council last month, suggested that he sees universities teaming up to contribute courses toward a common degree. For example, if three schools had geology programs, each could use distance learning to ofter part of the curriculum, he said.

SOUNDbytes

What do you think of the new UK denim basketball uniforms?



"They've got to be could play basket-ball in blue jeans.

David Foley

"I don't think they should keep changing. They changed them so many times.



"I think blue is blue and that we're still Kentucky and we're still a gr

Emily Wagner



"I think the blue is too dark. I like the old ones better."

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Teachers downplay classics

By Deb Riechmann

WASHINGTON — Computer tilteracy, citizenship and basic skills are more important that learning Shakespeare or Hemingways a survey of public school seachers says.

Tess than 25 percent of 1,164 teachers listed classic works from Shakespeare and Plato, or writings by "American authors, such as Ernest Hemingway or John Steinbeck, as "absolutely essential."

Instead, at least 70 percent of the teachers ranked the three R's, fife value of hard work, citizenship, computer skills and U.S. history and geography as essential components of public school curriculum.

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"They don't think Shakespeare is the be-all, end-all for kids," said Steve Farkas, who worked on the survey released yesterday by Public Agenda, a research group founded by polister Dapiel Yankelovich and former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.

"Computer skills emerge from the pack because the teachers connect that with survival in the real world."

"Among the survey's other find-

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To f factors that might determine career success, teachers place "an excellent academic education" a distant third, with only 21 percent saying it is the most important factor. Persistence and inner drive, and knowing how to deal well with people rank first and second.

To be sure of percent of the teachers think "A" students are "much more likely" to get good jobs, while 46 percent say they are "somewhat more likely" to do so.

The survey also showed that teachers support higher standards for students, but raising them is not their most urgent goal.

They are more concerned about pressures from social problems, lack of funding, overrowded classrooms and a lack of parental involvement, the survey showed.

"Schools are trying to do the parents' job and, in some cases, having to neglect the school's job of teaching a body of knowledge and thought needed to have thinking, educated people," said Delores Obermiller, a teacher for Tyears and dean of instruction at King. High School in Corpus Christi, Texas.

He we valued the classics and basicory and advanced math and science, and gave kids those concepts so that they would be thinking, and knowledgeable, they could learn about computers later, "she said.

The findings of the teacher survey mirrored another Public Agends survey of the general public at stitudes about education.

Keith Geiger, president of the National Education Association, the nation's largest teacher union, said the was glad to see that the eachers and general public both put basic reading, writing and math skills at the top of the list of "absolutely essential" curriculum items.

"absolutely essential" curriculum items.

"It think teachers believe they, have a lot more students in their classrooms who will have jobs that require dealing with computers than, with reading the classics," Gerger said.

"We have to prepare these kids to get jobs."

The survey of teachers' attitudes on public education is based on a telephone survey 1,164 eachers in grades 4 through 12 completed in December and a survey of 237 public school teachers in May 1995.

General public data was col-

in May 1995.
General public data was collected in May 1995 in a national telephone survey of 1,200 adults and a nationwide mail survey of 1,151 community leaders.
The margin of error for both surveys was plus or minus 3 percentage points.

EXCUSEus

Friends' television show production left the UK Public Relations Student Society of America group off as the

Faculty awarded for reform research

Two UK College of Education faculty members received an award for a program that lets Kentucky teachers discuss educa-

Kentucky teachers discuss educa-tion reforms.

Joan Mazur, an associate pro-fessor and Traci Bliss, a visiting assistant professor in the depart-ment of curriculum and instruc-tion, won the 1996 Outstanding Practice Award from the Ameri-can Association of Educational Communications and Technolo-



Education Reform Act, with their dilemmas and accomplishments.

"It is an exciting project and a real contribution to teacher education, as well as to the advancement of development in instructional technology," said Rita Richey of Wayne State University and chair of the awards committee, in a released statement this week.

The project allows teachers to discuss education reform-related cases with teachers in other parts of the state wis electronic mail or video conferencing.

Mazur and Bliss spent about a year and half working on the project, Bliss said.

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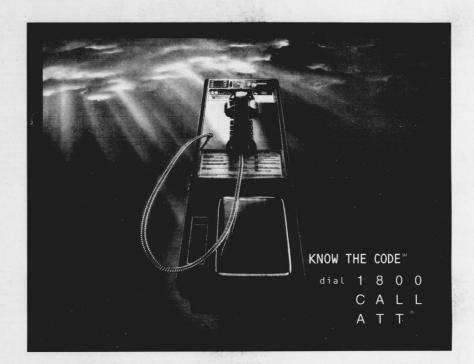
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"By examining other teacher in class teachers gain new insight about their own teaching," Bliss said.

Cases from the series have been used for professional development in Shelby County and a dozen Eastern Kentucky districts. They also have been incorporated into UK's Masters with Initial Certification Program for secondary teachers and are being field-tested in a master's program at the University of Louisville.

Mazur and Bliss wil be presented with the award Friday at the American Association of Educational Communications and Technology national conference in Indianapolis.



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World affairs to love affairs, it's all about respect

s most of you know, I usually utilize this space in order to share the riveting truth about some pressing issue or important principle that is largely ignored or assaulted by my liberal colleagues.

It would be good, once again, to repel the false characterization of the Republican Party that seems to be so fashionable in the fringe today.

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'Dead Man Walking' lacked the honesty

of original version

While Dan O'Neill's review

While Dan O'Neill's review of "Dead Man Walking," does what is undoubtedly a fair and honest job of assessing the strengths and weaknesses of what has quickly become a winner with moviego-ers, I couldn't help but think that something was missing from the story.

something was missing from un-story.

As a student of philosoppy in undergraduate school, and now a law student, I have long been interested in the death penalty here in the United States.

To that end, I found a book on the shelf of Joseph-Beth about three years ago that piqued my interest. The story was told

The Medical Center gushed with pride over its dearen has played out like a prime-time drama. In January, there was the accidental death of a young first-year resident in the anesthesiology department, and a meningitis scare for University Health Services earlier this month. In the past few weeks, the Med Center has faced resignations galore over concerns about insufficient post-operative care. And if that's not enough, several UK patients plan to picket tomorrow to protest changes in the staff that they believe are not sufficient.

Lately there are about as many television cameras on campus as on the set of "ER." What's going on? Has the mighty health care machine thrown a rod?

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resigned and assets to the compensation of the happened.

Three months later Sekela and others resign, patients threaten to picket, and the Medical Center produces a patchwork solution.

So patients, the rest of the community and the media are left to wonder: Have the problems at the Medical Center really been solved?

TALKback!

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All material should be typed and double-spaced, but hand-written will be accepted if it is legible.

Include your name and major, as well as your address and telephone number for verification.

We reserve the right to edit all material.

of the Republican Party that seems to be so fashionable in the fringe today.

I could take the time to report on what new landmark legislation the 104th Congress just passed, or how the Democratic machine in Frankfort is broken-down on the side of the road. This is Valentine's Day, however, and some things are just more important than politics.

Please allow me to digress in a brief essay on relationships.

There are scientific relationships.

There are scientific relationships are very important. Whenever you knock off a Head of State in a game of golf and then brag about it at the next G-7 summit, you're just asking to go to war.

Of course, there are many complex mathematical relationships, though I have it on good advice these are changing. It seems, under KERA, 2 plus

lvice these are nanging. It seems, nder KERA, 2 plus 2 doesn't necessaril have to equal 4 any

have to equal 4 anymore.
Relationships will always dominate family get-togethers as the uncles contend for the right to preside over the barbecue and the aunts square off with their desserts.
Let's face it, we are a product of our relationships. So at this time of relations scrutiny, let us consider our proper place in any given relationship and resolve to find that inevitable area improvement is needed.
Bosses, it may be time to give a where improvement is needed.
Bosses, it may be time to give a word of encouragement to that special secretary who does more to put up with your disorganization, contradictory dictates and chicken scratches than decemple demands. Likewise, this might be a good time for disgruntled employees to really stop and con-

sider if it was really that funny when they put laxatives in the manager's coffee.

Professors must consider if a good relationship with their students is worth being risked by that term paper you scheduled us to turn in the day after we come back from spring break. Students must also decide the intelligence of actually doing that stupid paper during Spring Break.

If the free world is to survive, fashion designers need to remember some basic rela-

-David Samford Kernel Columnist

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than you would yourself."

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I would be remiss, however, if I failed to acknowledge the relationships most relevant to this

For all the better halves out

season.

For all the better halves out there, please take into account his hopeless tendency to be human and make mistakes. If he was so bold, for example, as to bake for you this Valentine's Day, tell him you liked it anyway. Remember it's the thought that counts. For all you other halves, never forget that she is a lady and is to be honored, respected and cherished. Treat her halves, never forget that she is a lady and is to be honored, respected and cherished. Treat her hetter than you would yourself.

It all comes down to this, the relationships we foster now will say much about us in the future.

So whether you are hosting a Perun.

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So whether you are hosting a Perun at the delegation in the hopes of promoting international goodwill or just taking pleasure from the quiet where you fail short.

The great thing about a relationship is that it can always be something more valuable than it was the day before.

Staff Calumins David S. Samford it a political science senior.

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House." Bob Dole, after his victory in Iowa's presidential caucuses Monday night.

Romantics can be cheap and still creative

nless you have just recently been whacked over the head with a large, blunt object, then you certainly realize the significance of today.

At this point, you're either thinking one of two things: the Bulldogs come into Rupp Arena for a rematch with the Cats... or it's Valentine's Day.

While I'm more apt to answer in the first group, I am not so absent-minded as to forget that the Love Holiday is right around the corner. Although it offers romance for many loving couples, this day also poses problems for both guys and girls.

Guys, if you've got a special someone that you're interested in, then you had better get her something to show her you actually care. That is, if you desire for her o acknowledge your existence anytime before the next presidential election.

ocurse, was "Dead Man Walking."

Far from being a novel,
though, it was a compelling and
decisive look at the death penalty
through a work of documentative
non-fiction.

Those who have been struck
by the "gripping attention" of the
film, and its ability to "draw viewers," should definitely read the
book. While it does not present
as delicate a balance between
sympathy for the victim of a statesponsored murder, and the compassion and pain of the families of
the victims of the crimes which
promulgated the death sentence,
as the story portrayed in the film,
it remains an honest, straight-forward assessment of where we are,

If you are like most guys, you'll be hitting Kroger's around midnight. First, a casual stroll down Hallmark Lane looking for the first card with a heart on it. Next, a quick jaunt to Candy Court for a box of chocolates (not large enough as to cause weight gain but not too small as to seem cheap). Finally, you skip on over to hand pick a single rose out of the fridge. You're a true romantic,

Try to muster up a little creativity for your sweet little darling. Instead of roses, give your sweetheart something she

where we've been, and where we may be heading with the death penalty in the United States.

Real hockey fans

aren't goofing off

We "real" hockey fans would like to point out one small problem with yesterday's article. When the Cats score the chant is supposed to be "We're gonna beat the puck outta you." This keeps the spirit of the game in mind. People who don't know what they're doing get it wrong every time. One more thing—if the mad hatters insist on wearing those hats we would appreciate it if they wouldn't sit on the front row. A person can't see over those stupid hats.

Jason V. Reed

Richard Glenn

chewing tobacco so she can join you on your next outing. Rather, she wants to see that you've spent some time and thought on her.

Why not revert back to your childhood days. Break out the red construction paper, the Elmer's glue, and a pair of safety scissors (no need to get dangerous and haphazardy slice an artery). Before long the creative juices will be flowing like mercury from a shattered thermometer in a chemistry experiment gone swry.

With any luck at all. she wants to see that you've spent ignorant, but I still love you. Go and make e. e. and thought on her.

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With any luck at all, today's mail won't be stated altogether in a glob. Now grab a pen and fill the bring the meal to a climactic endeard with phrases like "Roses are ing. Sniff, sniff. You can almost

smell the love in the air!

If you don't have that significant other, then today may be similar to dousing an open wound with rubbing alcohol and Tabasco sauce.

sauce.

It just reminds you that, hey, you're single. Guys can deal with this in several ways.

One way is by casually asking female acquaintances to dinner or a movie while mumbling something about it being 'low-key' or 'just a friends sort of thing.' Ladies don't be fooled.

A lot of guys out there need a date (because that's exactly what it is) to save face. Being alone on Valentine's Day? Perish the thought!

thought!
Another way men deal with this is by acting as if it's just another day. After all, it is ... isn't it? I mean, what's the big deal with buying babes candy and sending oocey-goocey cards? You're right ... it shouldn't be that big of deal. It's just another hyped-up holiday that retailers have glorified in order to bring in more bucks.

These are the same guys who rationalized going to the prom

These are the same guys who rationalized going to the prom stag.

Granted, there are also females who fall into the alone-but-wish-l-wasn't category. Being dateless today isn't the end of the world. Look at the other side of the coin. It's better to not have a date than to go on a bad one isn't it?

Suppose your date picks you up. Suddenly you realize—list brother and fiancee are now lagging along.

Next thing you know, the guy has pantyhose on his head and is screaming at passing cars. Then he's bowing in reverence to the ice cream freezer in Kroger's. Staying home sounds like heaven in comparison, right?

Nevertheless, whether you're single or not, tomorrow still lasts only 24 hours. Until next time, keep your feet on the ground and keep baking heart-shaped cookies. Victory!

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true romantic, aren't you? Wake up fellas!

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birds are singing. The sun is shining brightly. You and your dearest
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Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) It is Valentine's Day, and nobody wants to be with you. "Is it asking so much to be loved?" you cry. Well, yes, to be perfectly honest. You're ugly, you're really no fun to be with, and you smell funny. I think it's asking an awful lot that people even talk to you.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Beware. The person you thought was crazy about you is just crazy. Your significantly vengeful other has decided to wait until Valentine's Day to break up with you because it hurts so much more that way.

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You will find love today. That is, "find" in the sense of "encounter"

— you will encounter a number of people who are in love with other people. Did you ... did you really

think I meant you and someone else getting together? Ha ha! Of course not. You'll be dateless and miserable like always.

Sagitarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
You demonstrate your deep devoint to your pet dog ... by giving her a nice squeaky toy and a new supper dish.

Somehow, you manage to keep your tendencies toward bestiality in check.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
To show your affection for the one you adore, you slaughter a cow and surgically remove the heart, which you present to your one and only.

Creative, maybe, but I think you might have missed the point. The hearts you give ought to be chocolate or made of candy, not blood-caked.

Aquartius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Happy couples actually go out of their way to laugh at you because they are in love and you are alone and bitter. They enjoy throwing their joy in your face.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)
The closest you will come to love tooday is if you buy a romance novel and imagine that you are one of the main characters.

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