



## Armed robbers break in to UK students' apartment

By Darusha Shafa  
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Five people, four of them UK students, were victims of a home invasion robbery early yesterday morning.

Four men wearing black sweat-shirts, ski masks and gloves and carrying shotguns knocked on the door of an apartment on Crescent Avenue at midnight. After 20 minutes in the apartment, they duct-taped their captives' hands and feet before leaving with money, cell phones and some electronics.

Justin Wides, 22, who is not a UK student, Jesse Leach, an undeclared freshman, and Stu Steene, a communication junior, live in the apartment and were there at the time of the incident. Ryan Fister, 20, of Colorado, was visiting and Leach's girlfriend, who was not named, was also at the apartment. Another roommate, undeclared sophomore Justin Woodward, was

not home when the robbery occurred.

No one was injured in the robbery. Fister said he was sleeping on the couch in living room and answered a knock on the door. When he opened the door, he said one man placed a shotgun to his stomach, grabbed his neck and ordered him onto the ground. Three other men entered and then ordered Fister to wake anyone else who was there, Fister said.

Fister said he attempted to wake Wides, and when he did not answer his locked door, the intruders kicked it open, Wides said. They also broke open Woodward's locked door, Woodward said, although he was not home at the time. They then ordered the five onto the ground, Wides said.

"They were pretty rough to get us on the ground," Wides said. "Once we were on the ground they weren't rough at all."

The four intruders eventually made off with cash, four cell phones, a digital camera, a camcorder, a watch, a Palm Pilot and Fister's wallet. Fister said they also took his keys but did not steal his car.

Wides said he believed he'd met one of the intruders before. "One of them sounded familiar. Like a friend of a friend of a friend," Wides said, suspecting he may have remembered him from a party. "At least one of them had been here before."

After gathering up the stolen items and money, the men bound the five's hands and feet with duct tape.

"They didn't do it very well," Wides said. "(It took) less than a minute (to free ourselves) and then we called the police."

Police arrived within minutes and Woodward said police took some evidence from the apartment and dusted his computer for fingerprints.

But after the ordeal, the emotions have not faded. "We're just pretty pissed off — angry," Wides said. "For all the trouble they went to get some cash and some phones, it was too much. Overkill."

Woodward said it was unnerving because of how busy the neighborhood is.

"There's always people walking around here," he said.

The robbery at Crescent Avenue is the third home invasion in a week. The first took place Thursday on Hartson Drive and ended with the homeowner being shot several times and the robbers escaping with an undetermined amount of cash. The second robbery occurred Sunday on Post Oak Road when multiple armed robbers entered the home and escaped with jewelry and an undetermined amount of cash.

Woodward said their landlord is planning to install a peephole in the door and more lights around the

apartment building. "We're going to be more cautious about opening the door," Woodward said. "It's kinda scary that this can happen."

In the apartment next door, John Lansden, an agriculture economics senior, and his friends were playing cards and watching television but were unaware that anything had happened.

"We didn't even hear about it until this morning," Lansden said. "(We'll) just lock the doors more."

Sgt. Pete Ford with Lexington Police's robbery unit, said police are going to keep a closer eye on the area as well as asking the public for any help at all in solving this crime. He said residents should lock their doors and check through a peephole or a window before answering the door.

"If you see something suspicious or any unusual activity," he said, "don't hesitate to call police." E-mail dsafa@kykernel.com

## Rondo drives Cats to win over Vandy

By Ben Roberts  
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Pass it. Those seemed to be the only two words out of Tubby Smith's mouth last night.

With his Cats coming off their worst shooting performance of the season in Sunday's loss to No. 2 Kansas, the UK head coach clearly thought more passing would lead to better shots.

He was right. The Cats knocked down 58 percent of their field goal attempts, their best effort of the season, and defeated the visiting Vanderbilt Commodores 69-54 last night at Rupp Arena.

Junior forward Kelenna Azubuike said he and his teammates had no problem hearing Smith's pleas from the court.

"He would just yell 'pass the ball' a lot," he said. "No matter how loud it is in there you can still hear him."

Freshman guard Rajon Rondo went eight-of-11 from the field to score a career-high 18 points, and he added four rebounds and four assists to lead UK (11-2, 2-0 SEC) offensively.

Rondo's playmaking ability in the halfcourt offense enabled his teammates to get several open looks throughout the game. He continually penetrated to the basket, which forced the Vanderbilt defenders to collapse on him and leave their defensive assignments.

"I thought Rajon really controlled the game," Smith said. "He has the ability to do that both on the offensive and defensive ends."

"He can really explode to the basket. We just asked him to be more aggressive and drive as deep as he could."

Senior forward Chuck Hayes shot five-of-eight from the field and four-of-five from the free throw line for 14 points. Most of his opportunities came in the paint as a result of Rondo's penetration.

"It helps a lot (when he's penetrating)," Hayes said. "When you've got a kid like Rajon, with his speed and his passing, you can only get excited because you know it's coming."

Rondo and the rest of the UK starting lineup showed a complete shooting turnaround after combining to go 14-of-52 from the floor in the Kansas loss. The five starters hit 24 of their 39 field goal attempts last night, accounting for 63 of UK's 69 points.

From the start of the game, the Cats passed the ball several times before shooting on almost every possession, working the shot clock to single digits until an open look presented itself.

Smith said he and his staff put more emphasis on passing in the practices since the Kansas game.

"We wanted to pass the ball more," Smith said. "We made it a point (in practice) that nobody was going to dribble until he passed the ball."

The more disciplined offense held UK to just 45 field goal attempts, one less than the previous season's low of 46 in the 60-58 win over Louisville.



Freshman guard Rajon Rondo looks to pass around Vanderbilt's Demarre Carroll in last night's 69-54 win over the Commodores. Rondo finished the game with a career-high 18 points on eight-of-11 shooting for the Cats.

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### SEC Scores

No. 15 Mississippi St. 63
Tennessee 64
South Carolina 64
Louisiana St. 79
Georgia 54
Mississippi 69
Florida 84
Auburn 78 OT

Junior guard Patrick Sparks, who went three-of-five from 3-point range for 11 points, said giving up shots to make the extra pass was the key to last night's win.

"We just tried to work it around a make them play defense," Sparks said. "I think we're starting to work better as a unit and see where our shots are going to come. That's going to help us in the long run."

### Notes

Seven schools have requested freshman guard Joe Crawford's transcripts from UK, team spokesman Scott Stricklin said.

Michigan State, Clemson, Arizona, Kansas State, Pittsburgh, Oklahoma and Illinois have all contacted UK, he said.

Stricklin said he did not know if Crawford has spoken with any of the seven schools.

Crawford left the team earlier this week and plans to transfer.

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Vanderbilt	30	24	54
Kentucky	33	36	69

### Vanderbilt (54)

NAME	mi	fr	3-pt	ft	rb	tp
Moore	29	2	0	2	3	0
Holwerda	28	2	4	0	1	4
Przybylski	24	2	5	2	3	1
Foster	25	3	6	2	1	4
Terrill	28	2	3	0	1	6
Gordon	12	0	2	0	0	0
Cape	18	1	2	0	0	3
Canell	2	0	0	0	0	0
Smith	30	5	2	4	4	2
Skubas	4	0	0	0	0	0
Team	200	17	44	30	11	16

### Kentucky (69)

NAME	mi	fr	3-pt	ft	rb	tp
Rondo	8	1	1	2	4	18
Sparks	31	4	9	3	0	11
Azubuike	32	6	1	2	3	16
Morris	16	1	3	0	2	4
Hayes	33	5	8	0	4	14
Moss	8	1	1	0	0	3
Bradley	19	0	3	0	1	2
Carrier	4	0	0	0	0	0
Perry	2	0	1	0	0	2
Alleyne	4	0	0	0	0	0
Thomas	7	1	0	0	0	4
Team	200	26	45	13	11	21

## Blood substitute in city may lower mortality rates

By Becky Hall  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Lexington ambulances began carrying PolyHeme Dec. 14 as UK continued its participation in ongoing clinical testing of the blood substitute.

PolyHeme, manufactured by Northfield Laboratories of Evanston, Ill., has the ability to carry oxygen and is universally compatible to all blood types, potentially allowing emergency workers to keep patients alive during cases of massive blood loss.

"Other benefits we will change mortality significantly by administering PolyHeme in the field," said Dr. Andrew Bernard, a general surgeon at UK and the trial's principal investigator.

Bernard said 10 Lexington ambulances are now carrying PolyHeme in addition to several emergency vehicles in surrounding Kentucky counties. One Georgetown ambulance has carried PolyHeme for more than a year but has yet to enroll any patients in the study.

"Currently we haven't enrolled any patients because none have met the criteria," said Duane Lee, director of Georgetown-Scott County Emergency Medical Services. "However, I perceive that we will enroll a couple of patients within the next year."

Lee said that besides being an adult trauma patient with no prior stated objection or objection from family members, possible candidates for the study must also have a systolic blood pressure below 90 and no clearly mortal injuries.

Because this is a blind trial, patients who do meet all criteria have a 50/50 chance of receiving PolyHeme. Those who do not receive PolyHeme will be administered saline solution, the current form of treatment, until they arrive at the hospital. Once admitted to the hospital, PolyHeme patients will continue to receive the blood substitute for up to 12 hours, Bernard said.

Patients receiving saline will be administered proper saline or blood transfusions to boost oxygen levels.

Bernard said that in many ways PolyHeme is superior to human blood.

"People who have received more than six units of blood run the risk of organ failure. With PolyHeme we have seen an overall improvement in the patient (in hospital trials)," Bernard said. "The most severe side effect we've seen with PolyHeme is a rash."

Other benefits of PolyHeme include a shelf-life of more than a year compared to six weeks for blood, and because it is purified, the chance of transmitting a virus to a patient through PolyHeme is one in several billion units, Bernard said.

If the nationwide trial provides evidence of the benefit and safety of PolyHeme, its possible uses are widespread.

"If it becomes marketable it can potentially benefit many situations where there is a need to restore oxygen carrying capacity in blood when no blood is available," he said. He cited the possible use of PolyHeme in small or rural hospitals where limited amounts of blood are available, as well as on battlefields and in cases of natural disasters.

Bernard said community response has been overwhelmingly supportive of the study.

Local emergency workers are also upbeat about the study.

Chuck Fowler, battalion chief for the Lexington Fire Department, said PolyHeme will be more beneficial than saline fluid in the field and allow emergency workers to treat patients more effectively in the critical moments before they reach a hospital.

"Our men and women are excited to do something so cutting edge, something that has such potential to benefit people," he said.

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## K-Lair diners now have option of sandwich to honor employee

By Elizabeth Troutman  
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Four years ago, K-Lair manager Doug McKenzie said he spent hours sitting in his newly renovated office looking out a window facing the line of customers. After the renovation, he wanted to make sure that he was still able to greet the students as they passed in the line.

"You see, I have this window over the I-75," he said, looking out from that desk. "They (students) knock all the time. I said I wanted to see everyone that goes through here, but I don't want to see every order."

Now students won't have to wait in line to see him.

After nearly 35 years of service, McKenzie is being honored with his own sandwich called "The McKenzie." A 6-foot cardboard cutout of 5-foot-9 McKenzie has been designed to promote the new sandwich at the entrance of the grill.

"Actually our executive director, Jeff (DeMoss), came up with the idea," he said of the sandwich. "He couldn't give me a raise, so he gave me a sandwich."

The McKenzie is a quarter pound of beef with ham,

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## Builders break ground on two campus-area development projects

By Shannon Mason  
THE KENTUCKY KERNEL

Boulevard Centro, a development company focused exclusively on urban housing, is bringing new, trendy condos to Lexington.

The company has two work sites in Lexington: Center Court, which is located at the intersection of South Upper Street and Euclid Avenue, and City Courts, located on South Martin Luther King Boulevard.

The Center Court project consists of three phases. Phase one will see the completion of 72 condos.

"This phase is expected to be completed by spring 2006," said Carrie Lear, director of sales and marketing. "The entire area should be completed within a year of that."

Lear also said that the majority of the condos would be residential, but some will be open for businesses.

The condos in Center Court will have open loft floor plans, 10-foot ceilings, at least two cable connections and bamboo flooring in the main living areas. The building will be secured and have private parking in a parking deck attached to the building. Some condos will feature

private balconies.

The City Court condos also feature open loft floor plans and 10-foot ceilings. Covered parking will be provided in a basement parking garage, and each condo will have expansive windows.

Final prices have not been set, but Lear estimated the condos will start at \$125,000.

Although the condos are not being marketed to a particular group, Lear said they have had interest expressed by some groups more than others.

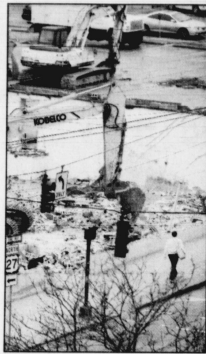
"We've had the most interest from graduate students," Lear said, "not really (undergraduate) college students."

She also said people who work downtown or work at UK may be interested in the condos since the sites are only blocks away.

Boulevard Centro also has other apartments and townhouses in the South Hill area in Lexington and obtained the Center Court location to add to the sense of community there.

"We wanted to create a big neighborhood," she said.

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Boulevard Centro work crews demolish areas near South Upper Street and Euclid Avenue (left) and S. Martin Luther King Boulevard to make way for new housing developments.

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### CORRECTION

An article in Wednesday's Kernel incorrectly stated the results of a vote at Tuesday's Lexington-Fayette Urban County Council meeting. The measure against condemnation of Kentucky-American Water Co. passed with a 9-6 vote.



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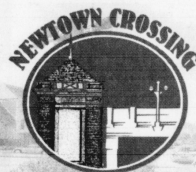
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### IN OUR OPINION

## Senate skirmish a constitutional crisis

Negligence, arrogance and powerful politicians hungry for even more authority are making what should have been a cut-and-dry race for a state Senate seat into an embarrassment for all Kentuckians.

Last Friday, the GOP-controlled Kentucky state Senate decided to seat Republican Dana Seum Stephenson, who defeated her Democratic opponent Virginia Woodward by a little more than 1,000 votes in last November's election for the 37th district.

There's one problem. Stephenson did not have legal residency in Kentucky for six years preceding the election, which is a requirement for state senators under the state constitution. She lived in Indiana from 1997 to 2001.

Woodward filed a lawsuit the day before the election challenging Stephenson's eligibility, which the Jefferson County judge heard and sided with Woodward. The Jefferson County Board of Elections agreed with the judge's decision, and certified Woodward as

the winner of the Senate seat. That alone should have been enough for the senators in Frankfort to seat Woodward, but they didn't.

Instead, a nine-member special committee was formed to recommend to the Senate which candidate should be given the seat — it voted that Woodward was the rightful winner.

But that wasn't enough either. The Senate instead voted 20-16 to seat Stephenson, ignoring the officials in Jefferson County and its own special committee.

The only member who did not vote along party lines was Republican Sen. Bob Leeper of Paducah, who said Woodward should be

seated. A State Senator since 1990, Leeper was so disgusted with the handling of the situation he threatened to resign his own seat. He has since said he will only leave the Republican Party and become an independent.

But Leeper seems to be the only GOP senator more concerned with the integrity of the Senate than the well being of the party.

Reasons given by Republicans for why Stephenson deserved the seat ranged from the fact that she attended church in Louisville while living in Indiana to the revelation that she took naps at her mother's house from time to time.

Naps? So if somebody from another state

sends the night at a Louisville Holiday Inn are they also eligible to represent the 37th District?

The arrogance and utter lack of respect for the Kentucky judicial system that Senate President David Williams and the other GOP senators have displayed should concern everyone living in this state, regardless of party affiliation.

It is clear Williams wants Stephenson in the Senate to give the Republicans 23 of the 38 seats, which would provide them with the majority needed to pass a budget plan. But by strengthening the political power of both himself and his party, Williams is asking for a constitutional battle that has the potential to tie up the state legislature and possibly the Kentucky Supreme Court for an indefinite, and superfluous, period of time.

And another ineffective session from the state legislature is something Kentuckians simply cannot afford.

### Seating Stephenson in the Senate only furthers GOP interests and does nothing to help citizens of the Commonwealth.

## The new political year will be interesting, nasty

They're all back in town. Legislators on the city, state and federal level are all gathering as you read this or at some time in the near future. And nothing less than civil liberties and hard-earned money are at stake.



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After reflecting on the previous sentence, it's completely healthy to feel uneasy. But we could opine about the ineffectiveness, inefficiency and interference of government all day.

Instead, I offer a quick survey of the political landscape and the most important yet contentious issues to be discussed:

**Partisanship**  
Universally bad. Republicans and Democrats are warring at the federal and state level.

The ongoing war in Iraq, proposed Social Security and tax reform and the likely nomination and confirmation process for at least one U.S. Supreme Court justice will probably polarize Congress.

Battles over the state budget, Gov. Ernie Fletcher's tax modernization plan and the unscrupulous confirmation of Dana Stephenson to the Senate's 37th district seat are going to make for a bitter year in the Kentucky General Assembly.

Locally, the Urban County Council is deeply divided over the condemnation of Kentucky-American Water. But there may be hope for bringing the two factions together because the new majority, opposed to the condemnation, may end the duel quickly.

**Tsunami aid**  
Relief efforts for countries stricken by the tsunami were quickly politicized when U.N. official Jan Egeland called the initial U.S. pledge of \$15 million "stingy." Of course, the pledge was only the initial offering, upgraded to \$35 million and subsequently \$350 million. As of Tuesday, American charities had almost matched that, raising approximately \$342 million, bringing the U.S. total to nearly \$700 million.

President Bush had organized a coalition of countries to deliver aid to tsunami victims, but unfortunately he folded under demands from U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan. Organizing the coalition was prudent. The United Nations mismanaged the oil-for-food humanitarian effort — costing the Iraqi people billions — and it cannot be trusted with such sums of money until those guilty are brought to justice.

**Social Security**  
Bush has proposed a Social Security reform plan that would allow younger workers to invest a portion of their payroll taxes into an individual retirement account. While the idea is somewhat popular among younger workers, but our senior citizens — those lovable curmudgeons — are understandably worried about their benefits. General ignorance about investment and economics will probably do a lot to hold up reform. But if it's going to happen, the numbers are about as favorable now in Congress as they ever will be.

Individual accounts are a good idea. There's not enough space here to explain why, but the CATO Institute's Web site ([www.socialsecurity.org/reform/faq/faq.html](http://www.socialsecurity.org/reform/faq/faq.html)) is a good guide.

As a qualifier, seniors on the current system should not have to pay the price for the government's inadequacy. Transition costs should include leaving their benefits untouched, even if it means a temporary tax increase which principled conservatives rightfully oppose.

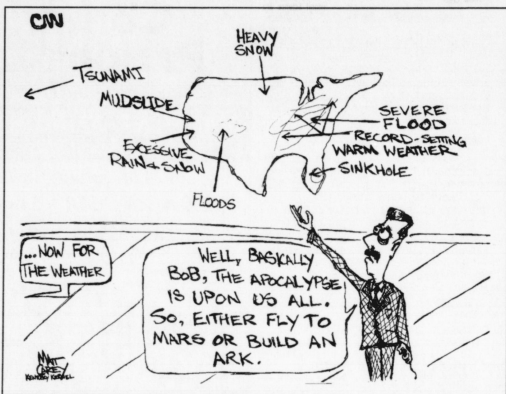
**Tax reform**  
No specific approach has been etched out as of yet. What we do know is that when the federal income tax was established in 1914 the federal tax code was 14 pages long. Today, it is more than 46,000 pages long. Compliance cost about 5.8 billion hours and nearly \$200 billion in 2002. More than 40 percent of Americans are out of compliance with the current tax code.

One of the more provocative solutions is the Fair Tax, a plan described at [www.fairtax.org](http://www.fairtax.org). The plan would establish a national sales tax and eliminate the IRS.

**State budget and higher education**  
If state representatives are going to pass a budget, they only have 30 days in which to do so. A Franklin County judge said the legislature must pass a budget by June 30. How that ruling would be enforced is unclear, but state operations will all but shut down if no budget is passed.

And projects such as renovations to UK dining facilities will continue to stay on hold, as the university is unable to get bond issues to fund them. Planning for a budget also becomes more tedious because the administration is unsure of the level of state appropriations.

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## American space travel has universal appeal

Ugly political scandals, decadent media scandals, controversial movies and the nastiest presidential election most can remember — what an awesome year!



Stephen Burnett  
KERNEL COLUMNIST

But, what might have made the year even more interesting was that despite the destruction of the space shuttle *Columbia* nearly two years ago, 2004 saw multiple fascinating steps toward increasing human presence in space someday. One problem: that news didn't get as high-profile coverage as the election, two weird people surnamed "Jackson" and other twisted reality TV shows.

Part of it is bad public relations on NASA's part. Space travel needs to look cool again to a nation that likes to be entertained. In short, NASA needs a Steve Irwin.

One year ago, President Bush addressed NASA at its headquarters in Washington, D.C. For those who forgot or missed it, Bush echoed John F. Kennedy's call to journey to the moon, calling for NASA to regroup and reorganize after the *Columbia* disaster and implement a vision toward returning to the moon, first with robots, then with humans by at least 2020.

So why didn't more people think, "Hey! Wouldn't another moon landing be great?" Isn't anyone jealous of our ancestors because they got to see the first lunar landing but we missed it? And don't more Americans want to answer Tom Hanks-as-Jim-Lovell's question at the end of *Apollo 13*: When will we return to the moon? Or travel to other worlds? I thought humanity liked Other Worlds. We read books about other

worlds. Half of all movie trailers seem to begin with the phrase "in a world where ..."

But maybe people are reluctant to go out and actually explore other worlds because that takes money. And sure, many complained when they found out Bush wanted to start increasing NASA's budget just a little every year.

Liberals thought we should use the money for drugs, education, health care, blah blah blah, the usual. Meanwhile, some conservatives thought it would be stupid to consider spending money on rocket ships when we've got terrorists to kill.

I don't get this. Surely space exploration is something everyone can agree on, regardless of religion, background, creed, whatever. You doubt?

Liberals, secularists, humanists — many of you buy into the whole "find extraterrestrial life" thing, and if you find any of that, then it not only makes God look bad but it makes Earthlings look silly for acting as if we're the only ones around. Also, if there are aliens out there, then you could safely assume most of them don't have adequate access to health insurance, so we would need to fix that.

And conservatives — what gives? This is the perfect opportunity for America to take the lead in space getting slightly shown up by Red Russia in the early '90s. And you've forgotten what else we can do up in orbit and beyond: strategic missile defense.

Or think about a prison facility for captured al-Qaeda combatants inside a lunar crater. We could even give the prisoners space suits.

Both sides: Don't sneer at space funding until you've thought through all the possibilities.

It doesn't take a whole lot to fund the new stuff, either. NASA's stuff may look

expensive, but it costs a mere fraction of the budget the Department of Agriculture annually throws into American dirt.

And this year a few people go to work without NASA — including millionaires with spare time like arch-humanist Paul Allen from Microsoft, who funded the X-Prize competition for private spaceflight. Last year, adventure-geek Mike Melvill won the \$10 million by steering his *SpaceShipOne* craft up from a carrier plane past the atmosphere three times.

Meanwhile, British entrepreneur Richard Branson wants to launch a space-tourism company with a silly name like "Virgin Galactic," and the founders of Amazon.com and PayPal are building other space vehicles. And did anybody know that a bill to allow private space ventures just cleared Congress and was signed by the president last month?

Come on, liberals — we can't have the greedy capitalists monopolizing this. Time to start throwing more money at NASA.

Conservatives, why not throw some money at a friendly capitalist adventure-geek someplace?

And for the rest of us Earthlings — today, the *Haystack* probe will plummet down toward the planet Saturn's largest moon Titan, maybe splashing into an ocean.

On Mars, the *Spirit* and *Opportunity* probes are still alive after a year of action and they're still working hard on opposite sides of Earth's sister planet. Meanwhile on Earth, NASA's space shuttles are back in action beginning this spring.

This century could get more interesting for all of human civilization, if we let it.

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## K-Lair

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pepperjack cheese and a chipotle sauce. The promotion for the sandwich begins next week, but they started selling it on Monday.

"We were open Sunday and people were asking for it," he said. During exam week last semester, K-Lair gave out samples of the sandwich.

McKenzie plans on taking a leave of absence in the summer and is considering leaving K-Lair for good. He said he is interested in working in his yard and doing some landscaping.

"I like the fact of being off in the summer," he said.

Brett Morris, marketing director for UK's dining services, said McKenzie will be missed if he decides to leave.

"It will happen at some time," Morris said. "Retirements don't take the first time around. But I hope he sticks around until we can bury him out back."

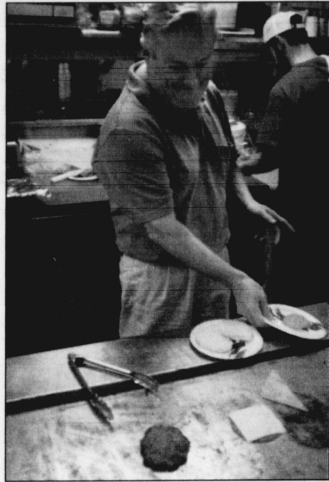
Joking about McKenzie, Morris said he has been a foundation for the popular student diner.

"Great places are built from the top down, then back up from the bottom," Morris said. "But you have got to have a leader. He's all we've ever known."

Marketing and finance sophomore Colleen Santo said McKenzie has been a great boss.

"He brings a personality to it," she said. "He definitely has camaraderie with most of the customers. He jokes around and makes it fun."

History sophomore Tim Cross is a K-Lair employee and said McKenzie sets a



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Doug McKenzie has worked at K-Lair Grill for almost 35 years. To honor his service, the grill will offer "The McKenzie" sandwich.

welcoming work atmosphere.

"He keeps the work environment efficient but fun," Cross said. "A good combination of getting the job done and kidding around."

McKenzie said that he enjoys working with the college community and that many of the student employees have a great experience working at K-Lair.

"Our turnover rate is not high," he said. "If they start working here, they stay. It's a nice place to work. We like to make it a learning experience."

McKenzie said over the years he has had former student employees come in with their children who are now at UK. He said that K-Lair has been through many changes since he began working at the grill in 1970.

"In August 1970 it was a cash-only operation," said McKenzie. "We probably did \$300 a day. Today, we'll do \$12,000."

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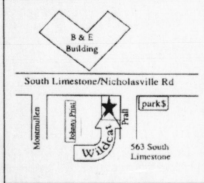
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