

Kentucky Kernel



UK's homosexuals fear discrimination

By VICTORIA MARTIN
Senior Staff Writer

John is a communications senior who comes from a "good" family. He works part time and leads the social life of an average college student. And he's gay.

Like many other gay UK students, John said he is reluctant to talk about his sexuality with anyone other than his close friends, mainly because the predominant attitude toward gays among the UK community is negative, he said.

"I have friends on campus that don't know that I'm gay, and I don't know how they would react or if they would still be my friends if they found out," said John, who's real name has been withheld at his request to protect his identity.

John said he used to have many friends in fraternities, but he never quite fit in with the greek crowd. He became reclusive until he began working on campus about two years ago.

Soon after he got his University job, he began socializing with people from work. He discovered that a good friend of his from work was gay, and John later started dating him.

"I used to go out with girls, but it never felt right," he said. "At first, I thought it was because I wasn't adequate, but I realized I didn't enjoy going out with girls romantically. I realized that I shouldn't have to be a certain way.

"At first, I thought I couldn't be friends with straight people anymore, but I was wrong. My roommates I have right now are heterosexual, and they know I'm gay, and it doesn't bother them. It's just a fact of my life, and I'm the same person I was before."

But John said although he believes he isn't different just because one facet of his personality has changed, many people refuse to accept his homosexuality.

He said he doesn't like the fact that some people judge him solely by his sexual preference, but he doesn't let it bother him.

"My basic philosophy is that I'm going to be as nice as I can be," he said. "If I act nasty to people who don't understand me, it'll just cement their feelings. When people encounter something they don't understand, they're going to be scared. I'm not going to go around hating them."

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Students required to act on health mandate

By DALE GREER
Editor in Chief

In addition to tuition bills, class schedules and financial aid forms, UK students will have one more piece of paper to contend with this fall.

Because of a new law requiring college students to carry health insurance, the UK Registrar's Office will be mailing Insurance Compliance Cards to all students who have pre-registered for fall classes.

Students are obligated to fill out the orange card and indicate how they will meet the state requirement, said Randall Dahl, UK registrar.

The card, which will be included with this fall's tuition bills, must be returned to UK no later than the last day to pay tuition, Sept. 11.

Students who fail to return a completed card will be blocked from registering for spring classes until the oversight is corrected, Dahl said. UK will not, however, withhold diplomas or academic records.

In 1990, the Kentucky General Assembly passed a law requiring all full-time college students to carry health insurance that pays for 14 days in the hospital and 50 percent of related doctor's fees.

The law also covers students who are taking 75 percent of a full-time course load. For UK's fall and spring semesters, that is nine or more credit hours.

Dahl said there are two ways students can comply with the insurance mandate: If they are covered by an existing policy such as a parent's; or if they purchase suitable insurance through UK or a private carrier.

Dahl stressed, however, that all students must return the insurance compliance card even if they have adequate coverage or don't intend to take a full course load.

"The biggest concern is that students may ... say, 'Oh yeah, my dad's got insurance,' and they're not recognizing that there is a second step in there — that they have to fill out and send in the orange card," Dahl said.

"We're trying to alert people to look for the orange card and do something about it. If they don't, shortly after the deadline to pay fees, we will send them a first and final warning."

The card requires students to indicate how they plan to comply with the insurance mandate. Students who are covered by an existing policy must provide the name of the company issuing the

policy, the policy number and the policy holder's name and relationship to the student.

Dahl said most undergraduates probably are already covered by a parent's policy, but he said it is important for them to check with their parents to be sure.

"Part of the message for undergraduates is that it's important for them to discuss this with their parents because a substantial majority of them in the traditional age group will be able to be in compliance on the strength of health insurance owned by their parents," Dahl said.

As a second choice, students may indicate on the card that they plan to purchase insurance through UK. The mandatory student health fee, however, may not be used to meet the requirements of the health insurance mandate.

UK's Student Health Service will, however, offer two insurance plans that do meet them. The first, which covers only the minimum requirements of the state law, will cost \$52 for six

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NEWS

UK aims to build premier organ transplant program

By **KYLE FOSTER**
Arts Editor

After at least two failed attempts to start a heart/lung transplant program, the University of Kentucky Hospital is now rapidly developing one of the best transplant programs in the nation.

Since Dr. Michael Sekela was appointed to develop and oversee the program in February, he has performed four transplants, including Lexington's first heart transplant March 28.

Sekela, director of UK's heart, lung, heart /lung transplant program, also performed Lexington's first lung transplant June 16.

Within a week, he performed two more heart transplants, including Kentucky's first heterotopic transplant — a procedure which involves piggybacking the donor heart onto the recipient heart.

"The whole hospital is riding on cloud nine," said Connie Taylor, UK Hospital heart/lung transplant coordinator. "We've done

three different types of transplants in the past week and a half."

Sekela said he came to UK partly because of the challenge of building a first-rate transplant program from scratch.

Until March, Louisville was the only city in Kentucky with a heart/lung transplant program.

"It was a challenge because a lot of people here said it couldn't be done," Sekela said.

"Before I arrived, a couple of surgeons tried to get the program going but could not access the donor system."

A nationwide organization controls distribution of these organs. In Kentucky and Virginia, the Kentucky Organ Donors Association (KODA) governs their use.

KODA matches organs with patients according to blood and size compatibility.

The organ is then offered to patients as they are prioritized on waiting lists at hospitals with transplant programs.

Although the donor system

may prevent UK's transplant program from continuing at its current pace, Sekela still believes the system is fair and best as it is.

"The system pays attention to how sick the patient is, and that's the way it should be."

"I'm glad surgeons aren't in charge of the system. ... Heart surgeons are maniacs with the biggest egos. If we were in charge, we would be cutting each others' throats. ... You've got to wait your turn — that's the only way."

Despite having to wait its turn for organ donors, the UK Hospital has been lucky over the past few months — It did not have too long for organs because other hospitals had doubts about their quality.

"We thought they were OK so we accepted them," Sekela said. And so did the patients.

There have been no signs of major rejection in any of the patients.

Linda Barnhill, 19, of Wil-

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

WATT NAMED VICE CHANCELLOR FOR RESEARCH AND GRADUATE STUDIES

The UK Board of Trustees has approved David S. Watt as vice chancellor for research and graduate studies for the Lexington Campus.

The appointment became effective June 18.

Watt, chosen through an internal search which began in the spring, has been chairman of the Chemistry Department since 1987 and is a professor of both chemistry and pharmacy. He has received research funding from several sources and is codeveloper of a drug testing procedure for race horses.

GROVES NAMED ACADEMIC OMBUDSMAN

John Russell Groves Jr., associate professor in UK's College of Architecture, has been named UK academic ombudsman for 1991-92. As such, he will be responsible for helping to mediate academically-related problems or disputes that may arise between students and faculty.

Groves is an authority on building codes, liability, contracts and other issues involving legal aspects of the architecture profession.

'RARE EARTH' SCIENTISTS WILL GATHER AT UK CONFERENCE

Scientists from a variety of fields but with a common research interest in the "rare earth elements" will meet in Lexington for the 19th Rare Earth Research Conference, co-sponsored by UK, July 14-19.

Lance De Long, conference chairman, said about 175 scientists from around the world are expected to attend the conference, which will be held at the Radisson Plaza in Lexington.

Also sponsoring the event is Rare Earth Research Conferences, Inc.

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Community college gets a home

Associated Press

MIDDLESBORO, Ky. — After 15 years in leased space, Southeast Community College announced last Wednesday that the school is finally getting a permanent home in Bell County.

College President Bruce Ayers said the city had acquired a 35-

acre site near downtown Middlesboro for the three-building campus.

Ayers said the college, part of UK's Community College System, would share the campus and its nearly 55,000 square feet of space with Kentucky Tech.

That will allow the school to add an associate degree in applied science to the current offer-

ings of degrees in arts and sciences, he said.

The \$10 million for the new campus was approved by the 1990 General Assembly.

Construction could begin as early as December and might be completed by 1993, he said.

Southeast Community College has 2,200 students in Middlesboro, Whitesburg and Cumberland.

Actor Michael Landon dies at 54

MALIBU, Calif. — Michael Landon, the boyishly handsome actor who battled cancer with the same affability he brought to roles in "Bonanza" and "Little House on the Prairie," died Monday. He was 54.

Landon, who also starred in the TV series "Highway to Heaven" and whose career was jammed with writing, produc-

ing and directing credits, died nearly three months after he announced his illness, said Ronne Schmidt, a receptionist for Landon's attorney, Jay Eller.

Landon was set to start work on the new CBS series "US" when he was diagnosed with liver and pancreatic cancer on April 5.

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months of coverage. The cost is the same for students of all ages.

The second plan pays for a broad range of out-patient services such as X-rays and lab work. These services are the kinds of things that college students need most, said Jean Cox, health service administrator.

Six months of coverage under the second plan is \$191 for students under age 35. Older students must pay \$526. Coverage for spouses and children also is available under this plan at an additional cost.

If students indicate on the card that they intend to buy a UK plan, the Registrar's Office will check with student health to verify that the student did, in fact, purchase one.

Students who indicate that they plan to purchase a UK policy but then do not must tell UK how they will comply with the mandate. Those students will be prevented from pre-registering for the next semester until they do so.

While the Registrar's Office will be verifying whether students buy a UK plan, it will not attempt to determine if a student has lied about having suitable insurance from another carrier.

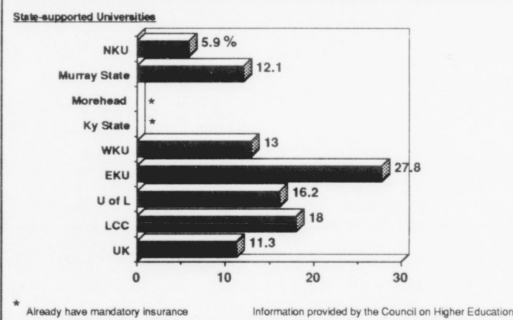
It is possible, Dahl said, for a student to avoid the insurance requirement altogether by falsely claiming he has coverage through a private or employer policy.

"It is the student's responsibility to fill out the card, and they are responsible for what they put on the card," Dahl said. "We have set down for them the requirements of the law as we understand it and we want to encourage and facilitate compliance.

"In a place this big with as complex a structure and as diverse a student population ... implementing something this big becomes complicated. There are a lot of cracks for people to fall between."

To help students understand the complexity of their options,

Estimated Percents of Uninsured Students



the Student Health Service has set up an automated telephone information line explaining the law and UK's health plans.

The phone number for students with touch-tone phones is (606) 233-8982.

Students who have rotary phones or need individual assistance may dial (606) 233-6356 or 257-5390.

Also, in late July, Student Health Service will mail students a package explaining differences in the level of coverage offered by the two UK policies.

Differing levels of benefits have been a point of debate since the health insurance mandate was enacted in 1990.

The state mandate was limited to hospitalization insurance to

keep costs low. But student health officials from across Kentucky wonder whether insurance plans meeting only the minimum requirements are in students' best interests.

"College students typically don't need long-term in-patient care," said Kevin Charles, director of Western Kentucky University's Student Health Service. "They treatment for things like communicable diseases."

UK's Cox agrees: "I would be very uncomfortable if students only had the (minimum) plan be-

cause it's limited to in-patient coverage."

Charles and others have said this kind of plan is not serving the student.

Ed Carter, UK vice president for planning and budget, said students and parents need to make an extra effort to understand what benefits are not provided by low-cost plans that offer only in-patient hospitalization.

"Students need to be careful as they are selecting insurance so that they understand what they're getting," Carter said.

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SPORTS

Cawood calls it quits

By **BOBBY KING**
Sports Editor

Cawood Ledford leaned back in the chair in his office with a cloud of smoke hovering around his head. He took a puff from his cigarette and then sat down to yet another interview.

These days, following last week's announcement of his retirement after the completion of upcoming basketball season, that's about all he's been doing. Two more sit-downs in the afternoon and then a stack of phone messages to return.

But with just a hint of modesty he blows off all the attention.

"When you announce you're hanging it up it's not a time you expect people to go on the attack," Ledford said. "It's all been more pleasant and more reward-

ing than I ever thought it would be."

Like they would any good friend, long-time listeners to his UK basketball and football broadcasts just call him 'Cawood.'

After 38 years behind the big blue mike Cawood decided to call it quits last week. Like a judge laying down the law, he gave himself one more year.

Generations of Wildcat fans have come to depend on Cawood to bring them the action over the years. During that time a relationship has developed between the fans and the broadcaster.

"I like to feel I'm honest with the listener. I feel like the listener is the most important person — if you are on radio — that there is. So I've tried to make him or her the number one priority," he said.

He has done that by giving his audience what they want — an

accurate, unbiased account of the action.

"I think they want honesty. I think they want to know how the team is playing and if it's not playing up to par or not playing well. If it's playing great, I think they want to know that too."

Cawood's introduction to broadcasting was more accidental than anything. While teaching school and helping with the basketball team at Harlan High School in 1951, the local radio station hired then-basketball coach Charlie Ward to do sports commentary.

But at the end of the school year Ward decided to return to coaching, leaving a vacancy at the radio station. Ward called Cawood and told him he wanted to recommend him for the job.

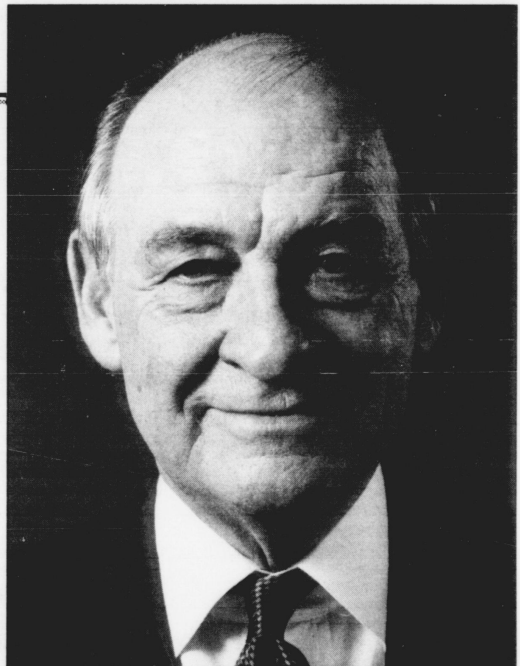
"He thought I'd like it so he did and I got the job and that's how I got started," Cawood remembered.

And the rest is history. Two years later, on September 19, 1953 he called his first UK football game, a 7-6 loss to Texas A & M during Paul "Bear" Bryant's final season.

That December he introduced himself to the UK basketball audience before the Cats 86-59 victory over Temple.

He has seen and announced nearly every UK game, save a few, ever since. During that span there have been seven football coaches, four in basketball, and three athletic directors.

Cawood's retirement has left fans across the commonwealth



wondering how they will get along without him.

"Whenever I hear of a Kentucky basketball game, I think of his voice being behind the Wildcats," said Billy Cox, a sophomore majoring in biology who has listened to Cawood since he was a small child.

"He's a good commentator. He knows everything there is to know about the Cats. It'll be different when he gets replaced. As long as I can remember with UK basketball, he's always been the voice on the radio," Cox said.

Armen Minas, a senior in business administration, could safely be called a Cawood Ledford fan.

"I think he should run for gov-

ernor," said Minas. "People have gotten to know him like a next-door neighbor. I don't even know if he is an original Kentuckian, but he is about as Kentucky as can be."

Although Minas said he could tell Cawood was a UK fan, he said Cawood does not let his feeling get in the way of calling the game accurately.

"He was like a ref when he came to making the calls. He wasn't biased. When it came time he'd point out if the Cats were getting their butts whipped."

Cawood doesn't mind telling you that he is indeed a fan of the UK teams he follows.

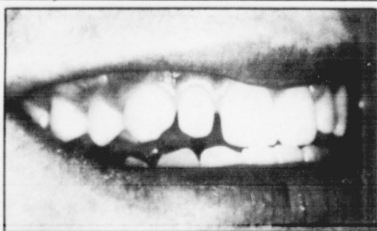
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UK recruits show promise, despite loss

By **BOBBY KING**
Sports Editor

It was supposed to be a coming out party for UK's newly harvested crop of top notch football talent. Instead, it turned out to be a lesson in humility.

Kentucky's 27-7 loss to Tennessee in the Kentucky-Tennessee Football All-Star Classic was not an auspicious introduction for the 11 UK signees who played in the game.

They rode into town like the cavalry coming to the rescue, wanting to make a show of force.

They were going to show the long-suffering UK football faithful that things were going to be different now that they are aboard the goodship Curry.

But, alas, even this, the noblest of goals, was shot down like a gunfighter in the street in the span of only a couple of hours.

So it looks like things aren't going to change after all and



AMY BOYANOWSKI/Kernel Staff

UK recruit Corey Reeves, bottom, has his sights set high for UK.

those bullies from below the border are still going to beat up on the Cats.

Not so.

Although things didn't go their way on this occasion, you can be sure the story will end a bit differently a year or two down the road.

Coach Bill Curry's second recruiting class is blessed with speed, strength and, most important of all, an air of confidence that Kentucky players have lacked for far too long.

Just listen to Leon Smith, a rookie wide receiver from Louisville Trinity, who will leave more

than one defender lying in his dust before he hangs it up at UK.

"I feel like it's just the beginning. We've got a long way to go. It's going to take a lot of hard work, but in the end we'll be the one waving the number one finger in the air," Smith said.

A single case of over-optimism? Maybe. But even after this shaky performance the future Wildcats were impressed with what they saw in their recruiting class.

The ingredients are there and they know it.

"There's a lot of goals," said defensive end Corey Reeves. "...We want to win the Southeastern Conference, and go to a bowl game, and eventually a national championship. We think we've got the talent to do it. I know we've got the coaching staff.

"By the time our class is proba-

bly juniors there is going to be a big turnaround. We're going to be — maybe — a 10-0 ball club."

A 10-0 record? A national championship in football? A Kentucky?

Statements such as these were grounds for commitment (the protective custody kind) not long ago. Now, maybe it's not such a crazy idea after all.

Why are things different now when they were supposed to have been different each year for the past 10 seasons?

Damon Hood is one reason.

Hood is the type of player UK has never been able to lure into the nest before.

He, of the Herschel Walker physique with speed and strength to match, would have fallen all over himself to play football out-

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Youth program stresses fitness

By **DAVID KAPLAN**
Contributing Writer

It's 8:30 a.m. outside the Seaton Center, and there is a huge gathering of children. At first glance, UK students might think they took a couple of wrong turns wound up by an elementary school.

But upon closer examination, they would find it is the Seaton Center. So why the mass of children?

The 22nd annual University of Kentucky National Collegiate Athletic Association National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) is under way, and these children are in the right place. The program tries to improve the physical fitness of disadvantaged youths between the ages of 10 and 16 by offering sports skills instruction.

UK's NYSP is one of 150 nationwide programs which will take place this summer. The program is funded by the Federal Government and sponsored by the NCAA.

The Community Action Agency, a federally funded agency which does things for the community based on need, provides buses which bring the children to the program each day. The US Food and Drug Administration provides food for the children.

Steven Parker has been associated with the program at UK for the past 15 years, two as a

counselor and 13 as the director. "Everybody works together," Parker said, "the University and the Program. We are very lucky to have state of the art facilities provided by the University."

There are no requirements for the children that take part in the

program except that they pass a physical examination. There is a target area, determined by the state Cabinet for Human Resources, from where most of the children come. However, the pro-

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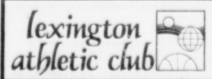
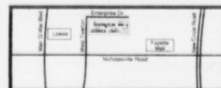
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because I'm gay and they don't understand. It's kind of a challenge to try and change their minds."

According to researchers at the Kinsey Institute at Indiana University, about 10 percent of the world population is homosexual, and about one of every four families has a gay member.

Mike Nichols, director and staff psychologist at UK's Counseling and Testing Center, said some students come to the center

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Ray Stump, Founder of GLUE

to discuss homosexuality, and within the psychologists' offices, students usually are very open about being gay.

"In telling us what it feels to be gay, many people say that it is a basic part of them and they have to be circumspect about it," Nichols said.

He also said that many students come to the center questioning their sexual identity, wondering why they are gay.

And people are reluctant to admit they are gay, especially because there is a misconception that acquired immune deficiency syndrome is a "gay" disease, Nichols said.

A group of Statistics 200 students completed a study two years ago that measured levels of intolerance among students toward "unpopular" groups, including homosexuals. Jon Storck, a business administration graduate student, who spent the 1990-91 school year in Germany, led the study.

Storck said 134 students who

were listed in the UK student directory participated in the study, and they responded with a fair amount of tolerance to most unpopular groups.

But when respondents were asked to select their least-liked group of people, 6 percent identified homosexuals as the group they disliked the most, he said.

According to the study, 38 percent of the 134 respondents agreed that their least-liked groups should be outlawed, and about 30 percent believed that homosexuals should not be allowed to give speeches in their community.

The student researchers concluded that levels of tolerance at UK toward gays was low.

"In closing, we as a group would like to express our concern over the alarmingly low levels of tolerance among the respondents to our survey and hope that our responses are not indicative of the general University," the study stated. "However, we fear that our results reflect the overall attitudes among UK students and college students among the South."

Ray Stump, a recent UK graduate, founded a UK group called Gays and Lesbians United for Education (GLUE) in 1989, hoping to educate the University about homosexuality. GLUE became an official registered student organization during fall 1989.

Stump said when he arrived at UK in August 1989, he realized that UK had no groups that represented the gay community.

"After reading an article in *University Christian*, I realized that we needed a campus group that would combat homophobia," Stump said.

Stump placed a personal ad in the Kentucky Kernel that fall, asking people to respond to him by phone if they were interested in starting such a group. He said he received positive and negative responses.

"Some calls I got were threatening, but those people never left their numbers," he said. "But I got a few people who were interested."

GLUE began by holding weekly meetings and by inviting

speakers to lecture on AIDS awareness and other topics. Stump said he hopes that the group will enable more gay people to come out of the closet, because he thinks that will decrease discrimination against gays.

"I don't think it (being gay) should be that important of an issue, but it is," Stump said. "We are not bad, not good. Just equal."

But GLUE is not the first student group of its kind. Frank Harris, director of the Student Center in charge of registered student organizations, said about seven years ago, a gay student group remained an active organization for two or three years. However, Harris said the group may not have lasted because many UK students refuse to admit they are gay.

"There is a reluctance on the part of some individuals in the gay community to step forward and be recognized as part of a group," Harris said. "They fear

..." he said. "But when the issue becomes a catalyst for confrontation, nothing positive can come of it."

A UK student who asked that his name be withheld said he wished all homosexuals would "come out of the closet because it makes me nervous when I don't know who they are. At least if I know who's gay, I can steer clear of them."

Stump said the issues of homophobia and discrimination are relevant throughout Kentucky and that issues need to be resolved.

He said he was accepted at another institute of higher learning in Kentucky about seven years ago, but just before school started, Stump said officials from that school contacted him and asked him if he was gay. When he admitted to them that he was a homosexual, officials denied his admission to the school, he said.

Harris said about 17 years ago, a gay organization filed a lawsuit against UK because group mem-

bers claimed that University officials would not allow the group to be affiliated with UK. But UK won the lawsuit, and the group never was recognized as an official student organization.

But Dean of Students David Stockham said he has not heard any complaints from students about discrimination toward homosexuals at UK.

Stump said he once spoke to a freshman English class, and he walked into the room holding hands with a woman before the discussion.

"What's wrong with this?" he asked the class.

When class members answered that nothing was wrong, Stump

"Some individuals in the gay community ... fear that once they come out they will be discriminated against."

Frank Harris, Director of Student Center



that once they come out, they will be discriminated against. ... Every day, we come in contact with people who are gay and we don't even know it. We tend to react differently toward them once we know about that one element.

"But I think that people can reasonably and rationally observe things ... and find out that there's more to that person than that one aspect."

Harris said he thinks gay organizations can be helpful in changing attitudes toward homosexuals, but they also can be a point of contention.

"Such groups can be helpful if people succeed in understanding that there is more to a gay person.

bers claimed that University officials would not allow the group to be affiliated with UK. But UK won the lawsuit, and the group never was recognized as an official student organization.

But Dean of Students David Stockham said he has not heard any complaints from students about discrimination toward homosexuals at UK.

Stump said he once spoke to a freshman English class, and he walked into the room holding hands with a woman before the discussion.

"What's wrong with this?" he asked the class.

When class members answered that nothing was wrong, Stump

responded by telling the class that he and the woman both were homosexuals, and that they weren't supposed to be holding hands. He said although most people were silent, they probably got the message he was trying to send them.

He said several faculty and administrators have been very supportive of GLUE.

Steve Davenport, a graduate student in the College of Library and Information Science and GLUE member, said he has been living in Lexington since 1988, and he believes too many people at UK are intolerant toward gays.

He said very few underclassmen belong to GLUE, probably because of peer pressure. Gay freshmen who live in residence halls are especially susceptible to ridicule from peers.

"The fraternities here at UK seem to be negative toward gays," Davenport said. "It seems that if someone in a fraternity is gay, he tends to make fun of others because of prevailing attitudes. It can't be that tolerant around here. Otherwise, there would be more underclassmen coming out."

Davenport said Lexington has a large gay population, relatively proportionate to the gay population of Atlanta, Ga.

Chris Florence, a religious studies student and GLUE member, said people are taught that being homosexual is wrong, which culminates in anonymous sexual encounters in bathrooms, known as "bathroom sex."

He said, however, that people who repress their true sexual preference are unhealthy.

"A lot of people are taught that it is wrong to be gay," Florence said. "So they go to bathrooms to satisfy their sexual urges. It's a matter of denial. You don't see that at our (GLUE) meetings. People who do that don't think of themselves as 'gay.' We need to show those people that it's not wrong to be gay."

Taffy Staley, a Lexington resident, said she refused to accept that she was a lesbian for several years.

"It was hard for me at first,"

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liamsburg, was the recipient of the hospital's first lung transplant June 16.

She remains in intensive care in serious but stable condition, said UK Hospital spokeswoman Mary Margaret Colliver.

UK's second heart transplant patient, Ruth Joy, 60, of Somerset, has been moved from inten-

sive care to a regular room where she remains in fair condition, Colliver said.

And Lena Middleton, 60, of Nicholasville, UK's third heart patient and first recipient of a heterotopic transplant, remains in serious but stable condition in intensive care.

Colliver said she has been taken off the ventilator, is eating solid food and walking around comfortably.

"Everything is pretty much on schedule," Sekela said. "I would

like to get (the program) going faster, but it's not practical."

Sekela said he would like to be doing 20-25 heart transplants a year and 10-15 lung transplants.

He also is interested in temporary artificial hearts, which replace the human heart until a donor organ can be found.

These differ from artificial hearts that permanently replace the human heart, such as the Jarvik-7.

Sekela used the Jarvik-7 while in Houston at Baylor Methodist

Hospital, where he was assistant professor of surgery and co-director of the hospital's multi-organ program for heart, lung, and heart/lung transplantation.

At Baylor it was not uncommon to perform four heart, three lung and two kidney transplants in one night, Sekela said.

"But that won't happen here for a few years."

Sekela said his next step is to train the other cardiothoracic surgeons to perform the transplants.

"That won't be difficult," he said. "What's a little more diffi-

cult is teaching someone to handle the patient after the operation. I'm going to try to bring someone from out of state ... but not for a while. We need to get this program established first."

While it may take some time to get the hospital's program established, Taylor said the entire hospital staff is excited about the progress Sekela has already made.

"We are all in awe about the types of surgery and the level of confidence he has."

Patients, Doctors fear AIDS transmission

Medical associations debate call for mandatory testing

By KYLE FOSTER
Arts Editor

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome has reached epidemic proportions in the United States and the fear of public hysteria has focused the issue of how to protect patients and health care workers from contracting the virus, UK Hospital officials say.

Last week the nations two largest medical organizations, the

U.S. areas with most reported AIDS cases

1. New York State	37933
2. California	33445
3. Florida	16269
4. Texas	12652
5. New Jersey	11390
6. Puerto Rico	5656
7. Illinois	5204
8. Pennsylvania	4921
9. Georgia	4843
10. Massachusetts	3783

Information supplied by the Centers for Disease Control

American Medical Association and the American Nurses Association rejected a proposal for mandatory AIDS testing of health care workers.

Instead, the AMA endorsed voluntary testing of those at high risk of contracting AIDS.

AIDS prevention for health professionals has come under scrutiny since a Florida dentist, Dr. David Acer, infected five patients. This is the only known case of AIDS transmission by a health care worker to a patient.

There are 172,140 reported cases of AIDS in the United States, according to the Centers for Dis-

ease Control.

587 of those diagnosed cases are in Kentucky and 73 are in Fayette County.

But these figures grossly underestimate the spread of AIDS, said Terrence Collins, Kentucky site director for the AIDS education and training center at UK.

"The CDC estimates at least one million people infected with HIV that are not sick yet. ... These people don't show up positive on the test we use," Collins said.

Collins educates and updates health care workers about AIDS and how to protect themselves and provide the best medical care for patients who are infected with the AIDS-causing virus, HIV.

Collins said the costs of implementing and maintaining a mandatory testing program would be astronomical and would bankrupt any organization that tried.

He said a proposal by the Missouri delegation of the American Medical Association requiring hospital patients and physicians to be routinely tested for the AIDS virus demands much more than a simple yes or no answer.

"It's not just (a question of) should it be done. So many other questions, including the economic question are involved and we aren't being given details. Who's going to pay for everything?"

"Everything" in Kentucky includes a state law which requires that any HIV test be accompanied by counseling on AIDS and the implications of a positive test. The counseling is only expendable in emergency cases.

Other health care workers fear

that mandatory testing could jeopardize their ability to earn a living.

Gary Wallace, a Lexington ophthalmologist and president of the Fayette County Medical Society, said many physicians worry that their practices will be devastated if patients learn their doctors are infected with HIV.

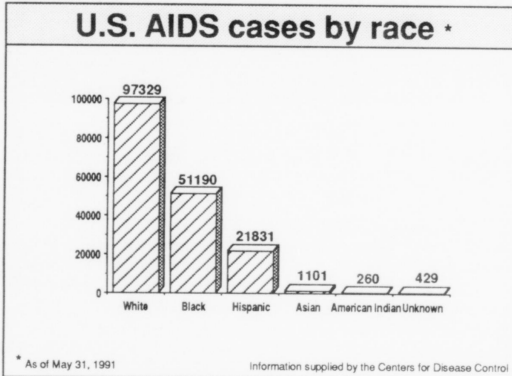
"Their source of livelihood is at risk," Wallace said. "Already, insurance companies are refusing to recognize AIDS as a legitimate reason to pay coverage."

"I am in favor of physicians never putting a patient at risk. I am in favor in most cases of revealing information ... but I think the AMA's position is probably a reasonable one for now."

"I think that if this were made a mandate, then someone needs to intervene between insurance companies and make them pay disabilities."

As the disease spreads, more research is being done to determine its origin and stop its rapid movement throughout the world.

"Trends are changing," Collins



said. "It's not just young white homosexual males anymore. It's women and older people we're seeing the disease in now," Collins said.

In fact, as the number of homosexual cases is decreasing, the number of heterosexual cases is increasing.

Collins said that homosexuals are changing sexual behaviors and becoming more aware of transmission. And the increase in numbers of heterosexual women diagnosed with AIDS is partly related to the crack/cocaine issue.

"Much of the heterosexual transmission is because that's how they get money to buy crack," Collins said. "For women

25 to 30 in New Jersey, AIDS is the leading cause of death.

"This is an important issue to health care professionals because these people are around and they may not tell you they are infected. ... There has only been one (nurse) to die of occupational exposure, but it clearly can happen. Accidents do happen."

Both Collins and Wallace agree that testing will not stop these accidents.

"We're still going to have things go wrong, unfortunately," Collins said.

"There is so much about AIDS that we do not know, but one thing is for sure, this issue will be around for a while."

New

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side of the Commonwealth just a few years ago.

Now, he and players the likes of Emerson Wells, Smith and Reeves, are holding out to see what UK has to offer before taking their business, and talents,

elsewhere (i.e. Michigan or Notre Dame).

They like what they see in Kentucky, which is mainly Curry himself.

They see a winner who has proven that he can teach them as much about life as he can about football.

Reeves said he decided to sign with UK, aside from having a brother here, mostly because of

the atmosphere around the program.

"It just seems like every road pointed this way," he said with an eloquence uncommon to a defensive lineman.

And for UK football, finally, every road is pointing in the right direction.

Sports editor Bobby King is a journalism senior and a Kernel sports columnist.

Fear

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Staley said. "I was disgusted with myself, and I thought there was something terribly wrong with me. But I came to the conclusion that I'm not abnormal just because I'm not like my mother. I'm just different. When I accepted that, I was OK."

"It was harder for me to accept myself as gay than it has been for others to accept me. Now I am very open about my sexuality, and I am finally happy."

Stump said he hopes the rest of the '90s will bring improved tolerance toward gays and will help reduce other types of prejudice throughout the world.

"Everyone feels prejudices toward certain groups in whatever form," Stump said. "It's an ongoing effort to get rid of mindsets. By the time we get to college, it's time to do so."

"Most people think the way they do because of their parents. I'm not saying what parents believe is wrong, but I think we should question the reason we think the way we do and decide that we don't have to think like our parents. It's not wrong to think differently."

Youth

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gram will take anyone.

Many of the people working the camp have careers associated with children. They serve as role models for the children, Parker said. Five of this year's program's counselors attended the program as children.

"You have to be patient with the kids and constantly give positive reinforcement," said Jason Duncan, a business sophomore who works as a counselor.

Philip Burbage, an education graduate student, likes getting in-

involved with the kids. He said he thinks the children "get out of the program what they want to."

Instructors need a strong background in physical education. Gymnastics is the basis for all sports, but the children participate in several activities, including basketball and dance.

Helping the students to become better citizens and getting them to think about career and educational opportunities are also goals of the program.

"We get the young people on campus and try to get them thinking of graduating high school, then going to college," Parker said.

The NYSP offers many educational opportunities. Rape crises, drug and narcotics education and

nutrition education are among the topics. The program has a specialist who teaches the children about the dangers of drugs.

A trip to the Kentucky Horse Park and guest speakers, such as UK assistant basketball coach Bernadette Locke, are also a part of the program.

Many of the children attending the program are appreciative.

"It's a really good program. I think lots of people should come to it," said Dee Smith, a student at St. Peter and St. Paul School.

Shaunte Moberly of Meadowthorpe Elementary School said: "My favorite part of the week is when we go swimming."

DIVERSIONS

'Rocketeer' soars with thrills, fun

By JENNIFER E. HICKS
Contributing Critic

From the opening scenes, "The Rocketeer" grips the audience and does not let go until its explosive finale.

During the whole movie, I held onto my seat in anticipation of the next daring stunt. "The Rocketeer," a Walt Disney Pictures presentation, is a cliff-hanger thriller that provides clean fun for the whole family. The only thing the movie lacks is the graphic language found in most other shows. With scenes of espionage, narrow escapes, frightful high-flying photography and even a touch of romance, "The Rocketeer" is a four-star film.

The story takes place in "Hollywoodland," United States in 1938. Cliff, played by Bill Campbell, opens the movie by flying his plane into the middle of a high-speed car chase between FBI agents and gangsters. Young Cliff gets more than he bargains for when his plane is shot while trying to gain a closer look. The audience then takes hold of its seat in preparation for the ride of

its life.

"The Rocketeer" does not disappoint. Pevey, Cliff's mechanic and long-time friend, played by Alan Arkin, adds a bit of skepticism and wise advice for the young pilot. Pevey and Cliff discover in the cockpit of their plane a rocket pack that appears to make a man fly. Both wonder where the pack comes from, but at the same time are curious to test it.

After testing the rocket on an inanimate object (a statue of Charles Lindbergh borrowed from a competing flight school), Cliff yearns to try it himself. His chance comes when a plane at the local air show blows an engine and needs immediate assistance. Cliff straps the rocket onto his back, against Pevey's wishes, and blasts to the aid of the pilot.

When the crowd sees the "rocket-man," the people go wild. As the host of the air show continues to repeat to the panicked audience, "This is all part of the show," Cliff and the faulty airplane lurch across the sky.

The story twists and turns, and just when the hero and his girl, Jenny (Jennifer Connelly) seem



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Cliff Second (Bill Campbell) and his girlfriend Jenny Blake (Jennifer Connelly) escape from a flaming blimp by scaling a rope ladder.

to be out of danger, another obstacle heads in their direction.

Jenny, who leans toward the silver screen and acting, prefers silk dresses and elegant evenings on the town. On the other hand, Cliff's idea of a good time is dinner at the "Bulldog Cafe," where the pilots hang out.

Timothy Dalton plays the vil-

lain, Neville Sinclair, who is "the third biggest star in America" — and proud of it.

Sinclair wants the rocket for his own motives, which are too evil to mention. He attempts to seduce Jenny to learn more about her boyfriend.

Under the direction of Joe Johnston, "The Rocketeer" thrills

and excites the audience from start to finish. Without a weak moment in photography, acting or direction, "The Rocketeer" soars.

"The Rocketeer," rated PG, is showing at Lexington Green Cinemark, Man O' War Movies 8 and the Skyvue Drive-in Theater.

CBS' 'Baghdad' disappointing

By JAY SHARBUTT
Associated Press Critic

NEW YORK — CBS' "Bob Simon: Back to Baghdad," the eighth Gulf War documentary in two months, airs tomorrow night when a large chunk of American viewers will be watching July 4 fireworks and maybe a parade or

two.

Which is just as well. This is a disappointing program.

That's a shame, given Simon's fine, long record as a war correspondent, particularly his brilliant coverage of North Vietnam's Easter offensive in 1972 after the pullout of U.S. ground forces.

But this effort just tries to tack-

le too much.

Simon and three CBS colleagues were captured by Iraqi soldiers in what he calls a "no man's land" on the Kuwait-Saudi border on Jan. 21, shortly after the Gulf War began with American-led allied air attacks.

It might have been wiser to confine the program to his own personal, impressionistic look back, starting it at the time he and his crew, trying to evade heavy-handed allied censors, set out on their own.

Instead, what you get is mostly the Big Picture, a grim, not-so-grand tour of what has happened in the Middle East since the war.

Much of it already has been extensively reported.

One of the strongest moments in Thursday's show is Simon's interview with a Kuwaiti who was held in the same Baghdad prison as the correspondent — and said he heard the screams of captured foreigners being beaten.

It's a pity that "Back to Baghdad" didn't keep things as close up and personal as that. It would have said much more about the short, massive war that many reported but few can sort out, even today.

"Bob Simon: Back to Baghdad" airs tomorrow at 10 p.m. on CBS-Channel 27.

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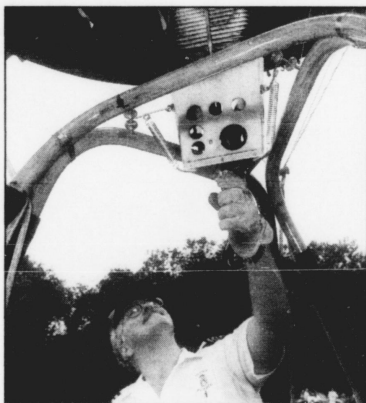
July 4th festival packed with events

By **LORI COLEMAN**
Contributing Writer

Lexington's Independence Day celebration has come a long way from the familiar backyard barbecue. If you plan to be in town for the remainder of the week, you can participate in the largest 4th of July festival in Kentucky.

Some of the most popular events of the festival, dedicated to the armed services, include a parade in downtown and a fireworks display at Masterson Station Park on Leestown Road.

The parade begins at 2:30 p.m. and will circle around Main and Vine Streets. It will feature military color guard units, marching bands and vari-



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ous floats. The fireworks display begins at 10 p.m. and lasts until 10:30 p.m.

An arts and crafts market on Vine Street will feature participants from all over the country displaying talents and goods as diverse as their points of origin.

The display, which begins at 9 a.m. on July 4 and runs until 5 p.m., will include hand-quilted pillows, Ukrainian eggs, face painting and animal portraits. Many of the vendors will accept checks and credit cards as well as cash.

Dozens of concerts also will be given on the 4th in various downtown locations. The music ranges from blues, jazz and gospel to bluegrass, Cajun and Big

Band.

Parking is free in the following locations on July 4: Ben Ali Lot, Commerce National Bank, Community Bank, First Security Bank, GTE, the Lexington Chamber of Commerce, Lexington Financial Center, Urban County Government lots, Lexington Public Library, Nunn Building and Victorian Square.

This is a listing of some events scheduled for the rest of the July 4 Festival:

TODAY

• Noon: Concert in Triangle Park

• 8 p.m.: Lexington Philharmonic Concert at Transylvania University; The free concert will feature patriotic music.

JULY 4

• 8 a.m.: Bluegrass 10,000 foot race, downtown

• 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. Food Fair, Vine Street

• 9:45 a.m. Big Wheel Derby, Main Street

• Noon: Waiter's Race, Phoenix Park

Cawood

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"I've said it for years. It's my theory that if you cover one team over several years and you don't care whether that team wins or loses, then you're in the wrong business. I try not to get crazy and I try not to say 'we' and 'they' and things like that," he said.

"I think we're all wanting Kentucky to win. When I'm doing the games I know I do and I make no bones about it."

Although he has received a great deal of praise this past week, Cawood said nothing could top the feeling he had this winter when a jersey with his name on it was hung in Rupp Arena in his honor.

"It took me by total surprise. I never even dreamed of that ever happening. And for them to do it the night they retired a couple former player's jerseys meant a lot to me. I know Rick Pitino had a lot to with it and it meant a lot to me."

Library upgrading database

By **DIANE FARLEY**
Contributing Writer

The UK Library System will be changing the software in its computerized card catalog beginning this summer, allowing students to access different databases from any library terminal on campus.

Currently, UK has three database systems which can only be used by one student at a time and at the cost of a dollar an hour, said Mike Lack, associate director for systems and public services with the M.I. King Library.

One of the databases, Medline, can only be used at the Medical Center Library. Another system, called ERIC, can only be used in the Education library.

Medline contains listings of the library system's medical titles. ERIC contains mostly educational listings.

With the new system, however, all students at any library computer terminal will have access to the Medline and ERIC databases at no charge, Lack said.

Another problem with the old LS2000 system is its limited space for titles.

"We have come up to 800,000 of our million titles on this system," Lack said. "Frankly, we are running out of disk space to store in. We can buy more disks, but the system will not support more disks."

"It became clear about a year ago that UK needed to look for a new system."

The old system's reliability also has dropped from 100 percent to as low as 99 percent,

meaning that the system sometimes goes off-line.

"Most computers are only good for about five to seven years," Lack said. "Technologically, they are out of date in two or three years. ... We have dropped to 99 percent reliability on the LS2000, but when your computers are down you have no catalogue and no library — you're in big trouble."

In short, 99 percent reliability means nothing when the computer is down for any length of time, Lack said. What is needed is a computer that will function for all of the sixteen hours that it is in use.

The LS2000 has been in the UK Library System since September 1985.

To obtain information on a book or other material while using the LS2000, one must type in either the author of the work or the title of the work. The comput-

er then gives the desired information on the material. It can inform a student about whether a work has been checked out, what its publishing history is and how many editions are available in the library.

The new system, called NOTIS, takes information technology a step further. While the LS2000 can indicate that a material is removed from the library, the NOTIS system can tell the user where a book is located, if it is checked out, if a new copy is being ordered or if it is missing.

Replacement of the existing LS2000 software is expected to be completed by spring 1992, Lack said.

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VIEWPOINT

Student health mandate seems almost laughable

If you haven't seen them yet, they're lurking outside campus bookstores.

Insurance agents.

They're here to make sure you have adequate health coverage. And they'll be more than happy to sell you a policy that meets the minimum requirements of the new student health insurance law.

The law requires all full-time college students in Kentucky to carry insurance that pays for at least 14 days in the hospital and 50 percent of related doctors' expenses. The law, which takes effect Sept. 1, also covers students who are taking at least 75 percent of a full course load.

The problem is, a lot of people think this kind of coverage is far from adequate. Jean Cox, UK's Student Health Service administrator, says it doesn't meet the needs of students.

Student health is offering a similarly minimal policy next semester, but only because it has been mandated by law to do so. It also will offer a more extensive plan that covers outpatient services like X-rays and lab work — what Cox says students need most.

But this second plan can cost as much as \$1,000 a year for students 35 and older.

So students are reduced to buying coverage they may not be able to afford, causing them to withdraw from school.

Or they must buy nearly useless coverage that pays only under limited circumstances, such as when a student gets hit by a bus.

Meanwhile, UK is requiring students to fill out "Insurance Verification Cards," on which students stipulate that they have adequate coverage.

The school is "spending several thousand dollars" and many hours of time trying to make the legally mandated system work, said Registrar Randall Dahl.

But Dahl said there is nothing to prevent students from lying about already having adequate coverage — an option many are sure to take.

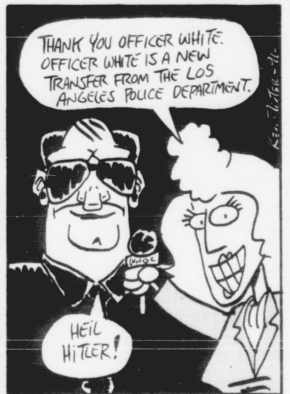
The state seems to be requiring a verification system that won't insure verification. And UK will be wasting money trying to meet the letter of the law.

The same will probably be true of students, most of whom will likely opt for low-cost minimal insurance plans that don't meet their needs but fill the requirements of the law.

This would all be funny if the issue weren't so serious. But the number of uninsured students is serious. Everyone needs good, affordable insurance coverage.

The problem seems to be that the state and our nation places health care at the bottom of their priority lists. Until major new government funding is provided for a better national insurance program, we will continue to see these kinds of moronic "answers" to the dilemma.

And students and Universities will be required to bear the costs.



Success of Republican strategies vary widely

As the fight over the 1991 Civil Rights Bill drags on in Congress, it becomes increasingly clear that President George Bush has little use for negotiating with his Democratic foes in Congress for a simple reason.

What was once a huge liability is now a huge asset. Last year the Republicans were fearing the fallout that would accompany Bush's veto. But the fallout never came because the Democrats weren't able to make it an issue out of it.

By labeling it a "quota bill," Bush borrowed a page out of the Jesse Helm's book of politics. It played on racial tension much the same way the Willie Horton issue did in the 1988 presidential campaign.

But Bush should seek to compromise on the issue. It would only serve to increase his popularity, which is what he seems to be the most concerned about anyway. By digging in and taking a hard line, he's not going to win any new voters.

Conversely, if Bush did compromise on the Civil Rights Bill,

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Kernel Columnist

he probably wouldn't lose too much support from hard-line Republicans. People like Helms wouldn't vote for a Democrat in 1992 no matter how mad they were about a compromise on the bill.

Larry Hopkins' once promising chances for governor have all but evaporated. It seemed like a perfect game plan for Hopkins: He would run unopposed in the Republican primary while the Democratic contender would have to go through a five-way dog fight.

The dog fight never materialized because Martha Wilkinson dropped out and Scotty Baesler and Dr. Floyd Poore couldn't mount an effective statewide campaign.

Hopkins, on the other hand, fought for his life and won by less than one percentage point against

an underfinanced opponent.

The Republican chances to win the governor's race would have been better with Larry Forgy because Forgy could have presented himself as a candidate very different from Breton Jones, the Democratic contender.

Forgy is far more conservative, favored a tax rollback and supported true campaign finance reform. Hopkins, however, is not that different from Jones, leading to voter apathy. Only 30 percent of those eligible turned out to vote in the primary.

If Hopkins is going to have any chance at winning, he needs a heavy turnout and an important issue that sets him apart from Jones. Otherwise the election will go along party lines. Because Democrats outnumber Republicans in the state by nearly a three to one margin, the election results seem obvious unless Hopkins makes a change in his tactics.

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U.S. has strong vocational program

The June 27 edition of the Kentucky Kernel contained an article by Jen Saffer about vocational education. I agree with the general thrust of Saffer's words; For example, vocational education is vital to the economy of any industrialized nation.

However, I feel the need to point out a few misconceptions which were contained in her column.

First of all, Saffer wrote that the United States does not have a national system of vocational ed-

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which require a university degree. This is not true. Due to federal legislation enacted in the 70s, we have a superb system of vocational education.

Secondly, she suggested a sorting-out process at the eighth-grade level that seemed to imply all vocations less intellectually challenging than professions

which require a university degree.

That is far removed from the truth.

If choice were to be removed from the American system with regard to vocational education, I for one would favor mandatory training for all. Then college students would be able to earn a few extra bucks in ways other than flipping burgers.

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