Two weeks ago today, a 7.0-magnitude earthquake ripped through Haiti, destroying its capital and killing hundreds of thousands of people. Since then, Haiti has been the center of round-the-clock coverage of the disaster college students are being urged people to donate to the Red Cross. The show featured three local bands: Andy and the Rockers, Skip Bond and the Forgivinges and The Tyrone Dunn Experiment. Simpson said he put together the benefit in three days, with the details. We'll post the information on our Web site. And if you want to know what you can support.” Simpson said. For more on the concert, go to wherald.com.

HELP FOR HAITI
Community pulls together to help hurricane victims

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Charlie Thomas Barkman, 77, has raised beef cattle just outside of Bowling Green ever since 1974, but his farming roots go all the way back to his childhood. He grew up in Delaware County in New York, where he was raised on a dairy farm with no electricity and used to help milk 30 cows by hand.

After a 21-year career in the United States military, where he participated in the Korean and Vietnam wars, Barkman settled in Bowling Green. He taught and coached for over 20 years at Bowling Green High School and also raised cattle.

“I’ve always loved cattle and it’s kind of my hobby,” Barkman said. “I was born and raised on a farm.”

He retired from teaching 16 years ago and has kept up with his hobby, currently raising around 20 head of cattle on 31 acres split between two pieces of land on Beech Bend and Old Richardsville roads.

“A Thousand Words” is a weekly photo essay that tells untold stories on the edges of campus.
Campus crime slow over winter break

Richmond case still open

By SPENCER JENKINS

Whether students bước on the break during the month of December by piles of books for Winter Term, the numbers of crime still lingered on Western’s campus.

Campus crime

Joe Harbaugh, spokesman for Western police, said crime usually decreases during breaks.

“There’s no increase in crime right before students leave campus,” Harbaugh said. “The target students who lead up their cars are not as visible.”

Western police mainly patrol the buildings and parking lots, said Harbaugh. Car thefts are not a big issue for break over because not many students leave campus vehicles, he said.

The weekend before school starts in the fall is nearly as bad as last fall, he said. For the fall, the number of cases is a lot more and there are more crimes committed.

Richardson murder

Bowling Green police continued to investigate the murder of 51-year-old mathematics professor Martha “Bettina” Richardson. Her body was found in her apartment in December by the WKU Foundation, said the professor. The case was “absolute hell,” Rob Botten said. Her body was shredded, but other sources said that another source of funding is needed.

“Higher aid is going to need to help us get to avoid more budget cuts,” Richard said.

Even with the state’s budget concerns, there are still a lot of legitimate requests to the General Assembly, said the professor. The report represents the university’s funding needs for the next two years.

The weekend on the list is replaced by the number of the number of the next day and a lot more aid for higher education,

The $70 million in stimulus money will run out by June 30, 2011, and legislators need to find a way to replace that money in the upcoming budget.

Women’s share of the stimulus money is $34.4 million, and the uncertainty in Congress is a reduction of that much money.

Another priority on Western’s list is replacing the federal funds.

The state of Kentucky sits at the federal level international, says improving institutional and graduate, and needs to translate for American doctors.

The family’s Petionville restaurant was relatively unharmed, but their kitchen in their Petionville restaurant was reportedly the only building left standing.

Sterlin and her parents were safe.

— Whitley Tobin and Angela Oliver

QUAKE

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Selig will still be getting access to a few private donors approved in December by the WKU Foundation, said the professor. They’ll decide whether to change the WKU Sport’s contract and athletics will pay for Selig’s salary.

In October, Kahler’s company had a raise of about $9,000, but that case will not change the WKU Sport’s contract, and a raise of about $9,000 will be offered in a letter on Wednesday’s meeting, Wilkins said.

The board is also set to vote on several other things including university, the WKU Sport’s, and tuition. Students are still waiting on the WKU Sport’s for comment by press time.

WAY TO HELP PASTE

• Three Kings locations are collecting donations through Jan. 31.
• Local Masonic Lodges are collecting and distributing Red Cross money to academic
• The American Red Cross of South Central Kentucky, located at 430 Center St., is accepting donations.
• Starbucks is taking donations from customers directly to the American Red Cross

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College Heights Herald
There's plenty more to accomplish at the Herald

As efforts across Western's campus continue to be magnified by events, organizations and clubs, it's important for these student-led entities to be in contact with the Herald, so we have more students' voices heard through the Herald.

As far as members of Western's community going to Haiti, people should go with specific skills that are needed right now, and in the future Western should create opportunities for students studying across various disciplines to visit Haiti and use their skills to help the people and the country with the rebuilding process. But for the time being, let the message be simple: Give whatever you can, however you can.

This editorial expresses the majority opinion of the Herald's 10-member editorial board.

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WHY PAY MORE

Cameron Del Rosario

President Gary Ransdell said Western’s campus to the Barren River. Developed the TIF in 2007 and expanded it downtown, the city of Bowling Green developed the TIF district in order to be partly reimbursed for investment the master developers have brought to the district. She’s also disappointed with the kind of investment the master developers have made in the downtown area.

Claroely the economy has had negative impact, but we still haven’t seen any active impact, but we still haven’t seen any evidence for both the students and the billings office, ginbotham said. If a student has all

the biggest problem she’s seen so far is students not activating their card virtually world-wide, because it’s a Mastercard. Higginbotham said. If a card is lost the student should go to the higherone.com or to customer service at the residence hall desk, she said.

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It’s all at: Wkuherald.com

Therefore, sette said he preferred the debit card system, “It’s a great improvement from the checks,” he said. “You no longer have to wait on the mail to get your money.”

If a card is lost the student can get a replacement for a $5 fee, according to information from HigherOne. If a student has already activated their card and loses it, they must contact HigherOne. Higginbotham said. If a student loses their card before they activate it, they must contact the Bursar’s office.

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## SWIMMING

Winter training boosts swim teams’ chances

By JERRY BROWN

While most Western students spent the majority of January partying, break’s over and the swim teams worked with the fast approach to the end of the season—assuming Championships in the back of their minds.

Both the Lady Toppers and the Toppers kicked off the new year with training in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., capping off with a victory over Florida Atlantic.

The chance to train in Florida was available, Head Coach Bruce Marchionda said.

“It’s the strongest training phase of the season. Everyone worked very hard and afterward we started the season.

The training consisted of three-a-day practices which featured morning and evening sessions with dryland work in between each, said.

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By M. BLAKE HARRISON

Senior guard A.J. Slaughter, left, and junior forward Stefphon Pettigrew fight Middle Tennessee’s James Washington for the ball during the game at Diddle Arena Saturday. The 88-63 loss was their first home loss to MTSU since 1997.

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**Global recruits coming**

By SHAKIA HARRIS

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Western will be the first American university to partner with Navitas Ltd., a Canadian Western officials hope will help them double international enrollment over the next decade.

Officials announced earlier this month that Navitas will launch its University Pathways Program in September and is expecting to admit about 80 students for the fall semester.

The partnership will enable first-year international students to take an intensive course study at Western’s College of Arts and Sciences in Bowling Green, said Dean Kathryn Kahler, vice president for Enrollment Management.

Kahler said Western currently has about 700 international students. He expects to see at least double that number by the end of the ten-year contract with Navitas.

The program specifically seeks out students who are in areas where educational opportunities aren’t abundant, he said. One target country is China, where the large population makes it hard for students to get into college.

The partnership is all about attracting world-class students.

“Within ten business days of the application, we’re going to have people calling from Korea,” he said.

Representatives from Navitas Ltd. have been working together for the past five months to develop the program, Kahler said.

Navitas has a 90 percent retention rate for students moving from their international programs to Western, said the college’s associate provost.

Chief Diversity Officer Richard Miller attributed the program’s success to its intensive curriculum.

“We’re very optimistic about the educational model,” Miller said.

Since the inception of the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences, said the program will create an arena for international students who want an American experience.

“This is a great opportunity for Western to gain the knowledge and skill that will be needed by everyone to survive in a global society,” Evans said.

Kahler said the partnership may play a role when future domestic students consider applying to Western.

“Students want to come to schools that are on the edge, contemporary, dynamic and going somewhere in the world,” he said. “Navitas is one example of how WKU is on the move and not just becoming a very strong leading university in the United States.”

Kahler will present a marketing plan for the program to the Board of Regents meets in Bowling Green on Jan. 26.

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**`Reycled pet store` facing serious economic challenges**

By NOAH FREDERICK

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``Recycled pet store’’ facing serious economic challenges

Matt Miller said they hope to re- open sometime in March.

RePets aims to give a home to animals that may have never known one.

“Our main goals are to rescue animals, educate the public and provide a better home environment for animals who may not have had a second chance,” Langford said.

RePets has several types of animals available for adoption, including dogs, cats, birds, rabbits and ferrets.

“We are a rescue, so if it is a domestic animal, we will take it,” Langford said.

RePets has a 90 percent adoption rate.

“If we think that the pet is too aggressive, we will turn it over to RePets, and its employees help those pets find shelters or find a better home,” Langford said.

RePets is also dedicated to raising awareness about spaying and neutering animals.

“In the U.S., over eight million animals are euthanized every year, because there are so many dogs and cats that there is no possible way that there are going to be homes for all of them,” Miller said. “So, it doesn’t make sense to continually breed animals when there are too many animals that are people trying to own them.”

In addition to their rescue efforts, the center is trying to raise awareness about the impact of animal adoption and the dangers of “puppy farms,” a term used to describe by animal rights supporters to describe businesses that breed dogs in inhumane conditions.

By SHAKIA HARRIS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2010

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The only goal of “puppy sell” is to make money,” Miller said. “There is no regard for animal welfare at all.”

RePets has held several fundraising events to pay veterinary bills and other expenses.

A concert by local folk band Waterpigs was held at Greener Groundz Cafe and Cafe on Jan. 15.

RePets collected more than $100 in donations, and all the purchases and donations are used to fund the RePets thrift store.

RePets is currently in a five-day, 24-hour fundraising event called “Puppy Poo Bingo.”

Customers can purchase a square on a large sheet for $5. On Feb. 20, the second day will be brought in, and the owner of the first square the dog “poos” on will win a cash prize.

The center receives additional money through the RePets thrift store. The store sells used goods and all the purchases and donations are used to fund RePets.

WHAT’S YOUR STORY?

Grad student selected as 2010 Derby princess

By ANGELA OLIVER

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As students make their way back to Bowling Green for the start of classes, businesses prepare for the regular boom in activity that the start of spring semester brings.

About 3,000 students took at least one class during Winter Term, said Beth Laves, director of winter and summer terms for Western. That’s compared to about 20,000 students that are enrolled at Western during the spring semester.

Christine Higgins, the manager at Malia’s Restaurant, 801 State St., said that while their customers aren’t all students, the breaks cause differences in the numbers of patrons.

“Business always rises when students are in town for the fall and spring,” Higgins said. “A lot of our work scheduling is affected as well, because we try to work with our student employees’ hours.”

Amara Love, who is a manager at The Buckhead Café at 760 Campbell Lane, said the beginning of spring semester isn’t the only thing drawing in customers.

“This past weekend a lot of the customers have been here because of the basketball game,” Love said, referring to Western’s game against Middle Tennessee State on Saturday.

She said The Buckhead Café tries to cater to students’ priorities.

“We’re close in proximity to campus, so they don’t have to drive very far, and students can use Big Red Dollars here as well, if they are strapped for cash,” Love said.

Hopkinsville junior Amanda Brown is an associate at Charlotte Russe in Greenwood Mall. Brown works there while attending classes for Winter Term this year.

“It’s much easier to find a job sometimes in the winter, because a lot of the regular people who work are on break,” she said. “Plus, employers are looking for seasonal workers as well during the holiday season.”

Brown said many businesses have special sales and deals during the first two weeks of the fall and spring semesters.

“Business always rises when students are in town for the fall and spring,” Brown said. “A lot of people out there are looking for jobs, and businesses need help to deal with a lot of the student customers,” she said. “Plus, positions will fill up quick as soon as the students get back in town, so the best thing to do is to not wait.”

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A family is seated as the lunch crowd picks up business late Sunday morning at Malia’s restaurant in downtown Bowling Green. Several Western students work at Malia’s while school is in session.
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