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Students in Paris discuss Friday attacks, aftermath

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Eight WKU students who were in Paris at the time of terrorist attacks on Nov. 13 are safe and accounted for, according to a press release from WKU News.

Five WKU students who are studying at Healdtown College were in Paris for the weekend and three students teaching in Barcelona were also in Paris at the time, according to the press release.

Additionally, there were also two students studying in the southern part of France who were confirmed safe. Katherine Hale, Study Abroad and Global Learning intern, assistant director

Campus police arrest student for social media threat

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Campus police arrested and charged 22-year-old Ryan Ashford of Fallon, Illinois, on Thursday morning after a Facebook post threatening violence.

According to a release from Campus Police, Ashford was arrested and charged with third-degree terrorism, which is classified as a Class D felony.

Ashford was lodged in the Warren County Regional Jail on a $1,000 bond, according to Capt. Dominic Ossello. He was not lifting the finance of the death, according to the Warren County Regional Jail. He was not lifting the finance of the death, according to the Warren County Regional Jail.

In an email sent to all students on Friday, Capt. Dominic Ossello informed the students that campus police had made an arrest on Thursday morning after a Facebook post threatening violence.

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Louisville sophomore Natalie Webb said she has experienced hard times personally but said he had met her a couple of times. "I wish there were more moments we could have shared," said Webb. "I feel bad. I feel bad for her family and her friends," Crowe said. "I feel as though someone woke me up to the fact that the horrible things actually exist and that attacks like that can happen anywhere," Webb said. "I may be more cautious in the future, but I won’t let it stop me from living."
As part of Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week, the WKU Student Coalition for Renters’ Rights launched on campus at the beginning of the 2014 fall semester. Jay Bob Deane said in the email, “We encourage anyone who notices threatening behavior or any unusual activity to report it so we can investigate it.”

On Nov. 15, Lt. Col. Kerry Hatchett sent an email to all faculty and staff regarding the disciplinary process. Ashford is also not permitted to return to campus or participate in classes at this time. “We encourage all faculty, staff and students to be alert and diligent in reporting any and all suspicious or threatening behaviors,” Hatchett said in the email. “In this case, quick action on the part of our student and the WKU PD investigators allowed us to act in a prompt and prudent manner, and this individual does not pose a threat to the campus.”

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BY SAMANTHA WRIGHT

This dinner hopes to show what it would be like to either receive the full Italian-style dine, while those in the middle class would receive a cup of rice and cup of beans. Those in the lower class would receive only rice. This dinner hopes to show the impact poverty has on people’s way of life. All students have eaten, staff and volunteers will help facilitate the discussion about hunger and poverty.

Sasha Gibson, HRL coordinator and DeLoach said this event will help students have an opportunity to share what they’re thinking about and reflect on what hunger looks like and what poverty looks like. “I think that what we’re really hoping to accomplish is to get a dialogue started about what hunger looks like and what poverty looks like,” she said. "Students should come if they want to see what hunger is really based on wealth and socioeconomic status, or if they just want to learn about someone new or be a little bit out of their comfort zone,” Ellis said.

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As part of Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week, Housing and Residence Life is hosting a “Hunger Banquet” tomorrow, starting at 7 p.m. to help teach students about hunger and poverty by letting them experience it for themselves.

As students walk onto the third floor of Downing Student Union, they will randomly be sorted into three groups: upper class, middle class and lower class. The group each students is in will determine their meal for the evening. Those in the upper class will receive a full Italian-style dinner, while those in the middle class will receive a cup of rice and cup of beans. Those in the lower class will receive only rice. This dinner hopes to show how the impact poverty has on people’s way of life. All students have eaten, staff and volunteers will help facilitate the discussion about hunger and poverty.

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Strong performances helped ‘The 33’ survive

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The 33” is about the 2010 mine collapse in Chile that trapped 33 miners. Sometimes the hardest thing to do is take a story people know and still make it compelling.

The film’s focus on the relationships among miners while they were stuck as well as their rescue. Patricia Riggen directed powerful performances by Antonio Banderas, Luis Guzman and other members of the cast.

The film is about the fact that it involved lesser-known actors, I respect what the director has accomplished. The film is putting in little effort to get the audience interested.

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Senior Austin Clark of Frankfort, poses for a portrait Friday in Bowling Green. Clark suffers from Leber congenital amaurosis, an eye disorder that primarily affects the retina — and his family.

Clark is by most accounts a regular Hilltopper; he goes to class in the morning, does his homework in the afternoon and hits the gym in the evening. How- ever, unlike most students at WKU, Clark is severely visually impaired.

A native of Frankfort, Clark was born with Leber congenital amaurosis, a rare hereditary disease that causes permanent loss of vision at birth. Despite the obvious obstacles of having such a condition, Clark said the hardest part about having the disease has always been convincing people he is strong enough to overcome his adversities.

"I had to learn how to persuade people at an early age and that I was all sight and nothing had ever been going to happen," Clark said.

Before attending WKU, Clark studied for two years at Bluegrass Community and Technical College. He is now pursuing a degree in financial planning. Clark attributes his decision to major in finance to his interest in helping others while being financially responsible.

"I've always been interested in saving money and figuring out different ways to help me and my family," Clark said.

Leila Zhuhadar, assistant professor of information systems, had Clark in class.

"Austin is a very smart young man," Zhuhadar said. "I believe his disability does not affect his intellect at all, just the op- portunities he gets."

Clark gets to his classes with the help of Almanor, a middle- aged dog he's had since 2011. Clark briefly attended a school outside of San Francisco during his freshman year of college to bond with Almanor. Clark said this period of his life was pivotal in achieving the independence he now has.

"I'm not going to lie, I was homeless for the first couple of days," Clark said. "But once I got [Almanor], it was crazy, she really changed my life."

In addition to the help he gets from Almanor, Clark also points to his twin brother, Aaron as a key part of his life.

"Aaron is a very smart young man," Zhuhadar said. "I believe he and his brother have been inseparable since birth. 'We're 22, and I can't remem- ber the last time we weren't together,' Aaron Clark said. 'We're the closest anybody can really be.'"

The two brothers regularly attend CrossFit, a strength and conditioning program based on highly structured workouts.

Aaron Clark said his brother's determination in the program inspires him to remain active.

"It's hard to believe that with such a big disability he can still do all that stuff," Aaron Clark said. "It helps push me in the weight room too because it makes me feel like I have no excuse.

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Students and faculty are welcome to participate in an event aimed at unraveling the meaning behind women's cultural dress.

The English as a Second Language program plans to host the event at 4 p.m. on Tuesday and again at 8 a.m. Wednesday. ESLi and ICSR will host events beginning Tuesday to discuss women's cultural beliefs, said Winters.

Most of the event is open to everyone; however, Tuesday's event will be for women only. On that day, Saudi women will be showcasing how to wear the hijab.

"Tuesday is more private," said Saundra Arzou, the de- partment head of political science. "We will be discuss- ing how clothing has shaped women's lives." On Wednesday and Thurs- day, women participating in the event will have the chance to wear a hijab publicly for a day.

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Every day it feels like you’re go- ing to die, but once you finish it, you feel like you’ve accomplished something great.

Frankfort senior Austin Clark

Three-day event to highlight cultural clothing

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players scored in double figures as the team matched 20 assists while only committing 10 turnovers.

"Having 20 assists tonight in just 10 turnovers was a huge step forward for us," sophomore forward Austin Johnson said. "We moved the ball very well tonight, and we made the extra pass a lot which really helped our offense."

Snipes didn't steal the entire spotlight in the contest. Johnson enjoyed one of the best nights of his Hilltopper career as well, scoring 16 points and hustling on the boards. Johnson said. "That really set in my head tonight, and we made the extra pass a lot, which really helped our offense."

FOOTBALL

The last game of the season will be a rematch of a contest that ended last season in a 67-66 overtime victory for WKU. This season, the game will likely decide the winner of the Eastern Division. WKU has a chance to do something the Hilltoppers have never done in their history. They could win the division and get a chance at a bowl game. The only thing the Hilltoppers can do is they will not beat themselves. Head Coach Ray Harper said. "Our first two games were against not-so-great competition, and we only had nine offensive rebounds as a team," Johnson said. "That really set in my head before we went out there tonight, and I look like I got nine myself."

"Our team opened regular season in a 67-66 overtime victory for Tech or Southern Miss. La, Tech, the current West Division leader, lost to Southern Miss, 79-73. Southern Miss is behind only Tech and will face the opponent in their final game of the season. The Hilltoppers have emphasized a championship mindset from the beginning of the season, and with the goal close to its grasp, WKU will have to play its best as the season comes to an end.

"We have to continue to go out there and give our best shot — especially this week — so we just have to go out there and execute," Head Coach Jeff Brohm said.

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The event is sponsored by the Political Science Program and will benefit those who attend it, said Gordon. "It's a positive and educational experience that allows people to open an mind to other ideas and viewpoints," she said.

On Friday, both men and women athletes will be asked to attend a discussion that will focus on the week's events in football, basketball, and volleyball. The event will be held at 5 p.m. in the Hilltopper Center.

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"That was one of those nights that we really helped our offense," Harper said. "It gives us a chance to come together in order to better understand."
LADY TOPS cinch regular season title on senior day

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The WKU basketball team won its first game of the 2015-2016 season Saturday night as it defeated the Campbellsville University Toppers (97-77).

Redshirt senior forward Nigel Snipes enjoyed the best night of his career, scoring 24 points on 8-of-13 shooting while also adding three rebounds.

“This couldn’t have been scripted better,” Head Coach Ray Harper said. “Nigel is probably our hardest worker and our most committed kid since we got back to school in August. For him to have the best game in the first context of the season is awesome. He is finally playing loose and with a lot of confidence.”

The WKU offense fired on all cylinders as the Hilltoppers shot a combined 46 percent from the field on the night. Four different

Senior middle hitter Navea Langenkamp (13) drives the ball past UTEP middle blockers Tatjana Winters (6) and Madi Morgan (20) during the game Saturday in Diddle Arena. The Lady Toppers won 3-0. © ANDREW LYNCH/HERALD

“I think our guys are ready to make this run in trying to win a championship,” Breden said. “It’s a very important game for us, and we do everything we can to win the game.”

“Two games remain in the regular season, and both are against C-USA foes,” WKU will first head to Miami to take on Florida International in the upcoming Saturday. The Panthers have not lost a game in their last two this season and will be looking for home-visit.

To finish off the season, WKU will return home to face a team that has become the rivalry: the Marshall Thundering Herd.

MEN’S BASKETBALL

‘COULDN’T HAVE BEEN SCRIPTED BETTER’
Snipes leads Hilltoppers over Campbellsville

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It was an emotional 53-31 win in Diddle Arena last week in a senior day loss to the Hilltoppers on senior day in the final home game of their careers. The trio ended with a 53-31 record in Diddle after a win over the University of Texas, El Paso.

The volleyball team, ranked 24th nationally defeated UTEP in sweeping fashion to claim its fifth consecutive win and finish the regular season with a 20-3 record — good for the regular season title.

“How could you not cry tonight? That’s all they have known since they have been here,” Head Coach Travis Hudson said as describing the three seniors. “They played four years of volleyball and lost three of those in 2013. They are great kids. I’m really really proud of them.”

Langenkamp and Bodway both are part of the 1,000 kill club throughout their careers. Hudson and the Lady Toppers took home the Conference USA Regular Season Championship for the second consecutive year in just as many seasons in the league.

Last year the team shared the title with the University of Texas at Austin, but this year it claimed sole ownership of the crown with the win over UTEP.

“My mom and dad taught me to share when I growing up, but this is the one thing I don’t like to share — championships,” Hudson said. “I think I value regular season championships as much as anything because I know how hard they are to achieve.”

Hudson said the conclusion this year couldn’t have been scripted better.

“To come out and do it in convincing fashion on senior day is a pretty good script for these kids,” Hudson said.

The win was the teams fifth consecutive sweep as Rice broke its 17-game winning streak in Houston on October 31.

Against UTEP, WKU came back with solid hitting from Langenkamp and sophomore outside hitter Alyssa Caruana-

Langenkamp threw down a match-high 13 kills with a .372 hitting clip in her final match in Diddle. Caruana had a staggering .750 hitting per-

cent with 12 kills.

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chel Anderson recorded eight kills, and Bodway added four.

“It is nice going through all these years to step up into a leadership role. I didn’t see 1,000 kills after going through all these years, but it is an honor to be in that club,” said Bodway.

WKU has clinched the top overall seed for the 2015 C-USA Tournament in San An-

tonio.

The Lady Toppers first-round opponent will be the Thundering Herd of Marshall, whom WKU has beaten twice this season. The con-

test against Marshall is set to begin Friday at 5 p.m.

FOOTBALL

WKU atop C-USA standings

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The WKU football team sits in first place in the East Division and atop the Conference USA standings through 10 games of the season.

Coming off their bye week, the Hill-

toppers (8-2, 6-0) currently hold a nine-game winning streak against conference opponents.

This is the second-longest active streak in the country across all conferences, according to ESPN (15) and puts the path to the C-USA champions-

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