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# Come to Ellsworth for pizza, comedy

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Mitchell

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## HOME RUN KING INDICTED THURSDAY

Former San Francisco Giants player Barry Bonds was charged with perjury and obstruction of justice.

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Sunny and windy  
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SATURDAY

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Sunny

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## Rushing back right on time



Jon Goering/KANSAN

Junior guard Brandon Rush jumps for a shot over a Washburn defender during Thursday night's game in Allen Fieldhouse. Rush played for the first time since his surgery for a torn ACL during the summer. He scored seven points in 15 minutes in Kansas' 92-60 victory against Washburn.

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# Three-star general speaks to students about Army experiences

Lt Gen. William Caldwell spoke to students about the Army's use of force, its actions in foreign countries and its relations with the media on Thursday and Wednesday nights.

Caldwell is a three-star general and commander of the U.S. Army Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth.

He and administrators in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are working to put together a joint program with the University of Kansas and Ft. Leavenworth.

Caldwell also spoke to students about the difficulties of being deployed for long periods of time and adjusting when he returned.

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quote of the day

“I was the first woman to burn my bra — it took the fire department four days to put it out.”

— Dolly Parton

fact of the day

In September 1990 in Tokyo, Japan, Triumph International Japan Ltd. developed a bra with an underbust measurement of 78 feet, eight inches and a bust measurement of 91 feet, 10 inches, a Guinness World Record.

**Bonus Fact:** During the past 15 years, the average bra size has increased from 34B to 36C.

Source: [www.myfirstbra.us/bra\\_facts.htm](http://www.myfirstbra.us/bra_facts.htm)

most e-mailed

Want to know what people are talking about? Here's a list of the five most e-mailed stories from *Kansan.com*:

1. Downtown restaurant closes doors
2. Dancers to perform after months of rehearsal
3. Popular student hangout will close early December
4. KULTure: He's the new bird on the block
5. Student found dead in apartment

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**TOP, Lawrence freshman Micah Barclay and his team, The Dominators, receive points for a correct answer in the fourth annual Globe-O-Mania on Thursday in Woodruff Auditorium.**

**TOP RIGHT, Barclay and Ian Appling, Kerrville, Texas, freshman, compete in Globe-O-Mania, the geography trivia bowl. More than 200 students participated in the competition.**

**BOTTOM RIGHT, Chicago freshmen Jake Moller, David Littman and Mike Quattrochi discuss a Globe-O-Mania trivia question. Some geography classes offered students extra credit for participating in the event.**



ODD NEWS

Officials use doughnuts to lure 'big orange ball of fur'

**MACCLENNY, Fla.** — Whether the mystery critter roaming northern Florida is an orangutan, a "baby Bigfoot" or something else, wildlife officials think it might have a bit of Homer Simpson in it.

After a bear hunter said an animal that could be an orangutan stole jelly doughnuts from him, a wildlife investigator has tried to use sweet treats to lure the creature into the open in Baker County.

There have been several sightings of what witnesses have described as a "big orange ball of fur," though officials have yet to confirm it's an orangutan, said Karen Parker, a spokeswoman for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

Fish and wildlife investigator Ken Holmes laid doughnuts at the base of a tree in hopes of catching the animal, but it eluded him.

It's illegal to own an orangutan in Florida without a commercial permit, and none are registered in the area, Holmes said. The closest zoo is in Jacksonville, about 30

miles east, but it hasn't reported any missing animals.

Some residents think the animal is a spider monkey or even a squirrel. Holmes said he also got a call from a Bigfoot research group asking about it.

"I can't confirm that it wasn't Bigfoot," he said. "That's one possibility. It's just not a possibility I'm exploring."

Cows on the loose after tractor trailer flips over

**SHREVEPORT, La.** — Police warned drivers Thursday to watch

out for cows that may have strayed from a tractor-trailer that flipped over on an interstate.

More than 100 head of cattle escaped. Shreveport police and Caddo Parish sheriff's deputies caught most of the cows late Wednesday but said a few might still be on the loose.

Some cows died, some fell off the I-220 bridge and at least one was hit by a car.

The wreck happened when a number of cows shifted their weight, police said. A stretch of the interstate was shut down.

This little piggie leads chase, caught in a blanket

**DAVENPORT, Iowa** — Who wants a pig in a blanket?

Two stray pot-bellied pigs stirred up a commotion Wednesday morning while on the run from two animal control officers, two police officers and even a couple of utility company workers who joined the 35-minute chase.

Learning from her first pig chase, animal control officer Leah Messmer knew to grab a blanket.

— Associated Press

GET READY FOR THE  
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BY KATHERINE LESLIE AND  
FRANCESCA CHAMBERS

LAWRENCE BICYCLE  
CLUB MUFFIN RIDE AND  
SHOW-N-GO

If the scenic tour through campus to and from classes isn't quite your style of biking, the Lawrence Bicycle Club has a trip planned that just might satisfy your inner Armstrong. Although the 9 a.m. start time may seem early for a Saturday, the club doesn't think so, considering the trip to a local restaurant after the ride.

Starting at Broken Arrow Park, 31st and Louisiana streets, this 35-mile ride trails its way to Lone Star Lake, about 10 miles southwest of Lawrence, where participants can regroup before they head back to Lawrence for breakfast.

Beginning and experienced riders are welcome to participate. Cyclists will split into multiple groups of different riding speeds from 15 to 20 miles per hour.

If you can't attend Saturday's ride or are left wanting more after the Muffin Ride, the club also rides on Sunday mornings. At 9 a.m. the club

meets for its Show-N-Go at South Park Gazebo, 12th and Massachusetts streets.

The Sunday route changes every week and maps are available at the gazebo. The rides are free and are open to all ages. Don't forget your helmet.

940 DANCE COMPANY  
CHOREOGRAPHERS'  
SHOWCASE

This Saturday local and professional choreographers will perform at the 16th Annual Choreographers' Showcase. The showcase will be at the Lawrence Arts Center, 940 New Hampshire St., and is sponsored by the 940 Dance Company.

Workshops and classes will be offered during the day for advanced dancers. Students who are interested in watching performances by their

fellow University of Kansas students and some of the best dancers and choreographers in the Midwest are welcome to attend the informal and professional showcases during the evening.

According to the center's Web site, choreographers from Lawrence, Kansas City, Illinois, Springfield, Topeka and Manhattan will showcase their work.

Tickets to the professional showcase cost \$13.50 for adults and \$7 for students and senior citizens. Tickets to the informal showcase are free. Donations are appreciated. The informal showcase will begin at 4:30 p.m., and the professional showcase will begin at 7:30 p.m.

For more information visit [www.lawrenceartscenter.org](http://www.lawrenceartscenter.org).

— Edited by Rachael Gray



daily KU info

Today is Oklahoma's 100th birthday. According to the Alumni Association's annual report, there are just more than 4,000 KU alumni living in Oklahoma, ranking it ninth among states with the most Jayhawks.

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# SUA event offers laughs, pizza

**BY JEFF DETERS**  
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Arvin Mitchell will be the featured act for Student Union Activities' "Pizza and a Comedian" at 7 tonight in Ellsworth Hall. Students also can vote on what kind of pizza they like best.

More than 60 pizzas from local pizza places will be served to students in hopes of being named the students' favorite. Alumnus Bryan Reynolds will open the show. He will be followed by Mitchell, a comedian whose stardom rose since he appeared on BET's Coming to the Stage in 2003. Mitchell has been co-host of BET's

ClubComicView and has performed at college campuses and comedy clubs across the country.

"I appreciate the diversity at college campuses," Mitchell said. "That's why I think I have so much fun."

Lauren Lakebrink, Liberty, Mo., junior and SUA special events coordinator, said SUA had to book Mitchell's appearance back in the spring.

Mitchell grew up in St. Louis. He liked to draw and wanted to be an architect as a kid. His career path changed when he and his sister went to a local comedy club. He then began doing impressions of Richard Pryor and Eddie Murphy.

"It felt so good to make other people laugh," he said.

Over time, Mitchell has honed his craft and has become well-known for his impressions of Bill Cosby, Snoop Dog, DMX and others. On stage, Mitchell doesn't have a set routine. He said he enjoyed interacting with the audience and often just goes with the flow.

He said attendees at the event could expect to hear jokes about anything from Kanye West to O.J. Simpson and more.

Nathan Schriener, Lawrence sophomore, is planning to attend the event tonight. He hadn't seen Mitchell perform but was looking forward to a night of free food and fun.

And Mitchell, who has performed in Kansas but never at the University, encouraged students to use the event as a way to get away from the grind of being a college student.

## details

**Who:** Arvin Mitchell  
**What:** Pizza and a Comedian  
**When:** 7 tonight  
**Where:** Ellsworth Hall

Student Union Activities is sponsoring "Pizza and a Comedian." More than 60 pizzas will be served, and students can vote on which kind of pizza they like best.



COMEDIAN ARVIN MITCHELL  
Comedian Arvin Mitchell will perform tonight in Ellsworth Hall for the SUA event "Pizza and a Comedian." Mitchell has appeared on BET and has performed at college campuses across the country.

» CRIME

# Barry Bonds indicted

**BY PAUL ELIAS**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — Barry Bonds, baseball's home run king, was indicted for perjury and obstruction of justice Thursday and could face prison instead of the Hall of Fame for telling a federal grand jury he did not knowingly use performance-enhancing drugs.

The indictment, culminating a four-year investigation into steroid use by elite athletes, charged Bonds with four counts of perjury and one count of obstruction of justice. If convicted, he could be sentenced to a maximum of 30 years in prison.

Shortly after the indictment was handed down, Bonds' personal trainer, Greg Anderson, was ordered released after spending most of the past year in prison for refusing to testify against his longtime friend.

"During the criminal investigation, evidence was obtained including positive tests for the presence of anabolic steroids and other performance enhancing substances for Bonds and other athletes," the indictment said.

In August, when the 43-year-old Bonds passed Hank Aaron to become baseball's career home run leader, he flatly rejected any suggestion that this milestone was stained by steroids.

"This record is not tainted at all. At all. Period," Bonds said.

Bonds finished the year with 762 homers, seven more than Aaron, and is currently a free agent.

Late in the season, the San Francisco Giants told the seven-time National League MVP they didn't want him back next year.

Bonds could not immediately be reached for comment. One of his attorneys, John Burris, didn't know of the indictment before being alerted by The Associated Press and said he would call Bonds to notify him.

"I'm surprised," Burris said, "but there's been an effort to get Barry for a long time. I'm curious what evidence they have now they didn't have before."

Bonds' defense attorney, Mike Rains, declined comment because he hadn't seen a copy of the indictment.

"However, it goes without saying that we look forward to rebutting these unsupported charges in court," Rains said. "We will no doubt have more specific comments in the very near future once we have had the opportunity to actually see this indictment that took so long to generate."

Bonds is scheduled to appear in U.S. District Court in San Francisco on Dec. 7.

Bonds has never been identified by Major League Baseball as testing positive for steroids.

The White House quickly weighed in on the indictment.

"The president is very disappointed to hear this," Bush spokesman Tony Fratto said. "As this case is now in the criminal justice system, we will refrain from any further specific comments about it. But clearly this is a sad day for baseball."

Bush, who once owned the Texas Rangers, called Bonds to congratulate him in August when the Giants

outfielder broke the home run mark.

"You've always been a great hitter, and you broke a great record," Bush said at the time.

Former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, who is investigating drug use in baseball, declined comment. So did Hall of Fame vice president Jeff Idelson.

Bonds was charged in the indictment with lying when he said he didn't knowingly take steroids given to him by Anderson. Bonds is also charged with lying that Anderson never injected him with steroids.

"Greg wouldn't do that," Bonds testified in December 2003 when asked if Anderson ever gave him any drugs that needed to be injected. "He knows I'm against that stuff."

Anderson's attorney, Mark Geragos, said the trainer didn't cooperate with the grand jury that indicted Bonds.

"This indictment came out of left field," Geragos said. "Frankly I'm aghast. It looks like the government misled me and Greg as well, saying this case couldn't go forward without him."

Prosecutors promised Bonds they wouldn't charge him with any drug-related counts if he testified truthfully. But according to the indictment, Bonds repeatedly denied taking any steroids or performance-enhancing drugs despite evidence to the contrary.

For instance, investigators seized a so-called "doping calendar" labeled "BB" during a raid of Anderson's house.

"He could know other BBs," Bonds replied when shown the calendar during his testimony.

Asked directly if Anderson supplied him with steroids, Bonds answered: "Not that I know of." Bonds even denied taking steroids when he was shown documents revealing a positive steroids test for a player named Barry B.

Bonds said at the end of the 2003 season, Anderson rubbed some cream on his arm that the trainer said would help him recover. Anderson also gave him something he called "flax seed oil," Bonds said.

Bonds then testified that prior to the 2003 season, he never took anything supplied by Anderson — which the indictment alleges was a lie because the doping calendars seized from Anderson's house were dated 2001.



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A four-year federal probe into whether home run king Barry Bonds lied under oath to a grand jury investigating steroid use by elite athletes came to an end Thursday. Bonds was charged with perjury and obstruction of justice.



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Concepts: Sudoku

By Dave Linn

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Answer to previous puzzle

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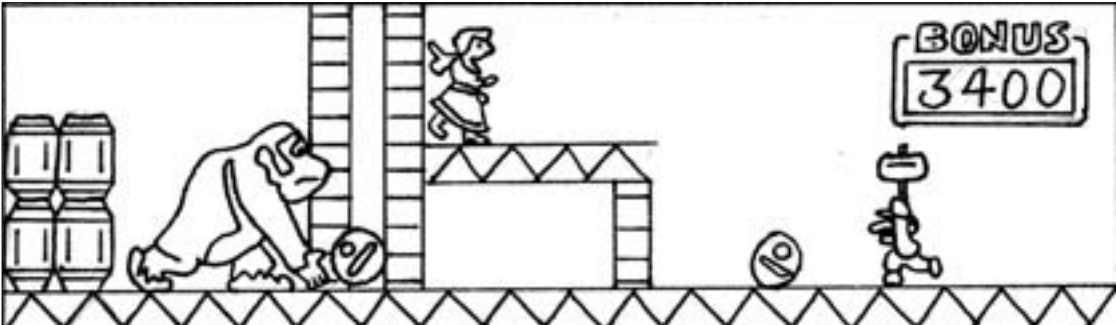
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» FRESH TIMES



STEVEN LEVY

Best party I've ever been to. Dozens of kegs, a guy in a gorilla suit, another guy getting hammered, some chick dancing on a table, and I know for sure someone scored big time.

» HOROSCOPES

10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Today is a 7

It's good to catch up on the gossip. You can provide encouragement. Don't pass along what you hear, however. Deeply held feelings don't always last.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Today is a 7

Be patient with an older person who has lofty ideas. If you can devise a plan to achieve them, you can win a nice bonus.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

Today is an 8

Restraints are being lifted, allowing more time for fun. Romance and other forms of fascination are literally everywhere. Get out and enjoy life.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

Today is a 7

More work will be required, but it's a job you do well. There's a demand for your product or services, when you make yours different and better. You can do this.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Today is a 7

A knowledgeable person helps everything make sense. Ask questions and make suggestions as the confusion is cleared away.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Today is a 7

Household chores demand more time, but it's going to be a fair trade. You'll feel even less like doing them in a couple of days. Make room for more fun.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Today is a 7

A loved one seems to understand everything that's on your mind. Share your hopes and fears and the interesting parts of the problem you're studying. You'll get very good advice.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Today is a 6

Money's still tight, but there's enough for a family gathering. You won't need much cash, anyway. You already have the things that are most important.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Today is a 7

Be very careful what you say, and to whom. Information you've recently discovered could disrupt the status quo. Somebody won't like that.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Today is a 7

People love what you're producing, and they'll pay you well for it. This is not going commercial with your art if you love what you're doing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Today is a 7

You have strong emotions and opinions. Those will help you sway the crowd. For the individuals, however, you'll need to have the facts.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

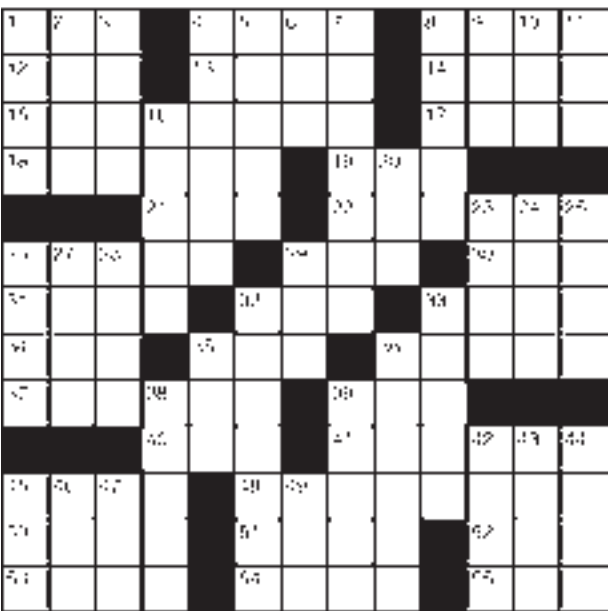
Today is a 7

Provide what's really needed. This might turn out to be different than what was requested originally. Trust your own judgment.

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SENTIMENTAL HYGIENE

Poverty meets low-price solution

World education divide potentially lessened with introduction of \$100 little green laptop

Emmanuel is a fifth grader in rural Nigeria, and in most respects, he is just like most kids are at his age: curious, inquisitive and eager to learn.

There is, however, one major difference between him and most American students that will severely handicap his education. The school he attends cannot afford electricity or running water, much less personal computers or other technology necessary for competitive education in today's world.

We are American college students, raised on myriad of amenities and technology in excess. The vast majority of us have grown accustomed to compact, powerful laptops, wireless access to the internet and even entire college courses conducted online.

But what about the nearly two billion children in the developing world who receive a sub-par education, or none at all? One in three doesn't finish fifth grade. Almost a billion people can't read, write or operate simple electronics. It is not hard to imagine what sort of detrimental effect these disadvantages can have on a student's future.

It's called the Digital Divide, and it puts Emmanuel and others like him at an acute disadvantage.

But there are solutions to this horrible discrepancy in education. An organization called One Laptop Per Child (OLPC) has developed an ultra-cheap, nearly unbreakable laptop designed especially for children in developing countries. It only costs \$200 to manufacture and ship, and is equipped with wireless Internet, word processing and video-capture technology, as well as multiple educational applications in all subjects. Dubbed the "\$100 laptop" (its developers expect to be able to produce it for about \$100 in the near future), this little, green device has the potential to revolutionize education in poor countries. Already, national governments like Uruguay and Rwanda have ordered millions of units for their countries' students. You can see the affects for yourself at [www.laptop.org](http://www.laptop.org).

Other charities such as UNICEF (which has a chapter at KU) have similar programs to promote education among children living below the poverty line. Once basic needs like food and shelter are met, it is most important that a child in a developing country receives a good education. This process

works because it is a long-term, cost-effective way to positively affect the development of an exponential number of people.

We all know that education is a powerful thing. It is about time that we shake off the rust of complacency, and devote ourselves to making the world a better place. Students at the University of Kansas do have the power to change things.

The term "poor college student" is cliché. And worse, it is simply not true. Compared to \$200 per student in developing nations, American expenditures on public education are closer to \$10,000 per student. And that's just public primary education. We are constantly complaining about rising tuition at KU. But we don't know the first thing about hardship.

And think about how much money we spend on completely unnecessary consumption like iPods, beer and new white Nikes. American college students spend an average of nearly \$1,300 per year on entertainment alone. And then think about how much of a difference that money could make for a

village that can't even afford books, not to mention laptops, for school.

So next time you are buying a new computer, instead of spending hundreds of extra dollars to upgrade to the fancy new audio/video device that you don't really need, use that money to buy a child a computer that will give him a fraction of the opportunity that you have been given.

Emmanuel, by the way, was one of the first children to receive a "\$100 laptop." He loves it, and even takes it home at night to share what he has learned with his family. He has the world at his fingertips. He can check national and world news, read online books, and talk to students from places as far away as India and Brazil. He can even read this article on [Kansan.com](http://Kansan.com).

He was one of the lucky ones. With our help, his now-bright future could be shared by an entire generation. A generation that will be better educated, and better prepared to deal with problems such as war, famine and disease that they will inevitably encounter in a world where the odds are stacked against them.

Pettersen is a Prairie Village junior in English.



MARK PETTERSON

The war comes home

Iraq conflict becomes more than a statistic for the future wife of a Marine

BESTY MCLEOD

Under normal circumstances, war does not affect the typical college student. Aside from an occasional offhand remark about the latest death toll or updated withdrawal proposal, the war doesn't occupy our minds or conversations, or have need to. Combat in Iraq is a TV show, a statistic in the paper, a sad waste of our military resources, but beyond these distant outlets it isn't really real. Most people our age are detached from the horrors of war, and have no desire to reconnect themselves.

Our parents burned draft cards and took to the streets. Our grandparents rationed gas and sugar. The war of the time shoved itself in the lives of every American, enlisted or not. But what about our generation's war effort? There is a barrier between those who are affected by the war and those who aren't. Those of us on the wrong side of the wall are marked with a deep-rooted sadness and sense of loss, staring at the other side with a mixture of envy and anger.

I am a future Marine wife, and until last Friday, I hadn't seen my fiancé in almost eight months. Most of the time I felt alone, unsure of where to turn when I cried. When they found out my fiancé was serving his second deployment in Iraq, people didn't know what to say, and instead they would bow their heads in an awkward attempt at something between a moment of silence and a nod of respect. I had crossed a social boundary and turned a light conversation into something much heavier; I brought in the human element of war, an unwelcome reality jolt for those who weren't affected by IEDs and kill counts.

We are everywhere, those of us waiting for someone to come home, perpetually lighthearted and smiling because we know that no political science class or heartwarming tell-all book can help anyone understand what we go through, and we know that our situation is guaranteed to bring down the traditional carefree college air. We know that it's necessary to continue on with daily life and that our loved ones are fighting to come home to us.

We hope for the best and pre-

pare for the worst. After he left I accepted the possibility that the next time we were in church together, he could be lying in a casket instead of standing on the altar, that I could be in mourning black instead of wedding white. Military support groups insisted on avoiding watching the news, but unfortunately that wasn't an option for a journalism student, and I would struggle through my everyday assignments. When a Marine was killed I couldn't eat until the deceased's name was released, and when it was I would cry with grief and relief. When I saw my fiancé for the first time upon his return, I rushed into his arms and clung to him. I thought of the four guys from his platoon who didn't come home, and the families that weren't there celebrating with us.

Even though he's stateside now, we still can't put Iraq behind us. Little things are an everyday ordeal. One night when fireworks were set off, he tensed up, his eyes glazed over into the thousand-mile-stare and suddenly I was the enemy and the faraway thunder of bright lights was insurgent gunfire. I know wives who have woken up in the middle of the night to their husbands choking them, shouting in broken Arabic with the telltale stare that accompanies post traumatic stress disorder.

It's popular to advertise supporting the troops. But how does buying a magnet and joining a Facebook group really support the men behind the Kevlar? There is more to war than what is shown on TV and YouTube; the effects of a deployment carry over into the home life, the work life and the school life. It doesn't just affect the troops themselves, it affects the lives of the loved ones left behind and the future of the relationships put on hold. The battles don't end on the front line, and above my tests and papers hangs the reality that no matter how much I engulf myself with schoolwork and pseudo-sympathy from family, friends and teachers, when I get home the war will be there waiting for me.

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» CAMPUS

# General talks about media’s role in Army

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Three U.S. soldiers are guarding a checkpoint at 2 a.m. Suddenly, a truck approaches at high speed, ignoring their flashing lights and running over the checkpoint barriers. The truck is headed for the soldiers’ position, so they begin firing warning shots. There is no one else to ask what to do, and they have to make a decision.

They start shooting at the tires, and finally, the truck stops. The soldiers walk up to the driver and realize that he had simply fallen asleep at the wheel.

This is an example of the escalating use of force used by the U.S. Army that Lt. Gen. William Caldwell told

KU students about at a question-and-answer session on Thursday, sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Caldwell is a three-star general and commander of the U.S. Army Combined Arms Center and Ft. Leavenworth. Caldwell also spoke on Wednesday night at the Robert J. Dole Institute of Politics.

Caldwell said that the Army’s forces went through intensive training and simulation practices to prepare for situations such as this. He said soldiers had to be prepared to make decisions in a matter of seconds.

Caldwell suggested to the University of Kansas that he come to speak to students. Paul D’Anieri, associate dean of the college, said this was an important opportunity for students to talk to someone from the

U.S. government who made important decisions.

“These kinds of issues — culture, conflicts, political settlement and economics — are what we deal with. It’s what we do,” D’Anieri said.

Caldwell also spoke to students about the Army’s obligation to be open to media and reporters.

“It’s a two-way street, and we have a huge responsibility too,” Caldwell said. “We are denying reporters access at the most critical times that they need access.”

Caldwell told the story of Sgt. 1st Class Paul Smith, an engineer who was doing construction and was attacked by Iraqis. Smith found a disabled machine gun and began firing rounds at the enemy. Finally, the Iraqis began to withdraw, but Smith

was mortally wounded.

“He gave his life,” Caldwell said.

Caldwell said these were the type of stories that the media needed to be telling, and the only way the media could was if the army let them embed with them to show the media what they were doing.

Caldwell also talked about being a husband and father of five children and what it was like returning home after being deployed. He said he used to pay the bills, but after being deployed for 13 months, his wife took over, and he was never allowed to touch the checkbook again.

He said families left at home were in a tougher situation than the soldiers because they had to adjust to life without their loved ones. Caldwell and administrators at the



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**Sgt. Gen. William Caldwell spoke** to University of Kansas students on Wednesday and Thursday about his experiences in the Army. Caldwell said the media and the Army had a responsibility to cooperate.

college are working to provide joint programs between the University and Ft. Leavenworth.

“I like going into the educational environment because students are much more open,” Caldwell said.

“They may have particular views, but they are open to others and willing to engage in others.”

— Edited by Elizabeth Cattell

» RESEARCH

# Increased CO<sub>2</sub> emissions may affect flowering plants

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It’s basic, junior-high science. Carbon dioxide plus water, plus sunlight equals healthy, happy plants. So theoretically, increased amounts of CO<sub>2</sub> in the air would yield super plants. But Joy Ward, an assistant professor in the department of ecology and evolutionary biology at the University of Kansas, said sometimes too much of a good thing could be bad.

Ward and Clint Springer, a post-doctoral researcher who works in Ward’s lab, have found that increased levels of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere could cause plants to flower later.

“What we found in this study is there is a lot of variability in the responses. And to generalize those,

there is no single factor that dictates whether a plant will have accelerated or delayed flowering,” Springer said. “We uncovered a big question.”

Ward and Springer recently published the study “Flowering time and elevated atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>” in the botany journal *New Phytologist*. Although the review was primarily a synthesis of other researchers’ work, which Springer and Ward said was the most comprehensive synthesis on this subject to date, the two contributed work of their own to the paper as well.

In their papers, Ward and Springer looked at how elevated levels of atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> affect the genetic and molecular mechanisms that control plant flowering. Ward and Springer also acknowledged the implications their work could have

on agricultural crops. They hope to incorporate their work into crop breeding in the future. Carbon dioxide is a naturally occurring gas, but additional CO<sub>2</sub> is created through the burning of petroleum based fossil fuels and coal.

Ward said people needed to be more aware of the effects that an increase in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions were having on the environment.

“People are well aware that global warming is affecting plant development timing,” Ward said. “We’ve ignored the factor of carbon dioxide.”

For their own research, Ward and Springer collected genotypes, or breeds, of the *Arabidopsis thaliana*, the mouse-ear cress plant, from 10 different geographical regions in the world. They grew the plants in

controlled growth chambers at the current atmospheric level of CO<sub>2</sub>, 380 parts per million, or ppm, and at the level they predict CO<sub>2</sub> will be at in 50 to 80 years, 700 ppm.

Consistent with other researchers’ studies, Springer and Ward found that carbohydrates play a role in plant development. Ward said sugars sometimes acted as a signaling molecule for plants to flower. Springer said that inconsistency in the flowering times of the plants suggested that plants of the same species across the world were evolving differently.

In the future, Ward said she would focus on the evolutionary factors affecting plant development in her lab. Springer will focus on the molecular mechanisms in his new lab at St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia, where he recently

accepted a professorship. Springer said they hoped to pinpoint why and how plants were reacting to CO<sub>2</sub> and to apply their research to other plants that had a commonality in their make-up.

According to Ward and Springer’s paper, few studies have examined crop flowering-time responses to elevated levels of CO<sub>2</sub>. In the existing studies, 80 percent of those crops showed accelerated flowering times.

“Once we understand how genetics play a role in this, that will be more for people who are interested in how it affects crops,” Springer said.

But researchers in the department of geography are concerned now. Nate Brunsell, assistant professor of geography, said that plants would have to take in more water to counter the increased amounts of CO<sub>2</sub>. Brunsell said he expected these environmental issues to begin affecting students’ lives in the near future. He said Georgia already had put restrictions on how much water citizens could use daily.

“You also have a food security issue. If we heat things up and lose more water, what are farmers going to do?” Brunsell said. “Change crops? Use more water? When you use more water for agriculture, then there is less for municipal and recre-

ation uses.”

Kees van der Veen, an associate professor in the department of geography, said he expected another Dust Bowl in Kansas, similar to the one in the 1930s.

In their synthesis, Ward and Springer already found that sorghum showed a delayed development time. Beers such as Guinness and Anheuser-Busch’s Redbridge contain sorghum in its syrup form. According to the National Sweet Sorghum Producers and Processors Association’s Web site, sorghum is a key ingredient in cattle feed and is a major crop in Kansas.

Currently, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are not regulated in the U.S. Kansas already has taken a controversial step in this direction by refusing to allow Westar Energy to build a coal plant in Holcomb. Rod Bremby, secretary of the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, first rejected the plan, and Governor Kathleen Sebelius upheld his decision.

But Springer said his and Ward’s work was not only important to Kansas, but also to the world. “In the developing nations of the world, this will have major impacts,” Springer said. “The U.S. is more buffered because of our wealth.”

— Edited by Elizabeth Cattell



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» COMMENTARY

Rivalry  
apparel  
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Mizzou's new shirt  
goes a step too far



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Let's tally the score for recent classless T-shirts inspired by the rivalry between Kansas and Missouri.

— Kansas' Muck Fizzou shirts, which suggest offensive language: one to the Jayhawks.

— Missouri's new Quantrill's Raid shirt, which was posted by Nathan Fowler on his AOL sports blog on Monday and portrays Lawrence burning to the ground with "SCOREBOARD" underneath the picture: somewhere between 150 to 200 to the Tigers.

That's how many people died that morning in early August 1863. No one is sure of the total, said Jennifer Weber, assistant professor of history.

"It was cold-blooded murder," she said.

Lawrence was the headquarters of the Kansas abolitionist movement and the most prominent anti-slavery city in the state. The Civil War was two years underway, and five years had passed since Bleeding Kansas died down.

A federal law made it illegal to aid confederate guerillas — of course, this was aimed to stop Quantrill and his men. In turn, all the wives, mothers and sisters of these men were rounded up and jailed in Westport. The jail collapsed, killing four women and one girl. Weber said that Quantrill claimed the deaths were the immediate cause of his infamous raid.

"Quantrill came with people in mind who he wanted to kill," Weber said. But he didn't get any of them.

Instead, his raiders swept through Lawrence on horses, killing any man they found. Many of the victims were shot in the back as they tried to run away, defenseless. Then Quantrill, the man who taught outlaw Jesse James his trade, took a torch to the business district and was on his way by noon.

On the back of this controversial T-shirt, which MU students thought up, is a Quantrill quote: "Raise the black flag and ride hard, boys. Our cause is just and our enemies many."

More surprising than the T-shirts themselves is that everyone I called at Missouri on Wednesday and Thursday — the athletics department, the multicultural department, three history professors and Missouri's student newspaper, The Maneater — either hadn't heard about the shirts or didn't call me back. A Missouri logo is in clear view on the front of the shirt, and more than a day had passed since the shirts surfaced on the Web.

"Obviously we wouldn't be endorsing something of that nature that definitely steps over the lines of good taste," said Chad Moller, Missouri's assistant athletic director for media relations. "If a shirt like that has an official MU mark on it, then what we would do is turn to our licensing people on campus."

Apparently some Missouri fans think it's OK to make T-shirts that glorify a band of murderous racists.

Their cause was slavery. Their enemies were abolitionists. They took the lives of many without regret and wanted to keep freedom away from men like Gus Rigdel, who in 1950 was Missouri's first black student, and Norris Stevenson, who in 1957 was Missouri's first black football player.

If Quantrill's politics had prevailed, these two would have been in shackles instead of earning college degrees. The same goes for every black student at Missouri today, especially those who are NCAA student athletes. Can fans cheer them on by celebrating Missouri's racist history?

"Unfortunately, Missouri has that cloud hanging over its head," said Carol Anderson, a professor of history at the

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BASKETBALL

Hawks soar past Ichabods 92-60



Senior center Sasha Kaun rises up for a dunk during the second half of the game against Washburn Thursday night in Allen Fieldhouse. Kansas defeated Washburn 92-60. Kaun had 10 points on 4-for-4 shooting.

Jon Goering/KANSAN

BY MARK DENT  
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Darrell Arthur had heard words of advice and encouragement on the court during the season's first two games.

None sounded as sweet as those that came from Brandon Rush with six minutes left in the first half of Kansas' 92-60 victory against Washburn.

"There you go, boy," Rush shouted at Arthur after he fed him the ball in the post.

It was the voice Kansas fans, players and coaches had been waiting since summertime to hear during a game. Rush, a junior guard, helped spark Kansas in the first half of its victory against Washburn on Thursday night, his first game back.

"I did not hold back at all," Rush said. "In practice I was aggressive all the time so I just tried to bring it out here on the court. I was a little nervous, but I was not worrying about my knee at all."

No one knew Rush would play Thursday. Kansas coach Bill Self told him he could on Monday, but he told the media it would be a game-time decision. Rush only told his mom, teammates and AAU coach.

The well-kept secret made it all the more special when Rush walked to the scorer's table with 16:37 left in the first half. Fans gave him a standing ovation and chanted his name when he stepped on the court for his first game action since his May ACL tear.

Rush's rustiness was apparent right away. He missed long on a three-pointer for his first shot attempt when the ball bounced off the backboard. Three minutes later, Washburn's Brady Sisk boxed out and out-jumped Rush for a rebound.

After a quick break, Rush returned with 8:09 left in the half. He looked more ready this time. Rush found sophomore forward Darrell Arthur open for an easy basket down low to give Kansas a 15-11 lead. His outside touch hadn't disappeared either. Rush made

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» FOOTBALL



KANSAN FILE PHOTO

Marcus Henry, 86, and Kerry Meier, 10, celebrate during their perfect season. The players attribute some their success to their close friendships away from the field.

Cohesiveness key  
to players' success

BY ASHER FUSCO  
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Putting together a quality football team is a bit like preparing a fine meal. All of the ingredients must be perfectly proportioned as to provide the best taste possible — or in football's case, the most victories. At first glance, the mix of different personalities on Kansas' roster might seem a bit too scattered.

But according to junior linebacker Joe Mortensen, all of the ingredients blend just fine.

"We all hang out and that's one of the reasons we're playing so good," Mortensen said. "We're all family and this is the closest team I've ever been on. Everybody on my team is like a brother. I've got everybody's number on my phone."

Toss a heaping spoonful of mild-mannered Brandon McAnderson into the pot and mix with a pinch of self-proclaimed country boy Jake Sharp. What do you get?

The third best rushing offense in the Big 12 Conference.

The two backs have settled into their roles as the Jayhawks' one-two punch as the season has progressed. McAnderson, a bruising but deceptively agile 235-pound back, has gained more than 100 yards in three straight games. Sharp has put his devastating speed to use as the team's change-of-pace back, picking up 705 yards on only 122 carries.

The Kansas defensive backfield is home to junior cornerback Aqib Talib, who is a national sensation, finalist for multiple individual awards and notoriously talkative. Surely that's a recipe for disaster, isn't it?

"We're actually a real close bunch of guys, and that's what helps us a lot," sophomore safety Justin Thornton said. "We all care for each other and when we go out there we know everyone on that field is willing to fight for the guy next to him."

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» BASKETBALL

Self brings in another  
top 10 recruiting class  
Last players sign letters of intent to play for KU

BY MARK DENT  
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Quintrell Thomas signed his letter of intent Thursday to officially become a member of the Kansas Jayhawks. Markieff Morris, Marcus Morris and Mario Little signed Wednesday. Travis Releford, Kansas' other verbally committed player, signed Thursday but didn't fax his letter of intent, meaning Kansas coach Bill Self can't talk about him yet. Rivals.com ranked Self's early signing period class No. 8 in the country.

MARKIEFF MORRIS  
School: APEX Academy (N.J.)

Position: 6-foot-10 power forward

Rivals Rank: No. 72

Self quote: "He's a good shooter and a good passer. We look forward to using him in both spots. You can play with a small guy next to him or a big guy."



Morris

MARCUS MORRIS  
School: APEX Academy (N.J.)

Position: 6-foot-8 power forward

Rivals Rank: No. 37



Morris

Self Quote: "He's one of the most versatile guys we've signed since we've been here. He's kind of like Julian in some ways, not necessarily the exact same skill set but versatile like that."

MARIO LITTLE

School: Chipola Community College (Fla.)

Position: 6-foot-5 guard/forward

Rivals Rank: No. 1 Junior college

Self Quote: "He's a good shooter and excellent scorer. He'll bring an element of toughness that I think the team will need."



Little

TRAVIS RELEFORD  
School: Bishop Miege High School (Kan.)

Position: 6-foot-5 shooting guard

Rivals Rank: No. 70

Self Quote: N/A



Releford

QUINTRELL THOMAS  
School: St. Patrick High School (N.J.)

Position: 6-foot-8 power forward

Rivals Rank: No. 147

Self Quote: "His offensive game is one that is expanding. Quintrell has played for one of the very best high school basketball programs in the country at St. Pats."



Thomas



overheard

» Iowa State at **Kansas**: "Nothing will get in the way of an Arrowhead showdown for the Big 12 North title." — Pat Tefft

» **Missouri** at Kansas State: "In a game like this, root for whoever will help Kansas more by winning. Tomorrow that's Kansas State. But when picking a game, choose the better team. Tomorrow that's Missouri." — Travis Robinett

» **Oklahoma** at Texas Tech: "Did Mike Leach condemn me for making this pick? Hell yeah, he condemned me!" — Thor Nystrom

» Kentucky at **Georgia**: "I would rather eat glass at every meal for the next week than imagine my beloved Bulldogs not advancing to the SEC Championship this season." — Case Keefer

» **West Virginia** at Cincinnati: "Cincinnati has had a surprising year, but the Mountaineers have too much star power for the Bearcats to handle." — Kelly Breckunitch

» **Penn State** at Michigan State: "Michigan State only has two November wins in the past five years, and one was last week." — Taylor Bern

» Boston College at **Clemson**: "Boston College is struggling and Clemson is rolling. Look for that to continue this weekend." — Asher Fusco

» **Hawaii** at Nevada: "In the words of Kansas assistant basketball coach Joe Dooley, 'Nevada is a fine establishment,' but I'll take Hawaii." — Erick R. Schmidt

» Duke at **Notre Dame**: "Can football season get over quickly enough for either of these schools?" — Scott Toland

» **Ohio State** at Michigan: "After trailing the Buckeyes at halftime, Michigan's athletic department cleans out coach Lloyd Carr's office, making it perfectly clear that he had a messy office." — Bryan Wheeler

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SPORTS COLUMNIST  
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Overall: 68-32



ERIC JORGENSEN  
KANSAN MANAGING EDITOR  
Last week: 7-3  
Overall: 66-34



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Last week: 6-4  
Overall: 64-36

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Last week: 9-1  
Overall: 64-36

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Last week: 7-3  
Overall: 62-38

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Last week: 6-4  
Overall: 61-39

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Last week: 5-5  
Overall: 60-40

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Rowing,  
Columnist  
Last week: 7-3  
Overall: 59-41

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Last week: 8-2  
Overall: 58-42

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Last week: 6-4  
Overall: 57-43

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Last week: 8-2  
Overall: 56-34\*

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Men's golf  
Last week: 8-2  
Overall: 54-36\*

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football notes

**SO LONG, SENIORS**  
Thirteen Jayhawk seniors will play their final game at Memorial Stadium this weekend. The senior class, which includes seven starters, will be recognized in a pregame ceremony. Tight end Derek Fine,

running back Brandon McAnderson and defensive tackle James McClinton are the senior captains. Other major senior contributors include wide receiver Marcus Henry, kicker Scott Webb, punter Kyle Tucker and offensive tackle Cesar

Rodriguez.  
**TALIB UP FOR AWARDS**  
Aqib Talib is in the running for some serious postseason hardware. The junior cornerback was

named as a finalist for the Bronco Nagurski Award, given to the nation's best defensive player. Talib has four interceptions and 48 tackles this season to go along with his conference-high 16 passes broken up. Other finalists for the award in-

clude Ohio State linebacker James Laurinaitis, LSU defensive tackle Glenn Dorsey, Virginia defensive end Chris Long and South Florida defensive end George Selvie. Talib is also on the Walter Camp Award watch list and a semifinalist for

the Jim Thorpe Award.  
—Asher Fusco



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Rocky season closes

BY ALISON CUMBOW  
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Kansas finished with a 7-9-4 overall record this season and a 5-2-3 record in conference play. In pre-season, the Jayhawks were ranked No. 26 in Soccer Buzz Magazine but took awhile to find their groove on the field this fall. Nonetheless, their season ended with a sense of accomplishment.

The team returned 18 letter-winners and nine starters from last season, in which it finished 11-7-1, and it gained 10 new players as well. The Jayhawks saw their fair share of ups and downs during the past few months of play but were consistently improving their game.

LOOKING BACK STAT-WISE

Kansas got off to a rough start this fall season, as it lost eight games, tied two and only won one of its first eleven games. The Jayhawks picked up their speed toward the middle of the season, however, and finished with six victories and two ties in their final nine games. Overall, Kansas scored 17 goals this season, and in its last eleven games, the team only let eight opposing goals in its net.

AND THE INDIVIDUAL AWARDS GO TO...

Many Jayhawks received honors this season. Sophomore midfielder Monica Dolinsky and junior forward Jessica Bush earned All-Tournament honors following Kansas' opening tournament in Hawaii when the team tied Auburn and lost to Hawaii.

Soon after, freshman forward Kaitlyn Cunningham was named the Big 12 Conference's Freshman Newcomer of the Week after scoring her first collegiate goal against Texas Tech.

Freshman defender Katie Williams also was named Newcomer of the Week after her success against Missouri later in the season. Williams also was named to the All-Big 12 Newcomer Team.

Senior midfielder Emily Strinden was the recipient of the Chick-Fil-A Community of Champions Award by the Big 12 Conference and was also named to the Academic All-District 7 Second Team by ESPN the Magazine.

Senior midfielder Nicole Cauzillo was named to the Academic All-District 7 Second Team by ESPN the Magazine for the second year in a row and was named to the All-Big 12 Second Team.

Senior goalkeeper Colleen Quinn was named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week for three consecutive weeks in part because of back-to-back shutouts.



Nicole Cauzillo battles for the ball during a season of ups and downs. The Jayhawks fell out of the Big 12 tournament after a 3-0 loss to Oklahoma State.

A COACH'S ACCOMPLISHMENT

Coach Mark Francis also earned a top award this season. Francis became the fifth soccer coach in the Big 12 to earn his 100th victory at a conference rival's field. The accomplishment came with the Jayhawks' victory against Texas Tech. He was the fourth-fastest coach to receive the honor.

ENDING THE SEASON WITH NOT ONE BUT TWO BANGS

Kansas' last home game and regulation match of the season against No. 18 Missouri seemed to solidify the end of Jayhawk losing streak. Freshman defender Katie Williams scored two goals in the second half, and senior goalkeeper Colleen

Quinn made eight saves to earn the Jayhawks a 2-1 victory. The victory against Missouri was Kansas' first against a ranked opponent since last year when the Jayhawks beat No. 12 Duke.

BIG 12 VICTORY DIDN'T HAPPEN THIS SEASON

The match against the Tigers placed the Jayhawks at the No. 3 seed for the Big 12 Championships, and things were looking up for the team as it headed to San Antonio to face off against its conference foes. Last week, any goal of advancing in the tournament was lost, as Oklahoma State shut out Kansas 3-0 in the first round.

— Edited by Jeff Briscoe

FOOTBALL (CONTINUED FROM 1B)

The Jayhawks' most diverse group plays just a few yards in front of the defensive backs. The defensive line uses juniors John Larson and Russell Brorsen as bookends. The two defensive ends have grade point averages nearing 4.0. Lined up between the two players who provide the brains is the defense's brawn. Senior defensive tackle James McClinton fights through blocks with reckless abandon and lays punishing hits on opposing

quarterbacks while the scholars to his right and left go about their work quietly.

"We have a smart group of kids — they're intelligent and they're disciplined," Mangino said. "I think our kids are pretty doggone smart and pretty disciplined as well."

Despite their apparent differences, the Jayhawks certainly seem to have their team chemistry down. Ever-confident sophomore quarterback Todd

Reesing's favorite target is shy wide receiver Marcus Henry. Junior linebacker and soft-spoken Oklahoma native James Holt teams up to make tackles with Mortensen.

At 10-0, everything Kansas has pulled out of the oven has been cooked to perfection.

— Edited by Jeff Briscoe

MIZZOU

(CONTINUED FROM 1B)

University of Missouri, who provided me with information about Rigdel and Stevenson.

Missouri's violent pro-slavery past should be discussed in history classes rather than plastered on a T-shirt.

At Kansas, our mascot is based on the Kansas militants, known as Jayhawkers, who fought for slavery's abolition. That's something to be proud of.

Would any right mind argue the contrary today? Perhaps these insensitive Missouri fans, who will wear their new T-shirts and think them clever, but I hope fans of both schools disagree. Otherwise, what has this sporting event become? For



Missouri's new rivalry T-shirt depicts the aftermath of Quantrill's Raid as a victory against Kansas, but black students at both schools could find the shirt insulting.

the people wearing the shirts, it's not just a rivalry or an opportunity to display poor sportsmanship, ala Kansas and Muck Fizzou, and it's definitely not a joke. It's pure hatred.  
"It's certainly in questionable

taste, I would say, and it's certainly insensitive," Weber said. "It also suggests how out of control some people get with sports. There are no limits."

— Edited by Tara Smith

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Senior forward Darnell Jackson goes for an offensive rebound during Thursday night's game against Washburn in Allen Fieldhouse. Jackson had five offensive rebounds to go along with his 10 points.

BASKETBALL (CONTINUED FROM 1B)

a flat-footed three-pointer alone in the corner. The Jayhawks were on top 20-13.

His best — and scariest — play came with four minutes left in the half. Rush leaped five feet away from the basket for a transition lay-up and fell to the ground out of bounds causing plenty of worried gasps from the crowd. He got up a second later, grabbed an offensive rebound and tipped the ball in.

"I asked him, 'Did that feel good?' " Self said. "He said, 'Yeah that felt good.' He needed to challenge somebody and have somebody knock him on his can and get right back up. That was good. I think that will help him."

His first-half stat line read like this: seven points, two assists, three rebounds in 12 minutes. When Rush entered the game the second time, Kansas led 17-13. The Jayhawks built a 32-16 lead by the time he exited the game with 2:37 left in the half.

"He was as good as a performer

as we had tonight," Self said. "He was a big bright spot for us. He got knocked down, and that needed to happen. He went to the goal hard one time, and that needed to happen. I thought he did some good things. I was real happy for him."

So, Rush came back — how did the rest of the team do? Not quite good enough yet, Self said. He said that the defense was still a work in progress and that the team didn't play well enough early in the first half.

The Jayhawks turned it around in the second half by going down low. Arthur scored 10 of his 14 points in the second half, and senior center Sasha Kaun scored all nine of his in the second half.

Kansas also made seven three-pointers, including two each from freshmen Conner Teahan and Tyrel Reed, as the jayhawks put up 58 points in the second half.

Rush never left the bench during the last 20 minutes. Trainers told Self

that Rush could only play 10 minutes, and Self said he wanted to keep Brandon in for a longer time during the first half so he wouldn't have to sit during halftime and warm up his knee again. Self said they wouldn't know how long Rush could play during the next game for a few days.

The knee didn't bother Rush all night. He said he felt like his normal self and didn't even feel out of breath when he came out of the game. The only worries he has now are mental, and he said those are starting to fade away.

Self said he thought Rush still needed to work on his timing, aggressiveness and moving his feet on defense. Rush anticipates only getting stronger from this point on.

The knee problem? That's a thing of the past.

"If they bump into the knee," Rush said, "I won't feel the pain. 'They're going to be hurting, not me."

— Edited by Ashlee Kieler



Chase Buford, freshman guard, Brandon Rush, junior guard, and Sherron Collins, sophomore guard, celebrate after a second half dunk by senior guard Rodrick Stewart. Collins broke his foot during Sunday night's game. Collins is expected to be out for six weeks.

Kansas 92, Washburn 60

## Player Name	TOT-FG	3-PT	REBOUNDS					TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
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00 Arthur, Darrell.....	4-8	0-0	6-8	0	5	5	3	14	0	1	2	2	25
24 Kaun, Sasha.....	4-4	0-0	2-6	4	3	7	3	10	0	2	0	0	12
03 Robinson, Russell...	2-5	1-4	3-5	0	3	3	1	8	6	4	1	1	27
05 Stewart, Rodrick.....	3-5	1-3	2-4	3	1	4	3	9	4	1	1	1	19
15 Chalmers, Mario.....	4-6	1-3	1-2	0	4	4	1	10	5	0	1	0	29
02 Teahan, Conner.....	2-2	2-2	2-2	0	0	0	2	8	0	0	0	0	5
10 Case, Jeremy.....	1-5	0-3	0-0	0	0	0	1	2	3	3	0	0	10
11 Bechard, Brennan....	1-1	1-1	0-0	1	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	2
14 Reed, Tyrel.....	3-6	2-3	0-0	0	2	2	1	8	2	1	0	1	14
22 Buford, Chase.....	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
25 Rush, Brandon.....	3-5	1-2	0-1	1	2	3	0	7	2	0	1	1	12
32 Jackson, Darnell....	4-7	0-0	2-2	5	2	7	1	10	0	2	2	2	23
40 Witherspoon, Brad...	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
45 Aldrich, Cole.....	1-5	0-0	1-3	2	2	4	0	3	0	0	1	0	15
54 Kleinmann, Matt....	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
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Stewart brings highlights

Monster dunk, block earn senior's first standing ovation

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For more than two years, Kansas fans have been waiting to see the real Rodrick Stewart — a guy with the ability to change a game with an acrobatic block or electric dunk. It took Stewart more than two years to show Kansas fans what he's capable of on a basketball court, but it took him only 37 minutes to earn his first standing ovation.

Against Washburn Thursday, Stewart finished with nine points, four assists, four rebounds and two plays worthy of SportCenter's Top 10.

The crowd noticed.

With 3:30 left in the game, Stewart exited to a roaring ovation from both the students and the season ticket holders — and what was that the students were chanting?

"Rod-rick Ste-wart," clap-clap clap-clap-clap.

"The other years I was kind of scared to try things. I was playing not to mess up," Stewart said. "If you're just going out there, letting the game come to you and not trying to force things, it makes it so much easier."

Stewart's renewed confidence showed against Washburn. And with

Sherron Collins out until Jan. 1 with a foot injury and Brandon Rush easing back into the rotation, it was the perfect time for Stewart to show Kansas fans what he can bring to the table.

"Right when Sherron got hurt, I was like man, anytime one of your players get hurt it's an unfortunate situation," Stewart said. "At the same time, that's when players have to step up."

And if fans got tired of talking about junior Brandon Rush's return, they were probably talking about Stewart's two highlights. First came "The Dunk."

It came when Russell Robinson started a fast break with an emphatic block on a three-point attempt. Robinson chased down the loose ball and found Rodrick Stewart streaking down the middle of the floor. Stewart did the rest, putting down a powerful one-handed flush.

Then came the "The Block." Stewart made up for his own turnover, hustled back on defense and swatted a Washburn layup attempt off the backboard.

"That's the highest I've seen him jump since he's been here," Kansas coach Bill Self said. "But he almost got hung on his dunk, I thought. But that was an unbelievable block

in transition. That was a very, very athletic play."

But Stewart hasn't always been the guy fans are talking about after games. After transferring from Southern California in December 2004, Stewart averaged 0.8 points per game in his first two seasons at Kansas. But Stewart didn't keep his head down, and he credited last season's Southern Illinois game in the NCAA tournament — a game in which he scored three points in nine minutes — for giving him motivation to work last summer.

"You're only going to be as good as you push yourself, so I put in the work, and to be honest, I felt like I had no choice but to get on the court," Stewart said.

With Collins out, Stewart will most likely fill Rush's spot in the starting line-up until Rush is 100 percent healthy. That's fine with Stewart. He has no problem hearing his named called out during the pregame introductions.

"I started my freshman year at Southern California, and to start here, it means so much more because you're on one of the biggest stages and you want to go out there and produce."

— Edited by Tara Smith



Senior guard Rodrick Stewart makes a pass during Thursday night's game. Stewart started the game at guard. He had nine points and four rebounds in 19 minutes.

Lineup changes help Hawks

Rodrick Stewart had waited a long time for this moment.

Stewart, who has only played an average of five and a half minutes per game in his Kansas career, made his second career start as a Jayhawk last night in a 92-60 victory against Washburn. He said hearing his name announced to the Allen Fieldhouse crowd was surreal.

But what happened next wasn't part of the plan. As the announcer emphatically yelled "6-foot-4 senior from Seattle, Wash." to welcome Stewart, 6-foot-11 senior Sasha Kaun trotted onto the court.

"I was sitting there on the bench, and Sasha started walking out," Stewart said. "Then it was like 'six-four senior,' and he ran back. I was like, 'Awaw, man.' "

Unfortunately for the Jayhawks, Stewart's introduction wasn't the only blunder Kaun contributed in the game. Kaun lost two turnovers, committed two fouls and missed two free throws within the first two minutes.

When Kaun fouled for the second time, Kansas coach Bill Self had seen enough. Self benched Kaun for the rest of the first half.



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"I told Sasha, I said, 'You're contributing to getting us off to a bad start just because of making a bone-headed play,' " Self said.

There's a simple cure Self can use to prevent similar beginnings in the future: Start Darnell Jackson. Every time Jackson, who currently serves as Kansas' sixth man, has come in for Kaun this season, he has completely outshined him.

The best exhibit of that phenomenon occurred against the Ichabods. Jackson came in and made an immediate change to bring the Jayhawks out of the ditch Kaun had dug.

Jackson blocked an Ichabod three-point shot and nailed a jumper from the free-throw line right after subbing in to spark the Jayhawks. He proceeded to the locker room with a team-high 10 points

at halftime.

Kaun played better in the second half and logged 10 minutes, 10 points and only one foul. But that doesn't change the fact that Jackson should be a starter on this team.

Kaun still shot 2-for-6 from the free throw line and had four turnovers in 12 minutes. That is not Kansas basketball. Jackson scraps for every loose ball, elevates with no hesitation and sacrifices his body play after play. Kaun doesn't play nearly as aggressive. His first half play gave me a worse headache than I get when listening to John Denver.

Luckily, Kaun couldn't mess up Stewart's second memorable occurrence of the night. Stewart thundered a ghastly slam dunk down and made a beautiful block in transition in the final five minutes of the game.

After the game, Stewart said he was willing to undertake any role to help Kansas to a national championship. Me too, Rod, and my first suggestion is make Darnell Jackson a member of the Jayhawk starting five.

— Edited by Elizabeth Cattell

basketball notebook

PERFECT

Conner Teahan is making Self face a tough playing-time decision by showcasing his shooting stroke. Teahan, a freshman walk-on guard, scored eight points on a perfect 2-for-2 from three-point range and 2-for-2 from the foul line. He'll still probably find it tough to get minutes because Self said there were too many guards ahead of him.



Teahan

A GOOD COMEBACK

Self was livid with Sasha Kaun after he committed a foul "75-feet from the basket" early on in the first half. Kaun, a senior center, only played two minutes the rest of the half. The second half was a different story. Kaun played 10 minutes and didn't miss a shot on his way to nine points.



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Hank Booth, Kansas' P.A. announcer for football and basketball, did not announce Thursday's game. Jim Marchiony, assistant athletic director, said that Booth hurt himself from a fall and that he did not know when Booth could return. Brian Hanni, who does color commentary for the KU women's basketball team, did the announcing Thursday night. Marchiony said he didn't know who would do it for the football game Saturday.

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### GAMES OF THE WEEK: NO. 3 OKLAHOMA (9-1) AT TEXAS TECH (7-4)

Two of the three most efficient passers meet in Lubbock, Texas, this weekend.

Oklahoma freshman quarterback Sam Bradford has quietly stayed at first in the nation in passing efficiency most of the year and averages 250 yards per game and three touchdowns.

Texas Tech quarterback Graham Harrel ranks third and averages 443 yards per game and four touchdowns. Harrel, however, is more prone to making mistakes and has thrown 12 interceptions this season.

That's good news for Oklahoma defensive backs DJ Wolfe and Nic Harris, who have combined for seven interceptions on the season.

### NO. 7 OHIO STATE (10-1) AT NO. 23 MICHIGAN (8-3)

The rivalry game may have lost a little bit of its luster last weekend when Ohio State and Michigan were knocked off — but not much.

A Big Ten Conference championship and an automatic berth in the Rose Bowl will still be rewarded to the winner of this game.

But the Wolverines may be playing without their two main contributors. Senior quarterback Chad Henne and senior running back Mike Hart are questionable for the game. Neither Henne nor Hart have beaten Ohio State in their collegiate careers and returned for their senior seasons partly for a shot at the Buckeyes and a Big Ten title.

The Buckeye offensive attack starts with sophomore running back Chris Wells. One of the most highly touted recruits out of high school two years ago, Wells has lived up to the hype this season by averaging nearly six yards per carry.

### NO. 22 KENTUCKY (7-3) AT NO. 8 GEORGIA (8-2)

Georgia might be playing as well as any team in the nation right now. In their past two Southeastern Conference games, the Bulldogs have beaten ranked opponents, Florida and Auburn, by a combined total of 37 points.

Freshman Knowshon Moreno is averaging 173 total yards in the past three games. Sophomore quarterback Matthew Stafford is developing consistency with three straight games of at least 215 passing yards and two touchdowns.

Things haven't gone as smoothly at Kentucky of late. The Wildcats have lost two of their past three since a much-celebrated victory against Louisiana State. Andre Woodson erased his name from Heisman consideration two weeks ago with three interceptions and no touchdowns against Mississippi State. The defense seems to have regressed and ranks 11th in the SEC.

### NO. 18 BOSTON COLLEGE (8-2) AT NO. 15 CLEMSON (8-2)

There hasn't been a battle of this magnitude between New Englanders and South Carolinians since the Civil War.

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resentative.

To win this year, Boston College must escape a two-game losing skid with better play from the defense. The Eagles like to blitz sophomore linebacker Alex Albright, and it'll be up to him to apply pressure on Clemson quarterback Cullen Harper early.

The Tigers are peaking. Since being embarrassed by Virginia Tech last month, Clemson has won four straight by an average of 35 points.

### NO. 5 WEST VIRGINIA (8-1) AT NO. 22 CINCINNATI (8-2)

Cincinnati ranks third in the nation in turnover margin at plus-16 but first in penalties with 97. The Bearcat defense has proven stern enough to fight through penalty problems, though. Led by a strong group of linebackers, they have held opponents to an average of less than 100 rushing yards per game. Believe it or not, the Mountaineer defense has been just as impressive.

West Virginia, usually known for its explosive offense, ranks ninth in the nation in total defense. Mountainer seniors Johnny Dingle and Marc Margo have provided pressure on opposing quarterbacks and paved the way for strong years by defensive backs Ryan Mundy and Eric Wicks.

### OTHER GAMES: NO. 5 MISSOURI (9-1) AT KANSAS STATE (5-5)

The Wildcats are in a must-win situation to guarantee themselves a bowl appearance. The Tigers must win to keep their hopes of a Big 12 Championship alive.

### OKLAHOMA STATE (5-5) AT BAYLOR (3-8)

Many suspect the game in Waco, Texas, will be Baylor coach Guy Morriss' last as the boss of the Bears. Morriss has a record of 18-39.

### NO. 1 LOUISIANA STATE (9-1) AT MISSISSIPPI (3-7)

The LSU defense has been top caliber all season but the offense is emerging from the shadows. For four straight games, the Tigers have moved the ball at will and scored at least 30 points.

### MIAMI (5-5) AT NO. 10 VIRGINIA TECH (8-2)

Whether the Hokies win or lose, their game against in-state rival Virginia will be for the ACC Coastal Division championship next week.

### NO. 13 HAWAII (9-0) AT NEVADA (5-4)

Hawaii quarterback Colt Brennan, who is one touchdown pass away from setting the career NCAA record, may not play against the Wolfpack. Either way, Nevada's pass defense has been sturdy all year behind the leadership of senior Justin Jackson.

### FLORIDA ATLANTIC (5-4) AT NO. 14 FLORIDA (7-3)

The Gators warm up for a game against in-state rival Florida State with, well, another in-state team. Led by quarterback Rusty Smith, the Owls will look to throw on the iffy Gator pass defense in the first ever meeting between the two teams.

### IDAHO (1-9) AT NO. 18



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Ohio State couldn't tackle Illinois last week, but the loss didn't eliminate them from the Big 10 race. Michigan and Ohio State play for the conference title tomorrow in Ann Arbor, Mich.

### BOISE STATE (9-1)

This game used to be a rivalry but has turned into an annual slaughter. The Broncos have won eight straight against the Vandals and 16 straight against Western Athletic Conference opponents.

### VANDERBILT (5-5) AT NO. 19 TENNESSEE (7-3)

The Commodores have won only one of their past 23 games against the Volunteers, but this year's team may be the best in that stretch.

### NORTHWESTERN (6-5) AT

### NO. 20 ILLINOIS (8-3)

Illini sophomore running back Daniel Dufrane posted a career-high 108 rushing yards in last week's victory against Ohio State. Dufrane could find more room Saturday against a weak Wildcat rushing defense.

### SYRACUSE (2-8) AT NO. 25 CONNECTICUT (8-2)

Huskie coach Randy Edsall has done a great job turning around the Connecticut football program this season and is a graduate and former coach at Syracuse.

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» COMMENTARY

## With holidays approaching, NFL play gears up

With Thanksgiving just around the corner and the holiday games to follow, the NFL season is really just getting started. Here are the players you should start and sit this weekend.

### START 'EM

**RB Chester Taylor, Minnesota Vikings** — A lot of people have forgotten that Taylor rushed for more than 1,000 yards last season for the Vikings. With the injury to Adrian Peterson, Taylor could become a major fantasy option again. He has seen fewer carries this season because of Peterson, but he has still contributed on offense and will not have trouble adapting to the starting role. Taylor will have a big day on Sunday playing against a weak Raiders run defense.

**WR Andre Johnson, Houston Texans** — Johnson is finally coming back from an injury that sidelined him early in the season. The Texans have had inconsistency issues in their passing offense, so Johnson's return couldn't come at a better time. Before his injury, Johnson



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played in two games and averaged 131 yards receiving per game and 18.7 yards per catch. Johnson is coming back against a New Orleans defense that has given up a lot of yards through the air, and it's almost guaranteed that Johnson will have a big effect on the game.

**QB Eli Manning, New York Giants** — Manning threw two interceptions in a big divisional game against the Cowboys last weekend. Previously he led the Giants on a six-game winning streak. He will face a Lions secondary that frankly seems cowardly. The Lions give up a lot of yards through the air, and Manning could take full advantage of that on Sunday.

Philadelphia defense — The

Eagles are coming off a big victory against their divisional foe the Redskins. The Eagles offense put up a lot of points in that game but gave up a lot as well. On Sunday, the Eagles get a shot at the only winless team, Miami. Miami will start Johnny Beck at quarterback for the first time this year, according to ESPN.com. However, he gets to make his start in one of the toughest sports cities in America. The Eagles home crowd could rattle him, but he should be more worried about the Eagles defensive line.

### SIT 'EM

**RB Thomas Jones, New York Jets** — Jones should be rested coming off a bye. He could have a big game considering he has fresh legs, right? Wrong. Jones faces the NFL's best and, as far as I'm convinced, hardest-hitting defense in the NFL. Jones has yet to score a rushing touchdown this season. Don't look for his output to increase just yet because it will be a long day for Jones on Sunday.

**WR Joey Galloway, Tampa Bay Buccaneers** — Galloway has played well with Jeff Garcia at quarterback this season and has had a productive year so far. On Sunday though, Galloway will see one of the top 10 passing defenses in the NFL when he and Tampa Bay face off against the Atlanta Falcons. Galloway also will be matched up against the Falcons defensive star in DeAngelo Hall. Hall has proven one of the few bright spots on this Atlanta team, and he will darken Galloway's day on Sunday.

### projected stats

#### START 'EM

**Chester Taylor**  
27 carries  
120 rushing yards  
1 touchdown  
4 catches  
43 receiving yards  
1 touchdown

**Andre Johnson**  
8 catches  
152 receiving yards  
2 touchdowns

**Eli Manning**  
25/33  
311 passing yards  
2 touchdowns

#### SIT 'EM

**Thomas Jones**  
17 carries  
39 rushing yards  
1 fumble

**Joey Galloway**  
5 catches  
27 receiving yards

**Jon Kitna**  
19/41  
196 passing yards  
2 interceptions  
1 fumble  
Sacked four times

**QB Jon Kitna, Detroit Lions** — Kitna has been a great leader for this Detroit team. He has put Detroit in a positive mindset, but he should be ready for a rough day on Sunday against the Giants. The Giants have a strong secondary with big help coming from rookie Aaron Ross, and they also lead the NFL in sacks. Kitna could be taken to the ground a lot on Sunday and will be pressured too often to get momentum on offense.

**Carolina defense** — The Panthers are a mediocre defense at best. They have been plagued by injuries this season, so it is not hard to understand. On Sunday, their defense will have an even tougher challenge facing the Green Bay Packer offense.

— Edited by Ashlee Kieler

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The University Daily Kansan club sports writer Emily Muskin sat down with two players from the men's club soccer team for a question-and-answer session.

BY EMILY MUSKIN  
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# Q&A

JACOB SHINN  
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JUNIOR

**Q.** What gets your team pumped before a game?

**A.** Casey Aull. He leads the chants as only he could.



**Q.** Who do you think is the greatest soccer player of all time and why?

**A.** Eric Cantona because he was creative and scored some insane goals.

**Q.** Describe your best childhood memory?

**A.** I once scored 5 goals in a pony league game, and then had a save to win the game — at age 5.

**Q.** What is your favorite spot

on campus and why?

**A.** The hill because you can see everything.

**Q.** What do you consider to be the greatest moment in sports history?

**A.** When Michael Jordan hit a game winner in Byron Russell's face for the NBA finals.

**Q.** What is your favorite holiday and why?

**A.** Christmas. You get gifts, and you don't have school. Need I say more?



**Q.** What is your favorite KU tradition?

**A.** Win or lose we still booze.

**Q.** What would be the theme song for your life?

**A.** "Ryan Started the Fire" by Dwight Schrute

**Q.** What do you consider to be the best comedy movie of all time?

**A.** This question does not have only one answer. Anywhere from "Blazing Saddles" to "Billy Madison"

**Q.** What was your best game ever?

**A.** When we tied K-State in the last minute for the second time. We lost in penalty kicks, but it was still a great game.

**Q.** Who is the greatest Kansas basketball player of all time and why?

**A.** Sasha Kaun. People call me a mini Sasha.

**Q.** Name one skill that you have that sets you apart on the soccer field.

**A.** 20/20 vision

# Q&A

BY EMILY MUSKIN  
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CASEY AULL  
LIBERTYVILLE, ILL.  
SENIOR

**Q.** What is your favorite season of the year and why?

**A.** The fall because that is when NFL is on.

**Q.** What is the most creative birthday party you've ever attended?

**A.** Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles theme with plates, cups and a cake.

**Q.** What is the best pick-up line you have ever heard?

**A.** You're Dad's gonna HATE me.



**Q.** Where is the farthest place you've ever traveled to?

**A.** Milan for a study abroad,

photography class.



**Q.** What is your prediction for who is going to be in the BCS championship game?

**A.** Kansas vs. LSU

**Q.** What is the best horror movie of all time and why?

**A.** "Shaun of the Dead." It is a classic.

**Q.** Which former president of the United States would you like to meet and why?

**A.** Bill Clinton seems like a cool guy.

**Q.** What clothing style best defines you?

**A.** Fresh to death, dressed to impress.

**Q.** What is the worst pick-up line you have ever heard?

**A.** What's your sign?



**Q.** In what way has KU soccer affected you?

**A.** These are some of my best friends playing the best game. Every day affects me.

—Edited by Ashlee Kieler

## » VOLLEYBALL

# Seniors prepare for last games, final words

BY RUSTIN DODD  
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Emily Brown and Caitlin Mahoney have no clue what they're going to say during their senior day speeches after Saturday's 11 a.m. match against Iowa State. Brown and Mahoney definitely know they have to do one, but they've been focused on other things lately — like winning volleyball matches. "We've been so focused on going to K-State and winning," Mahoney said.

Kansas lost to No. 12 Kansas State 3-1 on Wednesday. The realization that Saturday will be Brown's

and Mahoney's last match at the Horejsi Family Athletics Center has finally started to sink in.

"We keep talking about it, so I know it's coming," Brown said. "But until the game is actually over, that's when it will be like 'wow.'"

Brown and Mahoney leave together in the same senior class but arrived a year apart. Mahoney, a St. Louis, Mo., native, took a medical red-shirt during her freshman year in 2003. Brown, a Baldwin City native, arrived a year later in 2004. Both arrived at just the right time. Kansas made the NCAA tournament during Mahoney's first three years with

the program, while Brown joined in for the last two of those three NCAA berths.

But Kansas has struggled to a 12-16 record — including a 5-13 conference mark — during their senior campaigns.

Now two matches remain: Iowa State on Saturday and a road match at Texas Tech next Wednesday. The games are two opportunities for Brown and Mahoney to make sure they leave their careers behind on their own terms.

"I just want to make sure we have no regrets and we play our butts off," Mahoney said. "Even if we have

only two games left, I want to win so bad it's ridiculous."

Brown agreed. "Just ending on a good note," Brown said. "I think Caitlin and I would both like that."

And luckily for Brown and Mahoney, they both have a day left to work on those senior day speeches.

"I don't know if tears will be shed," Mahoney said.

Brown said the duo had wanted to do a rap.

"You know, spice it up a little bit," Mahoney said. "We just didn't have time prepare. We've been focused on other things."

**MATCH PREVIEW**  
**Kansas vs. Iowa State**  
**Saturday 11 a.m.**  
**Horejsi Family Athletics Center**

Kansas fell to Iowa State 3-0 when the teams met on Oct. 3. The Jayhawks have lost their last five matches against the Cyclones.

**SENIOR DAY TIME CHANGE**

Saturday's match with Iowa State was originally scheduled for 7 p.m., but was moved up to 11 a.m. Kansas coach Ray Bechard said the change was made because of the 2:30 p.m. game against Iowa State at

Memorial Stadium. "People can go to the volleyball game in the morning and then head to the football game and enjoy the rest of the day," Bechard said. Fans with a Iowa State football ticket can get a discounted price to the volleyball match.

**UP NEXT**

Kansas finishes its season with a road match against Texas Tech Nov. 21. The Jayhawks beat the Red Raiders 3-0 on Sept. 22, at the Horejsi Family Athletics Center.

—Edited by Rachael Gray

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# JAYHAWKS READY FOR CYCLONES

## Iowa State seniors end season in Lawrence this Saturday

KANSAS VS. IOWA STATE 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium

## KU KICK-OFF

### AT A GLANCE

Kansas may not have played the most challenging schedule in the nation so far this season, but the team has passed every test on its way to being 10-0. Ranked No. 4 in the AP Top 25 and No. 3 in the BCS, the team could be destined for a Big 12 title if it can keep rolling through November the way it has since September.

### BY THE NUMBERS

- (2007 Averages and National Rank)
- 45.9 ppg — 2nd scoring offense
  - 211.5 ypg — 18th rushing offense
  - 282.1 ypg — 19th passing offense
  - 14.9 ppg — 2nd scoring defense
  - 89.4 ypg — 7th rushing defense
  - 217.2 ypg — 50th passing defense

### PLAYER TO WATCH

**Junior cornerback Kendrick Harper.** Because Iowa State has two very capable wide receivers in R.J. Sumrall and Todd Blythe, Aqib Talib will not be able to single-handedly stop the Cyclone passing game. Harper, who was burned deep several times against Oklahoma State, will have to match up against one of the two formidable Iowa State receivers.



Harper

### QUESTION MARKS

» Will Kansas overlook Iowa State? This is the classic “trap game” scenario. The 10-0 Jayhawks are trying to put the finishing touches on a dream season while the 3-8 Cyclones are playing their last game and have nothing left to lose. What could be lost in the shuffle is the fact that Iowa State hasn’t been bad as of late, winning two straight games.

» Will Todd Reesing finally throw a pick? It’s been a while since “Sparky” threw a pass to the opposing team. Reesing has gone 179 pass attempts without giving the ball away, and with every complete pass and touchdown, he climbs further into the race for the Heisman Award.

Kansas  
9-0, 5-0 Big 12 Conference

### OFFENSE

The Kansas offense made a splash in front of a national television audience last weekend and should do the same against Iowa State. Kansas has not turned the ball over in two games and sophomore quarterback Todd Reesing has not thrown an interception in more than two months. Senior running back Brandon McAnderson and sophomore running back Jake Sharp have enjoyed consistent success against every defense they have faced because of the sturdy Jayhawk offensive line. Junior left tackle Anthony Collins is one of the country’s best and the rest of the line is quietly effective.



### DEFENSE

Kansas’ defense yielded more than 450 total yards for the second consecutive week, but that isn’t anything to be ashamed of against offenses such as Nebraska and Oklahoma State. After all, in the new-look Big 12 Conference, 400 yards is becoming the new 300 yards as far as defensive standards go. Kansas should not have much trouble containing Iowa State’s offense. The Cyclones passing game has been unsteady all season long because of quarterback Bret Meyer’s tendency to throw the ball to the wrong team. With junior cornerback Aqib Talib and sophomore safety Justin Thornton in the defensive backfield, the Jayhawks should improve their turnover margin this week.



### SPECIAL TEAMS

Kansas’ kicking and kick returning has been good. Kansas’ punting and punt returning has been bad. Senior kicker Scott Webb converted all three of his field goal attempts last week and is second in the Big 12 in field goals made. Junior wide receiver Marcus Herford is far and away the best kick returner in the conference, posting a per-return average (31 yards per return) five yards better than the next player on the list. The punting game has been a mess. Senior punter Kyle Tucker is currently 11th in the Big 12 in yards per punt and sophomore cornerback Anthony Webb has not returned a punt for more than 15 yards.



### MOMENTUM

The Jayhawks are picking up steam with every week and every win. At 10-0, the team has grabbed the nation’s attention and recently appeared prominently in USA Today and Sports Illustrated. Through all of the hype and the speedy ascent to the near-pinnacle of the college football world, the Jayhawks have remained grounded. Coach Mark Mangino has stressed a “one game at a time” approach and his players seem to have genuinely bought into the philosophy. It’s already certain that 2007 will go down as one of the most memorable seasons in the history of Kansas football.



### COACHING

This Ed Warinner guy knows a bit about offense, huh? The Jayhawks’ first-year offensive coordinator has reversed the team’s offensive fortunes by overhauling former offensive coordinator Nick Quartaro’s stale schemes. The no-huddle offense takes the decisions out of the quarterback’s hands in favor of letting the coaching staff decide on changes at the line of scrimmage. So far, so good: Todd Reesing has only thrown four interceptions this season.



—Asher Fusco

Iowa State  
3-8, 2-5 Big 12 Conference

### OFFENSE

The Cyclone offense has transformed from laughable to respectable since the beginning of the year. Maybe coach Gene Chizik developed magical powers and fixed the offense. Or perhaps, it’s just the infusion of young talent finally meshing with tested veterans. Freshman running back Alexander Robinson has taken over as the starter and performed admirably in the three games since. Robinson has rushed for 337 yards and six touchdowns since being named the starter. The Cyclones also rely on youngsters on the offensive line. Three underclassmen start up front and have endured the ups and downs of the season by becoming solid at both run and pass blocking. At other positions, Iowa State has more recognizable names. Senior quarterback Bret Meyer is the school’s all-time leading passer and senior wide receiver Todd Blythe is the school’s all-time leading receiver. Meyer will likely connect with Blythe for a few final times Saturday.



### DEFENSE

It’s not only the offense that loses record-setting players to graduation after Saturday. Senior linebacker Alvin Bowen led the nation with 13 tackles per game last year. He’s fallen off a bit this year, only averaging 8.5 tackles per game, but is still the leader of a decent ISU defense. The strength of the Cyclone defense is its ability to stop the run. It held Oklahoma’s potent stable of running backs to three yards per carry a few weeks ago. Bowen’s main helper in the rush defense is senior linebacker Jon Banks. Banks moved to linebacker from safety and has ideal speed to stop plays off of the edges. Iowa State’s opponents have attacked its secondary all season long. It has tinkered with different combinations of players for the four spots but can’t seem to find the right equation to solve the team’s problems. Junior cornerback Chris Singleton is the only member of the secondary that has shown he’s an interception hazard.



### SPECIAL TEAMS

The Cyclones special teams are special, all right – especially bad. The Cyclones can work around their lack of speedy playmakers on offense and defense but not on special teams. They rank dead last in the nation in punt returns. Their kick return unit isn’t much better, ranking 115th in the nation. Eleven different players have returned kicks this year with the longest return only 41 yards. Mike Brandtner barely edges out Kansas punter Kyle Tucker for next to last in punting average in the Big 12. Bret Culbertson serves as a good kicker but, unfortunately for the Cyclones, can’t do everyone’s jobs.



### MOMENTUM

The Cyclones seem to be fully adapted to new head coach Gene Chizik’s style and schemes and are in a perfect position momentum-wise headed into their final game. They’ve won two in a row, including a comeback victory last week, and have nothing to lose. The departing seniors will do all they can to make their last game a memorable one. The returning players know the game at Kansas will be their first opportunity to impress Chizik heading into the off-season.



### COACHING

Gene Chizik was questioned after early season losses to Kent State and FCS opponent Northern Iowa. But make no mistake: Chizik is the man for the job. He was one of the hottest coaching prospects on the market and the Cyclones are lucky to have him. His first recruiting class has already had an effect, and with more of his own players, his team could make a run at a Big 12 North title in the next few years. Don’t forget that he’s the same guy who engineered the defenses of undefeated teams Auburn and Texas in the last five years.



Marcus Henry

—Case Keefer

## ISU KICK-OFF

### AT A GLANCE

Iowa State’s season ends in Lawrence Saturday when the Cyclones try to knock off fourth-ranked Kansas. The Cyclones have won two games in a row and are playing their best football down the stretch. At 3-8 and with no shot at bowl eligibility, Iowa State’s sole objective in the game is to ruin Big 12 North division-foe Kansas’ undefeated season. A victory would make up for the lack of a postseason.

### BY THE NUMBERS

- 2007 Averages and National Rank
- 19.18 ppg — 109th scoring offense
  - 205.18 ypg — 79th passing offense
  - 130.18 ypg — 87th rushing offense
  - 30.55 ppg — 85th scoring defense
  - 245.18 ypg — 86th passing defense
  - 129.18 ypg — 38th rushing defense

### PLAYER TO WATCH

**Senior quarterback Bret Meyer.** Meyer ends a storied career in Lawrence Saturday. With 9,396 passing yards, Meyer ranks third all time in the Big 12 conference in passing yards. He’s a four-year starter for the Cyclones and in that time has become the face of the program. Although he’s had a rough senior year, expect Meyer to be poised and determined against the Jayhawks. Meyer will be the on-the-field leader for the Cyclones one last time Saturday.



Meyer

### QUESTION MARKS

» How will the secondary combat Todd Reesing? It’s no secret that Reesing is one of the conference’s best quarterbacks. It’s also no secret that the ISU secondary looks incompetent at times. Even if it means sending fewer blitzes and dropping back more defenders, the Cyclones can’t give Reesing open targets.

» Can the senior class leave a lasting impression on the program? Iowa State loses 19 seniors. A victory against a team competing for a national championship would undoubtedly put Ames, Iowa, back on the college football map.

## BIG 12 SCHEDULE

## TOP 25

## TELEVISED GAMES

SATURDAY	Time	Channel
Game		
No. 6 Missouri at Kansas State	11:30 a.m.	FSN
Iowa State at No. 4 Kansas	2:30 p.m.	ABC
Oklahoma State at Baylor	6 p.m.	FSN
No. 3 Oklahoma at Texas Tech	7 p.m.	ABC

THURSDAY	Game	Time	Channel
Arizona 31, No. 2 Oregon 21			
FRIDAY	Game	Time	Channel
No. 13 Hawaii at Nevada 10 p.m.			ESPN2
SATURDAY	Game	Time	Channel
No. 7 Ohio State at No. 23 Michigan		11 a.m.	ABC
Northwestern at No. 20 Illinois		11 a.m.	ESPN
Syracuse at No. 25 Connecticut		11 a.m.	ESPN2
Florida Atlantic at No. 14 Florida		11 a.m.	ESPN-GP*
No. 22 Kentucky at No. 8 Georgia		11:30 a.m.	ESPN-GP
Idaho at No. 17 Boise State		1 p.m.	ESPN-GP
Vanderbilt at No. 19 Tennessee		1 p.m.	ESPN-GP
No. 1 LSU at Ole Miss		2:30 p.m.	CBS
Miami at No. 10 Virginia Tech		2:30 p.m.	ABC
No. 24 Wisconsin at Minnesota		2:30 p.m.	BTN*
No. 5 West Virginia at No. 21 Cincinnati		6:45 p.m.	ESPN
No. 18 Boston College at No. 15 Clemson		6:45 p.m.	ESPN2

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THURSDAY	Game	Time	Channel
Arkansas State 31, North Texas 27			
SATURDAY	Game	Time	Channel
Tulsa at Army		11 a.m.	ESPN2
The Citadel at VMI		11 a.m.	CSTV
UMass at Hofstra		11 a.m.	ESPN2
Duke at Notre Dame		1:30 p.m.	NBC
Penn State at Michigan State		2:30 p.m.	ABC
California at Washington		2:30 p.m.	ABC
Northern Illinois at Navy		2:30 p.m.	CSTV
Purdue at Indiana		2:30 p.m.	BTN
Western Michigan at Iowa		2:30 p.m.	BTN
North Carolina State at Wake Forest		3 p.m.	ESPN2
Southern Miss at UTEP		6:30 p.m.	CSTV
Louisville at South Florida		7 p.m.	ESPN2