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SGA buying health movies, condoms for sexual awareness

By ELIZABETH WADE
Assignment Editor

A bill was passed allocating \$280 to the Kentucky Academy of Student Pharmacists Sexual Safety and AIDS Education Committee at the Student Government Association senate meeting last night.

"This is one of the few things we have done this semester to really help the students directly," said Keith Byers, Arts and Sciences senator.

The money will be used to provide UK students with information on sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS, KASP, which formed the Sexual Safety

and AIDS Committee, has trained 12 people to give one-hour presentations on sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and AIDS.

"The county health department helped train them in their AIDS education so they could be AIDS peer educators," said Mary Brinkman, health education coordinator.

Brinkman and Jean Cox, of University health services, were approached by SGA because they wanted to do a sexual awareness program on campus "because they wanted to do a sexual awareness program on campus but of course that never happened," Brinkman said.

Members of SGA who also were pharma-

cy students finally got the program off the ground, she said, "but I don't know if they consider themselves an arm of SGA or not."

"They were just trained last semester, and they began their programs this semester," Brinkman said. "They have sent out letters to residence halls, fraternities, fraternities and sororities, they schedule a presentation with us," said Teri Cardwell of KASP. "We do approximately two programs per week. By the end of November we will have done 14 programs reaching over 1,000 people."

The group shows videos on sexually transmitted diseases, drugs and AIDS, distributes brochures and gives demonstrations.

"We do a demonstration with condoms and bananas to demonstrate how to put a condom on correctly," Cardwell said. "This relieves the tension of the audience. All of our handouts tell you how to put on a condom and what STDs are and how to get rid of them."

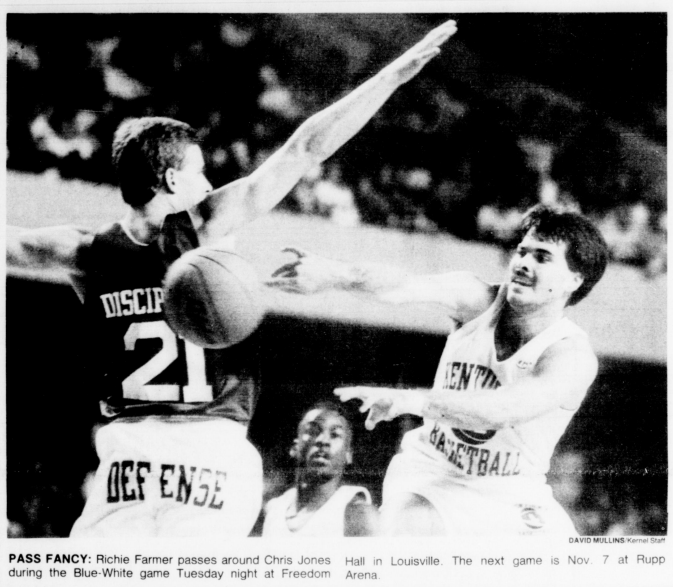
The committee's next Sexual Safety and AIDS program will be tonight at 7:30 in Blanding 1.

A bylaw amendment was made by the operations and evaluations committee to

change the senator office hour absence policy so that senators can call the SGA secretary to change their office hour rather than changing it in person.

"If something comes up, logistically you won't be able to come in so it will be easier on the senator to just call," said Ann Darlington, senator-at-large. "A senator also can serve the office hour after 4:30 p.m. since it does not say that in the bylaws."

When the senator office hour bylaw was originally passed, the senator had to contact the SGA secretary in person prior to their office hour in order to be excused. If senators miss four office hours, they will be purged from the senate.



PASS FANCY: Richie Farmer passes around Chris Jones Hall in Louisville. The next game is Nov. 7 at Rupp Arena.

Students unhappy athletes allowed to schedule early

By CHERYL WALDRIP
Staff Writer

Some students' placement in the registration order will be changed by UK's new registration system, but athletes will be where they've been for the last decade: at the front of the line.

"This semester, most students will select classes on the basis of credit hours, with seniors getting first pick.

But athletes are an exception. Administrators say any other policy would burden faculty and put athletes at a serious disadvantage.

"Eleven years ago, when I came here, we had a serious problem because... the kids (student athletes) had not been picked up on priority. All the kids had to run around to all the different classes and try to add-drop, and it was a zoo. Faculty really felt like it was a zoo," said Robert Bradley, assistant director of Athletics/NCAA Compliance and Academic Affairs.

UK Registrar Randall Dahl said athletes were given priority about 10 years ago at the request of faculty members.

"Athletes had scheduled times that had conflicts, and they besieged the faculty to add and drop and let them change sections," Dahl said. Dahl also said they were given priority because it allows them to schedule practice and travel time.

"This semester, athletes, including freshmen and sophomores, selected their courses before non-athlete seniors. But Dahl said athletes and others who have priority, including handicapped and evening and weekend students, do not significantly interfere with registration for other students.

"The number of priorities in the registration process are not large enough to materially affect the scheduling process. All restrictions, (such as prerequisites and class requirements) apply no matter what," Dahl said. He said there are about 800 students who receive priority.

Poorly-scheduled classes, some educa-

tors say, interfere with athlete participation in sports activities, potentially depriving them of the scholarships that brought them here.

"If they got bumped from a class and the only time that class met was during basketball, well, there's no choice. They're on scholarship to come here and play basketball as well as be an academic success. But they're going to have to go to basketball or they don't get their money," said W. Dale Warren, marching band director.

"I think as long as the university has made athletics a high priority... that it does make sense to have the athletes make schedules around practice time. It does seem fair," said Edgar Sagan, dean of the College of Education.

Warren said that although the band has strict schedules and about 25 percent of the members are on scholarship, no members are allowed to register early.

"I think some of our students do suffer because they don't get to register early because they're under such a strict schedule for the band and performance-wise," he said. Warren said band practice must be held from 5 to 7 p.m. to allow for scheduling conflicts.

"We don't have lights on the practice field, and the band practices in the dark, basically. They can't read their music; they can't see the yard lines. It's not a good environment for them. We wouldn't rehearse so late if we could make it work for the kids where they could take all their classes and be in band at the same time. That's the only reason we have it that late," Warren said.

Music major Brandon Brooks, who must be in marching band to keep his scholarship, said it is unfair for athletes to register early when the band does not.

"We have to shift times around, too. We make just as many sacrifices and we spend just as much time on what we do," he said.

Law school dean working to build reputation of school

By DANA STEWART
Contributing Writer

Rutherford B. Campbell believes UK is getting a lot for its money at the College of Law.

"We are, relatively speaking, a low budget part of the university," Campbell said. "We spend a very small part of the resources of this university. We are convinced over here that the university gets a big bang for what they put in."

And Campbell, who was appointed dean of the UK College of Law July 1, is determined to give the university even a bigger bang before he is done.

The UK law school graduate is hoping that with the help of funds supplied by UK graduates he can make UK's one of the best law schools in the nation.

"Guys from my generation, before and after, felt very good about this place," he said. "They feel as if they got a first-rate education."

A native of Hyden County, Ky., Campbell graduated from Leslie High School.

As a teenager, Campbell's parents owned the only drugstore in town.

He continued his education at Centre

College before graduating to Kentucky's law school.

He left Kentucky to practice law on Wall Street, but returned to school to obtain a masters degree from Harvard.

Before Campbell returned to UK in 1973 to teach, he spent two years teaching at the University of South Carolina.

He attributes his return to "very deep roots."

Campbell replaced Robert G. Lawson as dean.

In the past two months Campbell has been trying to re-establish contacts to be used for fund-raising. Campbell considers the alumni a strong point in the school and attributes most of the school's success to them.

Campbell advises young law students to seize their opportunities.

"I would advise them to utilize to the fullest extent the opportunities of the place," he said. "I would advise them to work as hard as they could to take advantage of the quality and diversity of both their faculty and their fellow students and to participate in the community as much as they can."

UK botany professor teaches class in unusual way, angers officials

By SHARON RATCHFORD
Senior Staff Writer

Willem Meijer and his handful of students often walk past the sign proclaiming "This is not a trail" into a part of Raven Run Nature Sanctuary closed to the public.

"I think I have more rights" than the general public, says Meijer, who has been bringing his botany students to the sanctuary for years.

There are certain plants in the closed-off areas that can't be found on the trails, Meijer explained.

His determination to teach students by his own methods has endeared him to many students while alienating officials of Raven Run.

His students from his graduate-level taxonomy class said that they enjoy the hands-on experience he forces his students to have.

"You don't really learn this stuff until you see it in nature," said Mark Williams, a 22-year-old botany senior. That's why nature preserves like Raven Run, open to the public five years ago, are important, Williams said.

"He's a very unorthodox instructor," said Wilson Francis, 34, who is taking the class to learn more about identifying

plants. Francis is the naturalist for Red River Gorge, which, with Raven Run and Jessamine Gorge, are the only three undeveloped limestone gorges in the Bluegrass area.

Although Meijer was not directly involved in the founding of the sanctuary 10 years ago, he and some of his graduate students had been asked by the county to make a list of native plants. From that work, "I had pointed out the importance of the area," Meijer said.

Meijer is a good instructor because he guides students but makes them do projects on their own, Francis said. Meijer points out plants as he goes, asking students to identify them, encouraging them to remember and relating interesting stories about the plants.

"My students have learned a lot there (at Raven Run)," Meijer said. The hands-on experience students gain helps them later when they get jobs, he said.

"A lot of biology should be hands-on experience outside," Meijer said. "It's being outside that's enjoyable and that students remember."

He is very supportive of the sanctuary and warns that while it is a good place for the general public to take walks and exercise, the growing popularity of the sanc-

tuary is damaging plants found along the trails.

"The area is getting too small, really," he said.

"It's supposed to be an area," Meijer said, "where people leave nothing behind them but their footprints."

School groups, most from elementary schools, come to the sanctuary almost every day, said Tom O'Neil, assistant naturalist. Last year about 5,000 to 6,000 of the 27,000 visitors to the sanctuary were elementary school students, he said.

The sanctuary officials, however, discourage college classes from visiting "because they tend to deface things," O'Neil said.

In fact, Meijer has been caught violating the rules of the sanctuary—such as leaving trails and removing plants without permission, O'Neil said.

"The people who are advising... know what we are doing," Meijer said. "There is an advising committee that knows what I'm doing there."

Meijer often accompanies the advisory board on their Thursday morning walks at Raven Run, sharing his extensive knowledge of plants.

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Board wants health issue in special session

By CHARLES WOLFE
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The state school board yesterday joined the call for Gov. Wallace Wilkinson to put the issue of state health insurance on the agenda for a special legislative session.

Wilkinson has said he plans to call a spe-

cial session this month, but only to deal with legislation to establish a state lottery.

Teachers have been among the most vocal critics of a new state self-insurance program that took effect Tuesday. It entailed higher deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses for all participating state employees and teachers, plus higher premiums for family coverage.

The statement adopted by the State

Board for Elementary and Secondary Education said the issue "is not just a teacher concern, but is a part of the major issues facing education in Kentucky today."

At a luncheon meeting of board members and Kentucky Education Association representatives from around the state, Superintendent of Public Instruction John Brock said the state was "sending bad sig-

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TODAY'S WEATHER
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Today: Chance of rain
Tomorrow: Same

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DIVERSIONS

Rob Seng
Arts Editor

The Kentucky Theatre Association will present variety of theater-related events at convention

By JULIE GILKERSON
Staff Writer

Many local and out-of-town artists involved in the theater will soon be arriving on campus as part of the Kentucky Theatre Association's Convention this weekend.

The convention begins Friday, Nov. 4 and will continue on Saturday. This year's convention promises much enlightening, informative and even amusing events. Several lectures will be given with the highlight being Richard Schechner's keynote address on Saturday.

Patrick Kagan-Moore, of the UK Theatre Department, is vice-president of the Kentucky Theatre Association and coordinated the convention and organized all of the events.

"I am quite excited about this year's convention," Kagan-Moore said. "With good fortune and hard work we have put together something for everyone. Even more important, most of the panels and performances are free."

"We have rounded up a broad

range of artists. We hope to appeal to everyone. My goal is to provide something special for UK," said Kagan-Moore.

The highlight of the convention could well be the lectures given by the famous avant-garde artist, Richard Schechner. Schechner has been a major influence in American theater for more than 30 years. His work with "The Performance Group," a theater company of the late 1960s, is legendary.

"Schechner was, and still is, a leading light in environmental theater," Kagan-Moore said. "Environmental theater was very important in the exploration of 'space.' That is, I mean, an actor's space integrating with the audience's space."

Schechner's first lecture is a combination slide-lecture titled "Two Celebratory Ritual Dramas: Ramilla of Ramnagar, India and the Waehma Cycle of the Yaqui of Arizona."

Schechner's lecture will educate his audience to certain field research techniques he uses. The focus will be an anthropological

view. He said he is hoping to expand the focus of today's theater. The lecture should appeal to anyone interested in the disciplines of anthropology, religion, history, literature or political science.

The lecture begins at 3 p.m. in the Singletary Recital Hall and is free.

The keynote address is on Saturday night and will also be given by Schechner. He will focus on the concept of theater being gender-free, age-free, race-free, and body-type-free. In short, the title sums it up. "All Free" will be held in the Singletary Recital Hall at 7 p.m.

"Schechner's main lecture will be especially interesting to Women's Studies majors and all feminists," Kagan-Moore stressed. "It presents a particularly interesting idea—total equality."

Other highlights in the convention will be the performances of professional actor and playwright John Pielmeier's one-man play "Courage" and Charlie Oates' one-man play "Man Overboard."

"Courage" is actually in the form of a lecture given to St. An-

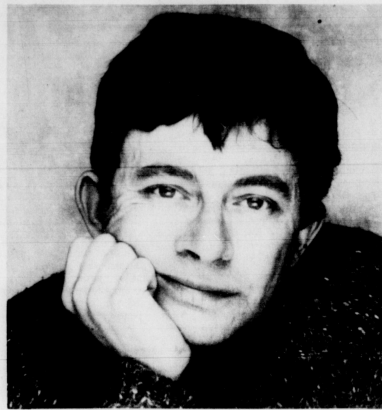
draws Academy in Scotland. Pielmeier plays the part of Sir James Barrie, who wrote "Peter Pan."

Through a three-hour make-up ordeal, Pielmeier becomes Barrie and exemplifies his tragic life. Charlie Oates, of the UK Theatre Department, will present his play Friday at 7 p.m. in the Workshop Theatre of the UK Fine Arts Building. "Man Overboard" is a search for one man's identity.

"It's actually four different viewpoints of the same event," Oates said. "By using a mask, you (the audience) must find reality."

Throughout both days there will be several panels on storytelling, playwrighting, and a panel on drama in education.

"This should be a help to anyone who is involved in teaching some form of performance," Kagan-Moore said. "I am looking forward to a broad turnout. There has been a lot of planning, and I know there is something there for almost everyone."



Playwright John Pielmeier will present his one-man show, "Courage," as part of the Kentucky Theatre Association convention.

'Overboard' employs absurdist techniques

By MICHAEL JONES
Staff Critic



Assistant UK Arts Professor Charles Oates' one-man show, entitled "Man Overboard," will be presented Friday at 7 p.m. The play was presented at the Briggs Theatre in early September, but it is returning as part of a three-play extravaganza sponsored by the Kentucky Theatre Association.

"Man Overboard" is a hilarious tour de force in the same absurdist vein as "Waiting for Godot" or Tom Stoppard's "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead." Like those other examples of the Theater of the Absurd, "Man Overboard" uses bizarre techniques to represent man's absurdity in a meaningless universe.

The protagonist of the play is Ed. During the first portion of the show

things, but like all good cowboys, Goldstein was silent.

Ed did learn the secret after peering into Goldstein's cabin to find stacks of Louis L'Amour novels.

It's impossible to summarize all of Ed's stories and retain the comic genius that Oates displays in his work. The second portion, in which Ed sheds his mask, is more sober than the first, and the comedy is bittersweet, but just as good.

"Man Overboard" was originally a 15-minute piece that Oates wrote for the Humboldt Mime Festival in Arcata, California in 1987. The piece was expanded to its current length of approximately 50 minutes. It has been performed in Canada, Switzerland, and at various American universities.

KENTUCKY THEATRE ASSOCIATION
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

10:00 a.m.: STORYTELLING LECTURE/DEMO — Recital Stage. Lee Pennington, Bob Thompson and Mary Hamilton, representatives of EARS, a Louisville storytelling institute, will discuss historical preservation on storytelling and give a performance.

DRAMATURGY/PLAYWRITING — Troxel, Lyon, Pres's Room.

1:00 p.m.: KENTUCKY ALTERNATIVES — Graves, Bryant, Recital Room.

DRAMA IN EDUCATION — Deluca & others, Pres's Room.

3:00-5:00 p.m.: "BELIEVED IN PERFORMANCES" — Singletary Recital Hall. Dr. Schechner will discuss two celebratory rituals: the Ramilla of India and the Waehma Cycle of the Yaqui of Arizona.

7:00 p.m.: "MAN OVERBOARD" — Workshop Theatre, Fine Arts Bldg. Charlie Oates, acting and stage movement teacher at UK, will perform his most recent one-man show.

8:15 p.m.: "COURAGE" — Guignol Theatre, Fine Arts Bldg. John Pielmeier, author of high-acclaimed *Agnes of God*, performs his one-man show. \$5.00 public, \$4.00 students.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.: "DRAMA PRESENTERS OF ESSENTIAL SKILLS" — Dance Studio, Baker Hall.

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.: COMMUNITY THEATRE FESTIVAL — Guignol Theatre.

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.: ARTS ADMINISTRATIVE WORKSHOP — Dr. Geri Maschio of UK will address issues facing community theatres in the state.

7:00 p.m.: KEYNOTE ADDRESS — Recital Hall. In his lecture "ALL FREE," Dr. Richard Schechner will discuss gender-free, age-free, race-free, body-type-free performances.

8:15 p.m.: "MISS JULIE" — Briggs Theatre, Fine Arts Bldg. This gripping play of sexual and class conflict will be presented by the UK Theatre Department. \$5.00 public, 4.00 students and KTA participants.

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COURTESY OF ALTERNATIVE TENTACLES RECORDS

Alice Donut will be rolling into Lexington. The group will be performing at Babylon Babylon.

Alice Donut rolls into Babylon Babylon

MICHAEL L. JONES
Staff Writer

Next time you're in a coffee shop, instead of asking for just a donut, ask for an Alice Donut.

No, Alice Donut isn't an invention of Dunkin' Donuts or some kinky sex toy. Alice Donut is one of the hottest bands to come from Alternative Tentacles since the Dead Kennedys.

Alice Donut has more in common with those former masters of new wave than a record company. Former Kennedy's frontman Jello Biafra is the Executive Producer of the band's first album, *Donut Comes Alive*.

Donut Comes Alive is an amazing debut for any band, but it is even more so when you consider that the majority of the album was recorded in seven hours.

The music is in the same vein as the Kennedys, but the lyrics are more in tune with the Violent Femmes than anything Jello has ever cooked up.

Lead vocalist Tomas Antonia sings, "She likes the taste of burning flesh/Cannibals eat their love/I'm a sucker for romantic stuff," in "Joan of Arc." Bassist Ted Houghton describes this as "an intimate type of song."

WHEN, WHERE AND HOW MUCH

Alice Donut will perform tonight at Babylon Babylon. Tickets are \$3. Bored and Dangerous will open the show at 10 p.m.

That may sound strange, but what can you expect from a band that got their album title from a Peter Dinklage album.

"We sort of make fun of that whole rock star trip," said Houghton in a telephone interview. "No one laughs at *Frampton Comes Alive*, but when you put donut in front of it . . ."

A more sober song on the album is "Mason Reese." Reese was a child star in the early '70s. Houghton said that he ran into Reese, who was working at a record store, and decided to write a song about him.

The realism of "Mason Reese" is almost chilling. Houghton takes over the lead vocals and sings, "You can still see Mason in the Underwood ads at the back of my mind/Or

you can see Mason at the Crazy Eddie store on the Upper West Side/Watching Gary Coleman and Emmanuel Lewis/He knows how much old dwarf child stars meant to us."

Houghton said that the band's songs are a result of "popular culture."

"We get a lot of our ideas from what's being forced on the public," he said.

"New Jersey Exit" is the funniest of the band's attacks on "popular culture." This song almost makes you want to blow up your MTV.

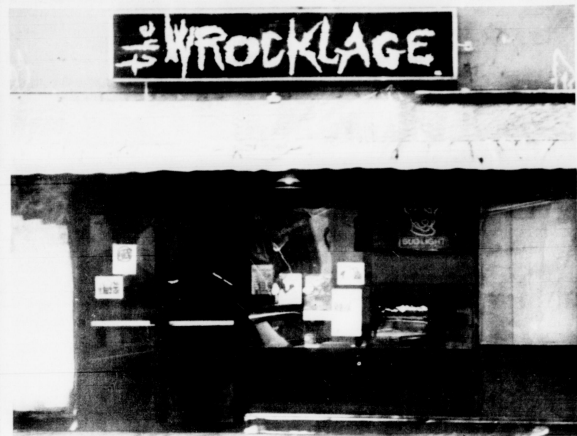
"Due to acne/Due to heavy metal/Due to Fred and Barney, Wilma and Pebbles/New Jersey Exit," Antonia sings.

Speaking of the PMRC, the album ends with "Tipper Gore, a song of support in a way."

Even though the band has their heart in the right place I doubt Mrs. Gore will have any trouble putting these guys on her most wanted list. But I think they would be honored to be recognized by a mistress of stum.

Alice Donut will soon go back into the studio to work on their second album, which has a working title of *Bucketful of Sickness*.

The Wrocklage hopes to carry on tradition of showcasing new music



STEVE SANDERS/Kentucky Staff

The Wrocklage has opened in The Bottom Line's old location at 361 W. Short St. The club will continue to book local groups as well as bigger name touring bands such as Let's Active.

Staff reports

Those who mourned the passing of The Bottom Line can take heart that a new nightclub, The Wrocklage, has opened at The Bottom Line's old location on Short Street.

The Wrocklage is owned by Mike Vesio, Scott Bowling and David Butler, who were bartenders at The Bottom Line.

"They (The Bottom Line) were trying to relocate and they just

pulled all of their equipment out," said Vesio.

According to Vesio, ownership of the bar by the three was a last-minute decision. "We got an option on the lease and decided to take advantage of it. We wanted to keep an outlet open for all of the local bands in Lexington playing original music, as well as booking some of the big acts touring nationally," Vesio said.

The first national band that the bar has booked will be a homecoming of sorts. Let's Active will perform at the club on Nov. 11 and Lexington's Velvet Elvis will open the show. Both of the bands have had albums produced by Mitch Easter. Tickets are \$9 and are available in advance at the club. The Wrocklage also has Dreams So Real, a band from Athens, Ga. who have just released their debut album on Arista Records, booked for later on this month.

Poetry contest extending deadline

Staff reports

The Cameron Publishing Company has extended the deadline for entering its new poetry contest to Nov. 30, 1988 in order to allow entrants adequate time to prepare for the competition.

Poems must be original, typed or printed on one page in any style and on any subject.

Prizes include \$1,500 for first place, \$500 second place, \$250 third

place, two \$75 fourth places and several special award certificates and honorable mentions. Winning poems will be published in Cameron's *New Poets Anthology*.

Include a \$3 handling fee for each poem entered to: Mike Neher, Contest Director, Cameron Publishing Co., 1109 S. Plaza Way #22, Flagstaff, Ariz. 86001.

All prizes will be awarded by Dec. 15, 1988. Send an SASE for complete contest rules or a list of winners.

Correction

The ticket prices for last night's Amnesty International concert featuring Big Wheel, Seven Zarks, Seven and Ten Foot Pole, were incorrectly listed. The correct price was \$3, with all proceeds going to Amnesty International.



ATTENTION VOTERS IN BUNKER, CLIFTON, TOWERS, HOLLYWOOD AND MT. VERNON PRECINCTS

You are included in the First School Board District of Fayette County. Please vote for **Martha Daily Alexander** for School Board. She teaches part-time at L.C.C., attends graduate school at UK and has two school-age daughters.

In endorsing her, the **Herald-Leader** said,

"Martha Alexander, who is strongly supported by (Marilyn) Daniel, seems the logical person to join the Fayette County board. . . She is calm and well-spoken, the kind of person who can work productively on a board. . ."

"Moreover, Alexander could bring some special skills to the board. She served as a planner in Fayette County government for five years in the early 1970s and is now in graduate school in public administration at the University of Kentucky. With the contentious issue of redistricting facing the new board, Alexander's skills and experience could make an immediate and positive impact on school board policy."

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Thursday, Nov. 3, 1988
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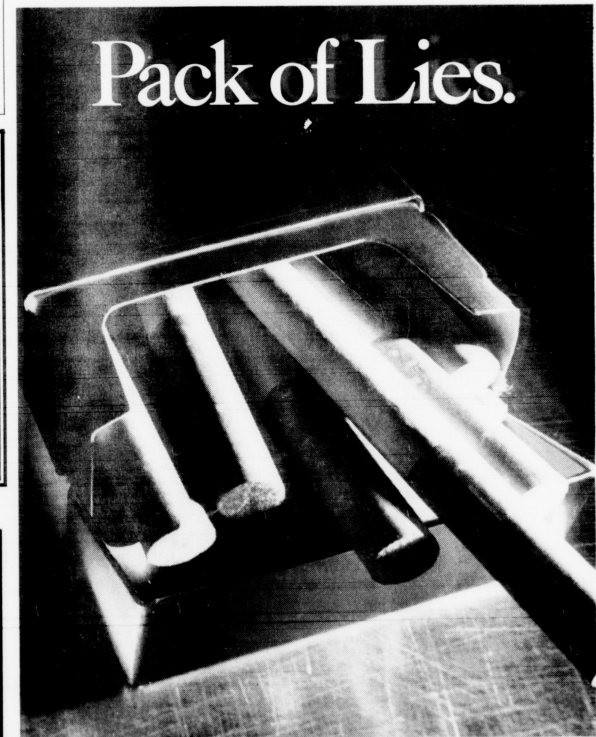
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Music Director/founding member of WRFL,
2-year Student Activities Board concert chair

Joan Loughrey,
Assistant Director for Student Activities

For further information regarding this program,
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VIEWPOINT

Dukakis has shown he is more qualified to be our president

Choosing which presidential candidate to vote for this year can be a very taxing decision. Most of this year's campaign has focused on character assassination and personal attacks rather than addressing key issues vital to our nation's future.

If you wade through all the mud and examine the issues that have been discussed, however, it is obvious that Michael Dukakis has shown he not only is more competent to be president, but also is the candidate with the vision America needs to lead it into the 21st century.

During the eight years of the Reagan administration, Vice President George Bush has been little more than a blip on the screen. He has sat back and watched an administration trade arms for hostages with a terrorist government; he sat back and watched an administration cut financial aid to college students; and he sat back and watched as ethics were trampled upon by members of the White House.

The last time Bush was elected to public office was in 1968 when he served in Congress. Since then, he has made a career out of climbing the ladder of government-appointed positions, doing what he needed to secure a job.

And it appears he also is willing to compromise his convictions to be president as well.

In the 1980 Republican presidential primary, Bush charged that Ronald Reagan's economic policy — known as supply side economics — was nothing more than "voodoo economics."

But this year, Bush has traveled across the nation calling for more tax cuts for businesses and the wealthy to stimulate economic growth. While few can argue that supply side economics has created more jobs, it also has caused the United States to amass the largest budget deficits in its history.

Under Reaganomics, America has mortgaged its future by borrowing from foreign nations, going from a credit nation to one of the world's biggest debtor nations in the process.

As governor of Massachusetts, Dukakis has experience dealing with fiscal policy and balancing budgets. Admittedly, he has enjoyed the luxury of a line-item veto and state law that forces him to have a balanced budget, but he has an idea what it means to be fiscally responsible — which is something the Reagan administration has ignored.

While Dukakis probably has taken too much credit for the "Massachusetts miracle," most economists agree that he played a vital role in the management of that "miracle," and we hope he will be able to apply those skills to the federal level.

For some Americans, the Reagan years have been very generous, but there also are a good deal of people who have fallen through the cracks. Bush has not shown the compassion for those people the way Gov. Dukakis has. Dukakis's plan to have a feasible child care program and his desire to see that no American goes without proper medical attention are just a few examples of how he cares more about the common man than Bush does.

Throughout the campaign, the vice president has talked a lot about how he wants to be known as the "education president," but his track record during the Reagan administration and statements during the campaign have led us to question his sincerity.

Bush has not proposed anything nearly as innovative as Dukakis's college loan program in which students would be able to receive guaranteed federal loans and pay them back over a 40-year period, which would enable more Americans to attend college.

Should Dukakis be elected, his hands-on management style would be a refreshing change to a place where officials have been able to run loose and work on their personal agendas at the expense of the American people.

Dukakis's first presidential-like decision was selecting Sen. Lloyd Bentsen as his running mate. By selecting Bentsen, Dukakis showed he is willing to reach out to all sectors of his party so no group is left out.

By having Bentsen in the White House, Dukakis would be assured of having an experienced, articulate statesman who is highly thought of by his colleagues.

Vice President Bush, on the other hand, chose to ignore qualifications when picking a running mate and instead selected someone who would make him look more impressive.

The Bush campaign perhaps has been most disgraceful in the personal attacks Bush has waged against Dukakis. His charges that the governor is an unpatriotic liberal and out of touch with the American people is nothing more than a blatant lie.

Dukakis has not run the cleanest campaign either with some of his attacks on Dan Quayle, but he has not dragged his opponents' reputations through the mud telling lies to voters.

The one concern we have about Gov. Dukakis is that he has not taken advice well from his advisers. When aides were urging him to go on the offensive against Bush's attacks, he resisted.

If elected, we hope Dukakis will be more open to suggestions from his advisers because America is going to need sound advice to get it out of the trouble caused by the poor advice Reagan took.

Dukakis also needs to warm up to the American people. In addition to good management, the role of president calls for someone who can inspire and move a nation toward collective goals.

America needs strong, enlightened leadership the next four years. We feel Michael Dukakis is the person who can offer that to us.



Student activism

Sure, we're not burning down any buildings, but so what

NBC and the miniseries "Favorite Son," which aired this week, would have us believe that the U.S. government provides its own sort of checks and balances, ridding us of those who aren't out to help us by trying to subvert the system.

In the end, as the storyline goes, the American government works out for the good of its people no matter how many rats comprise it.

Although "Favorite Son" shows there was a good reason behind putting an on/off switch on the tube, if you stayed with it long enough or bought any of its assertions, you may feel good about the system.

But you probably don't feel very good about yourself.

Throughout the three-night miniseries, characters, particularly the one playing the president's chief of staff, lace their comments with assertions about the laziness, ignorance and apathy of the American people.

In a nut shell, the American people care more about drinking themselves to sleep in front of the tube



Jay Blanton

with a tall cool one than they do about the Constitution, rights or any other heady things like that, according to one character in the miniseries.

Nice things to hear when you're being entertained.

But if you're a college student, you didn't have to tune into a poor display of the video wasteland to hear that you don't care. We hear it a lot these days.

It doesn't take the rebuilt and flourishing ROTC building and program to tell us that student activism is dead — and has been for a long time.

In the 1980s college students care more about the potential paycheck than they do about social concerns,

apartheid or the environment, our critics say. The majority of us are voting for George Bush and the conservative right, God forbid. After all, how can students be activists when the Democratic nominee for president wanted a year to admit that, agghast! he is a liberal.

While it's true that the embers from a burned ROTC building have cooled, and we're not building shanties or laying down in front of bulldozers in protest, student activism is not dead.

Case in point: almost 50 students showed up Monday night for a debate between student representatives of Bush and Dukakis. It was no short affair, lasting a little under two hours.

The majority of the audience stayed the entire time to hear thoughtful, reasoned arguments about issues students care about — education, foreign policy and trade deficits. By the way, they did it better than the two candidates.

Also, a couple of weeks ago, about 30 students went downtown to protest the Supreme Court's re-

consideration of a case that was a landmark in the civil rights movement.

Last year, the effort of two years of hard work by students culminated when WRFL-FM went on the air, giving students a welcome, albeit loud, alternative to the rest of radio in central Kentucky.

That sounds a lot like student activism to me. That's not to say we're doing all that we should. I think at times we're a little too content with ourselves. And too often we treat school like a resume pad rather than an environment in which to learn.

But student activism is alive and well — even in the heart of the Bluegrass where we talk more about the roundball, although it's been deflated of late, than we do the presidential election.

We just show it a little differently.

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Bush is harmful to democratic process

The setting begins in the late 1700s. A group referred to as "liberals" were shot and killed by British troops. The incident is now remembered as the Boston Massacre in history and was a cornerstone on which this entire country gained its independence from Britain.

In 1776 a group of "liberals" signed the Declaration of Independence and the same "liberals" led the United States through the first half century.

A photo occurred under the headline, "Quayle rally brought out the worst Americans."

Directly under the picture the caption said, "Actions were an embarrassment to the Democratic Process." If free speech, guaranteed in the Bill of Rights, is an embarrassment to the democratic process then I feel apathy and failure to exercise free speech are just as embarrassing.

If the protest brought out the worst in Americans then why were only Dukakis supporters shown in the picture? Toby Gibbs and Brad Byington stated in their article that "Before we are Democrats or Republicans we are all Americans."

This picture will lead us to believe that only Democrats are Americans because everyone knows that the Bush supporters were just as obnoxious.

I attended the Quayle rally last week, mainly to meet the man who had compared himself to John F. Kennedy, but also to show my support for Mike Dukakis.

George Bush has been very successful in labeling the Democrats, all Democrats, as being "liberals."

I originally endorsed Al Gore for president, one of the most conservative candidates for either ticket and do not consider myself to be an extremely liberal person.

As I walked to the rally, I realized just how effective George Bush has been in his labeling campaign. I saw a lady with a Bush-Quayle poster come over and say to a group of young ladies: "You lesbians and homosexuals go home."

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As I continued my way into the rally two young men approached me and said, "We're watching our wallets with you liberal Democrats around."

I held my poster up when everyone else did (Bush and Dukakis) and remained quiet while all speakers spoke.

I will admit, however, that after hearing out loud after putdown some of the Dukakis supporters got a little frustrated. I was glad when the whole thing ended because I was scared the whole thing might break out into a riot.

After the event was over I was very concerned for the future of America. The term liberal has become in this election, a dirty word.

I agree liberalism can be taken to an extreme, as can conserva-

tism. But the whole country should thank both sides.

I am not considered by my friends to be a liberal, but by George Bush standards, because I will vote Dukakis, I am. This labeling has divided the country into two segments, liberals and conservatives and I don't feel I fit into either category. Where do I fit into this election then?

I'll tell you where I fit into this election: as a concerned American.

George Bush has said he will be an education president. Then why did George Bush sit idle as vice president and allow Social Security recipients to receive educational cuts affecting 750,000 students?

Why did he support the merging of the education department with another bureaucratic department.

George Bush wants to be the drug free America president, while as vice president he personally worked with Noriega, the drug kingpin of the world.

Dan Quayle said, "I want to talk

the issues." He (Quayle) brought the gas lines of the late 1970s. If this is an issue then why hasn't anyone else been informed until now?

Herbert Hoover once said referring to accusations that if he was responsible for the worldwide economic depression, "My enemies have given God-like powers."

If Jimmy Carter is personally responsible for gas lines and Mike Dukakis is personally responsible for the rape of a Massachusetts woman, as he has been accused, then they do possess God-like powers and George Bush and Dan Quayle are here to save us from God-like people.

George Washington, "liberal" by loyalists standards, urged before he left office that the United States not divide into political factions.

Dr. Deane is an economics senior and president of the College Democrats.

Common sense vital to teaching

A large number of the complaints that students bring to the Ombudsman's Office could be reduced or eliminated if teachers would use good judgment in their dealings with students and their problems. Many of the questions students ask fall in the "gray" area and are not addressed specifically by the rules of the University Senate.

For example, Senate Rule, Section V-2.42, Excused Absences, cannot cover all the reasons students request excused absences for missing class. In the opinion of the student and instructor, a "valid" excuse may be something other than sickness, death of a family member or religious holiday.

Each situation must be evaluated on its own merit. This is

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where common sense must prevail if the teacher senses the student is sincere and he/she can justify the absence with documentation, then it need not go any further.

Positive action at the student-faculty level serves to foster confidence and respectability between students and teachers. It also may save time and eliminate a lot of hassle, particularly if the student appeals to a higher administrative level.

Teachers need to consider the students' viewpoints. Likewise, students should recognize that teachers must be fair and con-

sistent in their policy. This brings up the matter of resolving problems where students have scheduling conflicts, i.e., two tests offered at the same time (common and regular exam in two courses).

An alternative time (make-up if necessary) for taking one of the two tests should be offered. This problem is not insurmountable, and, if possible, should be resolved at the classroom level rather than by the ombudsman.

No serious-minded person has ever said that teaching was easy. It requires patience, sincerity, perseverance and a lot of hard work.

William G. Moody is the academic ombudsman.

SPORTS

Tom Spalding
Sports Editor

SEC teams battle for the Sugar Bowl bid

By CHRIS HARVEY
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The intensity of the Southeastern Conference race is starting to separate the men from the boys, as some teams are gearing up for the stretch run for the right to participate in the Sugar Bowl.

LSU, which dismantled Ole Miss 31-20 in Death Valley last Saturday, finds itself with a chance to be the SEC Sugar Bowl representative, but the road to New Orleans will pass through Tuscaloosa as the Bengals face Alabama.

LSU coach Mike Archer says that his team is beginning to feel the pressure of the SEC race.

"For us, November is crunch time," Archer said. "The Alabama game is very critical to our championship hopes."

Archer feels the winner of the contest will have to play mistake-free football.

"Every year, the winner of the Alabama-LSU game doesn't make any turnovers," Archer said. "I don't think that either one of us will be able to touchdown, with the defenses that both teams possess."

Georgia, which rebounded from the upset to Kentucky two weeks ago by defeating Mississippi State 53-34, will try to keep its title hopes alive against Florida.

"I don't expect to see the Florida that has lost three in a

row," Georgia coach Vince Dooley said. "With Emmitt Smith's return, we'll see the Florida team that won its first five games."

Tennessee had a good outing last week. Trouble is, they didn't play. Don't try to tell UT coach Johnny Majors any different.

"We have continued to make some good strides in practice," Majors said. "Regardless of what happens the rest of the season, we've improved."

The Vols will get to test their new-found enthusiasm against Boston College.

"Boston College is a hot and cold team," Majors said. "Last year they upset us up there, and they have the same type of team they had last year. They are always strong up front, and they have some exciting receivers."

Kentucky has visions of a bowl game, as they have evened their record to 4-4 with a victory over Southern Illinois in Commonwealth Stadium last Saturday. The Wildcats will take on a Vanderbilt team that possesses a potent rushing and passing attack.

Lakers try for third straight NBA title

With the 43rd NBA season opening tomorrow night, it's time to preview the year.

ATLANTIC DIVISION

1. **BOSTON CELTICS:** Age is creeping up on the Celtics, but they are still led by the best overall player in the NBA, Larry Bird. Robert Parrish, Kevin McHale, Danny Ainge and Dennis Johnson are starters, but they don't have much bench support.

2. **NEW YORK KNICKS:** The Knicks are a rebuilding team. They will be led by center Patrick Ewing and last year's rookie of the year, Mark Jackson. Ewing will get some much needed help from rebounder Charles Oakley, acquired from the Bulls.

3. **PHILADELPHIA 76ERS:** The 76ers will be led by All-Star Charles Barkley. The big key will be the play of rookie guard Hershey Hawkins.

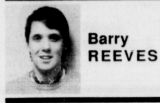
4. **WASHINGTON BULLETS:** Leading the Bullets will be sharpshooter Jeff Malone. Bernard King, Terry Catledge and John Williams are quality frontcourt players, but they lack a point guard and a center.

5. **NEW JERSEY NETS:** The Nets are way behind the rest of the league. They are led by workhorse Buck Williams and are hoping that newcomers Chris Morris and Walter Berry will spark a dormant team.

6. **CHARLOTTE HORNETS:** If the Hornets win 20 games, it will be amazing. Sorry Rex, you are not on a winner anymore.

CENTRAL DIVISION

1. **DETROIT PISTONS:** The Pistons made it to the NBA Finals last year. They must use the same attack they did last year if they hope to win the toughest division in the NBA. The Pistons are led by



Barry REEVES

Isiah Thomas, Adrian Dantley and Bill Laimbeer.

1. **(Tie) ATLANTA HAWKS:** The Hawks could very well win the division as well as the World Championship. The Hawks are led by Dominique Wilkins and 'Doc' Rivers. The acquisitions of Moses Malone and Reggie Theus could jolt the Hawks to the top of the NBA.

3. **CHICAGO BULLS:** The Bulls, once called the "Michael Jordan Bulls," are no more a pushover since the support has arrived. Bill Cartwright and Brad Sellers are important cogs to the team.

4. **CLEVELAND CAVALIERS:** The Cavs should be improved from last season but don't have the fire power to make a run at the title. The Cavs are led by Brad Daugherty and Larry Nance.

5. **INDIANA PACERS:** The Pacers will be led by Chuck Person, Wayman Tisdale and Vern Fleming. Reggie Miller, Steve Stipanovich and rookie center Rik Smits will provide the Pacers with a solid team.

6. **MILWAUKEE BUCKS:** The Bucks are not a last-place team, but are stuck in the toughest division in the NBA. The leaders of the Bucks will be Terry Cummings and Sidney Moncrief.

MIDWEST DIVISION

1. **DALLAS MAVERICKS:** The Mavericks could challenge the Lakers for the top spot in the NBA Finals. They will be led by Mark

Aguire, Rolando Blackman and Roy Tarpley.

2. **UTAH JAZZ:** Coach Frank Layden's team will be led by Karl "Mailman" Malone and Thurl Bailey. The Jazz also have Mr. Assist in point guard John Stockton. Don't be surprised if Utah makes an early end to someone's season once the playoffs start.

3. **HOUSTON ROCKETS:** The Rockets are led by the best center in the NBA, Akeem Olatunji.

4. **DENVER NUGGETS:** For the Nuggets to be competitive, Alex English and Calvin Natt must remain healthy for the entire year. The Nuggets have one of the best guards in the league, Lafayette Lever.

5. **SAN ANTONIO SPURS:** The Spurs have a solid backcourt of Alvin Robertson and Jonny Dawkins but are waiting for the big man to get there. The big man is David Robinson.

6. **MIAMI HEAT:** Like the Hornets, the Heat is in for a long season. The Heat has opted to build through the college draft instead of the expansion draft. The only big names are Rony Seikaly and Pearl Washington.

PACIFIC DIVISION

1. **LOS ANGELES LAKERS:** This is the only team to win consecutive world titles in more than 18 years. The same old cast is still there: Magic Johnson, James Worthy, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Byron Scott. With the addition of Orlando Woolridge, look for the Lakers to repeat as champions.

2. **SEATTLE SUPERSONICS:** Tom Chambers is gone, but there is still plenty of artillery left. Dale Ellis and Xavier McDaniel are now the leaders. Look for the Sonics to challenge the Lakers but fall short in the end.

3. **PORTLAND TRAILBLAZERS:** The Blazers are still waiting for the return of center Sam Bowie. Kiki Vandeweghe and Clyde Drexler are some of the league's best, but they are not enough.

4. **PHOENIX SUNS:** The Suns are one of the up and coming teams in the league. Armon Gilliam and Kevin Johnson along with rookies Tim Perry and Dan Majerle make a solid team.

5. **GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS:** Ralph Sampson is there, but that is about it. Outside of him, about the only thing the Warriors have is head coach George Karl, one of the best.

6. **LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS:** In a couple of years, this team could be the best. The Clippers are loaded with talented young players such as Benoit Benjamin, Reggie Williams, Charles Smith, Danny Manning, Gary Grant and Ken Norman.

7. **SACRAMENTO KINGS:** This team is horrible and don't have the excuse the expansion teams have. The only bright spot on this team is Kenny Smith.

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