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Bonner Leaders do service work for homeless

This is the first service project Bonner Leaders have conducted that involves the entire campus.

"Typically [Bonner Leaders] spend their time working with nonprofit organizations," said Sandia Spaulding, communications and marketing coordinator for the WKU ALIVE Center for Community Partnerships. "This year the Bonner Leaders targeted a local nonprofit for the project's support. "They may be more likely to have gently used blankets compared to the average student living on campus," Spaulding said. Bonner Leaders are holding the drive for National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week, which is Nov. 14-22 according to the website for the National Coalition for the Homeless. Blessing Bags is hosted each year the week before Thanksgiving. "This is a time for us all to start to think about what we are thankful for, a perfect time to share our compassion with our neighbors who are experiencing homelessness, and work toward a world where no one has to experience Hunger and Homelessness," the website reads.

Owensboro freshman Eli Allen generated the idea to do a Blessings bags drive because she participated in one her high school, according to Spaulding. Allen's desire is to help those in need and leave a lasting impact with her work. "I love it because Bonners can establish great connections and have a positive impact on the community," Allen said.

The Bonner Leaders have connected with local nonprofit organization HOTEL INC for partnership. The connection creates an opportunity for hands on service in which Bonnor Leaders can pass out Blessing Bags to individuals in need. One of HOTEL INC's outreach services is providing dinner to the homeless at River Walk Bridge on Tuesdays.

"HOTEL INC has been a dedicated WKU community partner for several years working with courses for service learning and participating in meaningful service events," Spaulding said. "A goal for the Bonner Leaders is to collect gently used or new blankets from the WKU campus community by Nov. 17.

However, Bonner Leaders aren't just collecting blankets. According to Allen, they will also prepare three different kits for distribution: a winter kit, street medicine kit and general help kit. The winter kit will contain items like blankets, scarves and gloves. The street medicine kit will have items like aspirin and flashlight. The general help kit will contain disposable latex gloves and hygiene products, said Allen. "It hasn't been confirmed if we can help HOTEL INC pass out the bags or blankets, but we are aiming to do that," Allen said.

There are 11 Bonner Leaders this semester. By doing this project, they will be able to see what homelessness looks like and have discussions about how students can make a change in their community, said Spaulding.

Allen, who has been a Bonner Leader since August, has taken the lead on this project. She said she is enjoying her participation. Allen learned about Bonner Leaders during a college fair and was referred by Spaulding to apply. Allen doesn't regret her decision. "Being a Bonner is shaping me," Allen said. "I'm doing good work with good people."
The WKU Interfaith Coalition is kickstarting a donation challenge to collect socks for the homeless population in the state of Kentucky.

The “SockTheCity” donation challenge is sponsored by HOTEL INC, the sponsor of last year’s fall project. The donation challenge is organized by the WKU Interfaith Coalition in partnership with HOTEL INC to help supply the homeless population with socks.

The challenge is sponsored by the department of philosophy and religion. The donation challenge will last from the 12th to the 14th of November.

Emily Potter, the president of the Interfaith Coalition, said the need for socks is often forgotten.

"Socks aren’t really a glamorous item," Potter said. "They’re an item that most people forget about, though they are one of the most needed items for people living on the streets once winter comes.”

The campaign was highlighted in January 2014, 578,424 people experienced homelessness across the nation. The report's definition of homelessness states that individuals were "sleeping outside in their cars, on the streets, in doorways, in public spaces, or in encampments if the weather does not allow them to enter a shelter." The total homeless population in Kentucky was reported at 13,250.

"It’s time to make a difference," Potter said. "It’s a great experience in that position. It was definitely something that shaped me for the future."
BEVIN AIMS TO REVERSE MEDICAID EXPANSION

The issue: During his campaign, Matt Bevin promised the removal of "Obamacare," which means the reversal of Kentucky's expansion of Medicaid. If he succeeds in doing this during his term as governor, almost 400,000 Kentuckians will be forced to go without health care.

Our stance: Taking away the health care coverage of so many Kentuckians will not be an effective way to solve any problems.

The results of last Tuesday's election left many Kentucky Democrats disappointed. Voter turnout rates in our state are terrible, but Kentucky is a red state, and Bevin made promises that supported ed many Kentuckians' opinions. Specifically, his reference to the Affordable Care Act as "Obamacare" ensured that anyone opposing the current president's policies would support Bevin.

The sad thing is that most of the counties in which the majority voted for Bevin are the same counties that benefitted from an almost 10 percent drop in the rate of uninsured per capita after the expansion of Medicaid, according to the "Medicaid Expansion Report" released by Deloitte Consulting and the University of Louisville in 2014.

This is a problem all of us need to face. Of the 370,000 people who participated in Kentucky's open enrollment during March 2014, 50 percent were under the age of 25, according to a press release from Governor Steve Beshear's office on April 1, 2014. If Bevin succeeds in reversing Kentucky's expansion of Medicaid, many young adults will be affected.

Bevin plans to reverse the Medicaid expansion by diverting people from enrolling in the 2016 open enrollment period.

"I plan to use the open enrollment period in 2016 to transition people from the state-level exchange to the federal exchange," Bevin told the Cincinnati Enquirer just a week before the election. "Once all are transitioned, I would shut down the exchange."

Kentucky's 2015 open enrollment started Nov. 1 and will end on Dec. 15. There isn't much we can do to make sure Kentucky's health care remains accessible except continue to sign up for kynect during the open enrollment periods.

Affordable and attainable health care is a privilege. It is not easy for everyone should be able to access.

Two of the best things in life are food and movies. "Burnt," then, seemed promise d.

This film is a re-imagining of the story of Bradley Cooper's character, Adam Jones, who is one of the top chefs in the world. Until he stops down the wrong path and the passion for cooking is lost, he realizes he needs to find his life around him, around his dish, and discover an opportunity to be the head chef at a new restaurant. Solving his problems, however, is more difficult than expected.

While Cooper has been at the top of his game for several years now, "Burnt" fails to live up to his potential. The film is enjoyable because of its well-shot food and cooking scenes, but those don't distract viewers from the film's negative aspects — mainly Cooper's acting. He displays his damaged character well, but the portrayal wasn't the best in the film. The acting that stood out the most was Sienna Miller's performance of Andy's love interest. There is a sort of putting off because it's eerie; the love story between Adam and Helen, played by Sienna, is completely uninteresting. There wasn't much focus on their relationship and on what it means to be in love.

This really is a story about making a second impression on the audience. Bevin is going back to the public, and he does best: cooking. The problem is that the film is so weightless it centered too hourly on his pointless relationship with a girl (Sienna). The story is not as much an impression as it is an attempt to make time for a cheap dramatic change, but this film just ended up as much as it should have.

My Score: 2/4.

A setting of buttons can make for a darling bracelet or necklace. For ear rings, just glue a few buttons onto a face of beads, and make sure the glass beads are the same shape. The idea is the same thing to convert clip-on earrings to regular pins.

If you are feeling especially crafty, try making a button to a pair of socks. The idea is not much less intimidating than it seems. If you can't figure it out by yourself, track me down, or we'll have it stitched for you. It couldn't be more simple! Next to the creations you can dream up with a pair of buttons, the creations you can dream up with a pair of buttons.

If you can think outside of the box, you can add zummies to your own wardrobe and have some fun doing it.
HUWP Improv group honors fallen alumnus

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A WKU improv troupe, called KempProv, paid tribute to Ryan Kemp, a member who recently passed away, with a show in his honor. The show was titled “KempProv,” the show with a play in which Kemp and Michael perform hard-boiled detectives, faculty members and the viewpoints of many students. Ryan Kemp Scholarship was established by Kemp’s friends and family to honor his memory and provide financial support for WKU students who are members of the WKU Improv Troupe, a WKU-based improv comedy troupe in the United States from people who know. Kemp was the most successful improv troupe members. The board met again on Jan. 26, 1965. The Board of Regents met on Dec. 10, 1965, for a total of 10 hours in regards to the suspension of Frank Bonomo, Sam Lawson, Robert Johns and George Chakos. The board met again on Jan. 8, 1966, to hear the appeals of Bonomo, Lawson and Johns. The previous suspension was vacated.

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members of those from previous years, get to be surrounded by founding transitions," she said. "When you part of his game was his passing," Panthers score 45 of their 68 points in give the Hilltoppers fits — particularly disaster that we now experience."

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Son to senior receiver Jenson Stoshak said of Taylor after the game. "He finds many guys don't have that," Brohm referred gear when the ball is in the air, and said, "You realize you're a part of something important," Paschetto said, "regardless of both students and people around the stress of college for over a decade, and have also been pursuing other projects independently and collaborating with schools in the Bowling Green area."

APARTHEID

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"It's been around for 15 years and has been adding new content to courses that will allow them to overcome these differences on a global scale."

"Whoever our opponents are, we have this sense of camaraderie is amazing." Kellersberger said Kemp had a last-minute conversion of the 2-point conversion, and "This is still a brand new team, and it's a work in progress."

Head coach, Ray Harper

\[\text{Redshirt senior forward Nigel Stipes enjoyed an efficient season with nine goals and seven assists in 19}\]

"The effort was there tonight on de-

He had a total of 26 minutes of action.

"I think it's time for someone to step up and for them," said Neidell. The WKU defense held strong in the first half but said after the game that the individual scoring is not as im-

"It's been a brand new team, and it's going to get to play with guys like we have who are willing to be coached and who will continue to work hard."
Postseason accolades follow exit from C-USA tournament

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The WKU men’s basketball team defeated Kentucky Wesleyan Coll-
lege on Saturday by a score of 75-68, but the Hilltop-
pers got a strong challenge from the eight-time NCAA Division II national
champions in Miami; it was the low-
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North Texas’ defense claimed its 14th shutout of the season.
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season average of 16.
The Lady Toppers ended the season with an 8-6 record and
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“Just like it was all during
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controlling our chances in
openings,” Neidell said. “Obvi-
ously that’s a huge part of the
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Hilltoppers beat Owls 35-19 in Homecoming victory

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Hilltoppers defeat KWC in contested exhibition

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While the Lady Toppers fell to North Texas 1-0 in the first round of the Conference USA
Championships, they tabbed four players in All-Conference teams and three to All-Aca-
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controlling our chances in
openings,” Neidell said. “Obvi-
ously that’s a huge part of the
game, and that’s the next piece
next season for us to work on.”
North Texas ultimately moved on to the finals on Sun-
day, when the Mean Green
won their first C-USA Cham-
pionship 1-0 over Marshall.

The league announced Wednesday that three WKU
student-athletes were named
to the All-Academic team.
Senior forward iris Clayborne was awarded to junior midfielder
Caitlin Hoss, who helped lead the defense and
junior forward Iris Dunn were
named to the second team.