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BY ANNA LAWSON

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BRIEF OVER FRIUDIC WATER

WKU partners with Icelandic university

BY SHELBY ROGERS

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President Gary Ransdell, assistant president Jason Poll and Leslie North and Scholar in Residence Berrie Strenecky represented WKU in a ceremony roughly 60 miles from the Arctic Circle, as counterparts on the Hill joined via teleconference from the Augenstein Alumni Center.

“In our fabric,” Strenecky said. “When you study at our institution, you are an international.”

Back in Bowling Green, participants included Om Gudmundsson Sr., the honorary Consul from Iceland to the central U.S., his son Orn Gudmundsson Jr., Director of Sponsored Programs Nancy Mager, Ogden College of Science and Engineering Dean Cheryl Stevens and Geography and Geology Department Head David Kesling.

Both sides hold to the theme of internationalism, as Icelandic and American residents spoke at both locations. Ransdell said the cooperative brings communities together.

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"I love this university," he said. "I have
a faculty member would help him in that process and they
could earn credit. This would be beneficial
because students would get more out of it, and enjoy
the experience more."

"I want to make all other regions
better," he said. "We are all a part of
WKU no matter where we are."

"It is a better WKU experience." he said. "My entire platform
is cultural diversity," he said. "I want to accommodate
minority groups. I want to
accommodate those needs.
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10 places to go." Walter said.

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By Trey Crumbie

Garrett Conference Center restaurant to serve alcohol

Steve Hoyng, resident district manager for Aramark, said the restaurant is still in the early planning stages and is not set in stone. Currently, the restaurant is planned to be located across from Panda Express.

Hoyng said student groups will be able to serve alcohol for certain functions as long as they are of age and meet the requirements, which have not yet been solidified. Administrative approval may also be needed.

A limit to how much alcohol a student can purchase would be implemented and students would probably not be able to leave the building with alcohol still in their possession, Hoyng said.

There was a “possibility” that alcohol will be served even if there is not a student event, Hoyng said.

The restaurant is planned to open this fall, but the date could change.

“That doesn’t give us a whole lot of time for construction, design,” Hoyng said. “It may be late.”

The design for the restaurant is still in the planning stages, Hoyng said.

“I’ve heard everything from a modern bar to an English pub,” he said.

President Gary Ransdell said beer would be profitable because of the location.

“I just don’t know, if putting the pub at the top of the Hill in the Garrett Conference Center, if students will walk up there to use it,” she said.

By Jessica Voorhees

It Happened Here

Location: DSU Auditorium

Time: 4:30 p.m.

The Board of Regents will convene Friday for its first committee meeting of the semester to discuss the Student Government Association resolution supporting a student fee for a new parking structure, several new degrees and the university’s six-year capital plan.

The Student Affairs Committee will present the SGA resolution to implement a $30 student fee to fund the construction of a new $10 million dollar parking structure.

The Career Committee will put together a graduate certificate in intercollegiate athletic administration.

The Executive Committee will present the university’s 2016-2017 Six-Year Capital Plan, which consists of facilities projects, as well as construction that are budgeted separately from the WKU operating budget.

The Board of Regents will also discuss the 2015-2016 tuition and fees schedule and budget development updates.

The Board of Regents will convene Friday at 9 a.m. in the Cornelius A. Martin Regents Room at Mass Media & Technology Hall.

By Jessica Voorhees

World Campus open house

Location: Technology Hall

Time: 9 a.m.

The World Campus open house will begin at 9 a.m. in Technology Hall.

Students and prospective students will have the opportunity to learn about the various programs offered at WKU’s World Campus.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

Student Identity Outreach

Location: DSU 2122

Time: 7 p.m.

German Game Night

Location: Fine Arts Center

Time: 7 p.m.

French Film Festival

Location: Cherry Hall, Room 250

Time: 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

Student Government Association Meeting

Location: DSU Senate Chambers

Time: 5 p.m.

CAREER FAIR

Location: DSU Room 3000

Time: 9 a.m.

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Location: Downing Student Union

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'Insurgent' touts individuality despite having none

By Cameron Lewis

"If anyone thinks that because I'm wearing one of those 'insurgent' third movie will be acceptable. However, there's a decent chance the character of Jeanine is still not the same as the main character. With a lot more deaths and a more, PG-13 rating, it can't attain the level of grimmest director Robert Schwentke. The movie's notions of what constitute good characters are equally lacking. "Insurgent" persists in its belief that having more than one skill makes one the main character. The movie's portrayal of what constitutes good characters is equally lacking. "Insurgent" persists in its belief that having more than one skill makes one the main character. The movie's portrayal of what constitutes good characters is similarly flawed. With a heavier focus on persecuting divergents for their beliefs and a lack of true complexity in the characters, the movie is a disappointment. Even more so than "The Hunger Games," this movie takes itself too seriously. Despite its general ridiculousness, I can't recall a single moment of levity in "Insurgent." With a PG-13 rating, it can't attain the level of grimmest director Robert Schwentke. The movie's notions of what constitute good characters are equally lacking. "Insurgent" persists in its belief that having more than one skill makes one the main character. The movie's portrayal of what constitutes good characters is similarly flawed. With a heavier focus on persecuting divergents for their beliefs and a lack of true complexity in the characters, the movie is a disappointment. Even more so than "The Hunger Games," this movie takes itself too seriously. Despite its general ridiculousness, I can't recall a single moment of levity in "Insurgent."
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Spanish music reverberated loudly off the walls of the dimly lit Calsonic Arena in Shelbyville, Tennessee on Saturday night. A stage played host to sounds of accordions, trumpets, saxophones and exuberant voices—all bands with Mexican roots. Food came straight from the Mexican street markets. Even the beer was authentically Mexican. And the centerpiece of it all was the Jaripeo de Primavera, or Spring Rodeo.

Eight bull riders from several different states of Mexico took to the American town of roughly 20,000 people to entertain the Latino community near middle Tennessee. It provided a chance for the immigrant population to experience Mexico. It was the first event of its kind to ever come to the area. It's nowhere similar to an American rodeo. Mexican rodeos are more associated with reckless abandon. The only rule: stay on the bull for as long as you can—not just for eight seconds.

For extra flair, don't use any hands. And don't expect to earn a fat check, even after taking a bull's horns to the back. A payment of around $500 is the norm. In the middle of the arena, a crowd of several hundred people roped around the barrier of the ring, while stands of portable bleachers were at capacity. Men in cowboy hats clutched their beer while teenage girls filmed their favorite rider.

A hundred yards away played Inquieta, a musical group comprised of 16 members that acted as the rodeo’s disc jockey. During breaks in the rodeo, the crowd would dance to the music. It intensified when the rodeo turned into a concert, when three other bands kept the festivities alive. It was truly Mexican fiesta in the heart of Tennessee.

This ain't my first rodeo

Photos by Nick Wagner

The Major in Diversity & Community Studies requires a minor — such as African American Studies, Citizenship & Social Justice, or Gender & Women's Studies, but any minor (or second major) will work!

For more information, please email DCStudies@WKU.edu or call 270-745-6477.
Fashion students show off talents for charity

BY SHELBY ROGERS
LIFE@WKUHERALD.COM

A red carpet covered the white tile under the makeup counters, stretching outward. A white arch consisting of large crepe flowers rose near halfway down outward. A white arch consisting of large crepe flowers rose near halfway down. A cluster of models clad in various clothes and walked in and out of a tattoo parlor on Broadway Avenue. in Bowling Green. They are currently remodeling the space and plan to open by May. White Squirrel is striving to keep their community brewery and customers will have a say in what they brew.

On Friday, March 20. “I’m not in the major. They’re just using me for my legs,” said Lynum. Nashville junior Michelle Lynum, 22, makes her way down the red carpet at the White Hot Summer fashion show sponsored by the WKU fashion merchandising and promotion department at Dillard’s, Friday, March 20. “I’m not in the major. They’re just using me for my legs,” said Lynum.

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WMU Alumni Sean Stevens (left), Damon Wilcox (center) and Jason Heflin have been home brewing for years. They recently received $11,050 in funding from Kickstarter which will help them open White Squirrel Brewery in the former Age of Reason tattoo parlor on Broadway Avenue. in Bowling Green. They are currently remodeling the space and plan to open by May. White Squirrel is striving to keep their community brewery and customers will have a say in what they brew.
Law professor to discuss history of universities, slavery

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While many lectures have been given analyzing abolitionist thought, few have addressed pro-slavery ideas. Law professor Alfred Brophy will speak on the subject in an upcoming lecture.

Patricia Minteer, associate profes-
sor of history, said Brophy’s new book deals with how universities promoted slavery and how many southern univer-
sities were pro-slavery, which made it difficult for the south to move away from slavery.

“My research is engaging and interesting,” he said. “We will hear a wonderful lec-
ture.” Brophy, a distinguished professor of law at the University of North Car-
lolina-Chapel Hill School of Law, will speak at the 2015 Harrison Distin-
guished Lecture on Tuesday. The lecture is sponsored by the depart-
ment of history.

Robert Dietle, history department head, said that planning for the lecture takes around nine months.

“We usually have a good turnout,” he said. “Several hundred members of the community, as well as students, usu-
ally come.” Minteer said it was her suggestion to invite Brophy to speak.

“I’ve known him for years. His work is outstanding,” she said. “He has the whole package. It is impor-
tant for students to know that schol-
ars are out there.”

According to the University of Ken-
tucky Libraries, Warren County had more than 800 slaves and around 3,700 black slaves.

Brophy received his doctorate from Harvard University and holds a Juris Doctor from Columbus University. He has taught at the University of North Carolina, Vanderbilt University, Bos-
ton College and the University of Ha-
avi.

Brophy has been involved in nu-
merous publications as writer, co-
writer and editor. He is the author of “Reconstructing the Dreamland: The Tulsa Riot of 1921, Race, Reparations and Reconciliation”, and “Repara-
tions: Pro and Con” and many other articles.

Dietle said they were looking for an American history specialist and that Brophy’s work was sound.

“He did very interesting work on the history of slavery,” he said. “He is a well-published scholar and has been doing research recently.”

The lecture will begin at 7 p.m. in the Randell Hall Auditorium. The free event is open to the public.

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The Lady Topper softball team went into this past weekend's series against Ball State coming off a 2-0 win over No. 14 Tennessee in Knoxville during the weekend. What head Coach Amy Tudor characterizes as good offense and pitching brought home a 2-0 win for WKU.

Senior pitcher Miranda Kramer, who just earned her third Conference USA Pitcher of the Week nod, struck out 14 batters in Saturday's game en route to a 2-0 win for WKU.

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**BALL STATE THREE GAME SERIES**

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**GAME TWO**

WKU secured the win with a final score of 6-2 Saturday.

The first inning didn’t go the Lady Topper’s way as Ball State scored a two run home run with two outs on the board.

WKU would combine for four runs off four hits to establish a 2-1 lead. Franklin was at third and Holloway at first when Cruce hit an RBI to tie the game. Pugh then shot the ball into left field to bring herself, Holloway and Cruce home. Saddler ran home on the top of the seventh making WKU score six with Ball State still at two.

**GAME THREE**

The first inning again did not finish in WKU’s favor. The Lady Toppers mustered one run in the top of the first from Larissa Franklin before Ball State exploited a Lady Topper error, an RBI triple and an RBI double to take the lead 3-1.

WKU answered immediately in the second with two runs from Holloway to tie the game at 3-3.

Conservative singles and a sacrifice bunt from Saddler had Hanson on third before taking home off a Cardinal error. WKU would end the game with a 3-2 win.

“It was a very exciting win for the three weeks this weekend,” Tudor said. “They did a great job… we also had a lot of hits.”

The Lady Toppers are.Many thanks to the Hilltopper pitchers. Hilltoppers pitchers Josh Barley and Kevin Elder combined to give up only two runs on eight hits while combining for nine strikeouts.

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WKU senior Alexis Govan and Texas freshman Tasia Foman fight for control of the ball in the first round of the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship at Haas Pavilion in Berkeley, California. A jump ball was called and possession stayed with Texas. WKU fell to Texas 64-66, Friday, March 20.

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SPORTS

WKU clinches second C-USA series vs. UTSA

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The Hilltopper baseball team won the first two games of their series against UTSA in San Antonio and has claimed their first two series in Conference USA play.

On Friday, WKU defeated the Roadrunners 5-4 in the highest contested game of the series. The Hilltoppers then played two seven-inning games on Sunday, due to rain delays, winning the first 8-2 but dropping the second 12-0.

"I thought the first two games we were very complete as a team, and we played really good defense," Head Coach Matt Myers said. "Since our win against Mississippi State we have bounced back nicely, and we had a good week this week."

The first game of the series showcased a close contest between the Hilltoppers and Roundrunners as WKU seniors Ryan Messex and Tate Glasscock proved to be the difference in the ninth inning. With the game tied at three with two outs in the ninth inning, Messex hit a two-run double down the left field line to give the Hilltoppers the deciding runs. Glasscock managed to preserve the win with a game-ending strikeout with the bases loaded.

"You couldn’t be more proud for that kid (Messex)," Coach Myers said. "He has been struggling a bit and he knows it, but he really came through for us today."

Junior outfielder Anderson Miller and sophomore starting pitcher Ryan Thurston also enjoyed good games on Friday. Miller kept his hot streak from the field: "Spectacular players and spectacular people too," Stewart said of the duo.

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BASEBALL

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The Lady Toppers put forth a valiant effort, but fell short against the Texas Longhorns in the first round of the NCAA tournament 64-66. Twelfth seeded WKU ends their inaugural Conference USA season with a 30-5 overall record, a 16-2 mark in league play, both regular and post-season C-USA titles and their second consecutive trip to the NCAA tournament.

"We were optimistic that we would have a good season based on how we finished last year and who we had coming back, but I would be lying to you if I told you I thought we would end up winning 30 games," Stewart said while we had high expectations and high goals for this season, the team really exceeded that," WKU Athletic Director Todd Stewart said. "It was a special group of people that really had a remarkable season."

"It’s huge," Stewart said of the exposure WKU gained from playing Texas in the tournament. "... Obviously to play Texas... They have the largest athletics budget in the country with a $165 million budget... to play them on ESPN 2 and perform the way we did, I think it was terrific for our program."

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