Shawn Sattazahn, a 34-year-old ROTC student at WKU, was born with an advanced form of cerebral palsy. He hopes to skydive and said, "Being airborne is a personal goal for myself." His neighbor and friend Tim LeMastus has started a GoFundMe to raise money to make Sattazahn's dream come true. JACOB HARDY-HERALD

A campus-wide campaign was aimed for the clouds to help a student achieve a life-long dream. Shawn Sattazahn, 34-year-old Bastille native and cadet in WKU ROTC, has wanted to go skydiving ever since he was a little kid. Thanks to a recent campaign to put fans in the sky, Sattazahn's dream will soon become a reality.

The campaign Get Shawn in the Sky was created on Oct. 16 as a Facebook page, Twitter hashtag and GoFundMe campaign. The goal of the fundraiser was to raise $750 to cover skydiving costs and a GoPro Camera for Sattazahn to wear during his jump. At the time of publication, the campaign has exceeded its goal and raised $805. However, Sattazahn isn't just seeking the exhilarating thrill of the jump when he goes skydiving. He said he also looking to fulfill a military requirement.

"I'm not just doing it to do it; I'm getting the training for my military career later on," he said.

He said he is officially certified as a Humphreys, you have to complete five to 28 jumps, but the ROTC program has made concessions for him to get his jump wings after one solitary jump.

He's also looking forward to learning how to skydive properly so he can do it again if he wants to.

"It's ... unheard of for people with quadriplegic cerebral palsy to actually want to do military service," Sattazahn said. "I've got the mind for it, just not the body."

Sattazahn was born with quadriplegic cerebral palsy. He said certain people with the condition are sometimes unable to talk and perform other functions by themselves such as eating. He said he was "very blessed" for the skills he possesses.

Sattazahn said his condition has created physical limitations, such as the inability to walk and needing assistance with basic tasks such as getting dressed and eating. However, he said he never allows his condition to define who he is or what he can accomplish.

"It doesn't get me down, it motivates me," he said. "I've been in this world my whole life and I've never been put down by anything."

He said his goal is to inspire others with disabilities and show them that anything is possible with hard work and determination.

Sattazahn said he hopes to inspire others with disabilities to pursue their dreams and not let their circumstances hold them back.

He encourages people to support the GoFundMe campaign and help him achieve his dream.

"If you can help, please do," he said.
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Assistant Secretary of State Anne C. Richard, the head of the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, is coming to WKU on Friday, Oct. 23, to give a talk entitled “Rescuing Syrian Refugee Children in Lebanon.” She will speak at the Colonnade on the hill on Friday, Oct. 23, at 2:00 p.m. As a past assistant secretary of state, Anne C. Richard, will host a reception in the Colonnade following the talk at 3:00 p.m. President Gary Ransdell will also be hosting a roundtable in Downing Student Union for students to interact with faculty experts, students and Richard. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend the reception.

“We're working with the government and non-governmental organizations to provide aid for refugees and to help them find a way to be productive when they're here. We will be able to see the impact that the students have made in those areas that they work,” said Anne C. Richard. “This event highlights the importance of a global community, a global world, and what happens in one part of the world will impact us directly or indirectly in the short-term or the long-term.” McClellan said. “There's more we know because of what is occurring in various regions of the world, the better we can prepare ourselves for our involvement in what becomes global issues.”

Diplomat in Residence Michael McClellan

“Children have been traumatized enough by the war and being displaced from their homes and villages and the violence that they've seen.”

From 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., a reception will be held in the Center for the Advancement of Peace and Democracy on campus. From 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., there will be a special keynote address at 8:00 p.m. in Downing Student Union. After the keynote address, President Ransdell will also host a roundtable in Downing Student Union for students to interact with faculty experts, students and Richard. Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to attend the reception.

“The information was only available to me to focus on what Uthoff was able to present in front of people I didn’t know,” Uthoff said. “I was nervous about going to a conference and looking on the location of high tunnels in Kentucky. The idea for Uthoff’s research originally came from Martin Stone, associate director of horticulture at WKU. ‘High tunnels’ are raised structures with high tunnels where high tunnels were placed in Kentucky, and they were extremely popular there until a dead end. The information was only available to me, so I thought the idea should be continued. Instead of staying isolated, Stone relayed the concept to Cary, instructor of geography and geographic information science, Uthoff flushed out the research magnitude and how numerous people help of courses he had previously taken. “That’s important especially to the government, so I thought the idea should be continued,” Uthoff said. “That’s the only thing I focused on until I took my first GIS course,” Uthoff said. According to Cary, he found the information GIS could provide, and by the fall semester of his sophomore year, he knew he had changed his major permanently.

“Why aren’t people taking courses in GIS?” Cary asked. “There’s so much potential for GIS in sciences and business applications,” he said. “I’m thoroughly pleased and inspired to actually be here produce without specifically knowing where these tunnels were,” Stone said. Through Cary has helped a lot of students with research in geography and geographic information science, Stone was the first GIS grant recipient he had. This is the fourth year for the GIS conference, according to Cary, in each conference, a WKU student has received a scholarship from KAMP. “That shows how good of a GIS program we have,” Cary said. Cary believes all disciplines can benefit from GIS training. “Why aren’t people taking courses in GIS?“ Cary asked. “There’s so much potential for GIS in sciences and business applications,” he said. “I’m thoroughly pleased and inspired to actually be here produce without specifically knowing where these tunnels were,“ Stone said. Through Cary has helped a lot of students with research in geography and geographic information science, Stone was the first GIS grant recipient he had. This is the fourth year for the GIS conference, according to Cary, in each conference, a WKU student has received a scholarship from KAMP. “That shows how good of a GIS program we have,” Cary said. Cary believes all disciplines can benefit from GIS training. “Why aren’t people taking courses in GIS?” Cary asked. “There’s so much potential for GIS in sciences and business applications,” he said.
BOWLING GREEN—Lack of rights for renters

Your power as a renter is as elusive as that of your landlords and, unfortunately, we live in a country where money tends to equal power, and Bowling Green is no exception.

If you are a renter in this city, your rights are contingent on the landlord's opinion and any laws they choose to follow or ignore. Your lease, if you have one, is a mere suggestion that your landlord may or may not choose to follow. If your lease doesn’t protect you, neither does the law.

For instance, in Bowling Green, you can drive your car on sidewalks or only by that of your landlords and, unfortunately, we live in a country where money tends to equal power, and Bowling Green is no exception. A landlord can use any move as an opportunity to raise your rent, while you have no ability to contest a higher amount. Your landlord can demand you move out or make repairs, but you have no opportunity to contest his demands. Your landlord can renovate your apartment without your permission, in the middle of the night, and you have no ability to contest his actions. Your landlord can demand a incredulous history" on Smithsonian

There is no shortage of terrible policies on WKU's campus, and while this column is mostly dedicated to cataloging those policies and how they affect the student body, it is also important that we ask why those policies persist in the first place. The student body's frustration with the administration stems from the fact that they are constantly relying on public relations stuntsm rather than actually addressing the issues.

For example, there has been an ongoing effort to establish a black cultural center on WKU's campus. This issue was recently brought up at the "Black Lives Matter—Continuing the Conversation" event held earlier this semester by the Office of Diversity and Admissions. One of those who goes by Sarah Williams, is a graduate assistant for the African American Studies Program who helped coordinate the event. The issue resurfaced last week when President Gary Ransdell offered a house on Normal Street next to the Alpha Omicron Pi house as a space for the center to be housed. According to an article published in the Herald last hour Tuesday, the original proposal of a black cultural center was presented to Ransdell in May 2013 by a group of students in the Project Freedom School.

However, the offer comes with a price tag of $1900 a month. The Office of Diversity and Admissions doesn’t have the funds to actually support the group, so the administration is asking students who want this black cultural center to foot the bill. Ransdell offered a gesture to save face for the administration.

At the very least, administrators can now say they made an offer. I think this offer is a terrible deal. What I really want is for the administration to actually address the issue of the center and not just offer up some space that is not in short supply. It is important to note that the administration thinks little of minority students on campus.

The dangers, stigma surrounding tattoos

The earliest evidence of tattoos is believed to be from 3000 BC and involves a modification in which ink is inserted through a needle and pushed around the dermis of the skin. This ink alters the skin's appearance permanently. While there are certainly health risks associated with tattooing, there are also personal benefits and even forms of punishment, according to the article "Tattoos: The Ancient and mysterious history" on Smithsonian.

All these tattoos may have represented different things: one was a way of life, religious, social, cultural, or personal. Some tattoos were symbols of power, while others were symbols of status or rank. Some tattoos were used as a form of punishment or as a way to honor ancestors or other important figures in one's life.

Some tattoos were created as a form of art, while others were created as a form of communication. Some tattoos were created to be shared with others, while others were created to be kept private.

There are, however, things we expose our bodies to that have been deemed unhealthy, but that we might actually benefit from. For example, excessive use of tanning beds can cause skin damage, but a healthy amount of vitamin D helps regulate calcium absorption.

Tattooing, a more taboo subject, has its benefits as well. Tattoos are a form of body modification that is involved in the dermis of the skin. This ink alters the skin's appearance permanently. While there are certainly health risks associated with tattooing, there are also personal benefits and even forms of punishment, according to the article "Tattoos: The Ancient and mysterious history" on Smithsonian.

While all these tattoos may have represented different things, had one meaning in common: They were signals of power, status, and identity. It's just important to consider the benefits and values as well as decoration.

Permanent modification of your skin is possible. It is symbolic of some-
The furry red blob of a mascot known as Big Red

By FRANCIS WILSON
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Over the next several weeks, on game day, the Herald will take a look at the history surrounding WKU.

"Furry. "sad. "Shinh. "Hilltopper" and "What is that?" are some of the ways WKU's current mascot has been described by Hilltoppers and bystanders alike.

Big Red was introduced to the Hill who enjoys going to the gym. Thus, Big Red was born on Sept. 21, 1979. Before Big Red, WKU's unofficial mascot was Mr. Hilltopper, a man dressed in a red tuxedo, sporting a top hat and wrapped in a red bow. Coach Keady makes the final decision on who can be Big Red.

"The University wanted to develop a mascot because the university needed to build a large fan base, according to President Park, where he learned how to work with group training sessions that offer a mix of cardiovascular and strength building," Smith said. "It's really good cardiovascular exercise," he said. "I'm rejuvenated," Yager said. "It has given me energy." Yager also noted that he has tried to be a physically active person for most of his life. He began swimming competitively in high school, and over 40 years later, he still enjoys getting his weekly laps in.

"At the end of a swimming workout, I'm not exhausted at all. In fact, I'm rejuvenated," Yager said. "It has the effect of kind of removing your stress." 

He also stays physically fit by playing racquetball with colleagues, using the elliptical machine and lifting free weights in the Preston Center.

Another professor, Jeannie Adams-Smith, 46, sticks to CrossFit to stay in shape.

The photojournalism professor enjoys a high-intensity CrossFit workout because it works her entire body and offers a non-traditional workout. "It's a core-based workout, so I'm getting cardio, and I'm getting strength building," Smith said. "I like that every day I walk in there, it's something different: it's never boring." 

Adams-Smith said fitness is important to her because it increases her energy and endurance levels during the day, makes her feel better overall and provides great camaraderie. Although she works out five times a week on average, Adams-Smith said making time for the gym can be difficult.

"I think that's the biggest challenge—just fitting everything in," Adams-Smith admitted.

Rather than sleeping in, however, she gets a head start on her day by waking up at 5 a.m. She makes a healthy breakfast for her daughter, takes her to school and gets a CrossFit session in at CrossFit Old School—all before teaching class. For those who struggle to find time to exercise, Adams-Smith offers this advice: "Get up a little earlier and make it happen."
Football

COACHES CONTINUE TO HELP
Heisman hopes continue

He is currently the front-runner for the Heisman Trophy and leads the nation in rushing yards with 1,203, rushing for 276, and Langenkamp is right there for the most touchdowns with 6 and ranks third with 31 receptions. He has been a consistent target in the top tight ends in the country," Brohm said. “Losing Higbee, first of all, is very big for our offense just because he’s one of the main targets and one of the top tight ends in the country," said receiver Narcasius Funt said.

Funt is confident that there are Hilltoppers on the roster ready to fill in the gap left by the injured Higbee. "There’s going to be people that are going to have to make up for his catches, his yards, and I feel like we have guys that can do that," Funt said. "One player goes down, and another one steps up. Going into this game, there’s going to be someone that’s going to have to step up."

Soccer

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Two Herd players to watch out for in the upcoming match are senior midfielder and senior goalkeeper Lizzie Kish.

"Without question, he’s the best running back in the country," Brohm said. "From all the things I’ve read, he seems like a great young man. So all those qualities, I think, are exactly what you look for in a Heisman Trophy candidate.”

The Hilltoppers will be without redshirt senior tight end Tyler Higbee this weekend after he suffered a knee injury against North Texas.

"We have free food [and] music. We have people out, and we just give them appreciation. Hop was meant as an educational program, said the October Farm Farm owner of Reid’s Livery Winery, said. "It seems that the overall..."

Volleyball

Senior Brittney Brown led the Owls in her career total of 19, a program record.

"We’re really wanting the opportunity for our customers to come out on the farm and feel that they are welcome and be part of the market." CFM Member, Nathan Howell

Through the first seven games of the season, Higbee leads all FBS tight ends in receiving yards with 461, for the most touchdowns with 6 and ranks third with 31 receptions. He has been a consistent target in the top tight ends in the country," Brohm said. “Losing Higbee, first of all, is very big for our offense just because he’s one of the main targets and one of the top tight ends in the country," said receiver Narcasius Funt said.

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"FAU is one of the teams that pressure us the most and are very stingy defensively, and we’re looking at some stuff to help us create more chances on the attacking side," said Nondell. Recently there has been a trend of first career goals for WKU, including sophomore Andrea Larssen’s and junior Olivia Fitzgerald’s.

Morris recently scored a game-saving goal against UTEP that kept WKU from being shut out and brought the match to a draw at 1-1. Larsson also proved herself when she scored the winning goal against FIU last Friday, finding her own team in the 92nd minute.

"It’s an opportunity to say that we are taking on their second SEC opponent of the season.

Head Coach Jeff Brohm

Kickoff will be Saturday at 6:00 p.m. at 76-78-7 with the on-field lest of 14-14-10.

Volleyball

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This Florida Atlantic team coming in is going to give us all we want," Senior Brittany Brown led the Owls last year with 265 kills on the season to go along with a .297 hitting percentage. She has had a total of 8 in seven games. "FBI is one of the teams that presents a legitimate challenge when we step on the floor with them," Hudson said. "They are absolutely rolling right now. They have won their last five matches, and no one has even gotten close.""
**Soccer**

**Herd pose tough test for Lady Tops**

**BY HUNTER FRINT**

The Lady Tops will host their pen-ultimate match of the season against Marshall this weekend with the need of making some last-minute jumps up the Conference USA rankings prior to postseason action. WKU (6-4-4, 3-2-3 C-USA) is currently tied with No. 3 Marshall at 14-9-6, 6-2 in the league table, but the Thundering Herd have 11 overall wins on the season to WKU’s 7.

Head Coach Jason Neidell’s squad picked up six points this weekend over a 1-0 victory over FIU — a result that said, scoring can pay huge dividends in postseason tournaments, and WKU will hope to move past Marshall in the standings this weekend with a win on its home turf in Bowling Green.

Marshall (13-1-3, 4-2-2 C-USA) will be traveling to Kentucky from neighboring West Virginia this Friday fresh off a 35-28 victory over the No. 13 Florida Gators. The Tigers haven’t lost a nonconference regular season home game since 2000.

The Hilltopper defense will have its hands full trying to stop LSU sophomore running back Leonard Fournette.

**BY BILLY RUTLEDGE**

The WKU football team has a rare opportunity this weekend. Riding an 0-3 game win streak, it will battle to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, to face the Louisiana State University Tigers, ranked No. 5 nationally.

In WKU’s Football Bowl Subdivision era, the Hilltoppers are 1-3 against ranked opponents with all three losses coming against Top 10 opponents.

The Hilltoppers’ only win over a ranked opponent came last season against Marshall, then No. 19, in a 67-58 victory.

**Football**

**WKU ready for opportunity against No. 2 Florida Atlantic**

**BY MATTHEW STEWART**

The Lady Toppers volleyball team stays ready at No. 22 in the American Volleyball Coaches Association Top 25 poll after another undefeated weekend, and sophomore setter Jessica Lucas has picked up another Conference USA Setter of the Week award.

Lucas’ nod came Monday afternoon after WKU swept the Charlotte 49ers in Charlotte, North Carolina, on Friday and beat North Texas 3-2 in Denton, bringing its win streak to 13 games.

The honor is her third this season and the fifth of her career.

In the Lady Toppers’ sweep of Charlotte on Friday, Lucas fed the way led 41 assists as the WKU finished with a 26 kill hitting clip. She added five digs, two blocks and three blocks on the night.

In the game against North Texas, Lucas set a career-high with 43 assists, but fell just short of a double-double.

“We were challenged. Obviously making the toss was quite a distance on Sunday,” Head Coach Travis Hudson said. “The balance really helped (Lucas) distribute that thing around.”

Lucas received her team- best 11th double-double of the year against the Mean Green of North Texas and in total added 99 assists, 16 digs and four kills for her stat line on the weekend.

In Lucas’ young career here on the Hill, she has tallied 2,242 assists to earn her a No. 66 overtime thriller.

“We just get a lot of opportunities for our players to go out and have fun this week,” cut it loose come game day and just make sure we mention up,” Head Coach Jeff Bivens said. “I know our team is excited. Any time you get a chance to play a team this good on your home turf — for us, it’s just a great opportunity to go out there and compete and have fun.”

WKU last played the Tigers in 2011. It fell in that game against the No. 1 team in the country.

**Volleyball**

**Lucas leads WKU into clash with No. 2 Florida Atlantic**

The Lady Toppers were challenged in their last match against North Texas but went on to win in five sets. The Lady Tops are looking forward to coming back to Diddle Arena for matches against the University of Alabama, Birmingham and Florida Atlantic this weekend.

“It’s definitely an advantage to have that rest and kind of giving support,” senior middle hitter Nollee Leangenkamp said.

The match against Florida Atlantic will be the higher-contested of the two matchups this weekend. FAU (14-6, 6-2) is ranked second in C-USA, and FAU (16-6, 9-4), in last place, has yet to register a league win.

The Owls are returning much of their roster as well as a powerful offense, and Hudson has had his eyes on Florida Atlantic since the preseason as a team that can bring a lot of trouble to the Lady Tops.

“The challenges keep coming in this league,” Hudson said. “This league has been terrific this year, and certainly

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