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# Hall of Fame Weekend

October 25-27, 2007



## 2007 Blazer Lecture in the Humanities

### Ellen Goodman

Pulitzer Prize winning journalist

Thursday, Oct. 25

7:30 p.m. Memorial Hall

Free and open to the public



## Hall of Fame Induction & Scholarship Dinner

### Benny G. Johnson

BA, Chemistry, '89

BA, Math, '90

### Dr. John E. Keller

MA, Spanish/Italian Speech, '42

### Vivian Shipley

BA, English, '64

MA, English, '67

### Dr. G. Samuel Hurst

MS, Physics, '48



Friday, Oct. 26

5:30 p.m. Cocktail reception

7:00 p.m. Dinner & program

Thoroughbred Ballroom, Lexington Convention Center

\$50 per person; reservations required



## Arts & Sciences Homecoming Tailgate

### UK vs Mississippi State football game

Join us for a tailgate party with live Bluegrass music and food from Billy's BBQ. The party begins two hours prior to kickoff. White tent off University Drive in front of E.S. Good Barn.

Saturday, Oct. 27

\$40 per person (includes game ticket); \$15 (meal only)

Reservations required

For reservations or additional information, please contact:

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## *A Garden in Kentucky*

Under the fluorescent sun  
inside the Kroger, it is always  
southern California. Hard avocados  
rot as they ripen from the center out.  
Tomatoes granulate inside their hides.  
But by the parking lot, a six-tree orchard  
frames a cottage where winter has set in.

Pork fat seasons these rooms.  
The wood range spits and hisses,  
limbers the oilcloth on the table  
where an old man and an old woman  
draw the quarter-moons of their nails,  
shadowed still with dirt,  
across the legends of seed catalogues.

Each morning he milks the only goat  
inside the limits of Versailles. She feeds  
a rooster that wakes up all the neighbors.  
Through dark afternoons and into night  
they study the roses' velvet mouths  
and the apples' bright skins  
that crack at the first bite.

When thaw comes, the man turns up  
the sod and, on its underside, ciphers  
roots and worms. The sun like an angel  
beats its wings above their grubbing.  
Evenings on the viny porch they rock,  
discussing clouds, the chance of rain.  
Husks in the dark dirt fatten and burst.

*Jane Gentry, "A Garden in Kentucky."*



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