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SCRR is advocating for the passage
of URLTA, the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act, in Bowling

The act regulates a legal agreement
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Kentucky, about 18 communi-
ties have opted into the act, includ-
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SCRR partnered with the Homeless
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Kentucky building’s 75th anniversary celebrated
By Trey Crumbie

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Across the white cake were the words
at the Kentucky Building in Bowling
Front a slideshow played in the middle of
the room showing several pictures from
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Hoyng said they are still looking to provide more food options not just at Fresh Food, but on campus in general. For example, there is going to be a café in the new Holmes College and International Center building.

“The menu is still in development, but we’re very open to suggestions from the students on what they would like to see here,” Hoyng said, ultimately, both good and bad feedback is appreciated.

“We're here to make the program great,” he said.

Bedford sophomore James Line, the SCGR public relations chair, said the group had 30 people at its first meeting in September. Line became involved in the group because he wanted to pledge his support to something that will make a difference in people’s lives.

The group is currently contacting landlords for support, and would eventually like to go to a city commission meeting.

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World War I haymow. A special tour of the building was also given.

Brent Björkman, interim director of the Kentucky Museum, said the building contains many connections to people from the past.

“It’s always been very close to my heart,” he said.

Mathew Jeffrey, department head of library special collections, said there are experiences that make his job gratifying.

“It’s going to be okay. It’s a part of the experience.”

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ENTERTAINING FROM HOME

Both parties.

Minter said the act must be passed through the magistrates court or city commission.

Minter said she wants everyone to have a safe, affordable place to live.

“A few told a story by a female student about waking up on the couch and her landlord was in there,” she said. “It’s terrifying.”

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STUDENT COALITION FOR RENTER’S RIGHTS
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Who we all know that WKU students tend to move off campus after a year or two in residence halls. Those who choose to rent certainly don’t expect Bucking- ham Palace, but they also don’t expect to be living in a life-threatening environ- ment. Unfortunately, whether they know it or not, many students are liv- ing in unsafe circumstances where their very lives may be endangered. Many more than one would think.

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President Gary Ransdell descends upon the WKU football practice field with the game ball before the Hilltoppers take on the Army Black Knights on Saturday. Ransdell jumped from 13,500 feet as part of a tandem dive with the United States Army Parachute Team, the Golden Knights.

Photos by Jake Pope/HERALD

RIGHT: Sgt. Blake Gaynor of the Golden Knights makes his final step before jumping out of the plane and landing on the 50-yard line of the football field on Saturday.

ABOVE: The game ball was strapped to Ransdell’s stomach for his skydive with the Golden Knights.
Mary Dale Reynolds (left) and Margaret Baker (center), the owners of The Resurrection Shop, show Linda Vitale around the store. It was Vitale’s first time in the store and she left impressed with the sheer quantity of goods inside. “I think it’s very interesting here,” Vitale said. “I like antiques and I like southern decor. I’ll be back.”

“Dumb and Dumber To” falls flat
BY JACKSON FRENCH
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As the title suggests, “Dumb and Dumber To” is about as idiotic as movies go. This sequel to the comedy classic sees Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels reprise their roles as blackboard buddies Lloyd and Harry. Goodness abound but sincere laughs are hard to find. The humor in “Dumb and Dumber To” comes from gags related to the protagonist over-the-top stupidity. The other half is about a trip to track Harry down. All the effort must have been funneled into cultivating the movie’s fourth-grade-caliber sense of humor because the story is devoid of everything but stupid gags that make Mad magazine seem like high comedy. When the discover that Harry has a long-lost daughter, they go on a road trip to track her down. As they search for her, the movie slowly proceeds from one stupid setup to the next.

The film’s setup reveals that Lloyd has been in a mental hospital faking catatonia since 1994. After a 20-year absence, he returns somewhat with no difficulty. Seeing him adjust to cell phones and the Internet could have been interesting, but the movie wastes what little potential it has when it leaves this idea unexplored.

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Keeling, distinguished university professor of geography and head of the geography and department, began his world travels in the 1970s, when he sailed to Australia, around South America and Africa. He said that he was inspired to travel as early as the age of 5 or 6, when he would study maps to find different places.

Keeling also attributes his love of traveling to moving from his home country of England to Australia.

He said many of the people who go on these trips are often white collar occupations and companies. The Geographic Society often assigns specific themes with these trips.

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Depth lifts Tops to 77-70 win over Austin Peay

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The Hilltoppers now shift their focus to the 2014 NIT Season Tip-Off event. WKU’s first game will be at Minnesota Tuesday night at 7 p.m. The Golden Gophers are coming off an 81-68 loss to Louisville on Friday. Minnesota has experience in three-point shooting and has the ability to race their impressive performers now, but probably the next game we’ll have some adjustments. The one guy that I’m hoping to find some right combinations. The one guy that I’m just trying to get the win." Price said. "I looked it up — they are one of the top-5 teams in the country. That would be a great win for us if we get it done."
VOLLEYBALL

Lady Toppers claim share of regular-season title with weekend sweeps

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WKU volleyball closed out its regular-season schedule this weekend in Diddle Arena with sweeps of UTEP and Middle Tennessee before claiming a regular-season conference USA co-championship.

The Lady Toppers (17-5, 15-1) enter their first-ever Conference USA Tournament as the No. 2 seed after claiming a share of the regular-season title with UTSA (19-4, 15-1).

Freshman outside hitter Sydney Cavanaugh and setter Jessika Lucas both came up big for the Lady Toppers in their last weekend of reg-ular-season play. Cavanaugh totaled 20 kills and a .300 hitting percentage against MTSU while Lucas dished out 1,186 of WKU’s 1,428 assists.

Senior middle hitter Heather Boyan was a rock both offen-sively and defensively all sea-son. Boyan notched 285 kills in her senior campaign for a .338 hitting percentage. De-fensively, she leads the team with 124 blocks.

No. 7 Florida Atlantic on Fri-day at 5 p.m. in Hattiesburg, Mississippi in the first round of the conference tournament. “That’s a really tough match-up for us,” Head Coach Travis Hudson said. “They are the best defensive team in the league, so it is going to be a grind. But we have been in a lot of these. We preserved twice against them, but both times it was really tough.”

The tournament runs from Friday to Sunday, with the top eight teams securing spots. Though the Lady Toppers sport a better regular-season record with 27 wins to UTSA’s 20, both teams sport a 15-1 re-cord in league play and UTSA nabbed the No. 1 seed due to their win over WKU in confer-ence play. UTSA’s only loss came from No. 3 North Texas. “I am probably as settled as a coach as I have been all season,” Hudson said. “I just know these kids are going to go out and play till it is over and usually we find a way.”

If WKU advances Friday against Florida Atlantic, the Lady Toppers will face the winner of No. 1 North Texas and No. 6 Southern Miss on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. WKU beat FAU twice in the regular season, dropping a sweep away from home, and beating them 3-1 in Diddle Arena.

The C-USA championship match takes place on Sun-day at 12:30 p.m. CT and will be broadcast nationally by FOXSports.

SIDELINES

It reminde me of the year the New York Giants won Super Bowl XLI. They started out 6-2 in 2011 before losing four straight to drop to .500. They snuck into a wild card spot in the playoffs to defeat New England, the last half of the year and got hot in the postseason. “Now we are in a position about advancing. I think our guys win football games if we want to think mentally,” Brohm said. “We have to understand that we’re really in a playoff mentality. We have to advance.”

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FOOTBALL

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