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Life-long WKU fan Roger Osborne, 80, watches WKU play Utah in the NIT semifinals on March 27 with his family at his home in Bowling Green. Osborne was diagnosed with terminal cancer earlier this year and has been spending quality time with the people he loves while also supporting the team he loves.
Kathryn Ziesig/HERALD

Greg Collins addresses the media during a press conference where he was announced as the new head coach of the WKU women's basketball team on April 4 in Diddle Arena.
Kathryn Ziesig/HERALD

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Student Government Association President, and Student Regent on the Board of Regents, Andi Dahmer, will not be running for reelection to her position. Dahmer has previously said the atmosphere during the fall 2017 and spring 2018 semesters has been different than in previous years. In her Facebook post, she also endorsed Conner Hounshell, Savannah Molyneaux and Kara Lowry for SGA Executive Board.

State budget presents 'significant challenges' to WKU
The biennial budget passed last night by the Kentucky General Assembly still presents challenges for WKU, President Timothy Caboni said in an email to faculty and staff. These challenges include a 6.25 percent cut for higher education, reduction in funding for Gatton Academy and no direct relief for WKU’s contribution payments to the Kentucky Employees Retirement System. The cut would amount to a loss of $4.6 million for WKU. However, Caboni said a portion of this would be returned to the performance funding pool for WKU to gain back.

Twitter page becomes a fixture in Bowling Green
Joe Imel, WKU Alum, has called Kentucky home for almost 40 years, and though he has worked in the newspaper business for decades, he has never lost his deep passion for storytelling. During his job at the Daily News, he made a habit of listening to a police scanner so he could be alerted whenever they occurred.
In 2008, Imel created a Twitter account. Imel said he was unsure how to utilize the platform until he decided to start tweeting out what he heard while listening to his police scanner. The @joeimel Twitter account currently has 48.4K followers, but it started from very humble beginnings.

Lawyers for Herald, WKU to appear in court
Attorneys representing both the College Heights Herald and WKU will appear in court Friday, April 6, to present oral arguments concerning the ongoing lawsuit between the university and the newspaper.
Oral arguments are a chance for attorneys to further explain in court the arguments made in their briefs. After both sides present their arguments, the judge can make a case decision, and either the plaintiffs or defendants have a chance to appeal the decision. Lawyers from the attorney general’s office will also be present.

LGBTQ activists speak to SGA Senate
Several LGBTQ student activists spoke to the Student Government Association during its weekly Senate meeting yesterday night regarding the debate during last week’s Senate meeting.
Discussion broke out during the Senate meeting on March 27 when a senator cited his belief in the Bible as the reason why he voted not to fund stoles for the Lavender Recognition Ceremony, which is an event that supports LGBTQ graduates.