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BRIING ON BEVIN

Matt Bevin elected as governor

BY NICOLE ARES & ANDREW HENDERSON HERALDNEWS@WKU.EDU

On Nov. 2, the people of Kentucky elected Republican Matt Bevin as the governor-elect.

At press time, Bevin took 52.5 percent of the vote, which translates to 311,771 votes, and Democrat Jack Conway received 47.8 percent of the vote, or 242,867 votes. Independent candidate Drew Curtis received 3.7 percent of the vote with 21,627 votes according to The Courier-Journal.

In Warren County, 55.2 percent of voters cast their ballot for Bevin, 46.6 percent for Conway and 3.2 percent for Curtis.

Republican Jenean Hampton is the lieutenant governor-elect. Democrat Alison Gwiz was re-elected as Secretary of State, and Democrat Andy Beshear was elected as Attorney General. Republican Allison Ball was elected State Treasurer, Republican Mike Harmon was elected State Auditor and Republican Ryan Quaid was elected as the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Those who attended the polls on election day made up an array of young, old, Republican and Democratic voters.

Kaylen Delph, 18, of Bowling Green, said this election was her first time voting and reasoned that if she voted, she would be able to complain later if the election didn’t turn out as she would have hoped.

“It was my first time voting, and I figured if I had a reason to complain later, I at least would be able to do it with good reason because I did have a voice,” she said.

Delph is affiliated with the Republican Party but said she didn’t vote Republican because she considers herself to be more of an independent. She said she voted for Conway.

“I voted for Conway because between him and Bevin, I would rather have somebody like Conway because Bevin reminds me too much of Trump,” Delph said.

Cole McDowell, Bardstown senior, is a registered Democrat and said he voted for Conway because he believed Conway would do the best job of con-

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HOLOCASTE EXHIBIT ENDS STAY AT KENTUCKY MUSEUM

BY ALEX SANDEBURF HERALDNEWS@WKU.EDU

A collaborative mural exhibit showcasing Nazi Germany and the Holocaust ended this Thursday.

Middle and high school students created the exhibit “Never Again: Nazi Germany and the Holocaust.” The exhibit has been displayed at the Kentucky Museum in the Kentucky Building since Oct. 27.

“Never Again: Nazi Germany and the Holocaust” features 10 murals created by students in the Summer Program for Verbally and Mathematically Precocious Youth at WKU.

VAMPY offers a class focusing on Nazi Germany and the Holocaust. Each year, students in the program collaborate to create a mural. The murals were collected over the years to create the exhibit.

Brent Bjorkman, the director of the Kentucky Museum, said he thought Libby Davies, left, and WKU English professor Lloyd Davies, right, view the murals at the “Never Again Nazi Germany and the Holocaust” exhibit at the Kentucky Museum on Wednesday. The murals were created by students during VAMPY, the Summer Program for Verbally and Mathematically Precocious Youth, put on by the WKU Center for Gifted Studies. GABRIEL SCARLETT/HERALD

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“This is something the center has wanted to do for a while,” Oldenburg said. “All 18 murals together are very impactful. They’re large murals, and you step into the Holocaust.”

The quotes also caught Hayden’s attention. “The quotes made me realize the deeper things,” Hayden said. “There are images and quotes from literature that leave a lasting impression.”

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Controversy surrounds ‘Dub the Pub’ competition

The next round of the “Dub the Pub” contest has been taking place, but the 12 names originally available for voting have now been reduced to 11. The Student Government Association released a new list of 12 names for students to choose from: The Tipps Tavern, Big Top Brewery, Humor Meister, Spirit Masters, Hilltop on the Rocks, Red Boosers, The Old Pub Shoppe (TOPS), Red Towel Tavern, 1906 Pub & Grill, Topped Off and Hill-Tappers. However, some comments, including Spirit Masters, have been removed from the naming options.

SGA President Jay Todd Richey said the original 12 names sent out were compiled from 90 responses and 5 different names the first round received. From those streams, the SGA Executive Cabinet narrowed the options down to include those that had received the most suggestions, those that were the most appropriate and those the cabinet liked most.

After the 12 names were compiled, Richey said SGA sent out an email to all students on Nov. 4 for the second survey, and the name selected from this survey would become the official name of the pub in Garrett Conference Center.

“However, there has been some controversy and questions over using Spirit Masters—having Spirit Masters as one of the options,” Richey said. He said this controversy came about for two main reasons: It was perceived as demeaning to the Spirit Masters, the university’s student ambassador group, and demoting to WKU’s rich history.

“Neither one of those entities should be demeaned and be tied to something like a bar,” he said. Richey said that after taking the situation into consideration, the Executive Cabinet decided to remove Spirit Masters out of respect for the university and the Spirit Masters organization.

Sawyer Coffey, the SGA director of public relations, said SGA was contacted by some members of the WKU administration and told the name portrayed the Spirit Masters organization in a negative light.

“It just wasn’t appropriate for the organization,” Coffey said. Richey said there was the potential for litigation to arise if that name were in conflict with the university’s model.

“As a student body president, I will take the responsibility for this because there were some suggestions we received that were not appropriate, and this should have been considered one of the names that was not appropriate as well,” Richey said.

FACULTY AWARDS

Nominations for WKU full-time faculty members are now being accepted for the 2015-2016 college and university-wide Faculty Awards. The area of University and the College winners of each award will be announced in the homecoming magazine and to see more stories, check out WKUHerald.com and Homecoming2015.wkuheraldprojects.com

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We've got it...... in the mag

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Women are taught by society how to avoid being sexually assaulted. They are taught to watch their skirts should be an “appropriate” length. They are told they need to watch the situations they put themselves in. They are taught if someone teaches them in a manner that makes them uncomfortable, they are overreacting. This is strong. Instead of teaching women how to avoid being raped and sexually assaulted, why not simplify the issue by teaching people not to rape?

Assuming this trend continues — and there is little reason to think it won’t — by 2020, student tuition will cover nearly 75 percent of the cost of running a university. If this continues, the country’s great universities will no longer be producing skilled laborers and better informed citizens; they instead will be churning out indentured servants. Since student debt is not erasable, there is no way to escape it. The argument that people simply not go to college if they can’t afford it is as anachronistic as it is dumb.

Our current economy no longer caters to manufacturing and labor intensive job markets. Having a college degree is a requisite condition to becoming somewhat financially stable. It is no longer the case that students can work a part-time job over the summer to pay their tuition. No one will take pity on our generation, and expecting those in power to interfere is an anachronism. The rallies, the marches, the protests, the meetings with senators, the student debt protests, the grading of legislation will follow, but the change will only last if the correction is true.

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Sgt. 1st Class Andrew Black, right, instructs one of his students during the rappelling exercise Wednesday.

OFF THE WALL

ABOVE: Freshman ROTC member Peter Fields from Erlanger practices a fall while rappelling off the side of Parking Structure 1 as part of the curriculum for his Military Science 101 class Wednesday. “This is my first time rappelling. I’m actually afraid of heights, so this is a fun learning experience, overcoming fears,” he said.

TOP LEFT: Students from four different sections of the Military Science 101 class sign in on a clipboard before learning to rappel off of Parking Structure 1 Wednesday.

LEFT: Sophomore Noah Greenhill of Union belays one of his classmates during the rappelling exercise Wednesday.

PHOTOS BY GABRIEL SCARLETT
Members of Alpha Gamma Delta create pompoms from tissue paper for their Homecoming float. An estimated 10,000 pieces of tissue paper will be formed into pompoms for the parade floats. MATT LUNSFORD/HERALD

POMP IT UP

Greeks share a week of float building, camaraderie

BY BRITTINY MOORE
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Here is a story surrounding WKU.

Acoustic music, freshly baked cookies and a charitable cause will all come together this Saturday at the Warm in Winter Music Festival hosted by Spongie Acres Bed and Breakfast. The lineup for this event includes several songwriters, including Joey Hayes, Matthew Christian and Joe Hash, who are based in Nashville and Bowling Green.

Located on 610 Madison Road, Spongie Acres will be giving all proceeds of this event to HOTEL INC., a local non-profit organization focused on fighting problems related to homeownership and poverty in Bowling Green.

Though admission to the festival is free, Spongie Acres encourages those who attend to donate warm clothes, money or both to the cause. The event will start at 2:00 p.m. and will continue until 6:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. depending on how long musicians’ performances are.

Juannie Kronenberger, co-founder of Spongie Acres, said the festival was established from a desire to help HOTEL INC. achieve its goals.

“We named it Warm in Winter for just that reason, to help keep others who are less fortunate keep warm in Winter,” she said.

Co-founded in 2012 by Kronenberger and her husband Clint Kronenberger, the bed and breakfast hosts several other community events, including the Spongie Acres Bicycle Festival and the Spongie Acres Spring Music Fest. Juannie Kronenberger and her husband had previously operated a bicycle business in Florida for 28 years and organized several fundraisers during that time. Kronenberger said she has always had a knack for helping any community whose cause she has been a part of.

“We’re part of the community, and we always feel like the community supports us,” Kronenberger said. “We feel that it’s important to give back.”

Dani Medlin, a singer-songwriter based in Bowling Green, will be performing at the event. Medlin was instrumental in helping Spongie Acres with hosting the lineup for this year’s festival.

“There are some very talented songwriters coming in here, and they’re all playing for free to help this,” she said.

HISTORY OF WKU’s Topper Transit Busing System

BY SHELBY BRUCE
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Students set to perform ‘Into the Woods’

By KALEE CHISM
Herald & Review

A sophomore from Louisville, Collin Waters, is playing the role of Little Red Riding Hood, her first lead at WKU. She said it is “basically just rolling tissue paper into tiny little balls,” Hohlbein said. “We’re all one even though we’re as a performer [and] lets you become who you want to be in whatever you go through — that lets you become who you want to be as a performer [and] lets you recognize that you were not going to be the same performer as any other person.”

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At the start of the second half, Clark-Heard said, "I think that people got a chance to see us and be ready to play and find a way to score. Brohm said. "It's a game we've got to win. It's a game that will be a good test for us."

One aspect of the Hilltoppers' game that has been improving this season is their defense. With just three losses overall and one in Conference USA play, WKU is sitting comfortably atop conference standings. This time around, the Hilltoppers are anxiously anticipating their return to Sunshine State, which has been a huge factor after returning from a hamstring injury that kept him out of the first half of the season.

Hudson said. "It's some time with my seniors this late in the season, winning with two seniors is going to be a process," Clark-Heard said. "I think that people got a chance to see tonight that we have different players that can do different things, and I think that it's gonna be a collective effort." The Lady Toppers will face off against Florida International and Florida Atlantic this weekend, Nov. 19, at Ball State. It will open its season on Thursday, Nov. 19, at Ball State.

"I feel very comfortable that [the veterans] are getting comfortable with the newcomers, that I just think that it's going to be a process," Clark-Heard said. "I think that people got a chance to see tonight that we have different players that can do different things, and I think that it's gonna be a collective effort." The Lady Toppers are hoping they can go down and get the job done in six sets again. Florida Atlantic is expected to be the larger threat to WKU's success in Florida this weekend. Even though WKU beat FAU just two weeks ago, the Owls were without one of their key players - 5-foot-9 junior outside hitter Maja Ristic. With one of FAU's key offensive contributors this season back in the fold, Hudson is expecting a highly contested game. "FAU is one of the teams that presents a legitimate challenge when we step on the floor with them," Hudson said. "Before breaking a finger on each hand, Ristic recorded 27 kills in the Owls' last two matches when they swept both the University of Alabama, Birmingham and Mid-tennessee. The Owls are 15-1 overall and 8-2 at home. "The Bur- row" historically has been a difficult environment for traveling teams to compete in and accommodates 5,000 fans. "To be honest, I like to get out on the road and spend time with my seniors this late in the year just knowing we are wrapping it up with them," Hudson said. "It's some time that I won't have with them for much longer."
The Lady Topper basketball team began its preseason Tuesday night with a 106-43 win over Ouachita Baptist in its exhibition play in Diddle Arena. WKU shot 54 percent from the field, while the Blue Raiders shot 30 percent. Not only did Head Coach Michelle Rowsom's team defense "that's one thing we're going to work on that we've always tried to do." Clark-Hoard said of the defense.

The Lady Tops held 11 sticks at the half and 22 at the end of play, prevent- ing OBU from gaining momentum. "We worked a little in the first half and tied up a lot of full court to- torial defense," said. "I was proud of what were did. We got our hands on the ball and getting some steals."

In addition to the defensive pres- sure, the Lady Tops won the battle of the boards 51 to 32. Sophomore Ivory Brown played a huge part in the strong rebounding display from WKU, notching a double double with 19 points and 10 rebounds. "She's had an unbelievable spring and summer, and she really worked hard just coming into this all and has done everything we've asked her," Clark-Hoard said. "I was just really happy for her to see those first couple of shots go down. She's rebounding, guarding and doing a lot of things."

The familiar faces of redshirt junior guard Kendall Noble and Brown stood out in the crowd of newcomers. "I was really impressed with Kendall and Brown," said. "The first half just really set the tone and up tempo, a lot of things. It was a lot of good things, but those two just really clicked and we have talent around."

The defense of WKU allowed Noble and Brown to get easy transition buckets. "They are a fresh group in the back and get a lot of defense," Clark-Heard said. "We are the most confident we have ever been.

"I thought we were really good in the first half," Head Coach Ray Harper said. "Our three to four point game really got on a big roll that first half. He is a guy that can make shots. He can score in a variety of ways, and he can make shots. He really got on a big roll that first half. I am a guy that can get us buckets on a nightly basis.

However, Cosby was not the only newcomer to make an impact on Monday night. Freshman guard Chris McNeal of Jackson, Tennessee, controlled the pace of the game early for the Hilltoppers with his tempos and athleticism. "In just 27 minutes of playing time, McNeal scored six points while adding seven rebounds and four assists," McNeal said.

McNeal's play at the point guard position helped the Hilltoppers get an early jump on the Blue Raiders.

"I just wanted to come out and work because when you work hard, good things hap- pen," McNeal said. "This team has a lot of depth, and if you work hard, good things hap- pen, and work because when you put in work, you can make shots."

Another transfer player who provided WKU with all- around play was junior guard Fredrick Edmond. Edmond notched 13 points, seven re- bounds and four assists on the evening.

Redshirt junior guard Chris Harts-Docks also provided a bright spot for the Hilltop- pers in the matchup with 10 points on 5-10 shooting from the field.

However, the exhibition as a whole did not go as perfectly for the Hilltoppers as the first half did.

In the second half, our de- fensive energy level was not as good," Harper said. "The Blue Raiders outscored WKU 44-36 in the second half and shot 47 percent in our first outing with growing pains - especially with hav- ing so many new guys," Harp- er said. "There were definitely a lot of bright spots and a lot of areas where we still need to get better."

This season, the Hilltoppers have al- ready defeated Louisiana Tech 41-38, Miami (Ohio) 56-14 and Middle Ten- nessee 58-28 at Smith Stadium.

"It's good to come back home, and we're excited about Homecoming," Brohm said. "We're playing a team that hasn't beat us last year. We had a big lead on them, and they came back and found a way to win."