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Todd appoints committee to study UK athletics, NCAA rules

President Lee Todd announced yesterday that UK will be conducting a year-long, campus-wide self-study on the athletics program as part of the NCAA's certification program

The purpose for this study is to determine the integrity of the athletic program, committee members said.

Connie Ray, the vice president for institutional research, planning and ef-fectiveness, was appointed by Todd to chair the uni-versity's NCAA Self Study Steering Committee. Ray was out of town and not available for com-ments.

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All NCAA participants
are required to perform a
self-study every 10 years
and a five year interim status report. The study being
performed now at UK is

second in the certification process. After the self-study is completed, the NCAA determines whether the institution is certified, said Rob Millens, executive associate athetic drective associate athetic aspectative associate athetic drective associate athetic associate athetic associate ath



Living with new policies

Political science freshmen Rodina Shannon and Brittany Mitchell hang out with interior design freshman Remy Jackson in Haggin Hall's courtyard after midnight. Students have been living with more lenient opposite sex visitation policies this semester.

New visitation good, students said

Few complaints registered, Residence Life leader said; students said they enjoy having longer visitation hours a from noon Friday to midnight students have health students had allow them to have opposite sex guests can ball students had a lot of different views on the changes.

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"I love having the freedom of not having my guests leave," said Emily Muncie, an undeclared freshman who lives in Keeneland Hall. "There are distractions with the noise level but it's worth it."

Living on campus got a little easier this semester, said residents. Students have had more three months to get accustomed to the new visitation policy that went into effect in September Students living in the residence halls must abide by hours that allow visitors to be in their rooms at cer-

Fletcher takes oath as governor



Fletcher sworn in as governor at 12:01 a.m.; promises changes, reductions in Frankfort

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher embarked on his term Tuesday with a call for the healing of "hurtful divisions" that he blamed for poverty and historically low education levels. The inauguration's theme was "Unite Kentucky" and the idea permeated Fletcher's first public speech as Kentucky's 60th governor.

"The geography of Kentucky is drawn not only on the map but also on the culture," he said.

"Everyone here, regardless of age, lives as part of a generation that has yet to know the full power of true unity as Kentuckians, one and all. That ought not to be, "Fletcher said.

Fletcher was not the first to lament Kentucky's ingrained and notorious regionalism. Many state leaders and social scientists over the years have complained that Kentuckians have stubbornly stunted their own development.

Fletcher said Kentuckians are rightly proud of their citizenship, Yet, "we are, in our state, somewhat divided from one another," he said.

Lt. Gov. Steve Pence, whose speech preceded Pletcher's, touched on the same theme. Pence said regionalism and division had been the legacy of a government historically dedicated more to its own perpetuation than to any public service ethic.

He and Fletcher are determined to change that, Pence said. "Say goodbye to the days of blind cronyism, ... the myth that poverty is denoted the said in auguration day "marks a fresh start" and that his goal as he assumed office was "a new unity."

His 13 minute inauguration day "marks a fresh start" and that his goal as he assumed office was "a new unity."

Improvements in education to university research.
Fletcher also reiterated basic themes of the winning campaign waged against state Attorney

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NCAA

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ship service staff will come to UK's campus for an orientation. The orien-tation will correspond with the beginning stages of the process as NCAA

Self Study Steering Committee and subcommittees will start to have meetings. The study will take a year to finish with a final report in the spring of 2005.

spring of 2005.

Updated information will be posted at www.uky.edu/home/ncaa/.

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VISIT

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For security reasons, students leave contact numbers for the guest in case of an emergency at the front desk, Crowell said.

The overnight sheets "The overnight sheets are the main extra duty added to the job, and they are no hassle for the RAs and the senior staff members," she said. Some students said the policy is unfair because it changes depending on what dorm stu-

dents live in.
"Dorms with 24
hm/seven days a week
defeats the pose for all-girls dorm." said Amanda Crowell, assistant hall
director of Donovan Hall.
Overall, students said
they are happier with the
granted freedom and have
few complaints except a
slight bit more noise in the
halls.
"It is going very

halls.

"It is going very smoothly." Wims said.
"The policy provides options and the seems to make most students happy."

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General Ben Chandler, his Democratic opponent — no tax increases: instead, a promise to cut the size of the executive branch but reautracy.

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years into what many considered a productive administration focused on education and the economy when news of a two-year relationship with former running home owner. Tina

CRIMEREPORT

Selected reports made to UK Police from Dec. 2, 2003 to Dec. 8, 2003.

Dec. 2: The smell of marijuana smoke coming from a room at 121

Keeneland Drive at 12:25 a.m. Dec. 2: Theft from a green Saturn parked on Wo progress at 4:24 a.m.

progress at 4:24 a.m.
Dec. 2: One of three suspicious people behind Speedway on South
Limestone Street arrested on an outstanding warrant at 7:27 a.m.
Dec. 2: Criminal mischief to a black Jeep Wrangler on Woodland Avenue reported at 12:59 p.m.

Dec. 2: Report of a theft from a vehicle, which was one of many odland Avenue, at 5:02 p.m.

Dec. 2: A person pushed another person into a front door at 769
Woodland, causing it to crack; criminal mischief reported to police

Dec. 3: Six UK service vehicles from the Physical Plant Division

broken into over the night on South Upper Street.

Dec. 3: Bomb threat received to the LCC switchboard at 460 Cooper Drive at 1:54 p.m. The caller told the operator, "You better get out. There is a bomb." The operator pulled the fire alarm to evacuate the building.

Dec. 3: Busted window and items missing from a vehicle on

Dec. 3: Ceiling projector stolen from 505 Rose Street at 3:42 p.m.
Dec. 3: Things stolen from a dorm room at 769 Woodland Avenue a 6:19 p.m.

Dec. 3: A resident adviser smelled marijuana smoke coming from a room at 765 Woodland Avenue; report made at 11:52 p.m.
Dec. 4: Fight in progress at 769 Woodland Ave. at 1:07 a.m.; two

Dec. 6: Suspicious man, who was talking to himself and acting erratic, arrested at 160 Patterson Drive at 5:04 p.m.
Dec. 7: Window shot out of building at 700 South Limestone St.

toward Nicholasville Road at 10:44 p.m.

reported at 12:37 p.m.

Compiled by Staff Writer Ben Fain.





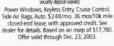
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Group: LCC should be separate

LCC should be accredited separately from UK as part of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, according to a unanimous recommendation made Tuesday by a task force to the Academic Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees.

The task force was appointed by President Lee Todd in August in order to look at the accreditation optons for LCC. LCC was put on probation for 12 months by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in July mainly concerning LCC's autonomy and ability to operate some control of the Country and th

rate accreditation and move under UK's accreditation, or maintain separate accreditation and move under the community college system.

LOC's Institutional Effectiveness and Planning Office conducted a poil of all full-time faculty and staff. The poll found that 86 percent preferred to remain separately accredited and stay with UK. Kerley said that the task force did research outside of Kentucky for similar schools and looked at advantages and disadvantages of each option. The vast majority of community colleges in the United States have separate accreditation, he said.

"If we lose separate accreditation, he said.

"If we lose separate accreditation we seem like a lower level college in comparison to other community colleges. We want separate accreditation. It is something that is critical to LCC," he said.

"Whatever we choose, it

said.
"Whatever we choose, it should not hurt students. The probation has nothing to do with academic qualifications. It is all about our organizational structure," Kerley said.

board approves the recommendation, LCC's separate accreditation through community college system would not sever the bonds between UK and LCC.

Members of the committee said they were satisfied. Michael Kennedy, a faculty ruistee, said that the recommendation seemed to be the committee of the third that is really happening is that the UK logo goes off of the LCC diploma," he said.

Alice Sparks, chair of the committee, said that the real issue is emotion," she said, referring to the school's history.

The Task Force has forwarded the recommendation to Todd and it expects him to make a decision sometime in January in order for LCC to have enough time to make the necessary changes.

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Gatton College gets \$5 million in grants Two \$1.25 million grants given from BB&T;

grants matched by namesake C.M. Gatton

The Gatton College of Business and Economics may soon see many of its plans that existed only on paper put into action thanks to a 5 million grant it is set to receive.

John Allison, BB&T chairman and CEO, announced yesterday morning in the atrium of the Gatton College of Business and Economicat BB&T Charitable Foundationwill each pledge \$1.25 million. The college's namesake, C.M. "Bill" Gatton, a graduate of the college and a member of BB&T's board, agreed to match the \$2.5 million to \$5 million.

"We are very fortunate to have partners"

bringing the grand total of the grant to \$5 million.

"We are very fortunate to have partners like BB&T that have made a commitment to higher education and have the foresight to recognize the needs of students and the importance of a university education." Todd wrote in a UK press release.

The landmark grant will be used to support a learning laboratory on capitalism, a speaker series, an annual student paper competition and annual fellowship and research grant awards, he said.

President Lee Todd said the planned capitalism laboratory will be especially important.
"We in Kentucky need to have more capitalism and more companies that we start," he said.
The money will also be used to help build a new faculty and administration building, which will be one of four new Business and Economics buildings the university plans to construct on Avenue of Champions.

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BOT meeting dates changed

Yesterday morning the Board of Trustees met in Pat-terson Office Tower for its constitutionally mandated meeting for the second Tues-day in December.

day in December.

However, this tradition of specific mandated dates for Board of Trustee meetings ended with this meeting.

The Board decided to amend the statute that mandates specific times the board will meet, opting instead to make the meeting dates less specific and meet at least quarterly each year.

Board members said this

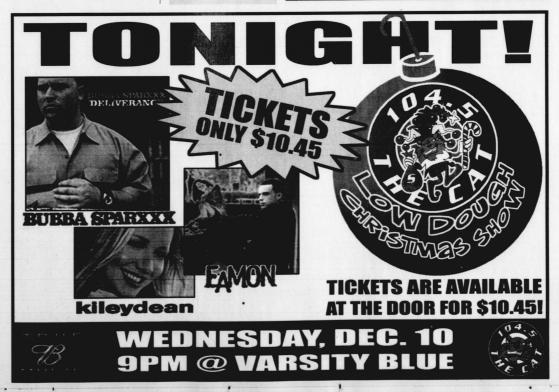
guarterly each year.

Board members said this amendment was not made in order to meet fewer times per year, but instead to allow for more flexibility in meeting times.

The amendment allows for the possibility of additional meeting dates being added to the quarterly meetings. Currently, the board is mandated to meet four specific times per year: the Tuesday preceding the regular annual commencement, the third Tuesday in September, the second Tuesday in December and the first Tuesday in April.

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Parties planned on smoking ban eve

Parties postponed twice as smoking ban is delayed; many bars and restaurants plan for business as usual

such a bash has been planned. The Fish Tank planned a party with the same name on Oct. 22, but

same name on Oct. 22, but when the smoking ban was lelayed, the party didn't go orward. Nearly two months later, he smoking ban is still a moldering coal in the court-oom that threatens to blaze ut of control. the smoking ban is still a smoldering coal in the courroom that threatens to blaze out of control.

"The smoking ban is still with the smoking ban is up in the air," said John Tres don't expect any of the smoking ban is up in the air," said John Tres don't expect any on the substillation. Tresaloni said he plans to give away ashtrays, which by law the establishment can

saloni, owner of the Fish Tank. "It's a 50-50 shot."

Bars and restaurants across Lexington are preparing for one last smoke. The Fish Tank Bar and Grill is again throwing a "Smoke Em If You Got Em" party tonight before the smoking ban goes into effect Thursday.

It's not the first time such a bash has been "Misty Carlisle." The management of Two

er Misty Carlisle.
The management of Two
Keys Tavern declined to
comment.
Jay Wilson, a manager at
Damon's Restaurant on
Pleasant Ridge Drive, didn't
expect it to be anything but
business as usual.

He said he hopes for a large crowd in his bar, which can legally hold up to 101 people, but doesn't expect many more than 40 or 50 to come, the usual turnout for a Wednesday night.

Wednesday night.

"There's no doubt in my mind that (the smoking ban) will hurt business a little bit," he said.

The ban prohibits smoking in all enclosed public areas except retail tobaccostores, smoking designated areas in government buildings, and rooms reserved for private social functions.

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private social functions.

The ban stipulates that owners must post "No Smoking" signs, ask people who are smoking to stop and remove all ashtrays. First-time offenders will be fined \$100. A second offense will bring a fine of \$250. The third offense and each subsequent

\$500.

The smoking ban has been opposed by many businesses and although it was supposed to go in to effect on Sept. 29, two delays have moved the effective date to Dec. 11. Lawyers for the Lexington businesses are moving to block the ban yet again.

ing to block the ban yet again.
The smoking ban was delayed by the Kentucky Court of Appeals on Sept. 26. It was delayed a second time by the Court of Appeals on Oct. 6. Fayete Circuit Judge Larry VanMeter later dismissed a lawsuit filed by city business owners and the ban was set to begin on Dec. 11. Lexington business owners appealed VanMeter's decision and three judges from the Court of Appeals will hear oral arguments today at 10 a.m.

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Students go to court over offline pop-ups

Small, student-run company fights the government claim over advertisement blocking software

MASHINGTON — Those flashy popup ads that annoy millions of Internet users each day are getting a legal test, thanks to a pair of 20-year-old college students who are challenging the government's effort to regulate the advertisements. The Federal Trade Commission accuses the students' small California collegation of the company of committing "high-tech extortion" by using a feature inside popular Windows software to generate popup ads as frequently as every 10 minutes. Ironically—and a key factor in the government's case—the students' popups tout software designed to block such ads.

The company, D-Squared Schrifton LLI Cd San Vicen.

The company, D-Squared Solutions LLC of San Diego, has countered that the government's allegations go too far and that its ads are "no more harmful than roadway speedbumps or television commercials."

commercials."
Federal regulators
brought the enforcement
lawsuit in hopes it would
quickly dampen one of the
most irritating practices of
Internet advertisers. Instead,
the company's founders have
mounted a spirited defense
over whether such pop-ads
are protected free speech.
"It's very unusual for a
company to aggressively
fight an FITC enforcement action," said Mark Rasch, an

expert on technology law. Most companies in high-profile FTC lawsuits quickly settle, typically paying a fine and pledging to stop the disputed settle and the settle and th

ads.

The company contends that it wasn't llegal to transmit its ads, that the ads weren't damaging and that its software genuinely blocks such ads. It noted that the Messenger technology is now widely considered a serious security threat for home computer users and said its ads helped warn consumers their computers.

sain its ads neiped warn con-sumers their computers were at risk.

"While it may be annoy-ing, if you get a pop-up on your screen it may cause you

to address this problem," said Anthony J. Dain, one of D-Squared's lawyers. He described intrusive advertisements as "annoyances you have to deal with in a free so-ciety."

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The FTC, however, com-pared D-Squared to vandals throwing bricks through windows to sell home-security systems. It said the compary's founders "desperately try to recast themselves as innocent public servants who merely hope to warn consumers about a security flaw."

D-Squared's owners, An-

Onsumers about a security
flaw." Squared's owners, Anish Dhingra and Jeffrey
Davis, are students at the
University of California in
San Diego. Both were expected to testify in federal court
next week and urge a judge
to lift an order barring DSquared from delivering
more pop-up ads.
Their lawyer says the
students are unlikely players
in a court drama.
"They've never been in

in a court drama.

"They've never been in any kind of trouble before. They're good kids, nice individuals." Dain said. "Obviously they're scared, anxious, nervous, but they're also angry. They don't think they've done anything wrong."

Citing complaints from consumers, the FTC said that the ads disrupted some home computers and that most people don't home. home computers and that most people don't know how to turn off the ads. FTC con-sumer protection chief Howard Beales called the company's practices "high-tech extortion."

D.Squared's lawyers complained to the judge that such talk was "inappropriate and prejudicial." D.Squared's lawyers said consumers can find detailed turn-off instructions so easily on the internet that it was "inexcusable for the FTC to plant these shills before the court and instruct them to feigh helplessness."

The affected Messenger service — unrelated to Miservice — unrelated to Miservice

The affected Messenger service — unrelated to Mi-crosoft's own instant-messag-ing software that uses the same name — permits net-work administrators to dis-sumpties seeen, such as a warning that a company's In-ternet connection is having problems.

Earlier this year, Mi-crosoft warned customers about a security vulnerabili-

crosoft warned customers about a security vulnerability in its Messenger technology that could allow hackers to seize control of a computer. It urged consumers to download and install a free repair patch from its Web site, and to consider disabling the Messenger service if they don't need it.

Pop-ups got you down?

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more than a pat on the head
Tuesday when he was awarded Britain's highest animal
bravery medal for his role in
brooking a resistance cell in

breaking a resistance cell in Iraq.

The British army canine received the Dickin Medal at a ceremony at London's Imperial Museum for discovering a cache of weapons and explosives in Safwan, southern Iraq, in March.

Buster's handler. Sgt.
Danny Morgan, said the building was thought to be the headquarters of extremists responsible for attacks on British forces, but the soldiers searching it had found nothing. The said Buster, however, persisted, eventually stopping and staring at a wardrobe. When the wardrobe was moved a piece of tin fell from the back, revealing a cavity.

Inside were Russian AK47 assault rifles, a pistol.

ed by Princess Alexandra, a cousin of Queen Elizabeth II and patron of the Peo-ple's Dispensary for Sick Animale

Animals. The charity's founder.

Maria Dickin, created the medal in 1943 to honor animals of the medal in 1943 to honor animals. The medal in 1943 to honor animals with British forces during World War II.

Buster is the 60th recipient of the award, which has been given to 32 World War II carrier pigeons, 23 dogs, three horses and a ship's cat.

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Cats look to defense, fans for energy against Xavier

The Muskies' top scorer is a Kentucky native; Xavier is 2-0 against UK

By Lindsey Keith

The UK women's basket-ball team will try to use its momentum and excitement following an overtime victo-ry over Louisville last week when it plays host to Xavier at 7 pm. tonight at Memorial Coliseum.

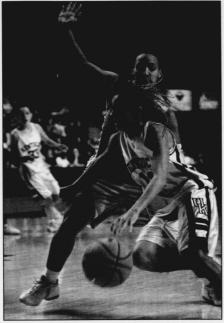
when it plays host to Xavier at 7 pm. tonight at Memorial Coliseum.

UK (4:2) has played Xavier (4:2) only two times before. Xavier has claimed both of the meetings, the most recent coming in 2000.

UK head coach Mickie Memorial Coliseum and the Cats have used the week between games to work on execution to try to earn their first win against Xavier. "We ve had a week to prepare for this game and Xavier is a very talented with the common their team, including a freshman All-American from last season in Kentucky native Tara Boothe. We are going to have to take care of the basketball and play aggressive defense to win. We need to stay focused and use our home court advantage because after tomorrow, we hit the road for our next three games."

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Boothe, a sophomore forward from Fort Thomas, Ky. is Xavier's to three Muskers of the Green Muskers, averaging 18.3 points and 7.2 rebounds per game. Those numbers are down from last season, when she averaged 23.3 points and nine rebounds per game and was named the Atlantic-10 Conference Freshman of the Year.



is Xavier's top threat.

She leads the Musketeers, averaging 18.3 points and 7.2 rebounds per game and vas named the Atlanti-10 Conference Freshman of the Year.

Monday, Boothe was recognized as the Atlanti-10 Conference Player of the Week after scoring her first career double-double in Xavier's victory over Central Michigan.

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make a comeback in the second half against Louisville. In particular, the Cats used their zone in the last few minutes to cap their emotional victory over their intrastate rival.

Jones said UK plans to ntinue that defensive strat-

continue that detensive out egy.
"Some of our best defense has been the zone," she said. "It distracts teams, and it is working for us."

UK will not only try to distract Xavier with its zone defense, but also with its fans. The Cats have been attracting fans, especially in their two games in Rupp Arena, where they had attendance of 6.223.

crowd will still come as the Cats make their way back to Memorial Coliseum.

This will be UK's last home game until Dec. 30. It will also be Harry Potter Night at Memorial Coliseum. In spirit of the night, the first 200 fans will receive free Harry Potter glasses.



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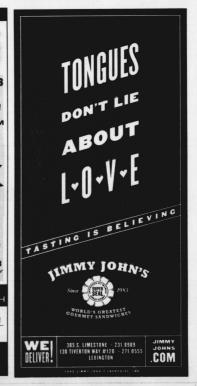






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If you had your own pocketbook's interest in mind, you'd become the latest addition to Kentucky's gigantic roster of Medicaid recipients, getting your healthcare from the government. The reasons are simple. With private insurance, the insuring company pays most of the medical bill, but the patient is expected to make a small contribution in the form of a co-payment.

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For office visits, this is often as small as \$10 to \$15. For emergency treatment, it averages about \$50. Medicaid recipients, by contrast, have no co-payments; the state pays their entire bill. While the conventional explanation for this inequity. Medicaid recipients are considered less abiling, it ignores the greater purpose of co-payments in health care.

Aside from offsetting the insurance company's outlays for treatment, co-payments ensure that insured patients will only seek treatment they trulyneed. This is particularly effective in deterring patients without medical necessity from seeking emergency treatment, which is understandably more costly to provide than regular office visits.

In fact, the way Medicaid is set up in this state encourages patients to use emergency comes as their primary health care provider. Because of the low percentage Medicaid pays to providers, many doctors offices will not accept Medicaid patients.

Moreover, the waits associated with appointment-based health care—often in access of several weeks—of the company of the control of the contr

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Fletcher has work to do

Ernie Fletcher was sworn in as governor on Tuesday, and in the spirit of the holiday season, there are several "gifts" he should bestow upon the state. First, Fletcher should support secondary education re-

form and more money for post-secondary education. Ken-tucky's colleges and universities are feeling the crunch of state budget cuts, and while they are doing what they can to cut corners, raising tuition and reducing employee health benefits have been the only answer so far. Fletch-

health benefits have been the only answer so tar. Fletch-er needs to work with fellow legislators to find every possible way to alleviate the cost of education to college students. Better education will stimulate economic growth in the state, and should be a priority. Fletcher should cut wasteful government spending as promised in his campaign. He has already imposed a state government hiring freeze. In addition, he should re-view last-minute Patton appointments, and look for any inefficiencies the previous administration may have left intact.

If there are any leftover funds from cutting waste, they should be used to bring Kentucky in line with other states such as Tennessee so that the state can pay a larger

portion of college tuition.

In addition, Fletcher should support a higher cigarette tax. A simple extra five cents a pack, which would still make Kentucky's cigarette tax among the lowest in the

make Kentucky's cigarette tax among the lowest in the nation, would provide more needed revenue. That's not going to solve the state budget crisis by itself, but it could provide some helpful money that could be delegated toward paying for various budget shortfalls.

Kentucky's road system needs to improve. It's hard to drive anywhere in the state without coming across road construction. Fletcher should make it a priority to pressure companies that receive construction contracts to complete their work in a reasonable amount of time. The weight that Kentucky unions can throw around makes weight that Kentucky unions can throw around makes

weigh that he had a prospect for any elected official, but Fletcher is capable of standing up to the pressure.

Last, Fletcher should work with the legislature to get things done. Fletcher, a Republican, holds the executive trings done. Fretcher, a republican, holds the executive branch, and his party controls the state senate. This will provide Fletcher the opportunity to get important bills passed. However, he must take measures to avoid alienat-ing Democrats, and he must not abuse the advantage by pushing petty bills that won't benefit the people of this state.

WALKNTALK

We asked various UK students what policy initiatives they'd write on their wish list for new Kentucky governor Ernie Fletcher. Here's a selection of some of their answers.



'We need secondary education reform. I was born and raised in Kentucky, and I had bad educational experiences.

- Matt Crawford, philosophy junio

"I'd like to see him work on zoning so that industries can't just come in and build around a town."

- Cliff Hicks, economics and finance



"I'd like to see him reduce wasteful government spending.

Diane Strong, veterinary science graduate student

'Urban renewal is important. Louisville especially needs to be cleaned up."



Scrap the idea that students are entitled to state aid for college

Brian Taylor

As a former admissions director with 10 years of professional experience, I would like to share a few insights about financial aid and the difficult decisions aid administrators face. Before I get to the difficulties created by the federal, state and local education entities it is important to understand one of the original intents of financial aid that seems to be lost on today's college students.

Financial aid was originally designed to level the playing field of college choice. That's right. It was not solely designed to "pay" for students' college expenses. The idea is to give students the choice of attending the most selective of colleges and everything in between based on a student and their families' ability to pay For example, if accepted to Har vard, Yale, Georgetown College, UK and LCC, a student could decide on the institution by the fit, environment or merits rather than the cost.

By asking students and their families to pay their EFC (Expected Family Contribution), which is calculated by com-

pleting the FAFSA, the government, in theory, is trying to give students an equal opportunity at attending the school of their process are used to prove the state of their process. The state of their process are used to the control of their process are the state of their process and their could afford. Unfortunately, the greedy, ravenous efforts to secure more than necessary financial assistance by both students and their parents have totally convoluted the intent of financial assistance. Going to college is not a money-making opportunity or an entitlement. It is the choice to further your education in an increasingly complex world that cannot be touched by merely a high school education.

Admittedly, there are flaws in the system. I have worked with over 10,000 families in my career and there is nothing like being a student again to experience the financial challenges of college. What families are faced with, especially the bourgeois, are life-style choices (vacations, type of vehicles driven, etc.) which often have higher priority than education. Yes, I have to admit the system stretches the limits of individual families based on their life circumstances, but by and large families have uncomfortable decisions to make, not impossible ones.

Federal, state and local declines in percentage of aid per student compounded with college costs increasing over the

rate of inflation leaves college and state aid administrators between the proverbial "rock and hard-place." Do students who work hard, regardless of need, deserve merit aid? You bet they do. Do students not blessed with abundant resources deserve a higher education opportunity? You bet they do. Asking administrators to choose between the families who are deciding about maintaining a vacation home based on merit aid or the family deciding whether or not to send a student to college is not fair to the administrator, particularly when there are families with resources expecting more than what they qualify for.

This idea of college aid as an entitlement must be addressed with families who can clearly afford college expenses. For those students receiving merit aid, congratulations, keep up the hard work. For those receiving need based aid, congratulations on the great opportunity that lies in front of you. For those who want to complain about college expenses, remember, you are in the land of the free where you have the choice to earn a college education, not the right to a free one.

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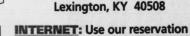
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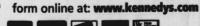






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New Steve Martin flick for audiences of all ages

By Matthew Towner

Some food for thought: In Hollywood, a movie that flops is a turkey Mindless fluff is regularly dismissed as a popcorn flick. For a ponderous character study, actors tackle meaty

roles that challenge audiences.

If Cheaper by the Dozen is in any way analogous to the culinary arts, it would probably be eggnog — a sugary treat best served at the holidays that leaves a different taste for each person who takes a sip.

Be warned. The movie is sugary enough to leave audiences feeling warm and fuzzy, but discerning or health-conscious moviegoers may object to over-egged plot and vanilla

characters.
When domestically challenged dad Tom Baker (Steve Martin) yells "This house is G-rated!" as his fami-Inis nouse is oracted: as nis family is mansion morally and physically disintegrates around him, he's also serving up director Shawn Levy's declaration of principles.

Cheaper by the Dozen is a family

cheaper by the bozen is a family movie free of fart jokes — though it's not above a preposterous puke parade. The movie wears its heart on Steve Martin's fuzzy sweater and celebrates families of all shapes and sizes

in an admirably uncynical way.

Tom and his wife, Kate (Bonnie
Hunt), are raising 12 wild and crazy
kids (What other kind would Martin have?) ranging from age 5 to 22. They manage life's mini-melodramas and munchkin mutinies in rural Midland,

Their house - like a spoiled brat's bloated Christmas stocking — is about to burst at the seams. But when small-school football coach Tom gets a dream job offer from his prestigious alma matter, the Bakers leave Midland

alma matter, the bakers leave mutairu for the big city. The days of hand-me-downs and generic food labels may be a thing of the past, but the move isn't without pitfalls. Charlie (Tom Welling), a bud-

pitfalls. Charlie (Tom Welling), a bud-ding athlete, is dismissed by the other jocks as a token hillbilly boy. Loraine (Hilary Duff), a fashion guru and ikea girl, relishes her first-hand wardrobe but faces her own ob-stacles. The rest of the prepubescent anarchists terrorize the neighborhood when they aren't all complaining at once.

The kids — a darling but mismatched lot — amuse as they terrorize the prude neighbors well enough, but they're still stock characters from this type of family movie. If their monotones grate at you, the aftertaste will be more sour than sweet.

While some movies scatter the stereotypes across the first grade or an underdog hockey team, Cheaper by the Dozen dumps them all in the Baker gene pool. A tomboy. A resourceful chubby kid. A Harry Potterish outcast. They're all in the family.

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When Kate — the real heart of the family (but not the movie, that's Martin) — leaves on a publicity tour for her recently published memoirs, her good fortune is inevitably the neighborhood's bad fortune.

borhood's bad fortune.

Tom's glad-to-be-here gridiron generalship is rivaled in its softness nly by his domestic incompetence. and the rest of the neighborhood becomes nothing more than straight man for the kiddy carnival

In New York, Kate yuks it up with In New York, Kate yuks it up with Regis and Kelly. Back home, the brats yuck it up with spaghetti and marinara. Tom even solicits the help of oldest daughter Nora (Piper Perabo) and her boyfriend, Hank, (Ashton Kutcher) to help weather the storm.

The kids want Mommy back. They can trind their lunches. Their lives are ruined. Or so they say. Their constant complaints mask the sheer joy the mutineers take in abusing anything

mutineers take in abusing anything and anybody they come in contact with — most of all Hank.

Hank is an aspiring commercial Hank is an aspiring commercial actor. He's definitely a doofus, but he's self-aware enough to peg his own appeal. "I'm not that good of an actor," he astutely and proudly notes while pointing to his cheekbones. "This is my money maker."

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Statements like that — which almost seem autobiographical — make Hank's subsequent just desserts taste that much better. Putting him in meat-soaked boxer shorts probably qualifies for some sort of wretched excess trophy — but who cares at that point?

point?

It works because the right people

the families — react like they're
supposed to. Nothing about Cheaper
by the Dozen is particularly heartwarming, but the whimsical bits—
like a small sip of eggnog — make for
a harmless, but not too rewarding
holiday trail.

holiday treat.

Cheaper by the Dozen opens in theaters on Dec. 25.

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Rapper Bubba Sparxxx on fame, life

Bubba Sparxxx, famous white rapper, dishes with the Kernel about his music

By Danielle Komis STAFF WRITER

"Bubba." The name conjures up an image of a down-home simpleton from the deep South who loves his pit bull Killer and who uses the empty Naddy Life beer cans in his back field for target practice. While white rapper Bubba Sparxox fits this image to some decree, the man

beer cans in his back field for target practice. While white rapper Bubba Sparxox fits this image to some degree, the man who frolicked with pigs in the mud in his video for "Ugly" certainly ain't no ordinary country boy.

Sparxox, along with newcomers Kiley Dean and EAMON, will be performing at 10.5 The Cat's Iow Dough Christmas Show tonight at 9 p.m. at Varstry Blue. Born Warren Anderson Mathis 111977, Sparxox grew up in rural Georgia where his nearest neighbor was a half-mile away. After teaming up with the well-known producer Timbaland on his zoor album titled Dark Days, Bright Nights, Sparxox's first single, "Ugly" became a big hit. Now, two years later, Sparxox is back with a revealing sophomore album entitled Deliverance to prove to the world that there's more to him than just "Ugly," With songs about the hard aspects of rural life (I know what it's like) and about driving the woman he loved away. (God forgive me for causing you pain/All that was, ain't no more/ 'Cux my baby's gone and when it rains it pours') Sparxox addresses some personal topics.

How do you feel that this album, De-liverance, is different from your last one?

It's just growth. It's a boy turning into a man. You know, the first time doing anything you just feel yourself out. It took me time to really figure out who I was as an arist and I'm still figuring out who I am as a strist and who I am as a person. I learn something new about myself everyday. I disappoint myself and pleasantly surprise myself every day. In different ways. So this album was just a lot more reflective, a lot more revealing—just more mature. But the next album could be a stark contrast to it. I could be real juvenile on the next album, Just don't know. It's just whatever. I'm al-ways going to be honest to my feelings at that moment, at the moment that I am doing whatever I'm doing, especially making music.

Yeah, I mean, everyone seems to re-ally, really like those songs. All the ones where we kinda went above and beyond where we kinds went above and beyond the call of duty as far as emphasizing the country aspect, like "Comin' Round" and "She Tried." Those are groundbreaking pieces of production. And coming from somebody like Timbaland, that's saying a lot. And everybody seems to be liking

I read that you went through a period of depression after your success with your first album.

your first album.

I wouldn't call it depression. I've been where I couldn't get anything to eat — that's depression. I would just say that I took a step back and tried to determine what I needed to do to matter. It kind of occurred to me after my first album, be-cause a lot of people tried to put the nov-elty tag on me based on the song "Ugly" — all the one-hit wonder bullshit. I just — all the one-hit wonder bullshit. I just looked at myself in the mirror after that first album and I said, "What if I died to-day? This is all that I have to be measured by? This one song, this is what people think of me? That's not gonna suffice. I'm gonna decide I'm not gonna compromise. I'm gonna make the album I want to make." I did it.

Are you sick of being stereotyped as untry boy white rapper, all that sort of stuff?

of stuff?

I don't know. I don't think it's really a stereotype. To me, stereotypes are kind of things that aren't true. Or maybe sometimes it's iffy — maybe it's half true and half untrue. But I am a white country boy, so that's not a stereotype, that's what I am.

So it doesn't bother you?

I embrace it. I know who I am as a serson. I know that I'm no hick. I caread and write. I have indoor plumbing.

How do you feel about the whole trend of a lot of hip hop coming out of the South now?

I'm obviously excited about it. Everything just goes in cycles. This is just the South's turn.

What's it been like getting to work with Timbaland? He's the best producer of music, pe-riod, on the whole planet. It's that simple. The impact he's had on me as a person, not just as an artist, but as a person is

Do you find that it's hard to find rn-to-earth people in the business? Pretty much everybody once you get ugh all the BS is — you know, when get to the person — and you get ugh all the additional façade or

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Rapper Bubba Sparxxx will perform at Varsity Blue tonight at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$10.45.

tucky or in the South?

I'm blessed to have a lot of fans
everywhere. But in the South, in particular, yeah, that's home. If people in texington. Kentucky don't love Bubba
Sparxxx, I'm not doing my job. That's
who I am, and that's who I intend to rep-

Do you feel that you deserve the success you've achieved?
Yeah, I.do. I know I deserve it. I work very hard and I've sacrificed a lot to reach the point where I'm at. I've been through some really, really tough times in my life and I'm just so thankful. I'm so thankful, and that's why I work hard everyday to ensure that the miracle stays alive.

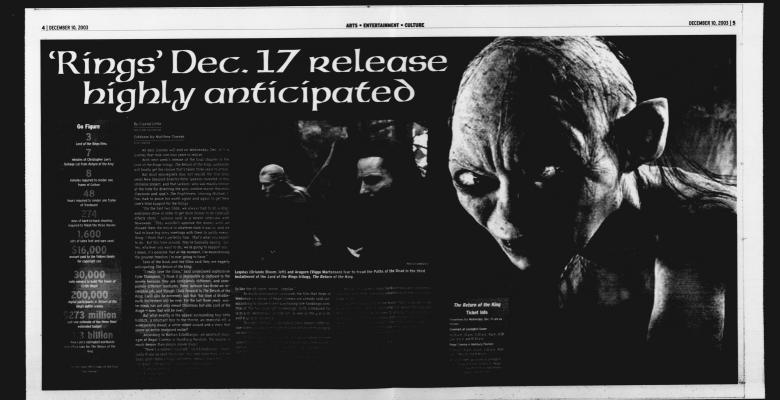
Was this a dream you always had? Or did you have different aspirations? My first dream was to play football, period. Basketball is big in Kentucky, but down here, football is a religion. I was a good high school football player, not a good high school football player, not a great one, not good enough to take it to the next level. So at that point, I had al-ways dabbled in writing raps growing up, but I was more of a football guy. The people in my hometown didn't really know me as a rapper, they knew me as Andy Mathis, football player, just a cool cat. Then I moved to Athens, Georgia, because my best friend had an apartment there and it had an extra room in it so he kinda just brought me up there, got out of LaOrange. Lagrange is kind of a most people there end up doing manual labor jobs or going the illegal route and ending up in jail or dead — that's the kind of place it is. So for me to get to go to a place like Athens, a college town, but still a rural southern town but also a col-lege town, and just seeing that diversity, really helped me.

If you could have a wish granted to you right now, what would it be?

Hmm. Just to be happy. I just want to be happy. To me, that's all that matters in this world is happiness. Money isn't happiness, but it damm sure helps. Anybody that says money is not happiness doesn't have any laughs. No, but that's really all I want. As much as I've been blessed to experience in the past few years, things that I never would have been able to experience otherwise had it not been for music, I've just learned that the only thing that really, really matters to me is happiness.

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on Matt and Greg

Matt Dame and Greg Kinnear star as brothers that really stick together in Stuck On You, directed by the Farrelly brothers.

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SOMETHING'S GOTTA GIVE

This story of a mature love triangle stars Jack and Diane (Nicholson and Keaton). Nicholson is an aging music executive with a taste for rocking the cradle — which doesn't exactly please his current griffirend's mother (Keaton). When Nicholson suffers a heart attack, he recieives dual treatment from Keaton and his doctor, played by Keanu Reeves, Out of these mismatched elements emerges a bizarre love triangle. Keaton's performance is generating a lot of buzz — social (for a nude scene) and award (for an Oscar). At Woodhill.

STUCK ON YOU

For the Farrelly Brothers latest twisted production, Matt Damon and Greg Kinnear were joined at the hip — literally. The twins move to L.A. when Walf (Kinnear) wants to pursue a Hollywood career. Bob (Damon) really has little choice in the matter anyway. Faster than you can dissect the entire premise, Walt and Bob earn a spot on Cher's TV show, and the twins are faced with a new challenge: fame. Find out if they'll be able to keep both of their heads on straight. At Lexington their heads on straight. At Lexington Green and Woodhill.

THE LAST SAMURAI

Tom Cruise is a disgruntled Civil War vet hired to teach the Japanese army the way of the gun. However, his unit is pop-ulated by a group of hapless greenhorns, so he's quickly captured by the group of rebel samurai he's supposed to suppress.

Cruise ends up developing a deep bond with the samurai leader and, to reinforce who the star is, the samural's sister as well.

Edward Zwick (Glory) directs yet another bloody and emotional epic. At Lexington Green and Woodhill.

LOVE DON'T COST A THING

A movie starring J-Lo (Gigli) met merciless criticism and scorn at the box office earlier this year, so will a movie office earlier this year, so will a movie named after one of her songs do any better? The simple plot is reminiscent of Can't Buy Me Love (for good reason — it's a remake). A socially awkward, but intelligent and apparently independently wealthy high school student (Nick Cannon) hires the hottest girl in school to lagh his girlfriend and improve his social standing. For better or worse, you know what you're going to get from this one. At Woodhill.

THE MISSING

This movie's title apparently refers to its almost nonexistent audience through two weeks of release. Judging by The Last Samurai, a Western work better when set in the Far East. The main difference between the two - other than the fact that one has Tom Cruise and the other doesn't - is that this movie focuses on Native Americans instead of samurai warriors.

Both fish-out-of-water stories somehow end up with the hero being better than the native fish. At Lexington Green and Woodhill.

Compiled by Matthew Towner

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5 - BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA - GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

8 - THE THRILLS - SO MUCH FOR THE CITY

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3 - VARIOUS ARTISTS - "DFA COM-PILATION #1"

5 - KID KOALA - "SOME OF MY BEST FRIENDS ARE DJS"

FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 10 - DEC. 16

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Alkaline Trio w/ Reggie & The Full Effect, From Atum to Ashes & Monee 7:30 p.m. Bogarts nati. Tickets cost \$18.

ed barn radio fea-turing Zoe Speaks 8 p.m. The Phoenix Ballroom. Tickets cost \$5.

Jason England 9 p.m. Cheapsid Tickets cost \$2.

Ekoostik Hookah w/The Green Ger 9 p.m. The Dame Tickets cost \$10.

The Lexington Blue: Society Open Jam 9 p.m. High on Rose Tickets are free.

Ben Lacy 10 p.m. Cheapside Ticket price TBA.

THURSDAY Chris Knight 7:30 p.m. The Dame

Something Corporate w/RX Bandits, Mae & Days Away 8 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$15.

Starlight Lounge Live featuring Downshift, Spent & Vie Aggressif 9 p.m. A1A. Tickets cost \$1.

Debelle Fueille 9 p.m. Cheapside. Tickets cost \$3.

9 p.m. Jillian's, Louisville. Tickets cost \$18.

10 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$12 in advance, \$15 the day of show.

Born Cross Eyed

The Louisville Ballet presents The Nut-cracker 1:30 p.m. Whitney Hall, Louisville. Tick-ets cost \$18.50 -\$83.50.

SUNDAY

Over the Rhine w/Pedro the Lion & Susan Enan 8 p.m. The Taft The-atre, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$15. Tickets cost \$8.

SATURDAY 97Xposure 8:30 p.m. Bogarts, Cincinnati. Tickets cost \$5.

10 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$5.

Bobby J and the Fly-ing Martinis 6:30 p.m. Clark Todd Hall, Louisville. Tick-ets cost \$20.

Tickets cost \$5.

TUESDAY

Slo-Fi w/Kim Taylor 10 p.m. The Dame. Tickets cost \$5.

Club Dub Sessions 10 p.m. High on Rose. Tickets cost \$3.

COMING SOON

Da Vinci's Notebool

9 p.m. Dec. 17. The

Dame. Tickets cost
\$10.

Atlas Live: Herbie Hinkle Ensemble w/Named by Stranger

10 p.m. Dec. 18. Jil-lian's, Louisville. Tickets cost \$3.

Fuel w/Sloth & The Killingtons 8:30 p.m. Dec. 19. Bogarts, Cincinnati Tickets cost \$20.

Montgomery Gentry 8 p.m. Dec. 31. Rupp Arena. Tickets cost \$36.50 - \$46.50.

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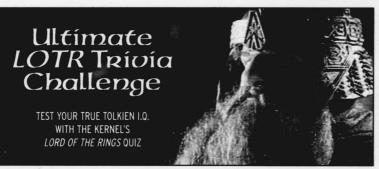




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By Crystal Little

You've seen the first two films seventeen times each. Maybe you've even read the book. Take the Kernel's LOTR Challenge—a mix of questions from the movies and the three-part novel—to see if you're truly a 'Ringer or can't tell a hobbit from a dwarf.

- 1. Who wrote The Lord of the Rings?

 - a. C.S. Lewis b. J.R.R. Tolkien
 - c. Your mom d. Phillipa Boyens

 - 2. What is the triology's prequel? a. The Chronicles of Namia
 - b. The Hobbit
 - The Road Goes Ever On and On d. Smaug the Magic Dragon
- From what region of Middle-earth are Bilbo and Frodo?
 a. Mordor
 b. Gondor
- - c. Western Kentucky
- 4. Who possessed the One Ring before Bilbo?

 - c. Gollum
 - d. Professor Dumbledore
- 5. Where do the hobbits expect to meet Gandalf in the film version of The
 Fellowship of the Ring?
 a. The Prancing Pony

 - b. The Green Dragon c. The mall
- 6. How many rings of power were

 - c. 19 d. 20
- 7. Who possesses King Théoden's mind in *The Two Towers*?
 - a. Sauron b. Saruman

 - c. Éowyn d. Gandalf

- 8. What gift does Arwen give to Aragom?
 - a. The ring of Barahir b. The Evenstar

 - c. Elven rope d. The key to her chastity belt
- 9. What's the secret behind Orlando Bloom's amazing accuracy with his bow as the elf Legolas?
- a. Months of practice b. Digital arrows c. He slept with his bow under his pillow while training d. Innate Elvish ability
- 10. How long did it take to shoot the battle of Helm's Deep?

 - a. Three nights
 b. Three weeks of night shoots
 c. One month of night shoots
 d. Three months of night shoots
- II. What actor was originally cast for the role of Aragom/Strider? a. Stuart Townsend b. Johnny Depp

 - Sean Cor

 - d. Hugh Crant
 - 12. Where was the trilogy filmed?

 - a. Australia
 b. England
 c. New Zealand
- 13. What was Sam's job in the

- a. Farmer b. Mall elf c. Gardener
- d. Bodyguard
- 14.. Gollum killed ___ possession of the One Ring. a. Sméagol b. Déagol c. Shadowfax d. Bilbo _ to gain
- 15. Who is the "she" Gollum speaks about at the end of the film version of The Two Towers?

 a. Lady Galadriel
 b. Arwen
 c. Shelob
 d. Éowyn

- the novel, but actually visited on the way to Mordor in the film version of The Two Towers?

 a. Osgiliath
 b. Rohan
- d. The Emerald City
 - 17. Aragom is a Ranger from the
 - a Fast b. North.

- 18. What were the Nazgûl before became wraiths?a. Human kingsb. Dwarf lords

 - 19. What does Sam call his father?

- d. Gaffer
- ch character's nor ance in the films most upset die-hard
- fans?
 - a. Galadriel b. Lord Celeborn
 - c. Treebeard

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SCORING GUIDE

- 1 5: Are you sure you've seen the first two films?
- 6 10: How cute...you're an ale-addled hobbit.
- ale-addied hobbit.

 1 15: A worthy score—Gandalf would be proud.

 16 20: You're officially a 'Ringer,' though you're probably not getting too many dates because you're constantly haunting lordoftherings. net chat rooms and making your own Lembas bread, we're impressed by how much of Tolkien's world you've internalized.

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