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WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY, BOWLING GREEN, KY.

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Mark T. Osler/Herald

While looking for bargain furniture for his apartments, Bowling Green landlord Gary Hanks rests on chairs up for bid at

Western's surplus auction yesterday morning in front of the Services-Supply Building. He didn't buy the chairs

Knowles, Falmlen win ASG primary

By ANYA L. ARMES

Many candidates in Tuesday's Associated Student Government's primary election got burned. And four of them might get burned again next week in the general election.

Approaching students and passing out fliers to gain last-minute support, the candidates stood outside Downing University Center in the 70-degree heat all day. By evening, their faces were flushed. Maybe part of it was excitement, but the main culprit was the sun.

The university center on election day is "pretty much where it's won, or lost," said ASG judicial council Chairman Paul Sagun, who was in charge of overseeing and coordinating the election.

Heather Falmlen and Dan Knowles were the top finishers in the presidential race. Falmlen had 307 votes, Knowles had 291.

The other two presidential candidates fell close behind. Van Hodge had 264 votes and Rob Evans had 223.

More students — 1094 voted this year than in the past five years.

Sagun said he doesn't think there will be as many voters next week because there will be fewer candidates bringing in fewer supporters.

"People didn't show up because they didn't know

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Sold! One used shopping cart — \$1

By NOELLE PHILLIPS

"Gentlemen, what's your pleasure?"

"I gotten ten now twelve fifty."

"Got fifteen you want it — no it goes for fifteen."

The high bidder was the new owner of a pile of bookshelf pieces from Western.

Dick Bryan's tongue babbled as he called bids outside the Supply Services building on University Boulevard at the surplus auction yesterday

morning.

About 66 bargain hunters showed up to bid on marble bathroom partitions, early '80s computer systems, a mop bucket, broken vacuum cleaners and other items Western no longer needs.

"We pretty much say what you see is what you get, don't complain," said Ron Slavic, inventory control manager.

Some men, spitting tobacco, sat in chairs, watching the herd of bidders shuffle past the items.

As the bidders nodded and waved to signal their bids, auction attendants kept track of buyers.

One man bought a pile of slate for \$1. No one would bid, so he did to keep the auction moving. "For a dollar I can leave it here if I can't get it home," he said to a friend.

A used shopping cart went for \$1.

Two rusted bicycles — one without tires — sold for \$4.

Betty Fulwood, an interior

design professor, was there looking at dining room chairs and the marble. "I decided buying the marble would be buying problems," she said. "But it's a good buy for someone with the facilities to handle it."

Fulwood had been to other auctions before to look for items for her department and herself.

An auction is usually held each year, but this year there will be two, so students can go.

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If you don't read this, you'll have bad luck

By NOELLE PHILLIPS

Usually articles are ignored, but this one has the potential to earn \$10,000.

It has circled the campus 18 times.

If you don't read it, you'll have bad luck.

If you won't read it, pass it on to someone reliable within 48 hours.

These are common catches in

chain letters.

One circulating Western's campus said, "Let me tell you the story and the details. Follow them and in about ten days you should be \$10,000 richer!"

It also said, "Something tells me this is different."

But it's not different. The U.S. Postal Service says it's illegal under U.S. law.

And it doesn't make you richer.

Barbara McDonald, a housewife in Castroville, Texas, sent the chain letter to 10 friends about two weeks ago. So far she has gotten \$3 back. She spent \$6 on copies and stamps.

McDonald said she usually trashes chain letters because they're a lot of trouble and embarrassing to send, but she did this for a friend.

McDonald said she wouldn't have mailed the letter if she had

known it was illegal.

The chain went from Castroville to LaCoste, Texas, to Jasper, Ind., to Huntington, W.V., to Heather Smith, a Louisville junior.

"I didn't take it seriously," Smith said. "I know other people that have gotten them and they didn't take them seriously. And, I didn't believe all that stuff was true."

The letter is for women only.

It asks participants to send \$1 to the person on top of a list and forward the letter to 10 reliable women. Then the person should add their name to the bottom of the list.

In a few weeks they will be rich, it says.

If the recipient doesn't want to participate, she should return the letter within 48 hours.

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ALMANAC

New computer makes registration easier

Despite students' negative feelings toward registration, this year the process seems to be moving faster thanks to a new computer installed over Spring Break, said Ronnie Sutton, dean of Scholastic Development.

Sutton said the new computer is more powerful and processes information faster than the old one.

The computer was bought after Western changed software last year to keep better track of students' records.

Missing means forfeiting class

Students who miss their first two class meetings of next semester will find themselves left out in the cold.

The Academic Council passed a resolution at its March meeting which states that students who do not attend the first two meetings of their classes will be dropped from the course.

History Professor Fred Murphy, chairman of the Academic Requirements Committee, said this will open spots in classes that were held for students who want to get into them.

Students who have reasons for missing the first two classes should contact their professors before classes begin in August.

Intramural tournaments next week

The intramural-recreation department is sponsoring the Kentucky Derby Volleyball Tournament Wednesday. Registration deadline is 4:30 p.m. Tuesday. For information contact Allen Barman in the department at 745-5217.

The department will also sponsor its third annual Spring Softball Classic tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday.

The classic will be at Lampkin Park on Morgantown Road and is open to students, faculty and staff. The tournament will be single elimination. The entry fee will be \$60, and the registration deadline is noon tomorrow.

Campusline

■ **International Potluck Dinner** will be at 6:30 p.m. tomorrow in Garrett Ballroom. Tickets will be sold at the door. Admission is \$2 for those bringing dishes and \$8 for those without them.

■ **Alpha Phi Omega** will meet at 7 p.m. Sunday in the West Hall Cellar. For information contact Kenneth Brittan, Alpha Phi Omega public relations officer, at 745-4543.

■ **Hunter Education Course** will be from 6-9 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Diddle Arena, Room 220. For information contact Steve Spencer, assistant professor of physical education and recreation, at 745-3592.

■ **The Student Health Advisory Committee** will meet at 3:15 p.m. Wednesday in the Academic Complex, Room 229. For information contact Kevin Charles at 745-5641.

■ **Carl Dolan**, a coordinator at the National Endowment for the Humanities, will give a presentation on the endowment's divisions from 2-3 p.m. April 24 in the Robert Penn Warren Room of Cherry Hall. The presentation will focus on the endowment's education division. For information contact Charles Eison, director of the Office of Sponsored Programs, at 745-4652.

Forecast

The National Weather Service forecast calls for a 50 percent chance of rain today, with high temperatures in the 70s. There's a 50 percent chance of thunderstorms tonight, with lows in the 50s. Tomorrow will have highs in the 60s and a 50 percent chance of rain.

Students question insurance

By JENNIFER JOHNSON

Russellville sophomore Ritchie Flewallen is holding down three jobs while he works toward a nursing degree, and he is one of the nearly 3,000 Western students who must buy insurance to enroll next fall.

Last night, Flewallen got a chance to voice his objections in Downing University Center at a forum called "Mandating Student Health Insurance: Pros and Cons." Fifteen people attended.

"As a non-traditional student, I can't fall back on my parents," Flewallen said. Flewallen, 26, said everyone should have health care, but "strongly disagreed" with being forced to take it.

The forum addressed student concerns about a law passed by the 1990 Kentucky General Assembly. The law requires

undergraduate and graduate students attending state universities to have health insurance before Sept. 1, 1991.

Heather Falmlen, a Winchester junior, said she thought the law was unconstitutional because it singled out one segment of the population.

Falmlen also objected to suggestions made by the bill's cosponsor, Sen. Nick Kafoglis, D-Bowling Green, who said students could get by with cheap insurance (\$32-\$39 per semester) to meet the requirement.

Speaker Kevin Charles, Western's Student Health Service director, said decent health coverage at a low cost was impossible. He added that the law doesn't fit the need of the average student because it covers 14 days of inpatient care and 50 percent of doctor's fees.

"What most students need is

outpatient care, since they're more prone to broken bones, colds, and sexually-transmitted diseases," Charles said. Under the new law, hospitals might be inclined to treat such problems as inpatient so they can collect insurance.

Charles said Western was developing a health plan to offer students for the fall, but checking insurance records of students who have pre-registered might be difficult.

Penalties for uninsured students have not been determined. Charles said, "I don't think we'd kick anyone out."

Michael Colvin, Associated Student Government president who also served on the four-person panel, said an injunction against the law was being sought by the Kentucky Board of Student Body Presidents.

Haley to open education week

Herald staff report

Alex Haley will use experiences from his childhood to explain the importance of a good education when he opens Education Reform Week Monday.

"He will be speaking on the importance of education and speaking on the quality of a good early education," said Jim Craig, the coordinator of the week's events.

Haley, the author of "Roots," will speak at 7:30 p.m. in Diddle Arena.

Craig said Western students will benefit from Education Reform Week, "by learning about what seems to be going well and what seems to be

causing controversy" in education.

Craig, assistant dean of the College of Education, said there will be an ongoing technology display that shows the public school and higher education classrooms of the future at Jones-Jaggers Hall.

The display will be available for viewing 1-7 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, and will continue 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Wednesday and 1-6 p.m. Friday.

The display will include a teleconference, "Who's Missing in the Classroom?: The Need for Minority Teachers," presented by the American Association for Colleges of Teacher Education Wednesday.

Craig said the teleconference will look at "a nationwide trend, fewer minorities in teaching positions."

He said there tends to be fewer minorities in college and fewer minorities majoring in education.

There will also be discussion seminars, forums and formal lectures focusing on a different aspect of the 1990 Kentucky Education Reform Act each day.

Craig said Education Reform Week came about when "undergraduates said 'I'll be out in the public schools next year and I don't know what is actually out there.'"

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IN DUE TIME — Debbie Cox, a senior from Gallatin, Tenn., waits in front of Page Hall for a friend to pick her up after class. Cox took home a "Learning Center" she had made for her special education class.

Writers add personal touches

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In recent years, chain letters have promised people money, said Cam Collins, a folk studies professor. But in the past they've often promised good luck.

Chain letters promising money always assure people it's legal, Collins said.

And personal notes from previous participants are another

gimmick to make them believable, she said.

The letter asked participants to send their results to the Imperial Sales Company of Knoxville, Tenn.

The Imperial Sales Company is out of business, according to the Knoxville Better Business Bureau.

The letter also said the chain was started by Jill Nelson of

Nashville. But there was no phone listing for her in Nashville.

Chain letters are folklore based on people's belief of getting something for nothing, Collins said. It's the American dream of getting rich, but "to think all that money is going to come flowing in is absurd."

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Opinion



Make registration less of a pain

There's got to be a better way.

Students preparing to register earlier this week sighed in frustration as the line for green-and-white cards snaked its way around the second-floor lobby of Wetherby Administration Building.

One student with transfer hours was turned away, after standing in line for several minutes, because she didn't have a yellow schedule card; (she had been told by the advising center that she didn't need one).

Others were sent away because they had come to register on the wrong day; (many juniors thought they had enough hours to register as seniors since the

schedule bulletin is a bit unclear).

And students lucky enough to get through the line were greeted with a long list of courses that were already closed; (incoming freshmen who registered during orientation last month had already filled them).

Some problems associated with registration are unavoidable, but the university could eliminate some of the headaches by:

■ Making sure students are better informed about the ins-and-outs of registration. Granted, much of the information is included in the schedule bulletin, but a back-up letter from the registrar or individual

departments wouldn't hurt.

■ Urging advisers and people in departmental offices to keep abreast of how registration works and the requirements students need to fulfill. Like the suggestion above, it would head off some problems before students arrived at Wetherby.

■ Moving registration and the Academic Advising and Retention office to the same building. This would eliminate the need to run from Cherry Hall, Room 226, to Wetherby and back when something goes wrong.

The university owes it to students to make registration as painless as possible.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hate weekend closings

I would like to profusely thank the genius who is responsible for closing the campus down on weekends. Your utter disregard for students who are stuck on campus over the weekend is of biblical proportions.

It is bad enough that you close down Food Services, the grocery and the check-cashing services so out-of-state people cannot get money to buy food, but you also close all the libraries, which makes perfect sense to me since this is a COLLEGE CAMPUS.

When we get to the point of being ill, we have to suffer because the Student Health Service also closes on the weekends (I suppose policy states that a student can only die on weekdays). And now, as if the above mentioned weren't enough, you have the gall to close down the laundry (even if it was only for Easter weekend as one of the resident assistants hypothesized) forcing us to go to those rip-off joints off campus. I can't even call to complain because when I call the campus operator to find the appropriate number, I get the recording: "Western Kentucky University is closed, our hours are..." Total frustration!

As an out-of-state student, I don't have the luxury the suitcases do of running home whenever you close something down. I have to sit and work on ulcers wondering what section of campus will close next, and how much I'm going to have to pay for housing next year to put up with it.

Shape up Mr. Shadowman who runs these affairs. Although I don't have the money to live off campus, the prospect is looking a lot less expensive every day.

Chris Kozloski,

Sophomore from Fairfax, Va

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MORE LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Bible not historical

I read the rather large advertisement in the Herald called "Evidence for the Resurrection" and was not impressed.

To prove its point, this ad repeatedly referred to the biblical account for its "facts." The contradiction in using the Bible to prove the Bible's account of events should be obvious.

And let's face it. The Bible is not a historical document. It is a religious document, and religious documents tend to have what is considered, from a scientific and historical perspective, to be unreliable information (to put it politely).

Arguments against the swoon-and-hallucination theory are superfluous. The entire account in the Bible may well be fictitious; the disciples may never have seen Christ after his death in the first place.

This is not to denounce belief in Christianity. But what I must object to is such attempts to convince me that belief has a rational and historical basis. It doesn't. Such beliefs lack proof and reason — that's what "faith" is for, if one does choose to believe.

Such attempts as this take religion, which can otherwise be one of humanity's more beautiful and poetic delusions, and make it something ridiculous. Treat it with the respect it deserves.

Christopher Oakes
Bowling Green junior

Ad or editorial?

The College Heights Herald. Voice of the campus. Stronghold

of truth. Spiritual crusader? Sadly, it would seem so.

At first glance, it was not evident whether the editorial titled "Evidence for the Resurrection" was a paid advertisement or an actual editorial. Giving the Herald editors the benefit of the doubt, I searched diligently for any indication the article in question was, in fact, an advertisement. I found none. Regrettably I was forced to conclude the offending article was actually an editorial of sorts.

It may come as some surprise to those concerned the spiritual guidance offered me in the article was neither needed nor appreciated. I am perfectly capable of finding my own spirituality. Thank you. Whether it be Christian or (gasp) not is a decision that is mine to make. Without the help of the Herald, or any mystery advertisers for that matter.

There is a time and a place for such rhetoric, and it is not in the pages of a state funded school publication such as the Herald. Don't try to save me.

Matt Greenwell
Florence junior

Editor's note: "Evidence of the Resurrection" was not a Herald editorial. It was a paid advertisement from Campus Crusade for Christ, Chi Alpha, Christian Student Fellowship, Newman Center, Wesley Foundation and Western's Christian Faculty/Staff Fellowship. We regret that it was not clearly labeled as such and apologize for any confusion.

However, the Herald reserves the right to accept advertising from anyone. It is money from

advertising, not the state, that makes our publication possible.

Up part-time pay

As a part-time teacher in the English department, I find these statistics interesting about part-time instruction at Western:

- Part-time instructors teach almost one-fourth of student credit hours at Western.

- They are paid about \$1,100 per class, far less than half as much per class as equally qualified full-time instructors.

- They receive no benefits.

- The last time they received a pay raise was in 1983.

- The most a part-time teacher can earn in annual pay on this campus is \$7,510 (for six classes, nearly a full load).

- Because few people are able to work for these salaries, it becomes continually harder for students to get into courses.

What can be done? I urge students, part-time faculty and full-time faculty to share these concerns with Academic Affairs, deans and department heads. Ask that more part-time positions be converted to full-time ones and that part-time teachers be professionally paid, an equivalent percentage of full-time instructors' salaries and benefits. No other change would improve instruction more significantly at Western.

Marvin Hinten
English part-time instructor

Knowles has goals

When I first came to Western, I did not know a soul. However,

NEAT STUFF

Greg Neat



in my four years, I have been fortunate enough to meet some outstanding people and have grown to love Western. This is why I chose not to write concerning something "wrong" with Western but, about someone whom I feel will have a very positive impact on student life here in the next couple years. His name is Dan Knowles, and he is running for ASG president.

Knowles is junior class president and has served Western as a Spirit Master for the past two years. Knowles knows Western.

Knowles' goals for ASG are great because each are within reach, they are not unrealistic promises over which ASG has no control. He wants to allow the food card to do more than buy food. He wants our cards in the bookstore and other places. He wants to expand the shuttle route so more students may benefit. Above all, he will use phone surveys instead of impractical written ones. This

will allow better representation. His goals will certainly improve and benefit students' lives here

Scott Campbell
Senior from Gulf Breeze, Fla

Extend visitation

Twenty-four hour visitation is synonymous with living in a co-ed dorm to some students. Not so for me. I enjoy the friendship and lifestyle of a women's dorm, but I also see a need for extended visitation hours.

With classes and jobs, our study group finds it impossible to meet before 10 p.m. With the dorm and library both closing at midnight, where do we go? And shouldn't you and your date be able to talk without sharing the lobby with MTV?

We've been told we are adults who need to monitor our own lives. Don't make us move off campus to do it.

Krista Schneider
Sophomore from Cincinnati

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Sewer problem creates stink

By SEAN LAFLIN

Jackhammering strikes again.

This time it's the battle cry of state pollution regulations.

Beacon Construction is moving a sewer line in front of Downing University Center because of a flaw in the layout, said Kemble Johnson, Physical Plant administrator.

Recent rains made the problem noticeable when the storm sewer that drains rainwater from Russellville Road into local sinkholes began to back up, he said.

Workers discovered that bathrooms in the university center were also draining into the sink hole, Johnson said.

"It violated the code of good engineering and construction practice. And I don't know where the state inspectors were when it happened."

Insituform of Knoxville, Tenn., sent a camera into the lines and found that the bathrooms' sewer pipe had lost 66 percent of its thickness by rust.

A six inch cast iron pipe will replace the old pipe, which runs under the sidewalks in front of the university center. The old pipe will be left where it is, since

electrical lines above the pipe make removing it dangerous.

The old line goes through a 24 inch storm sewer and could not be laid any other way, Johnson said.

Wayne Mandeville, supervisor of mechanical services, said the new pipe will be under the lower level in front of Nite Class.

Richard Shymkus, a construction worker with Beacon Construction, said the jackhammering would last until a three-foot trench is dug today, and he said the project should be finished by Wednesday.

Bidders battle for best bargains

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Slavic said.

Inside the basement, a group of men were explaining to a woman that the 30 or so Radio Shack TRS computers couldn't be used because they were only monitors and needed a full system to work.

Some of the record players and reel-to-reel recorders looked like Thomas Edison originals.

"A lot of it's older than me," Slavic said. "And I'm 38."

"There's some pretty good junk here," Buford Bowling said as he looked at some vintage meters.

The junk brings \$2,000 to \$3,000 into Western's general fund each year. It has even brought as much as \$11,000, Slavic said.

Most of the stuff is old and worthless to Western, but the

people who buy it find uses.

Howard King, a Houchens retiree, bought a set of red and white lockers to fix and sell at a flea market.

Bowling was repairing telephone lines and decided to wander over to the auction.

And though he saw nothing that interested him, he said, "It's probably a good way to get rid of unneeded stuff."

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Diversions



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- 1/2 gallon of rum
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- 12 oranges
- 12 apples
- lemons and limes to taste

Mix all items in the garbage can. Add water with a hose and stir with a fraternity paddle. It's best to make in advance and let the fruit absorb the alcohol.

story by noelle phillips
art by stacy curtis

This Kappa Sigma Fraternity recipe "wipes people out quick," said President Dave Hakanson, a senior from Rochelle, Ill.

The Kappa Sigs usually serve two batches of hooch at special parties along with a couple of kegs, Hakanson said.

However, you must drink hooch with caution. After the last Kappa Sig pledge-active dance, the fraternity had to rent a steam cleaner to get the red vomit stains out of the carpet.

"Everybody's date except six, and half of the guys got sick," Hakanson said. There was too much pure grain in the mixture and the alcohol couldn't be tasted, he said.

The fraternity hooch recipe has been passed from brother to brother each year, and different guys consider themselves the hooch master of the house.

The word hooch comes from an Alaskan Indian tribe, Hoochinoo. This tribe made a spirit from a mixture of rum and molasses distilled from a mash of sugar and graham flour.

The danger in hooch is that the alcohol can't be tasted, said Marjorie Yambor, a senior from Tampa, Fla. "You don't know you're getting wasted until it happens."

Yambor said the first time she drank hooch she was out with a 24-year-old man. He was older and took her to a ritzy party.

"He never called me back, so you know what that means," she said. "It wasn't the place to do that."

At parties, Yambor said she picks hooch over beer if it's available.

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Hip Happenings

MOVIES

Greenwood 6 Theatres

The Hard Way, rated R, today at 1 15, 3 30, 6 and 8 30
The Silence of the Lambs, rated R, today at 1 15, 3 30, 6 and 8 30
Guilty by Suspicion, rated PG 13, today at 3 15, 5 30 and 8 45
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I'm talking about Ramen noodles.

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Everyone would have a horror story about Ramen binges because of financial distress and poor fiscal planning. Mine would be no less colorful.

It was the second semester of my freshman year. My idea of budgeting was crossing my fingers whenever I wrote a check or hoping that the bank would credit me at the end of the month for good behavior.

It wasn't long before the

COMMENTARY



PAUL BALDWIN

delinquent checks started bouncing higher than the 25-cent Superballs you buy at K mart.

After paying back the university, my bank, countless stores who had trusted me and a collection manager named Duke, I was left with \$10.37 — for the month of April.

I was gripped with a twisted panic when I realized my cash flow was strangled. I looked for quarters in public telephones. I scoured the phone book searching for the closest plasma donation site. I even dangerously toyed with the idea of calling Phil Rizzuto for a loan.

But instead I dealt with the reality of being destitute as best I could by cutting corners and

buying packages and packages of Ramen noodles.

I had eaten them before as a diversion when the flavorful bouquet of pork and beans couldn't satisfy my discriminating taste. But this was different.

There was no banquet of choice. It was either eat the Ramen meals — or nothing.

I tried to look at it as a pioneering experience. I was courageously blazing trails across the stove and the microwave, trying to spice up those extra salty, especially mushy noodles with as much pepper and culinary ingenuity as I had learned watching the Home Show (Gary Collins made everything look so simple).

Each package of noodles came with its own zippy flavor packet, guaranteed to enliven each serving. I wondered what constituted these small, concentrated shrimp, beef and chicken flavors as I stirred them into dish after boiled dish.

However, after eating them for a week, I decided that like the special sauce that McDonald's

splats on its Big Macs, it's better just to eat and not ask questions.

As the second and third weeks of Ramen hell bore on like a clunky El Camino without a muffler, I checked the mail every day for my redemptive tax return that was supposed to have come in March. The efficiency of the federal government is staggering (sarcasm here, folks).

By the time the last week of April rolled around, I was getting desperate. I had sold my art history book to the bookstore the week before for more Ramen noodles, and I was contemplating selling my guitar to a pawn shop.

But then the clouds broke (or the noodles parted). My tax return arrived just in time for me to enjoy the last week of school, pigging out on Double Stuff Oreos and beer.

I no longer eat the 25-cent treats, but I'll remember Ramen noodles long after their shelf lives.

Hooch brings back not so clear memories

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And people usually make hooch only for parties, because they won't "bother to make it when there's no one to drink."

Any time someone drinks something with 100 proof alcohol in it, the point of being drunk hits fast, said Kevin Charles, Student Health Service director.

Charles didn't know of anyone at Western dying from hooch overdose, but students need to watch secondary effects of alcohol, such as falling, fighting or poor sexual decisions, he said.

One bad experience with the potent drink is enough to turn most away from the drink for good.

Mark Kelsay, a Campbellsville sophomore, drank nine 32-ounce cups of hooch at a party.

When he and his roommate went back to their dorm, they passed out.

"We didn't get up until the next evening," he said. "And all

we could do was go to the store and come back and go to bed again."

That was a year ago, and Kelsay said he hasn't touched the concoction since.

And it's been a year for Amy Roberts, too.

Last spring she and a date drank a cooler of hooch between Bowling Green and Gatlinburg, Tenn.

"I don't remember getting to Pigeon Forge," the Trenton

senior said. She was told the van pulled over there so she could get sick.

"I remember waking up in Gatlinburg, lying in a motel bed with a cold wash cloth on my head and people taking pictures of me."

"That was enough to keep me away for a long time. I was up the rest of the night being sick."

It's questionable if she will drink it again, Roberts said. "If so it will be in moderation."

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ASG top spots pay big bucks

By NIKITA STEWART

When Michael Colvin ran unopposed for Associated Student Government administrative vice president two years ago, he got the office and the \$1,300 that came with it.

"If people don't want to run, there's nothing I can do about it," the ASG president said. "I don't know if a lot of people are willing to put a whole lot of work in it."

He said the money doesn't mean much because "to do your job well you have to work more than you get paid for. It's not good pay."

The president gets \$2,000, the vice presidents get \$1,300 each and the treasurer and secretary get \$900 each.

Three executive offices went unopposed this year. The officers are Mistianna Holcomb, public relations vice president;

Joe Rains, treasurer; and India Wilson, secretary.

"I was really shocked," Holcomb, a Murray sophomore, said. "I thought people would have wanted to run."

Unfortunately, unopposed offices are common in ASG, Colvin said.

Colvin said anyone running for the office has the desire to do the job. "When you apply for it, you don't know if you're opposed or not."

"There have been a lot of last-minute dropouts," and "a lot of people just bunched up in the same offices," said Rains, a sophomore from Antioch, Tenn.

"I'm not exactly sure why there was such a low turnout for the lower offices," said Rains, a sophomore from Antioch, Tenn. "I think there are a lot of people who don't want the job of secretary and treasurer."

Four people ran for president, and five ran for administrative

vice president.

"Competition is absolutely necessary for any organization," Holcomb said. "I would have welcomed competition."

She said competition produces a better candidate.

Colvin said winning unopposed in 1989 only made him want to work harder. "I wanted to prove myself," he said. "There was always a question of whether I would have won."

Rains said being treasurer is something he has wanted for a long time and running unopposed just made it easier. "But that won't have any effect on how well I do my job. I love ASG since I got in it two years ago."

Holcomb said she wants to prove herself next year. "I'm trying to get on the ball. They haven't seen what I believe in, and they haven't seen what I can do."

Falmlen, Knowles win ASG primary

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enough about the race," he said. The non-voters were either "lazy or uneducated."

Falmlen was also "very pleased" with the election's turnout.

For the remainder of her campaign, she will "keep doing what I've been doing. All I can be is myself."

In the administrative vice presidential race, John Seiber of Hendersonville, Tenn., won by almost 100 votes. Seiber had 374 votes to Bowling Green junior Emily Morgan's 283.

Frankfort sophomore Paul Smith had 194 votes. Bowling Green junior Julie Wedge had 137 votes and Owensboro junior Shannon Montgomery had 82 votes.

Falmlen and Knowles will debate Monday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the university center lobby. A moderator will ask the candidates to address a series of topics and then students will be able to ask questions.

ASG's general election is Tuesday in the university center from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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Cleaning house

Project to rid Western of asbestos

By SEAN LAFLIN

Construction companies met Tuesday in a pre-bid meeting for a campus asbestos-removal project that will close the fifth through ninth floors of Cravens Library this summer.

The contract will be awarded April 16 and work will begin two to four weeks later.

Asbestos, a group of 30 minerals, was found to be a good insulation and construction material, said Brendan Bowen, coordinator of the Physical Plant's environmental programs.

But as more people were exposed to asbestos, lung cancer rates went up, Bowen said.

The material is created when minerals are ground into fibers and mixed with other materials or water to create fire proof asbestos insulation, ceiling or floor tiles, wallboard or electrical wiring insulation.

The asbestos was easy to produce, and buildings built between 1950-70 contain it

because asbestos materials were plentiful and builders liked to use them, Bowen said.

The state regulates asbestos removal when "asbestos in a building has to be removed" for construction or "when a building is demolished," Bowen said. However, when asbestos is in bad condition it should be removed.

"Asbestos occurs in two forms," Bowen said, "friable or nonfriable."

Friable asbestos, which can become airborne by touch, becomes a cancer causing agent only when fibers are inhaled.

Nonfriable asbestos must be "significantly altered" to become hazardous, such as by breaking the tiles to release fibers into the air, Bowen said.

Asbestos has been removed from campus buildings as renovations were made. Removal projects must be approved by the state Environmental Protection Agency, Bowen said.

Almost every campus building has had asbestos, and nearly

all the buildings still have some. Western has an "ongoing maintenance program" for the asbestos, Bowen said.

In-house operations have removed asbestos floor tiles from Gordon Wilson Hall and a separate agency removed some ceiling tiles from Page Hall for the Life Safety Project.

Kemble Johnson, Physical Plant administrator, said students should not be concerned about asbestos in the buildings.

"The air in there is safer than the air you breathe outside," Johnson said, referring to the fact that most automobile breaks contain asbestos.

Bids are being sent for the most recent project including Diddle Arena, parts of Cravens Graduate Center and Library, Jones Jagers Hall and part of Western's steam distribution network.

The library floors will be closed May 13 through June 30. Texts will be available to students upon request.

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Sports

Merger talks continue as three join Metro

By BRIAN DAUGHERTY

With the departure of three member schools, the Sun Belt Conference has apparently moved one step closer to a merger with the American South Conference.

North Carolina-Charlotte, South Florida and Virginia Commonwealth accepted bids yesterday to join the Metro Conference. That leaves the Sun

Belt with Western, Jacksonville, South Alabama and Arkansas-Little Rock, who joined last October. Alabama-Birmingham joined the Great Midwest last year.

The other four Metro members are Louisville, Southern Mississippi, Tulane and Virginia Tech.

American South commissioner Craig Thompson said athletic directors and presidents

of the four Sun Belt and seven American South schools will meet in Atlanta in two weeks to further discuss merging.

"All of the athletic directors and basketball coaches are positive about it," he said. "We're at the presidential level now, which is the most critical step. That's when a decision will be made one way or another."

Thompson said a merger "has been on my mind for about 18

months." The idea of merging with the Sun Belt came, he said, when he met officials from the Sun Belt while serving on the NCAA Council.

"This is not a fishing expedition," he said. "We're looking at making it happen."

A merger has several advantages for the American South, Thompson said.

The merger would give the new league the Sun Belt's televi-

sion package with Creative Sports Marketing. The American South does not have a television deal.

And, potential income from the NCAA basketball tournament would be greater, he said. The Sun Belt got \$860,000 this season, while the American South got \$86,000.

"The four (Sun Belt) schools

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Four-way battle for QB spot heats up

By BRIAN DAUGHERTY

It's only five months until Western kicks off the 1991 football season, but Coach Jack Harbaugh is already looking ahead.

FOOTBALL

"We did not have a good season last year," Harbaugh said, "so we're going to try to plant the seeds for a positive winning season in 1991."

The Toppers started out strong last year, winning their first two games and breaking into the Top 20 rankings in Division I-AA. But they lost their last eight and finished with a disappointing 2-8 record.

Western started spring drills Monday and has until April 22 to complete 15 practices, five without pads.

One of Harbaugh's priorities this spring will be finding someone to replace quarterback Scott Campbell, who completed 81 of 163 passes last season for 1,088 yards.

Four candidates — Meco Malcome, Eddie Thompson, Brian Browning and Thad Sutter — are vying for the job, and Harbaugh said he's taking a new approach in deciding the winner.

"We'll let them decide who the quarterback is on the field," he said. "The one that moves the team and the one who executes in those 15 practices will win the number one spot."

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During a 6-2 home victory over Vanderbilt yesterday, Steve Marr slides safely into second.

Omar Tatum/Herald

Tops beat Vandy despite umpire's call

By MARSHA BURTON

BASEBALL

Western's game against Vanderbilt may be remembered because of a call made in the bottom of the sixth.

Coach Joel Murrie could be heard in the stands as he voiced his disagreement over the call.

Western's Mario Baker was on third base and stole home. The umpire called him safe

then reversed his decision and made him return to third.

The umpire never explained the call and the inning ended with Baker still on third.

According to Murrie, one of two things could have happened: the pitcher balked, which would have advanced

Baker home or he threw a ball which could also have resulted in Baker being safe.

"The umpire just froze and he made a bad decision," Murrie said.

However, the controversial call did not cost the Toppers the game. Western, 20-12, beat the visiting Commodores 6-2.

"I thought we played great," Murrie said. "I was totally

pleased with our effort on the ballfield."

The Commodores got on the board first scoring a run in the first inning.

After an inning and a half, the Tops tied it at 1-1 when shortstop Clay Wiedenbein's single scored pitcher/rightfielder Steve Marr.

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Sun Belt, American South talking merger

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bring in tradition and a history of having excellent basketball programs."

Travel is one problem that the new league may face. The two conferences have travel partners designed to cut down on travel time and expense.

For example, when Western teams travel to Jacksonville they also play South Florida.

With a bigger conference, however, the closest league members to Western would be

Arkansas State and South Alabama.

That problem would be alleviated by splitting the league into divisions, which would put less of an emphasis on travel partners, Thompson said.

"We've definitely looked at helping Western geographically."

Sun Belt assistant commissioner John Iamarino said a merger looks to be the best option right now.

"Geographically, it's a good mix," he said. "Also, the Ameri-

can South is an excellent basketball conference, and is very strong in women's basketball and baseball. (The merger) would present tremendous competition for these three sports."

Thompson and Iamarino said the chances of merging were good, but Iamarino left open the possibility that it may not work out.

"If it doesn't," he said, "the four remaining schools would have to say to themselves 'Do we add two other schools to get six or go our own separate ways and

try to join an existing conference?'"

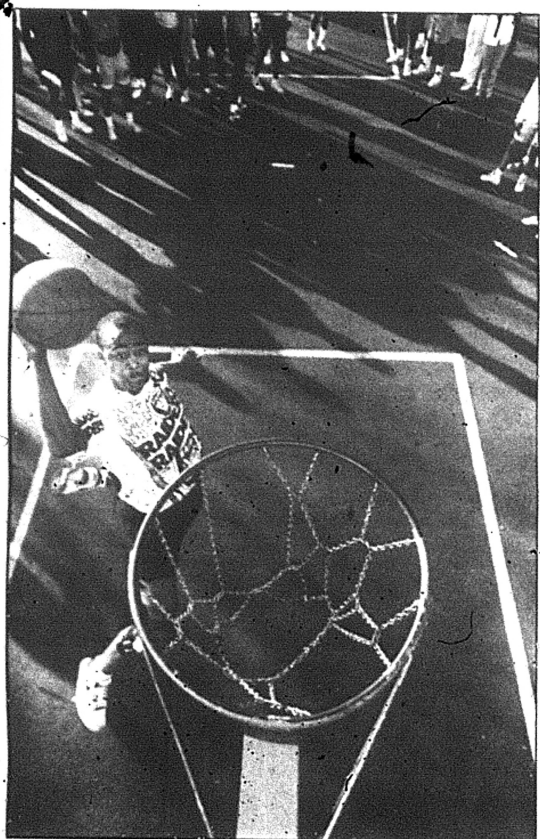
By adding the three former Sun Belt schools yesterday, the Metro now has seven members, one over the minimum needed to qualify for an automatic bid to the NCAA men's basketball tournament.

"We had to expand to exist," Metro director of communication Jamie Kimbrough said. "We're not snapping up schools to get numbers. We have three schools who wholeheartedly want to be part of the Metro."

Kimbrough said the new members offer larger television and population markets for the Metro and such potential new rivalries as Virginia Commonwealth-Virginia Tech.

"We are extremely excited about our new membership," North Carolina-Charlotte athletic director Judy Rose said in a press release yesterday.

"The Metro has been consistently ranked high in the basketball power ratings (seventh) and that has to be beneficial to us."



MICHAEL WHO? — Louisville freshman Derrick Holt grimaces while dunking the ball during the Slam Dunk contest sponsored by Alpha Kappa Alpha this week. Holt didn't win, but the winner received \$15.

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Tops head to Alabama tied for first in division

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With good 'base' running, Western was able to keep Vanderbilt off balance throughout the game.

Because of conference play this weekend, Western used several pitchers including Ledogar, Marr and winning pitcher Heath Haynes (7-2).

"Heath threw very good," Murrie said. However, Ledogar "was not himself today."

Reliever Lance Ellingson picked up his third save and

"seems to be in top form picking up the save," Murrie said.

Senior Chris Turner, questionable because of a bruised wrist, was the designated hitter yesterday. He went 3-for-4.

"It was very good to see him in the line up," Murrie said. "I don't think he's got total strength back in that wrist."

Tommy Burroughs got two hits yesterday to extend his hitting streak to nine games.

Western hosts Louisville today at 2:30 p.m. The Cardinals beat the Tops 12-5 earlier in the

"We have the opportunity for our whole season to open up."

Joel Murrie

season.

The Tops will be in action this weekend at Alabama-Birmingham. Western will play a three-game series with the Blazers

starting at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

Alabama-Birmingham is 1-2 in the Sun Belt Conference West Division. Western is 2-1 in the division and tied for first place

with South Alabama.

Murrie said he doesn't think the team needs to improve on their skills to compete with the Blazers.

"They know what to do it's just a matter of showing up," he said. But he does want them to show up "mean, ornery, nasty and angry."

Murrie feels the Alabama-Birmingham series will set the pace for the rest of the season.

"We have the opportunity for our whole season to open up," Murrie said. "It's just a matter of stepping through the door."

Topper golfers head to Hoosier tourneys

By DANNY ENGLISH

Western's golf teams hope birdies, not precipitation, drop for them as they tee off in tournaments in Indiana this weekend.

Both the men's and women's teams had their first spring tournaments cut short by snow or heavy rains.

The Toppers head to Evansville to play in the Oak Meadow Intercollegiate Championship today through Saturday.

The Lady Toppers compete in the Indiana Invitational at Bloomington.

"We need to get first or second in Evansville because we are at the pressure point to be considered for the NCAA tournament," men's coach Lee Robertson said.

Robertson said Ball State, Michigan State and Louisville will be among the favorites.

GOLF

"Ball State will probably be the favorite, but we have a very good reputation."

Sophomore Bryan Baysinger said the team will be carrying high expectations to Evansville.

The Lady Toppers will play strong teams, including nationally ranked and defending tournament champion Indiana, Purdue and Big Ten powers Michigan, Michigan State and Ohio State.

Coach Kathy Teichert hopes months of practice will pay off for her Lady Topper team.

"This tournament will be a good test for us to see where we are with our spring training, and a good course for our young players to work on their course management skills," Teichert said. "It's a challenging layout."

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New QB to dictate offense, Harbaugh says

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Browning, an Edmonton senior, played sparingly in 1990, completing seven of 14 passes for 61 yards. He and Sutter are primarily passers, while Thompson and Malcome are option-type quarterbacks.

"Whichever one wins the job will dictate what our offense will be next fall," Harbaugh said.

Offensively, Harbaugh said the Toppers need to score more when they get within their opponents' 20-yard line.

"We couldn't score last year to save our soul," he said.

The Tops lose running back Don Smith, who ran for 937 yards in '90, but return tailback Herbert Davis (679 yards).

"We've got to find a guy to go along with (Davis) at running back," Harbaugh said. Candidates include Roscoe Ackles, Eric Kemp and Derrick Eason.

The wide receiving corps are led by Dwayne Haun, who led

the Toppers last year with 31 catches for 459 yards, and Brian Sowerby. Most Valuable Player Milt Buggins will start at tight end.

"He's the best in the country," Harbaugh said. "We're going to try to find ways to get him the ball."

Western is solid in the offensive line, where all five starters return. Defense is a bigger concern for Harbaugh. "We've got to be a lot better," Harbaugh said. "Last year we gave up a lot of big plays. We're going to shake it up and find 11 guys who'll hit you on defense."

Brian Canoy and Tony Garner are pencilled in at two of the three defensive line spots, but Harbaugh said the third spot is wide open.

Harbaugh will have a big hole to fill at linebacker with the departure of Defensive Player of the Year Raji Gordon. One starter is Richard Greece, while Richie Nail, Marcus Burns and David Bledsoe "will have to

demonstrate in the spring that they can play," Harbaugh said.

Three players are pushing for the two starting inside linebacker spots, including Army reservist Joe Phill, who was called up during the Gulf war but stayed at Fort Knox.

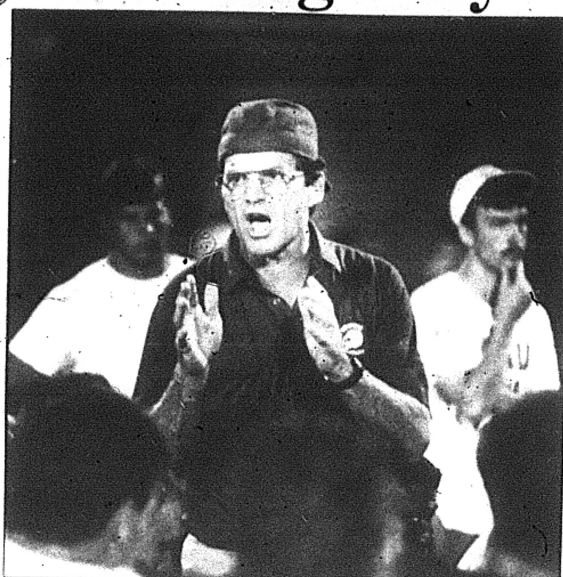
"Football is time to him compared to what he's been through," Harbaugh said.

Another area in which the Tops need to improve, Harbaugh said, is in the defensive backfield.

"We don't have a lot of people back there," he said. Starting free safety Larry Harris returns, as do Melvin Johnson and Kevin Ferry.

The kicking game is solid with juniors Steve Donisi and Chris Pino coming back, but Harbaugh said punter is "wide open."

"Somebody could win it in the spring," he said, but he looks for help from Kentucky high school All-Stater Ricky Boeckmann in the fall.



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Coach Jack Harbaugh is using spring practice to establish a starting lineup for the fall season.

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Students getting healthy

By TRACY MAXWELL

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As with the rest of the population, students are more interested in leading healthy lifestyles. They are jogging, eating salads and taking more health-related precautions, said Kevin Charles, director of Student Health Service.

Drug Awareness and Health Enrichment Week, which started Monday, is planned according to students' needs, said Nancy Givens, health service coordinator. The most popular programs have dealt with stress, relationships and sexuality.

"I was really disappointed with the turnout for the keynote speaker (Monday)," Givens said. "We expected hundreds, and only 40 showed up."

One thing the week highlighted was drug and alcohol education.

Many negative behaviors also exist in relation to drug and alcohol use, especially binge drinking, which leads to other problems such as driving under the influence and lack of sexual responsibility, Charles said.

Western students are as healthy as other college students nationwide Givens said. "There are a few regional differences, but student lifestyles are basically the same regardless of location."

The main health problems facing students are the quantity and frequency of alcohol consumption, bad choices about what they eat, lack of exercise and problems stemming from sexual activity, Givens said.

The health service offers pamphlets and personal counseling on topics such as alcohol abuse, nutrition, sexually transmitted diseases and eating disorders, Charles said. These problems can be solved with a little thought, Charles said. "Think about your health before you do it."

Having snacks of fresh fruits, vegetables and non-sugared cereals can help keep students in good health, Givens said.

"Fast food is part of the American lifestyle," she said, "students just need to take the time to learn about good food choices rather than giving it up altogether."

Continuing education is slowly changing lifestyles, Givens said, and over time it will make a more significant impact.

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