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Higher education faces challenges

Colleges not for everyone

By STEVE THOMAS

During the late 1960s and early '70s, more students than ever were attending college.

College seemed to be the thing to do. It was the center point of protests and offered a chance for a better future. But there was a lot of unrest among students.

Students were screaming to be heard. And since a lot of students were entering college to avoid the unpopular Vietnam War, many were unprepared and entering for the wrong reasons.

During this period, more students with low grade-point averages and ACT scores entered college.

Things have changed in the '80s.

The number of students attending college

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Legislators entering fray

By TOM STONE

Kentucky legislators are taking a close look at higher education this year, but some legislators are wondering whether they're looking too close.

Several legislators on a 30-member state committee studying higher education are

questioning whether "unnecessary programs" need to be cut and whether they're the proper people to do the cutting.

Meanwhile, others say deciding where to cut programs may be impossible if each legislator is fighting for the university in his own district.

"They (other legislators) would fight for the schools in their area just like I would fight for the schools in my area," said state Rep.

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Puff magic gone for AOPi

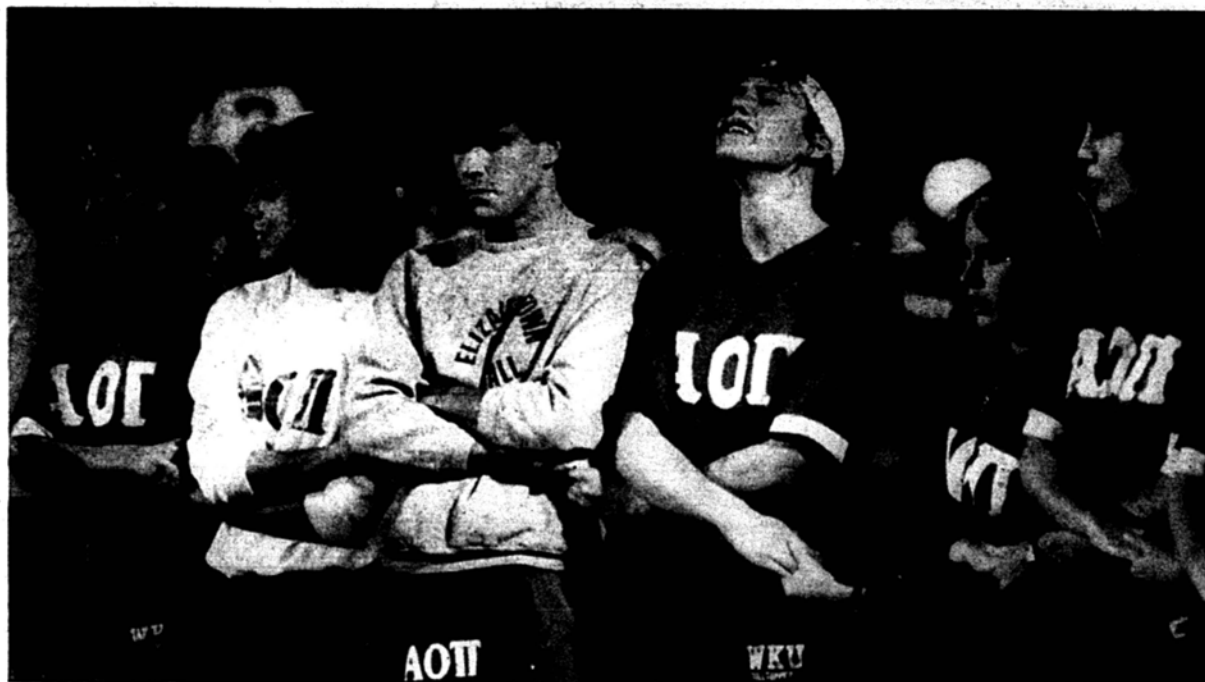
For the first time in four years Alpha Omicron Pi won't win the annual Sigma Nu Powder Puff championship.

Their hottest rivals, Alpha Delta Pi, got a touchdown and extra point by Gayle Sutton early in the second half and held on for an 8-6 victory at Hobson Grove Park Monday night.

ADPi will face Chi Omega in the championship game at 8 tonight.

Chi Omega drew a bye in the first round and then defeated Alpha Xi Delta 14-0 in Tuesday night's semifinals.

ADPi beat Phi Mu 16-0 in the other semifinal game.



(TOP) Tami Meredith and Julie Ross cheer after Alpha Omicron Pi scored its first touchdown in the Powder Puff football tournament. The AOPi's lost to Alpha Delta Pi 7-6 in the first round. (Middle) The AOPi team and coach Eric Stagner hold hands after their loss. (Bottom) AOPi Jamie Houchins, a senior from Smiths Grove, cries during the final moments of the game.

Special to the Herald - Mary Ann Lyons



Peace Fest has trouble motivating

By MARY MEEHAN

Most students walked by quickly, averting their eyes or catching only a sidelong glance of the pamphlets and homemade buttons arranged on the table.

The volunteers who manned the tables outside the university center and Garrett Center during Peace Fest '84 had a hard time generating interest.

Although United Campuses to Prevent Nuclear War offered musical entertainment, free pamphlets and informational meetings to get their message across, the three-day festival received only a lukewarm response.

"The average person can't do anything," about the nuclear problem, said Paula Griffin, as she sat outside Downing University listening to a musician.

"I don't really know what they are trying to accomplish," said the Bowling Green sophomore as she looked at the banner hanging on the university center wall. It read "A Celebration of Nuclear Awareness."

About 60 people attended a "Breaking the Stalemate" teleconference Monday, and another 60 attended a forum on nuclear war Tuesday.

Mary Crawley, a member of the group, said she thought Tuesday's forum was the best received event.

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9 Single Parents on Campus offers support for people who are rearing their children alone. The new organization meets every Wednesday at 4:30 in West Hall Cellar.

17 The rivalry between Western and Eastern still exists, but the Toppers, 0-6, will have to play their best game of the year to beat Eastern, 4-2. They battle in Smith Stadium Saturday.

Colleges not for everyone

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has declined, and higher education has tried to raise its standards.

Last year, the state Department of Education adopted a pre-college curriculum, specifying a certain number of credits in several areas, that high school students must meet to be admitted to the state's four-year universities. It will first affect the graduating class of '87.

However, several high school counselors across the state said a large number of their students will still seek a college education.

Bill Hoagland, counselor at Bowling Green High for 11 years, said that between 60 and 70 percent of the school's graduating seniors will attend college. But, he added, "We have some who apply who don't belong."

Hoagland and many other counselors try to tell students about alternatives to college.

Bill Goodan, counselor at Lexington Henry Clay High School for 12 years, said that students seem to have a better grasp of their capabilities.

"In the past, in the '70s, anybody that wanted to go to college could," Goodan said. "We've been led to believe that college is for everyone. Suddenly, the doors aren't open to everyone."

Goodan said many of his students have gone to college but haven't been prepared. "They could get by with the easier courses in high school."

He said he doesn't try to get all the graduating students to go to college. He instead has them look at all the options.

Goodan said that, although he hasn't noticed a decrease in the percentage of students entering college a greater number of students are entering the military or going to technical schools.

Jean C. Williams, counselor at Owensboro Senior High School for 20 years, said that she also doesn't try to persuade all students to attend college.

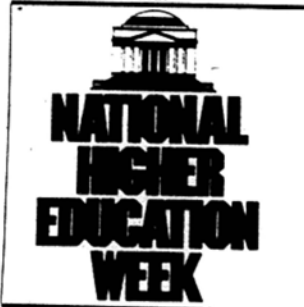
"Not everyone should be in college," she said. "I feel there are many other things we should be looking into."

Williams said that about 45 percent of the graduating students at Owensboro will attend college. She said that is down from 65 to 70 percent because the school now has more students from urban areas.

Williams said she does everything she can to help the students decide on a career. She suggests to some that they go to vocational school, while suggesting to others that "they just go to work."

"Many of our top students don't question whether or not they should go," she said. "It's simply a matter of what they should do and where they should go. A large part of our top students look at it as a way to get what they want."

But even though many students still see college as a means for advancement, most counselors agree that it doesn't offer the students as much as it once did.



Sandy Murray, a counselor at Seneca High School in Louisville for 16 years, said, "At that time (in the late '60s and early '70s), everyone felt college was the answer."

"There were a lot of people who chose it simply as an option to something they didn't want to do. I think it was a hard time for young people to decide what they wanted to do."

"Young people today are better informed as to what their options are and what the world of work's needs are."

Murray said college isn't looked at with the same reverence by students and parents that it once was but can still be important.

"I think it will (be important) if they are well prepared in that degree and have chosen a field wisely," she said. "I think a college degree for certain areas is going to be a necessity. But not all students, as far as interest and skills, are geared to college."

Betty Skidmore, a counselor at Ballard Memorial High School in LaCenter for eight years, said although the worth of a college diploma has changed, it's still necessary.

"I don't see that they (the

students) have much option," she said. "Careers that were good three years ago are bad now. If it's hard to find a job with a college degree, then how hard is it going to be to find a job without one?"

Because of unemployment, Skidmore said she has also seen an increase in the number of students entering college who aren't at the top of their class.

About 45 percent of the students graduating from Ballard Memorial last year enrolled in college, but the number entering the military is also up, she said.

Nelda Wheat, a counselor at Warren East High School for 12 years, said she thinks "the demand for a college education is greater than ever."

Gene Andrew, a counselor at Male Traditional High School in Louisville for five years, said he thinks a college education is still important to students.

He said he doesn't advise everyone to go to college. But Male, with its strict educational standards, will still send about 90 percent of its graduating students to college.

"I don't think college is for everyone," he said. "But I do believe it should be open to them if they want to pursue it."

Male Traditional's students must apply for admittance to the school and can be denied admittance for poor grades.

Higher education will be interesting to watch during the last part of the '80s. As the number of students eligible to enter college continues to fall, higher education will be faced with new problems.

Most high school counselors agree that a college education is still going to be important to students. Wheat said it may be even more important than ever.

"I think the day is over when a student thinks he can earn a respectable living without some type of formal education."

CORRECTION

Because of a reporter's error, President Donald Zacharias was misquoted in Tuesday's Herald in a story about Faculty Senate's proposed athletic budget freeze. Zacharias actually said, "It would be erroneous to assume (that) without athletics the academic programs would do better across the board."

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The forum featured local representatives from the presidential campaigns and professors who have backgrounds in the nuclear issue.

Sam McFarland, UCAM adviser, began the forum by saying "certainly no one wants it (nuclear war), but we certainly are divided on how to prevent it."

Steve Thorton, Bowling Green chairman for the Walter Mondale campaign, said his candidate favors a nuclear freeze and annual summit talks with the Soviet Union.

Walter Baker, a Glasgow attorney who has worked in the Defense Department under Ronald Reagan, said the president favors determent.

Nuclear weapons have become "instruments of world politics," said Dr. George Vourvopoulos, head of the physics and astronomy department. He said having nuclear weapons boosts a countries recognition as a power.

He said destroying existing nuclear weapons is an "unrealistic demand" because their threat provides a kind of stability to world politics.

Both Vourvopoulos and Dr. George Bluhm, professor of government, said the key to stabilization is open communication between the United States and the Soviet Union.

Despite the political overtones of both the teleconference and the forum, Mark Richards, UCAM organizer, said the group is non-partisan.

"What we want to do is make the problems of the arms race an issue," he said. "If they (students) think about it, they'll read about it and make an informed decision."

He said the events offered both sides of the issue.

Although the Peace Fest was publicized in local radio stations and newspapers, the students walking by the booths didn't seem interested in the issue.

"I think it's ridiculous," said Derrick Vincent, a Louisville



Linda Sherwood - Herald

Peace Fest '84 buttons were on sale during the three-day event.



Gary Clark - Herald

Doug Nesbit, from the department of library and special services, sings outside the university center Tuesday as part of Peace Fest '84.

senior

"I think the people that care already care," he said. "The people that don't care aren't going to be cause of Peace Fest '84."

Crawley, a sophomore from Cincinnati, worked the booths a portion of each day.

"We would ask people if they wanted information, and they didn't even want that," she said.

Richards, who began to organize the group about six weeks ago, said "That is precisely the mentality we are trying to change — the one that says peace cannot work."

"I am disappointed, but I'm not surprised," he said. "I have been at Western three and a half years, and I'm not surprised by an apathetic reaction or a deaf ear."

Richards said part of the problem

was that students associated the group and its goals with the student movements of the 60s, which were not very effective.

But Richards said this movement is very different.

"We're not asking people to drop-out," he said. "We're asking people to get involved."

Richards said election time is the right time to get people interested in the issue.

Students need to look at all the issues, and listen to the candidates' stands — not how they package their ideals.

People don't have the right to complain about policy they don't support if they didn't participate in the election, Richards said.

Vourvopoulos said "the best weapon you have is the vote."

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OPINION

Athletics must share in budget problems

Faculty Senate may catch a lot of heat from Hilltopper sports fans, but the cold reality of its most recent resolution must stand — Western's athletic budget must be frozen.

There's just no way to justify an increase in the already inflated athletics budget for next year when faculty and staff had to make do with a 2 percent salary raise this year.

Because of penny-pinching allotments by the 1984 Kentucky General Assembly, most departments received little or no increase in their budgets.

However, athletics did.

The department got \$236,000 added to its budget, raising the grand total to more than \$1.9 million.

The question is, "How?"

The simple fact is that athletics at Western today is a liability. Teams at Western spend almost twice what they collect in student athletic fees, gate receipts, alumni handouts and television payoffs.

The rest of the university must sacrifice and absorb the huge deficit created by major and minor sports.

The unfortunate fact remains — Western athletics will continue to be a burden on the entire university until the teams become more competitive regionally and nationally.

Nonetheless, President Zacharias is correct — there must always be a place for athletics. He notes that Western sports teams provide exposure for the university and development of young athletes.

They can't be scrapped.

But the senate doesn't want to toss athletics out the window. They just want to draw the line on spending and force the teams to share the budgetary woes with other departments.

The teams certainly can't convince the administration and Board of Regents that such sharing is unfair.

As Faculty Regent Mary Ellen Miller said, we must "keep our priorities in order."

Sports fans remember: The overwhelming majority of students come to Western to get an education, not a sports exhibition.



Family feud

Hilltopper from the East learns to cope with rivalry

By MICHAEL COLLINS

COMMENTARY

It ain't easy being a Hilltopper when you're from Eastern Kentucky.

Friends become your enemies. Relatives call you a traitor. And strangers stare at you like you're an alien when you wear a Western T-shirt.

So you learn to cope. You decide that friends aren't that important. You remind relatives that you're still an Eastern Kentuckian at heart. And you tell strangers to kiss off.

Then you hope like hell that Western doesn't get crushed in the annual football clash with that other university — Eastern.

People from that other university will invade Smith Stadium on Saturday when the Toppers face the Colonels in the latest chapter of the state's biggest football rivalry.

Life will be a lot easier for me if the Toppers manage to pull off their first win of the season. But the game isn't that important. It's what goes on in the stands that really counts.

Colonel fans will carry their maroon and white pompons, sing the Eastern fight song and bet their Hilltopper friends that the game will be over before the first quarter ends.

Topper fans will cheer on Big Red, wave the old red towel and pray for a miracle.

It'll be friend against friend, sister against brother, cousin against cousin. Just for the sake of competition. For nothing more than school pride.

And the chance to get revenge.

I've been waiting for this game since Western drowned the Colonels' chances for victory in Richmond last year. It rained, and the Colonels watched a 18-game winning streak slip slide away as Western poured points onto the scoreboard in the second half. The result — a 10-10 tie.

I'm hoping for even better results on Saturday.

But even if Western loses, I'll get the satisfaction of knowing that the folks back home know just what a real Hilltopper is.

I'll stand up to that Colonel from my hometown who yelled obscenities about Western at a high school football game. Forget the fact that we were classmates for about six years. This rivalry bit is serious stuff.

And when the band plays the fight song, I'll stand up and cheer just to get even with everyone who has called me a traitor.

No one will be spared. Not my high school math teacher who thinks that Eastern's the only university in the state. Nor my cousin who turned down a scholarship at Western so she could become a Colonel.

Chances are that she'll get back at me, too.

For every time that I've told her she made the wrong choice. For gloating after last year's game. And for teasing her that Eastern is no more than a second-rate school for backward hillbillies.

It ain't easy being a Colonel, either. Especially when there's a Hilltopper in the family.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Munroe's ban is aimless harassment

In response to the story of a stickers ban in the dorm, one word applies — trivial. One might speculate on whether Mr. Jeff Munroe (Barnes-Campbell Hall director) concerns himself with the number of times the dorm residents call home.

His concern with what the students put on their door is aimless harassment. It is a basic right, not a whimsical privilege granted by a "dorm lord," that Americans have freedom of expression.

That includes putting up stickers, banners or whatever. If indeed it "is a judgement call," then the policy is wrong by legal and moral standards that a lot of Americans have died for.

For a public university to concern itself with such matters is beyond comprehension. In many respects, such behavior in official circles should not be dignified by any response.

If Mr. Munroe and the housing office feel, in a genuine sense, that they are doing something for the student good, then they lack a basic ingredient for the academic community, namely rational thought.

It would be appropriate for someone in the housing office to apologize to the students. I

suspect they will not, however, judging from the evasive comments of the concerned officials.

Perhaps next term during room inspection, he can focus on the appropriate method of making beds.

Bob Thompson
graduate student

Saturday test unjust

The idea of a pass/fail test for freshmen English classes is ludicrous, but to have it on a Saturday is an injustice.

Do the English teachers who designed the pass/fail methods think freshmen enjoy putting a few hundred dollars and a good school record on the line over a test?

Do they want to further the anticipation by forcing us to give up a Friday night and a Saturday?

I know about other freshmen and myself. I'm not willing to give up time to go home, to relax, or yes, to party for taking a test I don't even believe in.

I'm voting in the freshman primaries against the tentative Saturday date for the discriminatory pass/fail. I urge all freshmen to come out and vote Oct. 30, 1984 and to mark their ballots the sensible way.

Jennifer L. Barwick
freshman

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Zacharias talks on education trends

By PRESIDENT
DONALD ZACHARIAS

Higher education, like most American institutions, is subject to trends. For nearly 40 years, higher education has experienced unprecedented growth in the number of institutions offering degrees and in enrollment.

Largely because of the decline in the birth rate eighteen years ago, the number of students now entering colleges and universities is declining. What impact will this and other changes have upon higher education?

One major trend has already begun to emerge. Most university educators are talking more about quality than ever before. The talk is based upon genuine concern about quality education and not merely some newly adopted marketing technique.

Discussions of quality, in fact, frighten some people because they consider it merely a euphemism for a new form of elitism in education.

Although they are concerned about the loss of enrollment, educators' preoccupation with quality is more directly related to pressures for academic programs in the sciences and high-tech fields and for programs that lead to professional careers.

Educators, as part of a second trend, have increased their efforts to find students with good skills in composition, mathematics, and science because they recognize that competence in these areas is essential for students planning a career in one of the high-growth fields.

They know that education will become more costly as universities

SPEAK OUT

look for revenue to help offset the costs for highly trained faculty, complex equipment and renovation of deteriorating facilities. If sound economic growth is to occur in Kentucky, universities will need public and private support to provide a relevant curriculum and modern instruction.

The third major trend affecting universities is the competition for students. Smaller, high-tuition colleges will find it increasingly difficult to attract students. They will offer numerous scholarships and financial aid packages to build enrollment.

Nearly all universities will intensify their efforts to recruit students with average and better academic records. In short, students will be made to feel that they are genuinely wanted by most universities, and some will be coaxed to the campus through scholarships.

The practice of providing federal financial aid for students with demonstrated need will continue as a fourth trend. Grants and loans will be available for the next two years or so, but there is growing apprehension that federal aid may be a victim of budget reductions when the next president and Congress begin taking serious action to reduce the federal deficit.

Most colleges and universities will continue to emphasize the importance of the liberal arts, but the number of general education courses required for graduation is likely to decline as students face the need for a curriculum that leads to specific careers.

Fifth, the use of the computer as an instructional tool will expand rapidly. The value of computers for teaching in business and the sciences is already obvious.

New communication networks between universities and businesses and between universities and public schools will offer exciting developments in instruction. Because of the expense associated with the use of computers, universities are likely to adopt special fees to be used for helping to offset the high costs associated with this form of instruction.

A final trend relates to the source of funds for public universities. As legislators work to hold down the rate of increasing demands for revenue, public universities will find it increasingly essential to raise funds from alumni and businesses to provide a margin of excellence in all major academic programs.

The universities with the best reputation for quality programs, outstanding faculty, and top scholarships will be the universities which are successful in supplementing state appropriations with gifts from their supporters.

These then are some of the major trends you can expect to see over the next five to 10 years. Some are already occurring on university campuses and will become more apparent in a few years.

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ASG wants less general ed

By VICTORIA P. MALMER

Proposals calling for nine fewer general education hours and an enforced university policy on make-up work for excused absences were given first reading by Associated Student Government Tuesday.

The actions are "two of the most controversial resolutions so far," said President Jack Smith.

The general education resolution says requiring students to take so many classes "unrelated to their chosen field of study is excessive and unrealistic."

The resolution asks Academic Council and Dr. Robert Haynes, vice president for academic affairs, to reduce the number of general education requirements in the following ways:

• Categories A and B from a combination of 9 and 12 hours to 9 hours each — a reduction of three hours.

• Category C from 15 to 12 hours — a reduction of three hours.

• Category D, section 1, from 9 to 6 hours — a reduction of three hours.

The second proposal asks Academic Council to review the policy on make-up work after excused absences and to enforce it.

"Hilltopics says you can make up classwork after missing class be-

cause of illness, death in the family, or other justifiable reasons," Smith said. "But I can show you 20 syllabi that say you can't make up course work, homework, quizzes or tests for any reason after any absence."

According to Hilltopics: "When students present valid reasons for absences, the instructor will assist them in completing work missed, or in the case of extended absences will consult the CAP (Career and Academic Placement) Center for appropriate action."

"We need an enforced policy, campus-wide," Smith said.

Congress also approved a resolution asking the Academic Council and President Donald Zacharias to extend the time limit for finishing an incomplete grade to 16 weeks.

The resolution says that students who have an incomplete during the fall semester have up to 16 weeks to make up the course work. But students receiving an incomplete during the spring semester have up to 26 weeks to make up the work.

The resolution says extensions should be given only in "extenuating circumstances" and only with the approval of the college dean.

It's something that's needed attention for a long time," Smith said. "Professors are inconsistent about their policies. We need a policy that would apply to everyone."

Congress also discussed a proposal asking the university to abolish its attendance policy. A resolution on the policy probably will be introduced next week.

Hilltopics now specifies that registering for a class obligates a student to be "regular and punctual in class."

But, Smith said, "Who can say what 'regular' is? We're all adults here. We shouldn't need the university or a professor to tell us we have to go to classes."

"Some professors are really rigid about it," he said. "They'll drop you from the roll for missing their class one too many times. Once you pay your money and register for a class, it should be up to you decide about class attendance."

In other business, the congress:

• Gave first reading to a resolution asking the university to provide signs on the ramps of the parking structure, identifying the curbs as off-limits for pedestrian traffic.

• Gave first reading to a proposal requesting the officers of the Associated Student Government to notify their own members after three and four unexcused absences.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Imagination is the key to good parties

By MATTEMERY

Polyester.

Ninety-nine red balloons.

Yuri Andropov dropped off.

Those may sound like unusual party themes, but they have the key ingredient to a successful bash—imagination.

And Angie Speck, an Elizabethtown senior and host of the 99 red balloons party, said it's not just the imagination of the host that counts.

Speck, who said she throws several parties a year, said the "people I invite to my parties are creative enough to entertain themselves and each other. They don't come to my parties saying 'hey, entertain me.'"

"Anything can be a party situation," she said. "It's an attitude of 'let's have fun in spite of everything.'"

She also rates "spontaneity" high on her list of what makes a party successful.

Kirk Tisdale, a senior from Covington, Ohio, said he and his two roommates throw about ten parties a year.

Last year's party for fallen communist leader Andropov, was designed to be a sort of wake and featured communist newspapers tacked to the walls, pictures of the comrade plastered throughout the apartment.

"None of us are in a frat," he said. "But we have a pretty tight niche of friends. We take our school seriously—to a point."

"We like to cut loose on the weekends," he said.

Speck said she spent \$100 for her red balloon party, including \$20 for helium and balloons.

"That's my problem," she said. "I get into decorating."

But, she said, that was the most she ever spent on a party.

For refreshments, she said she prepared fresh vegetables, cheese and crackers, dip and chips, black olives, carrots and celery. She also bought several bottles of champagne.

A recent party at Tisdale's

apartment was kicked-off with the toast, "Tonight we shall party like banshee warriors."

For refreshments, he bought a five pound bag of popcorn for under \$1. The roommates also built a bar for the evening for less than \$1.

The lumber was free, and they only had to pay for the nails.

Some party themes are traditions, though.

Last Saturday, the Western Players, a theater organization, held its Seventh Annual Polyester Party. Guests came dressed entirely in polyester and adopted a backwards, socially inept character.

The evening also included a pageant.

Lisa Hayes, a senior from Hendersonville, Tenn., said she thought college parties are "less inhibited" than other parties.

Lynn Kirkpatrick, a senior from Fort Bliss, Texas, agreed. She said party goers usually have classes together and they are closer.

Melissa Bedinger, a senior from Hendersonville, Tenn. and retiring Polyester Queen, said "We're more open with each other," even before drinking.

Bedinger explained the pageant. It starts with "a parade where you walk through as a couple," she said.

"After everybody parades through, we select ten finalists, five men and five women."

Then they have a talent competition, she said.

"People will sing or do really bizarre things, and you do it all in character."

Finally, contestants are asked questions, Bedinger said. For example, "If Ronald Reagan were re-elected and did away with polyester, what would you do?"

Contestants answer "in character."

Then Mr. and Miss congeniality are elected. Last year's queen gives a walk. Then a prince, princess, king and queen are selected for the coming year.

"After we have all that," Bedinger said, "we put on our regular clothes and have a good time."



Gary Clark - Herald

Laurie Stream, a senior from St. Louis, Mo., Player's Seventh Annual Polyester Party Saturday night.

Early in the evening, Suzette Bowman, seemed determined to win.

"I've been a finalist three years," she said. "And I intend to win."

She described her outfit as a red scarf, red, white and blue "tasteful polyester" dress, polyester shoes, a white head-band and blue polyester purse.

Total cost — \$2.68 at the local Salvation Army store.

"I feel my time has come," she

said.

At Tisdale's party, things were less structured. Still, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

It was about 3:00 a.m. when the last guests headed home. The floor was littered with piles of popcorn, empty beer cans and tattered sections from an issue of "Vogue" magazine. A small table lay destroyed in the middle of one room.

Of course, cleaning up the next morning is part of every party.

The morning after her ninety-nine red balloons party, cleaning up "was a full day," said Speck.

But, Speck said, it's worth the effort.

"I've got a lot of groups of friends," she said. "It's a way of being with a lot of my friends."

Bowman also agreed that parties are worth the effort.

After three years of disappointment, she is Polyester Queen for 1984-85.

Staging: Music students enjoy preparing for opera

By KIMSWIFT

Scene I, Act 1: The setting is a small office on the third floor of the Fine Arts Center.

The props include a shiny, black piano and piles of musical scores. The actor is Dr. Virgil Hale.

Hale, director of the opera theater production, fingers his fuzzy, peppered beard as he discusses the props he needs for the children's opera "Little Red Riding Hood."

"I'll get the tablecloth, and you take care of the tree stump," he said to one of his students. "Oh, can you possibly find an old fur coat?"

Hale is in charge of organizing the details of the production, as well as casting the singers who will begin performing tomorrow night at 8 p.m. when scenes from the operas "La Traviata" and "Carmen," along with the production of "Little Red Riding Hood" will be performed in the recital hall.

"This is going to be a fun evening," Hale said.

Although "Little Red Riding Hood," is geared to children it is an adult opera, classified as an opera buffa or comical opera.

There are many types of opera, the professor of music said.

"Opera is nothing but a musical play," Hale said.

"Opera is an enjoyable media," he said. "You may find a certain type more enjoyable than others."

The opera theater production is done each year as an "experimental theater," Hale said. It gives music students a chance to get used to performing. For some it may be their first encounter with an audience and the stage.

Scene I, Act 2: The "big, bad" wolf from "Little Red Riding Hood" rehearses on stage with a vivacious song and pranks up his hairy sleeve.

Stan Paschal, a senior from Scottsville who portrays the wolf, must act as well as sing during the

production as he jumps around the stage with furry ears and a beard around his head.

"It's fun," he said. "The cast has a ball."

Paschal said he has been singing formally for 10 years, and he started singing in church choirs.

He said he would like to continue singing after graduating with a degree in vocal music education. But he said he would rather play recitals than continue in opera because opera takes up so much time.

"We'd all like to perform to some extent," he said. "And I'm no different. It's just the Hamlets in us."

Scene II: A pretty, brunette, mezzo soprano sings her way from the Gilbertsville music halls to the lead role in the opera "Carmen."

And Jennifer Drury hopes to go even farther.

Unlike her classmate Paschal, Drury is studying for a vocal music performance degree and said she

plans to sing professionally after graduating.

"I have a drive in me to perform," the sophomore said. "Whereas most people want to teach."

"I'm very versatile in my type of music," Drury said. "I've always been told that opera is my voice, but I'm interested in jazz and Broadway, too."

She has been performing since she was in the seventh grade and began playing the piano at age eight.

Next semester she will be playing Hata in a production of "The Bartered Bride."

Scene III: In a soft, honey voice Alesia Beckham relays how guilty she felt when she landed the lead role of Merenka in "The Bartered Bride."

"The other soprano did so well, and I know she wanted it just as bad as I did," Beckham said. "But I feel bad cause I know how she feels."

Besides the role in the Czechoslovakian opera, Beckham also portrays Violetta in "La Traviata."

Like Drury, the Bowling Green senior hopes to sing professionally.

Beckham said she would like to get into a professional choir, get her masters at another school and later teach music to elementary students.

"But that is a big wish," she said.

The curtain closes and the house lights come on.

But the show isn't over yet. The last act will be finished when the performers sing their last song.

The competition is stiff, Beckham said.

"You have to find a role, get an audition and pray," she said.

"My family always knew I would go into music," she said. "The question was what type."

Beckham said you have to "love" singing to stay with it because it takes dedication and hard work.

Politics may decide duplication

—Continued from Front Page—

Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, vice chairman of the legislative commission.

"Just as I'm protective of Western, they're going to be protective of their areas," said Richards, who's also chairman of the House Education Committee.

At this point the discussion has centered on cutting professional schools, which Western doesn't have any of, instead of undergraduate programs.

"My opinion, going into the study, is that we probably don't need two medical schools or two dental schools or three law schools," said state Rep. Harry Moberly, D-Richmond. He said he would like to see one of each eliminated.

A proposal to merge the University of Louisville and the University of Kentucky has created controversy at both schools.

But state Rep. Fred Cowan, D-Louisville, said there's "a lot of opposition" to the merger at U of L. He said that opposition would make it difficult for him to vote for cuts.

But Sen. Mike Moloney, D-Lexington, said "I would hope that, whatever the study produces, the legislators will have the courage to go along and do what needs to be done," he said.

State Rep. Hank List, D-Lexington, said, "It's fine with me if the communities of Fayette County and Jefferson County agree. If they don't agree, I think it would be a bad idea."

List said most people he has talked to would be in favor of U of L joining the UK system.

"But they would not be for UK

losing any of the stature that they have now, or be thought of as anything other than the primary institution in all respects in Kentucky," he said.

List also defended the number of professional schools in Kentucky — especially its three law schools, one of which is at UK.

"It's true that the state of Kentucky is producing more lawyers than it can use, but a law degree . . . is a very valuable tool to use in other professions," he said. "Just because they have it doesn't mean they're going to practice law."

And List said he doesn't think the money saved by cutting professional schools would be enough to make it worth the "political hassle."

"Once you give somebody something, it's awfully hard to take it away unless you can prove it's a total waste of money and that there's no benefit being derived from it," he said.

List said the committee would probably come up with some proposals that are "what you would call cost-effective, but they're not politically feasible; they're not politically realistic."

"I think a lot of the university presidents may not be biting the bullet that really needs to be bitten," Cowan said. "As a result, the legislature is sticking its nose into it to determine what's necessary and what's not."

State Rep. Fred Curd, D-Murray, said he hoped that, if nothing else, the committee's study would motivate administrators to scrutinize their own programs and make necessary cuts.

For instance, Eastern Kentucky University recently eliminated eight degree programs which it felt were unnecessary.

Cowan also hopes the universities will take on the responsibility of deciding where cuts should be made.

"Once it gets into the legislature, it's just people clawing and biting each other," Cowan said. "A lot of blood gets shed and maybe you don't get the best solution that way."

Sen. Nelson Allen, D-Ashland, who was co-sponsor of the committee, said the legislature stepped in because there were many questions that needed to be asked.

"The Council of Higher Education should have done what we are trying to accomplish," Allen said. "The taxpayers just want to know where their money is going."

"If we're not using our tax dollars wisely, then the red pencil needs to come out," Allen said.

But while some legislators are waving their red pencils at university programs and budgets, others protest that blame lies elsewhere.

List said, "I don't think the problem is a duplication problem as much as it is that the state of Kentucky stretched its resources too thin when it created so many major universities."

Like List, Moloney doesn't think "unnecessary duplication" is as big a problem as some have suggested. "I just don't think any drastic recommendations are going to come out of the committee," he said.

"I hope the results will help explode the myth that all this money is being wasted on higher education," Moberly said. "Higher education is not the fat cat of the state budget."

FOR THE RECORD

"For the Record" contains reports from public safety.

Arrests

Michael Jerome Bailey, 358 Coomes Ave., and Pat Jackman Riley, 1417 N. Sunrise Drive, were arrested Tuesday, charged with second degree criminal trespassing and lodged in Warren County Jail.

Reports

Jerry Todd Pridemore, Pearce-Ford Tower, reported Tuesday that 2 speakers valued at \$21 had been stolen from his 1969 Volkswagen convertible

while it was parked with the roof down and doors unlocked in the Russellville Road lot. He also reported that the front seat was torn; damage was estimated at \$50.

Gerald Anthony Pea, Pearce-Ford Tower, reported Tuesday the theft of speakers and a radiocassette unit from his 1978 Chevrolet van while it was parked in the Russellville Road lot.

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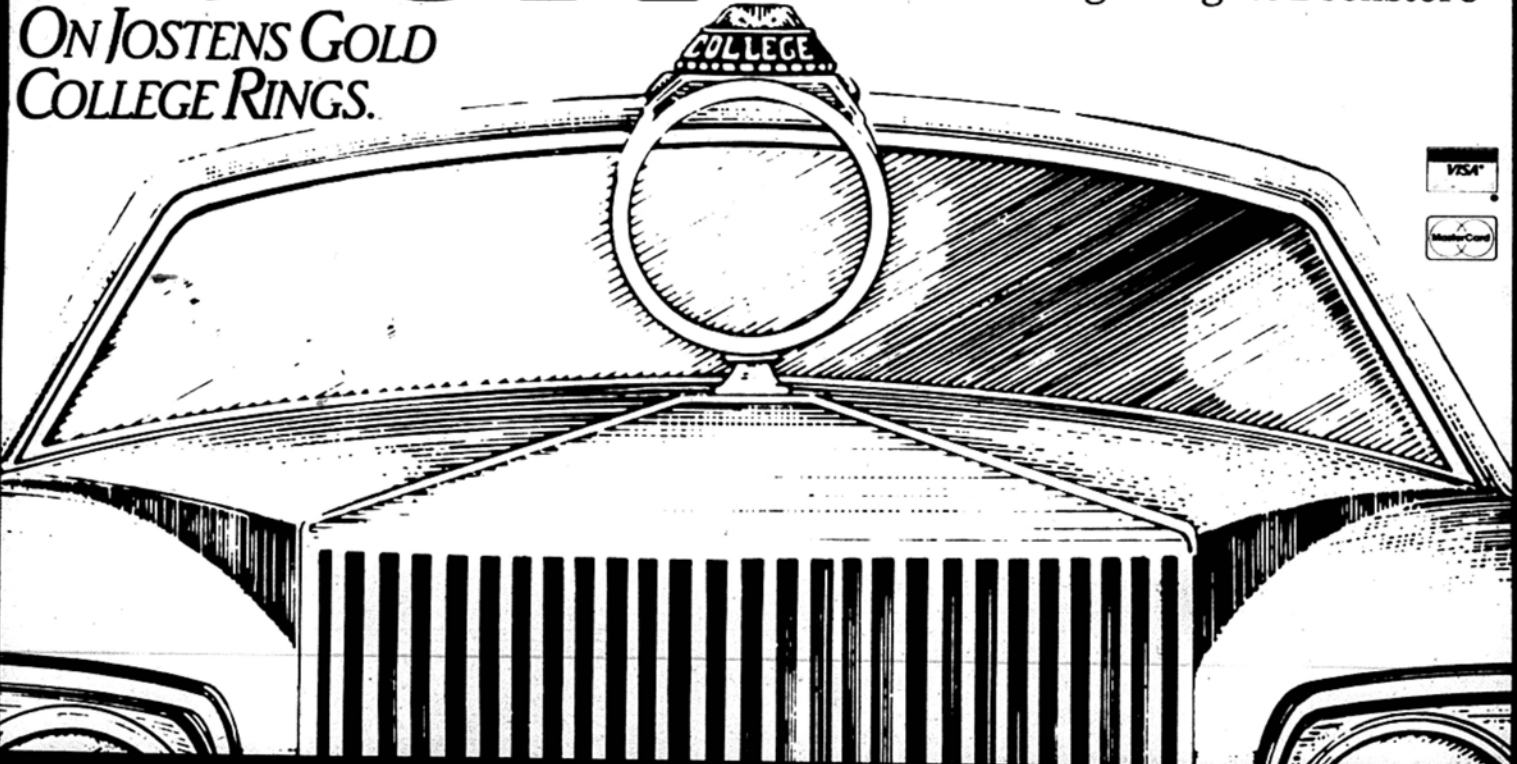
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Single parents join for support

By ANGELASTRUCK

In the game of solitaire, a single parent can't be sure what cards will turn up, and a helping hand is often appreciated.

Now, the single parents on campus are uniting to help each other in their sometimes solitary lives.

Going to school and rearing a child is "a risk and a gamble" when a parent is alone, said Bob Mason, vice president of Single Parents on Campus.

"In a marriage, people can share decision-making, but a single parent makes every decision in isolation," Mason said.

Mason, who is working on his masters degree in community-agency counseling, said he was "scared to death" when he received custody of his 5-year-old daughter, two and a half years ago. After realizing the pressures of being a single parent he began to organize a support group.

Unlike Parents Without Partners, a group with a Bowling Green chapter, Single Parents on Campus is aimed specifically toward staff, faculty and students at Western.

Parents with and without custody of children are welcome to join, said Carole Willoughby, the group's president. The group, which began meeting six weeks ago, offers support, social activities and personal and educational instruction.

Single parents want a place where they can meet other people like themselves, Willoughby said.

According to the office of student organizations, 124 students are single parents who have children living with them. But Willoughby estimates that there are between 300 and 500 single parents on campus, including members of faculty and staff and those parents who don't have custody.

Willoughby, a 43-year-old textiles and clothing major, is a single parent, but she said part of her motivation for starting the group was her daughter.

Her daughter returned to school as a single parent but left because she felt out of place on a college campus. Willoughby said she wants to help people like her daughter stay in school.

"If we take a personal interest in these people, I think we can keep them here," she said.

The group will sponsor social activities, such as dances, speakers and counseling on topics such as financial problems.

The group is open to all single parents, Willoughby said. This gives the younger members an opportunity to benefit from the experience of the older ones.

Vicki Miller said the group's members can relate to her problems and offer help. Miller, a 27-year-old nursing student, has a daughter and three sons.

She and a friend, who is also a member of the group, help each other when studying pressures build, Miller said.

Miller is in the process of a divorce but said she is fortunate to receive help from her husband. She said he sometimes watches the children and also provides financial support.

But she said she still encounters problems that traditional college students don't face.

When Miller returns from classes, she has to take care of her children before she can study. This means cooking supper and giving baths. By the time the children are in bed, she said she is often too tired to study.

She also said she can't spend as much time as she wants to with her children, but she has learned to con-

centrate on the quality of the time they spend together rather than the quantity.

When she returned to school in the summer of 1983, Miller was in the process of the divorce. It was a difficult time, but she said she and her children have adjusted well.

Miller said she wants to meet people who share her problems, but has never gone to any other group, such as Parents Without Partners. She said that she wouldn't feel as though she fit in because she is a student. But she said she may consider such a group after graduating.

Parents Without Partners doesn't seem to attract younger parents, said Willoughby.

Mason said, "Some people, for whatever reason, don't join Parents Without Partners, and those are the people we're trying to reach."

Single Parents on Campus meets every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in West Hall Cellar.

All single parents are invited to a Halloween costume party on Oct. 26 at 8 p.m. in the Faculty House. Refreshments will be served.

Course offered

The law school admission test preparatory course will begin Oct. 31 in Room 339 of Grise Hall, pre-law adviser Dr. Frank Neuber has announced.

The course will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Oct. 31 and Nov. 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 28 and 29. The fee is \$20 plus \$6 for materials.

The course is sponsored by Western's Pre-Law Club and Community Education of Bowling Green and Warren County.

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Pet snake loved by all

By KIM PARSON

Everyone loves Moses. The fifth grade class he visited in Franklin, the children at McNeil Elementary School; his owner's friends, even girls. But Pat Bradford loves him more than anyone.

It took Bradford, a Franklin senior, almost a year to find the pet he had wanted for so long — a boa constrictor.

After looking in pet stores here and Nashville, he ended up buying his six foot, 12 pound pet from a Bowling Green man.

Moses, who is almost eight years old, lives here with some of Bradford's friends because his parents won't allow the pet to stay at their home in Franklin.

Bradford keeps Moses in a specially built terrarium.

He said most boa constrictors require a temperature of 87 degrees to survive, but Moses likes his terrarium around 75 degrees.

And what Moses wants, Moses gets.

Bradford raises rats to feed Moses and said he buys him hamsters and gerbils to keep variety in his diet.

Moses is fed about every two weeks and eats anywhere from one to four rodents, depending on how active he's been and how many he wants.

And what Moses wants, Moses gets.

"If he isn't hungry, he doesn't eat," Bradford said. "A rat can walk all over him, and he won't kill it."

He kills his food by dislocating his jaw and grabbing his victim around the neck. He then wraps his body around the victim and suffocates it.

He always swallows his food head first so the arms and legs will fold straight down and make it easier to swallow. It usually takes Moses about five minutes to eat.

Moses is fed only the cleanest rodents and is given vitamin A and D supplements for his skin.

"Moses is susceptible to worms, mites, types of fungus, pneumonia and intestine infections," Bradford said. But in the three years he's had him, Bradford said Moses has never been sick.

Moses did give Bradford a scare when he went on a six-week hunger strike.



Gary Clark - Herald

Pat Bradford, a Franklin senior, holds his pet boa constrictor Moses. The six-foot-long snake weighs 12 pounds.

Bradford tried everything to get the snake to eat. Not even rabbits, chicks and a variety types of rodents seemed to appeal to Moses, and Bradford said he still hasn't figured out why Moses wouldn't eat.

On more than one occasion Moses has tried to venture into the world on his own.

Bradford said he thought he had lost Moses forever when he came home one day and didn't find Moses laying over the top of the door where he had left him.

Bradford was living in an old house on College Street, and while he was gone, Moses had crawled through a crack between the wall and the floor.

"I tried to lure him out with rats, but it didn't work," Bradford said. "Finally, after a couple of hours, he just came out on his own."

Moses does what he wants to, when he wants to.

Bradford said it's difficult to find places to live because of his pet, so he usually doesn't tell landlords that he owns a snake.

But sometimes they find out anyway. Bradford was thrown out of the house on College Street after the landlord discovered Moses.

Bradford said he takes Moses on road trips whenever he can. The snake had its own travel bag and

has been to Louisville and Lexington.

"I like to expose him to new environments," Bradford said.

When it's warm, he said he takes Moses outside and lets him climb trees and enjoy the outdoors.

Moses also likes to ride on mopeds and sometimes goes along with Bradford to parties.

Bradford said that Moses isn't big enough to hurt anyone, but he thinks that Moses may be dangerous to children when he is full-grown.

"He should max out at about 11 or 12 feet and weight about 30 pounds," Bradford said.

Bradford said boa constrictors are hard to get right now because the countries that export the pets are keeping them until their rodent populations decrease.

Bradford said he loves Moses as much or more than most people would love their dog or cat.

"I think he recognizes me by sight and smell," Bradford said. "He usually crawls back to me when he has been put on someone else."

Bradford said no one knows what a boa constrictor's life expectancy is exactly, but it has been estimated at about 15 years.

"Everywhere I go, he'll go — till he dies," Bradford said.

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Lecture on disease starts series

By MARCIA ROBERTSON

Although the atmosphere was somewhat relaxed, the subject was serious as Dr. Edward N. Brandt, assistant secretary for health under Ronald Reagan, and Dr. Thomas P. Coohill, professor of biology, physics, and astronomy, spoke on communicable diseases.

The two spoke Monday at the Rodes-Helm Forum in a lecture called "Communicable Disease: Two steps forward, one step back."

Brandt, the first speaker, spoke on communicable diseases in general. He said infectious childhood diseases have decreased by 70 percent since 1981 as a result of immunizations.

But the success story for vaccines for adult diseases isn't as impressive. In many cases, vaccines have been developed to cure adult diseases although the public isn't aware of these vaccines, he said.

Brandt said Hepatitis B, a disease of the liver, is curable but the vaccine for the disease is not being manufactured because there is no public demand for it.

Brandt also talked briefly about venereal diseases. Despite advances made in recent research, there has been no vaccine developed to prevent AIDS — Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome — herpes, syphilis or gonorrhea.

But, Brandt said, "the community has no desire to counteract sexual diseases."

Coohill spoke on herpes.

He said the most common form of herpes is the cold sore, and it can be transmitted orally or sexually. The most devastating effect of the disease is that it cannot be cured, he said.

Although it may only surface once, the virus never leaves the body.

The next Rodes-Helm Forum, a group of lectures designed to bring national experts to campus, will be Thursday, Nov. 29. The topic will be "The Electronic Church."

USA Today hits city

The bright blue box at the top of the page reads, "USA Today, the nation's newspaper."

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This new concept in newspapers made its first appearance in Bowling Green on September 10, said Ron Hartman, a promoter for the newspaper.

About 60 stands were spread throughout Bowling Green, five of those on campus.

It is published by Gannett Co., Inc., five days a week and has four sections — News, Money, Sports and Life.

"The most distinctive part of the paper is the display of color," Hartman said. The paper uses lots of color charts and illustrations with its stories.

Since 1982, when the newspaper began, it has gained the third largest circulation in the country, with the Wall Street Journal and the New York Daily News in front.

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Nightlife

The General Store will feature **Night Flight** tonight and tomorrow night. **Legend** will play Saturday night.

Tourist is performing at Runway 5 throughout the weekend.

At Picasso's, **The Ken Smith Band** will be playing tonight and Saturday.

Los Juages will be featured at the Literary Club tonight through Saturday.

Concert

The **DeBow Brothers** will play on the university center terrace after the Western-Eastern football game Saturday. In case of rain, the concert will be held in the university center.

Sheena Easton will perform at the Grand Ole Opry Oct. 28. Tickets are \$10.50, \$11.50 and \$12.50.

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Early classes work best for some

By MACK HUMPHREYS

College life and early morning classes might not be a pleasant mix for some, but many students find that 8 a.m. classes fit into their schedules best.

"If I take my classes in the morning, I can go to work early in the afternoon and have my evenings free," said Kris Ann Patton, a Beaver Dam junior.

A 10-minute walk from McCormick Hall helps Patton get ready for class in the morning. "The walk helps wake me up; I'm more alert when I get here," she said.

Patton said he doesn't want to fall asleep in class, a common problem for early rising students, because the class is required for her major. Brian Rudolph, a Greenville

freshman, said he likes to take his classes at 8 a.m. because "I'd rather get up and get them over with. It's better than laying in bed."

"You get to see what people really look like in the morning," he said.

Having to get to class in Thompson Complex from Barnes-Campbell Hall makes him better prepared, he said, but "it's kind of cruel the way it does it."

To be ready for his 8 a.m. class he has to think ahead and get his work done the day before, he said.

Chuck Czepyha, an Owensboro junior, doesn't want to take another 8 a.m. class because, to stay awake for class, he'd have to go to bed earlier. "I'd miss (David) Leterman."

Many people do have trouble

staying awake in class, Czepyha said. "The only way I can stay awake is to daydream," he said. "When I start to think about the lecture, I fall asleep."

Probably the most common way people stay awake is by drinking something with caffeine in it.

Czephyan was forced to take a billiards class at 8 a.m. because he registered late and it was the only time he had open to take general education requirements.

"I wasn't going to take anything I had to think in at 8 o'clock," he said.

Czephyan said he and his roommate don't have many problems adjusting to each other's schedules. His roommate has 9:15 a.m. class, so Czephyan is usually gone by the time he gets up.

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Escort service sticking with it

By MATT EMERY

Western's Student Escort Service almost put itself out of business.

Student Escort workers were growing discouraged because few were using the service, according to Ben Sego, an Upton senior who is coordinator of the program.

The service may have done its job too well.

"Last year," he said, worker interest "really declined because, luckily, there were no attacks on campus."

He said "personal interest" was all that brought volunteers back this fall.

"People would say it wasn't needed," he said, but he disagrees.

"If there is an escort, then the odds of it (another attack) happening are much, much smaller," he said.

"Maybe we stopped one that might have been."

It appeared as though the service

end earlier this semester, but an increase in callers the last few weeks has revived the groups enthusiasm, Sego said.

The organization originated in the fall of 1981 in response to "several attacks on campus, and several rapes on campus," Sego said.

Paul Bunch spoke to workers in a meeting Wednesday to help build enthusiasm.

At the meeting he said that during the eight months prior to establishment of the service, there were seven sexual assaults on campus and in the city. Requests for escort by public safety increased by 400 percent, Bunch said, and the department could not answer them all.

The volunteers escort female students who call 4354 from anywhere on campus between dusk and midnight Sunday through Thursday, Sego said.

Those wishing to use the service should be sure to tell the dispatcher a specific location and time they want to be met, Sego said.

He said he thought the recent public safety seminars on rape prevention in women's dormitories might have increased interest in student escort.

Bunch said the service was emphasized at the seminars.

Sego said that adding several new workers has increased interest also. "New blood, new enthusiasm," he said.

Applications to work as a student escort are available through the IHC office or by contacting public safety, Sego said. But he added that new application forms are being printed and might not be available for a few days.

Bill Brown, a Brandenburg sophomore, began escorting Sept. 19.

He said he has been answering four or five calls a night.

It is job experience and gives him a chance to do homework while waiting for calls, he said.

"I figure if I can just help one a night, it's worth it," he said.

"I'm sticking with it."

\$100,000 computer to be installed

By URSULA THOMAS

The Academic Computing and Research Services will be installing a new \$100,000 computer early next week.

The computer will be housed in the Science and Technology Hall along with a new central network connecting the terminals and instructional machines on campus into the new data communications network to be completed by January.

Along with the new computer, 60 additional terminals have been installed in the Science and Technology Hall and the College of Education Building.

"The primary purpose of the new computer system is to serve instructional needs," said Dr. J.J. Sloan, a government professor and director of academic computing.

"We chose this particular model because its features were especially designed for instructional applications as compared to the IBM we

looked at also," Sloan said.

The computer "also has the capacity to possibly double its computing power, which is important for the future."

The Academic Computers and Research and Services is responsible for providing hardware and software for general university use, such as research, design and statistical analysis and administrative tasks. The uses include instructional evaluations and APTS, a tutoring program.

The new network will also free the university from dependence on the Kentucky Educational Computer Network system, based at University of Kentucky.

The decision to buy a new computer began three years ago with the objective to decrease dependence on the KECNET system. Rising costs and impracticality were cited as additional reasons.

Previously the use of KECNET was funded by the Council on Higher Education, but since July of this

year the burden of cost was transferred to Western.

"The cost of staying with the KECNET system didn't compare with the benefits of buying the new system," Sloan said. "However we'll still have access to the KECNET system when it's necessary."

"The new system is at least as good as any other school's in the state," he said. "We've never been in this relatively good position."

However, there are still things to be done. For example, resources for support of research activities are still lagging, but Sloan seemed to be optimistic that the university will make advances in that area also.

"Next year we'll add 60 more terminals and expand our communication services by some amount each year into the future," he said.

"Eventually, we also expect to escape the punch-card instructional method."

"We are determined not to find ourselves out of the computer race—we're raising quality."

Rare group to perform

The Rare, a two-woman, soft-rock band, will perform in the Center Theater Dec. 12 in a University Center Board sponsored concert.

The Rare consists of Janet Brammer on vocals, keyboards, acoustic and synthesized guitars; and Betsy Martin on vocals, bass, keyboards and autoharp. The band has no percussion; a drum machine is used instead. The percussion is transferred to cassette for live performances.

The Rare performs songs by Heart, Cyndi Lauper, The Police, and Hank Williams, as well as their own music.

The concert begins at 8 p.m., and admission is free.

In other business, Center Board announced that novelist James Baldwin will speak at 8 p.m. Nov. 13 in Center Theater.

The lecture is also sponsored by the creative writing community of the English department and a grant from the Kentucky Humanities Council.

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Freshman candidates campaign

By URSULA THOMAS

The U.S. presidential election isn't the only political race going on these days.

Among the many Ronald Reagan-George Bush buttons and Walter Mondale-Geraldine Ferraro bumper stickers scattered across campus are strategically placed campaign flyers for the freshman primaries Tuesday and the election Oct. 30.

The seven presidential candidates say they're qualified for the job through their leadership experience and their desire not only to get involved, but to make a difference in the university.

Danielle Williamson, of Gilbertsville, captures the theme of the candidates' platforms: "I want to help bring the freshman class together," she said. "We need a unifying element in our class."

She suggested having freshman study groups as well as extra-curricular activities to try to bring the group closer together.

Gregg Hale, of Henderson, summed up his campaign in the slogan "Involve the everyday student in everything — academically and socially."

"The majority of freshmen don't have anything to identify themselves to," he said. "We need to improve the campus-wide atmosphere."

Most of the candidates agreed the difference between high school and college elections is the bigger population at a university.

LaMont Jones Jr., of Owensboro, said, "In high school a lot of people get elected for good looks and popularity, but in college students are more mature and try to elect the lone candidate best qualified."

Jones admits that he doesn't know everyone in his class and never will. "But I think I've made a good start at getting to know my classmates. A good leader can prove himself."

Lori Scott, of Princeton, believes one of the major blocks in achieving her goals would be representing people she doesn't know. But, she said, "the more involved you get, the more people you'll know."

Debra Broz, of Bowling Green, believes her peers aren't that different from herself.

"As long as you keep yourself open for suggestions, not knowing everybody won't be a big problem," she said.

Elizabeth Largen, of Bowling Green, said the "class is so big that you can't reach out to everyone. However, the class can come to the president."

"I enjoy meeting people and hearing suggestions, and it should work both ways."

Jennifer Barwick, of Louisville, said experience has shown her that being president isn't just a "title job."

Some of her long-term goals include an all status coed dorm and a campus pub.

"I want to be a performer not a figure head," she said.

Hale's goals include an expansion of the Freshman Assistance program and the resident advisers' roles in helping students become aware of available activities. He also said he favors a bill that would require freshman to take a one-hour credit course on college adjustment.

Broz wants more students to get involved in extra-curricular activities. She said, "There's something for everyone."

Largen and Scott agree that most students need to get involved in student government because it is such a vital part of any campus.

Jones said he can't set any goals until he sees what the freshman class wants.

"I alone cannot achieve class goals; it's a joint effort," he said. "But I'll use every resource I have, if elected, to help meet our goals."

Even though the candidates are campaigning against each other, they are supportive, and each wants to help make a difference at West-ern.

Ratt low grossing

The only profit that University Center Board will probably see from its Oct. 5 Ratt concert will be the \$2,000 it made from concessions.

Chairman Rex Hurt said the concert grossed a little more than \$33,000 in ticket sales, but once the bills are paid and Sunshine Promotions, who brought the concert to campus, receives its profit, very little will be left for the board.

Hurt said the \$33,000 put the con-

cert "close to break even sales," but Sunshine Promotions agreed to divide the profits only after they were guaranteed a certain percentage of the total. Ticket sales just reached that total, and center board received no profits, Hurt said.

The exact figures won't be known until all of the bills are paid. But any extra money will be funneled back into the Contemporary Music Committee's budget.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Today

Fellowship of Christian Athletes will sponsor its 100-hour jog-a-thon beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the Smith Stadium track. The event will run through Sunday.

Friday

Phi Eta Sigma will hold its initiation ceremony for sophomores

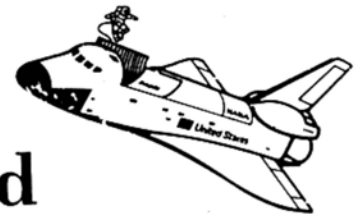
who have earned a 3.5 grade point average at 4 p.m. in Grise Hall auditorium.

Tuesday

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Firediving job no sweat

By KIM PARSON

A swimming pool 22 feet wide and 10 feet deep seems extremely small when you are standing on a platform 30 feet in the air and preparing to dive in.

It seems even smaller when you are wearing a cotton sweatsuit that has just been set on fire.

This summer, two Western students performed this type of dive several times.

Scott Vick, a senior from Springfield, Ill., and Bob Gregory, a Bowling Green sophomore, were members of a high diving team at Magic World, an amusement park in Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

The team is one of 20 around the country that make up the Great American High Diving Team that is based in Miami.

The team performed five shows a day at the park; the fire dive was

done at the closing show each night.

Each show had three areas — straight or Olympic diving, a comedy skit and high diving.

Vick said he took the job because he wanted to do something exciting. "I wanted to prove to myself that I could do it," Vick said.

When performing the fire dive, the diver wore four cotton sweatsuits with a hood to protect his face, two pairs of thermal socks and two pairs of gloves.

A towel soaked with gasoline was placed around the diver's neck and was lit by a small explosive.

Vick said he performed 25 fire dives and ten high dives during the summer. The high dives were done from 70 feet above the pool.

This summer was the first time Gregory, who was a member of Western's diving squad last semester, had ever high dived.

Gregory performed several fire dives at the beginning of the summer, but he said he did more high dives and comedy dives.

Gregory said he felt the high dives were more difficult than the fire dives.

He said board diving and high diving are totally different.

"I was never really scared when I went up there, but I had to be careful and think about what I was doing," Gregory said.

Gregory and Vick found out about the diving team from Dave Gerard, a former Western student.

Gerard, who has worked at the show for the past four years, was the team's supervisor.

Gregory said the sport of high diving is just starting out, and he found it very interesting.

Vick said the job was fun, but he doesn't think he will do it again.

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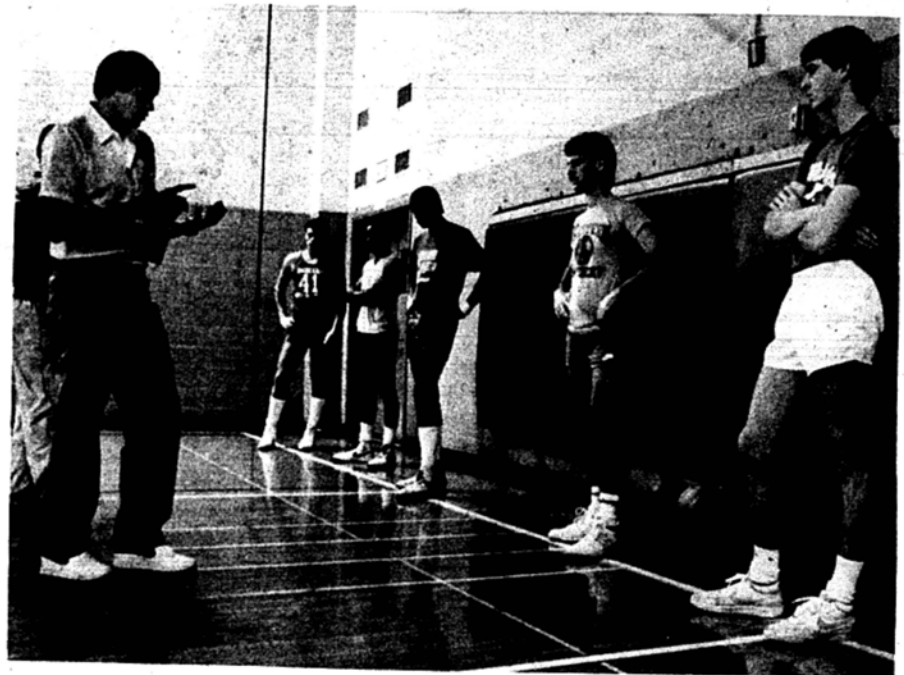
'Play hard'

Seven drilled in tryouts



Photos by Camille Forrester - Herald

(Above) Coach Dave Farrar watches students try out for the basketball team. (Top right) Farrar explains what is expected of the players. (Right) Jeff Humphrey, a freshman from Ownesborg, takes a breather between plays.



Seven students Tuesday morning learned the true meaning of "play hard."

They rolled out of bed and hit the basketball court at 6:30 in Diddle Arena to prove they were capable of playing for the Hilltoppers.

And after the hard drills and practicing with the freshmen players and the rest of the team, Darren Burnette, a freshman from Heritage Hills (Ind.) High School, and Randy Lyttle, a Williamsburg freshman, were chosen for the team.

Assistant coach Don Evans said the seven participants went through five-man weaves, passing and dribbling drills and two-and three-on-one.

He and assistant coach Dave Farrar looked for several qualities, including attitude, skill and endurance. "We try to find kids who've always dreamed of participating in the program," Farrar said.

Eastern invades Saturday

By BRENT WOODS

In what looked like a mud wrestling contest at Hanger Field last year, the Toppers slipped and slid to a 10-10 tie against Eastern.

The tie was the biggest thrill of Western's dismal season.

It may take a freak inland hurricane to help the Tops past the Colonels this year.

FOOTBALL

Eastern is 4-2 and ranked 17th in Division I-AA; Western is 0-6. Kickoff will be at 1 p.m. in Smith Stadium.

If facing Eastern isn't bad enough, the Tops have had some casualties on the injury front.

Tom Lucky and Luther Gibbs have joined fellow linebacker Dave Daido on the injury list. Three freshmen — Calvin Edwards, Gino Terry and Steve Smith — will start.

"They're really going to get indoctrinated Saturday," Coach Dave Roberts said.

EASTERN at WESTERN
 Site: Smith Stadium
 Kickoff: 1 p.m.
 Series: Western, 34; Eastern, 22
 Records: Eastern, 4-3; Western, 0-6
 The key: Western must establish a running game for the first time this season to rest the defense. The inexperienced linebackers will have to play like veterans, and quarterback Jeff Cesarone will have to shed the freshman jitters.

"I really believe that the game last year was the beginning of our downfall," Coach Roy Kidd said. "We were leading 10-0 in the fourth quarter, and they came back and tied it."

Last year's tie was a painful reminder to Kidd that the rivalry still exists, even when one team is far superior to the other.

"You can throw out the records Saturday," Kidd said. "When we step out there on that field it will be Eastern vs. Western, and we better be ready to play football."

And despite the fact that intense rivalries sometimes produce upsets, Roberts' Toppers will need to play their best game of the year by far or get some divine intervention.

Roberts said that inconsistency, especially late in the game, was the Toppers' major problem last week against Southwest Missouri. And he

knows inconsistency is one thing Western can't afford Saturday.

"What we've been trying to do is try to make these guys aware of the fourth quarter," Roberts said. "That's where we're getting beat, physically and mentally."

Four times Western has lost games in the fourth quarter, and the Toppers have been outscored 80-31 in the last 15 minutes.

Yet, Roberts said he has a good feeling about the contest.

"I'm excited," he said. "Every week about Wednesday, I start to get a good feeling about the next game. It will be a heck of a challenge for our team."

Challenging as it may be, the numbers game presents a bleak picture for Western again this week.

The Colonels have taken a beating

See CESARONE
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Hilltoppers should beat rival Eastern this time

By STEVE GIVAN

Western will beat Eastern this weekend.

But anybody in his right mind knows that the Toppers don't have a chance against Eastern, right? Well, for the sake of the Hilltopper faithful, wrong.

What's the rationale behind such a prediction? A hunch.

I had it last year when the Tops slopped their way to a 10-10 tie in Richmond, thanks to the heroics of Keith Paskett and Adam Lindsey.

And there's no reason a guy can't be right twice. There is a theory behind this prediction, which could get my reputation in a predicament — as if it weren't already.

This predication is based on the assumption that Western doesn't want to become the first team since 1920 to go through a season without winning. (The Toppers were 0-1 that year.)

This prediction could be called the "theory of inversed logic."

Here's the deal: If Coach Dave Roberts and the Tops don't win Saturday, don't expect them to win a game the rest of the season, including Morehead.

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This theory, which could sweep Warren County around 4 p.m. Saturday, is also based on what the Tops have managed to do so far, and what they haven't done.

Western should have at least two wins right now. The loss to Central Florida was a heart-tugger, and Appalachian State should have fallen. Southeastern Louisiana and Southwest Missouri were conquerable, too.

Western couldn't even cover a 24-point spread against Louisville. That is bad with a capital B.

Diehards are conceding that Western's only win will be over Morehead. But if Western loses Saturday, that just won't happen.

First, there are two games that Western usually makes a good run at — no matter how bad they are. And the Tops' record speaks for itself.

The Eastern game is always a toss-up, with last year's debacle as evidence.

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Cesarone to get starting nod

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from Tennessee teams this year, having lost to Middle and East, but last week they destroyed Central Florida 37-14.

That's the team that beat Western 35-34.

And Eastern tipped Akron 22-21, while the Zips trounced the Toppers 42-7.

The Colonels feature a ball-control ground game — just the kind of physical abuse Roberts said his team has been facing all year.

"They have a very simple attack," Roberts said. "They just run right at you and pound you, so we better buckle our chinstraps and get ready."

Tailback David Hensley has

gained 393 yards, a 4.1 per carry average, and has scored six touchdowns. Roberts said controlling him will be vitally important, particularly since Western as a team has gained just 244 yards all season.

"He's one of those guys who runs up the middle and bounces off tacklers," Roberts said.

Like Western, Eastern plays two quarterbacks — but not because they have to.

Pat Smith has passed for 420 yards and two touchdowns this year, while Greg Parker has tossed it for 243 yards.

Freshman Jeff Cesarone will get the starting nod again this week, Roberts said.

"Right now, it looks like we'll be

going with Jeff, but that is subject to change," he said. "He played like a very nervous freshman last week and hopefully he'll be more ready this week."

John Lacey won't be in the defensive backfield, either — he hurt his neck last week against Southwest Missouri.

And on-again-off-again Danny Embree is off again. The junior tailback apparently has quit the team.

"Even with all the injuries and the fact that they are so good, I'm looking forward to Saturday," Roberts said. "I guess every coach has the hope that his team will play better than they're supposed to."

Western should down rival Eastern

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You can just about throw out the records. You can also count on the Toppers to put on a decent show at Homecoming.

But there's one small problem with Homecoming this year. Western has scheduled Middle Tennessee because it figured the Eastern game would draw anyway.

The problem is that Middle has the best team that folks in Murfreesboro have seen in a long time. They've practically wrapped up the OVC title with impressive road victories over Eastern and Murray.

Eastern appears to be best West-

ern's only shot for an upset since beating Middle is about as likely as Ronald Reagan balancing the budget in the next four years.

After facing Eastern, Middle and Morehead, the Tops have to close out the season on the road at Eastern Illinois and Murray.

If Western doesn't beat Eastern or have an impressive outing, the Toppers won't have enough confidence to beat Morehead — even though everyone suddenly gets confident when they play Morehead.

But if you don't know how to win, it gets harder to win no matter who you play. It gets harder to practice

and to tell someone you play football.

It's a psychological snowball effect.

When a team gets mired in losing, it can do certain things well. Once you've lost, it's easier to do it again.

The only consistency so far has been Roberts' excuses. That's encouraging, if excuses can be encouraging.

But looking for the silver lining (there must be one somewhere), if Western gets crushed this weekend, the Toppers could win next week at Morehead.

Maybe that would help get things back to normal — whatever that is.

Western to defend Alabama title

By DOUG GOTT

Following championships in two invitational last weekend, Western will defend its men's title in the Alabama Invitational Saturday in Tuscaloosa.

Coach Curtiss Long thinks his team can pull off back-to-back victories.

"We're the defending champions, and we certainly have a chance this year," Long said.

Long is worried about some nagging injuries on the men's squad, however.

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Cam Hubbard is still feeling the effects from the Indiana Invitational, and Philip Ryan is fighting tendonitis in the achilles tendon.

"Cam is coming off a superlative invitational showing, and is showing fatigue from the meet," Long said.

Former Hilltopper All-American

Ashley Johnson set a course record time of 25:37 over the five-mile course last year.

This year, Jon Barker is expected to battle for the top spot.

"Barker is running very well," Long said.

The men will take 11 runners to the meet.

The women will field seven for the race, one of whom will not be senior Camille Forrester, the team's No. 1 runner.

"Camille has an academic conflict," Long said. "And academics come first."

Murray falls to Toppers

By KENNY INGRAM

Coach Charlie Daniel's team will have a one-week layoff after Tuesday's win over Murray.

Western will take a 17-8 record into Tuesday's game here against Asbury College.

VOLLEYBALL

The Lady Toppers used most of their players in defeating Murray for the second time this season, 15-5, 16-14, 14-16, and 11-11.

Murray gave the Lady Toppers all they could handle, and Daniel said he was surprised by their play.

"I think Murray played better tonight than I've seen them play in two years," Daniel said.

The layout should help Western because Kris Breebe was carried off the court in the final game of the match.

"Kris twisted her ankle and we have to wait for the swelling to go down in order to see how severe it is," Daniel said.



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North Stars, SAEs win games

By JULIUS I. KEY

The North Stars sent a clear message to Sigma Chi Tuesday night: "The title isn't yours yet!"

The Stars improved to 5-0 behind Roy McMillen's innovative play calling, blanking The Brew Dogs 20-0 in the feature game of the week.

"We're getting better," said North Star coach Phil Vance. "Each game we're looking better and better. Things are beginning to fall into place. Everybody feels the playoffs."

The North Stars scored twice to take a 14-0 halftime lead, with six points coming on a tight end option pass from Kermic Washington to David Matthews.

"I write every play we run," McMillen said. "I get them from watching a lot of football. We just try different things."

In the second half, the North Star defense contained The Brew Dogs to one first down.

"Our defense was strong," McMillen said. "They're continuing to

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carry us. Right now, they're playing better than last year's team."

In the second game Tuesday, Sigma Alpha Epsilon accomplished something they couldn't do last year or for the last four years — beat Lambda Chi. SAE pulled out an emotional 14-6 victory.

"This is a really big win for us," said SAE quarterback Andy Lano. "They may have a little more talent than we have, but we hung tough tonight. We've got a lot of character on our team."

It took a lot of character on SAE's winning scoring drive. Twice they converted fourth down passes to keep the drive alive.

Kevin Lemmons made a sparkling fourth-and-20 catch at the nine yard line, grabbing the pass with one yard to spare and going out of bounds with two Lambda Chi's hanging on.

That led to the winning touchdown that was scored on a fourth

down pass from Lano to Scott Kaufman in the corner of the end zone.

"Those were two super catches," Lano said. "They kept our drive alive. Kevin just played a super game all around."

Lemmons caught the first touchdown pass from Lano on a 40 yard scramble play. That gave the SAE's an 8-0 lead at halftime.

Lambda Chi gained momentum in the second half and tied the game at 8-8 midway through the second half.

It was at that point which the SAE's began their winning drive.

Kappa Alpha may be experiencing their first taste of playoff action. They improved to 6-2 by mashing Sigma Phi Epsilon 28-6. KA will get a big test Thursday against Lambda Chi.

Pi Kappa Alpha, 6-2, destroyed Delta Tau Delta 42-6. With more consistency, the Pikes could make some noise in the playoffs.

No. 1-rated Sigma Chi was idle Tuesday, but they play Alpha Gamma Rho today.

Semifinals set in women's division

By KENNY INGRAM

Playoff action began Tuesday in women's intramural flag football, with four teams moving into the semifinals.

Advancing were defending champion West Hall, Minimum Wage, Central Clods and the IB's.

They will play for a berth in the championship game at 7:30 Tuesday night.

West Hall defeated Alpha Delta Pi 24-14, and will face the Central

Clods in the semifinals.

Undefeated Central had an easy time in shutting out the Awesomatics 36-0, with receiver-linebacker Nina Parrish supplying much of the firepower.

West is a power-oriented team that emphasizes a ball control offense and a tough defense. Central, on the other hand, utilizes a quick striking offense and a swarming defense.

In other playoff action, Minimum

Wage wasted no time in knocking off the Bemis Bruisers 41-7.

The Minimum Wage offense moved the ball almost at will against Bemis, with quarterback Kit Taylor consistently throwing long touchdown strikes to her receivers.

Minimum Wage, also undefeated, will take on the IB's in the other semifinal game. The IB's dominated sorority champion Alpha Xi Delta 28-0.

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