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College bus service altered

By BEN LANGSTON
Editor

After much debate and controversy, the decision about whether or not HART will continue a bus route to HCC has finally been made.

"They have agreed to replace it with a shuttle route," said Dr. Patrick Lake, president and CEO of HCC.

Even with this shuttle route, HART and the city commission emphasized they were spending a lot of money to continue the service.

The shuttle van will cost about \$19,000 annually, or \$13 per one way trip, according to an article in a recent issue of *The Gleaner*.

City commissioner Mike Farmer noted the government helps ease the cost of each trip.

"It's costing \$13 a trip and I guess since we're reimbursed half of that our share is going to be \$6.50," stated Farmer. "I wish we had a cab service in town," he continued. "They

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.... Pam Wilson

could do it cheaper than that." Staff at HCC realizes the sacrifice HART and the city of Henderson is making and is very grateful.

"It's a conflict of interest; you want to approach it by providing a service, but at the same time, you want to avoid it from a financial standpoint," explained Lake.

Jonetta Nunn, a driver who has been running the route to the community college every weekday since January 29, agrees with the decision.

"The most I have ever had on a trip was four coming and

four going. A shuttle route would do just as well; it takes a lot to get a bus out here," Nunn said.

Pam Wilson, dean of the CED and ALC, has been strongly against the idea of cancelling the services to HCC outright since the original proposition was made.

"I am pleased they have taken into consideration the importance of the community college and kept some type of service," stated Wilson.

"It is important for students to realize it is their responsibility to use this service, because it can be a valuable asset to students," continued Wilson.

Overall, the shuttle service seems to be a satisfactory solution for the problem.

Although still costing a decent amount of money, it will cost less than the bus route, and will still give the HCC students who need the service, a way to get to and from their classes.



Hill photo/Debbie Dunn

Nursing student, Heather Guntherman, smiles after winning the 3 Children's Easter Basket at the Chinese Auction yesterday. The event raised over \$1,500 for the college's Relay for Life team.

Priority registration gives students best shot at scheduling

By FRANKLYN MCINTOSH
Reporter

Brenda Knight, HCC registrar, would like all currently enrolled students to know Priority Registration for this summer and fall has started and will run through the month of April.

Why register early? You have a wider choice of classes to take!

"By registering early, you have a better chance of getting into the class that you actually need, rather than dealing with the classes that are left over," Knight said.

Also, students have a scheduled appointment with their adviser that suits

their personal time best.

"You can spend more time talking about your career goals," added Teresa Hamilton, admissions counselor.

Students won't have to wait in line to see an advisor like the students will have to do during open registration in May or August.

Students have the option of tweaking their schedule until 11:59 p.m. on Monday, April 30. The new on-line system allows students to drop and add classes without having to see their adviser again until this time.

"There is no disadvantage to registering early," stated Knight.

Any prospective student not current-

ly enrolled but who submitted an application by April 1, should be eligible to meet with an advisor and register beginning Monday, April 16.

"Students should discuss their academic progress with their advisor. He or she will be able to discuss with you things such as prerequisites, waiting lists, graduation requirements and other issues related to your college success. Always feel free to stop by and talk to your adviser," Hamilton said.

Summer classes will begin Tuesday, May 29 and end on Tuesday, July 24. The final application deadline for summer is Friday, May 18.

Open registration for the summer

semester is Tuesday, May 22 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and Wednesday, May 23, from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. There will be no late registration.

Students will be allowed to register, drop and add on-line through 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23, for summer classes, and through 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14, for fall classes.

Tuition payment deadline for summer is Thursday, May 24, and for fall is Wednesday, August 15.

Open registration for fall classes is Monday, August 13, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and on Tuesday, August 14, from 2 - 6 p.m. Fall classes begin on Monday, August 20.

OPINION

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Change begins now

Environmentalism is a big deal nowadays, especially with the recent evidence concerning emissions and global warming.

But what can individual people do about it? We are all guilty. Everyone has, at some point, done something that was less than environmentally-friendly, then excused themselves by saying, “Well I am just one person. What difference will it make?”

At *The Hill*, we feel it is important for everyone to realize you *can* make a difference. Sure, it may seem like that one harmless cup you toss on the ground won't hurt anything. But think about the idea of everyone else in the world throw a cup on the ground at the same time.

The whole planet would be littered with cups!

Global warming and environmental harm are two huge, international problems. Fortunately for us, it may not necessarily take a huge, international effort to help fight the negative effects of such problems.

We believe all it takes is a world full of individuals, and that it begins with you!



Flash drives are amazing, wonderful devices

It is amazing some of the new technological advances that have been made over the years.

With computers, cell phones, televisions, and other things, it seems like there is nothing else that can be done.

Well now there is way to take all of your documents, music, files, and even some video with you and not even worry about space. This wonderful little device is known as the universal serial bus, or USB, flash drive.

The USB Flash Drive is a small, portable device that has taken the place of zip and floppy drives on the computer.

They are seen as the new storage devices of the future. With these new storage units, you just simply plug it in to a USB port and save whatever you need save and unplug and you are ready to go. It is best to wait a short time before unplugging

The Tech Is In



By **DREW HENDRIX**

he unit in order to protect data. Many of the newer units actually have built-in programs that disconnect the drive before you physically unplug it.

They work on any computer with a USB port.

Flash Drives come in all different sizes and also different storage capacities so you can hold as much as you need to on it.

They can range from 256 megabytes all the way up to and eight gigabytes worth of storage.

For the average college student, the perfect amount would be a 512MB flash drive.

Depending on where you pick one up, the prices of the flash drives range anywhere from a 512MB being from \$19.99 to \$29.99 to an 8GB Flash Drive costing right around \$100.

Flash drives are available at any of electronic retailers such as Best Buy, Circuit City, Wal-Mart, and even at the HCC Bookstore.

As a personal recommendation, every college student should own one just because of the fact that anything you do such as a paper for English, a PowerPoint presentation, or just even a flyer for a club can be saved on your own personal flash drive.

With the new advancements in technology, this new device will definitely help out the average college student to a teacher to even businessmen.

Everyone can take advantage of this awesome little device.

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The paper reserves the right to edit letters for length and clarity.

This is *your* student newspaper, so give us your opinions on topics. Let the staff know what you like or don't like about the

campus, community or paper.

We encourage students, faculty and staff to comment on this paper and campus.

The deadline for the April 20 issue is Friday, April 13.

Campus Voice How about wearing PJs in the classroom?



“Working on 3rd shift, it would be wonderful. After class I’d go right to bed,”
...Laura Gross



“I don’t care as long as everyone’s body was covered,”
...Danielle Johnson



“I think pjs should be worn at the house, not in the classroom,”
... David Sutton

Trip to nation’s capitol well worth the cash

It was hard not to think about politics over Spring Break because I took a trip with my family to Washington D.C..

Seeing the seat of our nation’s capital and where the power brokers are for our country was quite amazing.

If you have not taken the trip you need to, so you can get a feeling of the power that this place has with all the monuments and state buildings and the White House it self.

We took a tour of the White House. I have never seen anything like it in my life; from the paintings on the walls to floors and the rugs, everything was amazing.

It all had an air of grandeur and timelessness about it.

If you want to get a tour the

Politics in Motion



By LEO CURTIS

When you see these things first hand, they make you see things in a different way.

When we went to the Library of Congress to see all the history on the walls of that building, I was amazed.

Besides the all the building

White House all you have to do is contact your congressmen and ask for the passes. If he has some he will give them to you.

When you see these

and libraries, you have the national zoo which is very cheap overall compared to most zoos I have been to. Admission was \$12 for adults and \$6 for kids.

There is so much to do it would take at least two weeks to see every thing right.

You lose sight of your own problems for a short while and see the big picture.

When I saw the Declaration of Independence, I was at a loss for words because the piece of paper is what started it all.

It is what gave us every thing we have today!

It looked so old and meaningless sitting there all alone, but the power it held and still holds to this day is indescribable.

It has been able to hold an entire nation together all these long years; it must have power.

And although I hope you have liked this short overview, please go for your self.

All together we spent about \$900 on the trip that is a family on seven.

The biggest cost was the hotel. We stayed at the air force base because I am retired veteran.

So you can expect to add \$300 or a little more to the estimated cost of the trip for lodging if you decide to go.

But to spend time with friends or family experiencing priceless national history first-hand will be well worth the money, whatever the cost may be.

Opinions are important: have some!

Well, the media is all ablaze about what exactly our fearless leader George Bush is or isn’t doing.

Some feel the war on terrorism needs to be continued, at all costs, until its completion.

Others feel it was futile from the beginning, and we need to pull out before any more damage can be done to foreign nations and our own troops.

Still others feel a middle ground should be reached.

Further, everyone argues about various other political issues. Should gun control be more strict? Should gay marriages be legal? How should we spend the country’s money?

I am not writing this column to discuss how I feel, though. I am writing this column so you may discuss how you feel.

First, before forming an opinion, I

Just Saying...



by BEN LANGSTON

strongly encourage people to get as much information on the subjects as humanly possible.

Arguments, are great, especially if used as a device for learning. two people who get together and have a serious and civilized argument can learn so much from each other it’s not even funny.

Now, if you don’t know too much about the subject you are discussing, don’t be surprised if a lot of your points get trumped.

But bear with the process, as I said, an argument shouldn’t be about convincing another person to feel the same that you feel, it should be about learning and about

informing them of your knowledge and views.

The other important thing is once people are armed with knowledge, they actually *have* an opinion. It’s easy to dodge intense political debates because you feel you might “lose” the argument. It’s commonplace to ignore religious discussions due to a difference of opinion.

But the fact of the matter is, the depth and seriousness of these issues requires they be discussed MORE to be understood.

Once you have some information and have developed some feelings about an issue, I strongly encourage you to form an opinion... just be sure to form it an an intelligent, scientific manner.

Then, go out and discuss things with people! Argue! Have fun with it! It’s great to talk about things like this.

You never know what you could learn!



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CLT program successfully completes accreditation process

By **BEN LANGSTON**
Editor

Have you ever been to the hospital and had blood drawn? Were you curious as to who tested it?

The answer lies in three official-sounding words: clinical lab technician, or CLT.

Randa Hawa, CLT program director, helps keep the CLT program up-to-date and effective so HCC students have the opportunity to pursue a career as a CLT in the future.

But what exactly is involved in keeping such a program running?

The CLT program, which

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... Randa Hawa

began at HCC in 1968, must undergo an accreditation process every 5-7 years, and according to Hawa, the accreditation visit is far from easy.

“It gives the staff a whole lot more to do,” stated Hawa. “The process generally takes about 12 to 18 months total; the self-study alone can take 8-10 months,” continued Hawa.

The self-study is a very long report that addresses each of 21 standards the CLT program must meet in order to receive national accreditation. When the self-study is approved, two visitors come to the campus take a look at the CLT program.

“Basically, the site visitors are here to verify our self-study report is accurate and reflects what we are really doing on campus,” Hawa explained.

This year, the program received no deficiencies in the final report.

Although the process is long and grueling, Hawa and

others have worked diligently in the past to tackle the mammoth task of remaining an accredited program.

And judging by the 100% pass rate for HCC CLT students on the national register exam in the last five years, those in charge of the program are doing an excellent job!

Still confused as to what exactly a CLT does?

“The CLTs work with assisting in diagnosis of patients by performing lab tests,” Hawa explained.

The tough field, coupled with the difficulty of keeping the CLT program accredited, speaks volumes about those

who organize and maintain it.

“CLT students begin by completing a phlebotomy certificate in the first semester of the program,” Hawa said.

This certificate, after only one semester, allows students to work in a lab or as a physician’s assistant drawing blood.

Students can continue to get a 2-year degree, then take the national registry exam, which will certify them to be a full-fledged CLT in any state.

The job market for CLTs is great nationwide, according to Hawa, but calls for diligence and some pretty tough course requirements on the part of the students in the program.

Transfer Fair answers questions

By **LEO CURTIS**
Columnist

Calling all college students who are considering transferring to a four-year institution.

The annual College Transfer Fair will be held April 24, from 10 a.m. until noon in the lower level of the AT building.

A total of 17 colleges and universities from around the state and area are scheduled to attend the fair.

Bellarmino, UK, Kentucky State, Brescia, Murray, Western Kentucky University, Eastern Kentucky, Georgetown, Northern Kentucky, Lindsay Wilson, Campbellsville, Indiana Wesleyan, Thomas More, U of L, Metropolitan College, U of E and USI have all indicated they will send representatives to the fair.

“This is not just for our transferring students,” said Teresa Hamilton, coordinator for the event.

“This is for everyone who thinks they may want to go to a four year school down the line,

or just wants to check out the different schools that will be at the fair,” Hamilton added.

This fair is open to the public and is part of the college’s community awareness month activities in April.

The College Transfer Fair began as an annual event in 1999, and is currently in its ninth consecutive year.

“We only had eight schools come out to talk to the students but over the years student turn out has been fairly good and more schools have expressed an interest in attending the fair,” Hamilton said.

“This is a great chance for all students to get out and look at the different schools and see what they offer,” Hamilton said.

Currently Western Kentucky University, Eastern Kentucky University, UK and U of L all have special scholarship programs for KCTCS students to apply for and use next year.

Don’t miss your chance! Attend the fair on April 24.



Hill photo/Kenya Miller

Crystal Nalley discusses her plans after graduation with Angie Watson, career counselor, during Graduation and Beyond.

Freedom Center trip offers chance to look into African-American culture

By **TE’NEIKA SUGGS**
Reporter

HCC is sponsoring a field trip to the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center in Cincinnati, OH. on Thursday, April 26. This is an all expense paid trip which will include transport, lunch, and admission to the

center. Those who wish to attend this trip will need to be a HCC by 6:45 a.m. and the bus should return at 8 p.m.

“This will be a historical event for people to understand African-American struggles in life,” stated Bill Dixon, HCC cultural diversity coordinator.

“Touring certain areas of this center can also be very emotional. Each floor

in this center offers different events and stories about the lifestyle people lived years ago,” continued Dixon.

While touring the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center there are a lot of attractions to look forward to.

If you are interested in being a part of this trip, you need to make a reservation

with Dixon by Thursday, April 12.

“The center consists of three connected pavilions designed to reflect the winding, natural course of the Ohio River, as well as the often-changing path to freedom,” Dixon summarized.

For additional information on the trip contact Dixon at bill.dixon@kctcs.edu or stop by his office in SC 103.

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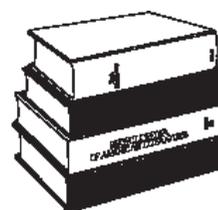
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The paper works with the *Gleaner's* Newspapers in Education program to provide about 100 copies of the local paper to campus each Tuesday through Friday.

Alien closes HCC Film Series

HCC will host the final installment of *Aliens on the Prowl!* the spring film series featuring four classic science fiction movies.

Alien (1979), the classic suspense film, will be shown on April 25 followed by a discussion led by Kevin Reid.

This film is an edge of your seat horror which is guaranteed to leave the audience with nightmares.

The series will be held in the HCC TV Studio at Hartfield Library.

The film will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by the discussion. The series will be open to the public and free of charge.

Community College month

April is Community College Appreciation month! Celebrate by attending one of the many events occurring this month.

April 11 is the community appreciation day picnic at 11:30 on campus. Come enjoy the fun and food!

Friday, April 13 is the debut performance of *Once Upon a Mattress* at 7:30 p.m. The play will also have a showing on Saturday, April 14 at 7:30.

April 24 is the Transfer fair, which will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the AT building, and at 4 p.m. on the HFAC stage.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend these events. For more information call the HCC welcome center at 827-1867.

Library hosts amnesty day

The HCC library will be hosting its fourteenth annual library amnesty day on Thursday, April 12.

On library amnesty day, any student may bring back any overdue library materials and the fees and fines will be waived.

The only exceptions are the books or materials must be in good condition. Also, if you already have outstanding fines from earlier in the semester, or only bring back a portion of the late materials, you will still have to pay for those items.

History Club sale continues

The HCC History Club Book Sale has become an annual event where many students find bargain prices for everything from text books to children's books.

"We offer everything for very low prices. Textbooks sell for \$1.00, books sell for .25 to .50 cents. You can't get those prices anywhere else," stated Lorie Maltby, faculty sponsor.

The money raised helps to pay expenses for gas, hotel and entrance fees to museums for trips the club takes during the year.

The sale is in the SC REC room. Hours will be 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. today, and will be open on Saturday from 8-12.

SGA hosting Community Day April 11

By **LEO CURTIS**
Columnist
ZACH STONE
SGA President

Community Day will be held Wednesday, April 11 at 11:30. There will be volley ball, frisbee, and other activities. Come join in on the free food!

There will be hamburgers, hot dogs, and chips.

It is the time of year again to vote for your Student

Government Officers.

The spots up for election are president, vice president, and secretary/treasurer.

“The office of president will work with the HCC president and the Board of Directors and be the voice of the student body,” said Larry Tutt, SGA advisor.

The people who elected this month will serve for the 2007-2008 school term.

Tutt would like to thank the current SGA members for all

their hard work over the last year and hopes the best for them in the coming year.

Voting will take place at the college book store from April 16 through April 20 at noon. Everybody should come and show support for SGA by voting.

SGA also has a couple of things going on this semester for the students.

First off, SGA would like to welcome Lori Threlkeld, a Biology teacher at HCC, to the SGA family as one of the advi-

sors.

SGA will be hosting an Easter egg hunt on tomorrow for faculty, staff, HCC students, and their families.

The hunt will begin at 9:30. There will be plenty of eggs for everybody.

There will even be an Easter Bunny walking around entertaining the kids!

There was an Easter egg hunt held yesterday for the children in HCC’s daycare on the playground.

The 15 children from the center had a great time searching for the eggs! The Easter Bunny made an appearance at this event as well.

The next SGA meeting will be held next Friday, April 13. SGA meetings are open to all HCC students and faculty.

If you are interested in attending just send your email address to zstone0001@kctcs.edu, and he will send you the time and place for each meeting.

Academic Team places third at Transylvania meet

By **TE’NEIKA SUGGS**
Reporter

The HCC Academic Team placed third at the meet held at Transylvania University on March 3.

For coming in third place in its division, the Academic Team received a

Mint Juliet Cup from KCQRL

Overall, the meet was a complete success for the HCC team.

“The team members were confident with no flinching when answering questions,” praised Lorie Maltby, history professor and HCC academic team coach.

The questions at the meet were for-

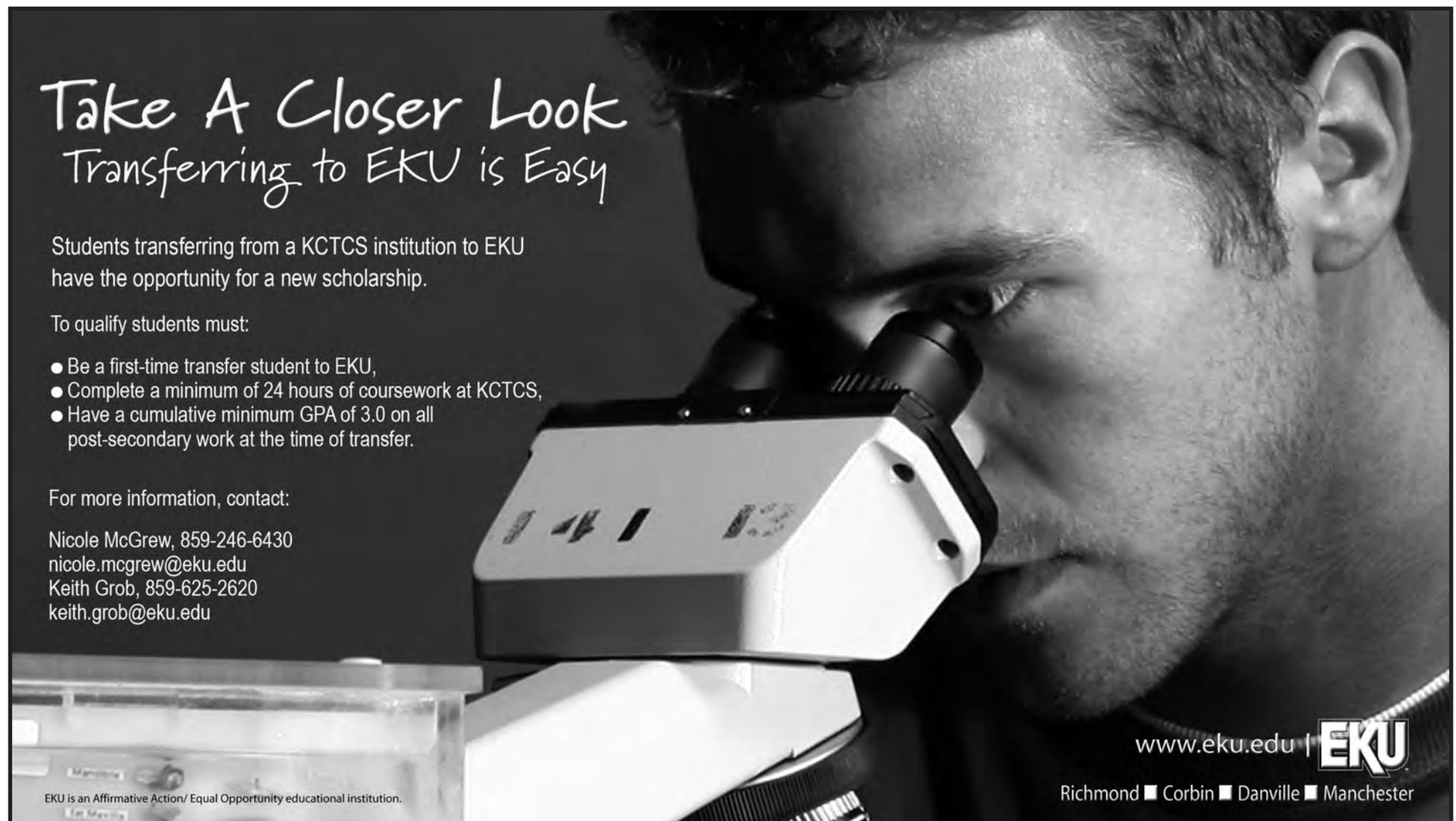
matted by the Transylvania faculty. According to some members on the Academic Team, the questions were hard for all the teams that were competing.

“They did a very good job and if the team was unsure about the questions they were asked they still attempted to answer them even if it was a guess,”

continued Maltby

Division II included Jefferson CC, Transylvania, Cumberland University, and Georgetown College.

The next Academic Team meet will be held at Cumberland University on April 14, which will be the fifth and final meet this year.



Take A Closer Look
Transferring to EKV is Easy

Students transferring from a KCTCS institution to EKV have the opportunity for a new scholarship.

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- Be a first-time transfer student to EKV,
- Complete a minimum of 24 hours of coursework at KCTCS,
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For more information, contact:

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SPORTS

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The Masters delivers best drama in sports

By the time you read this it will already be over. The greatest spectacle in sports will have already taken place. A new champion will be crowned. Most of you won't care.

By the time you read this, the clutch shots will have already been made. The contenders will have already advanced, and the Cinderella stories will have fizzled out.

The pageantry will be played out. Hugs and kisses and handshakes will have been doled out.

The thrill of victory and the agony of defeat will have clinched the souls of those on both sides.

And as the losers hang their heads, the winner will don a million dollar smile and that beautiful green jacket.

Is there anything better in the world of sports than The Masters? If you find it let me know.

Over four days The Masters showcases all that is great about the world of sports.

All in one weekend we will see the dominant champion, the best in the world, Tiger Woods, as he ascends towards even greater heights.

We will see if Phil Mickelson can gain

Soft Focus



By **B. C. THOMAS**

another Major. Can the young Aussie Adam Scott continue his meteoric climb up the world golf rankings?

CBS calls it, "A tradition unlike any other". And they are right.

The Masters, year in year out provides more drama than the Superbowl and *Passions* combined.

It's Amen Corner. It's Tiger's shot on 16. It's Jack's 65 in 86', and Hogan's 20 footer. It's Crenshaw's first in 84' and Payne's last in 99'.

So many emotions pulse through the veins of golf's best tournament, and that is what makes it beautiful.

The slow pace of golf allows you to see every smile, and every frown. Every putt whether missed or made garners a reaction.

The slow pace helps build to the climax

of the event, putting fans at home and in the stands right on the edge of their seats.

I had a friend and neighbor, who attended the Masters every year.

He is gone now, fittingly enough, he passed away on the golf course.

I remember asking him about the Masters, and he would look over his glasses at me, and with his twangy drawl say, "Son, their ain't nothing like it. You gotta be there, you just gotta be there".

One day I hope to be there, but for now, I will sit back and soak up the excitement of Augusta.

By the time you have read this I will have already hung on Jim Nantz' every word.

I will already have pumped my fist and hung my head.

By the time you read this I will have already shouted in excitement, and turned my head in embarrassment.

By the time you read this I will have already experienced the Masters, the greatest event in American sports.

You should have been there, you just should have been there.



Can Tiger tame Augusta again, and get one step closer to Jack Nicklaus' record 18 major titles?

Final Four packed massive starpower

It was a great finish to a great NCAA tournament Monday night. Last years national champions the University of Florida Gators repeated as national champions this year making history as the first team to repeat as national champions in back to back years in over fifteen years.

It was also this first time ever that the football team and the basketball team from the same school had won both a football and basketball national championship in the same academic year.

Coming into Atlanta last Saturday were the Florida Gators, the UCLA Bruins, the Ohio State Buckeyes and the Georgetown Hoyas.

The first matchup Saturday night was Ohio State and UCLA.

Sports on Wheels



by **WILL WHOBREY**

Despite Oden going out early in the 2nd half because of two quick fouls the Buckeyes stepped it up on both sides of the court.

The Hoyas could have really made this a

tough ballgame for the OSU, but the shots were not going down from deep. They also struggled from the field, often taking bad jump shots instead of driving it towards the basket. Guard Jeff Green was held to only nine points the entire

game, although he had fifteen boards for the Hoyas.

The final score was 67-60 Ohio State. This gave the buckeyes their first national championship opportunity since 1962.

The second game that night was between the defending national champ Florida Gators, and UCLA.

This game seemed to be really dominated by Florida, although the score doesn't seem to show it.

Florida took the ball to the basket in this game. It was constantly either a layup or a dunk by Joakim Noah or Al Horford or a huge three-point-er from Lee Humphries.

They just took it to the Bruins and showed why they are champions.

One thing that really surprised me was the fact that

UCLA's Coach, Ben Howland, called his last timeout with 13 minutes to go in the second half. While UCLA was over-matched, Howland's blunder did not help the Bruins get back in the game.

Monday's Championship game was definitely one to remember. Both teams came out ready to play and each team deserves credit in that game. All the stars on both sides came out to shine in this one and made it really exciting.

This game really came down to Ohio State not making the clutch shots that they needed.

Some of the baskets that were attempted by the Buckeyes were careless and came down to bad shot selection.

Although his team lost, greg

Oden dominated, and should have been named the Final Four's MOP. I know his team lost, but Oden was clearly the best player on the floor.

Each team in the Final Four had sure fire NBA players on it's roster, and their high level of play made for one heck of a tourney.

Brewer, Horford and Noah will all represent the Gators in the NBA lottery. Chris Richard and Taruean Green are projected as second rounders.

OSU's Greg Oden is a lock to be either the first or second overall pick in the draft. And if PG Mike Conley Jr. leaves Columbus he would be the best PG in the draft and probably wind up as a lottery pick as well.

Whether they come back or not, this group of athletes gave us something special.

Wrestlemania showcases great entertainers

Each year, the world of sports has always had a showcase of its best athletes in their respective sports.

The WWE, known for its brand of sports entertainment, hosted Wrestlemania on April 1st 2007.

Emanating from Detroit, MI this years Wrestlemania hype was more than ever before. Wrestlemania has always been a fan favorite and promised to be no less than spectacular.

This year the sold out crowd witnessed John Cena face his tag team partner Shawn Michaels for the WWE Championship.

Both men gave it everything they had but unfortunately for Shawn Michaels, it was John Cena's night to emerge victorious in what many are calling a torch passing match.

The second main event of the evening pitted the World Heavyweight Champion, Batista against the undefeated

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By **FRANKLYN
MCINTOSH**

streak of 14-0 at Wrestlemania of the Undertaker. In a moment that left everyone in disbelief, The Undertaker was able to kick out of the "Batista Bomb" and deliver a "Tombstone Piledriver" of his own, securing the win, the title, and keeping his undefeated streak in tact.

Everyone was anxious to see whether Vince McMahon, Chairman of the Board for WWE or Donald Trump would be shaved completely bald.

The match was originally a challenge by Donald Trump to wrestle Vince.

Trump actually slapped Vince at the press conference for the event causing Vince to hit Lashley who in turn snapped, and slammed Vince over a table.

Vince decided they should pick representatives on their behalf instead.

Trump agreed and each picked their representative. Vince chose a seemingly unbeatable Samoan by the name of Umaga. Trump chose the ECW Heavyweight Champion Bobby Lashley to wrestle for him.

This feud was so heated up by the time wrestlemania came around that Trump actually slapped Vince at the press conference for the event causing Vince to hit Lashley who in

turn snapped, and slammed Vince over a table.

If that isn't enough for you, Vince's most hated rival for years was the special referee for the match.

Stone Cold Steve Austin was going to be counting the 1,2,3.

"When this match is over, there will be a winner and there will be a loser...and there will be a bald billionaire walking out of the building." thundered Austin to a crowd of fans, journalists, celebrities, and photographers.

The next night, millions watched as Donald Trump and Bobby Lashley humiliated Vince by shaving him bald.

The next match of interest was the "Money in The Bank" Ladder match that saw eight individuals compete for a guaranteed shot at any heavy-weight belt that the WWE has to offer at any time within the next 12 months.

Everyone involved in the match put everything they had into the match.

The winner however was Ken Kennedy, who now has the opportunity to challenge any of the three heavyweight champions whenever he wants to, for their title.

The next match has sentimental value as the "ECW Originals" took on the ECW "New Breed".

Each team employed brilliant tactics but it was the "ECW Originals" winning, strengthening their place as the dominant ECW faction.

Champion Melina was being challenged by Playboy centerfold Ashley Massaro. Melina said that posing for Playboy magazine was beneath her.

After a good match Melina left Wrestlemania still with the belt high above her head.

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Tubby takes ball, heads to friendlier Minnesota

By **B. C. THOMAS**
Sports Editor

The rollercoaster tenure of Tubby Smith has come to an end at the University of Kentucky.

Smith, who won a national championship in 1998, won an impressive 76% of his games at the University of Kentucky.

While Tubby was successful, he never really was embraced by the UK fan-base the way his predecessor Rick Pitino was.

Add that to the fact that the UK job brings intense pressure, and the situation is often very tense.

The last couple of years, it looked like the tension was getting to Smith.

Coaching for Pitino helped Tubby get his start in big time college hoops.

Smith anchored an assistant coaching staff that also included big name coaches Ralph Willard and Billy Donovan.

Smith left UK and made his way to Tulsa. There he led the Golden Hurricanes to the Sweet Sixteen, and earned himself an SEC job at the University of Georgia.

Another birth in the Sweet Sixteen and Tubby was headed to Lexington.

After winning a National title in 98' Tubby's teams disappointed fans until the 2003 season.

That set of Wildcats ripped off an impressive 26 game winning streak and earned the overall #1 seed.

Most experts picked UK to win the title. Then in the blink of an eye that all changed.

Superstar guard Keith

Bogans went down with an ankle injury, leaving the Cats without a lockdown defender to put on former Marquette and current Miami Heat star Dwayne Wade.

Wade ripped off a triple-double in the regional finals, beating the Cats, and rising to basketball fame.

After the elite eight loss to the Golden Eagles the trouble for Tubby took off.

Four years later Tubby's team's have garnered the nickname "team turmoil" and the coach himself earned the moniker "ten-loss" Tubby.

The change was really not that much of a surprise. Tubby looked tired and worn out. It seemed he was tired of carrying the weight of the Big Blue Nation on his shoulders.

Smith looked very happy at his press conference in

Minnesota.

And he should be. He will earn 1.8 million a year, and be at a school where the expectations are lower.

This move seemed to have lightened the load for Tubby, and put some pep back in his step.

Which is a dangerous thing, because a motivated, fresh, Tubby Smith is one of the best coaches in the country.

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Kane took on The Great Khali in a battle of giants that saw Khali surprise everyone and defeat Kane. Khali inexplicably attacked Kane a month ago in Kane's match against Booker T to compete in the MITB Ladder match.

Chris Benoit defeated the arrogant and talented Montel Vontavious Porter, or MVP, in a match for the coveted United States Championship. "MVP is a great competitor, but I've been in this business for 20 years. I won because I had more experience," remarked Benoit.

While Benoit won the match, MVP garnered many fans respect after the match. Porter's in ring skills were on full display at Wrestlemania, and he and Benoit put on a great show.

Performances like that will only help MVP

grow into one of the biggest stars in sports entertainment.

Wrestlemania was once again a great show for the fans. The WWE always goes all out for it's fan base, and this year was no exception.

From the incredibly detailed and amazing set, to the top notch production to the great in ring work, Wrestlemania was a fantastic experience for the fans. Some people like to joke about wrestling, and they can because it is kind of funny. But none can joke about the quality of the product WWE puts out every week, and especially on the big stage. Their is a reason the WWE is worth more than the New York Yankees, Mets, Giants, Jets, Islanders, Rangers and Knicks combined, it is the commitment to their fans. And WWE keeps that commitment by working hard to provide a product that the fans enjoy.

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Paul Metzger, Frank Furbush, and Josh Stuteville listen to instructions from their director in order to improve their performances in *Once Upon A Mattress*. The play will be performed in the HFAC on Friday, April 13 and 14.

Angie Skaggs, who plays the Queen, is telling jester Rick Chandler how to prepare for the upcoming ball. The cast is made up of a variety of HCC students, faculty, staff and community members.

Hill photos by Debbie Dunn



Kelly Sears, who plays Lady Larkin, sings a musical number with accompaniment by Paul Metzger who plays a jester.

Visuals make 300 a modern lesson in ancient history

Still in theaters is the bloody war epic, *300*. This film tells the story of the historic Battle of Thermopylae in 480 BC.

Bear with me through the brief lesson in ancient Greek history, it's worth it.

The film begins with the birth of a male child and is soon followed by a gripping quote: "From the time (the boy) could stand, he was baptized in the fire of combat."

After years of ruthless tests of strength and brutality, the boy grows to become a great warrior and king of Sparta (a city in southern Greece). King Leonidas (played by Gerard Butler) is approached with an ultimatum: bow down to the invading King Xerxes and his Persian army, or perish.

King Leonidas has no choice but to defend his land and his people. After

Reel to Real Picks



By **KYLE WILLIAMS**

refusing submission, he gathers his 300 greatest warriors and marches towards the pass of Thermopylae, also known as the "Hot Gates"

It is at this narrow pass in central Greece that Leonidas' 300 men are met by hundreds of thousands of Persian soldiers. The greatly outnumbered King of Sparta is again given a chance to surrender. Leonidas refuses and a brutal battle begins.

For three days, the Persian army

deploys everything in its arsenal, including several freaks and monsters, and a group of invincible warriors known as 'the Immortals.'

The 300 Spartans, armed with little more than swords and shields, show no mercy and take no prisoners as wave after wave of Persian troops attack.

When it appears King Leonidas may in fact lose the battle, he is faced with a difficult decision. Should he stay and fight or admit defeat and retreat back to Sparta? His decision would change history forever.

Usually films like this attract older adults and history buffs but I was shocked at the amount of young adults and teenagers who were saying they had seen *300* and loved it. After giving in to all the hype, I watched the film and was impressed to say the least.

Similar period films such as *Gladiator* and *Troy* don't necessarily make it to my list of great movies but *300* proves to be an excellent action-packed history lesson!

Inspired by a mix of the actual historic battle and Frank Miller's graphic novel, the heart-pumping film is filled with nothing short of spectacular visuals. I really was amazed at how real the brutal action sequences looked and sounded, and I watched with awe as the thrilling story played out.

Filled with witty and poetic dialogue, *300* is rated 'R' for graphic battle sequences along with some sexuality and nudity.

I seriously recommend this one for an interesting and somewhat surreal look at one ancient king's refusal to surrender to an overwhelming enemy.

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Priority Registration for summer and fall 2007 is now open. See your adviser for an appointment.

Star cast, animation make *TMNT* a solid pick

KOWABUNGA!

The Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles are back and looking real good. This is the first digitally animated movie that I have seen, and it is not bad.

In this movie (officially called *TMNT*) most of the turtles, including their master Splinter (Mako, *Memoirs of a Geisha*) are still living in the sewers of New York City, but Leonardo (James Arnold Taylor, *Atlantis: Milo's Return*), the proclaimed leader of the group, is living somewhere in Central America

Wheels at the Movies



by WILL WHOBREY

where he is learning how to be a more effective leader.

Later he comes back and tries to reunite with the turtles, but he and Raphael have some conflicts. It seems

that Raphael had been doing his own thing lately.

It almost makes the brotherhood split up forever. However, when an ancient group of warriors awoken by a man named Max Winters (Patrick Stewart, *X-Men*), who sides with the Foot clan, it forces the turtles to step up and work as a team again.

They must stop these warriors and save New York and the world before the ancient warriors conquer them both!

The movie also stars everybody's favorite sidekick April O'Neal (Sarah Michelle Gellar, *Scooby Doo*) and Casey Jones (Chris Evans, *Fantastic Four*) who help stop the bad guys once again.

I thought that this was a very good movie and deserves lot of credit for the animation. On a scale of one to ten I would give this movie a seven because it lacks the humor that I have seen in the other ninja turtle movies.



photo courtesy of TNMT web site

Michealangelo

However, the action makes up for it a lot throughout the movie. If you are a Ninja Turtle fan I would definitely recommend it.

It is rated PG and is now playing at all local theatres.

Chronology a keeper

Third Day has finally released their newest album *Chronology Volume I*.

Normally with a "best of" album there isn't really any point in buying it if you already own all of the band's previous albums.

However, that is not the case with this album.

Chronology is actually a CD/DVD box set that has 12 songs, six of which are new mixes to classic Third Day songs such as "Consuming Fire," "Forever," and "I've Always Loved You."

It also has two new recordings of "My Hope is You," and "Thief."

This set also comes with five bonus tracks that include a new mix of "Have Mercy," and live recordings of "Blackbird" and "Alien."

The DVD has five music videos that include "Consuming Fire," "Your Love Oh Lord," and "Cry Out to Jesus"-the band version.

There are also six performances Third Day has done throughout the years at the

Heaven's Music



By ZACH STONE

G M A D o v e Awards.

These performances include the 1997 performance of "Forever," the 2001 performance of "God of

Wonders," and the 2006 performance of "Cry Out to Jesus."

This album has eight bootleg videos that include a couple of the band members' first performances, and Mac Powell's stage dive.

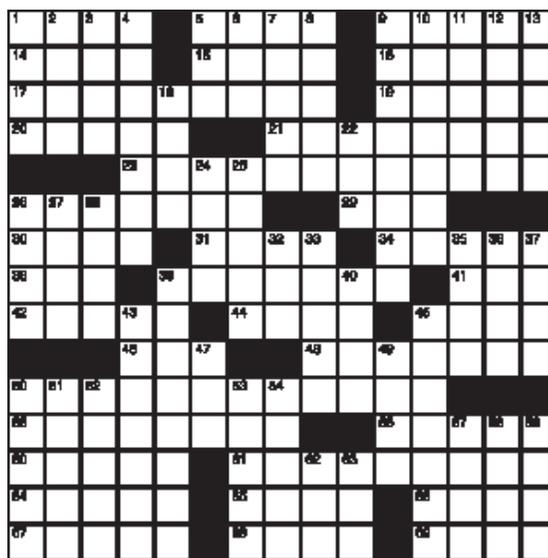
As if this wasn't enough Third Day!

There is only one score for a CD/DVD set this good. It gets the 10 out of 10. 10 being this is the greatest album of the year, and 1 being who cares cause this album didn't get that low of a score.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Robert Williams

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The Easter Bunny talks to Mayray Sung about all of the eggs she found yesterday during the Easter Egg Hunt at the daycare playground. A total of 15 children participated in the hunt.

Hill seeking editors

By SAMANTHA WALKER
Reporter

The Student Publications Board is accepting applications for several positions open on the staff of the *The Hill*, HCC's student newspaper, for 2007-08 academic year.

Applications for these positions are available in the AD Welcome Center or from Tony Strawn, adviser, in LB202.

The applications are due by Friday, April 13, and interviews will be held beginning Monday, April 16.

Among the positions available is editor-in-chief. The student chosen for this position can earn credit, but will also relieve a full tuition scholarship for each semester.

This year's editor, Ben Langston will be continuing his education at Murray.

Other positions available are for the editors of the vari-

ous sections of the paper including sports features photography and on-line.

Students filling these positions will relieve a stipend after each issue and can also register for academic credit.

The Hill also needs an advertising manager to sell ads for the paper. This person is responsible for coordinating the advertising staff and making sure all ads are placed in the paper.

Students who currently hold one of these positions must re-apply if they are interested in serving in that position next year.

"Students who participate with the newspaper are given a way to get involved with the school other than just attending classes. It also looks pretty good on their resumes," said Strawn.

Successful applicants for the positions will be notified before the end of this semester.



Hill photo/Kenya Miller

Michael Crump gives Cassie Sisk an egg during the Easter Egg Hunt for the children of the daycare/headstart class yesterday morning sponsored by the SGA.

Graduation practice scheduled

Graduation will be held on Friday, May 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the HFAC.

Students who ordered caps and gowns in the bookstore may start picking them up the middle of this month.

"We will send an email to students KCTCS email accounts and let them know when their orders arrive," stated Lois McGraw, bookstore assistant.

A student who plans to go through graduation, but has not ordered a cap and gown yet, has until noon today to stop by the bookstore and place an order. There will be a late fee.

There will be 293 students graduating in 10 program major areas with either a degree, diploma or certificate.

Graduation practice will be held on Wednesday, May 2, in the performance hall of the HFAC beginning at 1 p.m.

"It is really important for all graduates who are participating in the ceremony to be present for this practice. We will distribute honor cords and arrange seating assignments," stated Patty Mitchell, dean of students.

Graduates should arrive at the HFAC by 6:15 p.m. in order to get ready for the processional.



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