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**RENEW YOUR TJC MEMBERSHIP NOW!**  
 (OR PICK UP YOUR NEW TOTE IF YOU'VE ALREADY RENEWED)

TJC Membership table at Fairlawn Mall, 21st & Fairlawn (inside, on the mall)

Wednesdays, 5:00-7:30 pm, February 9

Saturdays, 10:00 am -12Noon, January 15, 29, February 12

### Upcoming Activities

#### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE/GIFT PICKUP

Saturday January 16th  
10:00am - 12:00pm

Saturday January 29th  
10:00am - 12:00pm

Wednesday February 9th  
5:00pm - 7:30pm

Saturday February 12th  
10:00am - 12:00pm

#### HAWK WATCH PARTIES

Saturday January 15th  
Jeremiah's

Saturday January 22nd  
Ramada Inn/Jeremiah's

Saturday February 5th  
Ramada Inn/Jeremiah's

Sunday March 6th  
Ramada Inn/Jeremiah's

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#### **ALTERNATIVE HAWKWATCH SITES (NON-SMOKERS & KIDS ALERT!!!)**

By popular demand, TJC has set up an alternative Hawkwatch site for non-smokers and to be particularly kid-friendly. Hawkwatch parties will continue to be held for the remainder of this season at both sites, sports-bar Jeremiah Bullfrogs, 12th & Gage, and Ramada Inn, 6th & 1-70, Parlor B (on the second floor, right above lobby). The alternative site at the Ramada will be smoke-free, and kids will feel more comfortable. Multiple televisions will be provided. The Ramada also has more space for our membership so that you won't have to arrive so early to get a seat. TJC members and their guests are welcome (course their guests just might get solicited to join TJC). Until we see what the demand is, the Ramada has agreed to provide an optional buffet for anyone who wants to eat at the price of \$8.95 for adults and \$4.95 for kids. If our crowds are substantial and regular, other food arrangements may be possible next year. The Ramada will also set up a cash bar. The Ramada site will begin January 22 and also be available February 5 and March 6. Jeremiah's will also be available those days as well as January 15. Both will be available during tournament games as announced in upcoming bulletins/postcards. We will attempt to have membership info and bags for pickup at both sites. Thanks go out to [Rent-A-Center](#) at 720 SW 6th Street for special rental rates on 57" TV's.

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**LAST CALL FOR FEBRUARY 5 BUS-TRIP TO NU GAME**



Bruce Price and Jayhawks on Wheels is filling the fifth bus and has a few places left for the February 5 trip to Lincoln. The \$60 price gets you your game ticket, the bus trip and buffet at Olde Country Buffet in Lincoln. (It's worth at least half the ticket price to watch the gray-haired, red-clad NU fans at the Olde Country Buffet visibly blanch when 5 buses full of Jayhawks stroll in.) For tickets, call Bruce at 266-6510.

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### JAYHAWKS IN THE NBA

Do you ever get confused about who's where. The Journal-World's website will help keep you up to date on performances and records. Eight Jayhawks currently play in the NBA: Nick Collison for the Seattle Supersonics, Drew Gooden for the Cleveland Cavaliers, both Paul Pierce and Raef LaFrentz for the Boston Celtics, Kirk Hinrich for the Chicago Bulls, Greg Ostertag for the Sacramento Kings, Scot Pollard for the Indiana Pacers and Jacque Vaughan for the New Jersey Nets.

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### WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Ah, the question posed by Juliet as she contemplates why her young love had to come from the Montague family hated for years by her own family, the Capulets. Speaking of those of whom we're not fond, your editor hopes you noticed the "name" controversy surrounding Mizzou's new basketball arena. Originally named the "Paige Arena" after Wal-Mart heiress Paige Laurie, who incidentally opted for school somewhere other than MU, the arena was recently re-named by MU officials when it was reported that Miss Laurie paid another person thousands of dollars to write term papers for her. Apparently, MU officials didn't want their arena named after a known cheater. If that's the case, why did they rename it "Mizzou Arena" since Mizzou is currently on basketball probation for...cheating. Then, of course, reports have also noted the never-filled MU professorship in economics endowed by, and named after, Enron chief Ken Lay. Just think of all the other possibilities MU hasn't explored, the Milli-Vanilli Department of Music, the Chicago Black Sox Baseball Stadium, the Leona Helmsley Department of Accounting and Taxation...we're all sure MU won't disappoint. Course MU could have followed KU's lead and named its basketball arena after a nationally-known historic figure in MU basketball history...if there were one.

And yet more...the KC Star reports that Mizzou came to Lawrence of all places to buy the new Paige Sports Arena signs from Star Signs & Graphics (probably no one in Columbia could spell). When the Laurie family (as in Paige Laurie) didn't like the original signs, they were replaced and the originals were sent back to Star Signs which then sold them for scrap. The purchaser for scrap then listed the signs for sale on E-Bay after the naming fiasco. The items were removed from E-Bay upon Mizzou's demands that the signs still belonged to them. While KU is building its KU sports Hall of Fame outside Allen Fieldhouse, perhaps Mizzou wants the scrapped Paige signs for a new Mizzou athletic Hall of Shame. Long live the Quin (best hair this side of Donald Trump)!


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### EDITORIAL PET PEEVES

● Why is it that so many KU basketball fans arrive late, and they're always the ones who sit in the middle of the row, making everyone stand up while the ball's in play. Then, the same people leave early. For pete's sake, there were people leaving early at the Georgia Tech game. What, wasn't it close enough to keep their interest?

● Madison Square Garden has signs outside each gate saying, "Please don't enter or exit while the ball's in play." Perhaps AFH needs the same signs, or at least a modicum of fan courtesy to other fans.

 And speaking of standing up, I want to meet those few fans in the balcony who sit center court with unobstructed views and feel the need to stand up to show what great fans they are. Course, sometimes they stand for no apparent reason. Each person at the front of the first balcony who stands up obstructs part of the court for an ever-expanding triangle of people behind him or her, probably at least a hundred fans by the time the triangle reaches the back corner. Height differences are minimized when everyone's sitting, but all you need is one 6'4" guy in that triangle to make sure everyone behind him sees nothing at all when he's standing. How frustrating it must be for the little kids who never get to see any important play. KU students can stand if they want--most aren't obstructing little kids or people who are unable to stand, but for those of us paying \$40/seat plus donations to see a game, it would be nice to be able to see the occasional dunk.

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### WHODUNIT


Do you think that maybe you're just too extreme a KU fan when, hearing that two K-State basketball players were mugged at gunpoint in Manhattan, you immediately wonder if the muggers were Mizzou basketball players? (Actually, this joke works just as well substituting K-State football players for Mizzou basketball players--but your editor didn't want to deal with complaints from K-State

sympathizers. Strangely, no one ever complains when this newsletter pokes fun at Mizzou 

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### BEAKS & TAILS:


 To check out a new hip-hop version of the Rock Chalk Chant (What will they think of next?), go to [www.bandmediaservices.com](http://www.bandmediaservices.com), click on Samples at top of screen and select #11 or #12.

 And more hip-hop--The Lawrence Journal-World reports that former Kansas basketball walk-on Scott Novosel's music video is up on his Web site [www.niceguyjin.com](http://www.niceguyjin.com) and available for viewing free of charge. You can see/hear the video in Japanese including Scott in a KU jersey.

 The January 7, 2005, Journal-World carried a NY Daily Times photo from Iraq showing a GI next to a 3-4 year old Iraqi kid wearing a Jayhawk sweatshirt. Why? No one knows.

 Ruth Ann French, KU political science senior from Partridge, KS, is the 25th KU student to be named a Rhodes scholar. KU has more Rhodes scholars than all other schools in Kansas combined. A certain school up the river which has been bragging in recent years about having the most Rhodes scholars in Kansas since whatever year they choose to begin their history of keeping track of Rhodes scholars--can muster only a total of 11.

 A modular house designed and built by 20 KU architecture students is the national winner of this year's Architecture Magazine's home-of-the-year. The house, built in Lawrence, also won an international Wood Design award.

 The Dole Center at KU is looking for more photos of Kansas World War II soldiers for its computer kiosks. The photos can be returned, and the Dole Center specifically asks that you include info about service including hometown, branch of service and if the veteran attended KU. Photos and information can be sent to 2350 Petefish Drive, Lawrence, KS 66045.



KJHK, the KU student radio station was the first radio station to broadcast continuously on the internet. If you want to sample KJHK's alternative programming, check it out at [www.kjhk.org](http://www.kjhk.org)  
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#### LOOKING FOR SOME OLD NEWS?

We have archived all of our old Newsletters at [www.topekajayhawkclub.com](http://www.topekajayhawkclub.com). Click on the "Newsletter" button and select "[Archive](#)" They go back all the way to January 1996. Don't have time to search each Newsletter for your information? At the bottom of each page is a search button which will allow you to search the Internet or just the [topekajayhawkclub.com](http://topekajayhawkclub.com) website.



#### ROCK CHALK SPORTS TALK

Weekdays from 3 to 6 PM on ESPN Radio 1320 KLWN

RCST can now be heard weekdays from 3—6 and is broadcast online through [Phog.net](http://Phog.net) as well as KLWN 1320 on your radio dial. Hear all the latest news and view on the Jayhawks at KLWN's Rock Chalk Sport Talk 1320.

Rock Chalk Sports Talk is the number one source for Jayhawk fans in Lawrence and Topeka who want to hear all KU sports during evening drive time. While the show also covers the Chiefs, Royals and other local sports teams, no other talk show comes close to RCST's coverage of the Hawks.

All Kinds of current and former players are frequently on the show, and RCST always has great preview segments into the upcoming KU games. Top that off with fantastic giveaways and a great forum for Jayhawk fans to call in and you've got the perfect show for those who bleed crimson and blue.

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#### MOVED? TELL US!

If you have changed your address, please let us know. You can fill out an address change card at the Post Office, or you can contact us on our web site: [www.topekajayhawkclub.com](http://www.topekajayhawkclub.com).

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