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Kentucky House approves cuts to state judicial system

BY CARLY MATHEWS

Kentucky’s judicial branch could have negative effects, according to the bill.

House Bill 306 passed with a 49 percent overall budget shortfall will have a significant impact on the judiciary, according to the bill.

Spent in Spain and Portugal as part of traveling to study water systems; returned to her is “pretty cool.” Ford said, “To do that, I decided to conduct a classroom with huge diversity, which is her “pretty cool.”

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Heads of state judicial system receive cuts

The Kentucky House of Representatives passed a bill on March 16 that would cut funding from the state’s judicial branch, according to a report by the Bowling Green Daily News. The bill, House Bill 306, would reduce the budget for the judicial branch by 14.5 percent, or $386.9 million. The bill passed with a 49 percent overall budget shortfall.

The judicial branch is responsible for providing legal services to people who cannot afford to pay for them. The branch has been facing budget cuts in recent years, but the proposed cuts would be the largest in recent memory.

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I miss the old Kanye, straight from the 'Go Kanye, Chop up Nina Simone and Future. Yeah, it's a record that samples the same approach to production made by Kanye Impala on its third album "Currents." The approach is to take space-guitared music and give it some soul. Though Kanye's new "The Life of Pablo" is good and necessary work. Many people's lives and freedom depend on that work. I critique the political trajectory not tactics. Engaging with the law is fine in the short term, but true liberation from oppression will not come from the law. As history shows, true liberation has always and will always come about in spite of the law, not with it.

Religious Freedom Restoration bills are condemnable on the basis that they arbitrarily deny services and resources to people who need them, not because these bills are unconstitutional. Kentucky's left and those concerned about social justice should keep this critique in mind as they fight against the latest conservative tragi-Tug is a cause of social justice, not social legislation, and we should never forget that.

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At 10 years old, Pascual Garcia Martinez became one with mezcal. Through the helping hands of his father, Garcia Martinez, now 61 and of Santa Ana, sleeps right by the maguey plant. "I'm fortunate to be doing what I love and live from it..." Garcia Martinez said. "I'm proud because it's hon-est work, " Rios said. "It's a tradition that others have done before me, and I am carrying it on."

Brewing mezcal is what Romulo "Modesto" Cruz loves for, and it's been his life for 53 years. The 67-year-old man of Santa Ana, Oaxaca, Mexico, makes one of the most popular mixes of mezcal in his small town, selling hundreds of liters of the drink in any given week. "We all have professions, but I live from this," Cruz said. "I was working a lot, suffering a lot, so I started working with mezcal to rise from it." A recent spike in popularity has led to higher levels of production of mezcal, and like the farmers who grow the quickly disappearing plant, the mezcal makers are hurting.

After following orders and working in rough conditions in the construction industry for 40 years, Bretoldo Rosario, 70, of Santa Ana, decided to become his own boss. Now he crafts mezcal, and has sent his two sons to college, built a new home and secured his future. On average, 15 plants amounts to 300 liters, or over $1,360 USD when brought to market.

Eusebio Ross, 68, of Santa Ana de Miahuatlan, dedicates countless hours to make a drink locals consume like water. He was at the age of 16 when Ross first got his hands on a maguey plant. Ross' father introduced him to the process of making mezcal, an alcoholic similar to tequila in that it comes from the agave plant. When the two drinks differ is what makes mezcal a popular artisanal drink throughout the States. "With this job, I know I'm proud because it's honest work," Ross said. "It's a tradition that others have done before me, and I am carrying it on."

Magueys jutted out against the Mexican landscape in massive swaths just 10 years ago, but the recent rise in popularity far outside of the small pueblos where it is widely produced in Mexico's second-southernmost state of Oaxaca has put a strain on more than just the plant's population. Romulo Cruz has perfected the process of making mezcal, or "oven-cooked agave" in Nahuatl, over his 53 years of making the drink. When the 67-year-old man learned how to craft the drink at 14 with his grandpa in his hometown of Santa Ana de Miahuatlan, maguey plants were available on a first-come, first-served basis. Now, Cruz and the three other mezcal producers in Santa Ana have to pay 100 pesos, or $5.71, for each maguey they claim from private growers, but it is worth the price.

The income Cruz receives from making mezcal has sheltered his family, expanded his operation and secured his future. On average, 15 plants amounts to 300 liters or over $1,360 USD when brought to market. The recent uptick in popularity of the drink across the United States is to blame for the ironi-\(\begin{array}{c}\text{cally unfortunate dilemma for some 8,000 producers throughout Mexico.} \\
\text{According to Mexican government data on mezcal, sales grew by nearly 48 percent over a three-year period and exports jumped 79 percent from 650,000 liters in 2011 to over 1.15 million in 2014, a mind-boggling jump for a drink that possesses a sometimes flooring and alien-\end{array}\)\(\text{ating flavor. It may be this flavor experience that contributes to its success in overshadowing tequila as the "in" Mexican spirit of choice among craft cocktail bars and bars. Although the newfound prominence of mezcal is exciting in the world of spirits, it still acts as the only lifeline for thousands of producers and their families throughout rural Oaxaca, and it is now threatened by over-\text{production. The state's income per capita in Mexico's lowest at$3,480 USD, and in a state where 22 percent of the population is illiterate and 45 percent haven't completed a high school educa-\text{tion, coupled with a government focused on repatriating its image amidst recent mass disappearances of students and incessant cartel violence, the thought of the government providing sus-\text{tainable solutions for maguey growers and mezcal producers are almost nonexistent.}}\)
Love the Way You Lie to held next Tuesday
BY SHANTEL-ANN PETTWAY

As Sexual Assault Awareness Month approaches, WKU’s Office of Leader-
ship and Volunteerism along with the ALIVE Center, will be hosting the "Love the Way You Lie," a performance event.
Love the Way You Lie will be held in the Downing Student Union auditor-
tium on March 29 at 7 p.m.
Coordinator of Leadership and Volunteerism for Diversity Josylyn Brown said, "Love the Way You Lie" uses performing arts to bring awareness to sexual assault.
"That’s one of the reasons I love it so much, because it’s [taking] [dance] dance, people are able to bring awareness in a different way," Brown said.
The event has been put on in previous years, and several students are eager to attend.
"I was hoping I didn’t miss it because I want to know about sexual violence before it ever presented itself to me," St. Louis junior Alexis Campagna said.
People who plan to attend the event will have something new to look for-
toward to this year.
Spoken word artist Tro’Juan Henderson, a Texas native, will help host the event.
"We decided to bring in an outside host … to increase attendance,” Henderson said.
She said Johnson is known for doing spoken word and drama pieces on topics that surround sexual assault.
Henderson is a national perfor-
mance poet and workshop facilita-
tor, according to his Presto! website.
Henderson is an advocate for sur-
vivors of sexual assault, rape and other forms of abuse. He also uses his speech to talk about how gen-
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ity and to provide platforms to “give voice to the voiceless.”
If you’re looking for the key to success, look no fur-
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tants of the Miss Omega Pageant, it’s confidence.
This spring the Gamma Theta chapter of the Om-
aphi Phi fraternity is hosting its 12th annual Miss Omega Pageant. The page-
ant was created at WKU in 2007 to embrace, uplift and give confidence to full-
figured women.
"Chapter president and pageant dad Kurron Car-
imichael, Louisville senior, said the pageant is all about giving plus-size women a face on WKU’s campus and ensuring that they cannot be a part of our organization due to race.
"We are all committing our-
self, [so] that the next group members leave, our foundation is solid," Wilborn, as vice president, said.
"Our main focus is to help minority males navigate throughout the campus culture as a WKU student," Currin said of the organization's new vision.
BMW has already com-
pleted several meetings and set up both short-term and long-term plans.
"We are all committing our- turn throughout the Bowling Green community," said Chi-
tagas, Ill. sophomore Chris Wilborn, the vice president of BMW.
"We will brainstorm on having open dis-
Aframer on campus and hopefully host a couple events on campus with other organizations.
The group plans to hold an event discussing real-life situations that might affect WKU students on campus and offering strategies stu-
dents can use to cope with them in a positive way. Also in the works is an event geared to relieve student stress during finals week.
BMW has been working on getting a consistent number of men to join the organization, and has made sure to inform potential members, said Currin. The race doesn’t determine whether or not someone can join, according to Currin.
"The name Black Men at Western is not just for black men," Currin said. "We want everyone to feel that they cannot be a part of our organization due to race.
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"She said she believes that when you tell someone money is involved, the person will naturally work harder towards a goal.
"Taylor said she recalled working with pageant aun-
ties outside of practice to get one-on-one help to better her in any way possible.
Pageant aunties are former contestants who have been in the pageant and work to assist current participants as needed. Though Taylor entered the contest with ambition to win, she said she left with something priceless: nine pageant sis-
ters.
See OMEGA PAGE B2
Talking Points for your Call:

- The program is designed to help students begin to think about their futures and what they want to do when they grow up.
- Students are encouraged to think about their academic experiences and how they can contribute to their communities.
- The program aims to create a supportive environment where students can discuss academic and personal issues comfortably.
- Participants are provided with academic assistance and an opportunity to interact with someone older who wants to help build a relationship.
- The program encourages students to become engaged and leave the event feeling more excited about their academic pursuits.

Call Script:

- Good afternoon, you are now connected to [Your Name] from [Your Organization].
- My name is [Your Name] and I am calling from [Your Organization].
- How is your week been going so far?
- I am excited to tell you about a program that could benefit your student.
- The [Program Name] is a tutoring program that provides academic assistance and an opportunity to interact with someone older who wants to help build a relationship.
- Participants in the program have reported significant improvements in their study habits and academic performance.
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- Participants are provided with academic assistance and an opportunity to interact with someone older who wants to help build a relationship.
- The program encourages students to become engaged and leave the event feeling more excited about their academic pursuits.

Call Outcomes:

- The student agrees to participate in the [Program Name] tutoring program.
- The student expresses interest in learning more about the program.
- The student requests additional information about the program.

Follow-Up:

- Schedule a follow-up call to discuss the program in more detail.
- Provide any additional resources or information the student may need.
- Encourage the student to contact the [Program Name] office for more information.

Remember to follow up with the student to ensure they are interested in participating in the program and to answer any questions they may have.
Basketball coaching search has interesting options

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Basketball coach search has interesting options

When former head men’s basketball coach Ray Hall

in Waco, Texas, announced his retirement after the

season, the Kenilworth administration had to

find the right man for this job.

The search looks back on the birthdays and

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the quarterbacks, and Chris Bar

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scored 16 points for WKU, but

The win moved WKU to 26-6 over-

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trajectories on the field, the Top-

This change in leadership

hence than the Sun Belt.

A record of 100-54 while at

a winner at the University

of Georgia where his record

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a proven winner. He did have

a head coaching experience, it is

the best options to pursue.

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Travis Steele.

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grets: Hillebrandt and season

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Sophomore infielder Steven Kraft sprints for first base during WKU's 16-2 loss to Austin Peay on Tuesday. Kraft was 1-3 with a blown out in the top of the third. Austin Peay's T.J. for the game's opening run. The loss was the first midweek loss for the Hilltoppers.

The WKU women's basketball team found itself in an unfamiliar situation when it faced the University of Tennessee, Martin (20-11) on Tuesday in Monday’s WNIT second-round game in Diddle Arena. WKU held a 13-2 lead after one quarter of play, and then the Skyhawks went off from there. Senior guard Kendall Noble (12) goes for two as guard-forward Shy Copney (44) defends during the second round of the NIT tournament between WKU and Tennessee Martin Monday at Diddle Arena.

The Toppers still have a long way to go. "We've got some guys that need reps, "Head Coach Michelle Clark-Heard said. "They bought into everything we talked about during the off-season, and I think it showed." Redshirt junior guard Kendall Noble was held scoreless in the first 20 minutes of action. Noble was 12-22 from the field and scored 17 of her 32 points in the first 20 minutes of action. "Coach Heard kind of got on me and said I've been kind of sitting back lately and not being aggressive like I usually do," Noble said. "She just wanted me to come out and play my game." WKU outscored the Skyhawks 25-12 in the third quarter and led by 21 points in the final 14 minutes of play. Kendall Noble (12) goes for two as guard-forward Shy Copney (44) defends during the second round of the NIT tournament between WKU and Tennessee Martin Monday at Diddle Arena.

The WKU football team got a fresh start to the upcoming season as Head Coach Jeff Brohm and the Hilltoppers took the field for the first practice, signifying the start of spring ball.

Day one of practice featured competitive action from the Toppers, who have been out of action since the team's victory over the University of South Florida in the Miami Beach Bowl on Jan. 2. "I thought the first day went pretty good," Brohm said. "I think we've got guys that want to do well, want to be good players, and want to find a way to help this team win." Despite losing quarterback Brandon Doughty, WKU has 11 still on the roster. The 11 include seven offensive players, five of whom are from WKU starting offensive line. The Toppers will also be welcoming back four defensive starters in redshirt senior linebacker Ronald, senior safety Marcus Ward, junior defensive end举起杜文阁, and redshirt junior linebacker T.J. McCollum.

While a large focus has been placed on replacing star quarterback Doughty, the Toppers must also counteract the loss of kicker Garrett Schnittman. He holds the record at WKU for most points scored in a single season. His 256 extra points were the second-most in FBS history.

Losing a consistent, record-setting kicker is a difficult vacancy to overcome. In fact, replacing starting positions in WKU's lineup will be challenging. While Schnittman was the game's only three field goals, it is a challenge, however, that the Toppers want to take on. The Toppers have two more chance right Tyler High, who is currently practicing on the first three rounds of the NFL Draft, according to draft sites.

Despite the positive effort exhibited, the Toppers still have a long way to go. "We've got some guys who need more exp- erience and experience," Brohm said. "We've got some players who need more experience."