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Image in the Making
In pursuit of our degrees and careers, we projected and applied ourselves to reach the goals we had set. We imagined what we could be and reached toward those heights. For most of us, this image was a continual process of striving toward another goal. Success was never too sweet for us to become satisfied and our dreams were never too few to end.

One goal of the Talisman staff was to record the images of Western Kentucky University students and the happenings that brought them to light. We wanted to create a landmark that would stand for where we were and where we were heading.

The reflections we surfaced were diversified, but they are our image in the making.
New images were showing up at Western Kentucky University. Western’s enrollment reached an all-time high the fall semester with 14,116 students, wiping out the 1979 record of 13,533.

Among new faces on campus was Dr. Thomas Meredith, a native of Owensboro and a 1966 graduate of Western. He received the oath of office as Western’s eighth president on April 14, 1989 after President Dr. Kern Alexander resigned April 11, 1988.

Jack Harbaugh, formerly the assistant head coach at the University of Pittsburgh, replaced Dave Roberts Feb. 1. Harbaugh became Western’s head football coach as Roberts became head coach for Northeast Louisiana State University.

Upon returning to Western, many students were happy to see visiting hours were extended two hours making visiting hours from 10 a.m. until midnight.

If change meant progress, then Western was making its mark.
Image in the Making

The Summer Olympics added excitement to the sports year. Western students watched as Jackie Joyner-Kersee set a heptathlon record and Florence Griffith-Joyner became the world's fastest woman. Western cheered the Olympians as they fought for the honor of the gold.

Western's less publicized sports held their own spotlight in the hearts of Western students. They cheered as the football team advanced to the quarterfinals playoffs.

The men's basketball team made the Sun Belt Conference semifinals, while the women's team returned to the NCAA tournament for the fifth consecutive year.

New Breed stormed through the intramural football season and earned a free trip to New Orleans after beating Sigma Chi in the championship game. They wrapped up the season against other collegiate schools in the intramural championship held during the Sugar Bowl celebration.
The political year of 1988 often resembled a roller coaster as prediction polls seemed to change almost daily. Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis came to Western and presented his health care plan Sept. 20. President Ronald Reagan was hard on Dukakis' heels endorsing the George Bush and Dan Quayle presidential ticket Oct. 21, in Diddle Arena.

Gov. Wallace Wilkinson won his prize as voters passed the bill for the Kentucky lottery. By mid-March about 4,800 applications for licenses to sell tickets had been received by the Bowling Green Lottery Bureau.

For the first time, Western officially recognized the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday with a day off from school. Comemorators marched up the Hill to Van Meter Hall and were reminded of King’s ideals.
As the weekend approached and the books were put aside, students thought endlessly of ways to have fun and to relax their studious minds.

Of course, throwing parties was an all-time favorite way to blow off steam. If there were no parties to be found, there were a few hot spots to get together with friends. O'Charley's, Picasso's and Mr. C's were a few places to go for a night on the town.

For a more subdued evening, students often ventured out to see the latest movies, such as Rain Man and Dangerous Liaisons.

Watching television could also make for a nice evening. Sitcoms such as thirty-something, The Wonder Years and China Beach were college favorites, along with reruns of M.A.S.H.

And seemingly, students were never far from their favorite music. Tastes in music were as diversified as Guns and Roses and Kenny G.
Student Life

College life was an educational experience in itself for students of Western Kentucky University. Many freshmen received their first taste of living on their own. Cooking, cleaning and washing clothes were chores that most students got more experienced with.

Students were exposed to many new cultures, beliefs and ideas. They did not always agree, but in attempting to understand others they came closer to understanding themselves.

Campus life was not always so serious. Like college students across the country, Western students enjoyed throwing parties, meeting new people and getting together with friends.

Annual events such as Homecoming, Hallowe’en, the Banshee Bash and, of course, the Kentucky Derby lured many students out for a good time.
The sounds of 13,000 standing, applauding people permeated the walls of E.A. Diddle Arena when President Ronald Reagan came to Western Kentucky University Oct. 21, to endorse the ticket of Vice President George Bush and Sen. Dan Quayle.

An American flag unfurled to form a backdrop as the two-term president stepped on a podium, waving to a cheering crowd. As the crowd settled, he began his introduction by recognizing several area bands and Republican leaders.

He also acknowledged an ecumenic group by saying, "Let me also say hello to a group I kind of take a personal interest in—the College Republicans." Curbed by a Democratic Congress for six of the eight years in the White House, Reagan asked voters to support state and local Republican candidates.

"It doesn't make any sense to send the president up there because you agree with what he proposes and then continue to send people to Congress who are dedicated to opposing everything he does."

He also urged young Americans to vote because "with so many years ahead, you have a big stake in the election."

Reagan spent most of his speech denouncing the Democratic agenda, claiming that "where they want to take America, America doesn't want to go."

At that time a balloon burst, sounding like a gun. Without a pause, Reagan said, "You missed me." The crowd reacted with laughter.

"Eight years ago, the last liberal administration turned the lights out on Main Street America," Reagan said. "We've turned them back on and with George Bush in the White House they'll be on to stay."

Reagan said that during Carter's Democratic administration the real income of the 'typical American' dropped almost seven percent.

"High taxes and runaway regulations were driving America's families to their knees, pounding them with a one, two, three, combination of inflation, economic stagnation and unemployment." Reagan said during his administration "the real family income has soared more than 10 percent."

"Since our expansion we've created 18 million new jobs, more new jobs than Europe and Japan combined."

Reagan condemned the liberal pro-family agenda for their proposed federal child-care assistance program.

He said that under the proposal, if parents wanted assistance and also wanted to leave their child with the child's grandmother, the grandmother would have to be licensed.

"Licensing grandmothers, can you believe it?" The crowd yelled its response, "No!"

"When they say family, they mean big brother in Washington."

Reagan condemned the liberal social agenda, committed to imposing it through judicial decrees. Reagan said the Massachusetts Supreme Court was opposed to the death penalty and mandatory sentences for drug dealers. They believe that directing teachers to lead classes in the pledge of allegiance is unconstitutional and they have already voted to strike down a ban on child pornography.

"Do you want the liberals in Washington?" he asked.

"No," replied the crowd.

"You've just made my day," he said.

Reagan condemned Dukakis' support of treatment for alcoholics as "favoring proponents of the liberal social agenda, committed to imposing it through judicial decrees."

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Conventional Defense Initiative to improve conventional defenses, Reagan said the only difference between what he had done and what Dukakis would do is to cut the budget for CDI.

"It's the same old liberal agenda. They're pushing less defense and more big government," Reagan said.

After the speech, Reagan was presented with a red, white and blue basketball. The President then stepped from the stage to the basketball floor, where he scored after three attempts.

The enthusiastic crowd stood to their feet applauding. A shower of 15 thousand balloons fell from the ceiling as Reagan left the arena.

"It's impressive," Adair County junior Jon Comber said of Reagan's visit. "It's not everyday you get to see the president."

Bowling Green resident Mark Williams said Reagan had made a lot of changes for the better in the past eight years. He also said Reagan supported the family and the hard work of individuals.

"They [Democrats] think that the government can fix all the problems and that they know how to spend our money better than we do," Williams said.

Dolly Rayman of Handsville agreed. "I feel he is doing all he can do. He can only do so much, but he's doing his part."

Not everyone attending the rally agreed with Reagan's political agenda.

A group from the Bowling Green Dukakis/Bentson Headquarters held high a homemade banner reading, "Dukakis/Bentson, Victory '88."

Demonstrators outside the arena waved signs reading "Bush/Noriego" and "Mama says Bush Year!"

Christian Ely, a junior from Brentwood, Tenn., carried bags of flour as he portrayed Manuel Noriega of Panama.

"Our motto is Bush/Noriega '88 and addiction '89," Ely said.

Across the street from the arena, in front of Downing University Center, a banner accompanied by a puppet of Reagan, proclaimed, "We don't need another corporate puppet."

The purpose of this demonstration, explained a release addressed to Reagan, "is to express our anger over the fact that President Reagan has been working purely for the benefit of corporations such as General Electric, Boeing, ITT, General Dynamics and others at the expense of domestic programs, our economy, and national security."

The release was attributed to Louisville senior Bruce Cambra, Washington D.C. sophomore Ron Barnes and Leitchfield senior Michael Franklin.

During the course of Reagan's speech the president said "George Bush" over 15 times, but never said "Dan Quayle."

Critics argued between Bush wanting to concentrate on the presidential nominee or feeling Quayle was more a hindrance than the campaign than a help and therefore eliminated from the speech.

While Diddle Arena filled quickly for the speech, more than 10,000 ticket holders were turned away due to lack of space.

Gwen Stuart, co-chairwoman of the Warren County Bush campaign headquarters, said, "I just believe that more tickets were printed than they felt the arena had capacity for."

She said the misuse of young men has been caused by the area rolled off the Secret Service and the press.

Morgantown senior Hand Meeks, who could not see the mile, said he started to get his 8-year-old out of school for the event because he thinks Reagan is great.

"It would have been just super heartwarming for him," he said, "and it was just as disheartening for me."

Story by Samuel Black

Outlined by Old Glory, "The Ghost General" speaks to a capacity crowd in Diddle Arena.
I am going to fight ... to insure that proceeds from the lottery go into those programs that we promised.

Wallace Wilkinson

Story by Jody Cunrass
Illustration by Larry Powell
It's an uphill battle

On a typical night while most Western students were caught up in jobs, homework, or a night on the town, an accident occurred that caused Cory White's world to fall apart.

While at Kappa Sigma's Spring Formal at Kentucky Lake on April 28, 1989, he dove into shallow water and went from an average college student to a quadraplegic.

The Paducah sophomore was paralyzed from his chest down with slight movement in his arms.

Since the accident, White continued a constant struggle to regain his feeling so he could learn to walk again and return to Western as a student. He began treatment at a rehabilitation center in Birmingham, Ala., at the end of last August. There, White learned how to adjust to his handicap and perform normal activities.

"You really use your brain a lot," White said, "more than you think." White began with the basics like eating and using the phone.

"You have to concentrate on everything, even picking up a fork," White said.

After a month in Birmingham, White returned to his second home in Athens, Ala.

The hospital supplied him with a special bed, wheelchair, and certain exercises that his family helped him with everyday.

His family played an important role in his life, having to be with him most of the day to move him and tend to his needs like medication and meals.

White's main pastime at home was television.

"I know all the songs," he said.

However, the majority of his television hours were spent watching basketball and football games.

"You have to love sports to survive around this house," his mother, Shelly, said jokingly.

White's struggle has been an uphill battle. He planned to return to the hospital once he regained feeling in his legs, but it was uncertain when that would be.

"I think it is hard on him, but he does well," his mother said. "The support has come from his friends and school."

White said he had learned who his true friends were from their support since the accident.

"I want to treat my real friends better from now on," he said, "especially Jeannie." Jeannie Begley, a Bowling Green junior and White's girlfriend, kept in constant touch with him over the phone and visited him when she could.

With the support of his family and friends at school, White decided to return to Western in time for the spring semester in 1989.

His brother, Craig, a freshman, and sister, Cristi, a senior, both students at Western, initially planned on looking for an apartment.

Sympathetic with the Whites' situation, the university donated the log cabin behind Redick-Harlin Hall.

"It was not easy trying to find an apartment near campus that was equipped for a handicapped person," Craig said.

"I have high goals for myself," White said. "Once I get my feeling back, I plan to be walking in four weeks and there will be no stopping me."
Coming to America

What an experience! I got to watch TV and play video games while washing my clothes. I also attended my first college party in the U.S. The guys all sang, wrestled and broke furniture.

At the university, I was surprised to find that my first initial is "T". I never noticed it before. Now I have a Social Security number. I never realized that the numbers could open many doors. I couldn't believe it.

1988

I was 19 years old and had a new life. I moved from the States to England. I thought it was a great adventure. It was a big change for me. I had to adapt to a new environment. I felt a little different in the beginning.

23 August 1988

I had my first initial, a "T". It was a big change for me. I never realized that this small change could make such a big difference.

24 August 1988

I now officially exist in the States as I have a Social Security number. I never realized that nine numbers could open so many doors for you and how inconvenient you are without one.

25 August 1988

I woke up at 6:45 a.m. for the annual run of the soccer team. The run is better known as the "Jaets", a 300-yard sprint up College Street. The other players said it is named because of the cartoon called the "Jaets", in which George walks his dog and does not move.

28 August 1988

We the soccer team played our first pre-season game against a bunch of old beer drinking men who called themselves Western Alumn. With laundry basket in hand, I made my first trip to BUDS AHS, USA.

As he reflects upon the day's events, Mike Devaney, a Liverpool, England, freshman, picks his thoughts into words. The WKU soccer program's reputation earned Devaney across the Atlantic.

30 August 1988

I went to the movies to see "Coming to America" with some friends in the soccer team. I can really relate to the movie about coming to a different surrounding. It is great being able to see a movie not long after its release without having to wait for many weeks until its release in Europe.

1 September 1988

I found out from Coach David Holmes that I am ineligible to play because my transcripts from England have not arrived here at Western. All these NCAA rules and regulations are a whole new ball game for me. A few phone calls between Bowling Green and West Germa seemed to alleviate the problem though I will not be able to go to North Carolina with the team this weekend. I hope my transcripts get here soon so I can play.

2 September 1988

The whole 2nd floor of PFE deserted. It gets kind of lonely here by yourself.

3 September 1988

Thank God for ESPN and Doinker's.

4 September 1988

I watched six hours of non-stop pro-football and it was great. It is a lot better than the one-hour highlights we get in England and the a.m. live games we get in Germany, where I lived last year after I was transferred. I can't wait to tomorrow when the Chicago Bears play the Giants.

5 September 1988

The guys returned at 6:45 th morning singing "We Are The Bedouin." I do not know why they returned because they lost over the weekend. It was a losing weekend all across the nation last night, but Mendi Night Football was great.

6 September 1988

First home game of the season against Vanderbilt and we won it! I got to play a little. My friends and I went out to the Pavillion to celebrate.

9 September 1988

Woke up with a hangover but still made it to my classes and light practice. I was hurting. Cut a few at 10:30; that is a joke. I can remember the last time I went to be this early. Back home my tea wasn't as restricted.

12 September 1988

Just one of those days at WKU. I still have not gotten a letter from my girlfriend. She must have forgotten about me.

13 September 1988

I finally got a letter from my girlfriend. My roommate was upset because he said he never gets any mail. I went to Wendy's and ate at the 'Blow Bar' for just $2.99.

15 September 1988

The sociology test was a disaster! "Welcome to college," somebody joked in my class.

16 September 1988

I was supposed to work the soccer clinic this morning, but it was cancelled due to the unforeseen downpour of the night before. My roommate just bought a TV and a VCR; however, the VCR is broken. That's Walt-Mars for you.

18 September 1988

The soccer team lost the Corvette Soccer Classic, but we still celebrated a team member's birthday. Thanks again for Alka-Seltzer, a real life saver!

Devaney plans to major in pre-law or government, and hopes to become a lawyer or a civil service employee in the United States. Upon graduating from Western, he anticipates obtaining his U.S. citizenship in order to achieve his goals, while retaining citizenship from his native country. Eventually, he would like to settle down on the East Coast.

Story by Mike Devaney and Joey Carmack
Photos by Tamara Vodinski

Guarding the ball during a game against Wright State, Devaney gives his all to the sport that brought him to Western. WKU lost the game 1-0.
Higher education

Unlike the usual hustle and bustle around campus, it was a relatively quiet April morning. The birds were singing, the sun was shining, yet nobody could be found—it was Sunday. After a night of working and partying, most students were still in bed.

Then, behind Garrett Conference Center, Sandra Whelan, a Vine Grove freshman, came walking up the hill from Remis Lawrence Hall. Whelan, who had never been to a church service while at Western, was going to St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel in the Newman Center on College Street.

Whelan nervously explained it had been a while since she had been to church, and she feared she had forgotten the prayers (the order of Mass).

Greeted at the church entrance by the Newman Center chaplain, the Rev. Ray Gotie, Whelan made her way to an upper right pew and knelted at the prayer bench. It was 8:45 a.m. and only a couple of people were seated throughout the sanctuary.

“I’ve been here (St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel) when nobody else was here,” Whelan said. “It was a day when I felt lonely.” Whelan said she just “sat and sang a few songs.”

After the service, Whelan said she was glad she came.

“Everything the priest talked about related to what I was feeling this morning,” she said.

Then walking in front of Dr. Cherry’s statue, Whelan went to meet a friend. By that time it was 11 a.m., yet the campus still seemed deserted in an eerie sort of way.

Then a clicking sound filled the air, growing louder and louder then silence. Stepping at the top of a flight of steps in front of Cherry Hall, Campbellsville graduate student Shellette Richardson removed a rock from her left, white hightopped slipper.

Richardson was going to Taylor Chapel on the African Methodist Episcopal Church on Seventh Street.

Richardson had become almost a regular at Taylor Chapel after first attending one Sunday night with the Amazing Three of Joy to sing for the church’s anniversary. When Richardson went to the church one Sunday morning soon afterwards, she said she did not know anybody.

But “as soon as I stepped in the door the children said, ‘good morning.’” Richardson said.

Though she usually attended a Christian Methodist Episcopal church at home, Richardson said she had enjoyed attending different denominations in Bowling Green.

After the service, church members shook Richardson’s hand and told her how much they would miss her over the summer; they promised to remember her in their thoughts and prayers.

Both Whelan and Richardson said they planned to continue to be involved in church during their college careers.

Mark White, president of the Campus Ministries Association at Western, said, “Every student needs some place to find a plug in so we, Campus Ministry, are that place.”

Composed of the various religious organizations on campus, Campus Ministries had helped sponsor such services as a Concert of Prayer, an Easter sunrise service and a Praise Gathering at the Ivan Wilson Amphitheater.

Mickey Moody, a Bowling Green freshman, chiefly organized this year’s Praise Gathering. The service held on April 30 drew approximately 100 students with “all the Christian organizations on campus participating,” according to Moody.

“I give him first credit,” Moody said looking upward. “We’re not here to just be Baptists or Methodists—we’re here to serve God.”

White added that involvement in the various campus ministries enables students to “meet friends they could trust.”

Whelan agreed by saying she enjoyed the unity she felt when she attended church.

“It helps to guide me in the right direction,” Whelan said.

Richardson said she had sometimes felt just went to church as a habit, but a change of scenery had put her into the swing of things.

“I feel more complete than I had slept in on Sundays,” Richardson said. “I feel the better for it.”

Story by Kim Mosley
Photos by Tamara Vominski
Better late than never

It's a good ride. He's a hell of a good rider," Evansville\n\n\nsinger Steve Deputy said of Greg Frasier.\n\nFrazier, an Evansville, Ind., junior known as "Skippy" by his friends and peers, was a professional biker. "Everyone calls me Skippy, even the referees," Frasier said. "Some people don't know my first or last name; they just call me Skippy."

Frazier's last race in 1988 was the Kentucky Heartland Critérium race at Elizabethtown, held early in September.

Frazier did not know he would cross the Central time zone into the Eastern time zone on his way to Elizabethtown from Bowling Green. He had expected to be an hour early, but he made it just in time to race.

"After I saw the Eastern time zone sign, I figured I wasn't going to make it," Frasier said.

When Frasier pulled up to the race, the other competitors were just starting to line up. He ran to the officials' booth and bargained for time. "I first had to talk to the official to see if he would hold the race in time for me to get ready," Frasier said. "He said he would give me five minutes, just five minutes!"

While Frasier dressed, three friends put his bike together in less than a minute. Frasier then jumped on his bike and rode to the starting line.

My cleats were still unstrapped and my short was twisted," Frasier said. "When he blew the whistle, I was strapping my cleats.

"The last thing you want to do is pull up late at a bike race and have to rush," Deputy said.

According to Deputy, Frasier was injury prone because he didn't have enough time to warm up. He said it was hard for Frasier to ride on cold muscles and that it was easy to pull muscles or ligaments when they are not warmed up. But Frasier said he felt great throughout the race.

Frazier said he held his ground in the back of the pack during the first two laps to get familiar with the course and to look over the other riders. By the fourth lap he had moved into the fifth-place position.

To keep the race fast, the officials would proclaim a prem lap. In prem laps, each lap was a mini race with a prize for the winner of the lap.

"The reason they have prem is to keep the race going and keep the pace up," Frasier said. "It makes it more exciting. At one stretch during the race, they had five prem in a row."

Frazier won two prem and often led the race. He said he had wanted to stay up front not only to try to win the race, but to avoid collisions. "I kept telling myself to stay up front, because in the back, there are going to be wrecks," Frasier said. Two weeks before, I was in a wreck in a race in Chicago and I was in fifth position. Seven of us went down."

Close to the end of the race, Frasier said the pace picked up drastically. Frasier was in first place as he rounded the sixth turn on the 30th lap of the race; however, his competitors rode on his heels and each other's back tires to help break wind and to wait for the lead out.

"A lead out is more or less at the end of the race," Frasier said. "It's like auto racing. The rider in front blocks the wind for the person behind him and kind of pulls him along. Then as the riders approach the finish line, they break away from the person they're riding behind," he said.

Frazier said if a rider could get a good lead out at the end of the race it would be a definite boost in being able to win.

Time out for Greg Frasier, a.k.a. Skippy, means taking in an occasional half gallon of orange juice while relaxing in his dorm room. Regardless, Frasier's bike remained near.

Unfortunately, Frasier ended up giving a lead out to a competitor who won the race, but Frasier still finished a respectable fourth.

"I was in third coming around the last corner, but I didn't have enough energy to finish the sprint well," Frasier said.

Frazier rode about 350 to 490 miles a week and trained hardest on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. On the other days of the week, he would do sprints, jogs or take social rides.

Frazier said he kept to a strict diet of two meals a day. He said his diet revolved around the framework of high carbohydrates, high fibers, fresh fruits and vegetables, and very little red meat. An exception to this diet was the All-American hamburger. "You always have that urge to eat a hamburger," he said.

When road racing, bikers often took something with them to eat during the race. Frasier said he often took bananas, grapes, bagels or something else to give him energy during the race. His favorite was dry corn flakes. "I always take corn flakes," he said. "I just like corn flakes. I've never seen anyone else use corn flakes; it's just me." He said he liked generic corn flakes best, because they tasted different every week.

Frazier said he enjoyed bike racing because of the fast pace of the sport. He planned to compete in California during spring break, and after that he said he would take whatever opportunities crossed his path and presented a challenge.

Story by Samuel Black
Photos by Hal Smith
**Geared for Speed**

Racing down a quarter of a mile asphalt track in a super gas drag car was an unusual place to find the average college student; however, for South Carroll senator Lynn Ellison, this setting was more a part of his life than being in a classroom.

For Ellison, drag racing was all he ever wanted to do because “cars and winning intrigued” him. He started racing at the age of 12, but did not turn professional until he was 16. Ellison’s father, Raymond Ellison, played a major role in his decision to become involved in racing. His father, a former drag race car owner, gave Ellison his first car.

The race car, a replica of an 1962 Corvette, was built around an Ed Lake Race Craft Chassis. Ellison and his father custom built the engine, which was 488 cubic inches and produced around 800 horse power. The car weighed 2,506 pounds and would go from 0 to 150 miles per hour in 9.4 seconds for a quarter of a mile. The car, which cost $30,000 to build, was constructed for drag racing only.

Ellison remembered the time he was behind the wheel for his first race. “It was like one of the most nerve-racking experiences of my life because I knew that if I did anything wrong it would ruin or destroy $30,000 or possibly end my life.”

The race he remembered the most was the Winston World Championship Series in Columbus, Ohio because it was his first major race.

When Ellison was at the start of a drag race, he tried to remind himself that he was as good as anyone else racing that day, and his 8:7 percent winning record at Beech Bend Raceway proved this technique seemed to help. “Because of the high risks in the sport, a person needs his self-confidence to match his talent,” Ellison said.

About 20 hours a week was spent on preventive maintenance to keep the car running smoothly. With the help from sponsors, his expenses for the upkeep of the car were minimal.

“My father and I assemble the car, but we have a machine shop do the mechanical work,” Ellison said.

The Brown Minerals Company and Raymond Ellison Enterprises were the main sponsors of his race car, while others such as Transmission Company Inc., Firestone, and Valvoline Oil donated products for the maintenance of the car.

Whenever Ellison was not racing, he tested products for TCI. During the year he tested up to 15 transmissions to find out their dependability.

“There are always new technologies to make your car the best that you can. It is why a basketball player practices,” he said.

Since most drag races were during the summer months, Ellison did not have to worry about dividing his time between school and racing. During the summer, he spent many hours traveling and working on his car. When he was in school, he spent an average of 12 hours of the weekend on the road. Having traveled as far as Pennsylvania, Texas, Wisconsin and Florida, Ellison had seen most of the United States.


Ellison raced in the super gas class, Division III. This division included Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin and Tennessee. The racing popularity of this area produced strong competition.

After being in the same class for five years and winning many awards, Ellison would probably consider the change from drag racing to another class of racing. “I would consider it, if the sponsor was there so I could be highly competitive,” Ellison said.

Ellison was attending Western Kentucky University to obtain a degree in education. He felt that as a teacher he would have his summers off for the racing season and would be insured a steady income. Drag racing was a part-time career for him, but in the future that might change.

Story by Manha Barton
Photos by Amy Deputy
The church service

Louise, senior Kelly Richardson, concert coordinator for UCB, said, "Richardson shopped for cigarettes, tape, and vegetarian food for the band. "I feel with $300 in cash to run their errands," she added.

At about 6:39 p.m. a small group gathered outside to wait for the concert. They had come all the way from Lexington.

Meanwhile, Beach found time to not before the big event. He estimated that 2,000 tickets were sold in advance. Later, Beach said about 450 more were sold at the door.

"It's a place where I can come to express myself and to fit in," Mike Davis, a Chicago freshman, said. "I think every·body, that's why I really like them."

Hal Hamer, a freshman, was rerouted. "I think everybody had a great time," he added. A few weeks earlier, though, Beach, director of University Center Board promotions, was not as sure of the students' response.

"They (The Church) are one of the college-oriented radio groups," Beach said. "College stations are giving them play time when they might not get it on other radio stations," he explained. "That's why they emerge on campuses as being very popular."

On the day of the concert, UCB members hectically ran about the Garrett Conference Center Ballroom. "I've been here since noon," Hamer felt the title of 'psychedelic hippies' really did not apply to the group now. He said they were moving away from that label and on to an image that reflected their survival without change.

The thing that stood out most in Hamer's mind about The Church was the feeling they presented. "It's not a bunch of flashpats and laser beams," he said. "You can understand what they're saying. They give off good vibes, and you're happy to be here."

With a multitude of people gathered as close as they could get to the stage, the lights dimmed at 8:40 p.m. as Tom Verlaine took to the stage.

Verlaine, formerly of the group Television, was reminiscent of the 60s. He sang folk songs with a slightly more modern beat. After intermission the lights dimmed once again at 9:05 p.m. as The Church came onto the stage. A pulsating drum beat shook the room and altered heartbeats. In the darkness one guy wrapped his arms around himself and drummed on his chest, keeping time with each beat. Ontage the colorful lights flashed, capturing drummer Richard Poezo's eyes as an occasional silhouette peeled from behind him.

Those around the sides of the ballroom began to dance first, with the people in the middle following their lead. A group dancing next to the stage were bumping into one another in a frenzy. Perhaps the biggest crowd reaction came when they sang their hit, "Under the Milky Way." The crowd was nodding and singing along.

Then guitarist Marty Wilson. "I've been called a 'growing top' on stage, raised his guitar to the audience as the instrument gave a whistling cry. Bassist and lead singer Steve Kilby closed his eyes as if in deep meditation. At 10:10 p.m. the concert ended with a simple 'thank you' from Kilby, yet the crowd remained where they were. Whistles and claps rang throughout the ballroom. They did not seem to want it to end.

Louise sophomore Heather Cunningham said the concert was exciting, but not long enough. She felt the greatest part of the concert was when they sang 'Mongolines.'

Richardson said she could now "sit down and relax" until time to prepare for UCB's spring concert. She seemed to be looking forward to it, yet she said, "Without student participation, we can't pay for it."

Story by Kim Hadley
Photo by Beth Courtney

To truly be in touch with his music, bassist and lead singer Kilby brandished his thoughts while performing before a crowd of appreci- ative 1,500 people. The concert was held in the Garrett Conference Center Ballroom.
Making "moo-la"

The down-on-the-farm scent of sawdust, clay and livestock filled L.D. Brown Agricultural Exposition Center at the Sixth Annual Spring Female Sale which grossed over $74,000 in Charolais cattle sales.

Approximately 150 people attended the auction sponsored by the Kentucky Charolais Association that sold 81 cattle. Livestock owners brought their Charolais from Tennessee, Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky to sell them for top prices.

Bidders came from as far south as Alabama and as far north as Ohio to purchase the high-quality Charolais females that averaged a price of $1,583 for 54 lots. W.C. Morris, an open heifer, just a year old, consigned by Corner Landa Castle Co., sold for $2,100.

"The cattle sell well down here," said Bowling Green resident and sale coordinator Larry Graham.

Scottsville senior Darrell Tow said national advertising in farming magazines had brought in most of the bidders.

"People say we're more accessible and, because it's smaller, people enjoy themselves more," Tow said.

"There is a big demand for Charolais nationally. Everybody wants a lean beef, and they are genetically lean," Graham said.

Graham said the Kentucky cattle herd was smaller than it had been in 15 years. "We haven't been this low since the early '70s and the prices are good."

There was also a high competition in the state for cattle sales, Graham said, and Western had one of the best facilities in Kentucky. He

said he thought the Expo-Center was very affordable and well managed by Col. Bob Spiller.

"I hate to think what would happen if Col. Spiller wasn't down there. He does a good job with it," Graham said.

Spiller, a 30-year veteran of the U.S. Army, who retired in 1980, had worked as the director of the facility for five years.

"The arena out here is beautiful."

A young Charolais sports its identification tag at the Sixth Annual Spring Female Sale. A cow and calf could be sold for $800 to $850.

"The arena out here is beautiful," Spiller said. "There's not a bad seat in the house."

Spiller said accommodating people, which meant making sure the center was functional, clean, and

profitable, among other courtesies, was the key to the Expo-Center's success. This effort helped to keep the center busy almost every weekend.

Spiller said the events at the Expo-Center had made a $10 million impact on the Bowling Green economy.

Dow Badall, a 17-year-old from Smiths Grove who has been raising Charolais since eighth grade, said he sold three head of cattle at the sale.

"I thought it was pretty well-run and managed," Badall said. "The demand is bigger in Bowling Green than most places in the state."

With sales increasing each year, Spiller said that he expected more growth in the years ahead, which

meant a plus for Bowling Green, Western and the annual Charolais female sale.

Story by Sam Black
Photos by Rex Perry

Bidders contemplate a cow's for sale at the exhibition room at Western's L.D. Brown Agricultural Expo-Center. About 150 people attended the event.

A cow and a calf are exhibited for bidders at the auction room at Western's L.D. Brown Agricultural Expo-Center. Sixty-one head of cattle were paraded before bidders.
NEWS: Ted Bundy

After receiving three previous stays of execution, Ted Bundy, 49, was executed in Starke, Fla., on Jan. 23. Formally charged with the 1978 kidnapping and murder of Kimberly Leach, Bundy was linked to the murders of as many as 50 young women between 1973 and 1978. His victims were all raped and the bodies were left in remote areas.

In the morning of the execution, 200 people gathered outside of the penitentiary's parking area, waving signs reading “Roast in Peace” and “Bundy BBQ.” Bundy himself said, “I deserve, certainly, the most severe punishment society has.”

NEWS: Afghanistan

The Soviet invasion of Afghanistan in 1979 came to an end Feb. 15 when the last of 15,000 troops pulled out of the country.

The Soviet-backed regime of President Najiullah had been fighting the rebel mujahedin forces. The U.S. opposed the invasion and many sanctions were enacted in protest throughout the years. The capital of Kabul was expected to fall to the mujahedin after the withdrawal of forces because many Afghan cities were taken over by the Afghan rebels.

NEWS: Shuttle

After the 1986 crash of the shuttle Challenger, NASA plans for space travel were put on hold. But 1988-89 saw the return of Americans in space.

In March, the shuttle Discovery had a successful mission with the deployment of the last link in a $10 million satellite communications network.

On March 23, physicists from the University of Utah announced they had produced nuclear fusion with simple laboratory equipment, including a Rubenmaid™ dishpan.

Fusion involves the merging of atomic nuclei accompanied by the release of large amounts of energy. Scientists have tried to generate fusion in laboratories since the 1940s because of the unlimited possibilities for energy.

NEWS: Fusion

NEWS: Assault rifles

In an overgrowing violent society where crime is on the rise to get ahead, children are being taught to use automatic guns. The 1980s was the golden age of the automatic gun sales due to the new fears of personal safety and a push for a government ban on the weapons. And though President Bush was a life member of the National Rifle Association, which lobbied against most gun-control legislation, First Lady Barbara Bush denounced the sale of the rifles by saying no civilian had a need for such weapons.

According to Time magazine, gun control activists suggested the passage of a federal law that would require a two-week waiting period for prospective gun buyers.

The last gun-control bill to pass the Senate was related to sawed-off shotguns in the 1980s.

NEWS: Weather

A tornado caused extensive damage in Franklin, Ky., in January. It touched down just 15 miles from the Western campus, where there was confusion in two dorms regarding tornado safety procedures, which had not been reviewed since August. When an earthquake occurred in the Soviet republic of Armenia in December, twenty-five thousand people were killed and five hundred thousand were left homeless. Near the center of the quake, in Spitak, half of the city's residents were killed and plans were made to relocate the city.

Mikhail Gorbachev was visiting the U.S. when the quake occurred and had to return home.

NEWS: Oil spill

The Prince William Sound in Alaska was the site of a 10-million gallon oil spill. The Exxon Valdez ran aground, leaking 500 miles of shoreline in one of the world's richest wildlife areas. Sixteen thousand square miles of water were covered in the spill.

The captain of the Valdez, Joseph Hazelwood, was accused of being drunk at the time of the accident. Hazelwood left the ship and sailed to the accident to avoid arrest, but turned himself in at home in Long Island.
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Sports: Baseball

Back home, the Los Angeles Dodgers swept through the playoffs and into the World Series. There the Dodgers were faced with the hardest hitting team in baseball—the Oakland Athletics. The Dodgers were led by slugger Kirk Gibson, whom they acquired from the Detroit Tigers and pitching ace Orel Hershiser.

Sports: Basketball

The 1985-86 season started out with the Los Angeles Lakers winning their second straight NBA World Championship.

The University of Kentucky was slapped with 18 NCAA allegations, while the team awaited its punishment during the worst basketball season in the school’s history.

Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz took the luck of the Irish to the Fiesta Bowl against West Virginia, with the winner to be awarded the national championship.

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Religion: TV Evangelism

Sitting in front of the television set on Sunday morning before church, many people tuned into championship wrestling or nature programs instead of watching their regular televangelists. It was in the year's wake of televangelism scandals that many television evangelists lost more than half of their regular viewing audiences.

Baton Rouge evangelist Jimmy Swaggart, who led in his field with a viewership of over 2 million households, checked his sanitariness when he verified the allegations about his involvement with prostitute Debra Murphy. Swaggart, who confessed to a "marital failure," defied his denomination (Assemblies of God), by not observing a suggested year of penance, and returned to the pulpit. Also hoping to return to their former ministry: Jim and Tammy Fakker. The Bakkers unsuccessfully tried to raise funds to build back their PTL empire, which lay in chaos after the rise of accusations of an affair Jim had had with the then church secretary, Jessica Hahn.

Religion: Banned

And in the midst of television’s religious scandals, another arena on the silver screen. With the release of Martin Scorsese’s "The Last Temptation of Christ," an outcry from many Americans for freedom of the press (First Amendment), while the Ayatollah Khamenei called for Bushid's death, offering over $5 million in bounty. Due to threats, many bookstores across the U.S. banned the book which portrayed Mohammed’s wives as harlots.

Morrell is harder than words. Author Ramadan Bushid had been condemned to death for writing the controversial novel, "The Sonnatic Verses."
Heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson couldn't take too many rounds with actress Robin Givens. Their rocky marriage took a dive when she tried to sue him for divorce. The media punched her back for Tyson, though, making her one of those women "you love to hate."

Tyson was accused of allegedly beating Givens, and having control over his mother-in-law. The media reported he had been seeing a psychiatrist, and that he was congenitally violent. It was also reported that he was taking medication for his behavior. Givens said in an interview with Barbara Walters that Tyson was violent and at one time suicidal. However, she did not get to cash in on the champ. The media-whipped couple finally went their separate ways.

Finally a man came along and actually acted like a real man. Roseanne Barr, stand-up comedienne and actress, brought "Roseanne" to prime-time television. The "domestic goddess" of one-liners, blue collar work, and householder shuns had a husband who drank beer and loved her anyway. No Judge and Ward-Clevenger stuff for them. Their kids had real personalities too. With new television series starting up, some long-running shows were cancelled.

In music, James Brown, "The Godfather of Soul," was sentenced to six years in prison. Brown was hit charged with two murder assault and battery with intent to kill and in count of failure to stop at a police car.

Per seven years "Family Ties" had been one of the top-rated sitcoms on TV. However, this year the producer decided to quit while he was ahead. On May 14, "Family Ties" aired the last show of the season and the series. Also on the 14th, "Moonlighting" had its last show. For about five years, David and Maddie had entered our homes from the Blue Moon Detective Agency, solving cases of murder and theft, and making us laugh.

In April, The Who made the announcement of their 25th Anniversary tour. The group was coming out of retirement. The Duece Brothers and Rolling Stones also announced their revival in the music world. One of Michael Jackson's sister, LaToya Jackson, 30, posed nude in Playboy magazine for a celebrity fee and never sang a note.


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On Aug. 1, 1988, Michael J. Fox, 27, married actress Tracy Pollan, 27. They were paired together and this was carried off-stage as well. The star of "A Different World," Lisa Bonet, announced that she was expecting a child. Bill Cosby was not very happy with the news but brought Bonet back to the "Cosby Show," where writers had to think of a new storyline for the actress. In December, Bonet gave birth to a seven-pound baby girl and named her Zoe.

Entertainment: Mike Tyson

Entertainment: Busted

Entertainment: Sitcoms

Entertainment: Tabloid

Entertainment: Videos

Entertainment: Songs

Entertainment: Family
Political: Oliver North

Lt. Col. Oliver North was found guilty by a federal court on three counts of shredding and altering documents, preparing false testimony for CIA director William Casey and John Poindexter and accepting an illegal gratuity of a $13,873 security fence. North was acquitted on nine other charges, and two charges were dropped before his trial began. North said he would appeal.

Political: Military

President Bush sent 2,600 troops to Panama, where 10,200 American soldiers were already stationed, after Panamanian General Manuel Antonio Noriega turned a band of thugs loose on opposition candidates and demonstrators protesting the outcome of fraudulent national elections. The candidates, who received almost twice as many votes as Noriega's hand-picked candidates who were declared the winners, were beaten by men carrying sticks and pipes.

American armed forces battled Libyan forces in the Mediterranean for the fourth time since 1981 in January, as two U.S. F-14 carrier-based fighters destroyed two Libyan SMG-23 fighter jets. The confrontation complicated American efforts to prevent fingers at Libya for building a chemical weapons plant shortly before an international conference on chemical warfare in Paris.

After a bloody nine-year war, the Soviet Union withdrew its military forces from Afghanistan.

Political: At home

The Kentucky General Assembly established a state lottery in December, and sales of Kentucky Lottery tickets began in April. At Western, Thomas C. Meredith was named the university's eighth president on Aug. 8, 1989, replacing Dr. Kern Alexander, who resigned April 11.
Questions to ASK

This year was one of increasing awareness about AIDS, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome. Although it had been in the United States for at least eight years, until recently its potential impact upon the college community of Western had not been recognized.

Everyone had heard a great deal about AIDS, but were people really listening? The fact that there was something in the news almost daily about AIDS had a tendency to make us complacent.

ASK was listening, and ASK was answering questions. AIDS of Southern Kentucky, Inc. was a nonprofit, charitable corporation formed by local citizens and chartered by the state of Kentucky on March 11, 1988.

The purpose of ASK was to provide direct services, referrals, and information to individuals and groups to alleviate the effect of human immunodeficiency virus infection and to prevent its spread.

"ASK is being used as a prototype for rural areas because of the way we have been organized." Mary Hazzard

The primary service area was the Barren River Area Development District (BRADD) which included Allen, Barren, Butler, Edmonson, Hart, Logan, Metcalfe, Monroe, Simpson, and Warren counties.

ASK was the only AIDS education and service organization in southwestern Kentucky and would respond to any request for assistance or information.

Being on a college campus put students in a category where awareness of AIDS and HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) infection was greater than in the general population. But, the public still had a tendency to dismiss the reality of this very important health concern. As well publicized as it was, there was still a great deal to know about AIDS and HIV infection.

ASK offered a variety of educational programs and services including literature, in-service training, consultation, and small group forums.

The significance for those who were sexually active or who used drugs and had no history was unknown, that the virus could be transmitted between seemingly healthy people. In fact, a study by the Center for Disease Control estimated that a campus the size of Western had a population of HIV positive (i.e., infected) students numbering between 40 and 50.

The president and his predecessors recognized the need for information and provided the necessary leadership to address it. A university committee on AIDS policy convened in the fall of 1987. In 1988, with the newly hired director of Student Health Services, Kevin Charles, a new committee on AIDS education began.

Meanwhile, many activities began to address issues related to AIDS and HIV. Early in the year, the Residence Life staff participated in training sessions provided by the Student Health Service. Both professional staff and ASK were involved. Following that, more than a dozen residence hall programs were provided upon request of students.

Also, many student groups got involved with AIDS education efforts. For example, World AIDS Day, on Dec. 1, was acknowledged by the Association of Student Social Workers and the Student Health Service with a table and literature in the DUC. Greek organizations were very active throughout the year as well. Lambda Chi Alpha had several presentations by the nursing department head, Rappa Alpha had a "safer sex" display in March, and Sigma Nu sold "safer sex" T-shirts and distributed condoms before spring break. There were also many presentations in residence halls and in classes.

Story by David Houd Illustration by Larry Powell
A mere formality

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Elegantly dressed, men and women ate cheesecake and sipped tea at the poolside. A female's high-pitched laugh rose above the tinkling of silverware.

The spring formal, sponsored by Bemis Lawrence Hall, was an opportunity for about 100 people to dress up and have fun different than other Friday nights.

A five-course dinner was served at 7 p.m. April 14 in the Holldome at Park Inn International. Couples adjourned to the Ken Tol Lounge for dancing until midnight.

The first campus-wide formal was a chance for everyone to have the same experience as a Greek formal for $14 a person and $25 a couple.

"This gives people not in fraternities or sororities an opportunity to do something too, where we wouldn't have that," Sarah Roberts, a Louisville freshman, said.

Roberts was escorted by Mark Rowen, a Louisville freshman, who came from Lindsey Wilson College for the weekend.

Most women wore a dress they had worn to a high school prom.

Valerie Barnes, a Nashville, Tenn. freshman, said she did not get a new dress and was letting all her other friends wear her dresses.

Dresses were of gold, silver and pink lame, black velvet and pink satin. Men's ties were as colorful as the dresses - yellow, pink, turquoise and even a black bow.

A photographer was on hand to catch the moment for each couple.

Angela Williams, a Franklin freshman, said it was fun to get dressed up and planned to eat loose when the music started.

She and Barnes joined three other couples for the evening. The five girls were all from the eighth floor of Bemis.

"We told the five girls helping us get ready, that we were glad they weren't going so they could help us," Barnes said.

She received a favorable response from many people.

"Some guys said they had a good time and hope we have it next year," she said.

They definitely plan to have the formal next year.

A confusion with room reservations almost foil the hall's plans for a successful dance.

Mini Mart got the rooms the hall council had planned to use in.

"We kept it quiet because we were going to have the dance no matter what. So we went to the regional vice president of the Holldome and got the area by the pool," Lori Hunsaker said.

The Rockport sophomore said the hall council put the formal together about a month and a half before.

Story by Dresden Wall

Photos by Tamaraボ0niski

Taking a break from dancing, March Woll, a Columbus freshman, strikes a pose with her boyfriend Nick Kang. The couple were among 100 people who attended the event.

During a dance, Louisville freshman Brian Murphy smiles up at her boyfriend Nick Kang. The couple were among 100 people who attended the event.

Expenses were paid by Dresden Woll, a Columbus freshman, with the help of the Jones Smith, a Caudleburg freshman.
A Diamond in the rough

A black and white poster hung in the window of a Bowling Green record store. Featuring the poster was a bare-chested man wearing acid-washed denim, standing in an alley. The pink inscription at the bottom of the poster read, "Especially yours, Michael Diamond.

Down the street, in a second floor bedroom, another copy of the poster hung above a box containing hundreds of pictures of the same man in different poses.

Standing beside the box, Michael Diamond Dwayne Baugh, a Plainfield, Ind. senior, said, "People think I am on an ego trip. I am not. Everyone has something that they are proud of. I just happen to like clothes better than cars."

Baugh said he legally added the middle name "Diamond" in hopes that it would increase his sales.

Baugh, who decided to market his poster after a fellow participant in the Mr. America contest put out a similar product, said that most of the people he had talked to liked the poster.

Cathy Caldwell, a Somerset senior, said, "I think the poster is a very good idea. For one thing, it takes guts. He is not egocentric like a lot of people think. He is simply a nice individual."

Mandy Pickett, a Greensburg junior, disagreed, saying, "I think it is an ego trip. He must be trying to see how many people will pay to have a picture of him. If he really only wanted to start a business, there are many more practical things that he could have done."

Baugh, an advertising major, began by marketing his poster locally.

With his poster beside him, Michael Baugh shows off his marketing idea. Baugh printed 500 posters to sell.

"When I go to retailers and tell them that I have a poster of myself to market, they say, 'Wow! 'Near!' I have gotten the poster into three local stores and one in Indianapolis," he said.

Baugh, who sold 100 of the posters in the two months that they have been available, said, "I plan to go nationally with the poster after I graduate in May. There is a woman who has offered to carry the poster who is responsible for 400 stores in Indiana.

"I think it will do better on a national market. Bowling Green is biased. People are afraid to buy a poster of someone that they know," Baugh said, shaking his head in frustration.

"I've had people who recognized me from the poster, walk up and tell me they liked it. I ask them if they have a copy. If they don't, I just tell them that the reason the poster is out there is for them to buy it. I appreciate their interest and comments, but I remind them that this is a business," he said.

"If they want a copy, I tell them which stores are carrying it and ask them to go there to buy a copy," Baugh said. "I don't sell the poster out of my hand. I don't think that is very professional, and besides that, I'm not smart enough to know whether or not I could get into trouble for selling against the retailers."

When Baugh decided to do the poster, he contacted William Tubias, a photographer he met through the Mr. America contest. The initial photo session lasted six hours.

"We took a lot of shots, experimenting with different outfits," Baugh said. "I also wanted to choose fashions that would last, not 'in one day and out the next.' That improves the life of your poster."

Baugh said he did not have trouble determining which print he wanted to use for the poster.

"My target audience is from 12 years old to college age," Baugh said. "I had a woman I knew show the prints to girls in that age group and get their opinions. Everyone seemed to agree that the pose we used was the best one," he said.

Baugh said he planned to continue his modeling career after graduation.

Right now, the career I have planned on is in jeopardy since Delta bought out Eastern and hired all its flight attendants," Baugh said. "I would like to be a flight attendant to pay my face in other cities.

"People ask me what that has to do with an advertising major, but it makes sense. You meet business people on planes. One of them could offer me a job I can't refuse," he said. "Plus, on my days off, I can fly free. This will allow my face to get more exposure."

However, Baugh said his immediate plans revolved around the poster.

"I have been so busy with school that I haven't had much time to work with marketing. As soon as graduation is over, I will be able to get back to work," he said.

"If I can sell the 500 I have in hand, I will be happy. I really want this thing to work, but if it doesn't, then I have a lot of white wallpaper."

Story David Taylor
Photos by Craig Bell
Peace-ing it together

Students dressed in black, long hair pulled back in pigtails, bodies moving to progressive music-this picture set the scene for a winter dance in the name of peace.

The third annual Give Peace a Dance was hosted by United Campuses to Prevent Nuclear War on Dec. 1.


The first band on stage, African Drum Fest, drew people into the Garrett Conference Ballroom. The three-member band from Nashville played traditional African-style drums. They performed for the benefit because they represented "peace and love."

"We distribute that through our drums," Michael Saleen said. He added that the event was nice and that he would like to see more of such events in the South.

"I love them, that's why I came," Glasgow junior Danny Davis said. Luke Warm, also from Nashville, was the second performer. He entertained the small seated crowd for 45 minutes with original compositions and an acoustic guitar.

The Side brought the crowd to their feet. The four-member band was the first of three bands from Bowling Green to perform. The other two bands were Park Avenue Dregs and Gogo Surreal.

The Side's record, released the previous summer, was on sale at UCAM's booth in the back of the ballroom. They were part of their evening's proceeds to UCAM.

Guitarist Tommy Shriver said the band participated in the benefit because, "We want to help develop support for the local music scene.

Dregs member Keith Herle said they played "because we had a good time last year; and when we heard the line-up, we wanted to be part of it."

The last band of the evening was Hippocrene Army. The crowd stayed on their feet and, after dancing through the three previous bands, still wanted more when the set ended.

Freshman Jessica Ligon came, "because I heard there were a lot of good bands, and because it's for a good cause. I also came because I wanted to hear Hippocrene Army. I'm from Louisville and so are they."

Between each band different groups and poets entertained the audience of 150. One of the organizations to perform was Planet Earth Project.

They had put together a video for the event called "Come in Planet Earth." The video included footage from NASA of an astronaut looking down on the Earth from spacecraft. The song was performed by country singer Karen Taylor in English, Russian, German, Chinese, Japanese, French and Spanish.

Taylor had just returned to Nashville after spending three weeks in the Soviet Union. She performed the song in the Soviet Union several times and got a "tremendous response." She planned to return and do a duet with a Russian.

Give Peace a Dance wrapped up UCAM's week of education. During the week, the group had different booths and activities where they handed out information on peace and environmental issues.

They also built a shanty on the lawn of the Duke to help emphasize the problems in South Africa. Their week-long project was a quilt called "Visualize Peace." The quilt was revealed at the dance.

"The idea behind the quilt was to get the whole campus involved," Steve Hegg, a Fort Mitchell junior said. "Groups were given a square yard of material on which to visualize peace. The pieces will be eventually quilted together and used for later display."

"The project done by On Campus Child Care had children from Germany, Venezuela, Guatemala, Palestine and Iran who had written peace in their native languages.

There were also sections done by each of the bands, the Baptist Student Union and Students for Responsible Action to name a few. People attending the dance were encouraged to add their artwork to the quilt.

"The purpose of Give Peace a Dance was to raise awareness of peace and justice issues," UCAM president Debi Melcher, a Lexington junior, said, "and to alert the area that there are ways to make a difference."

Story by Sarah Davis
Photos by Patti Longmire
Slowing down to fast

Eighteen people gathered into the Newman Center's Lydiane Hall at 6 p.m. on Feb. 24 to take part in what was to be a 24-hour fast for world hunger.

Those participating collected pledges and donations for not eating. The money went to such relief organizations as Oxfam America and Catholic Relief Services. By mid-April over $1,300 had been collected.

One by one, students carrying their sleeping bags under their arms arrived.

The participants signed in at the tables by the doors and listed their pledge money and number of pledges. Then each was given a name tag, a notebook and a button which characterized the person wearing a tight belt and bearing the words "fast for a hungry world."

"My other friends all think it (fasting) is stupid," Kimde Triplett, a Louisville senior, said. "A lot wouldn't even pledge me."

Triplett, who worked one of the tables, said fasting helped her to better understand what others were going through and to appreciate what she had.

Speaking safely into a microphone, the Newman Center's chaplain, the Rev. Ray Goetz, said, "We came together today to pray for all those in the world who don't have enough to eat."

Later he asked everybody to use the notebooks they received as journals to record their reflections about hunger and the purpose of the fast.

Dr. Michael Scidler, philosophy professor at Western, spoke about the causes and myths of world hunger.

"It's a distribution problem... ultimately," Scidler said.

He pointed out that the U.S. imported more food than any country in the world and yet had one of the smaller populations.

"I hope you'll be outraged and you'll do something," Scidler said, laughing.

During a break from the night activities, Goetz smiled at two notes from his parents. Though they were too old to fast, he said, they had sent a donation and said they would remember everybody in their prayers.

At 7 a.m., the next morning, Goetz gently woke each person. Groups they crowded into the kitchen and crowded in front of the altar.

After a morning prayer, the fasters were served rolls. The Rev. Ray Goetz, from the Owensboro Diocese, spoke.

"We believe in turning the world around. In what way really believe Jesus is in that other person," Goetz said.

Field crops appeared once again with the choice of orange juice, grapefruits, or grape juice. Soon afterward, several fasters went outside to get some fresh air.

Before noon the notebooks were opened once again to fasters to realize how much more they had compared to their necessities.

At noon Bishop John McRaith, from the Owensboro Diocese, spoke.

"The kind of motive I believe will turn the world around is when we really believe Jesus is in that other person," McRaith said.

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"The fasters, their families and friends are fasting for corporations and churches which maintain the needs of other people," McRaith said.

He pointed out that the U.S. sold some big steps to sell big steps to the United Nations.

"They would remember everybody in their prayers."

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A climb for freedom

People of all kinds came together to celebrate the remembrance of a slain leader who dreamed that someday people "will not be judged by the color of their skin but the content of their character."

Western Kentucky University observed the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday with a day off from school. The day was used for a campus-wide celebration.

The Black Student Alliance (BSA) and Black Student Retention organized a student march with a program starting at Taylor Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church to Downing University Center, where the students received candles for a candlelight demonstration, and then to Van Meter Auditorium.

The civil rights leader was remembered and praised in a service called "A Commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr.: The Man, His Works, His Deeds."

In welcoming everyone, vice president of Western's Academic Affairs, Dr. Robert Haynes, said, "The university must keep the dream alive. King is one of the most important Americans of the 20th century."

Haynes spoke of how he taught the first course of Black History at the University of Houston 20 years ago. Several speakers recalled how life was during that time, but made a special point to say how far the American society had come since then and how far it still must go.

Dr. Alan Anderson, department head of philosophy and religion, spoke of his friendship and of the times he marched with King. They were arrested together in Albany, Ga., when King said, "It's always a mistake to imprison committed persons because then they have the leisure to plan for the revolution."

Anderson explained the university as being an academic leisure. He said, "You students have the leisure to make new plans for the revolution."

The keynote speaker, the Rev. Christopher Battle, of State Street Baptist Church, said "We (blacks) should remember our past experiences and be proud of who we are and what we look like.

"We can't love others until we learn to love ourselves. God makes us all in a certain way for a reason," he said.

A major part of the program were the musical performances. Western's Amazing Tones of Joy sang "Revelations 19:1."

A class from Bristow Elementary School participated with a song called "It's a Rainbow," which was about people from all backgrounds working together.

Terry Moss, a Fort Campbell freshman, thought it was befitting for the children who participated in the program.

The program gave the speakers who participated something to look forward to in the future as well as learn about the past, Moss said.

In an outstanding dramatic performance, Barry E. C. Van Leer took the audience back—so back in 1964, when King stood behind podiums and said, "I have been up on mountains!" The crowd cheered.

Van Leer, a 1965 graduate of Western, received a standing ovation.

Denise Johnson, a Louisville senior, said the speech helped people get right of why they are here.

Many people said the speech was the most powerful part of the program. However, the message free speakers was one of hope and determination.

The Rev. Battle quoted King saying, "A man can't ride your back unless it's bent. We're going to have to take control of our own destiny."

Story by Tamiko Black
Official beginnings

The official period had arrived. That was the joke that launched the inauguration festivities for Dr. Thomas Meredith, the new president of Western Kentucky University.

The week of events took place over several months after Meredith was named to the position, and Warren County Alumni Association president Kevin Brooks remarked, "We've got a keeper."

Brooks, along with Meredith, spoke at the inaugural reception at the Kentucky Building. The reception was the first event of the inauguration week that was from April 10-14. Nearly 200 people were at the reception that had refreshments and gave people the first look at the Presidential Exhibit. The exhibit showed memorabilia that highlighted Meredith's accomplishments in office, as well as the previous seven presidents at Western. The exhibit was near most of the events throughout the week.

The events drew people from all over the country, and even a few international travelers. Various universities sent representatives and there was a delegation from universities in China.

"We had to make them feel at home," Spirit Master Beth Hayden, a Bowling Green junior, said. "The Spirit Masters had their hands full during inauguration week."

Hayden said that they did everything from preparing name tags to chauffeuring the out-of-town guests. She enjoyed helping out, she said, because of the overwhelming spirit that she experienced.

"When you're here and you see it and feel it, you can't help but feel excited," she said.

Scott Whitehouse, Prospect and president of Associated Student Government, and member of the Inauguration Planning Committee, helped to coordinate the event.

With the official school medallion on his neck, President Thomas Meredith walked in Van Meter Auditorium after inauguration. Meredith was inaugurated President of Western on April 14.

At the inaugural dinner, Dr. Meredith, his wife Susan, and sons, Matthew and Mark, appeared in recognition of the Chamber of Commerce dinner at the Horizon Center Ballroom. Mayor Patty Sloan presented Meredith with a proclamation of chamber membership.

As an a cappella song played, Meredith watches Prospect senior and ARD president Scott Whitehouse and his date, Teresa Tate, dance. Meredith started to join in.

Takara Yamasaki
auguration planning committee, said that it was not meant to just officially name Western a president, but "to get exposure outside the university."

On Wednesday, Meredith experienced some of the support from the local civic leaders at the community dinner held by the Bowling Green Warren County Chamber of Commerce.

At the dinner, held at the Garrett Conference Center Ballroom, Bowling Green Mayor Patay Sloan and County Judge Executive Basil Griffin presented Meredith with a proclamation of membership to the chamber.

On Thursday, guests gathered in the flower gardens in the Kentucky Building, and proceeded to the Regent Dinner, which honored all former and present members of the board of regents.

Later that evening, people headed to Van Meter Hall for the Inaugural Concert. Students performed for the president and his guests. Groups included the University Chorale, the Dance Company, the Jazz Band, the Amazing Tones of Joy, the Show Choir, the Percussion Ensemble and the Western Players.

The night of entertainment gave the crowd a chance to rest and to prepare for the next big day.

At 8 p.m. on an overcast Friday afternoon, about 1,000 people crowded into Van Meter Auditorium to witness the ceremony that would culminate a week of activities and celebration.

The black robes of academia filled the hall as former presidents, regents, students, faculty and other university representatives came to see Western's eighth president officially inaugurated.

All the pomp and formality of the ceremony were present, along with a few light-hearted touches.

Perhaps because of the increasing frequency of the ceremony, Meredith tried to alleviate some of the worries of the crowd. "Although I notice with some apprehension that the terms of the president of Western over the years have consistently gotten shorter, I hope to reverse that trend," the newly inaugurated president said.

Meredith smiled and nodded as he received salutations from faculty, staff, students, former presidents, the Council on Higher Education, the community and alumni.

Granberry winner and Western graduate Larnelle Harris sang as did the University Chorale.

After the university's official medal was placed around his neck, Meredith listed his goals for Western's future.

During the speech, Meredith said Western's major strength was its "strong, competent, talented and caring faculty."

But they, and Western's staff, needed improved salaries, he said. Other changes in Western's future included restructuring general education requirements and increasing diversity in the university's employees and students.

Meredith also said that he wanted to establish an instructional resource center which would give professional support to faculty, to expand continuing education, to form an economic development center, and to establish clearer standards for promotions for faculty.

At the reception that was held afterwards in the Garrett Ballroom, Meredith said the inauguration was "a marking point."

"It was an emotional moment to know that that signaled the official beginning."

Western's presidents were not always inaugurated, according to former president Dr. Kelly Thompson.

They used to have dinners for receptions for them, but Dr. Donald Nicholas was the first president to be inaugurated. Zacharias, now president of Mississippi State University, attended the ceremony. He said Western "get one of the finest new presidents in the country."

Dr. Arvin Yos, philosophy professor, said the inauguration festivities were good public relations.

"I suppose it's more an opportunity for the new president to be recognized," he said, and to improve relations with people involved with Western.

Although Meredith began his job on Sept. 16, there was "so much business to be done, you just move forward," he said.
Over the hill

For the first time since 1969, graduates were individually recognized for their achievements at the 132nd Western Kentucky University commencement.

Western President Dr. Thomas C. Meredith encouraged graduates in E.A. Diddle Arena to promote higher education in the state. He said Kentucky was "endangering the quality of education because of lack of resources and a lack of commitment."

"The time has come for this state to change its educational face," Meredith said to a capacity crowd. Meredith told the graduates to carry the Western spirit, to always take one more step than is expected of them and to strive to work well with others.

"If you do all these things—all successful," he said. "A different image must shine forth; the people of Kentucky want more education. This institution and others like us are prepared to offer more of the same high quality education we are now offering," Meredith said.

The economic structure of this state needs this to happen. It's imperative that our state grab the brass ring of higher educational opportunity. It's never been so big or so accessible. We must act now," Meredith said.

Chairman of the Board of Regents Joseph Iracane conferred the degrees on 2,180 candidates. The president of Western's Alumni Ask.

Laughing with Bert Robertson, a College graduate, is Penny Sykes, a Glimpse freshman. Graduation was held in Diddle Arena.

Before graduation, Horse Camp graduate Jason Kersch goes in his weeds, Tiffany, a push on the clock. Kersch majored in exceptional child learning behavior.

Waiting for graduation to begin, seniors from Diddle College stand on the ramp outside of the arena. Graduation started at 9:10 in the afternoon on Sunday, May 7.

Scott A. Miller
hill cont.

society, Dr. Jim Phillips, welcomed the graduates as new alumni during the ceremony. Bachelor's degrees were awarded to 1,445; master's degrees were awarded to 467 and associate's degrees were awarded to 268.

Several faculty and students received recognition for their outstanding achievements.

Three faculty received inscribed silver bowls and cash stipends provided by the University Alumni Association.

Dr. Richard Aldridge, professor of accounting, received the University Award for teaching; Dr. Richard V. Salabary, professor of history, received the University Award for research/creativity and Dr. Luther H. Hughes Jr., head of the department and professor of agriculture, received the University Award for public service.

Six students received recognition for academic excellence: Kurt A. Freyberger of Jasper, Ind., was named scholar of the College of Business Administration; Marcia C. Newcome of Hopkinsville, was named scholar of the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences; Hope M. Hayden of Lebanon, and Duane L. Osborne of Elizabethtown, were named scholars of Ogden College of Science, Technology and Health; and Betty J. Powell of Caneyville, and Mary D. Hagan of Owensboro, were named scholars of Potter College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

Freyberger, Hayden Osborne, Powell and Hagan also received the Ogden Trustees' Award which is given to a graduate who has a 4.0 standing with all course completed at Western.

Angela Buell of Louisville said she was glad the university renewed the 28-year-old idea of calling graduates' names to receive their diplomas. "I thought it gave each individual graduate a chance to be recognized," she said.

Tammy Stone of Bowling Green agreed, 'I wouldn't have been impressed if the dean said, 'I would like the college of education to stand up,' she said. "It took a long time, but I thought it was worth it."
In the middle of an assignment due tomorrow, you run out of typing paper. Rushing to one of more than 20 local convenience stores, you toss your money to the cashier. Chances are, the cashier was also a Western student with a similar assignment waiting at home.

Mike Downs, an Elizabethtown junior, worked about 30 hours a week at Jr. Foods Store #44 on Morgantown Road. A typical day for him at work included cleaning the shelves, counter, floor and parking lot, marking price changes, stock- ing the cooler and, of course, wait- ing on hundreds of customers.

"The customers and the people I work with are really great," Downs said.

Patricia "P.J." Johnston agreed that her co-workers were fun to be with. The Bowling Green senior had worked at two Minif Mart stores since July 1987. She worked at #56 on Scottsville Road. Johnston said the quick pace of the job, keeping "a friendly smile" and the responsibil- ity of handling a lot of money re- quired one main quality-patience.

"Our job is to provide quick ser- vice without sacrificing quality," she said.

Part of their fast service included selling beer. Steve Moore, a Bowling Green junior, said, "I don't care if they're [the customers] 80 years old, I ask for an ID."

He worked at Campus Mart, which opened on Kentucky Street this fall and had been watched by Alcoholics Beverage Control officers. If a violation occurred, the cashier paid a $500 fine and was usually fired.

The ABC once sent an underaged Western student into Johnston's store to buy beer. Although she was unaware of the set-up, she turned the student down and later received a note from the management complimenting her.

There were inevitable lags in business. Between customers, Moore worked at keeping Campus Mart's yogurt machine running and when he could, worked on sheet music for his band, Lester Thresher. Downs said he was unable to concentrate on his homework, so he picked up a magazine instead.

Johnston, Moore and Downs all had second jobs, too. They agreed the difference in convenience stores was the volume and variety of cus- tomers they encountered.

One night, Downs watched from behind the counter as Bowling Green policemen chased a man out of the store and across the parking lot. The man fell down and bled from his nose. He was wanted for public drunkenness.

Johnston remembered the awk- wardness of waiting on a man with his fly down. She said she felt that was a job experience only conven-ience stores could provide.

"It's tough having two jobs, try- ing to keep up in my classes and working out a social life, too," Johnston said. "My mom's not real happy about the amount of time she and I spend together either."

Johnston's sister in Indiana worked in a convenience store, she said. Her sister's store was robbed at gun point, and their mother had become worried for their safety. Johnston said she never had to work the third shift, so she felt relatively safe. The police stopped by and checked on the women who worked the third shift regularly. Moore, Downs and John- ston said they had never been in- volved in robbery attempts on the job.

"I don't get a lot of time to just goof-off anymore, but I make the most of the time I have," Downs said.

Moore and Johnston asserted.

While at work they were usually with only one or two other people on their shifts. Working together had led to some close friendships.

"There aren't too many people in the world who understand how to clean a stupid yogurt machine. It's not something you have in common with friends outside of work," Moore said.

"I've had dozens of other jobs," Downs said, "but I really like this one most of all."

Johnston added, "I think there's a magnet that draws certain people to work here in this kind of environment."
R.A.s build floor harmony through... Student R.A. Report

It’s such a great feeling to know that I can make a difference.

Tonya York

...with more benefits than the R.A.s at Western. They (R.A.s at other colleges) have their rooms given to them free and some kind of meal plan, too,” Allen said.

Elmore said he and a few other R.A.s planned to “talk to the president and see what can be done.” York said that, even though it was difficult at times, the experience she gained was more valuable than the checks she received.

Elmore explained R.A.s helped them think about working in different roles. He helped them think about working in different roles. He told them that R.A.s helped them think about working in different roles.

Story by Stacy Ecell Photos by Patti Longmire
Dukakis’ policy assures coverage to all
Selling insurance

Democratic presidential candidate Michael Dukakis came to Western Kentucky University to announce his national health care plan on Sept. 20.

The Dukakis motorcade arrived in front of Van Meter Auditorium after passing between the opposing parties’ supporters. The Bush backers held their ground across the street while exchanging harsh words with Democratic supporters who occupied the steps in front of the auditorium.

Dukakis received a warmer welcome inside as Gov. Wallace Wilkinson introduced him to a crowd of about 750. The crowd of Western nursing students, health care professionals, members of the Young Democrats, local and national media and some students, had risen to their feet to the sound of Neil Diamond’s “America” as Dukakis approached the podium to speak.

About 200 seats were given to Western students, faculty and staff members. The rest were reserved for student nurses, officials and Democratic party members.

Many students were unhappy that they did not get to see Dukakis, but student coordinator Bruce Chamberlain said Dukakis had come to give a speech on his health care plan and that campaign officials wanted a more controlled setting than they would have had in Diddle Arena.

Dukakis made the announcement at Western “because he wanted a school that had a nursing program and because it was in western Kentucky,” Tom Greene, deputy press secretary for the Dukakis campaign in Kentucky, said.

Dukakis was the first presidential candidate to come to Bowling Green since John Kennedy made an appearance in 1960.

In his opening statements, Dukakis quoted Kennedy.

“John Kennedy once said that ‘whenever the miracles of modern medicine are beyond the reach of any group of Americans, we must find a way to meet their needs and fulfill their hopes,’” he said.

Dukakis said Americans has the best medical system in the world and our challenge as a nation was to make those resources available to all Americans.

Dukakis’ main theme for the problems in the American medical system was, “We should aim higher than that.”

Today, the United States is one of only two industrialized nations in the world that do not provide basic health security for working families. The other is South Africa. We should aim higher than that,” he said.

Dukakis said 37 million Americans do not have basic health insurance and said 12 million of them are children. Dukakis said 40,000 babies will not survive to celebrate their first birthdays and said the U.S. ranked 19th in infant mortality rate among industrialized nations.

“A baby born here in America has less chance of surviving than those in 18 other countries, including Spain and Singapore,” Dukakis said.

Dukakis accused Vice President George Bush of hiding behind the flag as Bush was visiting a flag factory that day.

“The fact is that Mr. Bush has no plan, but he does have a record—a record of indifference, a record of neglect, a record that even the American flag can’t hide,” Dukakis said.

He said families without insurance were more likely to get sick, because they postponed routine medical checkups or waited until an illness was serious before seeking treatment. He said that was why emergency rooms and clinics were “overflowing with uninsured patients.”

“That’s why so many hospitals are raising their rates for patients with insurance to pay the costs for those who don’t have insurance and can’t pay their own bills,” Dukakis said. “And that’s why responsible employers, are paying a lot more than they should for their health insurance. That’s not fair. That’s not right.”

Two months ago, I became the first governor in America to sign legislation that will guarantee health insurance for every single citizen in my state,” Dukakis said. “If we can do it in one state, we can do it for all Americans.”

He said the first step in achieving his plan was to require all employers with some exceptions for small businesses, to provide basic health care insurance for their workers and dependents. He said he would work with the small business community to provide them the tax breaks that large businesses received that provided health insurance.
Insurance cont.

surance for their employees. He also
said he would help small businesses
to buy health insurance at affordable
rates.

"For the vast majority of busi-
nesses that do provide health insur-
ance for their employees, they
mean'they'll no longer have to subsidize
their competitors who don't provide
for their workers," Dukakis said.

"For the taxpayers, it means no
additional burdens on the federal
budget," Dukakis said. "In fact, we'll save on Medicaid, Medicare,
and other programs that help pay the
bills for uninsured patients."

He said if elected president he
would appoint a task force that would
report back to him with a strategy to
extend basic health care to all Ameri-
cans, including children and the
elderly.

We're going to give our senior
sitions and their families freedom
from the fear that a chronic illness
will bankrupt them.

He attacked Bush, saying Bush
had made the struggle for senior citi-
sens more difficult as the past ad-
mistration had tried to cut Social
Security and Medicare benefits for
seven of the past eight years.

"Mr. Bush even cast the deciding
te in the Senate in 1985 to in-
crease out-of-pocket costs for the elderly
and disabled under Medicare. His
administration illegally deprived
the elderly of their home health care
payments--until a federal judge
blocked them last month."

He said he and running mate
Lloyd Bentsen would "stop the as-
mault on Social Security and Medi-
care."

Dukakis said Americans were
working harder than ever to meet
the challenge of foreign competi-
tion.

He said working Americans
were not looking for a handout, but
for leaders who would work as hard
as they do.

"I believe that to be our best, we
must bring out the best in every citi-
zen, and that we cannot rest until all
our people are full shareholders in
the American Dream," he said.

Mary, who could not get in the au-
ditorium to see Dukakis, listened to
his speech behind Van Meter over a
P.A. system.

"It was exciting to hear him (and
speakers)," Ohio County resident
Truman Burdne said. "He's propos-
ing solutions to try to help middle-
income families."

Dukakis' appearance attracted
the three major networks, Time,
Newsweek and several regional
newspapers.

Public Information handed out
about 310 press passes to media in
Kentucky and surrounding states,
Fred Hensley, public information
director, said. The national media
were handed about 100 press passes.

President Thomas Meredith said
the event brought more publicity to
Western than it could ever afford.

-- Story by Samuel Black

As Dukakis leaves campus, secret service men escort his car through a crowd of bush/quake supporters. Dukakis toured the Acade-
ic while asking some nursing students after leaving the auditorium.

After speaking to health care students and fac-
ulty, Dukakis meets a few of his WKU sup-
porters outside. Many people stood along the
sidewalks in hope of getting a glimpse of the
Massachusetts governor.
Gettin' down... and dirty

On a nippy April Fool's Day, 500 spectators gathered to watch as Western students proved that playing in the mud was not just for kids. Braving the chilly weather, 16 seven-member teams played volleyball in a gooey, mud-filled pit in Western Kentucky University's first annual Oozeball Tournament.

According to Ron Beck, adviser to the Student Alumni Association, the wet, mud-caked players "had to be tough to weather the weather" as low temperatures combined with winds to chill participants between matches.

To create the ooze, part of the field beside Pearse-Ford Tower was dug up. The fire department added water to the pit the morning of the tournament.

Beck said if it had not rained Thursday before the event, the site would have been tiled and "it would have been easier."

The mud was still rainy enough to force 112 participants to struggle while serving and volleying.

Players were given Fab One Shots bar of soap from the co-sponsor, Cadet-Palmolive Company. The Student Alumni Association and Rally's Hamburgers provided refreshments for the six-hour event. Sigma Alpha Epsilon's team won the tournament and finished ahead of 16 other teams. Prep 48, a team composed of a group of friends, placed second, and the Society of Physics Students finished third.

Each team paid a $25 entry fee for shirts, trophies and advertising, according to Beck.

Beck explained that the purpose of the tournament was not to raise money, but to give people a chance to have fun. He said that students who have a good time in college make better alumni.

Proceeds were originally for campus improvement. Beck said Oozeball '89 was a "break even event" and no profit was made. He said the event's organizers anticipated 32 teams but only 16 actually took part.

The main objective of the event was to provide the students with some good clean fun. Once the tournament was over, players faced an even harder job—getting clean.

Stephen Humphrey, a Bowling Green sophomore who played for the Alpha Delta Pi team, said his clothes "never came clean." He threw his, then went before going home.

To ensure that the fun was not spoiled by injuries, organizers made sure the mud pit was free of rocks and glass. Thick chunks of mud were removed between matches, and firemen were on hand to add water when needed.

Participants and spectators seemed to enjoy the event as Oozeball provided a escape from the pressures of college.

Story by Amy Underwood
Photos by Rex Perry
Wild, wicked Western

Obles, ghosts, or spooks—the name did not matter. These words conjured up visions of the Halloween season.

Halloween, which was created to ward off evil spirits before the celebration of All Saints’ Day, was originally called All Hallow Even or All Hallows.

Western had its own version of Halloween called “Hillieween” in Downing University Center, sponsored by the University Center Board.

At 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 26, people started coming into the student center dressed for the occasion while others just came to watch. I wanted to meet other people who were really weird and brave enough to get dressed up,” Louisville sophomore Kris Schmitt said.

Students came dressed as clowns, devils, vampires, unicorns, and men as women; however, the costumes did not matter because everyone came to have a good time.

“It’s not as good as it used to be. A couple of years ago this place was packed. Now about 50 percent show up. Those who do, go out of their way.” Louisville junior John Young said.

Decorations of orange and black streamers and balloons adorned the university center. In the middle of DUC’s floor, cob webs and pumpkins were scattered. The apple bobbing contest was the first to occur. If an apple was captured, a free movie pass was awarded.

Everyone showed up at Hillieween, including a video screen. Halloween festivities were held in Downing University Center.

At first, some people were on stage dancing with the band from Nashville, Tenn. called “Black Widow.” Later, people crowded around the stage to listen and dance to their favorite songs or talk to friends.

One of the more different costumes was sported by five girls who came dressed as a “wino and a four-pack of Seagrams wine coolers.”

All little tricks were out at Hillieween, including Casey Taylor, daughter of Scott Taylor. Later in the evening she got stuck helping her with the pumpkin carving contest.

“Western is usually known as a party school and we figured everyone could relate to it,” Owensboro freshman Brenda Craig said.

“We thought no one else would do this,” Ken Thompson, a Manchester, N.H. freshman, said.

Both of the most original were a male student dressed in a pink tody, a wig and high heels.

The most-awaited contest of the evening was the judging of the costumes. Most original, scarcest and funniest were the three categories considered. The best costume in each category received $25 as a prize. The judges were from the UCB special events committee.

When the judging started, each group lined up on the spiral staircase between the second and third floors in DUC.

The winners of the most original costume were five students who came as “The Munsters,” which included Herman—Chicago sophomore Ed Prystalski; Marilyn—Nashville sophomore Beth Bivens; Lillian—New York senior Laura Glue; Grandpa—Mayfield senior Dave Pedley; and Eddie—Michigan City, Ind. sophomore Joel Walsh.

The funniest costume was awarded to freshman Bill Hopwood and Scarlet Hatchett, both of Newburgh, Ind., who were dressed as bunny rabbits.

David Phillips, a Glassboro senior, won the scarcest costume dressed as a devil.

The carving contest began earlier in the evening, but because of time the carving took, the pumpkins were not judged until later.

The winners were Cincinnati, Ohio sophomore Pat Levis, most original; Evansville, Ind. freshman Tom Fleming and Bowling Green senior Chris Daniels, funniest; and Shelby County sophomore Jeff Quinn, scarcest.

After the contests took place, some people stayed to listen to the band and dance to the music, but most of the spooks went home.

Story by Manshu Barton

Student Life
Red towel reunion

The spirit of Halloween was in the air for the 1988 Homecoming as Western celebrated "The Night of the Living Red."

Homecoming activities began with Big Red’s Roar as a crowd of about 2,000 people braved the cold on Oct. 27 to cheer on the Hilltoppers in Smith Stadium.

Western’s football team was ranked fifth in the NCAA I-AA polls that weekend and the crowd’s cheers showed their excitement.

"I think it was a good way to show school spirit and to let the football team know we’re behind them. It was fun," Lancaster freshman Teresa McCane said.

Many fraternities, sororities and campus organizations competed for the spirit award. In a sea of green and white balloons, Kappa Delta sorority took the award.

The Homecoming court nominees were ushered onto the field through an ROTC Honor Guard formation.

After the couples took the stage, the cheerleading squad carried out a coffin bearing the remains of Big Red. A mysterious fog covered the coffin and the mascot was resurrected to the beat of Michael Jackson’s "Thriller."

One of the main attractions was comedian James Avery. He was welcomed with laughs and cheers during his 35-minute stand-up routine.

Avery said the evening made him feel sentimental because "your mascot kinda looks like my ex-wife."

Big Red showed his resentment by shoving his weight around like a sumo wrestler.

Big Red’s Roar ended with the announcement of the Homecoming Queen: Anita Plewen, a Southern Green senior, was given the queen runner-up title.

The honor of first runner-up went to Courtney Davis, a East Orange senior.

Shelly Thomas, a senior from Henderson, was crowned the Queen for 1988 by last year’s winner, Elizabeth Williams.

One of the other events prior to the football game was the "Hanging of the Red" annual contest sponsored by the Residence Hall Association.

On-campus residents were encouraged to hang anything red from their windows. A panel from Hilltoppers then judged which halls were the most adorned.

Potter, McLean and East halls were voted the best decorated on Oct. 28.

"I look forward to the Homecoming festivities, which exemplify the true meaning of being a Hilltopper," Kevin Cecil, a junior from the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, said.

At Smith Stadium, Western clashed with the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga during the 1988 Homecoming game. Western prevented 31-29 and pushed their record to 9-1, which was their best start since 1980.
A new kind of "Orient"ation

Omedeto guzaimasu! Japanese for congratulations due to everyone who played a part in bringing the Orient to Bowling Green during Japanfest '89.

The week-long celebration provided opportunities for Bowling Green residents to experience Japanese arts and culture through art demonstrations, food, fashions, lectures, classes and demonstrations. "This was a great idea because with more and more Japanese settling in Bowling Green we need to get to know our new neighbors," Bryan Cherry, a Bowling Green freshman, said.

Cherry said he particularly enjoyed the festival because he had been enrolled in an elementary Japanese class and this provided him with the chance to see first-hand some of the things he had been studying.

To provide ample opportunities for public involvement in the festivities, coordinators of the event reached out to volunteers in the area, and in many cases, brought the festival to the public.

Book and photography exhibits were set up in the Bowling Green public library, while volunteers traveled to local schools to teach children Japanese songs, dance, and art. Kimono fashion shows were held at the Greenwood Mall and Fountain Square Park. "My favorite part of the fest was the Ikebana Workshop. The Japanese look at flowers different than we do. They see each flower as itself, not just more beautiful to the Japanese," Emma Jean Kirby, a Franklin junior, said.

The flower arranging workshop was interesting because the Japanese have perfected it to an art, she said. "You can tell it is a reflection of long-standing traditions. It was really refreshing," Kirby said.

The Saturday events held at Fountain Square brought Japanfest '89 to an exciting climax. The morning started off with the booming sounds of the Taiko Drums of Denver and the swells of colorful kimonos paraded in a Japanese fashion show. The show was "definitely the best part of the day because all of the types of kimonos shown. I think it is rare for even the Japanese to see this variety of kimonos in one place," Kirby said.

Japanese arts such as the martial arts including judo, kendo, and karate were performed, in addition to an origami exhibit, paper folding, ikebana and woodworking. The international relations committee of the Bowling Green Warren County Chamber of Commerce organized the affair. With more Japanese moving to Bowling Green with Japanese industries, there was a need for more awareness of the culture.

"It is a good time for both to get closer to each other," Bowling Green freshman Sota Touji said. Touji was a Japanese student living in the United States. Approximately 1,000 people filled the downtown square for what could evolve into an annual event.

"It has been delightful working with the Japanese. They are such a cordial and patient people," Capital Arts Center volunteer Regina Neowell said. "I am looking forward to being involved next year." 

Story by Tina Howard
Photos by Joe Garcia

Waiting to model Japanese clothing, Yuriko Sato performs a Taiko drum performance at the Japanfest '89.

Celebrating the Japanfest with music, Mike Togawa plays large cymbal drums with the Denver Taiko drum group. Music was just one of the arts involved throughout the day.

At the Japan Fest, Charles Charters releases a kite. The kite was one of the many exhibits shown at the festival.
Classes

At Western, students' personal images were made in part by their classification. It wasn't the number of credit hours one had on record with the registrar that gave a student identity; instead it was the number of hours spent experiencing life on the Hill.

From OAR through each passing semester, more and more choices had to be made. There were choices about things as mundane as which professor to take for a class or when to do the laundry in the midst of assignments, work and parties.

Then there were the more significant decisions involving career paths and future goals.

As student I.D. cards became obscured by the growing number of semester stickers covering them, student identities became more defined with the passage of time.
Graduate Students

Judy Amidon, recreation
Bowling Green
Therese D. Baker, sec, and USM
Woodburn
Jeff Peltz, child development
Bowling Green
J. Todd Griffin, biology
Guthrie, Ok
Nora LaAnn Hale, sociology
Gallatin, Tenn.

Room Deputy: Shamrock, ed. enginc. and other enginc. tech.
Bowling Green
Lee LaRocque, general ed.
Bowling Green
Tony Lavelle, student personnel serv.
Bowling Green
Sunny E. Peyton, English
Bowling Green
Scott F. Sallone, history
Bowling Green

LOADING
UNLOADING
ZONE
10 MINUTE LIMIT

While barbecuing on
the BEC lawn before the
homecoming game, the
bishop of Bowling Green
showed us his
southern cooking. He
was completing graduate
courses at Western.

Elizabeth Courtney

Uplifting his feet while loading
his mind, Greg Anderson, a Peace
Corps, 24, graduated student stud-
ies behind FAC. He was reading
"Howling Big Pipe" for a new
pickman's exam in folkloric.
Hockey as players behind Gates Conference Center around noon was a common sight when the weather is warm. Chantion Jumper Tim Tyler demonstrated his skill on this particular day.

Amy Deputy

Class of 1995

Seniors

Tina L. Aldridge, health ed.
Harvest
Sheel A. Anthony, speech comm., ed. tech., Greensville
Lenne Dawn Amplelh, business ed., Nassauville
David Armstrong, speech comm., Brentwood, Tenn.
Sheena J. Bailey, editor, ed., Franklin

Cynthia Barman, geography
Scituate
Jeannette L. Baur, recreation
Forsytheville
Tricia C. Berman, psychology
Montvale
Amy Bees, photography
Franklin

James S. Blain, history
Falls of Rough
Richard Bonner, Jr., cheer, coach, tech., Los Altos
Stephen Bray, corp. comm.
Racine Greens
Barbara Breeding, cheerleading
Bowling Greens
Scott Brooks, nat. coach
Bee Spring

Marcha L. Brown, advertising
Glasgow
Patricia Brus, ches. ed., Madalaville
Amy Buker, government
Russellville
Warne Rush, Jr., tech., Stephenville

Maeve Butler, marketing
Burnsville, Min.

Don Capia, recreation
Covington
Danny Capia, recreation
Covington

Martin Carpentar, biology
Louisville
Greg Carter, recreation
Russellville
Becca Gale Carver, law sec. ed., Cape City

John M. Cassell, public relations
Louisville
Evelyn Chandler, corpy. health and safety, Bowling Green
Carol Chmey, sociology
Louisville

Kathleen Chester, marketing
Louisville
Damer Clay, public relations
Indianapolis, Ind.

Diana Deatley, health ed.

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Rushing into life

having showered and centered with teammates, Joe Arnold slowly dressed in a gray Western T-shirt, blue shorts, Reeboks running shoes and an Atlanta Braves’ baseball cap.

"It’s not for the Braves," Arnold explained. "The All-Americans for Arnold, Atlanta and awesome.

The hat only signifies a small portion of the Arnold who considered himself outgoing as a freshman.

"When I first got here, I was like many typical freshmen, you know, being on my own for the first time and thinking I was bad being a football player," Arnold said. "But now, as I have realized there is life after college, I have grown up being more responsible."

With his added maturity, the San Antonio, Ont., senior ran his way into the Western record books and onto the All-American first-team in 1988.

In 13 games, Arnold rushed for a school record 1,668 yards. Arnold also holds the Western record for career rushing yards with 3,760 yards, surpassing Western great Dickie Moore who rushed for 3,560.

He also matured off the field as well. Arnold graduated in the summer of 1988 with a degree in psychology and one of the higher grade point averages on the team.

"People like Joe don’t come along very often," former Western coach Dave Roberts said. "He is definitely one of the top five individuals I have ever coached. He is a sensitive person on and off the field, is a great team leader and has great work habits.

The 1988 football season was a far cry from Arnold’s freshman year. As a 169-pound freshman, Arnold was listed sixth on the running back depth chart. And like most newcomers, he had the typical freshman blues.

Those were remedied by calls to his mother, Judy Arnold, three times a week. The calls amounted to over $200 in bills the first month of school.

"My mom keeps me going," said Arnold, whose parents were divorced when he was seven years old. "She provided me with everything I needed as a kid, and she teaches me life."

Arnold also revolved his fine-kick return skills his freshman with his best career yards against Montana State at Smith Stadium.

But the largest of Arnold coming in was the chance to running back.

Non-coincidentally, Western enjoyed its first winning season (6-4) in six seasons and a berth in the Division I-AA Playoffs.

But that did not phase him.

"Tony and Smitty were two good backs, but they were powerful straight ahead runners, while I had something different to offer being both a North-South and East-West runner," Arnold said.

When Smith and Brown were injured in the middle of the 1987 season, Arnold regained control of the backfield duties finishing with 991 yards rushing and eight touchdowns to earn the team’s Offensive Player of the Year Award.

Non-coincidentally, Western enjoyed its first winning season (6-4-1) in six seasons and a berth in the Division I-AA Playoffs.

Then came his All-American senior season that had him sharing team Most Valuable Player honors with linebacker Mike Carpenter.

The pressure to perform in the classroom, a problem for some athletes, never bothered Arnold, but it took sacrifice.

"I don’t get much sleep," Arnold joked. "It takes discipline. There is no social life for me, except for weekends. I don’t get the benefits other students do."

After such a successful senior season Arnold was considered a prime candidate for the National Football League’s draft in April 23.


The Dallas Cowboys and Cleveland Browns also showed interest.

Story by Tom Hennes
Making music...and the grade

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Seeking a capitol career

Working for Sen. Mitch McConnell was just a small adjustment compared to what Raymond Skibinski faced every day during the summer of 88.

The senior from Columbus, Ohio was chosen from 150 people for one of two positions as an assistant press secretary for the senator in Washington, D.C.

Having held high positions in the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA), being director of public relations of the Kentucky/Area Special Olympics and working on a student-run public relations firm prepared Skibinski for this summer internship.

"I was responsible for press releases, media relations with Kentucky media, designed a newsletter and kept telephone ties with TV, radio and wire services," Skibinski said.

Another duty he had was to keep an eye on other people who seemed interested in running against McConnell.

Skibinski helped coordinate a press conference involving a person's testimony concerning the Oliver North trial.

"It was kind of a politically strategic move and I was excited to be involved with it directly," Skibinski said.

Although the hands-on experience was what Skibinski wanted, he also received a small culture shock:

"I grew up in a big city but this was 10 times faster," Skibinski said.

"I rode the Metro (subway) and people were packed like sardines," he said.

He noticed the homeless everywhere he went.

"This was a stark reality and not something you see on TV. I always gave them pocket change," Skibinski said.

But there was no better place to go if interested in politics, according to Skibinski.

"When something happened in Washington, everybody in the city knew before the rest of the world," he said.

"Watching it on television was second hand news to me.

After six weeks of work, Skibinski decided to assist the George Bush campaign for the rest of the summer.

He was just looking to land a voluntary job but after four interviews, he was offered a full-time job.

"I was still in school and I just wanted to stay for the summer," Skibinski said as the reason for declining the job.

For a month he was responsible for the internal office mail circulation.

"I did get practical experience on how politics operates," he said.

In addition, Skibinski met famous people such as Mohammed Ali and Kelly McGillis.

Skibinski considered politics a hobby he would like to pursue in the future.

"This experience put me in the middle of it and I had to pick up very quickly," Skibinski said.

"After being in the middle of it, the good fades away and even is the same," he added.

Skibinski has no regrets of the opportunity.

Starting out as a reporter, he took the path of national PRSSA. But he knew that getting involved would quickly get to the offices of national district director the national vice chairman.

Even after his early success, Skibinski relied on his philosophy "work hard, play hard, whether it is writing, campaigning or campaigning as a politician."
Seniors

Rebecca A. Moore, pil. min.
State, Hardin
Scott Wood, marketing/proc.
Gallia, Tex.
Kendall Woodhouse, recreation
Louisville
Maritimo Wollin, math
Owenboro
Jennifer Murphy, social work
Louisville

Karen M. Murphy, tex. and club
Louisville
Lisa Ellen Muscalf, music ed.
Bowling Green
Wendy Mas, health care admin.
Henryville
Pam Nelson, elem. ed.
Louisville
Sharon Nollem, recreation
New Albany, Ind.

Tori Nottman, health care admin.
Louisville
Kevin J. O'Brien, marketing
Ashland
Theresa Patrick, elem. ed.
Bowling Green
William Parrenphon, marketing
Greenburg
Charles Parrenphon, computer ed.
Louisville

Kimberly Pearson, med. records
arch., Eliz.
Rebekah Pedigo, recreation
Hall and
Matt Peterson, advertising
Newburgh, Ind.
Nancy A. Purcell, elem. ed.
Bowling Green
Diane Petri, elem. ed.
Newport

Debra E. Petri, vacant
Tompkinsville
Laura A. Pitzer, art, design
Glenview
Tammy Lynn Price, elem. ed.
Shepherdsville
Susan R. Price, h.s. ed.
Reynoldsburg
Jose Puente, economics
Bowling Green

Carla E. Purdy, nursing
Nashville, Tenn.
Jeffrey L. Ramsey, economics
Bowling Green
Joff Reeser, phys./math
Smombie
John R. Richard, geography
Glenview
Philip A. Riley, accounting
Shepherdsville

The class of 1990 witnessed the start of a new tradition, as President Thomas Meredith shaken the hand of each graduate in Memorial Arena.
Seniors

Arls Taiwan, business management
Kolsoko, Malaysia
Charles Erwin Warner, sports mgmt., business
John L. Warren, English
Alexandria, Va.
Koller Warren, speech comm., disorders, Greensboro
David W. Watson, agriculture, Princeton

Tammy M. Webb, elem. ed.
Brownsville
Joseph W. White, management
M. Washington
Michelle White, cos. / mark.
Adams
Scott Whitehouse, mkt. / cos.
Lafayette
Dwayne White, advertising
Bowing Green

Stephanie Wilkins, psychology
Brownsville
Tracey Williams, sociology
Vanderbilt
Angela Beth Wilson, English
Greensburg
Kenya Wingfield, elem. ed.
Brownsville
Priscilla Witten, elem. ed.
Barktown

Karen Wood, mid. grad. ed.
Hopkinsville
Phillip Woodyard, computer sci.
Bowing Green
Jonathan Woodard, mid. grad. ed.
Lafayette
Thomas Wright, mid. grad. ed.
Fort Madison, Iowa
Sue Young, community health
Bowing Green

Wish morning classes behind him, Greg Ladley, an Elkins senior, thinks past the P.E. in late October.

To the left, beside Schofield Hall, Jeff Banks sorts most spots in his car with pride. Boats wins a Glasses award.

Scott A. Miller

Amy Deputy
A new snowfall on the hill brings out the kid in Fort Campbell junior Tracey Winkler (left). She convinced a member of Mary Livingstone (right) from Hope Valley, while Margaret Ray, a Nashville junior, laughed at the two.

Juniors

T. Bessey, Arapahoe, Carolina
Paulette, Russell Springs
Tim Atwell, Louisville
Robert Baker
Hendersonville, Tenn.
Michelle Baker, Huntsville
Sandra L. Bell, Owensboro
Denise Bellson, Hendersonville
Sam Black, Castletick
Tamika Black, Gallatin, Tenn.
Egg Bandy, Paducah
Carrie Lynn Bragg, Flora, Miss.
Michael Bray, Tompkinsville
Kane Brown, Talbott
Roger Brown, Humble Grove
John Burden, Hummingbird
Judy Carmack, Knoxville, Ind.
Jeffrey Carter, Springfield
Michelle Carter, Tompkinsville
Vikki Carter, Nashville, Tenn.
Vince Lee Chang
Betzler Green
Michelle Cooper
Gary Davis, Ludlow
Vicki Clark, Louisville
Robertson Coggins, Eminence

Jan Comer, Calumet
Crima J. Crocker, Louisville
Joy Crumpacker, Lexington
Lee A. Culver, Springfield
Andrea Cunningham, Versailles
Mike Cunningham, Nashville, Tenn.
Kristen M. Dangrenon, Ladoga
Suzanne M. Davis, Narro, Ariz.
Kathy Lee Decker, Greenburg
Karen Dick, Elizabeth, Va.
Ann Gillard, Lexington
Phillip Donaway, Paducah

Anne Duncun, Louisville
David S. Eason, Cecilia, Ky.
Wendy Eberle, Louisville
Henderson Ellis, Owensboro
Matthew J. Engel, Hazard, Ky.
Greg Evans, Paducah

Emily Fava, Bowling Green
Mary Flaherty, Franklin, Tenn.
Lucy Furrer, Nashville, Tenn.
Brenda Franklin, Bowling Green
Ellen Freeman, Nashville, Tenn.
Angela Garrett, Paducah
In his Father's footsteps

The two words "positive attitude" described him briefly. But others knew Stacy Spencer, a junior broadcasting major, as president of the Kappa Alpha Psi and the United Black Greeks.

"The hardest thing for me was pledging, but being Greek means a lot to me, now that I've crossed over and met a lot of the other brothers," he said. Pledging a fraternity was a major stepping stone in Spencer's life at Western. But even before then, he made the grades and was a dedicated member of the Amazing Tones of Joy (ATJ), a gospel choir on campus.

"I'm thankful I had goals. Your freshman year is really when you need to make the best grades. I had a 3.0 (G.P.A.) even though I was wild.

"I had fun, too," he said, but realized, "If you get that rush in you have something to fall back on."

He sang with the choir and was elected chaplain his second semester. He was put in charge of all of regular devotions and was also master of ceremonies.

It was through ATJ that he was introduced to members of the Black Student Fellowship, a Bible study group at the Baptist Student Center.

Before he knew it, a nominating committee selected him for the position of program coordinator.

He felt a serious need to get involved on campus. "In order for things to happen you have to have some input. I like to stay busy and have some input," Spencer said.

Some could only wonder how a person with so much on his mind could actually have time to be a full-time student and have a part-time job.

He simply said, "It's like you don't have time to breathe but I make time. But I let the Lord lead me most of all."

His regular day started at 6 a.m. and lasted until 8 p.m. after which he would stick in time for studying until midnight.

His mother first told him, "You better quit doing all that stuff and worry about those books."

However, when she saw his progress, she was proud, especially when he was awarded the 1988 Radcliffe Scholarship Award for Baptist Student Union (BSU) leadership. He was also elected the Kentucky state president of the BSU in Lexington.

Besides his family, Spencer credited the Rev. Christopher Battle, pastor of State Street Baptist Church and pastoral advisor to the BSU, for his success.

It was not unusual for him to quote the words of Dr. Martin L. King Jr. or the Bible, two sets of ideas he admired very much.

Nonetheless, that mood would not compare to the wild and crazy humor that all his friends were used to seeing.

Then on Jan. 1, 1989, he reached another stepping stone in his life. He was called to preach the gospel at Cedar Grove Baptist Church in his hometown, Ooltewah, where he gave his trial sermon Feb. 12.

Spencer became the second Rev. Spencer in his family. His father was the pastor of the First Baptist Church in Russellville.

Naturally, this decision did not come over night. He described it as being "like tug-o-war" on his emotions for quite a while.

He said his friends told him, "No, you're not ready! Man, you're just too young."

Spencer said he had to make sure it was the Lord moving him and not the elders.

"Then I decided it was time to cut myself away from worldly things and to let the Lord use me."

In doing so, he did not stop being Greek, or being a friend, or being a student. The transition did not conflict with his fraternity life "because I was very much to my frat brother and other people," Spencer said.

"However," he confessed, "when you see anything for the Lord you're going to conflict because a lot of times people don't want to hear. That's natural, I expect that. Being Christian will not be easy."

After Western, Spencer would like to pursue a career in broadcasting.

"But first," he said, "my father wants me to go to seminary."

His voice dropped to he was not quite sure, but he added, "Not only will I do it for him, I think I need to do it for myself."

Story by Tamiko Black
Photo by Rob McCracken
While Savage was a student of an economics professor, Betty Fedder, a close friend of Savage's, observed her in a classroom setting. Fedder's notes on Savage's performance in the course suggest that she was both engaged and active in class discussions.

Savage was also known for her involvement in extracurricular activities. She was a member of the tennis team, and her dedication to the sport was evident through her consistent practice and participation in tournaments. Savage often found time to relax and engage in her hobbies, which included reading and painting.

Despite her busy schedule, Savage maintained high academic standards and was recognized for her contributions to the college community. Her leadership qualities and dedication to her studies made her a valuable member of the student body, respected by both peers and faculty.

Savage's legacy continues to inspire students and faculty alike, serving as an example of the importance of balancing academic pursuits with personal interests and extracurricular activities.
Red hot summer

The summer news headlines of 1988 were dominated by news of the fires out West, particularly in Yellowstone National Park. Pamela Bowling, a New Haven junior, saw those fires firsthand.

Bowling spent her summer in Yellowstone where she worked as a waitress at Old Faithful. She described the experience as the "most wonderful summertime of my whole life. For the first time in my life, I went hiking, white water rafting, and slept in a tent in sub-zero weather. For the entire summer, we had no TV, no radio. I couldn't tell you a single movie that played last summer and I don't mind."

Bowling lived in a dorm that housed all of the Old Faithful Snow lodge employees. Practically all of the employees were college students on break. "I had as much fun on the clock as I did off," Bowling said.

Then the fires came. Because of the back country closures, hiking, camping and traveling through some parts of the park were out.

Old Faithful became one of the major fire camps. Firefighters were rotated back and forth between the fire lines and camps so they could eat and get some sleep.

Bowling remembered walking to work and seeing the firefighters dressed in their bright yellow shirts and green pants sleeping in trees and on the lawns by the hotels. They were always ready to move out and slept wherever they could.

"We had no idea of what the rest of the country was seeing on TV," Bowling said. "Daily fire maps were put out, so we knew where the fires were and how large they grew from day to day. Visitor questions changed from what are you doing way out here? to What is the latest on the fire? or What roads are open?"

The fires were close to Old Faithful and employees were ready to evacuate at any time because the fires could switch direction in a matter of seconds due to high winds.

One night when Bowling and some friends were driving through the park, they saw the bright red flames from across the lake. On any given day, the sky was gray and the sun was blood red from the smoke. Ashes fell like snowflakes. Parents were constantly calling to check on their kids.

The fires were still burning when Bowling left in August, but she reflected on her experiences as one of the best times of her life.

"I was scared about being away from home, 1,875 miles to be exact, but I met the most wonderful people and saw the most beautiful country. "Last summer made me realize that some people live their whole lives in Kentucky and never see anything else," Bowling said. "There is much out there.""

Story by Sarah Davis
Photo by Bob Hatcher
Elizabeth Courtney

Juniors

Todd Marks, Midlothian
Melissa A. Melton, Runnells
Lori L. Meredith, Glenville
Michael L. Meredith, Runnells
Lynn Miller, Pigeon
Scott A. Miller, Bowling Green

Teresa A. Miller, Ottovideo
Carrie Jean Minton, Magnolia
Sherri Mitchell, Louisville
Andrew Moore, Hopkinsville
Tammy Morgan, Bowling Green
Melissa E. Morris, Webster

Lucia Morrow, Louisville
Susan Murphy, Lexington
Julia Renee Nanceker, London
Robert O'Briane, Bernston, Pa.
Bonnie Sue O'Plaas, Owensboro
Rita Overenda, Brentwood, Tenn.

Jenna Lisa Pape, Hopkinsville
Teresa Pate, Benton Dam
Kathleen Payne, Bowling Green
Stacie Payne, Hopkinsville
Rachael Payne, Bowling Green
Steven Payton, Bowling Green

Lisa Penrod, Louisville
Lynn Perkins, Glasgow
Brian J. Phillips, Portland, Tenn.
James Pitman, Horse Cave
Keith Ponder, Louisville
Lamont Ponder, Louisville

Daniel G. Ramey, Owensboro
Phillip B. Ray, Gurley
Sherri Rayburn, Golden, Ohio
Heidi Reddin, Jr., Louisville
Lee Ann Retzick, Oak Hill
James W. Richard, Owensboro.
Images of Kim Summers

In the thick of things

An interview with Kimberly Summers, a Louisville junior and communications major, read like "An Overachiever's Handbook."

"My goal for my college career," Summers said, "wasn't a 4.0 GPA but to be a very involved, average student. My philosophy is that employers will look at grades, but more importantly, they'll look at how well I interact with others."

In 1985, Summers served as a floor representative in Eden Harlin Hall, joined the Black Student Alliance, attended Associated Student Government (ASG) open meetings and campaigned for the ASG office of freshman representative—and won.

During her sophomore year, Summers became class vice president, was a resident assistant in Pettor Hall and was a member of the ASG Disciplinary Committee.

She served as the executive assistant to the president of the Young Democrats while she worked diligently for Sen. Wendell Ford's re-election campaign.

For the 1987-88 academic year, she again worked as a Potter Hall RA and joined the Who's Who Selection Committee. Summers also served as a co-chairperson for the ASG Rules and Elections Committee.

Summer's said her long-term goals included becoming a university president or the mayor of a city.

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Story by Alice Lyon
Photo by Rob McCracken
Between classes, Michael Henry
races a running Green tuxedo.
When the crowd on the sidewalk
skimped, he was riding on a Cherry
field, window still before a history
class.

118 Classes

While planning their schedules for the spring together,
Matt Shuban and Lisa Hicks
share a schedule bulletin. Jackson, a running Green
woolman, and Hicks, a Louisi-
ville police, were sitting on the
bleachers behind the Fine Arts
Center.
Images of Greg Wood

Code of honor

"I ever have a daughter," Greg Wood said, "I would like to think such a service (Student Escort) was open to her so she could go where she pleased without having to feel afraid." Wood, an Evansville, Ind., junior, had been a student escort since spring semester '88.

He said his roommate, Henderson sophomore Greg Landy, had read about the student escort program in the Herald. They went to a meeting at DeWing University Center at the beginning of the year and joined the escort service which was located in Schneider Hall.

Wood said escorts received no formal training, but the applicants' driving records were checked.

"They give us a manual to read," Wood said. "Some escorts have also started out by working at dispatch for one night." Wood was pleased his first night on the job was slow.

"I got to learn everything," he said. "And if I messed up, Greg (Landy) would say, 'You're doing fine, you're doing a good job.'"

Wood usually worked from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays, depending on the time it got dark.

"Public Safety handled all calls before 5:30 p.m. and after midnight. During the first hour, there are maybe three or four calls; that's when I got most of my studying done," Wood said. "Usually there will be one more call between 7 and 8 p.m.

"We have a 10-code system like the police. When I pick her up, I say 44 (Greg's number) to control. Then I say '1987, meaning I have her and we're on our way. I then say '1988' when I get there (the destination of the person being escorted)."

Wood said learning the 10-code system was the hardest part of his job, but just being part of the program made it worthwhile.

"Everybody who works there (student escort) is like a clan," Wood said. "We're one big group. People have their fraternity shirts--we have our jackets. We're becoming a more professional service."

However, Wood said higher standards involved more work without pay.

"Money is not the reason to do it," Wood said. "It (student escort) is needed on campus."

When Wood was not working or doing homework, he liked photography, jogging, playing basketball and golf, traveling and meeting new people.

Working for the student escort service enabled him to meet many new people. More importantly though, he got to do something that was very important to him--help others.

Story by Kim Hadley
Photo by Steve Swart
On the second floor of McCormack Hall, Nurse Philippa, a Sophomore, was dancing in the hall. When she saw a lost student walking in the hall, she asked her to stop.
Becoming Westernized

I thought I would have no enjoyment, just studying. But I went partying. The dorm is terrific. The first day I went into the dorm, I felt like I belonged there. I felt secure.

That was the first impression that Misa Taniguchi had of Western at the beginning of the 1988 spring semester. Taniguchi, a sophomore from Kyoto, Japan, had lived in the States and visited Western before becoming a full-time student.

"When I was 10 years old, my mother took me to California for the summer to get me interested in English. It worked, I took English in junior and senior high and took the English hearing and paper test," Taniguchi said. "I was 13 years old when I took the test; I was the youngest. Then I became an exchange student."

The Japanese student exchange program, "Youth for Understanding," accepted Taniguchi almost immediately.

"I had no idea where they (the exchange program) would send me. The host family sent me a letter six months before and I wrote them."

While attending Barren County High School for two years, Taniguchi's best parents were Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Crane.

"Now, they're my second family. I visit them a lot," Taniguchi said.

The Japanese exchange student program accepted applicants for one year only. However, one year of American life did not satisfy the boisterous teenager.

"I liked America so much, I applied for two years. They examined my high school transcripts at Barren County and my home life with my host family and was accepted," Taniguchi said.

After graduation, she went home to Kyoto to convince her parents to once again allow her to attend school in the States; this time as a Western student.

Taniguchi's mother, Reiko, who had always been interested in the American way of life, found the idea agreeable. Her father, Takanori, however, was not so quickly inclined.

"He wanted me to stay in Japan," Taniguchi said. "He heard a lot of opinions from four or five people. Finally, he agreed and paid my way."

She noticed a big difference between the attitudes of American high school students and college students.

"In America, high school students have a bad attitude but in college it's good."

Besides differences in culture, Taniguchi noticed differences in the Japanese and American college educational systems.

"Japanese think American university kids party a lot," Taniguchi said. "I heard that Japanese colleges were hard to get into, but easy to get out. Here, it's easy to get in, hard to get out. Japanese colleges have rugby and sumo wrestling. Baseball is the most popular but American football is gaining popularity."

"Japanese campuses are smaller and have less fields, just buildings. College is very expensive. A Japanese student has to have a part-time job," Taniguchi said. "I was able to work 10 hours a week in a machine shop, but they want to have the money to pay for college. They want to study, but they think it's more important to work. They want to work so they can have the money to pay for college."

"Japanese colleges are like that. "My mother wanted me to learn by myself and not to depend on a man."

Taniguchi felt the absence of her Japanese homeland. One part of her culture in particular was missed by almost every college student.

"American beer in Japan is $3.80 yen or about 380 yen or about three American dollars," Taniguchi said.

Taniguchi possessed a student visa which allowed her to remain in the States until graduation. During that time, she could study but not work.

"Clearly addressed to the American way of living, Taniguchi planned for a future in the States."

"I would like to live in the countryside like Caw City. I like being in the yard to see the sunrise and sunset," Taniguchi said. "In Japan, you have to be on the rooftop because there's no space. It's too crowded."

Taniguchi felt secure in the space that she found for herself in the States, and hoped to one day land an exciting job "such as a Japanese-American interpreter."

Story by Senja Wilson
Photo by Steve Smart
During one of many Red Cross
blood drives throughout the year,
student volunteers Lee Grimes
and_COMMENT_ after being stuck
with a needle. This was Lee's second
project after passing out the first time.

Rob McCracken

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Reminiscing between nights,
nightmares Niki Sykes and Brandi Rae
enjoy a cool Monday afternoon.
Sykes, from Nashville, and Rae
from Knoxville, were in Central
Hall's parking lot.

Shara Bowell
Images of
Bonnie Jaggcrs
Like daughter, like mother

S he led a busy life but when she needed a friend to talk to, she didn't have to go far. Her 10-year-old daughter lived directly across the hall from her.

Bonnie Jaggcrs was a junior at Western Kentucky University, a third-floor resident assistant of Bates-Runner Hall, an elementary education major and a 47-year-old grandmother of four.

Originally from Mansfield, Jaggcrs dropped out of high school. After going back and getting her General Education Degree, college was the next step.

She attended Elizabethtown Community College and earned 54 hours as a social work major but that was about 10 years ago.

Jaggcrs had to drop out of school once again due to financial difficulties and the trials of raising four children.

Then, after working for years in factories, in restaurants and at a telephone answering service, Jaggcrs returned to school to live in a residence hall.

"It's a nice, economical way to live," Jaggcrs said. "It has been a big deal, because I have had four kids."

Jaggcrs said her biggest adjustment came in her classes.

"I had to relearn study skills," she said. "I also had some feelings of self-doubt.

"I think she has adjusted great," Angela, Bonnie's daughter, said. "She has a high grade point average (fall '88 Dean's List), and she's making the best of it."

Jaggcrs said she had thought about rooming with Angcila, a freshman, that semester, but she was unsure of how Angela would feel about it.

"I found out too late that she would have liked to have roomed with me," Jaggcrs said.

Angela, who lived on the third floor, would run down more to see her mother because "she's younger," Jaggcrs said.

At the end of the semester, they applied to room together since Angela's roommate was leaving.

However, their plans were altered when Jaggcrs received an R.A. position on the third floor, giving her a private room directly across the hall from her daughter.

Angela said when her friends learned her mom lived in her dorm and was her R.A., they said, "Oh, wow! That's neat!"

Angela was not apprehensive about having her mother so near because "she's got her own life and I've got mine," Angela said. "She doesn't nag me; she knows I know when to eat and sleep."

Besides, Angela liked the idea of not having to drive to see her mother.

Since her parents' divorce, she had lived with her dad. Living in the same residence hall with her mother allowed them to spend more time together.

"I hardly notice her good traits before," Angela said. "She doesn't dwell on herself and she's fun to be around. She's nice, friendly, considerate, pretty-no, beautiful!"

Going back to college gave Jaggcrs a new satisfaction. Jaggcrs was quieter, and she's added others to not go "I didn't want a school at Elizabethtown Community College to do it. I said to my husband maybe 80 years of age he'll be back."

And as she was Jaggcrs returned and "the oldest girl in Runner 129."

Story by Kim Hadley
Photo by Steve Smurr
On a cliff outside of Bisbeeville, Arizona, Sophomore Chris Thomas looks for a better grip. Thomas was 85 feet above the ground.

Sophomores


The team between Hearn Library and Great Hall provides a quiet place for Teresa Hamilton to study. Hamilton, a sophomore from Hazard, was working on an art class assignment.

Jason Halfmoon

Park Longmire
Princess in a dairy tale

After being stepped on by a 1,200-pound "Crystal" when she was little, she was ready to sell the farm.

With a big hoof print on my lung, I cried for three hours and told my father there was no way I was going to live on the farm, and for him to sell her the cow," Jill Fudge said.

Not only was dairy science Fudge's major, but she was also Miss Kentucky Dairy Princess for 1958.

"This is by far the biggest achievement I've ever had," the Camalol Junior said. Miss Kentucky Dairy Princess was an educational promotion by the American Dairy Association.

To enter Miss Dairy Princess, one had to be 18-24 years old. Fudge had not planned on entering until a former dairy princess encouraged her.

To prepare for district competition involving a speech and interview, Fudge said she read a lot of dairy marketing magazines. Being in 4-H since she was nine years old also helped.

Fudge's competition on the district level consisted of a speech and an interview about the importance of the dairy industry. She gave a speech titled "Why Milk."

After she won at the district level, Fudge was on her way to the crown at the state competition in Columbia. Judging is very conservative, Fudge said. "Contestants had to wear white dresses.

The three judges for the contest were a former dairy princess, a business communications person, and a broadcast personality. Fudge gave a speech and drew a question which required a two-minute answer.

Her question was, "If you were working for a TV station, what kind of commercial would you do for the dairy industry that would apply to everyday people?"

Fudge answered by saying that she would have a line of people - child, a teen, and an old man with glasses of milk singing, "I love milk," to show milk's importance.

"The pageant is not based on beauty," Fudge said. Hanging from her ceiling was a plastic inflated cow. "I wasn't nervous until there was a delay in the announcement of the new dairy princess, and I began looking into the crowd," Fudge said.

"I really didn't expect it. As a matter of fact, I beat the runner-up by two points," Fudge said.

Fudge was employed by the American Dairy Association over the summer for promoting "Milk, America's Health Kick."

She went to the super markets with samples, did mail promotions, radio spots, gave speeches and traveled in an excess of 6,000 miles.

On a trip to Evansville, Ind., Fudge spoke to 1,450 second graders. "So many students didn't even know where milk came from," Fudge said. "With my crown on, they were fascinated and would listen to me - they were great!"

"You give kids a sticker or a coloring book and they're your friends for life," she said.

One of her most memorable events was going to the Louisville-Cincinnati game on June 15 to promote Dairy Month.

The 19-year-old said she attended events she did not know existed, such as the Cow Day Festival. With a five-foot plastic cow named "Big Annie," children could milk Kool Aid from the teats.

Being Dairy Princess had its disadvantage like "living out of a case while traveling the summer," Fudge said. But her parents were "really supportive."

"Mom or dad would accompany her every once in a while, sometimes traveling up to four days each week."

While traveling, conservative rules were followed. She had to dress and light makeup to each event. "I wash my hair all day," she said.

Fudge could not drink anything but milk in front of the crowd. This even milk and "pizza and milk," Fudge said.

Milk was in her family's blood. "I go home, milk every once in a while," she said, "and have to be very dainty. They have to be milked every morning and evening."

She said her younger brother and sister was still her reason to travel even though she was college.

"For me, being Dairy Princess is an opportunity to travel and talk to people about the dairy industry and to promote how my family makes a living," Fudge said.

She will have a job with the dairy industry for the next three years as a hostess at the Kentucky Dairy Banquet. She will speak as events and judge at the next Miss Kentucky Dairy Princess competition.

She was also the secretary for Western's Dairy Club, a member of College Republicans and an Alpha Zeta honorary member. After graduating, Fudge planned to get a job in agriculture/biology marketing with a dairy company.
Contemplation and recreation go hand in hand for Terri Puckett, a Broadview, Texas, sophomore. The relaxed attitude her partner gathered their team behind.

Elizabeth Courtney

Johnny Poppen, Brucemond, Tenn.
James Perkins, Bradfudville
William Peyton, III, Princeton
Kim Phillips, Darbyville
Harold Wayman Pegues, Irvington
Leah Pierce, Bowling Green

Tina Purlis, Henderson
Darrell Pitchford, Lousville
Amy Pore, Louisville
Maryland Polacek, Glasgow
David Price, Lebanon
Courtney Richardson, Lousville

Wesley Robertson, Bowling Green
Jennifer Rogers, Evansville
Kathy Rogers, Bowling Green
Michael Rogers, Franklin
Amy Rinehart, Lousville
David Sadler, Springfield, Tenn.

Brenda Speedsocky, Lebanon
Michelle Shahan, Evansville
Melanie Schmidt, Louisville
Carleen Schmidt, Richland, Ind.
Sandy Sue Schmuck, Bowling Green
Krishe Schnaider, Louisville

Sophomores

Leanna Sedam, Madison, Ind.
David Shmitt, Bowling Green
Wendy Simmon, Madisonville
Kelli Simon, Louisville
Kevin Sluder, Berne
Steve Smart, Louisville

Angela Smith, Bedford
Erica Snyder, Russellville
David Spak, Bowling Green
Christel Stallings, Moscow
William Stewart, Jr., Galibrie
Matt Stedman, Bowling Green

Stephanie Stottmann, Louisville
Erika Sullivan, Nashville, Tenn.
Kaye Sommers, Ashland
John Somrak, Bowling Green
H. Brent Symon, Rivertown, Ind.
Craig Tackett, Lousville

Lisa Tucker, Lousville
Koray Turner, Liberty
David M. Treadwell, Gamedl
Nadine Taylor, Lousville, Ind.
Jim Thomas, Mayfield
Ann Thompson, Russellville

Finding out how far she could go, Russellville sophomore Cynthia Powerman dives into the Hilton. Powerman was exercising as part of an elementary physical education class.
No spills, all smiles

Cafeteria lunches can get mundane, especially if the person waiting on you is a zombie. —So far, I've never spilled anything on anybody, Hughes laughed. While working at DUC, Hughes served Gov. Wallace Wilkinson, President Thomas Meredith, the Board of Regents and many of the college deans.

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On the P.VT court, Kenny Davis, a Hopkinsville junior, practices his slam dunking skills. Davis had hopes of becoming a walk-on for the Hilltoppers.
Images of Jim Maroney

ELECTING TO RUN

While most students were preparing for final exams and the summer months, Jim Maroney was getting ready for the biggest race of his life.

At 22, the Bowling Green freshman was putting his political science major to use running for a seat on the city commission.

Maroney, who has been interested in politics since eighth or ninth grade, said he was running for office because "he has something to offer and the challenge is appealing."

Maroney said his age was his biggest obstacle. "Most of my opponents are trying to make it a major issue," he said.

Maroney, however, has used his youth as an advantage. He said quite a few people are "ready for new faces and ideas."

Janet Gridner, a Bowling Green junior, said Maroney had "the energy and enthusiasm to benefit both the people and the city."

Even though all four incumbents were seeking re-election, Maroney felt that the voters were not particularly supportive of them. "The community is very upset with the present commission because of the increase in the engineering budget by 2 to 3 percent to cover the cost of working on drainage problems and widening roads."

With the primary in May, Maroney stepped up his campaign efforts by going door to door and talking with people. He said, "Too many candidates fail to go out and talk to the everyday, common voter. Those are the people I'm trying to reach."

Maroney realized that talking with people would do no good if they did not turn out to vote. To encourage voter turn out, Maroney sponsored several voter registration drives.

In a rather refreshing twist, Maroney did not solicit or accept any campaign donations. As for the rationale behind the move, Maroney said, "I don't think the community should have to pay twice.

Maroney said his personal campaign spending would not exceed the legal limit of $3,000.

He admitted that campaigning for public office was extremely time consuming. Maroney took the spring semester off to campaign.

He also credited 11 employers, Sears a Country Oven Bakeries, with giving him time to campaign. As the primary droned near, Maroney said, "I'm trying to go to every possible place to talk to the people.

Several organizations, such as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the National Rights Commission, held banquets for candidates for all positions.

According to Maroney, the purpose of those functions was to acquaint the candidates and the voting public with one another's qualifications and backgrounds.

Maroney said the banquets were very beneficial in that, "You hear what the people on your right are saying, and you hear what the people on your left are saying."

And Maroney related them to his lifelong goal to serve the people and the city.

He said campaigning had taught him to be more organized and conscious of the example he sets. Maroney also said campaigning had given him a broader outlook and helped him understand all sides of issues.

Despite his youth, Maroney felt his work with the Bowling Green Highway Safety Department and Junior Achievement helped him qualify for a position of leadership in the city.

Gridner characterized him as "a reliable young man who would represent the people well."

Maroney's post-primary plans included taking a break and putting his campaign "in limbo until September or October because people can only stand so much political campaigning."

Looking to his future, Maroney hoped to move from the city commission to mayor or state representative. In the mean time, he looks only to surviving the primary and winning a seat in the general election.

Story by Amy Underwood
Photo by Matt Steelman
Images of Sonova Farrow

Namely, a winner

Being the daughter of an Army command sergeant major has taught Fort Campbell freshman Sonova Dezay Farrow to be all she can be.

Her father had been in the army for 25 years and Farrow lived at Fort Bragg, N.C. and Fort Campbell.

"The Army has been my life since I was a baby," Farrow said. "I've never been a civilian."

Because of living on base all her life, it took a while to adjust to civilian life.

Although she liked Army life, she did not like the idea of moving very much and was fortunate that her father did not move as often as most military people. Farrow described herself as a "homebody."

She came to Western because "it wasn't too far away and it wasn't too expensive."

"Well, I can't really say I expected anything. I didn't know what to expect. I just took it as it came," Farrow said, "and I like it so far."

Farrow experienced the true college life by getting involved with extra-curricular activities.

On campus Farrow was involved in the Amazing Tunes of Joy, the Alpha Angels and hoped to compete in cross country for Western in the fall of 1988.

ATU, a religious organization, performed at area churches.

"I enjoy singing and I enjoy singing the gospel. It's an inspiration to me," Farrow said.

As a member of Alpha Angels and a little sister to the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, she was involved in fund raisers for underprivileged families. Alpha Angels was a support group for the fraternity.

"I was influenced by a friend who was an Alpha Angel. I pretty much what I saw and thought it was neat," Farrow said.

Because she was prepared for the cross country or track season, she hoped to get into the next season.

"It depends on how busy my schedule is," Farrow said, "but I want to run."

While Farrow was on the track team for three years at Fort Campbell High School, she was captain and Most Valuable Runner for two years.

During her junior year of high school, she ranked first in the state for the 100 and 200 hurdles, but the day before the state meet, she tore her leg.

Her senior year was ranked third in state and finished fourth in the state track meet.

To track, her favorite event was the hurdles, and she also ran in the relay.

Farrow had come long way by jumping the added benefits Western had to offer outside classroom.

Story by Marsha Burton
Photo by John Russell

Freshmen

Libera Farrow, Hickman, Ky., Holly Farrow, Fort Thomas
Allison Farnese, Nashville, Tenn.
Myna Farrow, Bowling Green
Jennifer Fitts, Russell Springs
Jill Flowers, Franklin

Leigh Frazel, Bowling Green
Justin L. Gobhardt, Bowling Green
Cherie Garman, Madisonville
Melinda Gentry, Buffalo
Laura Glass, Independence
Melissa Gordon, Louisville

James W. Grissom III, Paducah
Amy Greeninger, Louisville, Ind.
Brian R. Geisler, Frankfort, Ky.
Allison Hackley, Clarksville
Kimberly Hall, Cadiz
Kimberly Renee Hancock, New Albany, Ind.

Phill Harper, Louisville
Deanne S. Harrell, Paris,
Annette Harmon, Hopkinsville
Karen R. Haste, Bowling Green
Michael A. Hayes, Bowling Green
William Virgil Hayes, Paducah

Candace Hensley, Gunia
Brenda Horn, Bowling Green
Amy Highburger, Bowling Green
Chuck Hulick, London
Amanda House, Calhoun
David Hunter, Bowling Green

Crystal Hook, Hopkinsport
Bretta Houser, Newport
Michele Harper, Nashville, Tenn.
Angela Harvey, Leitchfield
Bill Johnson, Paducah, Tenn.
Michael Ignatz, Nashville, Tenn.

Karen Jenkins, Alvaton
Julia Johnson, Owensboro
Angie Jones, Liberty
Sheyla L. Kermek, Mount Joy, Tenn.
Shonda Sue Knap, Owensboro
Deborah Nettles, Radcliff

Elizabeth King, Princeton
Kevin Kuester, Liberty
Michael Robert Kitrell, Franklin
Richard W. Kittrell, Franklin
Stephanie Knight, Owensboro
Diana Kostie, Nashville, Tenn.
Freshmen

Mike Lagemann, Bowling Green
Danny J. Legler, Louisville
Ana Lockhart, Nashville, Tenn.
Heidra Lopez, Newburgh, Ind.
Christine Laustrell, Bowling Green
Geoffrey Maltman, Madison, Wis.
Nashville, Tenn.

Kim R. Marks, Lexington
John Martin, Bowling Green
Lauren Matthews, Louisville
Kelly McCarty, Pleasant Shade, Tenn.

Roy Todd McFarley, Taylorsville
Amy McCloud, Hendersonville, Tenn.

Charli McCray, Bowling Green
Barry D. McGregor, New Castle
Brooke McGinty, Louisville
Karyn McHale, Mckinney, Texas
Patricia C. Merry, Greensburg

Judy Milam, Bowling Green
Laure N. Minner, New Market
Stephanie Misk, Nashville, Tenn.
Christy Mitchell, Hopkinsville
Amy Moore, Kettering, Ohio
Michael A. Moore, Godfrey, Ill.

Under the awning which leads into Gross Hall, Bryan Kelly reads a geography textbook. The Hopkinsville freshmen said he liked to study there because it was cool and quiet.

While trying to make a blurry morning a little brighter, Jessica Sauterweiler, a Nashville, Tenn., freshman, shares a seat with Jennifer Collingrose. The two were enjoying a break between classes under a tree near Cherry Hall.

-::: Jeanie Adams ::::-

146 Classes

Classes 147
The door for success is labeled "push," according to Travis Holtrey.

The Louisville freshman held stock in high morals as he competed on Western's debate team. Western competed in the Cross-Examination Debate Association (CEDA), a slower, more persuasive debate.

"The topics picked for debate are an in-depth study of a value in the U.S.," Holtrey said. The subject for the competition for the season was gun control, in which all participants spoke 30 minutes for and against it.

Holly Morris, a senior from South Carolina, and Holtrey composed the Western team that reached in the top half of 230 teams at the national level on March 31-April 3. The combination of Holtrey/Morris advanced to the third round in Columbia, S.C.

"I'm the first affirmative constructive and second negative rebuttal," Holtrey said. Holtrey's opinion for methods of handgun control was very conservative. But the competition did not have to give an answer or resolution.

Referring to nationwide, Holtrey described it as "fierce competition with very egotistical people out for blood." "This was two and a half days of mental torture," Holtrey said.

"We were up against teams such as Transylvania, Murray State and Bona," Holtrey said. Rounds of competition consisted of six rounds on the state level and eight rounds on the national level. The rounds were divided in half for gun control and half against.

Though Holtrey was a freshman, Western's team turned in a 7-5 record and the first winning season in six years. "I gained excellent learning experience for a freshman debater," Holtrey said.

"I went to the debate club meeting and nobody was going to debate with Holly. I felt obligated to help her considering it was her senior year of debating," he said. Holtrey never debated in high school and never saw a round before the spring semester when he teamed up with Morris.

Holtrey's inspiration had been bolstered by a part-time professor and a full-time attorney.

"Dr. Charles English made it (debate) work at time and helped me understand the importance," Holtrey said. Holtrey believed that debating will benefit him and his possible future as a lawyer.

"Out of curiosity, I decided I wanted to be an attorney," he said. Holtrey has worked for Richardson & Richardson in Louisville and Harlin Parker & Ruby law firms.

"I got to see it (courtroom) firsthand while I was working every day in the attorney atmosphere," he said.

With a year of debating under his belt, Holtrey had set his sights high for the future.

"I want to become the national debate champi on," Holtrey said, "and to be accepted to University of Kentucky Law School.

Story by Jody Camba Photo by Omar Tatum
Gambling for peace

Leaning around in sweats and a T-shirt, she colored a sign which read 'love' in many different languages. Behind her were several favorite posters and other homemade signs.

Erica Card, a Hopkinsville freshman, translated and explained the posters written in Russian, German, French and some other languages.

Her favorite poster, "peace and friendship," had children from different countries standing on a brightly colored globe while holding hands with the words "peace and friendship" written in various languages.

The last eight years, Card attended an army base school in Germany where her father was stationed; however, she never learned to speak the language fluently, though she recognized a few phrases and words.

Card said her reason for not learning the language was due to the Germans' willingness to speak English, because they had the 'American Dream.'

Card said she enjoyed living in Europe and wanted to travel to other countries.

"I grew up with the European culture," Card explained.

"My first impression of the States was that everything was quite materialistic. Americans have so much and it doesn't seem like anyone realizes or appreciates it," Card said.

She choose Western over other American universities because it offered Russian and had a small college atmosphere—two factors she was looking for in a school.

"I was really impressed because I think it's a really pretty campus," Card said.

On campus, Card became actively involved in the United Companions to Prevent Nuclear War organization.

She had always agreed with the idea or concept of "peace," but could not get involved with anything political because of the problems it would create for her father.

Also in Germany, no such organization as UCAM was available to her.

Although she was not an officer of UCAM, Card attended weekly meetings and was very active in group projects.

"I try to do as many things with them as I can," Card said, "because I think they do a lot of good things. It's hard to know what to say in order to save your planet."

During her association with UCAM, Card felt she was exposed to different problems the world had dealing with the environment.

"Sometimes you get disgusted," Card said, "but you get on.

Card said ignorance was the world's biggest problem. That is why she got involved with UCAM to educate others.

Her major was undecided, but she hoped to work overseas "to help promote peace between the United States and other countries."

Story by Marsha Burton
Photo by Patti Longmore
The various organizations at Western were as diverse as their members. Students with common goals and interests joined forces to form collective images as they discovered more about themselves.

College life for those involved went beyond books and lectures. For students, the challenges of academics were balanced and enhanced by participation in campus groups.

Whether students gave their time to one or many groups, the chance to learn from one another through sharing service, fun, spirituality and ambition was there.

Clubs at Western provided an escape from the routine and served as a way of finding common ground among peers.

As goals were accomplished, hours spent working together created lasting friendships. Students worked in unity for the benefit of themselves and each other.
Learning their lessons

Serving the community while promoting their future professions was a goal shared by clubs in the Department of Education. Working with the Bowling Green schools in the after-school education program was one way Kappa Delta Pi, the honorary education society, chose to help the community.

Existing to strengthen and promote professionalism in elementary and secondary education, the club sponsored education workshops on campus, Bowling Green senior and Kappa Delta Pi president Patricia Normand said.

Members had to follow strict academic guidelines (a 3.4 grade point average for undergraduates, a 3.75 GPA for graduate students). "My favorite thing about the club is the exposure to various professionals in our field," Normand said. "For instance, John Brock, the superintendent of public instruction, spoke at one of our workshops."

Creating friendships between physical education majors was the goal of the Physical Education Majors Club, Edgenville senior and president Jeff Daughney said.

The 25-member club sponsored "Jump Rope for Heart," a fundraiser for the American Heart Association.

"Club members often sacrificed personal time for the organization," Daughney said. "I think that says something about the club. They would rather promote Western than relax during their free time."

The Recreation Majors Club members concentrated their efforts on the Special Olympics, an athletic event held for handicapped citizens in April.

The club's 25 members also helped the Big Brothers/Big Sisters and Girl Scout groups in the community, Louisville senior and president Kelli Mulhern said.

The Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) groups devoted their time and energy to helping high school DECA groups.

On Nov. 16, DECA's 25 members hosted over 1,000 high school students who attended 45-minute classes in marketing and retailing, adviser Dr. Jerry Boles said.

On Feb. 7, high school students interested in tailoring flocked to campus for the High School Regional Career Development Conference. A contest, judged by Bowling Green professionals, was the main event at the conference.

The Student National Speech, Language, and Hearing Association raised money to aid Western's student-run speech clinic.

They also held a raffle and bake sale to finance a trip to the state convention in April, president April Wade said.

When I think of the club, I can't help but think of the clinic," the Whitesville senior said. "They are so closely related that they are almost inseparable." 

Story by David Taylor
A uniform purpose

Rising early in the morning to start a rigorous workout was how most of the ROTC cadets began the day. These young men and women were training to become officers in the Army, Navy, Air Force and the Marines but also were here at Western to obtain an education.

The WKU Ranger ROTC began the year with morning drills and field activities. The Rangers ushered at men's basketball games to raise money.

Socially, the group gathered for picnics, a dinner and the biggest event—the Military Ball. The ball gave the whole military science department a chance to meet and get to know one another.

This year, the group participated in more activities together, even though they had only 12 members.

The Rangers had only one female cadet, Bonnie Jones, and she was second in leadership among the group.

"We develop better cadets for better officers in the future," Jones, a Chicago senior, said.

Semper Fidelis consisted of three members and had problems with obtaining more people for their organization.

One reason for getting more people involved was to have a better field to choose from for the Marine Corps, professor John B. Carr Jr. said.

The organization held a raffle and a flag run, or physical fitness run as a part of fund-raisers for the year.

A dinner and a formal dress night rounded out the year for Semper Fidelis.

The Air Force ROTC was based here at Western but traveled to Tennessee for classes. At Western, the group was together during physical training and drills.

Air Force ROTC did not have any fund-raisers or any scheduled social functions.

"To keep our numbers and get our guys into pilot slate," were some of the goals the group had, according to member Nelson Reynolds, a Cave City sophomore.

"Not everyone was pulling together—not unified," Reynolds said.

Air Force ROTC had around 15 members and hoped to have as many or more next year.

Pershing Rifles, responsible for providing color guard at athletic events, consisted of 10 members.

By ushering at basketball games and putting up barricades at games, they were able to raise money for the club.

This year, they re-established drill meets for high school students, which had not been held since 1979.

Their goals were to maintain the current prestige of the Pershing Rifle organization, and to provide color guard to the military department and other organizations, according to Dunbar senior Scott Oglesby.

Story by Marsha Burton
For a healthy outlook

The health organization at Western served as a health information center for the entire community as well as for the campus.

The First Year Dental Hygiene Students had approximately 20 members. Each student was required to clean the teeth of over 20 people each semester. They performed this service at the cost of six dollars.

As a fund raiser, the organization painted and sold pumpkins for Halloween. Pocket photo albums were also sold for Christmas.

However, most of the organization’s funds were raised through the monthly dues of five dollars.

In February of ’89, the organization participated in the National Children’s Dental Health Week. Eta Sigma Gamma (ESG) had a three-fold purpose: education, research, and service.

The organization had approximately 20 members. A grade point average of 2.7 was required for membership in the honorary organization. ESG primarily held raffles as a means of fund raising. Before Christmas, the organization had a raffle for a country ham, a turkey, and movie and dinner tickets.

During the Christmas season, ESG also volunteered time to help decorate the Hospice Christmas tree and doors at the nursing home. “This year was a much more active group mainly because we’ve taken part more,” ESG adviser Dr. Robert Baum said. “We also coordinated the Great American Smoke-Out,” he said.

The Kentucky Public Health Association (KPHA) had approximately 30 members. The purpose of the organization was to provide community services for public health.

Before Thanksgiving, KPHA sold retail breakfast items at the Kelly Thompson Complex. The organization also sponsored a car wash the weekend after spring break.

During the month of February, KPHA raised funds, door to door, for the American Heart Association.

One of the year’s main events for the organization was attending the KPHA convention in Louisville, March 27-29.

Alpha Epsilon Delta (AED) was an academic honor society that also served as a social organization, giving support and helping members obtain connections in the health field.

KSB had approximately 30 members. At the beginning of the year, KSB conducted a freshman orientation program.

The organization hosted a bloodmobile and sponsored a blood drive.

The year saw a number of events, including a blood drive, where 25 members sold money raffles as a fund raiser. Five tickets could be purchased for a dollar with a chance to win $50.

On Feb. 23 Dr. Scott Fied, associate professor of biology, spoke to the association about the effects of AIDS.

Carol White, Cooperative Education acting director, also spoke to the group about resumes and the appropriate conduct during interviews.

During the week of April 9-15, the organization was active at the National Medical Laboratory Week. They also had a booth in the Health Expo.

ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

First Row: Larry Elliott, Trueman Taylor, Frank Townsend

Second Row: Michele Becker, Rhonda Odom, Laura Burton

KENTUCKY PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

First Row: Amanda Aubrey, Jennifer Gaskamp, Joseph Beam, Jennifer Hayes

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MEDICAL RECORDS

First Row: Kimberly Forwane, Francis Peters, Ashley Smith

Second Row: Charlotte Bollinger, Freida Johnson, Gina McKinney
Something of interest

Many special interests organizations worked through the year to not only educate their fellow students but also the community. Their work brought together people who would probably have had little contact with one another.

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Story by Kim Hadley

Nursing Honor Society

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SECOND ROW: Joseph Payne, Linda Puc, Kathy Baker, Donna Pinkston
THIRD ROW: Deborah Kerr, John Price

Kimmie Ratkowsky FOURTH ROW: Pamela Ricks, Katherine Kone, Kim Oster, Deborah Erickson
FIFTH ROW: Deborah Sowers, Kari Dunt, Sabia Greaves, Robin Swift SIXTH ROW: Nancy Rushmore, Maria Main, Andrew Whittington, Lisa Fischer, Cynthia Hache SEVENTH ROW: Car linguistic Speaker, Ellen Kirby, Heike Pitrat, Brenda Petrow, Kevin Ray EIGHTH ROW: James, Allen, Andrea Stover, Catherine Rains
NINTH ROW: Patricia Spruill
TENTH ROW: Brenda Jones, Niki Marger, Beverly Harper EIGHT SIDE, FIRST ROW: Donna Blesingo, Niki Brown, Judy Wadling, Michelle Smith
SECOND ROW: Jamie Martin, Lea Ann Oake, Jamie Blade, Susan Jones THIRD ROW: Jamie Kibler, Carole Spruill, Carol Nesbit, Terry Jones
FOURTH ROW: Elizabeth Hackett, Barbara Sando, Elaine Harris, Monica Nottage FIFTH ROW: Brenda Basto, Annisa, Ingrid, Kathy Hacking, Frances Foster, Jessica Sartwell SIXTH ROW: Rachel Kinder, Lea Davis, Reba Cox, Amy Billingsley, Billy Haugman SEVENTH ROW, Darcey Busey, Lisa Clark, Janet Gilson, Nancy Longo, Marcella Hoyer EIGHTH ROW, Brenda Grage, Karl Davis, Michael Cary NINTH ROW, Bonnie Williams, Deborah Ashley, Elizabeth Ayers, Jeanette Wood BACK ROW: Pam Erentz, Shirley Lawrence, Mary Rosach, Shana Harker, Andrea Edmondson, Talia Eam, Sara Bryant, Brian Fischer

Reaching ever higher

In the midst of an ever-changing year, the Kappa Theta Chapter of the Nursing Honor Society (NHS), 112 members strong, grew by leaps and bounds by reaffirming its purpose and gladly receiving inductions. The purpose of NHS was to recognize achievement and the development of leadership qualities, to foster high professional standards, to encourage creative work and to strengthen commitment to the ideals and purposes of the nursing profession, according to Sharon Hendrix, R.N., B.S., and president of the chapter.

Throughout the year, NHS invited various speakers to address the society in order to further their members' understanding of the field.

In November, Dr. Shirley Loman, R.N., Ph.D., and associate professor of nursing at Western, presented a program based on research completed for her doctoral dissertation entitled, "Wandering the Beginnings of a Nursing Research Project."

In February, Hendrix and Michelle Salisbury, R.N., M.S.N., and president-elect of the society, presented the regimen three assembly, co-hosted by all six Kentucky chapters in Lexington.

In addition to the year's events, NHS also welcomed new members into its chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing. Almost a year after first being recognized as an affiliation of Sigma Theta Tau, the induction took place on April 25, in the Craig Alumni Center. The keynote speaker during the ceremony was Charlotte Niles, R.N., M.S., and professor at the University of Evansville.

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Club lands punch

"You're throwing nothing but books, straight right hand." the black boxing trainer known as "Put Man" said to fighter Tony Durbin. Durbin's first professional fight was a month away, and Put Man, who had been involved in boxing for 23 years and trained nine world champions, wanted to make sure he was ready.

No, that was not a scene from yet another Rocky movie but a typical afternoon at the Bowling Green Golden Gloves Boxing Gym on 200 State St. Andrew Gardner, better known as Put Man, served as trainer at the gym which opened in October.

A Western Kentucky University Boxing Club also was established March 15 with Craig Talley, sociology, anthropology and social work assistant professor, serving as adviser.

According to Debbie Cherwisk, recreational activities associate director, the club already had approximately 15 members at the end of the spring semester.

"It's well organized, and our kids love it (the boxing program)." Dr. George Ginter, a Medical Center anesthesiologist and a financial backer of the gym, said. "Out of the 12 different weight divisions, we can fill about nine weight divisions." Ginter said the boxing club competed in the Midwestern Collegiate Championships at Xavier in Ohio. Four members qualified for the regional competition with three runners-up and one overall winner.

Western was tentatively scheduled to host the Midwestern Collegiate Boxing Championship in Diddle Arena next year during March.

"I expect we'll be contenders for the national championship next year," Ginter said.

Boxers at the gym ranged from ages 8-80, but participants could not compete in the Amateur Boxing Championship until they were 10 years old. All of our kids come away with a pretty positive reaction," Ginter said. "A lot of parents come in and watch their kids work out. People who work with the sport realize it's really good for kids."

Ginter explained that everybody who worked out at the gym had to pay $15 to the Amateur Boxing Federation, which went to medical coverage for a year.

"It's really cheap because it's a low-risk sport," Ginter said. "To spit all controversial things about boxing, a well-run boxing team is the best sport for men; it increases self-confidence."

Ginter said out of the 32 colleges that competed in boxing, there were no serious injuries in the '80s, making boxing the "safest collegiate activity."

"Boxing is the richest game in sports," Gardner said. "Kids come out of the projects and can have a car in four years and buy their mother a house if they're smart."

Durbin, of Bowling Green, agreed by saying, "This here (the boxing gym) keeps the kids off the streets. It keeps them off drugs."

Durbin, whose 2-year-old son Christopher Aaron accompanied him to practice at the gym, said he would not object to his children becoming involved in boxing.

And even though Durbin's wife was originally opposed to Christopher going to the gym, she finally changed her mind and even bought him a miniature pair of boxing gloves.

Durbin, who often took time out from his training to adjust one of his son's gloves or show him how to jab, said he felt boxing had helped his son to think quicker and have faster reflexes.

Tim 'the Cheeser' Brown, a Bowling Green sophomore and boxing club member said instead of drinking and partying, he would work out.

"It (boxing) helps you overcome fear," Brown said. "That way this makes you better able to control the other things like when I go for a job or ask a girl out."

Three shows took place at Yankee Doodles between January and May with approximately 500 spectators attending per show. The proceeds of the door went into the Amateur program.

But helping conduct a successful boxing program did not go to Gardner's head. Even more so than boxing, he said he tried to teach his fighters' personality and respect.

Story by Kim Hadley
Photos by Lawrence Smith
A touch of class

Members of the different culture clubs were very active in their organizations despite some setbacks. Others were there to help serve their departments, which they served well.

Even though an "upheaval" in the French department occurred in the spring semester, Pi Delta Phi, the French honor society, still worked together toward a common goal—perpetuate French language and culture.

The upheaval occurred when one professor went on sabbatical and one faculty member retired, so that left the club unsure of faculty advisement, Cary McAllister said.

A faculty search for a department head and a professor caused Pi Delta Phi to change their plans around just a little, McAllister, a Calhoun senior and president of the 15-member group, said. But they still got things done.

Pi Delta Phi participated in the International Day by selling food at the event. They also bought the department French movies.

McAllister said that the group seemed to be strengthened by the help of two French students who were at Western through a type of exchange program with the University of Montpellier in France.

"They helped us to understand differences between American people and culture and the French people and culture," McAllister said.

He said that there had been a slump in membership because of the low number of French majors, but he anticipated more.

Plants of many nations adorn the table in honor of Dr. Michael Trappner, professor of geography. Though there were less tables set as many were by to see the works.
French majors with the increase of freshman enrollment.
Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia was the professional music fraternity for men. They sponsored recitals, set up for music festivals, and were responsible for getting money to give an award to the performer of the semester.
The performance of the semester was decided on by the faculty and given a mark award.
Jody Mills, an Owensboro senior and president, said that a strength of the fraternity was that most of the brothers were very active and busy in music, but that was also a weakness. They were so active that they did not get to work much with the organization.
He said that their goal was to become more professionally oriented and to get the pledges more associated with the department.
The Kentucky Colleague Music Educators club hoped to be of service to the public school teachers.
They had a tea for the music teachers in the county and Western's faculty "to tell them that if there was anything the club could do for them to let us know" president Robin Baker, an Oxford, Ohio senior, said.
They had built their membership from almost non-existent to 28 members. Baker said that the club sold music department sweatshirts and helped with band festivals.
Delta Omicron was the professional music fraternity for women.
They provided services for the music department, Mary Wilson, a Cox's Creek senior and vice president, said.
They helped to usher at faculty recitals and helped with all ensemble events and band concerts.
The organization dedicated money to the music department and worked for the judges at band festivals.
Something different and original the group did was singing Halloween o-grams and Valentines.
Wilson said that the group had a good year as far as being responsible about doing what was asked of them.
Although the Western Players, a club for theater and dance majors, increased membership, they wished more people would have gotten involved in their organization, Christian Ely said.
Western Players get good responses at the make-up and creative dramatics workshops, and workshops they sponsored.
"We're a good sounding board for students," the Brentwood junior said. "It's a good opportunity for people to get involved."
The home economics club organized their groups for the goodwill of people and homes. The student chapter of the American Home Economics Association (AHEA) arranged a cookbook and donated proceeds to the American Cancer Society. The 25-member group also collected coupon money for a kidney machine.

There was a considerable increase in membership. "Our organization is becoming more known," Reeca Carver, president of AHEA, said.

The organization received the award for outstanding chapter in the state. Officers of the group attended the state workshops in Lexington, Ashland, and Cincinnati. Student members also enjoyed selling cookies and crafts to raise money.

For new members, a social was also sponsored in Bates-Rumor at the Home Management House for home economics and family living majors. The group had its image in control. "Our only weakness is time scheduling," Carver, a Cave City senior, said.

The American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) had 30 members—all of whom had to be in at least a three-year interior design program.

Julie Herrin, a Bowling Green senior and ASID president, said, "It’s been exciting." The group traveled to Union Underwear for a Fruit of the Loom tour on one of their design market trips.

They also had a large portfolio showcase for upper level students’ work. The designs included architect and product design. The showcase was covered by WBKO in A.M. Kentucky and broadcast on NewsCenter 13.

The group’s success was attributed to more participation. Herrin said, "Their purpose was to promote interior design and build knowledge of the field.

ASID sponsored a T-shirt contest for the best design, and had professional speakers come to talk to the group each semester.

A raffle contest was given to raise money for the group.

Phi Upsilon Omicron (Phi U) was comprised of people from all home economics majors. They sponsored an annual scholarship and attended the national convention.

The Association of Student Social Workers (ASSW) had two guest speakers per semester.

They discussed social, physical, and emotional problems, their effects and their solutions.

ASSW washed cars and had bake sales to raise money for the group. But they spent most of their time helping others. They visited area children at Christmas who were in public care. They also visited local nursing homes.

Major events for the second semester included the spring conference, the spring picnic, and Career Day. Career Day was held in the Downing University Center with displays of various jobs in the field of social work.

The group concentrated on "making a name in the community," Williams, Va. freshman and ASSW president Joyce Boorman said.

Story by Tamiko Black
Before the long hours of studying inside for finals began, Western Kentucky University students had one last day to spend outside. On April 28, the University Center Board sponsored their third annual ‘Splash Bash.’

Students gathered at the Downing University Center lawn to enjoy the sunshine, dance and play games with their friends.

“We had a pretty good crowd,” Bennie Beach, coordinator of UCB promotions, said. “It was a beautiful day to gather to talk to people and have fun. The event was very successful.”

Pick-up water balloon fights and Frisbee games went on throughout the afternoon.

Splash Bash T-shirts were the reward for those who survived the Dizzy Lizzie Contest. After spinning in circles around a baseball bat to make themselves dizzy, the contestants tried to pick up things from the ground.

The band “Freedom of Expression” took the stage for the day. The Nashville band played strictly reggae music.

Beach said, “Freedom of Expression has a big following in Nashville, and they were highly recommended to us by students. We had a great reaction to the band and it’d love to have them back to Splash Bash or another event.”

Louisville senior Fred White said he got to the Bash late, but even that had its advantages.

“The hot dogs were nearly free by the time I got there,” White said. He also said he enjoyed the chance to hear a “great band.”

Beach said he was pleased with this year’s event and the casual atmosphere the planners worked to create. UCB wanted to continue sponsoring activities to celebrate spring.

Story by Alice Lyon
Photos by Matt Stockman
A decade of Red

When Big Red was introduced in 1979, it was described as being 4 feet wide, 6 feet tall and weighing 23 pounds. Public Information said it had a mouth large enough to swallow a breadbox. The problem of accurately describing Big Red was preceded by difficulties in interpreting what a "Hillbopper" was.

Sure, there was the red towel symbol, but that was not a Hillbopper. And for a while in 1978, Western had Mr. Tepper, simply a student dressed as a big with an overactive imagination.

So, with prompting from the newly hired men's basketball Coach, Gene Ready, Student Affairs and Alumni Affairs started studying the possibility of a mascot in the fall of 1979.

Then, Ralph Carey, a senior from Cincinnati, was brought in to help. Carey had worked with the Hanna-Barbera characters at King's Island Amusement Park for several years and knew how to build and maintain the costumes.

He sketched a fat, round, fuzzy red creature with a huge mouth and arms and legs that moved. On Sept. 21, 1979, it was christened "Big Red," the first and only name suggested.

Hanna-Barbera Productions sold Carey the materials to get started as a personal favor, since company policy was to avoid outside requests. Carey and his friends sewed the first costume with $300 and 80 hours of work.

Big Red debuted at the first home basketball game of the season on Dec. 1, 1979. Before the game, Coach Ready opened a Christmas present from Santa at center court and Big Red emerged with Carey portraying the symbol he had created.

Since then, Big Red has had some big successes. In 1980, he was made an honorary deputy sheriff in Warren County.

In 1980, 1981 and 1983, Big Red was awarded the Universal Cheerleading Association's highest honor for mascots, the "Key to Spirit." In 1981, 2,000 copies of the single "The Big Red Hoopie" were released by WKU sophomore Jim Hilton after Big Red and Hilton introduced the song during halftime at a Topper basketball game.

Big Red was the Bowling Green/Warren County Volunteer of the Year for 1983, in honor of the more than 50 appearances Big Red made at charity functions.

In 1984, a campaign for the presidency of the United States united Big Red some publicity and promises from thousands of students to "lay down their lives and their drinks, if necessary, to come to the aid of His Red- ship." There were so many demands on Big Red's time that a Big Red Utilization Committee was started to keep his personal calendar.

But none of this really explained what Big Red was. Maybe the people who portrayed him knew best. Jessica Rapaport played Big Red in 1984 and she called him a child.

"He's very innocent of all the bad in the world because all he sees is the good," Rapaport said. "He can do anything and get away with it because he's Big Red."

In 1987 Becky Hack tried to define him when she said, "There are many ways you can describe Big Red, but I see him as a friend, a believer in all, a sports fan and an entertainer." Greg Vincent, one of the three 50 Big Reds, said, "He's not a hill, and he's not a Hillbopper. He's a blab, just a blab. I see him as the ultimate embodiment of school spirit."  

Story by Alice Lyon

Big Red and a friend ride down Center Street during the Homecoming Parade. Big Red was first introduced by Ralph Carey.
On campus, there were various business clubs to pick from. These organizations provided students with business majors to interact with others in their field.

Delta Sigma Pi, a business fraternity, celebrated its 25th anniversary along with their spring formal which was held in Nashville.

The club took a trip to St. Louis to meet with other chapters of Delta Sigma Pi.

The organization performed many fundraisers during the academic year of 1988-89. Among them were a raffle during a fashion show, a car wash, and selling Sovereign Bank credit card applications. Their major money-maker was the Abacus which sold in the book-nect. The group made $6000 with the sale of the Abacus.

The group planned social functions such as a Mexican fiesta with a theme "South of the Border Bash," a toga party and a Super Bowl party.

The organization consisted of 50 members and during the year they tried to keep membership up because some members graduated mid-semester.

"Attendance was down in this year," Beth McGee, a Nashville senior and vice president of Delta Sigma Pi, said.

The Collegiate Secretaries International Club (CIS) consisted of 15 members.

During the year, CIS had cookouts, pizza and bowling night and a Halloween party to occupy their social calendar.

In order to raise money, the members said Tom Waits showcases and made $1000.

Involved with the community, CIS had an egg hunt for child care services here on campus and made red ribbons for Pot-ter Elementary students to hang during Drug Awareness Week.

CIS attended the national conference which was held in Nashville.

Even though the group was small, they were very active and worked hard. Wesley Waddle, a Munfordville junior and president of CIS, said, "Getting more people involved was our main goal during the year," Waddle said.

The Pre-Law Club which met once a week had 15 members.

The club did not any fundraiser because the budget has been elected over the years.

During meetings, group had speakers would go over different cases as a sort of review. After every meeting, freshmen would serve.

The big social event of the year was a dinner party at a member's house where they would go discuss their future careers as lawyers.

Some new edition the club were awarded a scholarship fund with more members.

"We have a real
intelligent group of people," Risa McNab, a Tallahas‐
see, Fla. junior and presi-
dent, said.
Phi Beta Lambda, a
professional fraternity
with 51 members, had a
productive year.
The group raised mon‐
ey by having a bake
sale and also having a car wash.
The group had a hay‐
race and attended the
Leadership Conference in
Louisville.
The Christmas Angel
project was a big service
program that the group
planned. Through Big
Brothers/Big Sisters and
Child Protection, the group
took letters from children
to Santa Claus and took
them to local banks to
hang up.
Then people coming
into the bank looked at
the letters to see what the
children wanted and bought
toys. The members dis‐
tributed the toys to the chil‐
dren.
The group brought
home 14 awards on the
state level.
As most groups, they
faced the problems of
membership and partici‐
pation.
Joe Berysak, a Frank‐
lin junior and president
of Phi Beta Lambda, said,
"Getting everyone in the
same place at the same
time was hard." 26

Story by Marsh Burton

With her personal computer,
Laura McCormick, an Under‐
score, types a paper for small‐
er students. She used her comput‐
er for her own homework and to
make extra money.

AG BUSINESS

FIRST ROW: Mark Albott, David Girone, Andy Hudson

PRE-LAW

FIRST ROW: Tim James, Risa McNab, Ross Morgan SEC‐
COND ROW: Kinger Gabrie, Michelle Baker, Sydnee A.
Holmes

COLLEGIATE SECRETARIES INTERNATIONAL

FIRST ROW: Charetta Noblett, Wesley Waddal, T. J.
Lynn SECOND ROW: Delna M. Doern, Julie Lee, Lisa
Bradburn, Ilana Aplking

RITA GAMMA SIGMA

FIRST ROW: Mary Shulden, Tracy Shinneman

PHI BETA LAMDA

FIRST ROW: Todd Savo, Eugene Corm, John Reind, Doug
Kuhl, Harold Pippen, Joe Hurrel, Tobi Lynn SECOND
ROW: Brian D. Beeman, Dan Terrab, David Sporte,
Sally A. Scott, Kathleen Winsted, Danielle McCuan, Wes‐
ley Waddal

179 Organizations
Chemical bonding

Activities and opportunities were offered to students involved in the science organizations at the top of the Hill.

Beta Beta Beta, a biology research organization, made plans for the landscaping of the "Italian Garden" behind Snell Hall. "We intend to renovate the garden with new bushes and shrubs," Ricky Welch, a Bowling Green senior and president of Beta Beta Beta, said.

The organization sponsored a Groundhog Day party on Feb. 2. Beta Beta Beta held four meetings each semester with speakers who talked about new research in different fields such as botany and biology.

The group was comprised of approximately 40 members.

They sold doughnuts and soft drinks for extra funds which helped pay for trips. Members were offered the opportunity to go to the Bahamas to do research.

Other trips included the national convention in Puerto Rico and the regional convention in Charlotte, N.C.

The monthly newsletter of the Society of Physics Students was published in the fall to add awareness of events for the organization.

"We are trying to get more organized and the newsletter will help," Bowling Green senior Tony Murphy said.

In the fall, members observed Mars from the observatory which was located five miles out of Bowling Green.

Also, a trip was planned to visit the Huntsville Space and Rocket Center.

Pand-raisers for the organization consisted of selling T-shirts and selling Cokes in the physics lab.

"Seminars were held on Mondays which proved beneficial to the members," Murphy said.

Helping students seemed to be the motto for the Chemistry Club.

The club offered job listings for members in an effort to help them find job openings.

Also, members traveled to graduate schools to observe the programs of interest.

"Our goal is to create more interest in the club," adviser Dr. Darwin Dahl said.

The club consisted of about 20 members with meetings once a month.

Field trips were made to Logan Aluminum, Proctor & Gamble and a Pittsburgh convention.

"Money was collected through the laboratory fee," Dahl said, "and a $5 charge for a new pair of safety glasses when students forget to bring them."

The Anthropology Club held meetings every two weeks with speakers.

The club was made up of about 15 members.

"The dues are only $5 a year," sponsor Dr. Jack Scheck said. "We just need to get more people interested."

We plan on donating food to an elderly home in Bowling Green," Scheck said.

Bake sales, parties and picnics provided social activities for the members.

Story by Jody Carmack
They have the write stuff

Each of the organizations from the journalism department worked to give members experiences to prepare them for the professional world.

The Society of Professional Journalists, formerly Sigma Delta Chi, continued to work toward their goal of building ties between journalists and the community at large.

Part of the 25-member group's activities for the year included sponsoring the annual Mark of Excellence competition for high school journalism students and a resume workshop for members.

The society's president, London junior Darren Klauser, was happy with the turnout and results of the resume workshop and with their annual Freedom of Information Seminar.

The purpose of the seminar, she said, was to "let the community know more about journalism and other sources of information available to them."

Minority issues facing communicators were addressed by the National Association of Black Journalists.

Western's 15-member chapter was the only student chapter in Kentucky. Members worked with other state schools in efforts to get additional chapters started.

A fall career workshop helped members establish contacts with professionals on the state and national levels of their organization.

Also, a "mentor program" was begun to match members with professionals in the Louisville Association of Black Journalists.

The group split their 15-member chapter into smaller groups involved in businesses and organizations, such as WSMV in Nashville and participating in a day-long seminar on agency services featuring advertising professionals from the region.

The development of ImageWest Advertising was probably the most dramatic change in the organization, Knopp said.

Ad club members staffed the agency and researched, created and placed advertising for local clients.

Membership growth was evident in another journalism group, the National Press Photographers Association, which had its largest meeting ever with 30 members. Its president and editor-in-chief, the association's secretary, said that the quick growth had made adjusting tough, but good organization skills had helped the group handle the influx of new members.

The speakers hosted by the club included New York Times photographer George James and Laura Reimley from the Nashville Banner.

New efforts from the association included a photo print auction to raise funds and an internship workshop to help members find summer jobs in photography.

The Public Relations Student Society of America doubled their membership to 60 for the year and two of their members hold national offices in the society.

PSRA activities included an internship/resume workshop in cooperation with the Ad Club and the initiation of a resume writing service for all Western students.

Among the speakers hosted by the group were the "moderates" of public relations: Dr. Edward Bows, John Paukseik, president of PRSSA's parent organization, and university President Thomas Meredith.

The department's national honor society, Kappa Tau Alpha, was comprised of approximately 15 members from all sequences.

Students with 90 or more earned hours and a 3.5 GPA or better were invited to join the honor society.

Story by Alice Lyon

National Association of Black Journalists

National Press Photographers Association

Public Relations Student Society of America
Service rendered

Most people did not realize that helping someone may require just being there for someone.

Taking active parts in campus and community life, the Western Kentucky University service sorority and co-ed fraternity went wherever there were people in need.

The nine-member Gamma Sigma Sigma service sorority focused much of its support on the area's elderly. A local nursing home, the group sponsored a Mexican Day—complete with tamales, burritos, a fiesta and Uno.

"We played Uno with them," Louisville junior Sherione Shanklin said. "We caught them cheating, and when we did, they kept on cheating. "They really enjoyed it," Shanklin continued. "They loved having younger people around."

Gamma Sigma Sigma supported local children through Bowling Green's Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl-a-thon. Later, the club worked booths, registered participants and served as buddies in support of the Special Olympics for the area's handicapped.

The sorority devoted one fall day to sell baloon-a-grams for Western's football team. Though the rain hampered sales, Shanklin said that her club "came out full effect."

Through Western and Bowling Green clearly benefited from its services. Shanklin said it was the sorority's members who received the most from the club's activities.

"We know we'll see smiling faces and hear thank you's. It makes us feel like it's all worth it," she said.

Alpha Phi Omega, the only co-ed service fraternity, spent the 1988-89 school year looking for a new approach to serving the community and the university.

Kim Duvall, a Park City senior, said membership was approximately 50 members at the end of the second semester.

The growth of the organization allowed them to continue helping with the Bowl-a-thon for Kid's Sakes, a Skate-a-thon for the Boy Scouts of America and selling doughnuts for the American Cancer Society.

"This year we were also trying to concentrate on helping more within the university. The phon-a-thon for student recruitment and the alumni phon-a-thon were projects where we were able to contribute a lot," Duvall said.

"Another new project we worked on was the high school academic competitions held at Western. Alpha Phi Omega registered people and really helped the day run smoothly doing various things," she said.

Duvall said one of the best things about the group was the ability to work well together and the idea that this service attitude was only the beginning for the members.

"College allows you to start a pattern in helping people that you become accustomed to," Duvall said. "Alpha Phi Omega encourages continuation of its membership to learn and grow in service to others."

Story by Tina Howard and Sonja Wilson
Medals and morale

In January, 500 athletes, 150 coaches, and about 1,000 volunteers were on campus for the Area Five Special Olympics for the 10th year, and the director, Ann Verner, had glowing things to say about the event and everyone who helped.

"We're very fortunate to have a good program with good people," Verner, an associate professor of physical education at Western, said. "We have very little problems getting volunteers.

I thought it went very well. When the weather is bad in the morning, bodies often don't show up until about noon, and we get a late start. But we can't postpone it and move it to another day," Verner said.

Athletes competed in gymnastics, softball, track, and field events and many running events. The events were held in Smith Stadium and Diddle Arena.

Every department on campus was represented. Volunteers assisted by working for the decoration committee or with...
II. It's a thrill for me

"It was a favor to the coach, and I felt obligated because I was able to function properly and they weren't," Anthony Green, a junior from Dallas, Texas, said.

"I didn't realize how tired I was until I stopped. I would do it again. It was fulfilling, it really was," Green said.

"At first I really didn't want to do it, but after I got there and saw all these little kids I really enjoyed it," Delene Pomas, a Paris freshman, said.

"I've done it the last two years," Hayes said. "It's really enjoyable to see the kids compete and do their best. You know that they have a problem, but it's really exciting to watch them compete and see how much fun they have."

Brenda Adams, who teaches educable mentally handicapped students (children whose IQ's are 75 or lower) at L.C. Curry Elementary School in Bowling Green, was an area director and a coach.

She had 10 to 16 athletes a year competing in the games. Her volunteer work included serving as the director of the basketball tournament at Christmas time for the athletes, giving ski lessons, helping with opening and closing ceremonies, and helping select the athletes to advance to the state meet (which alone requires 10 hours), she said.

She spends about 150 hours a year in each game. For all of this she receives no pay.

"If I didn't do it then somebody else would," Adams said. "It's a day for them whereas otherwise they would never have a day. Most of these kids, when it comes to PE, aren't athletes. This lets them compete on their own level."

Hale Montgomery, a Bowling Green resident, had been a buddy for six years and plans to keep it up. "I love it," she said. "I had always wanted to get into it and I guess I never got around to it. A friend of mine suggested we go one year, and I did. It was really fun skiing. I haven't missed a year since. I really got more out of it than those kids."

I have grandchildren, and except by the grace of God, my children and grandchildren would be just like these," Montgomery said. "They can't participate like everybody else, and coaches can't get all of the kids to those events without help."

By David Hall

Story by David Hall
Many organizations entered into the opinions and values of the students. The many religious groups on campus provided stability and social interaction while nurturing spiritual growth.

Most people would assume that the Navigators Club dealt with airplanes and such; however, the group was an international, international Christian organization aimed to make disciples for Christ to help other Christians grow in their faith.

The group of about 20 members did not have fund-raisers because it was privately funded.

We set a goal to unify our group more and to know Christ more and grow in our relationship with him. John Gower, president and a Palmdale, Calif., senior, said.

One of the largest non-profit organizations on campus was the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), which had about 100 to 120 people at their weekly meetings.

Most of FCA's funds came through alumni, but they did have some fund-raisers.

One popular event was the Jog-A-Thon, in which members carried a cross around the track at Sports Stadium. A mixture of walking and jogging in half-hour intervals was the way that the group filled up the 10-hour stop fund-raiser.

As a Black Student Fellowship meeting, San Monta Grace sophomores John Powell across the hall. The meeting's purpose was to introduce new and former members.

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FCA president, Steve Cox, a Brentwood, Tenn., senior, felt the group changed from year to year because of the election of new officers who did things differently from their predecessors.

Services such as attending nursing homes to sing and visit were the types of social work that FCA did.

Sometimes the members of FCA would clean the windows of people’s cars on campus and then leave a note with a special message on their cars.

The Baptist Student Union (BSU) washed cars, raked leaves and sold candy bars to achieve their goal of raising money for summer missions. In all, they raised around $5000 for the program.

BSU consisted of about 150 members. They worked with local churches by visiting orphanages and nursing homes to present special programs.

The group had a creative ministry team and a choir which went to area churches to perform.

The Baptist Student Union "provided a service for students here on campus," Laura Pollock, a Brandenburg senior and president, said.

The Black Student Fellowship (BSF) set out the year with these goals in mind: to reach more students and to interact with the Baptist Student Union.

"Our traditions, values, and commitments have become stronger as our priorities were refined," Tamiko Black, a Gallatin, Tenn., junior, said.

The group composed of approximately 50 students had several social functions for the members to get involved.

In January, BSF and BSU had a lock-in at the First Baptist Church recreation center on Main Street in Hopkinsville. Other places for members to attend were the Christian Nightclub, National Baptist Retreat and interest meetings.

Supported by area churches and themselves, the Wesley Foundation had about 35 members this year.

Members had begun with the task of remodeling their building by wallpapering, cleaning, painting and putting in ceiling fans at the ringing of the semester.

The group also held a banquet dinner, volleyball frequent cooked out at the park.

BSU members were in in playing volley ball church league, playing music, skits at different churches.

"Because the group isn’t too large, we try to spend more time with each other. There are no cliques," Pre. and Bowling Green junior John Younts said, "don’t divide up groups."

The Christian Student Fellowship (CSF) patted in the annual drive sponsored by the student organization, 1981. The"Young Life" Thrust again was our goal.

Pictured in the Newman Center’s fund for world hunger. Louisville senior Ken Trigg who the Greek Drams games with Carroll freshman Ken Thistle had tossed a coin before the observance event.

Catherine Calisteck
believers cont.

Christian relief organization.

An egg walk and a yard sale was held to raise money for missions. The collections tallied up to about $900 to help alleviate the expenses.

The organization presented a program at local churches monthly.

The Christian Student Fellowship supported an orphan in Haiti as a special project.

In November, CSF held a Prayer Fair and a Thanksgiving banquet for its members and their parents.

To work with as many Christian groups as possible, to offer the campus more prayer events and to involve more students in mission trips were the main goals of the group.

The Catacombs, a coffee house, had been the most successful social event for the Newman Center for several years now.

The Newman Center was open to everyone on campus regardless of denomination.

The club sold tie-dyed T-shirts, held a UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund drive and in February had a fast for world hunger to raise money.

For the community, the club held Halloween and Valentine parties and an Easter egg hunt for the kids in the section of Bowling Green-Abell Courts, a housing project. The group also participated in the campus Adopt-a-spot.

"People know that we're here," Logsdon said, "and we're building up a new identity."  

Story by Marsha Burton
Playing it up

Students used sports clubs as a way to show off their athletic skill or to be with friends. Becoming a club and being recognized by the university was how the Gymnastics Club started the academic year. The group had approximately 30 members. The club had a membership drive to bring more people to the group. They performed at the Potter Elementary School in the fall. "Meetings are considered to be social functions for the group," Luanne Lough, co-president and Mazzeo senior, said.

The Gymnastics Club established specific goals and high hopes to start the club in the right direction. The objectives the members comprised were to form an intercollegiate gymnastics team and to develop skills such as higher-level tumbling. Other goals consisted of developing and promoting an attitude of good sportsmanship and to provide the opportunity for people to participate in the sport of gymnastics. Considered to be the club which represented all kinds of cycling was the Western Flyers. Their main goal was to promote safe cycling throughout Bowling Green and Warren County. The group of about 20 celebrated the holidays together and other social gatherings. After becoming a member of the United States Cycling Federation, the group held its first major race in Bowling Green and had local time trials for members. The group was considered to be an accredited racing team by USCF.

During the year, Western Flyers became more organized. But because they were made up mostly of students, their membership was not stable. "Western Flyers were starting to be more known or recognized by the community," Sharon Rouse, vice president and a Southern Shade graduate student, said.

The Frisbee Team was starting to become recognized by Western and was increasing in size in the 1988-89 season. Since they were acknowledged by the university, the club was able to borrow vans to make traveling easier for them. The team, which averaged about 25 members a meeting, held a bake sale to raise money for traveling expenses. "People stay in the club because they wanted to be involved," Philip Williams, a member and Hermitage, Tenn., sophomore, said "and not because they wanted to be considered a major sport by the university." 22

Story by Marsha Barton

CHEERLEADERS
FIRST ROW: Gary Santell, Ron Pankratz, Matthew Glass, Jimmy Welch, James L. Perkins SECOND ROW: Susan Vidal, Pam Brown, Barbie Padgett, Stacey Travis, Jennifer Osbourn, Jill Romer

FRISBEE TEAM
FIRST ROW: Brian Smith, Rich Dickerson, Greg Howes, David Piersen SECOND ROW: David Boger, Jeff Burrow, Philip Williams

WESTERN FLYERS
FIRST ROW: Todd Nordhoover, Justin Cook, Dave Forney, Tom Stockton SECOND ROW: Terri Smith, Jeff Roes, Robert Allen, Denise S. Rows, Janis Christenson

BIG RED MARCYOT
FIRST ROW: Gregory Vincent, Wayne Kraus

GYMNASTICS CLUB
FIRST ROW: Thomas Thompson, Stephanie Shumski, Karen Bell, Michelle Richardson, Luanne Marie Lough, Kerri Stovall SECOND ROW: Nancy Bishop, Hiro Ishige, Kathy Tashmore, Penny Sykes, Tracey Vossen, Susan Brewer
Leading the way

Western students came together to lead as well as follow. Our student leaders represented the total population in a number of diverse groups.

The Associated Student Government (ASG) acted as a link between the administration and the students. The 40-member group assembled to make major decisions affecting students living on and off campus. They worked on being more involved in committees. ASG also worked on improving relations with the newspaper. ASG president Scott Whitehouse said.

Major planning went into a building for the Big Red Shuttle, a bus service for students and faculty. Whitehouse, a Louisville senior, said.

Their programs included a voter registration drive, a presidential mock election and a program for campus cleanliness. "Campus Pride is Western Wide," said.

The 1988 election year kept Western students in their toes. College Republicans tackled an 80-member and plenty of supporters to help campaign for new president, George Bush.

Enthusiasm mounted when President Ronald Reagan visited the campus and George spoke in Owensboro. A most. 50 members roll charter bus and see president-elect Bush.

Aside from all the politics, the College Republicans found time to go to underprivileged children's winter coats for Christmas.

The Young Democrats' goal was to promote ideas of the Democratic party and encourage low students to be involved in the political process and community service, president Chris Troutt, a Gallatin, Tenn. junior, said.

They completed their goal despite Gov. Michael Dukakis' loss in the presidential election. They worked closely with the Dukakis advance team in preparation for his visit to WKU in Van Meter Auditorium.

Black Student Alliance (BSA), formerly called United Black Students, had a fresh new image for the '88-'89 school year. Della Elliott, the Western Kentucky University coordinator of Black Student Retention, was an adviser to the group. She helped influence blacks to participate in the government organization.

BSA worked to achieve a better and more active bond with the community and started by trying to improve weekend events. These big ideas led to a major fashion show sponsored by local merchants, the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday March, and an After Five Dance. In February, BSA presented a variety show with freshmen and graduate students participating.

The Residence Hall Association (RHA)'s most successful project was winning first place in the annual WKU Phonathon fund-raising competition.

RHA raised $10,195 by calling Western alumni and asking them to pledge money to support the university. Their president and Russellville sophomore Judith Schiess also won first place in the individual competition.

RHA was made up of different residence hall directors, resident assistants, and hall council members. They organized activities for their individual halls as well as campus-wide events.

Events included Parent's Weekend, Crime Prevention Week, and Drug and Alcohol Awareness week.

The Spirit Masters flashed warm smiles to make newcomers feel at home. They were also in charge of organizing the annual phonathon, and greeting the university president's guests at sports events.

The 22-member group got a chance to meet with Spirit Master alumni during homecoming activities in the full and shared their common bonds.

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The women of the Panhellenic Association selected a new sorority for Western this year. They felt there was need for Alpha Gamma Delta, since some of the present sororities were so large in number.

The Southeastern Panhellenic Conference was held in Tallahassee, Fla. Their main event for the campus was their spring picnic on South Lawn which was filled with games and food. They also sponsored a high school leadership conference and a Greek academic banquet.

"Many people are finally realizing that this organization is for them," said president and Prospect junior Mindy McCardle.

Student Alumni had 45 very busy members. One of their main projects was the Senior Seminar entitled "Life After the Hill."

There were sessions on financial planning, buying and leasing a car, women in business, continuing education, finding a job. Featured at the seminar was Judy Owsley, recruiter of Career Planning and Placement, business professionals, and food members.

A reception was held in President Thomas McDaniel's office with student leaders and administrators.

Student Alumni also sponsored an Ozone Tournament (mud volleyball on the lawn near Pearce-Ford Tower) at the Last Bash Send-Off Inter on the Dining Center.

The student organization was an extension of the Western's Alumni affairs group. They wish to perform helping the seniors and graduates as well as everyone else.

They also raised funds for the phenomenal amount of time spent together outside of campus activity.

International Student Organization (ISO) flocked to the old first floor to continue tradition. "Not much had changed and that was the way students seemed to like it," John Terement, an Arlington, Va. sophomore, said.

Their fund-raisers included the international dinner, a picnic, and Mardi Gras sales.

The most successful project was the international dinner," Terement, ISO vice president, said.

ISO's main event was International Day, held October 10 in the student center. They displayed items from their home country.

The group provided special entertainment for visiting high school students and the WKU student body. A plaque was given to the best sorority group.

The farewell to the senior party was given in April.

Notian provides a place for all students to dance the night away. Pat Hobbins, Tim劍er, junior T.K. Brown, Chrissie Kipperman, Celeste Jones and Elaine Heilbrun and Tony Crosby dance to the music Black Waves.

Elizabeth Courtesy

The purpose of the University Center Board (UCB) was to "provide leisure activities and programming for the student body," Bonnie Beach, director of promotions, said.

With approximately 100 members, the student organization sponsored close to 60 programs during the year—more than any year before.

Among the programs were "the tailgate series" of football games, which was eliminated this year.

UCB also sponsored various bands, lecturers and comedians. Because part of students' fees go to fund the UCB budget, Beach encouraged feedback and participation by students.

Story by Tamiko Black
Forward march

Dracula stepped out at Smith Stadium this year when Western's marching band appeared in costume to celebrate "The Night of Living Red" theme at Homecoming.

"I think we caught the fans' attention better this year than we usually do," Edwina Goldsmith, a Cinthal senior, said. "It was difficult to march, depending on what kind of costume you were wearing, but I think the increased crowd reaction was worth it."

Out on the field, the Reptile, Marching Band turns up for Homecoming: Big Red and the cheerleaders run by with the Western Flag.

Later in the year, the marching band played "Hail to the Chief" when President Reagan visited Diddle Arena.

"It was neat. I mean, we were stuck behind the stage, treated like a band, but it was still interesting," Mandy Pickett, a Greensburg junior, said.

"We had six people come at different times from the president's staff to hear us play the song and make sure it met their specifications," Pickett said. 'We also had to leave our instruments in Diddle overnight so that the security people could check them out."

The marching band also went to the University of Louisville to support the football team at the open game. Over 80 bands came to Western for the State High School Marching Band Festival at Smith Stadium.

"It was pretty insane trying to keep it all together, but it went very well in the long run," music assistant professor Joe Stiles said.

Western's chamber band, which was selected through auditions, traveled to EPCOT center in the spring, giving two concerts in Georgia on the way.

"EPCOT was really nice," Pickett said. "We didn't think many people would step to see a band in the middle of an amusement park, but we had a really good turnout. I think some people were there from Kentucky and saw our name on the sign and came to show their support."

"The Florida trip would have to be the best thing that happened this year," Goldsmith said.

In addition to fun in the sun, the chamber band performed in Van Meter Auditorium on April 20. The concert featured a modern ensemble piece entitled "The Death Three" by David R. Halsinger. Through dissonant chords, chanting, hammering, and an eerie vocal solo by Tony Conyer, the crucifixion was remananted through music.

Also featured on the program was the Finale from Dvorak's "New World Symphony," "Napole" by Herman Balistreri which featured Bowling Green sophomore Christopher Hale as an euphonium soloist, "Variations on a theme of Robert Schumann" by Robert Jager, and "Four Scottish Dances" by Malcolm Arnold.

A second (concert) band was also added this year for anyone who wished to participate.

"Since we try to involve as many students as possible, we are one of the most active groups on campus, but not many people realize that," Pickett said.

Goldsmith said, "I have gotten to do a lot of traveling I wouldn't have been able to otherwise. It's a great place to make friends, especially if you're not a geek."

Story by David Taylor

Searching through tabs about music, Jeff Carlsick, a Wayfield freshman, gets ready to blow. Carlsick plays on the Fine Arts Center.
Honorables mention

College honor societies recognized and rewarded achievement, but they also provided opportunities for students with similar interests and goals to become better acquainted with one another.

Pi Mu Epsilon, an honor society for math majors, sponsored speakers from various fields in mathematics to help familiarize them with job opportunities they might not know about otherwise. According to faculty adviser Dr. Barry Brunson, the organization’s main goal was to honor and promote scholarship in mathematics, but there were many social functions for the 50 members as well.

New members were initiated at the spring banquet each year. Brunson said the members this year were "very capable and rewarding." Members of Psi Chi, another psychology honorary society, were always enthusiastic, according to Dr. John O’Connor who serves as the group’s faculty adviser.

Hanging Green senior and vice president Sue Lindsey said, "While there is a bit of interest on the part of members, Psi Chi is not really well-publicized. One of the organization’s goals this year was to increase membership by increasing publicly and faculty support."

To this end, the group planned to host a tea and reception for the faculty of the psychology department. In addition, members met once a month and heard guest speakers discuss topics of interest such as hypnosis, dreams, and applying to graduate schools.

Phi Alpha Theta, an honorary society for history majors, also held monthly meetings featuring guest speakers. Members socialized with one another after the meetings and at other functions such as the Christmas party and spring banquet.

While these activities served as social functions and offered students a chance to become better acquainted, the group was basically oriented toward academics. President Lee Button said, "We are a small organization because we believe high academic standards to be a primary purpose of the group. The local chapter also strives to help students understand English as a profession and to inform members of career opportunities for English majors."

Dr. Jim Baker, who was in charge of the program, said, "The scholarship program is an excellent opportunity for students because of the smaller classes, amount of class discussion, and interaction with faculty members."
Baker said, "It usually drops to 15 by their sophomore year."

Because the program was in its early stages, changes occurred each year. This year, work was done to organize a senior seminar and thesis program for next year.

When the first students of the program graduate in 1990, Baker hoped to arrange some special recognition for them at the graduation ceremony.

Omicron Delta Kappa recognized students for outstanding leadership in a number of areas. According to Naheed Shafi, president of the organization, this proved to be both a blessing and a problem. The members were talented leaders from a variety of backgrounds, majors, and involvements, but because they were leaders, they were very active in other groups.

This year, however, members found time to attend the Omicron Delta Kappa regional conference in Nashville, sponsor a major activity each semester, and raise approximately $300.

During the fall semester, a former member spoke to the group about leadership and what role it plays after college. A "formal faculty member dinner" was planned for spring.

To raise money this year, members sent letters to former members asking for donations. With the money they received, Omicron Delta Kappa placed an advertisement in the Herald to recognize new members and bought a banner to use at official functions.

Other goals included buying honor cords and medallions to be worn at graduation.

The Chester Davis Chapter of Epsilon Pi Epsilon was the only Kentucky chapter of the national honorary society for computer science majors, according to faculty adviser Sylvia Pulliam.

The organization, which promoted and recognized high scholastic achievements in computer science, included both undergraduate and graduate students.

The group was still small because it was only in its third year. New members were initiated at a banquet in the spring.

PiEta Sigma, the national freshman honor society, required members to have a 3.5 GPA their freshman year.

Students were initiated in the fall of their sophomore year and became members for life.

Pi Sigma Alpha, the national honorary society for government students, recognized those students who excelled academically in government majors.

The members were required to have at least a 3.0 GPA in their government classes.

Alpha Kappa Delta, an honorary society for sociology majors, promoted scholastic achievement in the field of sociology.

Sigma Pi Sigma, an academic society for physics majors, honored students who established a 3.3 GPA in the major and 3.6 overall.

Dr. Marvin Russell said the new members were approved by their peers.

Russell said, "This society overlaps with the Society of Physics Students which provided a great variety for the students."

Story by Amy Underwood
Planting seeds for tomorrow

Along with a field of study, students often also picked an organization to complement their major. The agriculture department had many organizations for students to join. The Dairy Science Club, which had 15 members, sponsored the dairy judging contest for the 1988-89 school year. Also throughout the year, the club had several fund-raisers. "We worked at the Western Kentucky Agriculture Exposition Center in the concession stand during events and had a consignment sale," Mark Barrow, an Auburn junior, said.

One of their main goals this year was to make enough money to take a trip to Canada in the summer. As with most organizations, membership was down. "We could get a lot done with the few members that we had," Barrow said. The group hosted the Illinois State Dairy Club and traveled to Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and California for competition. The Intercollegiate Horseman's Association participated in many competitions throughout the year. Their major goal for the year was to make nationals. "We sent a team to nationals and ranked second in the county," Sarah Hall, a Green junior, said.

Desiree Wilson, Irvington sophomore, competed on the individual level. The team got together with a Christmas party and a banquet at the end of the year to celebrate. The Equestrian Team started the year with five members and expanded to around 30 people. In order for students to be members, they had to take a basic or intermediate equestrian class and have a recommendation. The team practiced at the Western Kentucky Expo Center at least one day a week or twice a week, depending on the team's needs.

The team went to the Western Kentucky Expo Center at least once and traveled to California for competition. Spring comes in EST, thanks to the Horticulture Club and member Roger Dennis. The group was making final arrangements for the annual horticultural show.

When preparing for regional competition, the group worked at the center in the concession stands to raise money for trips. Other sources of money were the Intercollegiate Horsemen's Association and the members' personal funds. The Agriculture Education Club had 15-20 members during the year. Along with a get-together for student members, the group had a Christmas party. For money, the organization worked in the concession stand at the Ag Expo Center. "Organization and cohesion" was the main reason behind the success of the group, adviser Dr. David Coffey said. However, "a lack of people showing up for meetings" was a weakness.

Story by Marshall Burton

Organizations
Engineering high tech goals

"There are no membership benefits because we want it to be open," Cunningham said. "We have a lot of people who help me and they've done a great job. We just need more underclassmen." Whalen also felt the support of the other officers.

"The other officers do as much as I do," he said. "It's a joint effort.

The Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) had monthly meetings, according to Cecil Vanarsdale, a Greensburg senior.

"It's a lifetime thing," Vanarsdale said. "IEEE is a starting point for engineers to stay in touch.

"We want to keep all engineering technologies up to date," he said.

"We had about 30 members," he said. "That was almost double last year's membership. It has made us stronger.

American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) president Mike Whalen said his group had a fall picnic.

"We met to Dr. (Bob) Beard's last fall," Whalen, a jarsburg junior, said. "He has a trailer on the lake so we had a cookout and went waterskiing.

ASME was compiling a test library for engineering students.

"We want to set up a file for incoming engineering students," Whalen said. "We also plan to have study hours in the library.

Whalen said departmental support was valuable to ASME.

The first semester, we had all new officers," Whalen said. "We were taking over for past officers.

"As far as professors go, however, we have a lot of help."
When new students walked on campus, many felt lost in a mass of unfamiliar faces. They felt they had no identities in a crowd of almost 14,000. They needed a new sense of direction.

For a few, the solution was easy. Greek life offered many opportunities for developing new identities. Personal growth was possible through service organizations and new friends.

Service opportunities came in many forms to serve the needs of the less fortunate.

Greeks kept required GPAs through study hours but still left time for their social lives.

Parties and athletic activities were chances to meet other greeks. Friendships developed, with the most significant being the closeness of brotherhood and sisterhood.

That was what it meant to be a Western greek.
Fund-raising... 
greek style

Fund-raising activities of Kappa Delta, Delta Tau Delta and Alpha Gamma Rho were only one of the many ways that these organizations proved to be successful. Each group raised money for their respective philanthropies and for local organizations. In addition to public service, the KDs, Dels and AGRs worked on personal goals.

"We've worked hard and accomplished the goals that we set at the beginning of the year. And I think we've definitely improved," Kelly Scott, president of Kappa Delta and a Morganfield senior, said.

Grades were an area of concentration that the KDs took a more serious approach to this year. Although they had been working on improving their grades for several years, they set their sights high and began focusing on a number one. When it came to fund-raising, the KDs successfully sponsored two major events. The KD Shemantani raised $800 more than last year's goal of $2,000.

The Shamrock Project, a fund-raiser for their philanthropy, the National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse, was expanded to raise more money and public awareness for their philanthropy. The KDs had always been a strength for the KD member fraternity.

The Delta also strives to strengthen their community service, Loffit said.

The Delta participated in the fall Big Brother/Sister Bowl-a-thon. A new project was a dance held in December with the funds going to UNICEF.

In the spring, the Delta raised money for the Bowling Green Student Club by hosting a talent tournament.

The members also helped out with blood drives for their philanthropy, Red Cross, and walked and downtown for the Bowling Green Humane Society.

...on a more personal level. The fraternity donated $550 for the American Cancer Society. The fraternity donated more than 200 service hours to the Adopt-a-Park program and worked at the Leonard D. Brown Agriculture Exposition Center.

The fraternity also continued to establish higher goals.

"We could donate more to the philanthropy," Miller said. "There's also room for improvement in our rush program. We're getting more and more ideas from chapters across the nation." 801

Story by Rebecca Fuller, Carla Howard and Sonja Paye Wilson
Battle of the Greeks

History repeated itself during the 3rd annual Greek Week for the spring semester. Alpha Gamma Rho and Ragna Delta walked away with top Greek Week honors as they have for the past four years.

The events began on Monday, April 17 with the Bannner Contest. Various multi-colored banners, ranging in size from the railing of its second floor decorated the University Center. Each banner exhibited the theme "Greek Week 89: Wild, Wild Western, One Hill at a Time."

The Alpha Gamma Rho and the Ragna Delta banners won this first of the many competitions that would go on during the week.

That night the Greeks came out to sing and to dance and, for some, to sacrifice their pride.

Steve Decker, a Louisville sophomore and a Delta Tau Delta performer, dressed like a woman for his fraternity’s act in Spring Sing 89.

Backstage, several assistants helped Decker adjust his bra and evening gown. Before going on stage, he said the only thought running through his mind was "sudden.*

While his fraternity sang hits from "Hello, Dolly," Decker played the part of Carol Channing in the musical. The Deltas also showcased excerpts from the Broadway performances of "South Pacific" and "West Side Story."

The Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity stole first place in overall performances, first place in costumes, first place in props and first place with the pellet gun.
Greek cont.

On a tricycle, Mailhead, Phi sigmaalpha Mark Antonaci won his way around the gym. The tricycle race was part of the obstacle course during Greek Week.

Pouting hard for her novelty, Styrofoam dummy, a junior from Dallas, Texas, below the Sigma Kappas into the tag-a-tar event. The tricycle event was held at the WKU agricultural farm.

Van Meter Auditorium's capacity crowd gave a standing ovation for the Lambda Chi's performance of railroad tales including 'Chattanooga Choo Choo' and 'Shuffle Off to Buffalo.' Their act was choreographed by Rich Coke, a Lambda Chi senior from Bowling Green, who said it was difficult to get the audience together. "This is my last year here and to teach a song and dance to a group of 20 is a real challenge," Coke also said that he and his fraternity had been practicing the act for about five weeks with some 6 a.m. practices.

In the sorority division, the Sigma Kappas came away as Spring Sing winners. They also did their collection of railroad tunes.

The next event was the Blood Drive on Tuesday and Wednesday. Both days lines formed at Garrett Conference Center Ballroom and West Hall where Red Cross workers collected the blood.

After the event was over, 750 pints of blood had been donated to the Red Cross.

Thursday's Faculty Tea allowed Greeks and faculty to get together and talk.

According to Curtis Barma, a Scottsville senior and Greek Week co-chairman, the week's most popular event occurred on Friday—the tug-of-war.

In the event, seven sororities and eight fraternities pulled 160 feet of rope over a slimy pit of water. More than 1,000 people crowded together in 80 degree weather to watch two teams do battle.

The AGKs won this event for the fourth consecutive time. According to their coach, Mark Shoulders, a Logan County senior, the team had no special strategy for winning the event.

"We just got out there and pulled," Shoulders said. "I think that we were just determined." All during the day, the AGK team was kept away from the crowd so that they wouldn't be distracted by the crowd of people and they could keep their concentration," Shoulders said.

The next morning, the Greeks got up early to kick off an activity-filled Saturday.

They started with an obstacle course which Lambda Chi Alpha member Spencer Wilson participated in Spring Sing, standing out in his 60's style bland suit. His performance will be talked about as 'The Bald Track.'

The course had Greeks running a three-legged race, riding tricycles, and digging their faces into whipped cream pies for pieces of bubble gum. The competition's objective—to chase the bubble gum and blow a bubble gave the race a problem. The bubble gum wouldn't blow bubbles.

After cleaning up and naming the Sigma Chi and Alpha Xi Dallas winners, the crowd moved on to the next event.

Throwing pennies into a bucket was the next activity that had Greeks cheering. Two members from each fraternity and sorority threw pennies into buckets about 10 feet away from them. After the last coin was thrown, the AGKs and the Alpha Delta Ps had the most pennies in the containers.

The next event, the bed race, was Saturday's most popular and most interesting competition.

"We started on it building the bed yesterday and finished it early this morning," Kristen Boston, a Versailles sophomore and Chi Omega member, said.

Boston was placed in charge of building her sorority's bed, which was white with four vine-covered columns rising from each corner.

Only one accident, disrupted the race's course.

The Kappa Delta bed fell apart in the middle of the track after crashing into the Alpha Delta Pi bed.

After the collision, the Kappa Delta big brothers rushed over to pick up the pieces of the ill-fated bed. They then made another bed from the pieces to put into the next race.

The KDK's reconstructed bed wasn't able to win against the Alpha Omicron Pi bed that placed first in the competition.

The Pi Kappa Alpha bed placed first in the fraternity division.

Sunday's awards ceremony brought the week to a close.

For their constant cheering during the week's events, Pi Kappa Alpha and Kappa Delta won spirit awards.

Winners of the week's events were announced at the ceremony as were various Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council awards.

Scott Taylor, student activities director, summed up what he felt was the purpose of Greek Week.

"It is a time for the Greek system to get out and have some fun, and get to know each other a little better."
Cashing in on the alphabet

Every college student had been found guilty of complaining about his or her schedule, too many tests coming up, too many papers due and too many parties to go to. Admit it. It was a tough life, right?

According to Robin Geoghegan, a Bowling Green senior, college life was one to relish.

"Stay in college," Geoghegan advised laughingly, "because once you get out, it's really hard."

Even though Geoghegan did not have the pressure of student teaching and of being part owner of the specialty store called It's Greek for Me, located at 1100 E. Byram.

Geoghegan said she got the idea after noticing that other universities offered considerably more specialty items for their Greek customers than Western.

The book store didn't have a lot of stuff," Geoghegan said. "I thought that it was about time that we had something like this because we have enough Greeks here."

"I thought it was a good idea," Geoghegan's mother, Ann Geoghegan, said. "She had talked about it for several years; and when we brought it up this summer, I told her to either do it or stop talking about it."

The store opened in August 1987, directly following Western's fall Greek rush, Geoghegan's mother said.

Because her father owned his own business, Geoghegan Roofing and Supply, Inc., financing for the Greek specialty store was no problem.

Finding the Items that It's Greek for Me offered was a problem. "We got to hunting to find out where we could get things," Geoghegan said. "The results was a list of supply stores located nation wide."

They're everywhere-New York, Indiana, Alabama. Some of our supplies come from Sunny Days, Rah Rah and Imprinted Products.

"It's Greek for Me was any Greek's dream store, offering such items as sweatshirts, key chains, pillow cases and even underwear-all displaying Greek letters."

Since It's Greek for Me was a relatively new business, Geoghegan explained that the store had no employees on a regular payroll. Geoghegan and her mother shared a partnership in the business as well as in its management.

"My mother owns half and I own half. My mother and I work there," she said.

During the summer, Geoghegan spent about 40 hours a week working at her store. As a student teacher, however, she found it hard to fill her void at the store.

"My brother Chris and his good friend Ben Sandlin help us out. But we don't hire anyone," Geoghegan said.

"It's funny how people say, 'Oh, I bet you make a lot of money,' but, we don't get paid. It's all put back into the store."

She and her mother had thought of expanding It's Greek for Me into a chain of stores. However, due to Geoghegan's student teaching, their plans had been postponed.

"I had to go to a faculty meeting yesterday afternoon. Also, I had a PTA (Parent Teacher Association) meeting to go to."

Getting teacher certification was very stressful, according to Geoghegan.

"To be certified, you have to teach one year and be observed a year before you are certified. My parents want me to be certified and teach because that's what I want to do for a living."

Geoghegan was an Alpha Delta Pi alumna who was employed at a Sigma Chi alumnus, Chris Azegli from Hendersonville, Tenn.

Geoghegan stated that she would someday like to open another Greek specialty store for one of Nashville's colleges, such as Vanderbilt University.

She added that, "We're going to cross that bridge when we get there."

"Teaching is so exciting. Something happens every day," she said.

"Whereas at the store, it's the same every day. I have some options."

Story by Sonya Wilson
Photos by Andy Lyons
The night of "The Big Dance of the Year," and two lonely sorority sisters were home without dates, with only Hee Haw on television. Suddenly, they are trapped in Hee Haw.

This performance by the Alpha Xi Deltas was one of the many at the Kappa Delta Shenanigans on Oct. 13.

Shenanigans was a variety show made up of skits put together by the Greek organizations on campus.

"I think it's great everyone participates because it goes to our philanthropy," Peggy Haffer, a Kappa Delta and Bowling Green sophomore, said.

This year, the theme was "WKU Primitve" with shows such as Gilligan's Island, the Brady Bunch, and Late Night with David Letterman. Also, the Church Lady from Saturday Night Live and Elvis Presley were lampooned on the stage of Van Meter Auditorium by the Greeks.

Marie Keninger, the KD housemother, was in the front row and had been coming to Shenanigans, formerly Washboard for 13 years.

"I'm always excited with the girls here," Keninger said. "They're all wonderful girls."

She said the Kappa Delta pledges, who entertained the crowd during halftime, worked hard on their skit and sometimes practiced late at night.

"I wondered when they had time to do their homework," Keninger said.

As Alpha Xi Delta was waiting to go on, they practiced lines, hugged each other and talked nervously among themselves.

"Yes, I'm very nervous. I don't even have any lines," Robin Kinman, an AZD member, said.

But the Independence freshman, who played Lucie Lucas, had a plan for controlling her nerves.

"I'm going to take very deep breaths, keep my head high... and not look at the audience," Kinman said.

AZD sang, danced, and mimicked Hee Haw. They even had a dancing pig. The enthusiasm the girls felt was projected by their performance.

Minda McCandless, a Prospect junior, said she watched one woman in the audience the whole time and she smiled at me so that made me feel less nervous.

Kappa Sigma and Alpha Delta Pi walked off as the Church Lady, Fritz Snyder, made fun of the 1948 KD gymnasts, Bill, a Franklin, Talm, compañía, was a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity.

Steve Shoulters said he was hoping they would win.

"I was nervous, but I had a good feeling that we had placed well," Shoulters, a junior from Henderson, said. "I'm just kind of overwhelmed right now," he said.

AZD member and Henderson junior Hope Drury said, "Placing was always a hope in the back of my mind."

"Blah-blah" was the reaction of AZD president, Paige Hudson, a St. Matthews junior.

"We really just wanted to have fun this year," Hudson said. "We didn't think about placing."
With 100,000 national members and with chapters spanning the countries of Canada, West Germany and Liberia, it was ironic that Western's Alpha Kappa Alpha chapter was only 10 members strong.

What was more ironic was that the small sorority was involved in community, national and international affairs more than many Western sororities 10 times its size.

At Howard University on Jan. 15, 1908, Alpha Kappa Alpha was founded to promote high personal and progressive standards, to provide human service and to promote the study of social problems, according to Traci Mullins, AKA president and Louisville senior.

In 1968 Alpha Kappa Alpha was chartered at Western.

"Our motto is 'By Merit, By Culture,'" Toya Richards, vice president of AKA and Louisville senior, said. "Our strongest part is 'By Merit,' the academic base.

"Keeping the required 2.5 grade point average demanded much of the AKA's time, but the sorority still managed to find ample opportunities to concentrate on societal concerns.

"Monthly agendas guided the sorority through its work in AIMS (Activating Interest in Minority Students), the Ethn-o-thon and Louisville's Cluche-a-Child.

They also visited nursing homes, provided Thanksgiving baskets to needy families, spoke in high school students about college and sponsored a DMC information booth on sexually transmitted diseases.

"In 1968 Alpha Kappa Alpha began working under a new international theme, 'Service with a Global Perspective,' effective until 1990.

Under this theme, participation in a rock-shanty tour with CUCAM, a national service organization, and a tour of South Africa, "With chapter..."

Bigger at heart

Western's AKA became involved with the Christian Children's Fund and built a playground in South Africa. AKA member and Louisville senior Julia Mess said,

"We had pamphlets on how the government treats the people, how people live and how much money they make," Mess said.

"In the spirit of the global theme, AKA nationals encouraged every sorority across the nation to adopt a child," Mess explained.

"We gave (money) to Dream Factory and the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People), but we wanted something more personal," Mess said.

So the Alphas need their national's encouragement and adopted 11-year-old Sue Witt Pateo from Thailand.

On a national level, the sorority lent financial support to their philanthropy, the Cleveland Job Corp Center. The center was a program that provided education and job placement for disadvantaged people and that gave the homeless a place to stay.

"It helps you get your GED if you don't have one," Mullins said. "It's basically to help people get their lives in order.

"Any money that we take in, we're required to give back," Mullins said.

With many service organizations and scholarship funds depending on their help, the AKA's had to be innovative in their many fund-raising activities.

Holding raffles and dances at the West Hall cellar and delivering Valentine's Day singing telegram were not enough. The annual Miss Black Western pageant filled the bill.

Surprisingly, Mess believed that her sorority's devotion to service was a minor strength. She considered the Alphas' major strength to stem from their sisterhood. Her sisters agreed.

Richards said, "We are there for each other. It's a base for people who are interested in the same things... and a vehicle for getting in touch with those people.

"I don't think it's the size, it's the closeness of the sisterhood," Mess said. "I don't think you can get any stronger than that.

Story by Sonja Wilson
Helping others help themselves

Lambda Chi president and a Bowling Green senior, Todd Davis, Sigma Chi also collected canned goods and old clothing for the United Way and the Salvation Army.

Working up to 3,000 service hours, members also visited the Boys Club during the Christmas and Easter breaks.

Last year the Lambda Chis followed their national's decision to stop buying alcohol with fraternity funds, president Lee Thomas, a Louisville senior, said.

The fraternity and Sigma Kappa co-sponsored "Double Vision," which was "to educate people about social drinking and drugs and sexually transmitted diseases," Thomas said.

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Sigma Chi president and a Bowling Green senior, Todd Davis, Sigma Chi also collected canned goods and old clothing for the United Way and the Salvation Army.
A legend comes alive
as a fraternity wakes the dead

I don't think that any other fraternity on campus would have the guts to do this.

Amy Ramsey

July Sigma Alpha
Iota's freshman fraternity
was ready to raise
the dead.

The fraternity, celebrating Paddy Murphy week for the first time, had initiation Oct. 13, the funeral procession and the funeral the next night with a party afterwards, which even the "corps" attended.

The legend behind the tradition said Paddy Murphy was an SAE brother who became mixed up with gangsters and died a lonely man.

His ghost was supposed to haunt a chapter until it threw a party to make him feel as if he was loved. Murphy's body, a Paducah, Tenn., fraternity member, was buried in an unmarked grave.

The night was dark and cold when the brothers and little sisters of the fraternity said goodbye to their deceased brother. The news media said the brother was the "corps." The party and the "corps" of Paddy Murphy were alive and well.

"As Paddy Murphy's night came to an end, the former corpse, Steve Bray, a Paducah senior, said "The party was a good time. We really enjoyed ourselves."

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Proud by choice

The 18th annual Miss Black Western Pageant, a tradition of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, carried a strong message in its theme this year—"Black by Nature, Proud by Choice." The singing of the black national anthem, the messages of the speakers, and the performances of the contestants emphasized the theme throughout the pageant. "There are seven proud black women here, and they are not afraid to stand up and have pride in their heritage," Traci Mullins, opening speaker of the pageant and president of Alpha Kappa Alpha, said. The "Black by Nature, Proud by Choice" theme was also reflected in the performances of five of the seven participants. This year's winner was Louisville senior Glenda Harbin, who read original poetry including "Ode to a Theme." This poem was written around the pageant's theme and reflected a strong heritage-conscious pride. "I just wanted to get across the point that whether you're black, white or whatever color, you still have a choice to make something of life," Harbin said. "The message is especially important to me." Trawell said. Stephanie Samuels, a freshman participant from Louisville, said that she thought the pageant was important "to make people more aware of the black presence on Western's campus." Last year's winner, Michelle Bachelet, a junior from Louisville, also felt that the pageant was important for that reason. "Especially on a predominantly white campus—it is important for black students to have a role model and to have some recognition. I feel that Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority gives the opportunity for both in sponsoring the Miss Black Western Pageant," Bachelet said. Mullins, a Louisville junior, said that the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority sponsored the pageant "even though there are a lot of pages of." Other contestants representing the new Miss Black Western, Glenda Harbin, a Louisville winner. The contest was based on talent, poise and beauty. Alpha Kappa Alpha sponsors the new Miss Black Western, Glenda Harbin, a Louisville winner. The contest was based on talent, poise, and beauty. The sorority sent many members preparing for this event.
Goals make greeks unique

Chi Omega, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Alpha Xi Delta shared common goals in the past year. However, their individual approaches to the goals differed.

Though the AEs participated in both fall and spring rushes to build membership, the SAEs placed an emphasis on membership quality. The Chi Oas, on the other hand, focused on developing a "small sisterhood atmosphere." "Involvement," a word familiar to the Chi Omega sorority, was the Chi Omega emphasis in the past year. The Chi Omegas spent time on fund-raising and participating in public service activities and social functions.

At their annual golf tournament, the Chi Oas raised $4,000 for the Cuny White Fund and for the local Boys Club. Their goal also sponsored Halloween, Christ- and Easter parties for the boys.

Antoni Kereakes, president of Chi Omega and a Bowling Green senior, said that the annual "Happy Day" was for all Western students. "We put balloons up all over campus...it's just a chance to remind people they have a nice day," Kereakes said.

Along with the events, such as the Chi Omega National Convention and Parents Day, the Chi Oas still found time to work on grades.

"We really need to learn to say 'no' to all the much involvement," Kereakes said. "We're so active that it makes it harder to concentrate on grades," Kereakes said.

No one will forget the first Paddy Murphy bash at Western. That may be the reason that Sigma Alphas decided to integrate Paddy Murphy into an annual event.

"Next year we plan to make Paddy Murphy a full-week event. It will involve greeks and the community and will depart from the regular format," Gregory Elder, a Chi Omega senior, said.

The SAEs' Haunted House, a fund-raiser for their local philanthropy, Muscular Dystrophy Asso- ciation, helped unify the 60-member chapter.

Even though the SAEs were active, they didn't neglect their grade-point averages. According to Elder, the SAEs raised their average GPA from 2.55 to 2.63 in one semester.

Elder explained that the SAEs enhanced their brotherhood through rush. "We placed more emphasis on quality during rush devotion to the fraternity and how the person will contribute to the chapter."
Greeks gain unity through charity

As college students felt the pressures of personal and external concerns—grades and society, for instance—when students sharing the same concerns unified, these concerns became more easily dealt with.

Four Greek organizations that made unified strides toward improving themselves and their societies were Alpha Omicron Pi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Delta Sigma Theta and Alpha Kappa Alpha. Alpha Omicron Pi concentrated on its scholastic status more this year than in the past, according to Sharon Wade, president of Alpha Omicron Pi. "We really stressed grades during rush. Overall, we were second on campus (academically)," Wade, a Brentwood, Tenn., junior, said.

The AOPIs were continuously involved in fund-raising projects for their national philanthropy, the Arthritis Research Foundation. "We have a Mixer of Wheels once a semester and on Halloween we had Stick Up for Arthritis," Wade explained.

For their philanthropy, AOPI chapters nationwide sponsored a balloon launch, "Up, Up and Away." WKU's AOPIs participated in this event as well as two new fund-raisers: selling M&M's and cleaning the houses of AOPI alumni for $15 per house.

"A lot of our strength comes from leadership. Our leadership council is really involved in campus activities... that's important to set an example for the pledger," Wade said.

The Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity worked on internal improvement and outside interests. When it came to rushing, "We really focused on getting quality guys instead of just quantity," Overseer soror and Sigma Phi Epsilon president Jack Tranthum said.

By implementing better study habits, the Sig Eps earned the second-highest fraternity GPA. The Sig Eps' main fund-raiser, for the American Heart Association, was a haunted house that they sponsored with two area nursing homes. The haunted house raised $2,000.

Participation was a big concern for the Sig Eps. They wanted to get more involved in campus organizations and in other Greek events.

"We're really trying to get a better reputation," Tranthum said.

The 14-member Delta Sigma Theta had a year of variety in their activities and membership. With a membership increase, the Delts had an abundance of new ideas—incorporating their innovations with their founders' goals.

They participated in a fund-raiser for the Judith Price Scholarship Fund and raised $400 for the cause. They also enlightened minorities about the importance of education in AIDS (Activating Interest of Minority Stu-

ents).

"We are concerned about Western and whether or not it is providing us with functional and educational skills to operate in the real world," Monica Pettigrew, Delta Sigma Theta president and an Indianapolis, Ind., senior, stated.

Pettigrew felt that, "...the Delts are dedicated to meeting the social, political and educational concerns of all people regardless of color and our main concern is unity... by using the benefits of Western as a channel to a uni-

fied base."

Out of Alpha Kappa Alpha's 14 civic and fund-raising activities planned for the fall, only one was not completed.

That would be an outstanding achievement for any organization but for a sorority of only 10 members, it was phenomenal.

"We did a lot of projects," Alpha Kappa Alpha president and Louisville senior Traci Mullins said.

"We had a clothing drive, a booth on sexually transmitted diseases and participated in Chelsea—Child in Louisville.

Surprisingly, Mullins believed that the AKAs' small size was not a disadvantage to them. "I don't consider that a weakness. We all work hard and we're well-known on campus."
In a rush

Since the nineteenth century, fraternities and sororities have been striving for the betterment and unity of man and womankind in a world of unending social change. Through the decades, national and international conflicts rocked society, but the beliefs of the Greeks' founders remained the same.

And the tradition continued—beginning with rush. However, when organizations were within a society, they could not always remain immune to that society's concerns. Out of Western's three types of rush, two maintained their common procedures. One did not.

The rushes were given bid cards on which they "put their first, second and third choices," Dibert said. Sororities hand in lists of the girls they want. An alumna from each sorority, Scott Taylor, student activities and organizations director, and a Panhellenic adviser select the cards.

"For each girl's choice, there is a highest ranking of the girl's choice to the sorority's list choice. (For example), if Alpha Delta Pi's first choice is Kappa Delta if she's on the Kappa Delta bid list then she's a match and she's a R.O. It works out to the benefit of both the sororities and the rusher," Dibert said.

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There are no rules by the university specifically regarding alcohol. There are rules—state and federal rules.

"Basically, the IFC has a two-week period when fraternities aren’t allowed to have alcohol regardless of the age of the members. Most of the other IFC’s have a one-week period," Taylor said.

Since the first week of dry rush was IFC-regulated, alcohol violations were not a major concern. The second week, however, posed more of a problem.

"Starting this semester, no alcohol will be bought with fraternity money. I recommend that everyone do that," Taylor said.

Other fraternities had invitation-only wet rush parties. Others were at the door and used stamp systems similar to that of bars.

The rapid change from a total wet rush to a combination dry/wet rush caused mixed reactions.

"I hate dry rush," Delta Tau Delta member and Sidemoor, Penn. senior Chris Daniels said. "It’s hard to come up with party themes.

LaGrange sophomore Kenneth Detwiler said, "I like dry rush. If you get people in during dry rush, it’s because they’re interested in the fraternity and not just drinking beer.

More often than not, fraternities viewed dry rush as a more effective method of reaching out to prospective rushers.

"I think fraternities have become more conscious locally and nationally of the problems in using alcohol as a rush tool," James Daer, Russellville junior and Kappa Alpha Psi president, said. "It’s never been a controversy."

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In February, the United Black Greeks held a unified party in Garrett Conference Ballroom, where speakers explained their respective purposes and ambitions to a crowd of prospective rushers.

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"About 300 people turned out," Spencer said. "It was the first time that we (the black sororities and fraternities) had a big rush party to gather.

"Usually, we have an average of 200 people per smoker per semester. This year was really good. Enrollment came up," he added.

After the speeches, a dance was held along with a sign-up session. Rushes designated which fraternity or sorority they were interested in plastering.

Fraternities and sororities later interviewed (screened) the rushers whose signatures were on their lists.

Spencer said that Kappa Alpha Psi only considered "second semester freshmen with a 2.3 GPA." Realistically, the majority of fraternities and sororities had a smoker (rush party-type meeting) each semester while the sororities sponsored rush.

"We look into their content of character, their goals in life and how they are progressing in school and academics," he said.

If a rusher passed his screening, he was considered on line.

"The pledge line lasts four to six weeks," Spencer explained.

During that time, the pledges learned about the history of the fraternity and about brotherhood. He pledges "cross over as brothers," if they pass their written tests, Spencer said.

In reference to the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Spencer said that, "They have a smoker and pledge line of the same format."

According to Alpha Kappa Alpha member and Louisville senior Julia Detwiler, the 1988-89 rush was tough.

"We have 16 people interested. We haven’t had a line of more than five in five years. We haven’t gone through screening and the grade process yet. At least 10 will cross over," Moss said.

A Madisonville senior and Delta Sigma Theta member Pam Kirkwood believed one night of black greek rush was sufficient.

"Blacks are a small percentage at Western. A full week of rush wouldn’t go over well," Kirkwood said.

Spencer said, "Our personal communication with independents is good."

Even though their rush was short compared to the others, the black greeks believed it was a success.

Story by Bonita Wilson.
New sensations

Last year was a year of "firsts" for Alpha Delta Pi, Phi Mu, Alpha Phi Alpha and Pi Kappa Alpha. While ADPi initiated a new fund-raiser for their national philanthropy, Phi Mu held their first annual "Fall Fling." The Pikes, taxed heavily with finances, managed to secure first place with their Homecoming float; the Alphas represented the black Greek society with their involvement in the Intrafraternity Council.

"I don't think we've ever had more than 100 members before, and with the pledge class being almost the size of the actives, it makes it difficult to get used to," Anita Fleener, president of Alpha Delta Pi and a Bowling Green senior, said.

Nonetheless, the increase didn't deter the sorority from starting new projects. The new fund-raiser for their national philanthropy, the Ronald McDonald House, was a Turkey Trot Marathon. The sorority members got monetary sponsors for the daylong, $1,000-goal event.

With the increase in awareness of drunk driving, the sorority started a "taxi service" program. They provided transportation for people needing and wanting rides from Greek social functions.

Grades, however, were the main emphasis.

"We can go without winning in sports events, but not without good grades," Fleener said.

The Phi Mu sorority, with 40 members, concentrated mostly on internal unity and organization.

This year we took it easy to take care of ourselves... and it helped improve our morale," Becky Funk, Phi Mu president and a Pt. Knox senior, said.

With better organization and internal unity, Funk believed, "We've improved 110 percent. Everyone does their fair share and we've pulled together to work as a team."

The Phi Mu's team effort raised $460 for the national philanthropy, St. Christopher's Miracle Network, by having activity calendars. An activity was set for each day, and every member had to participate or donate a certain amount of money, Funk said.

I think we've had a very successful year. It's not about how much money your dad has or what kind of car you drive. It's a matter of quality people," Funk said.

At the beginning of the year, the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity was faced with a heavy challenge: paying off its national debt. Instead of treating their debt as an unfortunate circumstance, the Pikes set their debt as a goal to overcome.

"We were told to pay off the bill before Dec. 1," Pi Kappa Alpha president and LaGrange junior Kenneth Detwiler explained. "We paid it off by Nov. 1.

From concentrating on paying their debt, the Pikes still had a successful fall semester.

Our pledges won Pledge Olympics and the spirit stick during Pledge Olympics," Detwiler said.

According to Detwiler, the spring semester brought a change in the Pikes' fraternal attitude.

"Since we paid off the debt, the (fraternity's) attitude has been up and people are becoming more involved," Detwiler said.

With only 15 members, Alpha Phi Alpha managed to overcome its small size to accomplish some large feats.

The Alpha Phi Alphas did several fund-raisers for the school year, including working for the Salvation Army and the Calvin Community Center. More importantly, the Alphas increased their participation with the Interfraternity Council (IFC).

"It's the first time that we've been involved in IFC since 1984," Nat Farmer, president of Alpha Phi Alpha and a Vine Grove senior, said.

"Previously, the black sororities and fraternities didn't participate. We've come a long way."

Story by Carla Howard and Sonja Payne Wilson

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FIRST ROW: Becca Morse, Tanya Davis, Carl H. Brown, Jr., Glenn Torrance, John M. Cullison, Jr. SECOND ROW: Michelle Gibson, David M. Byelsky, Kevin E. Alexander, Michael E. Baker, David Robinson, Nathaniel W. Farmer

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FIRST ROW: Lisa E. Davidson, Leslie Smith, Dawn Malinausky, Bill Kick, Kristin Hill, Jonathan Dray, Laura How 3rd ROW: Kelly Ranzini, Cheryl rooftop, Angie Elman, Michael McGowen, Amy Houngpapha, Kathy Cunningham

In the falling rain, Madisonville junior Amy Morrison and Carrie Tyler braced for shelter under a jacket during the Sigma Nu Follies tailgate. Pics surprised her Sigma Nu Follies sisters was 132.

ALPHA DELTA PI


PHI MU

FIRST ROW: Kelly Ridley, Laura Schuck, Melanie Mitchell, Grace Mccreary, Katelyn Farrell, Mary Zajko, Rhonda Faulkner, Ashley Luidl, Sarah Edwards, Amy Bilbrey. SECOND ROW: Mary Perry, Michelle Chamberlain, Daren Byers, Holly Sweeney, Althea Boyd, Sara Holland, Aide Pfeiffer, April Reid, Mary Fletcher, And Nealy, Lauren Diburk

PI KAPPA ALPHA

A changing tradition

Following in the tradition of the Kentucky Derby, the Sigma Chi Derby became an annual event at Western. Though Kentucky's exciting sports and social events seemed almost impenetrable to change, Western's Greek Derby did not.

The Sigma Chi fraternity's major fundraiser for their national philanthropy, the Choo Wallace Center, was the Sigma Chi Derby.

Dating back to 1930, the derby raised money for charity, promoted unity and goodwill among Greeks and increased public awareness of the Greek system.

While these goals remained static, this year's derby did not.

Due to the Panhellenic Association's belief that it was too difficult and time-consuming to devote an entire week to a single event, it ruled that fundraising events be limited to three days. This included the Sigma Chi Derby.

Jennifer Sgro, a Louisville sophomore and Kappa Alpha's Derby Darling candidate, said, "Last year it was terrible...the week-long derby had gotten too competitive and things got out of hand. It put a lot of pressure on the sororities."

Sgro admitted, however, that this year's shortened derby "definitely harmed the spirit."

The Panhellenic's decision also hampered the derby's organization. Nashville, Tenn., freshman and Sigma Chi Epsilon Derby Darling candidate, Tracy Cross, said that it would have been "nicer to meet once before (the pageant) so we could practice."

The Sigma Chi Derby chairman David Freeman, a Goodlettsville, Tenn., junior, said, "It took a lot more planning to try to fit all the events into three days. We hope things will go smoother next year."

Even with its setbacks, the derby was successful. The Sigma Chi Derby raised over $3,000 and involved 14 other Greek organizations in events and fund raisers.

The most popular event was the kick-off with the Derby Darlin' Pageant.

Fourteen girls, sponsored by fraternities and sororities, modeled casual dresses, swimsuits, and evening gowns.

In front of a standing, sold-out crowd in Van Meter Auditorium, each contestant held hopes of winning the title of Queen of the Derby.

Ann Ziertman, a Newburgh, Ind., freshman and Delta Tau Delta candidate, was crowned Derby Darlin'.

"It was a thrill to be nominated by the Deltas and win. But the most exciting thing about the pageant is all of the support I received and seeing all of the Greeks together," Ziertman said.

In the past, the annual Coaches Ransom helped round out the week-long derby. A Western basketball coach was kidnapped by the Sigma Chis. The fraternity and participating sororities raised money for the ransom.

Though no coach was taken this year, ransom money was still collected on the second day of the derby to be donated to the Sigma Chi's philanthropy.

The big derby winners were Alpha Omicron Pi in Events and Chi Omega in the Spirit Contest. Alpha Delta Pi won the Coaches Ransom Award and the Spirit Award.
Brotherhoods of service

The Kappa Alphas suffered a large loss in brotherhood due to December graduates, their wins significantly surpassed their losses.

"At the beginning of the year, we have a goal-planning retreat," Scott Willett, Kappa Sigma president and Henderson senior, said. The Kappa Sigma system obviously worked.

This past fall semester we won the second KD Shemenigans in a row, and we won the fourth Pike's Peak Week in a row," Willett said.

Many of the Kappa Sigs donated their service hours from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. for the Bowling Green 10K Run.

The fraternity also held an annual spring fund-raiser for diabetes. For the first time, the Kappa Sigs collected canned goods before Christmas for Hotel, an independent Christian relief organization.

Besides their other philanthropic activities, they were "considering picking it (Hotel) up for a full-time philanthropy, It's Bowling Green oriented," Willett said.

The Sigma Nu's goal for the year were to get back to philanthropy, have a good fall rush, get high grades and do well athletically," treasurer Richard Bondurant, a Lincoln junior, said.

The fraternity's philanthropies were the local Big Brothers/Bigs Sisters program and the United Way.

The Sigma Nu raised the annual Powder Puff Football Tournament, donating some of the mony to the College Heights Foundation Scholarship.

For the first time in three years, the Fraternity competed in KD Shemenigans and captured second place.

To top off the year, the Sigma Nu also put on an Easter Egg Hunt for Western's Headstart program, a day-care for less fortunate children.

"We've put in twice as many service hours as in previous years," Bondurant said.

As one of the smallest fraternities on campus with 25 members, Phi Delta Theta looked to get on good terms with the university, president Charlie Price, a graduate student from Clay, said.

"We're much more up-to-date and more involved," Price said. The chapter worked about 250 service hours.

For the first time, the Phi Deltas held "Beacon for RNA" raising $600 for the Bowling Green chapter of the American Heart Association.

By throwing a party at the Bowling Green Jucycee Pavilion, they raised $8,100 for Casey White, a member of Kappa Sigma who lost the use of his legs and hands in a diving accident in spring 1987.

"The members are proud of their classmates," Price said, "but one of our weaknesses is that member-wise, it hurts."

Kappa Alpha Alpha greeted the spring semester with a 50 winners, 51, considering Matthew England.

We adopted the MDA Muscular Dystrophy Association's poster child, Matthew England," said David Scott, a Louisville senior and the fraternity's president.

"If you can see something, you're more likely to get motivated," Scott said.

The plan was a success. In the fall semester, the KAs raised approximately $1,700 for the MDA, and according to Scott, hoped to have raised $2,000 by the end of the year.

The Kappa Alphas participated in several civic activities including a Labor Day Road Race.

Along with the Alpha Delta Tau, the fraternity also contributed to an intersection, to help "children cross the street," Scott said.

Even though membership was low, Scott called that the fraternity had a stronger brotherhood than they have had in the past.

"Last year there was a lot of apathy. A couple of years ago, there used to be a lot of cliques. That caused apathy. Brotherhood is really good right now," Scott said.

Story by Rebecca Fullen

and Sonja Faye Wilson

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KAPPA ALPNA


KAPPA SIGMA

FIRST ROW: Tim Nichols, Tim Whitley, Kevin Bridges, John Lemberg, Michael Banks, Douglas Mitchell, Michael Martin, SECOND ROW: Derick Stetson, Brian Clevenger, William Grier, Todd Detkles, David C. Galakis, Bobby Byrnes, Steve Shebuhave
Academics

From the time that we entered school, good grades were stressed upon us. Each time report cards came out the first thing parents wanted to know was what kind of grades we had made. The reason was that we had to have good grades to go to college.

As we pursued our academic careers here at Western, grade point averages played a big role for some of us, whereas broadening social horizons was more important to others.

At Western we set out to forge our future, to make the best out of what we learned while here, to form our own image of what we wanted to be.

WKU offered many different fields of majors for us to pick from. Each department strived to give us the best possible education and to turn out the next generation of our nation's leaders.
Classical camaraderie

The applause died and the first strains of Wagner's Prelude to "Die Meistersinger von Nurnberg" were heard as Christopher Norton raised his baton to open the 1988-89 season for the Bowling Green-Western Symphony Orchestra.

The 55-member orchestra performed four concerts a year for audiences at the Capital Arts Center and WKU (Western's public radio station) listeners. Instrumental music students auditioned annually for a place in the orchestra and the chance to be directed by "one of the best," according to Janet Allen, a Central City senior and first-chair flute in the orchestra, had been a member since her freshman year and was also a full commander for the Big Red Marching Band.

"The band is laid-back, good-time entertainment, but the orchestra is a whole different attitude," Allen said. "We have a certain level to maintain. There's a team effort. We all want everybody to do well."

"In my time with the orchestra, I've seen it improve tremendously. It's funny—the music we perform gets more challenging and we do better," Allen said.

The improvement was due to the arrival of Norton. He had studied at the prestigious Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., before coming to Western in the fall of 87.

"The first concert with Norton conducting blew us all away," Amy Willis, a Central City senior, said. Willis had been a part of the French horn section of the orchestra for three years.

"Norton's young—closer to our age—so we relate to him and respect him at the same time. He works well with us and we try to live up to his expectations," Allen said.

Norton was positive about his efforts with the orchestra.

"We've made good progress. We're building visibility and our audience. While I've been here, community support has grown," Norton said. "My job is to make sure once the community is in the hall, I get them to come back. The challenge is to find programming that benefits both the community and the students."

The 1988-89 season for the orchestra included two classical concerts, a children's concert and a pop music feature on Valentine's Day.

"I like the pops and kiddie concerts, but a deep satisfaction comes from the classical concerts," Norton said.

Willis described the Valentine concert, as their biggest audience draw but felt the children's concert was "absolutely magnificent."

"We successfully carried off some tough pieces in the children's concert. I think we contributed a very positive example to the students in this area who are interested in music. That feeling of learning an appreciation of classical music in a rural area is an important challenge for us and them," Willis said.

The orchestra was made up of 31 students, six faculty members and four people from the surrounding community. For concerts, 21

stringed instrument players from Nashville were hired. The orchestra practiced every Thursday.

"The unique diversity in the ensemble is a positive effect. They each can reach people in their own sphere of influence," Norton said.

Allen remembered a time when there were many more faculty players because there were not enough interested students to form an orchestra. Now, faculty members fill in only where there were no students who could play the part.

"There's a relaxed feeling from knowing everybody in the orchestra. That and the intense rehearsals with Mr. Norton creates a camaraderie," Willis said.

Norton added he was particularly proud of the performance levels the students had reached.

"I'm choosing challenging music on purpose. I'm proud of the way the students meet that challenge. After every concert, they're better players," Norton said.

"Sometimes a concert takes such energy, you sit around like a bowl of Jell-O all day after," Willis said. "The satisfaction of performing makes it worthwhile."

With the attention of the orchestra members, Christopher Norton leads the group through a performance at the Capital Arts Center. This was Norton's second year of conducting the orchestra.

Story by Alice Lyon
Photos by Omar Tatum
Take-off on a new course

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Qualls pulled up the nose of the Cessna 172 and the aircraft went shimmering into the sky.

"Here we go," the Ashland senior said.

She exchanged a glance with her instructor, Keith Maynard, acknowledging her shaky take-off. Usually things went smoother, she said, after the flight was over.

"It's going to be bumpy," Maynard said. "We're going to be bouncing around, but there's nothing to worry about.

Qualls tilted the four-seater aircraft earthward, practicing flying in S-shaped patterns. This gave the passengers an unusual view of Mother Earth. The plane's shadow tripped across small cows and smaller rows of soybeans. The unnatural side-pull of gravity was enough to make a person's inner ear go berserk, and his stomach wobble.

Since the 1988 spring semester, Reliable Aviation, at the Bowling Green-Warren County Airport, has had a contract with Western to teach ground school and flying lessons for college credit. Aviation 110, the three-credit-hour private pilot course, was taught by three instructors by Reliable Aviation. Aviation 110, a three-hour course offered the first bi-term of every semester, helped students prepare for a test the Federal Aviation Administration required for a license.

Dave Soichard, the Bowling Green-Warren County Airport manager and the Aviation 110 instructor, said the class taught subjects such as aerodynamics, weather, aircraft performance, navigation and safety.

The cost of the ground school course was not included in the total cost of this hobby. Getting a private pilot license was at least $1,700. Students must log a minimum of 50 hours. About 20 of those were with an instructor, at $35 an hour. Rental for a two-seater plane is $35 an hour. Four-seaters were in the $45 to $60 range.

Ben Burris, a Columbia freshman who was getting his license, did made a down payment on the fee, and he got a 10 percent deposit discount.

Burris said he was afraid of the flight, but he went up.

"My instructor (O.S. Murphy) had a cold and started hacking and wheezing. And I thought 'Oh God, don't let him die on me.'" He added that he usually doesn't worry about the safety risk involved in flying a light aircraft.

"It's always crossing my mind, and I don't think that you would be a good pilot if it didn't...but it's not that much of a worry." Burris said his biggest mistake he made while flying was when he attempted to fly to Franklin and ended up over Morgantown.

"That's the biggest navigational goof I've made and that's a doozy.

He added that he liked to fly because it was fun and practical. "I like anything that can get me home in 30 minutes."

Qualls, an English major, had a more philosophical view.

"One of the reasons I like doing this, and one of the reasons why I wanted to do it, is it's a challenge. It's an adventure...Helen Keller (the famed blind-deaf-mute writer) wrote: 'Life is either a daring adventure or nothing,'" Qualls said. "And I figure so many times you don't do something because you're scared to do it. Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, 'Always do what you're afraid to do.'"

"It's not that I'm afraid. I don't want to be afraid. In order not to be, I do it. You get a wonderful gift...Life. Such a wonderful gift."

And not to do all that you can do with it is a slap in God's face, or the god's face, or heaven's face or the witheverse's face, or whatever gives it to us."

Story by Annamaria Hudgens

Photos by Omar Tatum

Standing in front of a Cessna 172, Qualls and Maynard pose for a picture before beginning her flying lessons. Reliable Aviation and Western offer flight lessons to offer flying lessons for college credit.

"An adventure...Helen Keller wrote: 'Life is either a daring adventure or nothing.'" From the very tip of an airplane, Western Kentucky University's campus is a perfect setting for a flight. This view is one of the highlights of the flight.
WWHR-FM
The voice of Western

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ter.

Jo-Jacovino

The money came from the university in the form of funds that are provided to create a laboratory in the broadcasting communications department," Anderson said. To pro-

duce its newness, WWHR had re-

etes set up at various times on campus. They played music and gave away free posters and T-shirts.

There were already students who wanted to be heard, said Bart White, final-

ly adviser of WWHR. White also said the move to FM proved to be more cost efficient and economical for the future, because much of the AM equipment cost more than the FM equipment. The staff was also looking for a more serious "college" sound and the new equipment and FM popularity made it possible.

Media service engineers and a student engineer designed and built the $22,000 station on the third floor of the Academic Complex. Funding for the WWHR station came from Western, because the station was a non-commercial frequency.

Since the station operated as a laboratory, students who were enrolled in the advanced radio classes were required to work at the station as disc jockeys.

Student staff member Kendall Hart, a Bowling Green senior—also known as "Special K" over the air waves—said, "I can't get fired for a mistake since it is a class."

However, grades were distributed for that class just like any other. The class was special, though, because students really had to apply themselves; there was no one standing over them like in a regular classroom situation. Their advisors tuned in to WWHR at home, while they single-handedly pulled four-hour shifts once or twice a week.

The confidence and the pride they felt could be heard in their voices. They were on their own, live and FM. This was the big time!

In addition to the advanced radio students, WWHR had a manage-

ment staff of 11 students who were in charge of running the station and discussing station policies at weekly staff meetings.

"There's no place to go from here but up. We're just going to keep get-
ting better," management staff member and WWHR's program di-

rector Jo-Jacovino said.

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Singing the blues

To Alice Templeton, music was like exercise. "Once you become an athlete or start getting exercise everyday when you slick off you start to feel bad," she said. "It becomes a need as well as a pleasure." This was an interesting perspective, but Templeton and her husband Steve Groce were an interesting couple. Besides being college professors, Groce and Templeton were also the founders of an untraditional blues band named "Lender Be."
The band consisted of four members: Groce and Templeton, two guitar players, Groce and Templeton. The four shared vocals, with Alice and Cannon as the lead singers. Their band played locally and concentrated in blues in a southern rock tradition.

Groce, an assistant professor in sociology, anthropology and social work, and Templeton, a part-time English professor, moved to Bowling Green in 1986. The couple were introduced by a friend of Groce's while they were attending graduate school in Knoxville, Tenn. They soon discovered they shared a passion for music.

"I was interested in finding some people to play with and I had a group together--not established yet," Templeton said. "Alice and I had been playing together three or four years before we started the band--playing instrumental we had written." Groce said.

While playing with the Knoxville band, "Off the Record," Groce and Templeton played across the country several times from Tennessee to California and back, and finally decided to branch out to see what their songs would sound like in a whole band format. When the couple finished their degrees, they moved to Bowling Green to join Western's faculty. However, they had no intention of starting a band.

"But after a while the itch started again, so we called up Bob in Knoxville, and somehow enlisted him into moving to Bowling Green," Groce said. "So then it was just a matter of finding a drummer. The couple had already made a few contacts, so within a short period of time they were able to get in touch with a Western graduate who was between bands, and then they were on their way." The music the band played was not totally blues. It was rock and roll, jazz and blues mixed together.

"We have always done original stuff; we've never been copy musicians," Groce said.

Some of the issues addressed in their songs dealt with more traditional themes like love, loss, death, or friendships, but much of their music was political. "Alice tends to write songs that are more introspective--more philosophical," Groce said. "Bob is more of a war social critic. He tends to write songs about what's wrong with having a system of apartheid in South Africa. India-Chinese refugees, writes songs about what is going on in the Middle East. Clark and I have to write more pop-oriented." Since "Lender Be" was a more traditional band, they did not play with a lot of technology. "We didn't have a synthesizer, we don't even have a keyboard," Templeton said. "The band does have some effects--not the most modern." "Lender Be" practised about two or three a week, and usually played on the weekend. "There are a lot of places in town where you can play music, but you're limited to the 18-40," Templeton said.

The couple played at bars such as Mr. C's, Faisan's and private parties in Nashville and Louisville.

Marriage, managing jobs, and playing in a band brought difficulties according to Groce and Templeton. However, the couple said they complemented each other well.

Even though bands that played top 40 were likely to make more money in Bowling Green, Groce and Templeton both agreed that music had never been a reason for their making music. "We don't make much money, but my perception is that any band in Bowling Green is not in it for the money. The economy in this area doesn't allow people to go out and spend a lot of money on music," Groce said.

But the marriage had a definite advantage to their making music together. After they had played together for a while it was difficult to discern between the two. "We've played together a long time and people notice. Even people who don't know we're married or have been together a long time will say, 'Gosh, your styles complement each other.' It seems like you always know what the other guy is going to do," Groce said.

"I wouldn't be playing with anybody else," Groce said. "We create well with each other, we play music well with each other...it just works."
Back to school

During the second week after school started at Bowling Green High School on August 17, 1983, Western graduate Doug Lehring made his first homework assignment for his biology class.

"One girl, who I had for student teaching had a project entitled, 'What if I killed myself?'" Lehring remembered.

Lehring said she went through a complete formal description of how she might attempt to take her own life. Since it was midnight when he read her paper, he said she did not contact anybody then but talked to the school counselor the next day.

"Things are fine now," Lehring said. "She said she was just depressed that day."

Michelle Whiteley, also a Western graduate and a first-year teacher at Bowling Green High School, had a tale of her own to tell.

"There was a kid that had no motivation and was ready to drop out," Whiteley said. "He wouldn't come to school or try. I didn't want to fail him, so I talked to the counselor about finding a way to help him."

Whiteley said after hearing what she had done for him, that often "unnerved" student did something he was not in the habit of doing—she said "thank you!"

"I almost cried," Whiteley said. "Now, that young man is coming to school. We try to prepare our people to know the difference between when they can intervene and help and when they cannot," Dr. Curtis Lee Englebright said.

Englebright, teacher education department head at Western, said the course, Elementary Education 140/141, dealt with the management of behavior in the classroom. The course had been required for all graduate students since 1987 and would be extended to all education majors in 1989.

It was taken during student teaching. Englebright said that thought students were prepared dealing with minor cases of misbehavior and students' problems it might arise in the classroom.

In addition to that, Robert Rascoe, teacher placement director, pointed out that each situation was different and had to be handled differently.

"You have to think how you're going to control a discipline-type problem," Rascoe said. "A student (going to teaching) has to have the knowledge to improvise in a professional, skill-like manner."

Of all the courses they took, both Lehring and Whiteley said student teaching was their most invaluable experience while at Western.

"Stacey Michelle Houchens, a senior from Glasgow, said her student teaching experience had prepared her for all different types of teaching situations,'" Lehring said.

"They have taught me where to look for the answers if I can't find them in my head," Houchens said. "Student teaching not only gave real-life experience to Lehring and Whiteley, but it also served as a stepping-stone in getting a job."

Student taught here (Bowling Green High) and was here when the man I replaced resigned," Lehring said.

"A Bowling Green High School student received help from teacher Doug Lehring, a Western graduate. Lehring was also a co-sponsor of the science and FCA club at BGHS.

Rascoe pointed out that somewhere between 10 and 15 percent could not find a job due to their unwillingness to relocate.

As for the future, Lehring said he wanted to get his masters degree in four years and his rank to be in seven or eight years. Rank one is the highest position on the state salary grid, requiring at least 60 hours of graduate work.

"I would like to step into administration if I could or want to later," Lehring said. "I would like to raise my family here in Bowling Green."

Whiteley said her future in teaching depended upon her future of teaching. If she looked back on the year without feeling a sense of accomplishment, she may get a job in chemistry research.

Story by Kim Hadley
Photos by Matt Stockman

Back to school
Breaking new ground

In a department composed primarily of male students and faculty, one person stood out.

That person, Dr. Linda Brown, became Western's first female agriculture professor in the spring of 1988.

Brown, originally from Bowling Green, had taught agriculture for four years on a student teaching assistantship and received her doctorate at the University of Georgia.

Although "chauvinism is alive and well in other places," Brown did not receive the usual stereotyping and chauvinism here that most people might have expected of a woman in a predominantly male profession.

"Students and faculty have been just marvelous and receptive," Brown said. "It was the best reception I could have hoped for."

Brown said she could not believe how welcoming the students were when she first came to Western. They came by her office to introduce themselves and made her feel at home right away.

Brown did not have a rural background when she decided to pursue a degree in agronomy at the University of Kentucky. The only agricultural influence she had was her father's involvement with the extension service.

Most of her classmates in college had grown up on farms, and most of them were male.

With these hindrances, Brown went ahead and pursued her interest in biology and plant related sciences and found a new interest in agronomy.

Even though she enjoyed her education, she did experience some unequal treatment in some programs.

"At times I felt like more was required of me in my degree program than was required of my male counterparts, and I was not given some educational experiences that they were given," Brown said.

Brown did not let any inequalities interfere with her education. She took the bad experiences and tried harder.

"I learned that even though you have to do something and others may not have to, you benefit from it. It builds character," she said.

Brown said the women were getting good jobs in agriculture—that there was a demand for them. And the jobs were not just in floral design but in soil conservation and other jobs that, in the past, had been mostly geared toward men.

She said that Affirmative Action had to meet minority requirements which included placing women in jobs. But that was not the only reason that women were getting the jobs. There were a lot of different job opportunities for women in agriculture and a good acceptance of them in that field because of cultural change.

The agriculture department welcomed the increasing enrollment of females in the major.

Dr. Luther Hughes, agriculture department head, said there had been a dramatic enrollment change within the last 10 years.

"Western had one female student in the agriculture major in 1979 when I graduated," Hughes said. "Over one hundred of the majors were female in 1989 with every area in the agriculture department being represented."

Hughes said that the principle reason for the new interest was the fact that years ago most agriculture students were in actual farming and that women were not interested in farming. In recent years, 85 percent of the majors were concerning businesses related to agriculture and the women tended to be interested in those.

"Often the best students are female," Hughes said. "Maybe it's because they are still a minority and are more motivated to excel; therefore, they rise to the occasion."

Hughes said that Brown was an extreme asset to the department. "She is first a top professional. Second, she is a role model for female students, and she has served that purpose well."

"We're proud of her and hope she'll be around a long time."

Story by Andrea Lee
Photo by Andy Lyons
Hot hill topics

Aside from Ronald Reagan and Michael Dukakis, Western Kentucky University hosted a number of prominent guest lecturers.

During a year filled with presidential campaigns and constitutional questions, Western warmly greeted speakers, many of whom brought national attention.

The Rev. Pat Robertson, a national surrogate speaker for the Bush/Quayle ticket, returned the Republican platform and criticized the Democratic candidates. A guest of College Republicans (an organization on campus), Robertson spoke to a spirited, cheering group of 450.

Former Gov. Louie B. Nunn was on hand for the Robertson speech as well as other events on campus.

Nunn spoke at Western several times on a variety of government-related topics.

Gov. Wallace Wilkinson, speaking to representatives gathered in Center Theatre, announced the reopening of five clothing factories in Cave City, Elkhorn, Franklin, Glasgow and Gallatin. Wilkinson told the group that between 700 and 1,200 jobs would be created.

In a less positive presentation, former CIA agent Ralph McGehee captivated his audience with information gathered during his 25-year career. He warned his audience, "The agency is nothing more than the action arm of "dass WaNaT", "

Three months later, a number of students discussed a more public social problem—racial prejudice.

As part of "A Commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr.: The Man, His Works, His Doctrines," keynote speaker the Rev. Christopher Battle of State Street Baptist Church encouraged people to keep King's ideals alive.

In February, as part of Black History Month, a two-day "Spirit of Success" program included a panel of five successful black alumni to inspire minority students.

One of Western's guests had certainly seen his share of social and political changes in 97 years. Dr. Edward Bernays, the "father of public relations," was the keynote speaker at the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) banquet.

Bernays said that as a young man he learned how public perception determined the outcome of both business and government projects.

Bernays' words were echoed by John Pulaski, president of the national Public Relations Society of America. Pulaski, speaking to a group of PRSSA members, said he was optimistic about the future. "

Story by Amy Underwood
Walk-on runs to record

Millay leads the way on and off the course

When Beth Millay started
running cross country for Meade County High School, little did she know that in seven years she would be recognized as one of the top runners in the Sun Belt Conference.

She began running as a freshman in high school.

"Going into her sophomore season, the track coach, Doug Langdon, took over the duties of the cross country squad.

"That's when we started running six miles a day," Millay recalled.

Her junior year would be the first year she officially ran for a team. Millay and friend Mary Sipes made up the girls cross country team.

After running in the regionals during her junior season, Millay qualified to run in the state meet at the Kentucky State Horse Park in Lexington.

"It was very intimidating because there were so many runners there," Millay said. "Because of the level of competition, she didn't fare so well, but ran her best.

During her final season on the high school level, she qualified for state competition once again.

Along with an outstanding senior season, Millay graduated with a 3.3 grade-point average, and a list of awards to fill anyone's trophy case: Miss Sophomore, Miss Junior, Miss Meade County High School, the MVP Award for the track team her senior season, and the Female Athlete of the Year Award for 1984.

After graduation, she had set her sites on Western as the college of her choice, but had reservations about running cross country at the collegiate level.

During the summer of 1984, Langdon brought Millay to Bowling Green to meet Western cross country Coach Curtiss Long.

"He brought me down here because he said he just knew I had the potential," Millay said of Langdon.

"I was nervous, but Coach Long did most of the talking," Millay said. "After all, he was a college coach, so that was kind of intimidating in itself. He just gave me some tips on what I should be doing most of the summer."

That summer she trained every day by running five to six miles or the backroads and highways of Meade County.

"I was very skeptical about coming out for the team," Millay said. "After all, I was the only freshman walk-on in 1984.

"For the first couple of weeks we ran kind of easy," Millay said.

"Every day my heart would be beating so fast and I would get out there with those girls who were on scholarship and I was sure they were saying, 'What are you doing out here?'

But they weren't saying that. According to Millay, at the first meet and from then on, 'they were very supportive.'"

The one who was most supportive was Camelle Forrester. "She really helped me in more ways than she knows."
Then her first test arrived. Millay ran her first collegiate meet in Bowling Green. She posted an impressive time of 39:38 over the three-mile terrain. "Coach Long seemed to be pleased with the time, and I was very pleased with myself," Millay said.

Millay did not only have to adjust to running a varsity sport in college, but also to college classes, learning new study habits, and college life in general. "It seemed like from day one," Millay said, "that I knew you had to study and stay on top of things and on top of the books."

Millay stayed on top of things and took her books with her to all of the away meets. "It was hard sometimes because people would be talking and playing the radio, but I managed." The walk-on continued to improve throughout her freshman season. She ran on all-time fastest in the 10K at the Kentucky Relays in Lexington.

Not only did her time of 39:38 place her third overall for the race, but she set an all-time record in the 10K for Western. Her success continued in the classroom as she finished off the year with a 3.1 GPA. The one-year veteran ran six to eight miles a day during the summer. That was a change," Millay said, "because I wasn't used to running that much over the summer."

The running would soon stop for the sophomore-to-be. During the fall semester, she was diagnosed as being severely anemic. She had shed 15 pounds of her 118-pound frame if a year earlier. The girl who was nicknamed "the Silver Bullet" by a bunch of guys who carpoolled and saw her running every morning in her silver tights, was hospitalized for a week and redshirted that season.

However, sickness didn't affect Millay's grades as she earned a 4.0 that semester, while taking 13 hours.

The following year was more prosperous for the 5-foot-7-inch run-
New directions

Lights! Camera! Action! The stage could be a place where an actor could be someone he or she would not normally be. For theater professor Dr. Marc Woodruff, acting and directing were an important part in her life.

An autobiographical playwright, called Act II, played a major role in Dr. Woodruff becoming involved in the theater.

Due to the fact that Woodruff was from a small town, she did not see her first play until age 16. That was when her parents realized she was really serious about becoming an actress; consequently, they were supportive and advised her to do what she loved and would be happy doing.

During her sophomore year in high school, she attended a theater workshop at the University of Kansas for six weeks.

After high school, she returned to attend college at Kansas, where she only spent two years before going to Vienna, Austria to continue her education.

After two semesters, she dropped out to join an English speaking theatre company which toured Europe.

Later she moved to California and acted in several television series which included Police Woman, The Waltons and the Streets of San Francisco.

Woodruff then accepted a job in Pennsylvania to become a faculty member at the University of Pittsburgh.

She finally found a home in Kentucky where she obtained her bachelor’s degree in theater at Western Kentucky University and then acquired her Ph.D. at Florida State University.

"I’ve done the city stuff. I’m comfortable here," she explained at her reason for residing in Bowling Green.

Besides, she missed and loved teaching; and this gave her the opportunity to teach again.

"It’s really wonderful. The theater faculty I worked with were my teachers," Woodruff said.

"I have a really strong commitment to this theatre department. I feel that it’s the best in the state."

During the 1988 fall semester, she only taught two sections of theater appreciation because of her tight schedule.

Now, she has started a professional theater company called the Public Theatre of Kentucky. The company rented space at the Capital Arts Center in Fountain Square. Because the cost to rent space was high, the company practiced in WKU’s theater.

When Woodruff’s performances opened on a Friday night, her crew moved their things into the Capital the Monday before the play, which left them only four days to practice on that stage.

"We lost money on every show last year," Woodruff said.

Woodruff said that it was hard to get people to understand that they were running a professional theater company.

The cast consisted of three full-time actors and grant actors, while Western students obtained internships with the company.

"I haven’t done any acting in a while. I miss it. But I love directing a whole lot more," Woodruff confessed.

"I’m in theater because I’m a social worker at heart. I think that theater is the most powerful tool we have.

Behind the scenes is Marc Woodruff. He’s four minutes past 9 in the morning, Woodruff directing plays at the Capital Arts Center.

"We love to act because of the creative outlet with two actors. Woorduff taught them for appreciation of Western.

People who come to our shows are different. There were so many places I wanted to go, people to see. It was a way for me to be someone else," Woodruff said. "When I look back, I can’t imagine why I went through the grief to do that. I got more satisfaction out of directing."

Story by Marsha Burton
Photos by Tuzinn Vonski
In 1791, a man named Tamino was required to pass tests of silence, bravery and temptation to win the hand of the woman he wished to marry. On Feb. 26 and 27, 1989, this man passed these tests again, this time in Van Meter Auditorium on Western's campus with more than 1200 people attending the performances. This man was not 200 years old. He was a fictional character in Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's final opera, "The Magic Flute." Greg Britt, a Scottsville graduate student, played the role of Tamino in Western's production of the opera.

"The whole time I have been a student, I have been trying to get a substantial role in an opera," Britt said. "I knew they were doing an opera this year, and it was the first one that had really appealed to me." Dr. William Leonard, theatre and dance department head, said the opera was chosen for a number of reasons.

The recent popularity of Mozart due to the movie "Amadeus" played a big role in our decision," he said. "Plus, the music faculty felt that this was Mozart's best opera.

"This opera signalized the beginning of German opera in 1791," Leonard said. "Also, the opera was first performed during the year of Mozart's death and was the only opera he wrote that was successful during his lifetime.

The cast, which involved 110 students, including the crew, rehearsed for four months prior to the play. It has been a tremendous undertaking," Leonard said. "And I feel that we have done very well.

The role of Pamina, the principle female character, was shared by two women: Allesia Beckham, a Bowling Green graduate student, and Mary Wilson, a Cox's Creek senior.

The women each appeared as Pamina at one performance, and in a different role in the other.

"I know two roles in half the time," Wilson said, "but it is nice to have someone to compare notes with. There is someone else with the same problems. It makes it easier to solve them." Britt said, "It's been hard with two leading ladies because it came contacting a rhythm role in the play. It's been very nice to have someone to compare notes with. There is someone else with the same problems. It makes it easier to solve them."
For humanities sake

Every student who attended Western had to take 12 years in humanities as part of the general education requirements. A student could complete the humanities requirements one of two ways.

The majority of undergraduates fulfilled this obligation by taking any of a variety of art, history, philosophy and literature classes over the course of their college careers.

On the other hand, a minority of 40 to 50 students knocked the humanities classes out in one swing in what was probably one of Western's best-kept secrets: the humanities semester.

The program was designed to condense all of the humanities requirements into a two-class, 12 credit-hour course that met five days a week for a semester.

Each semester, the course dealt with one of three historical epochs: ancient Greece and Rome, medieval and renaissance Europe or the modern Western World.

The course surveyed the art, history, literature, and philosophy of the semester's particular epoch.

"The key words are interdisciplinary and team taught," Dr. David Lee, the associate dean of Potter College and the director of the humanities semester program, said.

"By interdisciplinary, we think that the barriers and the boundaries which separate various fields of learning are archaic and outmoded," Lee said.

"We try to emphasize the connections between the material from various disciplines so that the students get a more integrated understanding of what is going on. The students have to be aware that learning blends across inter-disciplinary lines," he said.

The course was taught by four professors, each from the four humanities areas. Two professors are delighted to find parallels in other areas. It is good for us.

"The humanities semester is more intellectually stimulating than other general education classes," Johnson said. "It got me thinking about things I haven't thought of before.

"I find myself retaining a lot more than in a regular college course because we talk about the same thing every day, even though it is a different context," Johnson said. "That in-relation of ideas you just don't find in different classes.

"Because the class met with the same people every day for an entire semester, a sense of camaraderie tended to develop between classmates.

"It is neat that you...build a good rapport with your classmates," Tamar Vaninsky, a sophomore from Nashville, Tenn., said.

"You get to know them better than if we just had one class with them," she said, which helped to improve friendships with her classmates.

Another thing that separated the humanities semester from regular classes was the way it was taught.

"If the professor is in the middle of a lecture, he may take the next day to finish," Glasgow freshman Genelle Belcher said. "So we may have philosophy for four days and literature for one day.

"I think overall everybody seems to like it. Sometimes we get down because of all the homework," Belcher said. "I've had to study more this semester than I've had to in my sole life, but I think I've gotten a lot out of my classes than otherwise far.

This is not the kind of course a student can just slide by. You've got to put time into it like it was in your major," Belcher said.

According to Lee, the student was exposed to an entirely different level of learning in the program.

"It is a regular survey course where we talked about the French Revolution we would talk about David and we would see some of his paintings, but you wouldn't get the level of discussion that you would get by having an art professor there to give a couple lectures about David," Lee said.

The humanities semester was intended to be a pilot or model for the way most classes would eventually be taught at the university, Lee said. Due to the expense and the lack of professors, it was considered impossible to staff a similar program for the entire university.

Story by William Parmson
Illustration by Larry Powell
Valuable resources... dedicated few

Western only had eight black teachers this year. That slight did not dent the blank student population of almost 600. However, these few were quite visible on campus and in the community.

"Over the years people have said some pretty ugly things about unqualified teachers but I hope to be a positive counterweight to alter some of that ugliness," Dr. John Long, philosophy and religion associate professor, said.

Long had been here for 16 years and provided students with as much inspiration as he could, speaking at various events and making several local television appearances.

"President Meredith has made a public statement of commitment to recruit more minority, specifically Afro-American, teachers," Long said. "In the past, other presidents have not. When the question was posed to a previous administration a particular individual made a studied avoidance of using the word 'commitment' at all.

Dr. Sandra Ardey was the newest to join the Western faculty in the fall. She submitted a column to the College Heights Herald in November announcing her arrival and her commitment to teaching, in the government department.

Other teachers included Dr. Lou Ann Croather, who has been in the English department for five years. She also taught the only class remotely resembling black history, English 393, Afro-American Literature.

Barry Johnson, from the department of music, taught several classes, as well as being the faculty advisor to the Amazing Tones of Joy gospel choir.

Denise Cunningham taught nursing courses in the Academic Complex and Jacqueline Pope-Tarrence, a psychology instructor, was away on leave.

Dr. Annie Harris, from the department of education, found time to speak to the Black Student Fellowship on religious witnessing and visited a local nursing home weekly.

Wayne Mason was away at the University of Louisville working on his doctorate in biology but he regularly taught classes in anatomy, physiology and general biology.

Mason said, "I graduated from Western and started teaching in the fall of 1983." He chose to teach here because historically Western was "dynamic" at the time he went through the biology program.

National attention was given to the declining number of black teachers and what an important issue they have to play in education.

Mary Hatwood Fitchett, president of the National Education Association, said in the Black College March/April 1989, article entitled "The Exodus of Black Teachers" that the declining number of black students the position models they need to see and that it also creates an education vacuum for white students.

"Indeed, it gives white students a distorted view of the world, depriving them of valuable contact with black teachers who offer a fresh and current proof that adversity can be overcome and that the American dream is a myth.

Students have expressed a need for these teachers.

"A white faculty member might not understand the educational background of blacks and other Kentucky students who have limited experiences in their major before reaching college and need extra help," Kimdee Triplette, a Louisville native, said.

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An executive decision

Chosen from 102 candidates after a four-month search, Thomas C. Meredith, formerly the vice chancellor for executive affairs at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, donned the official medallion of Western Kentucky University as Western’s eighth president.

Meredith, an Owensboro native and a 1969 graduate of Western, was appointed Aug. 6, after then-president Kern Alexander resigned April 11. Alexander became a distinguished professor at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg Sept. 1.

Meredith came to office amidst an armful of controversy and decisions unmade. Among those problems were:

Eight former basketball players were quoted in the Aug. 6 issue of The Louisville Courier-Journal saying that they received improper aid while Clem Haskins was head coach and Don Evans was an assistant coach.

By Aug. 13, Meredith had set up a committee to investigate the allegations. The investigation concluded no wrongdoings; however, the committee admitted that some points of the investigation were inconclusive.

In a Feb. 13 letter sent to Assistant Executive Director of the National Collegiate Athletic Association David Boek, Meredith said, “I feel safe in assuming that many of the statements attributed to the young men were taken out of context or they were misquoted. Given all the surrounding circumstances, I must conclude that the allegations were not well founded.”

Here’s the reply to the president on March 6, stated that information from the investigation “did not appear to warrant submission of a letter of official inquiry by the NCAA.”

The reports and recommendations addressing the university publications awaited Meredith’s decision. Alexander’s proposal for faculty editors over the Talisman and College Heights Herald drew national media attention. Meredith said he would address the issue soon but purposely waited on making decisions about the controversy until emotions calmed down.

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Due to lack of funds, Meredith proposed a 2 percent raise to faculty. But the Faculty Senate approved a recommendation in February, asking the university for a 5 percent, across-the-board raise for faculty.

Faculty who were raised an completing satisfactory work were given a 2 percent raise. Meredith said the remaining 3 percent was to be used to reward performance and recognize market place value.

“We continue to remain distressed that our faculty and staff are not receiving adequate compensation for the work they do,” Meredith said.

Western’s faculty evaluation system was a program Meredith examined. Meredith said distribution of merit pay would be determined through an evaluation system in which standards would be set in every department.

“I believe in a very positive system, one that helps them improve while they are being evaluated,” Meredith said. “Our awards system will be one that awards and recognizes faculty who have been evaluated highly and will give an incentive to those who have not been as suc...
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Dr. Alan Anderson, philosophy and religion department head, said in his department, merit pay is decided "on a basis of my ranking them as exceptional, excellent or good in the areas of teaching, research and service."

Meredith said he made some changes in Western's academic advising process. The three-year-old system mandates academic advising.

Dr. John Peterson, associate vice president for academic affairs, said that advising was an area that needed improvement.

Meredith said the system "seems to be working very well. There are a few problems, but we are adding more faculty members to it and believe those problems will be resolved shortly."

The university hired a master planner during the spring semester to advise future expansion. Meredith said he made the planning would take from three months to a year.

"We haven't had one done for 20 or 25 years," Meredith said. "It's way past time for us to do that again."

Plans for a student health and activities center were part of Western's development. A survey was conducted during the fall semester to receive input to what students and faculty wanted in the facility.

Meredith said in the spring the university was waiting to hear from the state about the selection of an architect, but by the end of the semester the state had yet to assign one.

A new residence hall was also on the list for Western's expansion. Plans included a 500-bed residence hall to be built by the fall of 1991 near Pearce-Ford Tower.

The state was providing the money for about 60 percent of the activities center, and housing fees were to provide funds for the new dorm.

Meredith said another top priority was to recruit more minority students and faculty. Meredith said he tried to meet with minorities who applied to let them know about Western's commitment to hire minorities.

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The last dance

Red and yellow geometric shapes skidded across the shiny floor as dancers jumped across the stage.

Two specks of blue joined in the kaleidoscope scene and twirled in time to the music.

Their colorful costumes reflected off the floor of Russell Miller Theatre in the Fine Arts Center during a full-run rehearsal before opening night of "An Evening of Dance '89."

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In that piece, more than any of the others, the students displayed incredible emotion with their bodies. The number was the hands-down favorite of the seniors.

Avery Davis, a Bowling Green senior, portrayed Death and related playing a part completely out of character.

"To morb..." he said, and "it's a total change for me. Everybody is used to seeing me smiling on stage, but now I'm terrorizing this poor girl."

Davis said playing Death can be fun. You have control over people's lives."

After dancing three years in the company, he said it will be sad to leave people. After graduation, Davis planned to move to Chicago where he had already auditioned for dance companies.

Countering the death figure was Andy Britrow, an Owensboro senior.

Britrow said the life figure went from being in love with his wife to being completely devastated at her death. He said the progression was long and "I'm not to follow through."

For the summer, Britrow had a job as the male dancer for a new show at Dollywood in Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

For Britrow and five graduating seniors, "An Evening of Dance," was their last performance at Western as well as the department's last event of the season.

Troy Lambert, a Louisville senior, said he felt wonderful about his last performance at Western after five years in the company.

"I feel like I've done all I can here. I'm ready for the professional world."

The rehearsal was not perfect. During the concert, one ballerina lost her flower hairpiece, which was gracefully kicked to the side by another dancer. Other humorous mishaps occurred when a dancer accidentally flipped his dance slipper off stage and a hobby pin shot off stage.

Regardless of the comic relief, the dancers did not have time to laugh about it.

"Backstage, things are controlled. Everyone is focused, and there is tension. Everyone back stage is very serious," Rudolph said.

The crowd laughed loudly at the rollicking comedy "Keystone Cops," also choreographed by Veenker. The piece included a slide show of the villain, the heroine and her hero in a chase scene. The dancers mastered slapstick and exaggerated falls and tumbles with ease.

One Keystone Cop, played by Lauren Lensch, had to run after the villain and then mistakenly hit the Charlie Chaplain character over the head with a club. Leach, an Owenboro senior, said, "I've got to make it look like I actually hit him."

Leach hoped to be teaching out in the real world instead of dancing after graduating from college in the spring. But she said, "I'm going to miss it a lot."

In the "Keystone Cops," David Phillips, the dance company trainer, had a cameo as a clumsy painter.

The Glasgow senior said before and after his part, he took care of dancers' injuries. "I just sit off by the side of the stage, and if anyone needs anything, I'm here." He'd like to pursue a career in special effects.

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Campus employment agency

Just going to school and graduating with a bachelor’s degree was not enough any more. More and more employers were looking for college graduates who had been able to juggle a course load and gain experience somewhere along the way.

"I've been going through a lot of interviews since I'm getting ready to graduate, and the questions employers are asking is surprising," Janice Lifke said.

"Not one has asked about my grades, but they have all asked what practical experience I have," the Santa Claus, Ind. senior said.

Lifke worked with the Cooperative Education Program in completing two co-op jobs: one in Buffalo, N.Y. working in a theme park, and one employed by Opryland in Nashville, Tenn.

"I am a speech communication major and I would like to get involved in tourism. Just being around tourism has confirmed that is the field I want to be in. That's important. I have much more confidence in my abilities having worked as a co-op student," Lifke said.

Western's Cooperative Education Program provided students an opportunity to combine academic studies with paid-on-the-job experience in their chosen field. It allowed people who were not sure about their previous experience, job responsibilities and the amount of hours on the job. Co-op employment was available for most fields depending on the number of positions available.

"I can't believe the number of students who still have not heard of co-op," Lifke said. "Employers are demanding experience and Co-op can help. It's that simple.

"It is such a good feeling to talk to the students after they have done a co-op. The maturity and confidence they have gained because they have confirmed their career choice is evident. They are much more intelligent about the direction they want to go in. Fields that are broad," said White.

A good percentage of Co-op Center employers was small businesses in Bowling Green and other Kentucky locations according to a survey completed by Co-op. This meant for the most part co-op students did not remain employment with their co-op sponsor.

Actually working in an environment that encouraged students to take initiative and do hands-on projects could only enhance a student's education, White said.

"It is easier for them to adapt, and makes them more employable," White said. "Working in Co-op and being able to see such positive results it just a real pleasure."

Story by Tina Lynn Howard
Photos by John Russell
East meets Western

Western's Faculty House was a haven for professors and instructors exhausted from hours of lecturing and counseling. The log cabin was their place of seclusion. But for one night, that seclusion was devoted to a different group of people with a unique purpose.

On Feb. 25, Kuwaiti students gathered with faculty and friends to recognize their homeland's day of independence from England. The night was one not only of celebration but also of education. The festivities began with the singing of the Kuwaiti national anthem, first in Arabic and then in English.

Huda Alsed, a junior from Kuwait, welcomed everyone to the celebration. Alsed said that since Kuwait had won its independence, it had "become more stabilized and (its) people had more freedom."

Alsed added that "by the grace of God and our leadership, Kuwait has become a great country."

Shortly thereafter, the film "An American in Kuwait" was shown. The documentary, narrated by actor Jim MacArthur, contrasted Kuwait's modern city with the people's traditional lifestyles.

The film also highlighted the country's oil industry whose black gold paved the way for Kuwait's financial stability.

According to Kuwaiti sophomore Hashim Almulla, much of the celebration's success depended on the tape.

It attracted a lot of people. We're planning to have it (again) next year," Almulla said.

Afterwards, a Kuwaiti smorgasbord dinner prepared by the Kuwaiti students was served. Their native spicy food was made mostly with beef, chicken, rice and pita bread.

The desserts were sweet pastries and rich custards.

When translated into Arabic, many of the dishes' names had interesting and unusual meanings.

One dish, a spicy rice and chicken combination, was known as "makbous" which meant "mixture," Almulla said.

He said that the custard served by the Kuwaitis was known as "braulawdem." Almulla said it meant "to revere the parents."

Handheld lambkin drums and a modern keyboard provided the entertainment following the dinner.

Almulla sang "Peace! Peace!" in Arabic. Like all of the traditional music, the song involved chanting and hand clapping. Almulla's performance earned warm applause and the song's religious message enhanced the celebration's mood of international peace.

The song was kind of religious," Almulla said. "It describes Mohammad and his colleagues. They built these tents and a well called 'samam' in Mecca.

"We wanted to show part of our religion because religion controls our behavior and our traditions, too," Almulla said.

While the music played, many of the Kuwaitis demonstrated their traditional dance.

Faculty and fellow students were asked to join in the dancing—a same with a little encouragement. Nonetheless, everyone had a fantastic time dancing or just looking on.

Thamer Alsaad, a junior born in Palestine, had lived in Kuwait for 15 years before moving to the States. In terms of Kuwait's Independence Day, he said, "The whole country celebrates that day. People walk in the streets and they decorate their cars. It's like Fourth of July here. They have fireworks at night."

Huda Almulla, a financial aid counselor at Western, had been in the States for 15 years. Originally from Syria, Melky said she enjoyed "the heritage and the Arabic dance" of the celebration.

"Everyone believed the event to be a success. "Some people came from Los Angeles, Nashville, and Louisville... people had fun," Alsaad said.

The university offered its Faculty House for the holiday's first-time celebration on campus.

"If it hadn't been for Western, they wouldn't have been able to have it," Alsaad said.

For the Kuwaiti students, the event gave them a chance to acknowledge their nation's holiday thousands of miles away from home. For others, the night was a time of education and appreciation for another culture.

"I'm very impressed with the nature of the culture," Karl Mukhey, a Bowling Green junior, said. "To put something on this far away from home... they (the Kuwaitis) have great heritage."

Story by Sonja Wilson
Photos by Hal Smith
On a new wave length

This is WKU-TV, channel 24, the public broadcasting station of Western Kentucky University," President Thomas Meredith announced as he officially signed on the new public television station Jan. 17.

In 1979 Dr. Charles Anderson, director of media services, said he recognized the feasibility of having a public television station at Western.

"We have been in business here for a long time -- since 1969," Anderson said, "in the business of producing television for all kinds of different applications."

In January of 1984 the Board of Regents approved the application for a station.

Anderson said the broadcasting department had most of the elements of the station, with the exception of a transmitter system.

The studio was originally used as a television production center in 1981. It began broadcasting as a WCYT, WOJL, and WBU, a public television station at Western. The studio was funded from several sources, including The Learning Channel, the Southern Educational Communications Association (SECA), and the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS).

Anderson said converting Western Cable 4 into a full-fledged television station was the next step in a natural progression.

"The addition of a television station was a matter of superimposing an addition on the existing television center," Anderson said.

The station was funded through the Corporation of Public Broadcasting, through a $300,000 community service grant.

"That money may be used in virtually any manner that benefits the television station," Anderson said.

The station leased its transmitter and used the tower of WBRO, an ABC affiliate located in Bowling Green, to transmit.

"That was the only way to accomplish it, otherwise there would have been a large capital outlay for the university to build and the university wasn't in a position to do that," Anderson said.

The station staffed 12 professionals and 38 student employees and volunteers.

"You couldn't do it without the professionals, but we couldn't do it without the students," Anderson said. "For the entire history of this facility we have relied heavily on student labor, students in creative positions."

Students gained experience in many areas, according to Anderson. Students and volunteers were directly involved in editing, filming and producing at the station.

"Dr. Anderson places a lot of trust in the students," Louisville senior Tim Antkowiak said.

"He will put a whole project in one student's hands," Antkowiak said. "That involves a lot of trust on Dr. Anderson's part and a lot of responsibility on the part of the student. It's really a learning experience."

The station used original material produced in WKU's studios. Additional programming was obtained from several sources, including The Learning Channel, the Southern Educational Communications Association (SECA), the Inter-regional Programming Service (a cooperative of public stations nationwide), and the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS).

The station was primarily 36-minute, instructional telecourses. Two telecourses that were to be aired in the fall of 1989 were designed for college credit at Western.

WKU broadcast a 35-mi radius that served a population of 284,000 people. The station operated with 40,900 watts of power and operated from noon to 10 p.m. daily.

WKU was the only television station licensed to and operated by a Kentucky university, although 37 percent of public stations nationally were operated by higher education institutions.

Story by Samuel Black
Teaching principles

The College of Education and Behavioral Sciences on the campus of Western Kentucky University has been regarded in the Journal of Teacher Education as one of the top 16 in the nation.

Its ever present determination in providing a top-notch service to produce exceptional graduates has paid off in more ways than one, according to Dr. Jack Flanigan.

Approximately two years ago, the previous high standard of over 15 years of school administrative training was revitalised and re-grouped. The Principal's Program, as it was called, was organized when the State Department sent through new regulations that called for a more concentrated effort on leadership, experience, and knowledge.

Dr. Mike Richardson, director of the National Association of Secondary School Principals Assessment Center (NASSP), chaired the committee which wrote the new guidelines for the present day program.

Up until about two years ago, our principal study had no major changes. As of August 1988, new guidelines, revising the certification of principals, was installed, Richardson said.

When the program was reworked, the definition of a school administrator was a bit more complex. The days of computation have taken place, and educators have not been exempt.

“A new topic that future principals are concentrating on is educational technology for administration,” Richardson said. Potential candidates must be able to utilize computers in the school.

Another modification was in the levels of certification which a student has to choose. Originally a principal had a choice of two levels: primary and secondary. Through the new program, graduate students studying to be principals could specialize in grades K-4, 5-8, or 9-12.

Harry Rucker, an assistant principal of Glasgow High in Glasgow, was a former student of the principal study at Western. Even though he went through his principal study before the new August 88 it was established, he was pleased with the results of his training.

“There were a number of things that I learned under the principal program. The classes taught by Richardson and Dr. Dwight Kilgore in principalship and on supervisory duties have been especially useful,” Rucker said.

After graduating with her certification in primary principalship the summer of 1988, Lianne McDowell went from student to administrator in a short period of time.

McDowell was the principal of Hodgenville Elementary in Larue County. Formerly a teacher, she jumped at the opening of the position in the administration when opened.

“The job was open beforehand,” McDowell said. “It was an encouragement that made all the hard work appreciated.”

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McDowell felt that regardless of the difficulty it was an outstanding program that provided her with usable information.

“We discussed real situations and shared feelings and possible solutions to real problems,” Lianne McDowell.

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Dr. Stephen Schnake, head of Western Kentucky University's College of Education, said that the chance to work with the Danforth Foundation was a definite advantage for WKU.

The program, when installed, is a two-year program, lasting approximately two years and will develop leadership for the future, identify leaders in the community, and will give those involved the opportunity to learn through an internship,” Flanigan said.

As a result, Western offers not just one, but two programs to promote excellence in principalship.

Dr. Stephen Schnake, head of Western's Educational Leadership, said when he agreed, 'We are still going to operate our current program. The Danforth Principal Program is just one piece of the puzzle that makes up our principal study.'
It was a season of ups and downs for Western's sports teams but the image came true for them in the end.

The Western football team returned to the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs but took it a step farther by improving on last season's record and by advancing to the quarterfinals of the playoffs.

The Lady Toppers got off to a slow start at 8-7, but rebounded to go 22-9 while making the NCAA tournament for the fifth consecutive year.

Inconsistency plagued the men's basketball team throughout the season, but they went out fighting, making it to the semifinals of the Sun Belt Conference Tournament.

The women's golf team showed their strength in 1989, with the other spring sports making good showings as well.
Shooting for the top

At the beginning of Western’s practice on a Friday in January, the players showed up late to the shooting slump.

Western had lost its fourth game in a row and was in the middle of a shooting slump.

Then senior Brett McNeal entered Diddle Arena.

"Yes, I shot off a three-pointer during the pre-practice short round," McNeal said after the next one rimmed out.

Minutes later, several other players were wearing smiles.

McNeal ignited Hill-topper basketball and the people connected with the program with his optimistic attitude and personality, as well as his long-range jump shots.

"He’s got a style of playing with personality that is hard to explain," former Western Coach Ulem Haskins said. "He’s very dedicated to what he’s doing."

McNeal was not only impressive on the court, but off the hardwood as well.

"He has an extremely healthy self-image," Western Coach Instuctor Arnold said. "He’s a very sharp, intelligent and articulate person."

The Minneapolis, Minn., graduate’s basketball success has been no secret to Western faithful over the past four years.

McNeal averaged 13.4 points in his senior season while being named All-District first-team.

McNeal, the fourth leading scorer in Western history, graduated in May with a degree in speech communication.

McNeal’s outgoing personality was translated into a healthy attitude towards school. "I really enjoy school and I always have," McNeal said. "I’ll be the first one to graduate from college in my family."

After graduation, McNeal decided to quit the basketball team and return to his college.

"Whatever happens, what I want to do a few years from now and is own a radio station," McNeal said. "That’s another one of those lifetime dreams."

"The court, his athletic dreams became reality. There’s been a couple of times when I just felt in tune with basketball," he said. "The crowd, the team, it’s like they’re all a part of me."

McNeal said he didn’t feel the same amount of pressure before he even signed.

"I know what the coach wants before he even says it," McNeal said. "I’m just a high, a rush. That’s what I play for."

McNeal thrived on the atmosphere surrounding college basketball.

"Just playing the game is like the cake," he said. "And the rush is like the icing and the candle."

McNeal had plenty of "cake" during his days on the Hill, accumulating 1,856 points in four years.

"But scoring points wasn’t McNeal’s only job. Arnold described him as a total player."

"When he arrived here as a freshman (former Western standout) Billy Gordon was a senior and one of the best shooters Western has had," Arnold said. "Brett stepped up in his sophomore year and took Billy’s role as a scorer and played good defense as well."

McNeal’s long-range jumpers and leadership qualities entertained Western fans for years.

But the road was not easy for him, and when he had problems and challenges, the shooting guard put them behind him.

McNeal came to the Hill in 1986, after being named Minnesota’s Player of the Year.

Since then, McNeal and Western experienced a lot of adversity.

Haskins recruited McNeal, but accepted the head coaching job at the University of Minnesota after the 1985-86 season.

And Haskins was a major reason for McNeal’s decision to choose Western.

Western showed more interest in recruiting during the past couple of seasons, McNeal said. "Western's defense was one reason McNeal contemplated leaving." McNeal decided to stay.

But the program at Minnesota was under investigation by the NCAA and McNeal wanted a stable environment for the remainder of his athletic career.

In McNeal’s first two seasons, the team was among the best in the country. At one point in 1990, the Toppers were ranked eighth in the country.

When Tellis Frank, Kuwond Johnson and Shawn Martin left after the 1986-87 season, Western had to start rebuilding its program.

"When the coach leaves, and the players graduate, it just takes time to regroup," McNeal said.

McNeal’s on-and-off court performances made him a popular figure with Western basketball fans over the years.

"He’s a credit to the institution," Haskins said. "Anyone would be proud to have him in their program."
Jones comes up Rosey

The winds of change blew into town for the Bowling Green 10K Classic and left a fallen champion and a new king behind.

Nick Rose, a Western graduate and five-time winner of the Classic for the Wendy's 10K Championship, had been the king of local road racing since his college days when he was an eight-time All-American for the Hilltoppers. The 39-year-old had never lost in Bowling Green going into the 10-kilometer road race.

That all changed on the Saturday morning of Oct. 22, when his friend and new champion Steve Jones won the Classic for the first time in a course record of 28 minutes and four seconds.

Jones, who earned $4,000 for his work, said he was using the race as a tuneup.

"I came in looking to get around 28:30, and to prepare for the New York Marathon," Jones said. "I've been training real hard in Boulder and I was looking for something quick to get rid of the tightness. Evidently it worked."

Two weeks later Jones won the New York Marathon.

Another runner using the race as a warm-up was Western graduate Ashley Johnson. Johnson said he was using the Classic to get ready for the Columbus Marathon.

"I just wanted to run a solid race," he said.

Johnson finished fifth behind Jones, Doherty, Sinclair and Keith Brantley. The Western alumnus also helped to promote the race which drew 4,500 runners and walkers for the 10K and the two-mile fun run and walk, 1,000 more than last year.

Next year, Johnson said he will either run the race or promote it, but not both.

But the men's race wasn't the only one held as the women battled it out for the $2,000 first-place prize.

Ann Hannam won the race in a record time of 31:33. She beat Sabrina Darahoefer, the defending champion.

Hannam credited Drahoefer with the win.

"She was pushing me all the way," Hannam said. "I knew I had a chance to win but I had never raced Sabrina before, and you've never won a race until you've won it."

Rose, who came in sixth, knew all about the ups and downs of competitive racing.

"I came down to earth today," he said. "I've set my best days."

"This is not the end of Nick Rose," Jones said. "He's a tremendous man who has done a tremendous amount for road racing."

Story by Doug Tatum
Double or nothing

When Wayne and Willard Smith were growing up in Adair County, they never dreamed of playing major league baseball, but in reality they were on television more than most baseball players ever were.

The 52-year-old twins and Western graduates have refereed college basketball games for 31 years and were considered two of the best NCAA officials.

"I was thinking about it the other day," Wayne said with a laugh, "and I figure that he (Willard) and I have run up and down the floor for about 25,000 miles."

"When I first started coaching them in the eighth grade," former Adair County High School Coach John Burr said, "I could tell Willard because he had these colorful shorts he wore in practice, and Wayne wore these solid and after knowing them for a while, it wasn't hard to tell one from the other."

However, the unique thing about this tandem was that they were both alumni of Western Kentucky University.

In the summer of 1953, both worked out with the Chicago Cubs amateur baseball team. Both were drafted out of high school by the major league's Boston Red Sox, St. Louis Cardinals and Chicago Cubs.

After waiversing he play pro ball and passing up college, the Smiths came to the Bill in 1964 on full baseball scholarships.

These two twins and a friend offered Western a special deal.

"We came to Western in kind of like a three-way package. Me, Wayne and Jim Richards (director of Western's Alumni Association), Willard said. "But we having family in Bowling Green who worked out with the Hilltoppers, and Willard also played first base."

James Still, a catcher for Western, once thought Willard pitched a complete game. But, in fact, Wayne had come in and relieved his brother and pitched the remainder of the game.

"They would switch off of this time and try to fool teachers all in good fun," Richards said.

"We (Willard, Wayne and Richards) first were when we were in eighth grade, and Jim was especially close to my brother and I," Willard said.

Still holds the Smiths' highest school ranks of about 15 years before moving up to the collegiate level.

They officiated in the high school ranks for about 15 years before moving up to the collegiate level.

"We're baseball fans," Willard said. "And we wanted to stay close to the game and appreciate it."

The Smith brothers have worked all of the southeastern states in their careers--calling games as a pair and with other partners.

Wayne retired from the hardwood after the 1987-88 season, but Willard was still going strong and officiating for the Ohio Valley Conference.

But officiating did not pay the bills for the Smiths.

Wayne was traveling with Wayne Cox Interior while Willard worked as an auditor in a firm.

"Refereeing is an avocation," Willard said. "Nobody's perfect, the Smiths admitted.

"If you make a mistake," Wayne said, "you make sure that you tell the head coach, 'Hey, I made a bad call.'"

Those bad calls were few and far between enough to have kept them on the court for about 1,300 games.

"You've got to have tough skin," Willard said. "Your track record follows you, and if it's good, you can call this game for a long time."

Story by Buddy Shadbolt
Getting defensive

Western's 1988 football team had two main goals as the 1988 season approached: to win eight games, a step better than the 1987's squad mark of 7-4, and to make it to the Division I-AA playoffs for the second year in a row. Little did they know that three months later they would have overachieved by putting themselves in a position to advance to the semi-finals of the Division I-AA playoffs.

Not only had the Hilltoppers made their way to the second round of the I-AA playoffs, but they would also mark the second time during the 1988 season that the Toppers would face cross-state rival, Eastern Kentucky. Though they went 1-1 against the Colonels of Eastern and lost to them when a possible national title was at stake, the Toppers reached their goals and accomplished what they had set out to do.

"We got great leadership from our seniors this fall," Western head coach Dave Roberts said. "I think they did as well as any group I've coached." The Hilltoppers started their quest toward post-season play on Sept. 10 as they traveled to Morehead to take on the Eagles of Morehead State.

Western, who ranked 17th in the Associated Press preseason poll, showed that they had come to play as the Toppers trounced the Eagles 34-0. The Toppers then traveled to Murfreesboro, Tenn. where they took on the Blue Raiders of Middle Tennessee State. It turned out to be a defensive battle as the Blue Raiders prevailed in the 13-10 decision.

"We knew that we were going up against a very, very good defensive ball team. And they just played really well." Next was possibly the biggest contest of the season for the Hilltoppers who ranked fourth in total defense at the time by allowing its opponents only 6.5 points per contest.

In this match, it would

But the Colonels marched down the field, and with one second left in the game, Eastern's Jim Campbell missed a 31-yard field goal preserving the victory for Western.

"We felt very fortunate to have won that one," Roberts said. "I think our guys just put forth a tremendous effort. They knew what they were up against and they really responded well.

"It was a great ball game, a lot like our game at Middle Tennessee the week before," Roberts said. "Both games could..."
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have gone either way."

Western had an easy time of it the following week as the Toppers
trumped the visiting Governors of Austin Peay, 28-3.

Meanwhile, Western's Arnold, of Decatur, Ga.,
potted some impressive stats on the ground, good
enough to place him fourth among the top backs in Di-
vision I-AA at that point in the season.

Arnold scampered for
190 yards the next week as
the Toppers disposed of Illi-
nois State in fine fashion, 31-16.

On Oct. 15, Western,
ranked 16th in the nation
at the time, took its 4-1
record and headed to
Springfield, Mo., to take
on a past return.

"That was a thrilling hit,"
Roberts said. "I was
surprised to see that
guy walk off the field on
his own two feet."

Western hosted Uni-
versity Tennessee
Chattanooga for its home-
coming the following
week and it looked as
though it might be a long
night for the visiting Moc-
casins when Western's
Cedric Jones returned the
opening kickoff 90 yards
for a touchdown.

During the first round playoff game, Tallahassee, Fla., sopho-
more Jerome Martin, rigs a Western Illinois bell carrier be-
fond the next 12 seconds. Western won the game 30-22.

Making a grab for Murrayland State's quarterback in Ft.
Perry, Fla., sophomore Chandler Wel-
lock received the quarterback helping Western's de-
ience shut down the Eagles.

"That's the longest run
I've ever had," the senior
from Clermont, Fla., said.
"I ran a couple back in
high school but never one
that long."

Western then pushed
their lead to 31-9, but the
visiting Moccasins came
back, and with 47 seconds
remaining in the game,
UT-Chattanooga was
threatening to tie the fifth-
ranked Hilltoppers.

But defensive end Xa-
vier Jordan, an Atlanta,
Ga., junior, stopped the
Moccasins short on the
two-point try as Western
came away with a 31-29
victory.

"I think the Chattano-
oga game is the one that
sticks out most in my
mind," Roberts said. "We
thought they were one
whale of a football team
and come away with a
win against them really
showed a lot of heart."

Western suffered its
second loss of the season
the following week amidst
t Wolf and wet conditions as
the Toppers fell to Eastern
Illinois, 6-0.

On Nov. 12, the Toppers
traveled to Louisville to
take on the Cardinals,
who were celebrating their
east season ever since the
coming of fourth-year
Coach Howard Schnellen-
berger.

Louisville, who was 7-3
at the time, jumped out to
an early lead but the Top-
ners came back to lead at
the end of the first quarter, 7-6.

At halftime, the Cardi-
dinals regained the lead, 16-
10, then capped the victory
in the second half, giving the
Toppers their second
consecutive loss, 35-17.

"I was very proud of
our effort at Louisville,"

Roberts said. "I thought
we played extremely well."

After beating North
Carolina A&T, 44-0, in
their final game of the
regular season, the 8-3
Toppers received a bid to
the NCAA Division I-AA
playoffs, thus fulfilling
their goals they had set in
the preseason.

In the first round against
Western Illinois, the Toppers
established a 35-10 lead, but
Western Illinois staged a
strong come-back, cutting the
lead to 35-32. However,
Western defensive back
Doug Samuel, a Bowling
Grove senior, intercepted the
Western Illinois quarterback,
sealing the first round victory
for Western.

The following week, the
Hilltoppers headed to
Richmond for the third
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Having six players named to the Associated Press All-American team.

Arnold, who rushed for a school record (1,668 yards), was named to the first team along with defensive tackle Dean Tiebout, a senior from Maywood, Ill.

"We are very proud of Joe and Dean," Roberts said. "They are two of the classiest young men I've ever coached. They are both fine young men and great examples of the kind of leadership we get from our seniors this fall._

Arnold and Tiebout were the 22nd and 23rd Western Kentucky University players to earn All-America honors since the first one was given to Western athletics director Jimmy Feix in 1952 for his efforts as the Western quarterback.

Dewayne Penn, a Purdue junior transfer from Brownsville, Pa., was named to the second team out of his offensive guard position.

Those who received honorable mentions were seniors: Maher, placekicker; Cedric Jones, flanker; and Mike Carberry, linebacker from Oaklawn, Ill.

Story by Buddy Shacklette

Defensive players Allen Reilback, a Cleveland, Tenn., senior and linebacker, struggles through traffic to stop the ball. Western beat Eastern, 15-14.

With one eye on the game, Mike Carberry, Oaklawn, Ill., senior, watches the game. Carberry is proud of the team's success.

Before an upcoming game, the 1988 Hilltoppers football unit practices. Western finished last for the season.

Story by Oscar Tidwell

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We pushed ourselves too hard to score rather than letting the goals come naturally," Clark said.

The second annual Western Bowling Classic was held on Sept. 16-17. Preparing rains dampened LT Smith Stadium as the field of teams was of high caliber.

The tournament was comprised of nationally ranked Southern Illinois at Edwardsville, Memphis State University and regionally ranked Marquette University. This was the most solid tournament group we have ever had," Holmes said.

Although Western did not repeat its title as champion, they proved their ability by being competitive with the tournament's strongest teams.

Southern Illinois recorded victories over Marquette (4-2) and Western 2-1 to capture the championship as Western placed third.

With the goalless finish in the tournament, Western continued a losing streak of six games straight.

The inexperience showed up front (scoring the forwards) and mental mistakes were given up on defense," Lanny Hall, a senior from Heidelberg, Germany, said.

"It was not physical that we couldn't score but mental. Nobody could fill the position of the past top scorers," Radcliff senior Pat Dills said.

The Hilltoppers finished the season with two victories over Bellarmine College and Dayton University.

Western lost five players to graduation.

Chris Crecco, a senior from Willingboro, N.J., and team co-captain, was named to the third team of the All-Midwest region. He was also named to the second team of the All-Sun Belt Conference.

Dills became the first American to lead the team in scoring since the soccer program began at Western. He scored five goals this season.

Team co-captain Hall changed the record books with having the most career assists (18) and the most career starts (69) at Western.

Ithy ended his playing days by making the All-Academic Sun Belt team.

Lexington senior Lee Welton finished his career at Western with the most career shutouts (15).

"We have a good nucleus coming back with experience," Holmes said. "You can count on Western soccer to be back next fall."
Tandreia Green

Western junior Tandreia Green came into her own during the 89 women's basketball season. The Washington, D.C. native lived up to her billing as one of the top-10 point scorers in the country in high school and led the Lady Toppers in nearly every statistical category during her junior campaign.

But Green's talent went beyond that of your average player as she tallied almost 19 points, nine rebounds and two blocks a game for the 22-9 Lady Toppers.

Green was an All-Sun Belt Conference first team selection and was named the team's Most Valuable Player for the second year in a row.

However, perhaps the most impressive thing about the 6-foot forward was the way she adjusted and managed herself on the floor.

"In high school I would just put it up and it didn't matter," Green said. "But here I had to learn what shots to take."

"Tandreia Green was a great athlete when she came here," Western Coach Paul Sanderford said. "But now she's learned to manage herself and become a great player."

Story by Buddy Shaaklette

Brian Nash

Coach Bill Powell thought he had found all the excuses for missing practice in his many years of coaching. But in late November, Brian Nash surprised him with a new one.

"I had been swimming the breast stroke right behind teammate John Brooks, and just as I completed a flip turn and pushed off the wall on an agonizing pain shot through the left side of my chest and shoulder as I was still under water."

Nash, a freshman from Terre Haute, Ind., pulled himself from the pool and was rushed to the Bowling Green Medical Center where he was kept overnight and released.

Nash was red-shirted, but cardiologist Dr. William K. Naster gave him the go-ahead to get back in the pool.

"I'm OK physically, but I'm still going to have to make the adjustment mentally," he said. "I want to swim that's why I came to school."

Story by Bill Parsons and Eric Woehler
Back on Course

It was the best of times and the worst of times for the 1988 Western Kentucky University cross country team.

For the men, six of last season's seven runners returned, including all five scoring members from last season's Sun Belt Conference championship team.

For the women's team, the top-five performers from last season didn't return for one reason or another.

Three of the women had completed their eligibility at Western, one returned home to Ireland, and another got married and set out the season.

"When you lose the good ones in a sport with such small numbers, it becomes very difficult to compensate for their loss," Coach Curtiss Long said.

The men seemed ready to capture their eighth consecutive Sun Belt Conference title, but the inexperience of the women's team cast a shadow of doubt on the chances for them to defend their Sun Belt title and pick up a fourth consecutive conference tournament win.

The season inevitably began at the University of Southern Indiana Invitational on the weekend of Sept. 3. As runners Victor Ngubeni and Breit Kenward, seniors from South Africa, suffered from big problems, Coach Long placed his confidence in senior Kevin Banks from South Africa, who missed being cross country All-American by 17 seconds in the previous season.

Expected to lead the women's team in the meet was Gwen Van Rensburg, a sophomore from South Africa, who came to Western in January of 1988.

At the USI Invitational, the men finished first with 23 points, and won their fourth straight. The women came in first with 21 points, increasing their number of wins at the invitational to three.

Coming off their victories in Evansville, the men and women prepared to run in the third annual Hall of Fame Weekend meet at Kearsiers Park. After two weeks of preparation, the Toppers held their only home meet.

Ngubeni would sit out again, this time with back spasms, and he would be joined by Fort Campbell sophomore Candice Reid, who also suffered from back problems.

But even without the two runners, WKU claimed victory again. Kevin Banks turned in a time of 28:45 for third place, finishing behind Southeast Missouri's Brian Rodale and WKU alumnus Dave Murphy. The third-place finish led the men to a first-place showing overall.

Behind Van Rensburg's first-place time of 19:44, the women took second overall, losing to an experienced team from Southeast Missouri.

Despite the initial successes of the team, the physical problems proved too much to overcome. Both teams suffered losses at the Bloomington (invitational) in Indiana. The men placed fourth and the women finished eighth.

Coach Long emphasized training more than winning this year, though. The interest was to keep the runners healthy for the end of the season when the Sun Belt and NCAA tournaments were to be run.

The Sun Belt Tournament was (in the lead, South African sophomore Gwen Van Rensburg finishes a women's invitational competition. Van Rensburg was the winner of the women's competition at Kearsiers Park)
Course cont.

lack of experience.

The NCAA tournament offered no more consolation. In Des Moines, Iowa, the men finished 12th of 16 and the women came in a dismal 18th of 18 teams.

Though the outcome of the season seemed sour, neither the coach nor the runners viewed the season with any regrets.

"We ended, trying to do the best with what was available."

"We had a problem with a lot of people being sick," explained Ngubeni, "just a matter of circumstances that happened."

Van Reneeberg agreed with Ngubeni, saying, "I think we could have won the Sun Belt if we didn't have so many people injured at the end."

The cross country team must now look towards next season. For the future, Coach Long says that the women have the pressure where it belongs—on the returning runners.

The women, losing only one performer, will have the experience of those returning to help teach the newcomers without pressuring them too much.

For the men, however, the pressure rests on the newcomers, which can hurt the team. They have to learn more on their own without the leadership of many other experienced teammates.

Coach Long said that the future is "very promising" for the women, but that next season will be a rebuilding year for the men.

Story by Earl Ballard

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"Late in the race, Louisville sophomore Barry White pulls away from his teammate Stephen Gilmore, a Cork, Ireland sophomore. The men's cross country team finished 12th of 16 in the NCAA tournament."

As the halfway point, Western's runners muscle their position through the first lap of the third annual Hall of Fame Invitational. The men were held at Keene State College in Keene, New Hampshire."

"In this city, they are called the Sun Belt!!" added Coach Long with a smile.

"Just a minute of our returning runners."

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Spikers net 27 wins

What a difference a year makes for the Lady Topper volleyball team. In 1987 the team struggled through an 11-15 campaign and a last-place finish in the Sun Belt Conference Tournament. With two freshmen, three sophomores and one senior in the lineup, the Toppers were inconsistent but won 27 matches and finished fourth in the 1988 Sun Belt Conference Tournament.

During the spring of 1988, Coach Charlie Daniel's squad set a goal of winning 20 matches and surpassed it with a win against Middle Tennessee State University on Oct. 25.

"To be honest, I think we overachieved, since we had a young team," Daniel said. "We had a pretty tough schedule."

After an opening season loss to the University of Louisville, Western reeled off six straight wins, including the championship of the Coca-Cola Classic held at Diddle Arena on Sept. 10.

"We went into the Coca-Cola Classic with a young team," Daniel said. "I didn't know how we'd do, but I suspected we'd come in third since"

An attempt by an opponent to make a block was foiled by Meghan Kelly. The Louisville sophomore was one of 16 seniors Coach Charlie Daniel called "extraordinary."

there were so many strong teams.

During the championship match, Western defeated Morehead State University for the first time.

"We were down 11-0 to Morehead," Daniel said, "and came back to beat them. Over the season we'd look back at that game and know we could come back."

But then the inexperience of the team began to show as the Toppers lost eight of 10 matches, three of those losses coming in the New Mexico State Tournament.

"In New Mexico, we played strong Division I teams and found out what real strong Division I teams are like," Daniel said.

At the tournament, Western suffered setbacks to New Mexico State, Texas Tech, and U.S. International.

After the New Mexico tournament, the Toppers traveled to Monterry, Li., to play in the Northeast Louisiana Invitational.

Western's spikers returned to Bowling Green without a win.

"The Northeast was kind of a mini-disaster for us," Daniel said. "We had some bad officiating, and Terra Smay injured her eye. That upset the players because they passed out."

Bitter, a Louisville freshman, only suffered a scratch across her eye and returned in the Lady spikers' next match.

Next up was the Topper Tournament in Diddle Arena. Western took second, losing to the University of Tennessee-Martin in the finals.

The team won 11 of its next 13 matches and placed fourth in the Sun Belt fall classic.

It was the highest finish ever for the Toppers and left them in a position to surpass 30 victories.

In the conference tournament, the names for Western was the University of Alabama-Birmingham, who stood in the way of the Toppers' success.

"Our problem has always been getting by UAB," Daniel said. "They match up with us really well."

Western lost two matches to UAB in the tournament; however, the Lady spikers avenged with a win over UNC-Charlotte.

"To beat UNCC after the heartbreaker against UAB, that showed me a lot of guts," Daniel said.

Louisville sophomore Meghan Kelly said, "It was good to send UNCC home, but we should have done better against UAB."

The lone senior on the team, Dedra Nelson, of Louisville, said the tournament losses to the Blasters were disappointing.

"We could have beaten them," she said. "In spite of that, I felt like our season was successful."

Story by Andy Dennis

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Swimmers make waves

Winning the Midwest Championships was the final blow for the Hilltoppers, in an otherwise disappointing season.
The tops finished with a dual meet record of 7-1 and a disappointing second-place finish at the Midwest Championships.
To Western's swimmers, Midwest was not just another swim meet, it was the only swim meet of the season.
Winning the Midwest Championships was the main reason why Western's swimmers stayed waterlogged from August to May.
At the beginning of the season, senior Mike Gonzales, the team captain from Munster, Ind., thought the Toppers would definitely win the season-ending Midwest Championships.
"We had a lot of returning alumni that had placed well at Midwest," Gonzales said. "It didn't go exactly the way I expected. We got some pretty bad breaks"
Many team members did not make the commitment to swimming and practices like past teams have. The difference was noticeable on the scoreboard.
Western Coach Bill Powell said that the attitudes of the team had a lot to do with the team's failure to finish the season with a win at the Midwest Championship.
"We didn't have enough kids that wanted to make the sacrifices that it takes to win. They just wanted to do what they had to do to get by with the minimum," Powell said. "In sports if you want to be a winner you have to be willing to do the extra mile."
"We had one guy," Powell said, who was on a $3,000 scholarship and came back after the summer so overweight that he couldn't make his times.
"Some of the guys that had been here before had a scholarship but didn't swim very well," Russellville junior Brian Washington said. "They didn't have the attitude upstairs to win."
The cracks that existed within the team did not start to show until after the Hilltoppers' only season loss to Wright State.
"We had guys on the team that would go swim their event and come back and sit back down like they had done their job," Washington said. "They weren't getting up and cheering on their team mates or putting them in the back." With championship banners in the background, the new year practices. The team finished second in the Midwest Championships.

The divisions within the team, poor attitudes, and sickness contributed to Western's failure to win the Midwest championship in previous years.
After several bad breaks, "the guys started to let down, and started to believe that they were going to lose," Washington said. "So we did."
"If our guys had worked harder we could have had a better season," said Powell. "We've won it (Midwest) for so long, that to lose is no fun."
"Our freshmen were outstanding attitude-wise," Powell said. "They weren't great swimmers, but they were great freshmen."
During the Wright State meet, junior Noah Terry, who had been in both Williams' office, urged on his teammates. The team came placed second in the Midwest Championships.

Gonzales was recognized as the season's most valuable swimmer, Powell said.

Story by William Parsons
Running on empty

It started with a bang but then all track races did.
Western's track season began Jan. 28 when the team went to Murfreeboro, Tenn., to run against Middle Tennessee and Murray State.

Coach Curtiss Long predicted that the two women to watch would be Mairrae Looney, a freshman from Whitmer, Calif., and Gwen Van Rensburg, a South Afriean sophomore.

Long was right about Looney, who produced more wins than any other woman on the team, but Van Rensburg never showed up to run. Actually she never showed up at Western.

"She gave no reason for leaving," Long said. "But I believe it was a financial and personal choice.

Friends of Van Rensburg's on both teams said she was homesick. She was in London to earn money to visit her parents in South Africa, Beth Miller, a graduate student who trained with Van Rensburg, said.

As a cross country runner she had the highest training mileage running any day, no matter what kind of weather, Fort Stobner, junior captain, Tom Wright and Paul Smith, Van Rensburg's roommate from Kentucky, hated many types of weather.

At the same meet where Ngubeni qualified for the 800, Looney was the standout on the women's team, finishing first in the mile with a time of 5:00.65. Throughout the season Ngubeni was the big point-scorer in distance races, while Ronnie Shephard, a junior from Houston, Texas, was the leader in the sprints as well as Western's only long jumper. What made Shephard unique was that he also played as a wide receiver for Western's football team.

When both the men's and women's teams went as guests to MTSU Feb. 27, they were running for practice. The women ran in the Ohio Valley Conference Championships, while the men ran in the OVC Invitational. Western was invited because it was a member of the OVC until it switched to the Sun Belt, which has no other track teams.

Both teams' performances slipped as the season progressed as injuries accumulated. The outdoor season saw Ngubeni cut his thumb, Shephard out with an injured knee and Looney out with a virus, among others.

The biggest scored meet Western competed in was April 1 at IU. The meet was a triangular one that also included Cincinnati competing against the men and Bowling Green State competing against the women.

Both teams lost, which Long expected. "We are designed to be a middle-distance and cross country team," he said. The problem was that Indiana was especially strong in those areas, as well as having a fully rounded team. The big race of the day was between Ngubeni and Robert Kennedy, a freshman from IU and the first freshman ever to win the NCAA Cross Country Championship. They competed in the 800, which Ngubeni won, but not the 1,500, which was Ngubeni's stronger event.

Matt Stockman

Prior to her injury she suffered that day, Pauline Campbell saga-
neous Cindy field participation in the Kentucky Relays. Injuries clipped both the men's and women's teams at the end of the season.

NCAA Cross Country Championship. They competed in the 800, which Ngubeni won, but not the 1,500, which was Ngubeni's stronger event. 
Suffering from injury, while Ngubeni was serving, the team was in only bright spot at the track meet was a student Phillip Ryan, a South Africa who won the 1,500 with a 3.34.4.

Western returns two young teams once again next year. Our expectations from these teams were high with 12 of the 15 returning runners posting personal bests during the season.

"We have a very young team," Long said. "I think the experience that we gained this year will definitely help us next year."
Starks plan pays off

Western's Lady Toppers asked for their freshman guard, Susie Starks, to join the team right before the start of the 1988-89 season, and Susie Starks had a plan as to how to provide some of it.

"I'm going to help this team win the Sun Belt," Starks, a senior from Scottsville, told herself. "This is my last year and I'm going to make the best of it."

The 5-10 guard did it all in fine fashion while helping Western to its second consecutive Sun Belt Tournament Championship.

After being recruited by mostly Kentucky schools as a high school senior, Starks came to Western via Allen County-Scottsville.

"I heard Coach (Paul) Sanderford was a pretty good coach," Starks said. "I pretty much knew where I wanted to go because I had family in Bowling Green and it was fairly close to home."

After her arrival, the Kentucky native paid big dividends in just her first year as the Hilltoppers' starting guard.

As a freshman, Starks came off the bench to score 11 points and pull down four rebounds in helping Western defeat defending NCAA champion Old Dominion before a capacity crowd in Diddle Arena.

"I wasn't nervous. I was hyped. I just wanted to do everything," Starks said. "If you're afraid then you don't play good."

In fact, Starks saw action in 31 games during her freshman year, averaging 3.6 points for a team which ended up in the NCAA Tournament's Final Four.

Unlike many collegiate athletes, Starks played in the NCAA tournament every year of her career, something most players only dream about doing.

"I thought she had the potential to be a great collegiate player," Western Coach Paul Sanderford said.

As a sophomore, Starks got the starting nod in 11 games during the 1988-89 season, and saw action in 29 games, while averaging 8.4 points a contest.

"I learned from my experience as a freshman," she said. "I was becoming more consistent and more mature."

Starks reached something during her junior season, which she hadn't seen since her high school days - double-figure scoring.

She averaged 12 points a game for the 26-8 Lady Toppers while seeing action in 32 of Western's 34 games.

"I think Susie matured," Sanderford said. "She really improved and became a more complete player."

"I knew what I was capable of doing," Starks said. "I could play college basketball and I wanted to do it."

She was an All-Tournament selection at the Lady Ute Classic in Salt Lake City, Utah, and received the Sun Belt Tournament Most Valuable Player after coming off the bench to score 28 points in three games.

"It was exciting but I was surprised," Starks said. "I thought I could be a senior and be a leader, but I didn't expect to be MVP."

"I love it all of my other teammates," Starks said. "We had a certain chemistry. I knew what Brianna (Corbin) could do and I knew what Tam was capable of doing."

Western senior guard & forward, Jim Taylor, was named the tournament's Outstanding Offensive Player. A junior, she was best known for her shooting range.

"She was a very emotional type player," Sanderford said. "Her perception wasn't the right one because her intensity and emotions were too high and sometimes affected her play."

Starks and junior Tandria Green teamed up for 43 percent of the Lady Toppers' scoring during the 1988-89 season, as well.

However, being a student-athlete wasn't as easy as she thought it would be.

"It was real difficult but you had to do what you were supposed to do," Starks said.

She was ranked 11th in college basketball's all-time leading scorers with 1,159 points.

"That's quite an accomplishment for me," Starks said. "I never thought I'd make the all-time scoring list."

Like many athletes, Starks had a certain ritual before each game.

"I would go to sleep and listen to Michael Jackson," Starks said. "To me, it gave me energy."

"Susie was crazy," Green, a Washington, D.C. junior, said. "She was always making you smile or laugh."

Starks was first introduced to the game in fourth grade by her cousin, Jim McDaniel, a former Western great.

"He taught me how to shoot," Starks said, while brothers Tracy and Larry encouraged her.

"I played against my brothers, and that really helped out," Starks said.

In her final season at Allen County-Scottsville, she scored 486 points in 23 games and nine rebounds in leading her team to an appearance in the state's Sweet 16 basketball tournament.

Starks planned to put her basketball major to work after graduation by going into law enforcement.

Story by Buddy Shuckett

Applying the pressure on Kentucky's Ralph Ann Mannion, Starks scored 28 points in the 78-75 win over the Lady Cats in Memorial Coliseum.
Mannless Tops return to NCAA

In the 1988-89 season, Western's nationally ranked Clemson University women's basketball team suffered its share of hard knocks but rebounded to make their fifth consecutive appearance in the NCAA tournament.

The Lady Toppers' first road game was in Nashville, against Vanderbilt. At halftime Western went ahead, but fell behind the Lady Toppers in the second half as Vandy came away with the 100-89 decision.

Things worsened for the Lady Tops with a 69-67 overtime loss at West Virginia.

"Things got pretty tough there for a while," guard Debbie O'Connell said, a senior from Ridgeview, N.J. "We got down, and when you don't have confidence in yourself, the game isn't fun anymore."

The Sun Belt Conference foe Old Dominion claimed sole possession of first place in the conference on Jan. 13, with a 66-60 win over the Lady Tops.

Lack of consistency would continue to plague the 8-5 Lady Tops. Western would lose two in a row in the next couple of days by the road with a 63-62 nailbiter against state rival Murray State and a 80-47 loss at Texas before 11,019 fans.

"At all these teams that we lost to won 20 games or more," Sanderford said. "I think playing these kind of teams on the road really helped us."

The second half of the season would prove to be very prosperous for the defending Sun Belt Conference Champions. Western would win nine in a row over the next 23 days while jumping out to a 17-7 mark.

During that winning streak, the Lady Tops posted wins over Kentucky and South Florida. "Changing the starting lineup and getting everybody confident helped us a lot," Louisville junior Michelle Clark said. "I think confidence plays a big role."

One big win during that skid was a 92-61 trouncing of conference leading South Alabama. The win placed Western in the Sun Belt Conference standings with a 5-1 conference mark E3.
NCAA cont.

However, South Alabama and Old Dominion would also post 5-1 records in regular season play, thus earning a three-way tie.

With a 17-7 mark, and a nine-game win streak on the line, the Lady Topper faced second-ranked Tennessee in one of the most highly publicized contests in Western's history.

Western fought it out with the Lady Volunteers before 8,100 fans, but Tennessee pulled it out in the end, 76-75.

Western finished out its regular season play with a couple of wins over Tennessee Tech and Northeast Louisiana, thus preparing them for post season play.

Western opened up the Sun Belt Tournament with a 81-50 win over North Carolina-Charlotte in the first round.

The Lady Toppers played perhaps their best game of the season in the semi-finals with a 93-58 win over 19th-ranked Old Dominion.

Sanderford had placed the word "rebound" on the Lady Toppers' chalkboard prior to the game and that's just what they did, pulling down a season high 61 rebounds.

Western won on top-seeded South Alabama in the finals and walked away with a 67-64 victory over the Lady Jaguars.

Western's Green led the Lady Toppers all season averaging almost 19 points, nine rebounds, and two blocks a game, and was chosen the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

"I know what I had to do (Ohio season)," Green said, "I tried to do it without trying to do too much."

The win handed Western its second consecutive Sun Belt Tournament Championship, and an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

The next day, Western received a fifth seed in its fifth consecutive trip to the tournament.

On March 15, Western in an attempt to block a pass, Starks led three Kentucky's Ruth Ann Mouton. Starks scored a game-high 36 points in leading Western in a 79-75 win.

Audrey Green

Virginia in the first round "It wasn't like a bus round of the tournament. However, were was at Sanderford said, "It was like a task to just advancing war. But West Virginia had to the second round. For the first time since the beginning of the season on the top-20 with a 19th-ranking.

Sanderford had said that the key to the game was establishing their superiority on the boards, which Western did, out rebounding West Virginia 40-10 in the first half.

But West Virginia didn't allow Western a field goal in the last five minutes of the contest as 17-3 home mark and finished the season with a 22-9 record.

"I'm really proud of the Lady Mountaineers," Sanderford said, "This is a team that storyline cornered a lot of adversity." Starks said, "Frustration is the one word that sums it up for me. I just didn't know what to do (Ohio season)."

"That was the worst our kids," Sanderford game of my career," said. "This is a team that storyline cornered a lot of adversity." Story by Buddy Shoulodette.

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Western Kentucky
Toppers hit bottom

After graduating only one senior from the 1987-88 season, the Toppers were expecting a more experienced squad to improve on last year's 15-13 finish.

But the rest of the Sun Belt schools improved as much if not more than Western and the Toppers finished in seventh place in the conference with a 4-10 record.

"There weren't any easy teams in the conference," Coach Murray Arnold said. "From top to bottom, this conference is as competitive as any in the country."

Western started strong, winning eight of their first 10 games. But the schedule got tougher with the Sun Belt teams.

One of the early victims was cross-state rival Murray State, who fell to the Toppers in the finals of the Western Kentucky Invitational Tournament.

The biggest challenge of the season came against the then eighth-ranked Louisville Cardinals. The game was played in front of the only capacity crowd in Diddle Arena all season.

Western staged a comeback after falling behind by 20 points, but the rally fell short.

"This is one of the most talented Louisville teams Denny Crum has ever had," Arnold said after the game.

Western won the next four in a row before dropping a 76-66 decision to the St. Louis Billikens on the road.

The Toppers went into the conference portion of their schedule with an impressive 9-3 record. Western had a similar beginning in 1988 when they were 11-3 going into conference play.

But the losses began pouring in as Western lost 13 of their last 17 games, two in overtime in Diddle Arena.

"I think we didn't really have that bad of a year," Benton freshman Terry Birdsong said. "Talent wise, we were as good as anybody (in the conference)."

The first overtime loss was to Jacksonville but it may have actually been a win.

Louisville senior Todd Ziegler tipped in a missed shot with one second left on the clock. Western celebrated, but two of the three officials ruled that time had expired and disallowed the basket.

"We had hoped that the basket at the end of the first overtime was good," Arnold said. "It was ear understanding that the officials were allowed to check the video monitors (to see if the shot was good)."

"I went up to the officials after the game," Ziegler said. "They said they would like to look at the monitors but they couldn't."

The monitors apparently showed the light behind the basket was on when the shot fell through, which would have meant the shot should have counted.

"It was obviously in before the buzzer," Birdsong said. "You play as hard as you can sometimes and you lose."

But the officials stuck to their decision and Western suffered a tough emotional loss on their home floor.

"There was certainly a frustration over the two home court losses," Arnold said. The other loss was to the South Alabama Jaguars, who won the regular season championship as well as the tournament.

The loss to Jacksonville sparked an interest in changing the rule as is.
lack of big men to battle on the boards. Two players who would have added depth underwent academically ineligible after transferring from junior colleges.

Jerry Anderson and Stanley Jackson, a pair of 6'8" post players, sat out the entire season. Anderson was the junior college Player-of-the-Year in California.

"We've recruited four players from 6'5" to 6'8"," Arnold said. "It doesn't give us any singularly huge player, but it gives us size."

One man did the bulk of the rebounding for Western junior center Anthony Smith. The Atlanta, Ga., product averaged 10.2 rebounds a game, the second year in a row he averaged double figures. LSU

Hilltopper Roland Shearon, a junior from Denison, Ga., another to put the ball in Western's possession as Anthony Smith and Fort Hand's in watch Western defeated Fort Hand in Walthall Arena.

While attempting to recover possession of the ball, Defense guard plays for Murray State. Rebound the top of line. College basketball action from Port St. Joe, Fla.

Frank Rowe - Assistant Coach Charles Cunningham, Associate Coach Bobby Brown, Head Coach Murray Arnold, Assistant Coach Bobby Brown, Graduate Assistant David Cameron.
Middle Row - Student Manager Bo Hammond, Student Manager Mike Smith, Student Manager Cliff Grant, Terry Bridges, Burt McNeil, Mike Wester, Darrell Cudahy, Instructor, Manager David Baker, Manager Jim Smith, Manager Jeff Tucker.
Back Row - Harold Thompson, Steve Miller, Anthony Smith, Todd Ziegler, Calvin Scott, Kenneth Ross, Scott Bailey, Roland Shearon.
McNeal ended his career in fourth place on Western's all-time scoring list with 1,365 points, an average of 15.5 over his career.

Seniors McNeal, Ziegler, Steve Miller, Darre Cadwell and Colin Peets will not be back next season, but Arnold has recruited what he said was his best crop of players since coming to Western in 1986. 255

Story by Andy Dennis
Tops come out at night

When all of the festivities had settled at midnight, the countdown to 12:01 began.

Once 12:01 arrived, the introduction of the 1988-89 men's basketball squad commenced with a slam dunk competition following.

Then the team was split up into two groups and the fans got a peek at the players in a red-white scrimmage.

The event gave about 2,000 fans a chance to get a glimpse at the Topper team which returned nine lettermen, who contributed to a 15-13 mark last season.

Other colleges celebrated the first practice in many different ways across the nation, but at Western it was called Midnight Mania, and there was nothing like it.

Midnight Mania won more than just the first basketball practice; it won one big night full of festivities which built up to the countdown of the clock.

Things got started at the 1988 Midnight Mania at 9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 14, with a sock hop on the Diddle Arena basketball court. Giveaways continued throughout the night while WB and Gater 107 radio stations provided the music for the sockhop.

Amid the many activities, Gater 107 gave a spirit award to the group who showed the most enthusiasm. Although Chi Omega neatly produced a tremendous show during the competition, the Western Kentucky swim team won the award for the third consecutive year.

Those who showed up for the event were filled with excitement. "It was something to see," Webster freshman James Robertson said.

However, the event was not as big of a hit as it had been in the past. Last year, the event was held on a weekday, and many more attended the function.

Before the 1987-88 season, students packed Diddle Arena to the rafters anxiously awaiting what would be a very successful season for the new Western coach, Murray Arnold.

It was the first year that Arnold coached the Hilltoppers, who went to the second round of the NCAA Invitational Tournament and finished the year with a 20-9 mark.

"Let's get fired up!" Adding his \begin{itemize}
\item \textbf{Midnight Mania} \end{itemize}

midnight Mania was held on a Friday night, with no home football game following the next day; therefore, most of the students had gone home for the weekend.

Sororities and fraternities sponsored different basketball players who burst through barriers that the organizations had made for them.

Chi Omega won the award for the best banner which they had made for in Line, Calif. senior Col in Peets.

However, there were some very unique gifts given away at the event. One spectator took home a pair of Ole Miss snow skis while others won radios and other gifts.

"Bingo!" Senior County junior Larry Truitt yelled out when they called out the number which awarded him a new video cassette recorder.

"Midnight Mania has become a traditional start to the basketball season here at Western," Arnold said. "Now we just need to buckle down, get to work and see if we can put it all together the way we would like to."

Story by Buddy Shockette
One of those seasons

For the Western Kentucky University baseball team in 1989, it was a year that only came along every so often. Unfortunately, it was also the kind of year they wished never happened.

The Hilltoppers had the unpleasant honor of breaking the Western record for the most losses in a season while recording a mark of 24 wins and 34 losses, and found the entire season a struggle to get the right base hit at the right time.

They say if you're in the game of baseball long enough you're gonna have a year like this," Western head Coach Joel Murrie, who led the Hilltoppers during his 10th season, said. "This is that year for many of us in the program to go through."

The Hilltoppers missed a berth in the Sun Belt Conference post-season tournament for the first time since 1984 and posted the lowest batting average for a Murrie-coached squad.

Facing perhaps its toughest schedule ever, Western started well, winning eight of its first 15 games, including a contest at national ranked Houston, and victories over Kentucky and arch-rival Eastern Kentucky at Nick Denes Field.

But as the Sun Belt Conference schedule kicked in, the schedule grew tougher and wore on the Toppers, sending them toward record-setting losses. The Sun Belt West Division, made up of Western, South Florida, South Alabama and Alabama-Birmingham, proved more difficult than ever.

South Florida, LSU and South Alabama Jaguars both held spots in the national polls throughout the season, and the Bulls were the occupant of the No. 1 spot in a Sporting News college baseball poll early in the season.

UAL jumped out to a quick start as well, and Western knew it would have to be very competitive to earn one of the three Sun Belt Tournament spots available to West Division teams.

But a 5-13 conference mark for Western wasn't enough as Alabama-Birmingham slipped into the last tournament berth on the last day of the conference season when Western dropped a 12-9 game to South Florida and the Blazers knocked off South Alabama to earn a 7-11 conference ledger.

South Florida booked up West Division honors at 13-3 while South Alabama was second at 11-7.

"Our performance on a day-to-day basis was not good enough to compete in our league," Murrie said.

"We had a lot of young players that got an opportunity to play," Murrie said, "and hopefully they will realize the kind of baseball you have to play to be successful."

Young players had plenty of chances to play because of the seven starters gone from the 1988 squad that won the West Division with a 43-21 record. But third baseman Chris Turner became the only returning starter when Panama, Fla. senior shortstop Mike Cash went down with a broken ankle halfway through the season.

The pitching corps was nearly intact from 1988, but Western missed first-earhing right-thrower Steve Berrios-the Toppers' probable second starter-when he had arm problems and was forced to redshirt.

Turner had help from a variety of junior college transfers and freshmen, but the lone returning starter went a long way toward doing it all by himself.

The sophomore third baseman from Bowling Green hit for power and stole 18 bases to put himself among the top of nearly every offensive statistic
seasons cont.

"He's one of the premier hitters in the league, if not the country," Morris said of Turner, at 6-3, 190 pounds, a pure prospect for at least professional seasons.

"It's unbelievable how consistent he played the whole year, being a dominating factor in almost every offensive category possible," Morris said.

He led the conference for much of the season in batting average, doubles and hits, and was in the top 10 in stolen bases, home runs, runs scored and RBIs as well. He broke Western's single-season record for doubles, hitting 21 two-baggers to edge Mike Murray's total of 20 in 1980.

"I was pleased with the way I played this season," Turner said. "But I would rather our team go to the tournament than have a good year myself."

On the pitching side, Darren Kizziah led Topper hurlers with a 9-5 record. Kizziah eclipsed the record for most victories ever by a Western pitcher, running his record to 20-13 for his career during the 1989 campaign.

Ken Edenfield—used in relief and starting roles—set Western records for appearances (28) and for the most strikeouts in a season, striking 83 to break Larry Shirk's four-year record of 72 Ks.

Kizziah, a senior from Peterson, Ala., said it was a tough season to hear. "It hurt," Kizziah, a 6-4 right-hander, said. "It wasn't any fun losing. This was my first season I was on a losing team. It was just one of those years."

Story by Todd Turner

With eyes closed, Western's baseball Mike Cook, a batting average junior, inks Middle Tennessee's George Zimmerman. Cook was unable to play after an injury late in the season.

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Western men's and women's tennis coaches were pleased with their team's play, saying both showed considerable improvement during the season.

Both teams had a season of undecided factors. For the men, it was the set lineup, and for the women it was the weather.

Men's Coach Jeff True usually did not decide the starting lineup until the day of the match, leaving the men in the dark about what seed they would play.

This tactic seemed to work in True's favor, and continued to work well even after the men assumed the same seed for the remainder of the season.

True said even though a record of 7-9 did not indicate a good season, the men finished with a positive feeling, one he hoped would last until next season.

However, True's only reservations about the season as a whole was the amount of playing time. He felt that more playing would have helped the team and added some valuable experience. "I would have liked to extend our playing season by about a month," True said. "We were just beginning to reach our peak at the Sun Belt Tournament April 14-15 in Tampa. Our best tennis was on the last day (of the tourney)."

The men finished seventh out of eight teams at the annual Sun Belt Tournament.

Women's Coach Ray Rose described the women's 13-7 season as "satisfying."

Rose said that the women's main troubles came from the weather and not the competition. It was usually too cold and windy in the spring for the women to be comfortable to play.

In fact, Rose said they only had two days of play in the sun. With an overhead shot, Murray sophomore Kelly Blackside returns the ball. Blackside was playing doubles on a cool afternoon.

The Lady Toppers placed sixth at the Sun Belt Tournament in Mobile Ala., the same weekend as the men were edged out by UNC-Chapel Hill for fifth place.

Story By Paula Rush
Photos by Andy Lyons

Tennis

Team:
- Teammates
- Coaches
- Opponents

Wins 7
Losses 9

Wins 13
Losses 7

In the swing of it

For Western's golf Coach Kathy Teichert, the 1989-90 men's golf season must have seemed like starting over from scratch.

For Coach Norman Head, the 1989-90 men's golf season must have seemed like another run on a ladder.

Teichert, came to the Hill in 1985 to serve as a graduate assistant to long-time Coach Nancy Quail. After helping the Lady Toppers to one of their best seasons ever, Teichert inherited a young full squad when Quail resigned.

The young faces on that team such as Suzanne Noblett, a senior from Newburg, Ind., and Kim Rogers, a Beardown junior, showed their inexperience. But the team grew, and new players were added.

Talented Meri Butler, a junior from Ballwin, Mo., joined the team in fall 1989, as did Florence senior Lori Oldendick after transferring from Florida International in Miami.

The program grew, and in the fall of 1988, the team posted its best season ever—a 99-31 record that rolled延续到下一页...
Not just horsing around

Growth in the number of members of the Western Kentucky University equestrian team was only second to their growth in sportsmanship.

Kelly Williams, of Westmoreland, Tenn., said she remembered when there were only six people on the team. During the 1986-87 season, the team escalated to 30 members.

Williams, a graduate student, acted as academic advisor and coach while faculty adviser, Charles E. Anderson, worked towards his doctoral degree at the University of Kentucky.

The team practiced once a week at the Western Kentucky Agriculture Exposition Center and twice a week when preparing for regional competition. And training right along with them was Susan Pfanstiel, a national champion.

Pfanstiel, a sophomore from Lexington, placed first in the advanced stock seat-division 13, horseback riding competition held in May 1988.

"It (the first-place title) was very special to me," Pfanstiel said, "especially since I was a freshman."

The team was judged on riding and safe control of the horses. Undergraduates took basic and intermediate equestrian classes. Students not enrolled in such courses had to receive recommendations to be part of the award-winning team.

A regular semester consisted of three double shows. There were two days of shows with one for independent competition.

Western students competed in two styles of riding: stock seat and hunt seat.

Stock seat was a Western style of riding in which the riders wore chaps and cowboy boots.

Hunt seat was an English style of riding as seen in the Olympics.

Western attended the regional competition with 17 other schools, based upon a division of points accumulated over the regular season.

Students were responsible and supportive of one another.

The team learned how to care for the horses in their classes. Brushing and grooming the horses was just as important as riding them.

"That (the equestrian team) is why I came here to school," Pfanstiel said. "And also I was able to take horse science."

The team raised money for the trips by working at the exposition center. They also received help from the Intercolligate Horseman's Association. 

"Around and around they go. Equestrian team members Dan Robins, a junior, and Louie Rager, a sophomore, practiced their riding over a week.

story by Kim Hadley
photos by David McKee
End of an era

Former Western Kentucky football coach Dave Roberts had a dream when he arrived on the Hill in 1980.

His dream was to bring the football program's status back to what it had been in the 1970s.

"We set a five-year program," Roberts said. "First, we had to upgrade the facilities. Second, we had to recruit in a larger area. Third, we wanted to keep kids that were coming in, and fourth, we wanted to upgrade the academics so that the kids could get some help and stay in school."

In 1987, his first recruiting class—recruited in 1983—were seniors, and they led Roberts and the Hilltoppers to their first post-season appearance since 1975.

In 1981, they also led the first Hilltopper team to be ranked since 1980. Western ended the season ranked 11th with a 7-4 overall mark.

"I thought in that season, our seniors played about as well as they could play," Roberts said. "At the beginning of the season it didn't look good, though, because we got trampled by Gardner-Webb." Roberts' fifth year on the Hill was his most prosperous.

His 1988 squad returned Western to the NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs for the second year in a row and posted a 9-4 mark overall.

Roberts started rebuilding the Western football program in 1984. The former Hilltopper commander suffered through his worst season in his first year, as his team compiled a 3-9 record.

"We were still playing a lot of young kids," Roberts said. "We probably shouldn't have won four games that year."

Western's 1986 football season lifted the heads of Roberts' fifth year overall. "I didn't think we were going to be very good," Roberts said. "We played a lot of freshmen."

During the 1984 season, Western dropped three contests by one point, including two of those in the final seconds of play.

In Roberts' second season, the Hilltoppers doubled their wins, posting a 4-7 season.

The seniors accomplished a great deal," Roberts said. "It was the fifth winningest record in the school's history."

The fifth Western team that Roberts coached, the 1988 squad, was his best ever, as the 41-year-old graduate of Western Carolina posted a 26-30-1 record during his stay in Bowling Green.

Roberts' 400th along the sidelines during the 1984 Western Kentucky game. Roberts was assistant coach at Western in 1976 and took the head coaching job at Northeast Louisiana following the 1980 football season.

some Topper faithful. "I was extremely pleased with the third year," Roberts said. "I thought that year was a turning point."
In Roberts' third year at the Topper helm, the football team went 4-5-1 while losing to four teams which eventually made the playoffs that season. But two of Western's wins were over nationally ranked Murray State and Eastern Kentucky. I thought we played pretty competitive across the board,” Roberts said. “When we lined up to play, we were ready to play.”

But in the following season, the tables would turn as Roberts' program reached 7-6.

One reason for the Topper's success in Roberts' fourth year may be contributed to his widely known recruiting methods. “We work at recruiting year around,” Roberts said. “We set a network to get a certain area covered.”

In 1986, Sports Illustrated dubbed Roberts as one of the country’s top coaches in recruiting.

Entering his final season at Western, Roberts had 16 years of coaching experience in the college ranks, including work at Vanderbilt, Eastern Kentucky and Davidson.

One reason for the Topper's success at Western was his tennis shoes. For the past nine years, Roberts has worn his old, worn out Puma tennis shoes while coaching games, which may have made the difference.

“I guess they're kind of superstition now,” Roberts said. “To be honest with you, I just wear them because they're comfortable.”

Roberts started coaching in the college ranks under Eastern Kentucky head coach Roy Kidd.

“I'm very appreciative of all the advice that Coach Kidd gave me,” Roberts said. “I even called him before we played them (Eastern) in the playoffs and asked him how they were practicing that week and he was perfectly honest with me.”

From 1973-78, Roberts worked on the coaching staff at Davidson.

In 1979, Roberts landed the Division I ranks, coaching the defensive ends at Vanderbilt.

Roberts coached for four seasons under the Commodore administration on both sides of the line of scrimmage before coming to the Hill after the 1983 season.

In 1982, Roberts reached the offensive backs for Vandy which led the Commodores to an appearance in the Hall of Fame Bowl where they lost to Air Force, 35-29.

In his final season at Vandy, Roberts coached the nation’s leading receiver in fullback Keith Edwards, who with 97 catches set an all-time NCAA record for receptions by a running back.

As the Western head coach, Roberts turned out many Western players who earned All-America honors.

As a high school athlete for Wade Hampton High School in Greenville, S.C., Roberts earned AAA All-State recognition as a senior linebacker in 1983.

He was an All-America honorable-mention at middle linebacker for Western Carolina, as well as an Academic All-America pick.

Roberts' main influence as far as coaching or playing came from his father, Melville, who played for Navy and earned a spot in the East-West All-Star Game.

“He always said, ‘if you're going to do it, try to do it right,’ Dave said.

Roberts left coaching at Western to take the new head coach spot at North-east Louisiana. They were 5-6 in the 1988 season, so Roberts vowed to rebuild once again.

In 1984, during his first year as head coach, Roberts directed a program along with then assistant coach Dave Shukettet.
A new breed of winners

It was a matter of out with the old and in with the new, "new breed" that was, during the 1988-89 intramural season.

The old was the domination that the former champs, the Renegades, held over intramural football for years.

However, it was out with the Gades, for most of their players had graduated; therefore, they did not return a team to defend their title.

In with the new was that of the New Breed. New Breed put together players with a lot of talent and a coach with the experience.

New Breed not only looked good in the skill-positions during play but also were impressive fashionably with their red and blue colored jerseys. The breed swept through the intramural football regular season and ended it up in the finals against Sigma Chi.

It came down to the final play of the game between the two. The Breed had just scored on a 60-yard touchdown, but Sigma Chi marched the ball down the field and was threatening to score.

Sigma Chi quarterback Jeff Throneberry, a Bowling Green senior, threw for the end zone, but New Breed's Darren Griggs, a Louisville freshman, intercepted the attempt, preserving the win.

"We had good practices and a lot of talent," Bowling Green sophomore Patrick Satterfield said. "We stuck together and all gave in the end."

But the Breed was not just your ordinary thrown together flag football team.

They had spring football practice like most collegiate teams, while playing several scrimmages.

"We've a combination of three old teams, North Stars, Illini and New Breed," Satterfield said. "We combined them together and used what we got."

In the women's division, KKE's Team made their way through an undefeated season as well, and came away with the intramural championship. The Bombers, formerly known as the Shooters, went undefeated in the regular season as well, and advanced through the playoffs, but were disqualified in the semi-finals because two of their players were ruled ineligible.

Because of this ruling, Sigma Kappa advanced to the finals against KKE Team.

However, KKE's Team had an advantage. Coach Kit Tolbert offered a steak dinner to any player who pulled off the big plays.

It was a tough battle, but Tolbert's team pulled off the win.

In men's basketball, Run & Gun spelt its name during play and came away with the men's championship over the Vomit Bags.

Sigma Chi showed its dominance during the 1988-89 intramural season, placing 31 teams in the first, second or third spots in various competitions.

They added the softball championship to their belt with a win over Oak Beer and were once again honored as All-Campus Sport Champions.

Wild Bunch took the championship in the finals of the women's softball competition with a win over PUA.

Western's intramural department expanded its number of events offered this year to 17 in women's competition and 25 in the men's division.

By Buddy Shacklette

During second half action of intramural flag football, Ohio State Long, a Madisonville freshman, attempts to elude Ken Fretz, a Former Enn sophomore. Fretz

Enn advanced South Hall, 6-0.
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Unique Images (sort of)

"While most managed to enjoy Christmas once a year, four at WKU had it daily: graduate student Rebecca Christmas, freshman Scott Christmas, junior Steven Christmas, all from Russellville, and Teresa Christmas, a Western employee."

Unique Images (sort of)

Speaking to his classes, Dr. David Harrington, a chemistry associate professor at Western, said he was not the guy from Good Morning, America—just a "little shorter and a better looker."
Evidently a true California girl, blue-eyed blonde Wood was a junior elementary education major at Western, hailing from the sunshine state.
The year brought experiences old and new. The familiar smell of hot coffee and midnight oil filled Western's atmosphere as students prepared for exams at the end of each semester.

Odd weather had students wearing shorts during days in January and coats during Spring Break.

Students made amends and created a thousand ways to cool down or blow off steam.

It was a lazy day for Steve Findlater, a Bowling Green freshman, as he lay in his hammock on the 997 field. Professor thought it was a nice day to go out and get some sun and rest.
The dome of Cherry Hall cast its shadow down the hill another year. Much had changed since the year began and most felt that something had been gained.

The image of each student had taken on some new aspect. Many recognized the changes, some did not notice, but they reflected the development of individual character. The mistakes and the accomplishments represented an outreach to gain goals and dreams that represented an image in the making.
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