Emslie to be named new provost

By SHAKIA HARRIS

President Gary Ransdell an- nounced via e-mail yesterday that Gordon Emslie will be Western’s new provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. Emslie is associate vice pres- ident for research and dean of the Graduate College at Oklahoma State University.

Ransdell will make the of- ficial introduction today at 3 p.m. in the Kentucky Building. Emslie was one of three re- ceiving letters of invitation for the position, along with Donald Lee, dean of the College of Arts and Letters at Western, and John de Castro, dean of the College of Health, Physical Education and Recreation at Sam Houston State Univer- sity.

Search Committee Chair Sha- ron Mutter said that on March 27, the committee sent Ransdell a list of the strengths and weak- nesses of the three remaining candidates. Ransdell met with Emslie and Lee during the week of March 29 to get additional information, she said.

Emslie has a number of ideas, and a clear vision for where he could see the university going, she said. "He’s an interesting person that has strong public relations skills and a great network."

Mutter said Emslie brought a "renewed energy" to the committee meeting at 8 p.m. Friday night, which was inspired by Senate Minority Leader Mitch McCon- nell’s announcement of the full Senate’s vote on domestic partner benefits the next morning. McCon- nell’s vote was inspired by the 8-6 vote on domestic partner benefits the previous day by the Senate Education, Higher Education and Labor Committee.

"I’m very pleased with the whole process," Mutter said. "I think it was well thought through."

Glisson said he called McConnell’s vote "a key ally in getting things done," this summer, as he be- gins fulfilling his role as SGA president.

Emslie couldn’t be reached for comment.

Ready to go

By LAURIE WILSON

State legislators left Frankfort last week for a nearly two-week break without agreeing on a budget. The House and Senate won’t come back until April 14 and 15, which are the last two days of the legislative session and the final chance for them to pass a budget without special session, said Brian Wilkerson, communications direc- tor for House Speaker Greg Mumb- lb, D-Prentiss. House leaders are hopeful that they’ll be able to meet with Senate leaders during the time off and reach an agreement so that a budget can’t be passed when the full legislature returns, Wilkerson said. Even if a bud- get is passed at that time, there wouldn’t be time for the General Assembly to over- ride any vetoes that the governor might make, since he has to do so, and the legislative season will be over by then, he said.

By SHEILA HARRIS

Officials approved dom- estic partner benefits at a last-minute meeting Friday morning, after a nearly five-year push by students and faculty.

Human Resources De- puty Tony Glisson, a benefits manager, said the committee voted 8-4-1 in favor of domestic partner benefits when the Board of Trustees called for them to include them in the university’s health benefits program.

The move sets the stage for the faculty to implement domestic partner benefits. Emslie has a number of ideas, and a clear vision for where he could see the university going, she said.

Colton Jessic, the Student Government Association pres- ident-elect, is a member of the search committee.

He said Emslie was person- able, with a wide range of expe- rience. He seemed like he has a lot of fresh ideas and a dedication to academic quality, Jessic said.

Glisson said he plans to work with the new provost, who will be "a key ally in getting things done," this summer, as he be- gins fulfilling his role as SGA president. Emslie couldn’t be reached for comment.

By EMILY WADELEY

Garrison Academy will be hosting a few more students than usual throughout its two falls.

The academy, which allows students to live on Western’s cam- pus while finishing their junior and senior years of high school, will increase its student body by nearly 27 percent this fall, accord- ing to a Western press release.

Sixty-one students represent- ing 38 of Kentucky’s 120 coun- ties will be admitted as the class of 2012, according to a news re- lease. The student body will in- crease to 128.

The academy is designed for students interested in science, technology, engineering and math, according to its Web site.

Corey Alderdice, assistant di- rector for admissions and public relations of the academy, said it opened in 2007, admitting high school seniors as the class of 2008. The class of 2009 was the first to complete both years of the program.

"This year’s pool of applicants is the strongest group of applicants we have to date with admis- sion to the Academy," Alderdice said in an e-mail. "This would mean that students who would not only be successful but also needed the opportunity would be left out.”

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From left, Anthony Bargblor, 9, Michael Stingbergen, 10, and Ronald Piotran, 9, wait on their bicycles for one of their parents to pick them up from the Shell station on the corner of 31W Bypass and College Street on Easter Sunday. "Our parents are too bored doing Easter things that are too boring for kids," Bargblor said. From left, Anthony Bargblor, 9, Michael Stingbergen, 10, and Ronald Piotran, 9, wait on their bicycles for one of their parents to pick them up from the Shell station on the corner of 31W Bypass and College Street on Easter Sunday. "Our parents are too bored doing Easter things that are too boring for kids," Bargblor said.
CRIME REPORTS

Arrests
- Christopher L. Gordon, Pearce-Ford Tower, was arrested April 4 and charged on a Jefferson County warrant for parking in a handicapped space. He was still being held in the Warren County Regional Jail Monday afternoon on a $250 cash bond.
- Gary Bowens-Ross, PFT, was arrested April 4 and charged on a Jefferson County warrant for parking in a handicapped space. He was released April 4 and charged on a Jefferson County warrant for marijuana possession in Tower Food Court.

CORRECTION

Due to a Herald error, Head Coach Emeritus Curtiss Long's brother was incorrectly identified as a coach of FSU School in a page 7 article of the April 2 issue. Long's brother coaches at Florida State University.

The Herald regrets the error.

Long's brother coaches at Florida State University.

The College Heights Herald corrects all confirmed errors.

Rate can ruin any outdoor event, but it didn’t ruin Take Back the Night. Western students, faculty and community members marched through downtown Bowling Green in support of sexual assault awareness before taking to the streets, demonstrating the fellowship hall of First Christian Baptist Church on State Street for a candlelight vigil and poetry readings.

The event on March 25 was co-sponsored by Hope Barbee, a local sexual trauma recovery center. “Thirty-four percent of girls on a college campus will become victims.” Melissa Whitley, the organization’s executive director, previously told the Herald. “That’s just too big a number.”

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Claude working on employee wellness

By SHAKIA HARRIS

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Technology, said Western partnered with Employment Technology.

A feature that allows users to track where the buses are, Bowers said.

The iPhone app is available for free from the Apple App Store, and non-iPad

The Employee Wellness Program Web

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It’s an important responsibility to our

Claude worked as a regional health coordinator at the Mid-Cumberland

“We want to provide students with similar academic enrichment

Students do not have to be members of the academy to

The Employee Wellness Program Web

By the time academy students begin their junior year of high school, they will have

“I have been at WKU since 2005, and non-iPad

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At another university, Glisson said. The employee wellness manager, took a position

Since I’ve been here, Claude said of her own experience.

So far, I’ve been successful in student retention has increased, providing an important part to the addition of Der-
Legislators should put their focus elsewhere

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Street ball

Junior exchange student Vikrant Karn bowls in a game of cricket at the Chestnut Street Apartments on April 4. The group of friends can be found regularly playing cricket in the afternoon.

BUDGET

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

Both chambers recognize that higher education will face a loss in stimulus funds, but universities will still lose some money, said Ann Mead, vice president for Finance and Administration.

The likely 1.5 percent cut in the first year would mean a $1.1 million loss for Western, she said.

One area of disagreement between the House and the Senate involves funding for K-12 education, Wilkerson said.

The Senate has proposed cutting parts of K-12 education which have never been cut before, and the House doesn’t want that to happen, Wilkerson said.

The Senate and House also disagree about a program that would create jobs and build schools and roads, Reynolds said.

The House wants to focus on schools while the Senate would rather build highways, he said.

If a budget isn’t passed by the time the General Assembly ends on April 15, then a special session is likely to be called by the governor in either May or June, Wilkerson said.

A budget must be passed by the time the fiscal year begins on July 1, or else agencies that depend on state money won’t get it and will face being shut down, Reynolds said.

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When class is over, some faculty exchange dry erase markers and graded tests for personal instruments. Fred Siewers, an associate geology professor, sausage’s chorus playing children’s string music on the harps for five years. He started playing guitar with some comic students who performed every Saturday night at their weekly Friday. Some students (Fred Siewers, Cooper, etc.) got it.

“Thanks for all the amount of fun,” said Mr. “I saw them playing harps and thought. ‘Wow, I could do that.’”

Now Siewers, who has since bought those harps, plays at festivals around the region, including in Tennessee and West Virginia. He also plays with other members of the community in Bowling Green.

“It’s fantastic,” he said. “You get a group of people exploring old times, all by ear. Every song gets into the process, and all of a sudden you’ve got a new tune.”

Siewers said he has inspired his daughters, who also play, to love to sing and enjoy music.

“Music is a great means of expression, whether as a listener or a player,” he said. “I think people need that outlet.”

Siewers wife, Helen Siewers, who is Western’s landscape architect, said music is a great form of expression and a great thing to have in the family. She said she loves to watch her husband play.

“It’s a great way for him to unwind, and he’s made a lot of interesting friends who play music,” she said.

While he is used to performing, his streamlining styles are surprising to his students.

“My math for people for it,” said Oldham County supervisor Laura Ringer, a student who has taught geology and my respect for him that he has another thing he’s passionate about.”

Cort Basham is a University Experience mentor, who has inspired our students as an unexpect surprise. No wonder Collins sees his poetry as “a form of travel” and considers humor “a door into the serious.” It is a door that thousands of readers have opened with amazement and delight.

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FRED SEWERS
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Fred Siewers is an associate geology professor at Western and also plays claw hammer style banjo, which is an earlier style of banjo that predates bluegrass. Siewers isn’t currently in a band, but he’s played old string band music with friends in Bowling Green for the last few years. “I try to make it fun to attend festivals and play with others,” Siewers said. “I am hoping to get some sort of regular jam going again this summer.”

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McConnell dedicates robotics lab Friday

Senator Minority Leader Mitch McCo-
nell, R-Ky., toured Western on Friday to
attend the dedication of a robotics lab for
which he helped get federal money.

The Advanced Manufacturing and
Robotics Lab will give students in the archi-
tectural and manufacturing sciences
department the tools they need to create
machinery that’s as efficient as possible
and gain the experience they need to suc-
cceed, said Robert Necteryou, a graduate of
the department who spoke at the dedica-
tion.

McConnell said he doesn’t want any-
one at Western to think that the money
spent funding the program worsened
the financial problems of the federal govern-
ment.

The money would have just gone to
a university in another state, but he was
able to keep it for Western, he said.

McConnell also praised President Gary
Ransdell for his leadership and said their
jobs are similar.

“Shy’s like being an overseer at a cem-
tery,” McConnell said. “Every-
one’s under you, but nobody’s listening.”

—Laurel Wilson

Transition to cooling
begins on campus

Downtown officials find
potential hotel developer

“Thank you for respecting
the senator’s presence had anything to
with it then I’m incredibly grate-
ful.”

Ransdell said he doesn’t see any
mitigation things such as what type of hotel
to build and what rates to charge, Cohron
fore committing to build the hotel.

The studies will help the developer de-
termine eligibility crite-
rion to sign up for the benefi t in Oc-
tober.

She said she wasn’t expecting the
protest was planned on the day Sen.
Kerby helped organize the facility
in the Taking Action building.

Kerby said students — including
some who traveled from Lexington and
Louisville — still gathered at the bell
tower at 11:20 a.m., but instead of
protesting, they celebrated with signs
saying, “Thank you for respecting
equality,” and some sang Western’s
fight song upon Ransdell’s arrival.

“There was a fun for if you stand up
and take a stand it really works,” Ker-
by said.

She said she’ll be the first person in
line to sign up for the benefi t in Oc-
tober.

Human Resources offi cials are now
working to determine eligibility crite-
rion, Glisson said.

Benefits continued from front

“It is an interesting coincidence that
something we worked on for five years
until the day a large student
plane was planned to land on the Sun.
Mitch McConnell was scheduled to
present on campus,” Mister said. “If
the senator’s presence had anything to
do with it then I’m incredibly grate-
ful.”

Ransdell said he doesn’t see any
mitigation versus McConnell’s visit and Friday’s
meeting and the student-
lems and air conditioning this week, Jones
said.

Dorms will get fi rst priority for air
conditioning, because students live there.
Buildings with windows that don’t open
will be air conditioned before buildings
with windows that do open, according to
the senator.

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by building coordinators, Jones said.

—Evan Davis

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**BOWEN**

Taggart said even with Bowen’s extensive success, he knows it won’t be an overnight fix to get the defense at the top level.

“He’s not a guy that’s going to expect you to put everything together in one day,” he said. “He wants the players to think of one thing that they can get better at each day. Too many times guys try to put it all together and it’s just not going to happen like that.”

Junior defensive lineman Jared Clendenin said he’s looking forward to learning the 4-3 defense that will be installed under Bowen as opposed to last year’s 3-4 defense.

“It’s different but not too difficult to pick up,” Clendenin said. “It feels good though. I love the plays so far, and we haven’t even gotten into the whole playbook yet.”

Bowen couldn’t say whether Western is a long-term fit for him or just a transitional job, but said he wants to “do something special” while working with Taggart.

“For us to be able to turn a program around, I get a lot of gratification out of that,” he said. “That’s what we did at Kansas and I look forward to doing that here.”

**BATTLE**

Perry said the irregularity between wins and losses is normal for the team.

“We have so many new kids, old kids, hurt kids, and our conference is tough, and we are just trying to find our way through it,” she said. “Sometimes we play ball, and sometimes we just get a little lost.”

Smith said the team didn’t need to bounce back after the losses. They just needed to come together again.

“With those four losses, we didn’t completely fall off,” Smith said. “We just didn’t have things that were clicking. These wins have definitely given us momentum, and Sun Belt wins are always good.”

That momentum will have to carry the Lady Tops through the last half of the season.

After squaring off against non-conference opponents Belmont, Evansville, Murray State and Kentucky, Western will enter three straight weeks of conference play before the Sun Belt tournament.

Senior outfielder Jamie Hennis said wins against Troy couldn’t have come at a better time.

“We brought it,” Hennis said. “Troy has always been a big competitor, so we get really pumped, and you can tell that we showed it.”

When asked what she saw from the Lady Tops against Troy, Hennis simply said, “We are back in the game.”

The Lady Tops will take a break from Sun Belt play when they travel to Belmont for a doubleheader beginning at 1 p.m. Wednesday. The second game will be at 3 p.m.
**CONTINUED FROM SPORTS COLUMN**

Throwers provide mutual push

**TRACK & FIELD**

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Western has had its successes, but there is nothing better than winning on our home field. But today's coaches don't see the same things. Western, like Butler, sits in the shadows of bigger schools like Kentucky, Louisville and Indiana is just north of Kentucky, and there are plenty of similarities in that regard.

But Rogers gave Western its first losing streak in recent history. If you saw him in an airport, you'd never imagine his potential. "He is not uncommon to find their grain. It is not uncommon to find their grain," Morehead said. "It takes a lot of competition, providing an another person at meets who can critique what (the motion) feels like."

"We show a lot of enthusiasm, it helps. We approach every game the same," he said. "It is hard to put up runs and win every game on the road, especially in the conference we play in," he said. The Sun Belt ranks seventh in the Ratings Percentage Index among all conferences in the nation. Western fell to second in the league after its losses last weekend and now it is a game behind South Alabama.

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**COLUMNS**

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**SPORTS**

**Toppers' spirits still high after series loss**

By MIKE STJUNSON

Witten's nine-game winning streak came to a halt last weekend, and now the Toppers are aiming to start a new streak.

Conservative voters at Arkansas State on Sat-

day and Sunday were enough to offset a Fri-

day loss and mark Western's first weekend series loss of the year.

The Toppers totaled only nine runs in the three-game series, but senior pitcher Matt Rid-

nings said he's not worried about Western's of-

fensive production moving ahead.

"We have the ball all week," Ridnings said. "Arkansas State is a tough place to play in, and I'm confident we will bounce back."

Western has had an abundance of hits all year in two games, but that wasn't the case last week-

end as the Toppers averaged 3.66 hits per game in the series.

Senior shortstop Matt Payton said they had trouble bringing these runs home. In all, Western stranded 27 runners over the course of the weekend.

**SEE LOSS**

**COLUMN**

**Butler recipe can be duplicated**

Gary Parrish of CBSSports.com pointed out something that caught my attention Sunday af-

fternoon. According to Scout.com's ratings, But-

ler didn't have any players with a higher than a three-star rating sign between 2006 and 2009.

This isn't about stars or recruiters.

This is about the fact that Western, and Butler can replicate. Butler's route to the Final Four.

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