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WKU announced its budget re-
duction plan for the 2017 fiscal year on Wednesday afternoon. WKU will have to reduce the budget by $6,039,200 for that year, according to the Fiscal Year 2017 budget. There will be a 4.5 percent tuition increase at WKU, pending approval by the Council on Post-
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at this time. Among other programs, Gatton Academy, transit services, and six
positions will be consolidated as of ICSR and the Alive Center at the media briefing. “A harsh as it may seem, not ev-
everything measures up to essential
student productivity, essential services for student productivity and
degree completion,” Ransdell said.

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crease for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. WKU’s equity funding, which was ap-
proved in the state budget, will also cover the salary increase.
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crease will occur in three phases of 1 percent increases. The first 1 percent increase will take effect on July 1. The second 1 percent increase will begin on January 1, 2017, with the third 1 percent increase effect-
ive July 1, 2017.
The budget plan includes cuts to the academic programs and units that were important to students. Legal Services and predoctoral internships in the Counseling and Testing Center were eliminated, totaling $312,000. Ransdell said that while teaching was his primary focus, he also appreciated the work of other employees who were nonessential.

"We began the process with our vice president of academic affairs to propose areas within their respective divisions and units that were less important but not essential, and I know that he’s very much of a line of thought," Ransdell said.

He said that from there, they shortlisted the list and eliminated programs and units that were nonessential.

There will also be several changes in funding from permanent to one-time funding and other sources that will result in cuts of $2.3 million for T诉讼

For the primary means through which we will achieve the full 3 percent, Randell said.

Despite the loss of revenue, Randell said he will remain committed to a salary increase for all full-time faculty. Earlier this year in February, the Student Government Association passed a resolution that puts the faculty and staff pay raise on the table.

"There has not been a significant raise in 9 years," Ransdell said.

To make up for the reductions, the university faces after budget cuts.

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"What do you want in your next university president? What skills and experiences should they have? What vision should they bring to WKU?" Peach said.

Philip Bale, committee chair, said they had received more than 700 responses to the forum. Bale emphasized the importance of the search for a new president.

"The President Search Committee, and in fact all of us at WKU, recognize the importance of the task we have been asked to accomplish. It is the most important task any member of the Board of Regents, including me, will have the privilege of undertaking, because we are responsible for the future of every student, faculty member, and staff member of WKU.

"All of us on the search committee want to ask you, as prospective students, what is important to you about the university, what is important to you about the future of this university, and what do you want from a new president?"

Regional Dean Jeryl L. Rathbun, senior vice president for academic affairs and provost, asked students what vision should they bring to WKU.

"I hope we find someone with a vision just the same as we have," Rathbun said. "I hope someone doesn't come and say, "You're doing everything up and change it, and that's fine." We maintain the goal that we have been going after in the direction that we've been going in, and we are going to get there.

"Ultimately, we are going to be able to provide the resources to WKU," Rathbun said. "The Board of Regents is very, very old. I think they don't work up to where they need to be. That vision should they bring to the community?"

"It's that renovation that's also an innovation," Rathbun said. "It's really good people. It's just really good people."

Ball State student gives WKU sexual assault awareness report card

Brianna Kirkham has given Ball State University senior from the WKU Forensics team, experiences should they have? asked to answer the following inquiring Student Union and were students about what they are noon to get feedback from any victims will run into the perpetrators not to sexually educating perpetrators about the importance of keeping responsibility for the university, which is the lifeblood of our campus; this is our cliff's edge."

"It's not a matter of telling the victims who they should do or how they should do or how much time they need to come be back home or to not come alone at night or learning all over again."

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Free Mason @masonbarnes14: Do you really go to WKU if you haven't already made up your mind at least once? — 12:52 PM - 27 Apr 2016

Lea_@le_12: WKU's bells are the best — 11:36 AM - 27 Apr 2016

Matt Robbins @MatthewRobbins: The bells at Cherry Hall and in the Palm Court are ringing “It Was A Very Good Year” by Frank Sinatra. I'm gonna miss this place (FWIW) — 11:39 AM - 27 Apr 2016

Evans Brown @EvansWKU: Meanwhile on the campus of WKU two skateboarders being pulled by a Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean Mean 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Layne Cuautle, 22, of Bowling Green doesn’t give much consideration to what others think about the life she leads. The fashion enthusiast and rookie roller derby competitor has surrounded herself with things she loves to do and people who encourage her to do them.

“I’ve always been an introvert, but I can portray an extrovert really well,” Cuautle said. “I give trust to select people, and they help me maintain myself and let me know I can do things that I want to do and be all the things I want to be.”
Greeks kick off benefit concert on Friday

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who had been preparing for the event since fall 2015.

Henderson junior Zach Jones, a member of the Chi Alpha campus ministry, said the goal of this event was to bring believers on campus to-gether to glorify Jesus as one body of Christ.

“We believe that when we come to-
gather in worship, it’s a testimony of what heaven will look like — whose
demonizations don’t matter and our
gaze is fully set on Christ,” he said.

He said that as the sun began to set, an excitement among attendees was pal-
gible.

Bowling Green junior Mary Anne Fox and Nashville junior Gina Hartlich
welcomed everyone to “Unified Worship Night” and prayed for the event before it began.
Students, faculty and community members will come together this weekend in a fundraising event to benefit two of the African American Museum of Bowling Green. The fundraiser will take place Saturday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Faculty House. There is a $20 entrance fee, and registration begins at 5:30 p.m.

The idea for the fundraiser began in associate professor of folklore studies Tim Owens’ Folk 330 Cultural Connections and Diversity class.

Shelbyville sophomore Courtney Thompson said the class is divided into groups, each of which has been working with a nonprofit organization in Bowling Green throughout the semester.

Thompson’s group, who chose to work with the AAMBG, applied for and received a grant through a $100 Solution, a program that gives students the opportunity to use $100 to address a community need.

“They’ve been trying to open for about 20 years or so,” Thompson said. “Through meeting with the AAMBG, we established that their need was to help them open their doors.”

Henderson junior Kelesey Kelesey, one of the students working on the project with the AAMBG, said the idea for a dance-a-thon fundraiser came to her while she was in Henderson. Baptist Campus Ministry committee chairman of the AAMBG, said the idea for the dance-a-thon came from the museum and why it needed help.

“We established that their need was to raise money for a great cause,” Thompson said. “They’re seeking to open it, to be fully nourished … we can choose to be a part of that.”

The African American Museum of Bowling Green is striving to revive the history of Bowling Green that is not well known, Leasure said. “The museum is a great asset to the Bowling Green community and they need all of our support to be successful.”

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Finals week is approaching, so buy that puppy...

BY ANDREW HENDERSON
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Finals week is rapidly approaching, so buy that puppy! By the time you’re reading this in print, finals week won’t be too far away — and unsettling, this week is to take yourself back to the car and feel a bit of a kick and being able to take on a wild ride is not the only thing that does not do this.

I’m not sure how long you’ve been cooking for yourself, but I’m here to tell you: you can cook a sweet dish.

As far as I can see, what you’ll be wanting in these next few weeks. If you’re going to be taking a break, it’s time to take a break! This is when you can take a breath from the hellfire that can seem a bit small, feel top hats for $9.99. Full disclosure: they seem a bit small.

This has given you a respite from the hassle of other things to be doing.

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Doubleheader cut short due to bad weather

**Hilltoppers prepare for last regular season meets**

BY BAILEY TOWNSEND  
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Hilltoppers prepare for last regular season meets that will be only three more games until the Lady Toppers travel to Denton, Texas, for the C-USA Championships. This meet is the oldest and largest track and field competition in the United States and has been hosted annually since April 21, 1895.

Due to the meet's large size and quality competition, this will be a great opportunity to see how the Hilltoppers stand up against some of the best athletes in the nation. The meet will also prepare WKU for the Conference USA Championships coming up soon.

Next for the Tops will be the seventh annual FAU Classic in Boca Raton, Florida. The upcoming three-game series against Florida Atlantic University is a crucial conference match. The FAU Owls won all five matches in last week and are ranked in the top 25, 7-8 Conference USA.

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That prediction brings us to Saturday Sept. 26. The win improves the Hilltoppers to 23-18 (9-9 C-USA) and drops the Bisons to 20-21(4-5 Atlantic Sun). WKU

day, which will feature the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh rounds of the draft. Things will brighten up Saturday afternoon for Hilltoppers fans. I expect both Doubly and Higbee to see playing time, and consider it an optimistic view. But a feeling that a team is going to take a chance on Doubly out of the few hours of Saturday's portion of the draft. Even with Higbee's legal troubles, I think a team will consider him on the second day. Next up should be Higbee, who could possibly go in the third round. It will be interesting to see what kind of a draft is going to develop for the future will be giving him a hand at a high level starting here. Third round. That prediction brings us to Saturday.

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Quarterback Brandon Doughty (12) makes a pass during the first half of the Hilltoppers' victory over the Miami University Redhawks at the Houchens Smith Stadium on Saturday Sept. 26. GABRIEL SCARLETT/HERALD
While the NCAA does not publish individual reports from all 231 institutions, the financial reports that are published fall under public domain and offer a sobering look at the cost of intercollegiate athletics. According to documents filed to the NCAA from all seven universities in Kentucky with Division 1 status, no university subsidizes athletics dollar for dollar. See WKU Athletics Page B5.

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on Denes Field

**Murray hits Toppers past Lipscomb**

**WILFREDO COBOS/HERALD**

Junior outfielder Paul Murray (6) swings at a pitch during WKU's game against Evansville on Tuesday, April 5, at Nick Denes Field. Evansville won 6-2.

Since. Murray said in a radio interview after the game: "They did a really good job. Even when we got behind, we kept fighting. I trusted my teammates."

After junior pitcher Cody Coll and Lipscomb's Adam Stewart pitched a scoreless first inning, Murray put the Toppers on the board in the second.

The San Bruno, California, native ripped an RBI single to bring home revenue and money received through direct institutional support. Subsidies are taken out of WKU’s general fund — money otherwise spent on endeavors such as raising the quality of education WKU offers. One big criticism against intercollegiate athletics is that these subsidies pay for an athletic program with no intrinsic academic or educational benefit.

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**DOCUMENTS SHOW WKU SUBSIDIZES ATHLETICS AT HIGHEST RATE IN KENTUCKY**

On Wednesday, President Gary Ransdell announced WKU’s plans for reducing the university’s budget given the final actions taken by the Kentucky General Assembly on the 2016-2018 biennial budget.

Part of the announcement included news that the WKU track and field teams’ six programs would collectively be subjected to a $200,000 budget cut.

“The university, we tried to protect,” Dr. Ransdell said in a press conference Wednesday. “It was important to protect core athletics, but we did not want it to be a hardship on faculty, staff, and students.”

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**BY JONAH PHILLIPS**

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Recently released documents show that WKU has increased its subsidy for the athletics department to a record second consecutive year.

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