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AT YOUR SERVICE: Students treated fairly?

BY MEGHAN MORRIS

Some Bowling Green restaurant and retail employees run when they see Western students coming. Whether they run to or from the students may depend on their experiences.

Students like Bowling Green senior Kim Schell complain of being treated poorly and unfairly in businesses around town.

"I think they're biased against us," she said. "They definitely give us worse service."

But many local business managers would like to dissolve any notions of unfair, or even different, treatment.

"Our goal is to treat everyone the same," said Nick Amato, Castner Knott's store manager.

Rafferty's senior service manager Alan Flener agreed.

"We treat everyone the same, as far as I know."

Some salespersons and servers have a different story.

"When students come in, the first thing I think is they don't know what they're doing," said Bowling Green sophomore Kate Kirby, a salesperson in Castner Knott's men's department.

Rebecca Parish, a sophomore from Los Angeles and a server at Denny's, said the first thing she thinks when she sees a group of college students is, "Oh, no."

Why do Western students draw such a reaction? Many of these employees are overwhelmed with bad student experiences.

"We've had people dance on the tables, fight in the bar, throw up in the hallways," said Doug Hunter, a senior from Hendersonville, Tenn., and a server at O'Charley's. "and sometimes

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Dana Johnson/Herald

Guiding lights: Stacy Ladas, a senior from Mt. Juliet, Tenn., walks home to Bemis Lawrence Hall at about 11 Monday night, through the fog and misty rain by the Sorority Hall. The rain is expected to end by the weekend when temperatures may drop into the 30s.

Idea for fee hike gets cool response

BY CATHERINE WHIPPLE

With only a \$2.50 per semester student activity fee, Scott Taylor, director of Student Activities and Organizations, said he would like to raise the semester activity fee to \$30 to help fund more programs students enjoy.

However, with mandatory student fees having gone up almost 200 percent in the past 10 years, Donald Smith, Student Government Association president, said he is hesitant to add more. Students currently pay \$208 in mandatory fees.

He said he has considered raising the fee after talking to other student government presidents with larger budgets. But for now, Smith said, SGA has decided it isn't necessary and has no plans of trying to raise it.

Taylor said the increase could help groups like University Center Board get nationally-known entertainers.

Even with the increase, Western would have the lowest student activities fee of any state university. Morehead State University's fee is the closest to Western's at \$35 per semester and Murray State's student activity fee is \$130.

"We don't need the extra money and we've been trying so hard to keep fees and tuition down," Smith said. Plus there are other ways on campus for student organizations to receive funding.

Smith encourages groups and clubs to apply for money through SGA's Organizational Aid. SGA has \$4,500 per year to give to groups with a pressing need. Half the money was spent last

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Higher education budget 'comes up short'

BY LESLIE FLYNN

Gov. Brereton Jones proposed a state funding increase for higher education, but Western officials say it may not be enough.

"It looks like, once again, that higher education has come up short," President Thomas Meredith said.

Jones proposed a two percent increase for 1995 and a three percent increase for 1996 in a speech to the Kentucky General Assembly Monday night. The Council on Higher Education requested three and five percent increases, respectively.

"Some years you feel like the state has done the very best it can for you," said Cecile Garmon, assistant vice president for Finance and Administration. But this year, "I don't feel real good about it — the state has not done the best it can."

The CHE felt the requested increases were reasonable and it

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**— Cecile
Garmon
assistant vice president
for finance**

was expected higher education would receive the funding increase it requested, said Jim Ramsey, vice president for Finance and Administration.

According to Jones' proposal, Western will receive about \$14 million less than the CHE requested.

Higher education has taken the brunt of state budget cuts the past two and a half years and they have cost Western about \$7 million during that time, Meredith said.

With the proposed increases, Western would receive an additional \$917,700 for 1995 and \$1,404,000 for 1996, Garmon said. Meredith said Western is already evaluating its budget to see if any programs will have to be cut. Everything will be evaluated, he said.

Garmon said Western hoped to spare instructional programs from any cuts.

The budget will probably undergo many changes before the Kentucky General Assembly votes on it by March 30, said

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There's good news and bad

BY CARA ANNA

The secretary in the governor's office who called Donald Smith on Monday may have thought she was sharing good news.

But the news — no tuition increases for the next two years as proposed by Gov. Brereton Jones to the General Assembly — is making universities look elsewhere for funding.

Smith, president of the Student Government Association and an organizer of a statewide rally against tuition increases last semester, said the tuition proposal is probably pleasing to students.

But he worries about what Western may have to do now to find funding.

Increasing student fees has been mentioned as an option by administrators.

But Smith said he doesn't support any fees outside the one SGA is considering for the construction of an outdoor intramurals complex. That fee is \$5 a semester per full-time student.

Even if tuition weren't raised, the financial problem for students would be essentially the same if the university keeps raising fees, he said.

It is too early in the budgeting process to say whether fees would be raised, President Thomas Meredith said.

And as a general rule, it would be difficult to use fees as

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♦ Just a second

Make up days not decided yet

It is still not known how last week's classes will be made up. President Thomas Meredith is waiting to hear what other state universities are doing before he makes a decision, he said yesterday.

"Spring break is not really much of a consideration," he said.

Extending the school year a week is an option, as is having makeup days on Saturdays, he said. No deadline for the decision to be made has been set, but he said he would like to make it as soon as possible.

Cherry Hall's paint job delayed

The painting of Cherry Hall that has occupied Facilities Management workers since last spring may continue into summer, said Robert Luckabaugh, maintenance and repair superintendent.

He said his staff is too small to keep up with the various problems on campus and maintain the Cherry Hall project on deadline.

"I'd like to put all the buildings on campus on a regular (painting) rotation," Luckabaugh said. "But right now we can only deal with emergency situations as they arise."

Many Facilities Management workers who would be painting are helping with the clean up from the burst pipe in Helm Library, Luckabaugh said.

Cherry Hall is being refinished with a more durable and technologically advanced paint that contains a primer for longevity.

♦ Campusline

College Republicans meet at 5 today in Downing University Center, Room 308. For more information, contact Brian D. Smith at 782-1360.

The Latter Day Saints Student Association meets at noon Wednesdays and 7 p.m. Thursdays in DUC, Room 309. For more information, contact Stephanie Wiles at 745-3244.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets at 7 p.m. Thursdays in West Hall Cellar. For more information, contact Charlie Harnist at 843-8841.

Black Student Fellowship meets at 8 tonight at the Baptist Student Center. For more information, contact Toy Lisa Mitchell at 745-2228.

Rugby meets at 8 tonight at the rugby house. For more information, contact Stan Hodges at 782-3485.

Omicron Delta Kappa meets at 8:30 tonight in DUC, Room 305. For more information, contact Ray Ezell at 745-6650.

The Lambda Society meets at 6 p.m. Monday. For more information, contact Larry Brown at 796-8062.

Campus Ministry Association meets at 6 p.m. Monday in DUC, Room 226. This is an organizational meeting, and a new project called "The Sermon" will be discussed. For more information, contact Mike Moody at 843-8282.

Latin American Studies Committee and Office of International Programs present "A Panel Discussion on NAFTA," at 7 p.m. Monday in the Bowling Green Public Library program room. For more information, contact Donna Cheshire 745-5334.

Senior women pre-law students are invited to apply for the Gwyneth B. Davis Memorial Law Scholarship, which is awarded annually to the outstanding female senior who plans to attend law school. Applications may be picked up from the government department and must be returned by Tuesday. For more information, call the government department at 745-6391.

Capstone Training and Development sponsors a career transition course from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in Garrett Conference Center, Room 100. Course tuition is \$35. For more information, contact Capstone Training at 1-800-884-8850 or pick up a course registration form at the DUC information desk.

Campus Crusade for Christ meets at 8 p.m. Tuesdays in Tate Page Hall Auditorium. For more information, contact Susan Carson at 796-3118.

Circle K Club meets at 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays in DUC, Room 349. For more information, contact Stephanie Wiles at 745-3244 or Tracy Freeman at 745-5555.

Students Over the Traditional Age meets at 3:30 p.m. Wednesdays in DUC, Room 310. For more information, contact the SOTA office at 745-5289.

International Association of Business Communicators meets at 6 p.m. Wednesday in DUC, Room 305. For more information, contact Michael Melchior at 782-6978.

The Women's Alliance meets at 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on Feb. 15 in DUC, Room 226. For more information, contact Paula Owens at 745-6113.

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Night song:

Hopkinsville freshman Scott Foster plays his saxophone in the colonnade Tuesday night. "It's a good mood — foggy, drizzly," he said. "I got the blues."

♦ For the record/crime reports

Arrests

♦ Jerry A. Robertson, of Auburn, was arrested Dec. 20 for driving under the influence, and refusal to take blood, breath, and urine tests for alcohol intoxication. He was released from Warren County Regional Jail that day without bond.

♦ Rodney Todd Beason, of Louisville, was arrested Jan. 20 for fourth-degree assault. He was released on a \$250 unsecured bond that day.

♦ John David Quinn, of Grand Rapids, Mich., was arrested Jan. 16 for alcohol intoxication. He was released from Warren County Regional Jail that day without bond.

♦ Matthew John Donnelly, of

Lexington, was arrested Jan. 16 for alcohol intoxication. He was released from Warren County Regional Jail that day without bond.

♦ Cory Robert Wright, a graduate assistant in athletics, reported Dec. 18 that someone broke into a locker room at Smith Stadium Dec. 17 and caused \$100 damage.

Reports

♦ A South Hall resident reported being assaulted by her ex-boyfriend on Jan. 17.

♦ Stacia Michelle Wolf, Poland Hall, reported a backpack, valued at \$20, stolen from Downing University Center on Jan. 13.

♦ James Robert Hendricks, 1612 Western St., reported registration plates, valued at \$12.50, stolen from his vehicle while it was in Chestnut Street lot on Jan. 13.

♦ Donald Lamar Shanklin, 1201 N. Lee St., reported a Sega Genesis Game System, valued at \$100, stolen from Keen Hall on Jan. 18.

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TUITION: Increase still to take effect this fall

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a replacement for other funding, said James Ramsey, vice president for Finance and Administration.

"It is a smaller part of the budget," he said. "It would not allow us to make up the additional dollars."

Jones' proposal is the first to restrict a tuition increase, said Norm Snider, director of communications for the Council on Higher Education.

The CHE sets tuition increases, and has approved tuition increases for universities since 1980-81.

Jones' proposal would only affect the CHE for two years, Snider said. It would require changing the law, but that's not unusual, he added.

Any CHE action taken on the proposal will not be known until

its next meeting, Snider said. That date, postponed from Monday, has not been set, he said.

Jones' proposal, if approved by the General Assembly in March, would make Western look elsewhere for money. Tuition increases were once an option, administrators say.

"I think what has happened, because we've been subjected to numerous cuts, the increases have been viewed almost as replacement dollars," said James Ramsey, vice president for Finance and Administration.

"Universities were almost forced to use them to offset (decreased) state funding."

Options now include finding more outside funding or reallocating sources Western already has, said Cecile Garmon, assistant vice president for Finance and Administration.



Jason Koski/Herald

Man-equin: Louisville freshman Chris Biddle gets fitted Wednesday night in a costume designed by Mary Leigh Robinson, a senior from Franklin, Tenn. Biddle will be playing Angus in Western's upcoming performance of Shakespeare's "Macbeth."

FEES: SGA has money to help worthy groups

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semester and the other half is still available.

Smith said a student group may apply for up to \$500 and, through an interview with SGA, must justify a need for funds. If approved, the club gets the money but must sign an agreement that it will be spent to benefit the organization.

Last semester, none of the nine clubs that applied were turned down, and Smith said he

couldn't remember a club being rejected.

The groups, which included the Topperettes, Habitat for Humanity and the International Club, each received \$250.

Taylor said Western also funds groups based on need, as well as groups that are not funded by departments. SGA and UCB are two of these organizations. "The university decided it needed to provide funding for these groups because they play a vital role in campus affairs," he said.

Fee support

Kentucky's universities student activities fees.

\$25 Western

\$35 Morehead

\$40 Kentucky State

\$55 U of L

\$100 Eastern

\$110 Northern

\$130 Murray

\$159 UK

* Fee included in tuition

** Fee includes health fee

Jon D. Grant/Herald

SERVICE: Age doesn't determine quality

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when students get drunk they forget their tab and walk out."

When this happens to servers, they usually have to foot the bill.

There is also the issue of the tip. The going rate for servers is \$2.13 an hour plus tips; and college students are notorious for leaving little or none.

A regular non-tipper, Dixon senior Jason Ware was amazed to learn what servers made per hour. "They make below minimum wage."

Regardless of the reason, some servers do not want to wait

on students.

"I don't have time to wait on people that don't tip well," Parish said. "I have a child to support."

On the other hand, some salespersons and servers said they enjoy the business they get from students.

"It's cool to get Western students in," said Sports Sensation General Manager Thomas Grace. "They can follow the trends closer than I can."

And not all students feel that they are treated unfairly.

Joshua Nelson, a senior from Manlius, Ill. said, "I don't think

I'm treated differently. They see me as profit, and profit is profit. I don't think it has anything to do with age."

Profit is profit in the Bowling Green business world and Western students are contributors. That alone makes for good relations between Murray's server Betty LaMastus and the students who fill her third shift.

"Students are our business here," LaMastus said. "We cater to them."

Clay junior Jason Ware agreed. "They may look at us differently, but I get great service here!"

BUDGET: Meredith to lobby legislature

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Glenn Osborne, public information director for the general assembly.

In the past eight years, the higher education budget has

increased an average of about one percent from the governor's original proposal.

Jones also put a two-year hold on tuition increases.

He said money would have to

be saved by cutting duplicate programs.

Meredith said he would go to Frankfort regularly and try to gain support for higher education funding.

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Lost days gone forever

No doubt about it — high school snow days were the best. Even tacking on a few days at the end of the school year seemed like no big deal.

But when it comes to time off for bad weather in college, problems arise.

Recognizing students' and employees' lives were more important than a few classes, Western administrators made the right decision in closing school last week because of hazardous road conditions. But now the university is faced with the problem of how to make up those four lost days.

The answer is simple — don't. Trying to add a few days here and there to compensate for the lost week would only create chaos. But there are plenty of options Western may be tempted to look at.

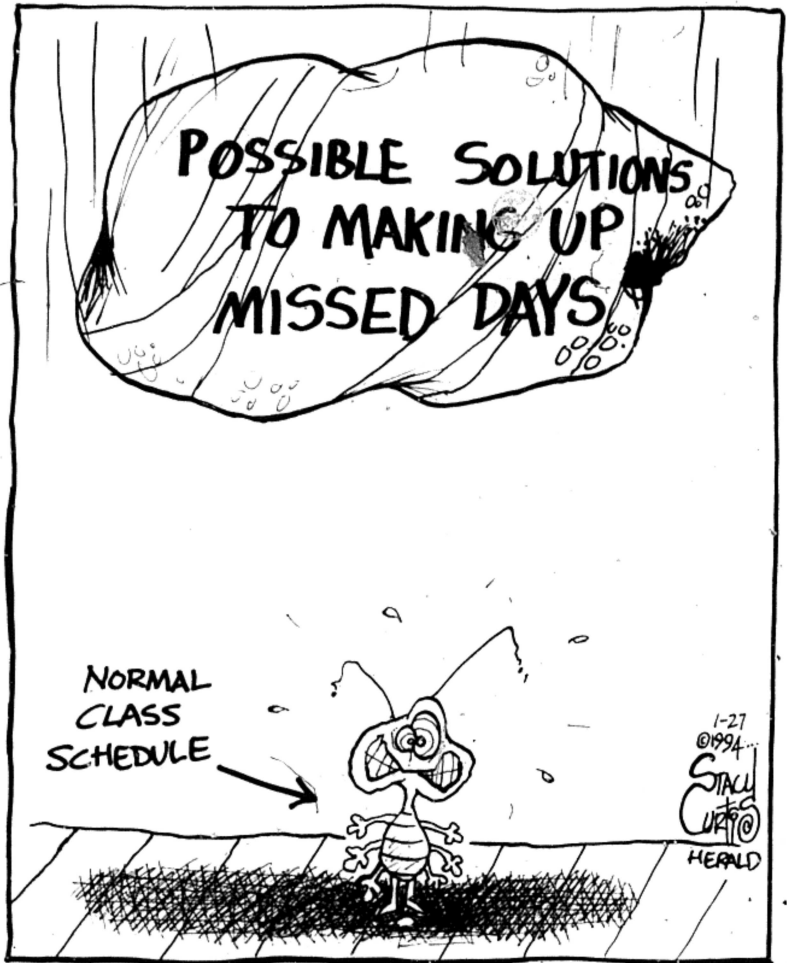
♦ We could extend the semester by a week. It sounds simple enough, but graduation would be pushed back a week and students who are set to start jobs or internships might have to put them on hold. It also wouldn't give students and professors much of a break between the spring semester and summer classes.

♦ We could make a Monday-Wednesday week a Tuesday-Thursday week, trying to even out the number of days lost in each class. But what about all the night classes that don't meet on Fridays anyway? It still wouldn't be fair.

♦ Then there's the students' most dreaded thought — take Spring Break away. Even President Thomas Meredith realizes this would be a no-win situation. Western would be nothing but empty classrooms.

♦ We could have Saturday classes, but that would do little good. Saturdays should be spent with family and friends, resting up for the hard week ahead. And many students have to spend the weekends working so they can afford to go to school. There's no sense in needlessly disrupting so many lives again.

Making up any lost class time should be done by professors individually. It may also require a little extra effort on the students' part, but that's something we should be prepared for anyway. A workplace doesn't move back deadlines or interrupt schedules for a few missed days; neither should college.



♦ Your view/Editor's Hotline

Liked debate team story

"I'm calling to thank the Herald for doing such a wonderful article on the debate team's successful trip and tour-nament and their adventurous trip home. It was really

Editor's
Hotline



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nice to read about the students. As a faculty member, debate team members are really wonderful students to have in class all around the campus."

Wants more food time

"I was calling about Marriott and why they're not open on Saturdays. There are a lot of people that do live here on the weekends and a lot of us

who have night classes during the week and are hungry but the place is closed. They need to figure out some way to accommodate more students."

Parking problems

Whoever the fool is who thought up the idea for the basketball parking situation must have graduated from Western."

♦ PEOPLE POLL:

Should we make up the snow days from last week?

"No. You're just going to have to bust your butt for a while to catch up."



—Rheaugh Boggess,
Russellville freshman

"Definitely not. We should have a set schedule. Making up a few days would mess up everything."



—Jenny Legrand,
Bowling Green sophomore

"No. We just have to cut our losses. Talk twice as fast and read twice as fast. But please no Saturday classes."



—James Baker,
history professor

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Jackson is no longer the same man in the mirror

Remember the days when Afros were cool? Neither do I.

And even though he'd probably like to forget about them, Michael Jackson remembers.

He had a monster hairdo. Whopping it across stage he'd yell, "I want you back!" with his brothers backing him.

Those days have changed.

His hair is relaxed and his nose is much smaller. And the skin disease... just ask Oprah.

Since the birth of his epic, "Thriller," which became the largest-selling record of all time, the now androgynous man has been living out the childhood that he never had.

Raised a Jehovah's Witness, the young superstar lived at home with his parents until he was 22 years old. Now 35, he lives on his California ranch, Neverland, complete with carousel and ferris wheel, free candy stands and flower beds singing pop songs from speakers disguised as rocks.

He has a pet chimp, sleeps in an oxygen tank and looks almost as feminine as his sister, Janet.

Yet many Americans feel they can trust him. It's as if we've grown up with him, watching him transform from the child with the really bad hair to the adult with the really bad skin and Cleopatra eyeliner.

His traditional date to the Grammy's is the morally correct

Brooke Shields.

And when asked on national television to reveal his sex life, he was referred to by many as a gentleman for not disclosing per-



Ann Clingerman
Commentary

sonal love interests. Many people felt that after his interview with Oprah, he was just a nice guy who wanted to be left alone.

Simple.

Yet at 35 years old, this man allegedly has sleep-overs with children on a regular basis.

This is odd.

If Joe Blow, the car dealer who lives on Main Street had the neighbor kids over for sleep-overs simply because he liked kids, drinking Pepsi, eating pizza and playing Nintendo, mothers would be waiting to get this guy

out of their community. Sally Jesse, Geraldine and Oprah would be pulling from every direction.

But this is Michael Jackson, international, legendary superstar.

He introduced the moonwalk, extended multi-million dollar videos with movie-like storylines and glitzy motorcycle jackets.

And he is extremely rich.

Rich enough to pay at least \$10 million to keep the 14-year-old boy accusing him of molestation silent.

Jackson's attorney is calling it a "mutual resolution." I call it an injustice.

I remember crooning "Billy Jean" and doing the moonwalk in my penny loafers on the kitchen floor.

I had a Michael Jackson pin that I wore until the kids in middle school called me gay. His face covered my walls. And my "Thriller" album has been tucked away as a childhood keepsake, to share with my children someday.

I feel cheated.

He was my childhood superstar. He was a hero to a middle class suburban white girl. Yet he is still a human being. He should be tried like any other American.

Michael, take a look at the man in the mirror.

I'm asking him to change his ways.



Francis Gardier/Herald

Me and my shadow: Louisville junior Kurt Humke serves a volleyball as his wall shadow lays up a basketball yesterday at the Preston Center.

Tell us what you think. Write a letter to the editor.

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Cafe owner hopes to attract 'artsy' crowd

BY SHERRI OSBORNE

Coffee isn't the only thing you will find at Cafe Voltaire. Bowling Green's only coffee house. The cafe also has artwork, music and a water fountain with goldfish to entertain customers.

Cafe Voltaire, which opened its doors Jan. 18, offers more than 30 varieties of coffee. In addition, espresso, cappuccino, flavored syrups, gourmet tea and juices are also offered. Coffee cups, glassware and mugs are for sale.

Mike Davis said he decided to open the coffee house last November. Davis attended Western last semester and is currently the recreation manager at Downing University Center.

"I hope to get a really good following," Davis said, "and provide a place for people to sit down and meet other people." He said he hopes to serve pastries and homemade soups soon.

Cafe Voltaire, 855 Broadway, was named after the French author/philosopher, known as an "apostle of free thought." Davis said he named the cafe as such to please a certain kind of crowd.

"Voltaire was an artsy kind of guy and I figure that will be the kind of crowd I will be catering to," Davis said.

However, Davis said this is not the only crowd he hopes to draw. His cafe will be directed toward the regular public during the day and college students at night.

Louisville freshman Jodi Jervis said she likes the cafe. "It's a nice, little dainty place

"I intend for it to be a nice place, but not snooty."

— Mike Davis
cafe proprietor

to relax," she said. "I've never seen anything like it. There's good company, good friends and good smiles."

To accompany this atmosphere, the cafe has hardwood floors and artwork done by Bowling Green residents. Davis said he is still looking for art to hang on the upper level.

Davis said he plans to have poetry readings and acoustic guitar nights featuring local artists.

Davis said his plans are to open during the morning, close in the afternoon and reopen at night until the cafe's reputation is established. Then the hours may be extended.

"I intend for it to be a nice place, but not snooty," he said. Louisville freshman Brooke Dahl said she liked the cafe. "It's very homey here, very relaxing; there's great music."

Though this is Davis' first business venture, he said he has high expectations and has not found this to be a problem. Up to a week before opening, Davis said people were stopping in asking him to open.

Davis wanted to make one thing clear. In order to protect the environment, no styrofoam will be used at the cafe.

"It's important to me," Davis said.

Davis showed enthusiasm about being the only coffee house in Bowling Green.

"I've had a great response so far," he said. "I'm very excited." Also excited was Lexington freshman Melissa Holland.

"I think it's great they have a coffee house here," she said. "I miss mine from home. It's a great atmosphere to relax in."



Stefanis Boyar/Herald

Bowling Green senior Bryan Byrd and Cyndi Brooks, a senior from Hendersonville, Tenn., spent part of yesterday afternoon at Cafe Voltaire. It was their first visit to the coffee house.

The Ladies of Kappa Delta sorority cordially invite the following Gentlemen to a crush dance on February 4, 1994.

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Troy Allen	Mike Clark	Jamie Hagan	Greg Malar	Jonathon Rhyne
Roger Arbuckle	James Cliatt	Chris Happel	Jason Martin	Kevin Richardson
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Danny Bearden	Duane Dew	Chris Hicks	Phil Moss	Eric Sleith III
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Scott Bolt	James Doss	Jason Humphrey	Mike Nolan	Keith Stewart
Kevin Botts	Wayne Durbin	Jason Hunt	Troy Nunn	Brian Stivers
Brent Branstetter	Rob Eaton	Tommy Hyde	Brian Nussbaum	Ted Strode
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David Brown	Chris Elwood	Matt Jacovino	Ben Olliges	Craig Sutter
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COMMUNITY LIVING: Plan gives residents 'freedom they want'

BY CHRISTA RITCHIE

A dorm program is drawing rave reviews, but it won't be expanded campuswide.

Residence Life Director Dave Parrott said community living "is an excellent chance to allow students to get the freedom they want."

Community living is where 10 or more students on a floor in a dorm get to make their own rules after meeting certain requirements.

Parrott said he feels community living "teaches people how to interact with a variety of people."

He said the idea behind it "was to give students more self-determination and a say in what goes on in their world."

Fl. Campbell freshman Anna Heydt said residents attend mandatory seminars dealing with various topics, including stress management, before they get community living.

After the seminars, residents get a community on their floor and write up a petition which includes the rules of the community. If Residence Life approves it, then a new community is born.

The participating dorms are North, West, East, South, McLean and Bates-Runner halls.

Parrott said community living was introduced in the fall of 1982 in North and East. Last fall it was extended to all non-air conditioned dorms.

Community living makes "the non-air conditioned halls more attractive to students," Parrott said. It works best in small dorms because people are more acquainted with one another, he said.

Some residents in air conditioned dorms feel it's unfair that they aren't allowed to participate in community living.

Louisville freshman Jenny Connelly, a Bemis Lawrence resident, said Residence Life "should make community living universal."

She said everyone in the dorms should get equal privileges.

"It's not our fault we were put in air conditioned dorms and they weren't," Connelly said.

Parrott said it would be harder for RAs in air conditioned dorms to keep track of who has community living because more people are there, and everyone might not have

community living.

Though the communities make their own rules, residents can be punished for breaking them.

"If someone does something wrong, the whole community could lose their privileges," Heydt said. "So you have to make sure everybody abides by the rules."

"Roommates have to stick together, because if a roommate does something wrong then the other one is suspended (from their community living), too."

Cadiz sophomore Sharree Radford said she has noticed no problems with community living. Radford, an RA in West Hall, said "the residents have been responsible with the things they agreed on in their petition."

"We're big boys and it's nice not having a curfew," said Drew Thomas, a sophomore from Orlando, Fla.

"If something goes wrong, the whole community could lose their privileges."

**— Anna Heydt
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Gone to pot:

After two hours of molding and sculpting, Bowling Green senior Julie Heinze puts the finishing touches on her first project in ceramics class yesterday. "I enjoy this class so much," she said. "It's a hoot."



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SGA bulletin board may help students pay less for books

◆ *The board will be located on the first floor of the Downing University Center*

BY TONYA ROOT

A new bulletin board in Downing University Center may change the price of books for campus students.

The Student Government association bulletin board should save students money when buying books and help students who are selling the books make more money, said SGA Treasurer Jason Embry, an Owensboro senior.

The program provides an alternate way for buying and selling books, said Paul McDougal, College Heights Bookstore director. But students should make sure the book will be used in their class or they could lose their money, he said.

Scott Sivley, SGA administrative vice president, said it would be good if the bookstore felt competition from this program.

McDougal said the more successful the board is, the more it would hurt the bookstore. If it hurts business too much, bookstore prices might have to be reviewed, he said.

McDougal said the bookstore buys books back for half of the new price if the book will be used the next semester, as long as it is in reasonable condition. The book will then be resold for

75 percent of its original price, for a 50 percent profit.

It would hurt the bookstore because they would lose the resale value, said Fort Thomas senior Greg Grimm.

"It would mostly help students save money," Grimm said.

The 4 ft. by 8 ft. board on the first floor of DUC will be sectioned off into the different colleges. Students can fill out a free form in the SGA office, and the form will be placed on the board. It will include which books are for sale and the owner's phone number, said Embry.

The success of the board will depend on student involvement, said Louisville senior Deondra Wardelle.

"I think it will be very effective at the beginning of the year," Wardelle said. "We will probably get more money back than we would from the bookstore," she said.

Lemox Book Co. was contacted about the board, but declined to comment.

Another program SGA sponsored last semester is the buy-a-book service, where five \$100 book scholarships were awarded by SGA to five students based on financial need. The book scholarship was a success last semester, Embry said.

"It's part of the whole idea of students being able to afford education," said Sivley, a junior from Hendersonville, Tenn. "We want to make every aspect better."

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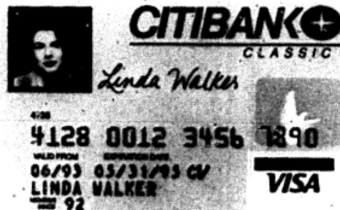
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ID VOID: If magnetic strip damaged, new cards available free

BY JILL NOELLE CECIL

You can't leave home without it. It's not your credit card, it's your student ID.

But some Western students have had their cards denied.

The magnetic strip on some of the new student IDs issued last semester are coming off, said Gary Meszaros, ID Center assistant administrator of Business Services.

Meszaros said the bad batch of cards was caused by the heating process of applying the strip. The cards were not heated at the right temperature, causing the strip to easily scratch off. Ten percent of the close to 15,000 cards issued were defective.

The ID Center is being refunded the cost of replacing the cards by Identatronics, the cards' distributors, and will replace defected student cards free of charge, Meszaros said.

Students can go to the ID Center in the Downing University Center and have a new card made in about five minutes, he

said, because all the information, including the student's electronic image, is stored on computer.

Patrick McBrien, marketing manager with Marriott Food Services, said campus restaurants catch at least one of the defective cards a day.

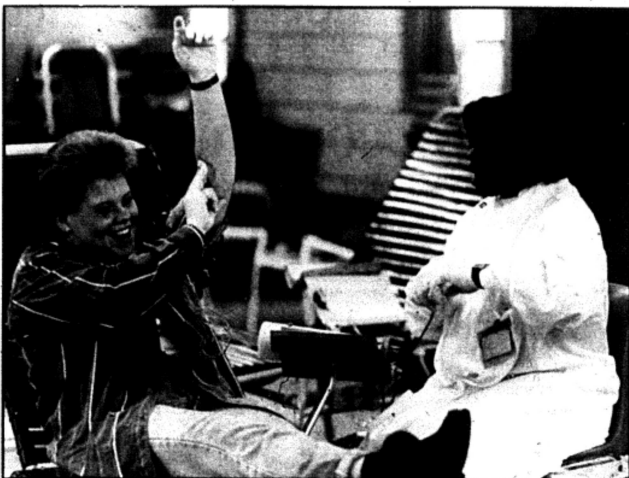
"I had one of those first cards myself," he said. "My strip fell off in about a month."

McBrien said students with scratched cards have not gone hungry.

"We've allowed Marquis members to go ahead and eat," he said. "We keep track of their accounts with written logs by using their social security number."

Linda Dillard, athletics department ticket sales manager, said she has seen people try to use invalid cards, but students with the faulty cards usually will try to prove their card is valid.

"The people who just walk away are usually the ones that are trying to pull something," she said.



Jason Koski/Herald

I give: Raising her hand to let the blood flow, Olmstead sophomore Sherry Proctor has a laugh with Pat Smith, a phlebotomy technician. The Red Cross Bloodmobile is in the West Hall Cellar and will be accepting donors from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. today.

Center provides care for students' children

BY MERIKHA PAGE

Looking for affordable child care while pursuing an education? If so, the Western Kentucky University Child Care Center can help.

In 1989, English professor Catherine Ward was appointed by President Thomas Meredith to chair the University Child Care Committee.

The committee was formed to research the need for the child care service, cost of operations and competing child care centers in Bowling Green, Ward said.

"It is hard to find affordable, accessible, quality day care and the university provides this," Ward said. "It does not cost the university a penny, and provides it with a service."

Also, the center includes programs such as Head Start, Wrap Around and Drop In.

The Head Start Program, the core of the program, is a federally funded program for children of low income families, said Colleen Mendel, director of

training and technical assistance services. "It is a comprehensive program that provides good early developmental childhood experiences," she said.

Head Start provides medical, dental and nutritional services to the children, with a combination of parent involvement, a key component in the program, Mendel said.

Wrap Around provides care for children who are in school for half of the day, while Drop In provides care for children who are not regularly scheduled.

The Child Care Program began in 1984 with 40 children. In 1992 it was moved from Tate Page Hall to the Jones Jagers Building, Mendel said.

Now more than 100 children from age six weeks to 12 years old are enrolled in the program.

"The program is very much needed due to the fact that child care is so expensive, and many parents, who are also students at Western, have unusual schedules," Mendel said.

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Secretary got help of 'family' after fire

BY SHERRY I. WILSON

Judy Parker describes the faculty and staff she works with as "Western family."

The senior administrative secretary for the Glasgow extended campus was without a home after a fire on Dec. 31 destroyed her family's house and all of their belongings.

Faculty and staff from both the Glasgow and Bowling Green campuses came to her aid.

"They've been tremendous, helping my family out," Parker said. "I have received things and money that my family needed, and even time off from work to deal with everything."

"No one was hurt and that is what we feel lucky about," she said, "but there were many pictures, mementos and personal items that we lost."

On the night of the fire, her husband was out of town. So she had decided to let her 10-year-old son and 8-year-old daughter sleep with her. She was alone when the fire broke out.

Parker said the fire was caused by a heater too near the Christmas tree.

Parker and her children were able to escape without injury, but she regrets that she couldn't save some of her family's belongings.

"My husband calls me a pack rat, and I guess I am," Parker said. "It was hard to deal with losing so many of my personal things that I had collected — things that are irreplaceable."

While the Parkers are staying with family, Sue Pillow has started an effort to help.

At the beginning of the semester, Pillow, accounts and fiscal services coordinator, wrote a letter and set up a collection box on the second floor of Wetherby Administration Building.

"I have worked with Judy by telephone," Pillow said. "When I heard this happened to her, starting the collection was kind of like a family spirit."

Edith Parker, Judy's sister-in-law and senior secretary of University Relations, said she was thankful to Pillow for starting the collection and thought everyone was being gracious even though they didn't know her.

Money, food, clothing and furniture have been collected and donations can still be made in Wetherby.

"I tried to create a spirit of camaraderie and family" by starting the collection, Pillow said. "It just took someone to do it."

ENROLLMENT: Fewer students at Western

BY DAWN ANG

The downward trend in enrollment at Western since the fall of 1990 might change soon, said Ronnie Sutton, dean of Academic Services.

In 1992, Western enrollment dropped by more than 300 students from the previous year.

"The most significant factor for the drop in enrollment at Western is the declining freshman classes from 1990 through the present," Sutton said.

"The number of high school graduates have been declining. The result is smaller classes at Western, and therefore a decline in overall enrollment."

Sutton is optimistic that freshman enrollment will increase, maybe even as early as this fall.

He said he expects the number of high school graduates in Kentucky to increase through the year 2003, based on an article he

"However, we expect the freshman class to increase by 1994, and certainly by 1995."

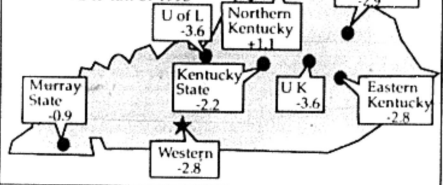
— Ronnie Sutton
Dean of Academic Services

said there are a couple of reasons for the drop.

"There are probably fewer high school graduates, or because of the increase in tuition costs, some high school graduates are trying to save some money by working first," he said.

Collegiate enrollment declining

Percentage of enrollment change at Kentucky's universities from fall of 1992 to fall of 1993



Since 1990, in-state annual tuition at Western will have increased by \$440 per year for in-state students by next school year.

Compared to the other seven state universities, Western ranks fourth in the decline in enrollment behind the University of Louisville, Morehead State, and Eastern Kentucky.

Only two public colleges in Kentucky reported an increase in enrollment — the University of Kentucky and Northern Kentucky University.

Private colleges in Kentucky also reported increased enrollments.

Despite enrollment statistics, some freshmen said they picked Western because of its advantages.

Ernie Chen, a freshman from Malaysia, started here last semester.

"I really like it here because it is cheap, quiet and the classes are small," he said.

"It is so easy to get from one class to another, unlike the UK campus where you have to take a bus to get to class," he said.

"I have always liked Western," said Monticello freshman Kellie Davis. "My sister came here and I like the campus."

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BY JAMES GUNNOE

Jim Morrison, once, no, hundreds of times, howled "I woke up this mornin' an' got myself a bee-uh!" And probably just as many times, he woke up feeling like beads in a baby rattle and actually did snap open a bottle of brew.

Psychologically, having another drink to soothe a hangover might work, but Donald Carter, associate professor of public health, said "it's like putting gasoline on a fire."

Mr. Mojo Risin' died before he was 30, so, another drink probably wouldn't be wise.

"When you drink, your body extracts other liquids and replaces them with the alcohol," said Jim Moore of the National Drug and Alcohol Crisis Hotline.

"When the alcohol evaporates, you're drunk. The hangover happens when you wake up before the fluids are replenished."

Carter said no single alcoholic beverage is more likely to produce a hangover than another because "alcohol is alcohol."

Moore and Carter agree that

the only person who is immune to the searing headaches, the weary body and the wobbling malaise of hangovers is one who does not drink.

To prevent a hangover, Moore suggested drinking lots of fluids (other than alcohol) before going to sleep and eating food, especially starches, while drinking and/or before bed.

Bowling Green senior James Blair, who drinks occasionally, said he avoids hangovers by "drinking over a long period of time." He also said that if you do get one, the best cure is time.

Moore said those who drink and have not gotten a hangover either have a very quick metabolism or just haven't had enough to drink.

"Black coffee and cold showers will stimulate the body," Moore said, "but replacing fluids, sleep and time are the real cures."

Matt Richio, a sophomore from Cape Elizabeth, Maine, said when he gets a hangover, among other things, he pops a couple of Tylenol and takes a nap.

But what about the dozens of other "sure-fire" home remedies?

"There are tons of wild concoctions," Carter said, "but until your body metabolizes the alcohol, you'll be hurting."



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Coffee break: Bowling Green senior Andrew Winner enjoys a coffee break during his Wednesday afternoon practice session in one of the fine arts center music rooms. Winner, a music major with a concentration in guitar, was working on a composition titled "Sakura," a Japanese folk song. He said he has been playing guitar for six years.

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Library to re-open today despite mess

BY STEPHANIE BROADBENT

library. Finding your way through Helm might not be easy, but the recently flooded library will reopen today, said Brian Coutts, head of Library Public Services.

President Thomas Meredith said everyone is anxious to get the library reopened because "the library has no value unless it can be used."

Coutts said all areas of the library except the University Archives will open, but students cannot use the breezeway connecting it to Cravens.

Instead, students should use the fifth floor breezeway which connects Cravens to the periodicals room and take the stairs from there.

The magazines may be swollen to twice their normal sizes, but they went back on the shelves for students to use if they were readable, said Periodicals Supervisor Connie Foster.

Although the water is gone and the floors are dry, the problems caused by the flood are far from over. Coutts said it will take several months to repair the

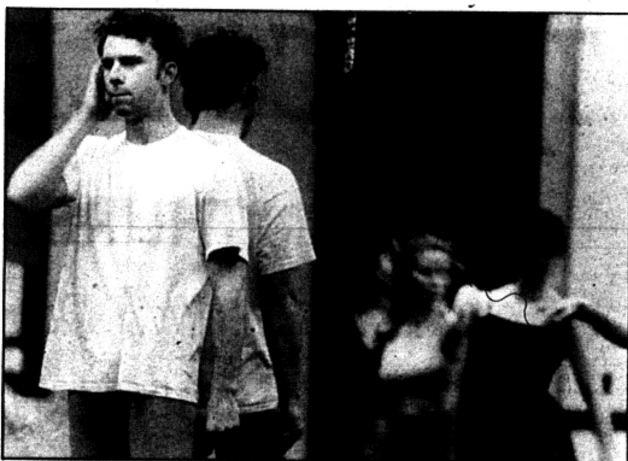
Molded carpet, wooden floors and part of the ceiling in periodicals will have to be replaced, costing more than \$10,000 in repairs, said Facilities Management Administrator Kemble Johnson.

But perhaps the most difficult task will be replacing the lost journals and reference books. Foster said replacing the periodicals is difficult because publishers do not usually keep back issues for sale.

Reference books are also difficult to replace because some are out of print. The library will attempt to order replacements soon, but until then, "there's not much you can do," Coutts said.

The estimated \$50,000 needed to replace the materials will come from an institutional contingency fund, which is set aside each year for unexpected emergencies, Meredith said.

Like most state agencies, he said Western self-insures the library. "If you don't have any problems, it's much cheaper," he said.



Leah Hogsten/Herald

Dance fever: Five, six, ready and . . . counting aloud to his dancers, choreographer Jason Witcher, a Glasgow senior, keeps their arms and legs moving. Witcher, his company and other dance majors will be practicing all this week for their annual talent show. The show, "Pieces of Us," is scheduled for 8 p.m. Monday and Tuesday in Gordon Wilson Hall. Admission is 75 cents.

ABSENTEES: Board of Regents meeting delayed

HERALD STAFF REPORT

The Board of Regents meeting scheduled for tomorrow has been postponed.

"Several members couldn't be here," said Liz Esters, Board of Regents secretary. A new meeting date has not been scheduled.

The WKU Foundation meeting is still scheduled for 2 p.m. tomorrow in the Board of Regents room in Wetherby Administration Building.

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Students won't escape flood of research homework now

BY DAWN ANG

More than a week after Helm Library's "worst disaster," problems still linger.

Until today, Helm was closed because a pipe froze and burst, drenching the periodicals, reference room and archives.

Some professors who assigned students research papers due this week had to push those dates back because students couldn't get the information they needed.

Psychology Professor Patty Randolph said she was lucky because she had taken her Psychology 100 students to the library the Friday before the pipes burst.

"Most of my students managed to get copies of what they needed when they were there," she said. "If I had not taken them to the library, many would have done it over the weekend, probably on Sunday night."

The few students who did not manage to find articles that Friday were not able to meet yesterday's due date, so Randolph

had to delay it.

Winchester freshman Shelly Brantigan couldn't find an article that Friday but still managed to get her work in on time. A classmate shared articles with her.

"All week long I had to call the library to see if it was open," she said. "It's really frustrating because I like to study at the library, and I will be required to do research in the library."

Brian Coutts, the library services department head, said Helm will be open today, but students will be routed through the fifth floor of Cravens to get to the periodicals.

Library media education classes were being conducted in conference rooms in Cravens, but they will return to Helm today.

Many professors said their classes were not affected much by the closing of Helm because most work requiring research is due later in the semester.

By then, "we'll try to make the library as normal as possible," Coutts said.

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Legalize it?

Marijuana debate is high on some people's issue list

For years, marijuana has been both the illicit substance of choice for college students and a topic of heated debate. Some feel it is a harmless herb with legitimate medicinal and industrial uses. Others think it is a dangerous drug that should remain illegal. Here are both sides; you decide.

Marijuana, pot, sensi, ganja, grass, smoke, endo, weed — no matter what it's called, it still comes from the hemp plant, it's still controversial, it's still illegal and the battle for legalization is still raging.

Since hemp's prohibition in 1937, people such as former Secretary of State George Schultz, Nobel Prize-winning economist Milton Friedman and conservative author William Buckley Jr. have suggested its legalization.

But last year, when U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders suggested legalizing controlled substances, a wave of opposition arose from the general public and lawmakers.

Their argument was that legalizing drugs would not stop the violence and health problems associated with them — it would only add to the problem.

Campus police Officer

Audrey Spies said although marijuana arrests on campus have decreased, legalization could only increase its usage.

"I think a lot of those who use it do it for the challenge," Spies said. "If it were legal, everybody who wouldn't normally try it may say 'Hey, it's legal. I might as well.'"

Spies said marijuana is easy to detect because of its odor. And she warns that if people want to smoke, they do so at their own risk. The distinct aroma of pot is enough to warrant arrest.

If caught with fewer than eight ounces of marijuana on the first offense, one is charged with a class A misdemeanor. This carries up to 12 months in jail, a fine up to \$500 or time in a drug treatment facility. Even a seed or tiny particle of marijuana counts as possession, Spies said.

The second offense is a



class D felony, a one to five-year sentence. Drug trafficking of five or more pounds is also a class D felony, Spies said.

Bowling Green senior Eric Pruett said marijuana possession should not carry such stiff penalties.

"I have been arrested for possession," he said, "and I unjustly live in fear for doing something I don't feel is wrong. A large percentage of people are being treated as criminals when they only use it for recreation."

Richmond sophomore

Bethany Stevens, who attended a conference on hemp legalization last year, said the benefits of hemp legalization outweigh the repercussions.

"Hemp can be used to make paper that is much stronger and more durable, and to make it illegal is ridiculous," she said. "I think there should be laws governing the private use of marijuana by minors, just like for alcohol, but adults should be allowed to make their own choice."

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Story by Maria Burnham

Photo Illustration by Brian Bohannon

Hip happenings

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This Weekend

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This Weekend

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This Weekend

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9. Nirvana - Serve the Servants
10. Concrete Blonde - Mexican Moon

DEBATE: Money and medicine are arguments for legalizing hemp

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The U.S. Justice Department reported that marijuana is the most commonly used illicit drug, with 33 percent of people 12 or older having used it in their lifetimes.

"Although its use may be popular, it's still illegal, and Eli Flint, a senior from Gallatin, Tenn., said he doesn't agree with legalization for any purpose."

"I don't think anyone should be using it," he said. "It only leads to bigger things. I don't have one friend who just stopped at marijuana."

Though some people suggest hemp legalization for personal reasons, there are others who see the economic and medicinal value of the plant.

Allen St. Pierre, assistant national director of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML), said that the hemp plant's fibers can be used for making rope, textiles, paper and fuel. The plant's leaves and flowers are used for medicine and recreation, and the seeds have been used as a food source for both humans and wildlife.

Marijuana, when smoked, is also one of the main treatments for glaucoma, a usually hereditary disease in which pressure builds in the eye. In pill form, it has been used in treating cancer and AIDS patients, said Mary Hazzard, nursing department head.

She said although it has been proven to work in these cases, as with any controlled substance, it's hard to get a prescription.

"It's not as easy to get in this area as it is in some other areas," she said. "We don't have as many physicians working with the drug experimentally."

For people who need marijuana as part of their medical treatment, their physician must prove

that it is the best drug to use in their case, she said.

Because of its valid medicinal value, Hazzard said it should be used if necessary, but with caution.

"That's one of those drugs that can go both ways," she said. "It works, but there are side effects that go with it."

The Justice Department reported that marijuana causes mood alterations, affects the central nervous system and interferes with short-term memory, learning and motor skills.

But, St. Pierre said, not only would marijuana legalization provide environmentally safe products and natural medicines, it would become a profitable cash crop if regulated.

"Particularly in Kentucky and Tennessee, it has been estimated as a \$3 billion-a-year crop," he said. "Although that is an inflat-

ed price, states could make at least \$100,000 in taxes."

Bowling Green senior Elizabeth Baker said she doesn't condone smoking marijuana for recreational purposes, but said hemp should be used to make paper and other products.

"There's really no way to be able to grow it without people smoking it," she said. "But, since people do it anyway, we might as well make money off of it instead of spending money for people to pull it up and burn it. God knows Kentucky needs money."

Even Kentucky lawmakers see the economic value of marijuana.

Early in the 1994 General Assembly, Rep. Charles Gevedon and Rep. Stan Cave proposed a tax on marijuana and other illegal drugs. House Bill 171 states that drug dealers must purchase a \$1,000 per plant tax stamp.

Anyone caught without the stamp faces a 100 percent penalty, plus interest.

Bowling Green junior Becky Adams said she first heard about the tax on the news and said she

thought it was crazy.

"They're justifying taking in revenue for a product which they don't condone," she said. "They're saying, we don't agree with what you're doing, but we may as well make as much money off of it as we can."

Paducah junior Chris Roberts said he is uncomfortable with the hemp legalization idea because he feels the movement is primarily focused on marijuana for recreational use.

"If it can be made into cheap, recyclable paper I say use it," he said. "But, I don't think people should smoke it."

St. Pierre said although his group does not expect legalization of hemp soon, they have set 1997 as their goal for decriminalization.

Each year, the U.S. government spends \$12 billion to fight the war on drugs. The Justice Department reported that in 1989, this country spent \$1.73 billion on drug treatment, averaging \$1,950 per patient.

The General Accounting Office reported that because of the new governmental restrictions, dealers have been forced to change their importing practices, but the supply of drugs on the streets has remained stable.

Although the war on drugs isn't over, Bowling Green junior Kevin Kinnaird said legalization may cut down on marijuana usage.

"I think a lot of people, especially younger people, do it to see if they can get away with it. If alcohol is legal, why not? There's not a lot of difference; a drug is a drug."

"That's one of those drugs that can go both ways. It works, but there are side effects that go with it."

— Mary Hazzard
nursing department head

Upcoming Events

◆ Rap pioneers Run-DMC are coming to Garrett Ballroom on Feb. 18 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for students and \$8 for non-students in advance, \$10 day of show.

◆ Founding Black Panther member Bobby Seale will speak at DUC Theatre at 7 p.m. on Feb. 21. Admission is free.

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Ice Cube's new CD could be a lot cooler

◆ *Cube's fourth album starts out promising, but doesn't reach its potential*

BY CRAIG ALLEN

A stereotypically impatient and jittery "Mr. White" enters a doctor's office to get a shot. The doctor, it turns out, is O'Shea Jackson, better known as Ice Cube. Cube reassures "Mr. White" that it won't hurt a bit, and calmly administers the shot — not an injection, but a bullet to the head.

So begins Ice Cube's new album, "Lethal Injection." "The Shot" sets the tone as violent, dark and ominous. That mood carries through all the songs.

The album starts out strong; the first three songs, "Really Doe," "Ghetto Bird" and "You Know How We Do It," are what fans have come to expect from Cube — original lyrics, interesting music and samples and intense grooves.

"Ghetto Bird" is easily the album's best track. The throbbing bass and funk-drenched keyboards lay a foundation for the one real social commentary on the album: a condemnation of police use of

helicopters over South Central Los Angeles.

"Cause every time that the pigs have got me/y'all rub it in with the flyin' Nazi/military force, but we don't wantcha/standing on my roof with the rocket launcher."

But from there on, "Lethal Injection" quickly degenerates into lyrical misogyny, destructiveness and racism, as well as musical repetitiveness and mediocrity.

George Clinton samples have been run into the ground by hardcore rappers during the last few years, and this album is no exception, containing the 11-minute long "Bop Gun (One Nation)," which once again recycles Clinton's "One Nation Under a Groove."

Another annoying element of "Lethal Injection" is Ice Cube's militant Muslim posturing. He calls whites "devils" and reserves his most venomous comments for them. But Cube frequently uses white musicians on his albums (including this one), and has recently directed a video for the insipid pop group Color Me Badd. He obviously has no problem with working with "devils." Is he for real, or is it all talk?

Admittedly, Ice Cube is one of the best rappers out there today, but he should get his priorities in order. The quality of his albums has been getting progressively worse since 1991's "Death Certificate," probably because of his interest in acting, directing, and advertising for malt liquor.

The one-time "nigga you love to hate" is now wealthy, married with children and has moved out of his old hood, yet he

still raps about how "true to the game" he is. Oh really?

"Lethal Injection" is not without its merits, though, and, compared to most other rap artists' albums, is quite good. It is well produced and competently executed, but it falls short of greatness.

But we should expect the best from Ice Cube. He can do it, but he hasn't in a while.

The new album reflects a man who is maturing, but trying to hang on to his youthful **swagger**. It also shows what can happen when a rapper has his hand in too many other projects: the music suffers.

Up-and-coming talents like Snoop Doggy Dogg and Cypress Hill are after Cube's hip-hop crown. And if he isn't careful, they'll take it.

Next week: Alice
in Chains' "Jar
of Flies"

♦ **Movie review**

Lemmon and Matthau are 'Grumpy Old Men'

BY JIM HANNAH

An Internal Revenue Service auditor rang the doorbell as Max, played by Jack Lemmon, scrambled out of his second-story bedroom window and down a ladder. He was trying to sneak out the back so he could avoid paying more than \$50,000 in back taxes and penalties. That was the opening scene in the hysterical movie, "Grumpy Old Men."

The film is about two old men who have grown up together in Wabasha, Minn. Both have grandchildren, but their wives died and they have forgotten how much fun life can be.

The two have spent most of their lives playing boyish pranks meant to make each other miserable. Their lives collide when Ariel Truax, played by Ann-Margret, a middle-aged widow with a schoolgirl's energy, moves in across the street and catches both their attention. The two then fight for Ariel's love.

By the end of the movie, both realize how much they have depended on each other over the years and become close friends. But it takes Max's heart attack before the two come around.

The stars, Lemmon and Walter Matthau, who plays John, are the best part of the movie. They have some great one-liners, and one could chuckle at every facial

expression they make

In one scene, Lemmon throws a fish in the back seat of Matthau's camouflage green truck. Matthau, sick from the smell, fills his truck with air fresheners that hang from the rear view mirror. Another time, Matthau uses his remote control while hanging out his window to switch Lemmon's television's channel as lottery numbers are being drawn live on the air.

But the humor of Lemmon and Matthau is the most outstanding part of the movie. They do a great job at turning a film with an ordinary script into a funny comedy that I would tell anyone to see.

The only problem in the script is that no one in the theater was convinced that this warm-hearted and beautiful woman would fall quickly in love with either of the grumpy men that are always snarling at each other.

But some of the biggest laughs came at the end of the movie when several minutes of film that had been edited out because something went wrong were shown. One could see that Matthau and Lemmon had a great time working on Donald Petrie's movie, the first film that the two have done together since Billy Wilder's 1981 "Buddy Buddy." It's a shame that the funniest part of the movie came with the credits.

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FRONT OR BACK: Where students sit doesn't affect grades

BY ANN MADISON

Russellville senior Alan Markberry sat in the front row of his English class and earned an "A."

Shanon Peterson got an "A" in Spanish 170, and she sat in the center of the classroom.

Scott Meyers sat in the back left corner of Philosophy 120 and he also earned an "A."

These examples show what students and professors are saying — there is no concrete rule that says students are going to perform a certain way because they sit in a specific area of the classroom.

"I have students make A's in the front and A's in the back," said Joseph Traffon, a philosophy and religion professor. "Generally, students who sit in front are interested and motivated, but it doesn't follow that those in the back are not."

Some research supports Traffon's observation.

Research indicates that students who sit in a certain area of the room receive better grades and participate more than those who sit somewhere else, said Larry Caillouet, a communications and broadcasting professor.

"Across the front row and down the center aisle, like a 'T' shape, is the area where generally students tend to speak up most," he said. "In the two back corners there tends to be less participation."

But Caillouet said there are always exceptions to the rule.

Psychology Professor Patti Randolph said that she had a group of "A" students sit in the back of the class to prove that front row students are not the only ones who make good grades.

"To some extent, where students chose to sit is a self-fulfilling prophecy," Caillouet said. "They may sit in the 'T' area because they want more interaction. They may go back to the corners because they don't want to participate."

Randolph believes that where students sit is determined by three factors. One of them is personality.

Myers, the Bowling Green freshman who sat in the back of philosophy class, said, "I like having my own space away from people: it's too crowded up front near the professor."

Peterson, the Bowling Green sophomore who sat in the center of Spanish class said, "I try to avoid loud people like guys who think they're cool and make obnoxious jokes and don't take anything seriously."

Extroverted students usually sit up front, Randolph said.

Number two on Randolph's list of factors that affect where students sit in class is attitude.

"I've learned from experience that I pay more attention when I sit in the front," said Susan Lupy, a Lexington senior

who sat in the first row of a communications class. "Older people have told me that you get more out of the class when you sit in the front."

When going to classes that are not part of her major, Radcliff senior Dawn Rollins said she sits in the back as soon as she slides in the door.

"I don't know the teacher and I don't want to make a lot of noise," she said. "If I feel better about the subject, then I'll move up."

The third thing that determines which seat a student will take is the presence of friends, Randolph said.

"I usually keep the same seat in class, but if I know someone I'll move and sit by them," Brandenburg senior Jay Henning said.

The factors outlined by Randolph were not the results of a psychological study about students and their seats in the classroom. Neither Randolph nor psychology Professor Dave Ball were aware of such a study.

"People sit where they are most comfortable," Ball said.



Stefanie Boyar/Herald

Have a seat: Michelle Fox, a sophomore elementary education major from Hendersonville, Tenn., reads a novel despite the lunch-hour noise at Downing University Center. "I just get so into the book that I block it all out," she said.

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Lady Toppers regroup after loss

BY DENNIS VARNNEY

Tuesday afternoon's practice was an emotional one for the Lady Toppers.

After losing to conference foe Louisiana Tech by 32 points in its last game, the team set out to get back to the basics and winning. Coach Paul Sanderford said.

In the final moments of the practice, it was up to junior center Lori Abell to finish a three-lengths-of-the-floor sprint in 18 seconds, something she said she has had trouble doing since a knee injury earlier in the season.

She seemed to be struggling until her teammates came to the rescue. After the players finished their sprint, they cheered

for Abell to get across in time. Junior Ida Bowen and sophomore Dawn Warner literally pushed Abell down the floor.

While it wasn't clear whether Abell beat the buzzer, Sanderford said one thing was obvious — his team hasn't folded yet.

Even though Abell finished the sprint in tears from the pain, she said it was worth it.

"We don't want another loss," she said. "Our practices have been hard, but a lot of it has been us pushing ourselves."

Bowen, who didn't practice because she had a sore back, said she joined in on the sprint because Abell "was hurting so I wanted to help. She's not only my roommate, she's one of my

"Our practices have been hard, but a lot of it has been us pushing ourselves."

— Lori Abell
junior center

best friends."
Assistant Coach David Graves

said the team answered the question he raised earlier this week. He said the team could either point fingers after the loss or hold hands and pull together. And Dawn Warner, Bowen and Abell did just that.

Team should get win

The game the Lady Toppers are preparing for is one they are supposed to win.

Western (11-5) is on the road to face Texas-Pan American at 7 tonight. The Lady Broncos are 2-13 and don't have a win in the conference this season.

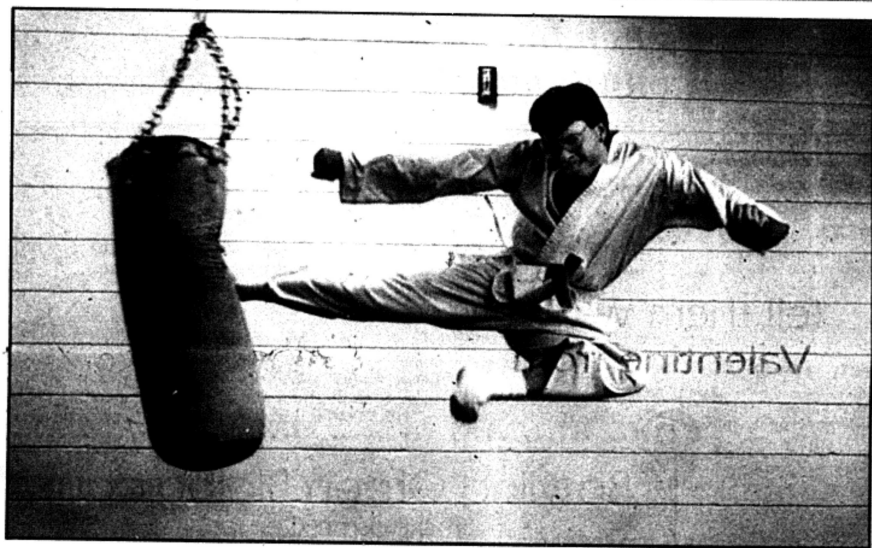
Communication and execution are two things Sanderford preached to his team in Tuesday's practice.

Lady Topper players said one of their problems against Louisiana Tech was that they just didn't talk to each other, enough on the floor. A bigger problem is that they said they don't know how to change that.

"I don't care if you say it's raining outside, just talk, girls," Sanderford said to his players. He asked Jaana Heikkila, a freshman from Finland, if she knew how to say "get out of the way" in English when she got caught up in the corner with one of her teammates in a scrimmage.

"When you go on the road, you have to be able and ready to

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Tor Mathiesen/Herald

Flying high: Jamestown senior David Guffey performs a "flying sidekick" at the Preston Center yesterday. He said he practices Tae Kwon Do there with his roommate, Columbia junior Gregory Keith, about five times a week.

Dallas will win second straight

So those ever-so-dependable Buffalo Bills have decided to grace the Super Bowl with their presence for the fourth straight year.

In the immortal words of Charlie Brown, "Good grief!" Can't the AFC give everyone a break one of these decades and send someone besides the Bills to the Super Bowl?

Let's see, when was the last time a team other than Buffalo played on Super Bowl Sunday? The Reagan administra-



Jason Frakes
Commentary

tion? Or was it Nixon?

Anyway, the point is that it looks like we can all look forward to another zawner on Super Bowl Sunday. Yeah, get those Bud Bowl tickets ready, because it will once again be the most exciting part of Sunday's game.

That's right. Contrary to what most of the media (including one of my fellow Herald writers) are saying, the Bills are doomed to suffer their fourth straight defeat on Super Bowl Sunday and their second straight to the Dallas Cowboys.

It's obvious. The Cowboys are the superior team. Yes, I know Troy Aikman doesn't remember a thing about last Sunday's win over the 49ers. I know Emmitt Smith is still having trouble with his shoulder.

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Bills will finally win big one

It's not a nightmare. It's not *deja vu* at its worst. Like it or not, the Buffalo Bills are back in the Super Bowl.

After the Bills put away Joe Montana and the Kansas City Chiefs last Sunday, they gained yet another chance for their first NFL championship.

Most football fans hoped they wouldn't see the Bills back, but let's face it, it can't be changed so I'm going to make a prediction.

Buffalo, a team that looked more like a group of little leaguers the past three years, can and will win.

I've been called crazy for saying this. People have asked me how the Bills can win.

If the following four factors hold true they should give us a close, down-to-the-wire victory in the Bills' fourth attempt at glory.

1. Thurman Thomas. The game's most versatile offensive

threat gained 208 total yards against the Chiefs and will finally have a big game when it really counts.

Thomas has never lived up to his name in past Super Bowls.

After leading the league in total yardage from scrimmage all three years, he hasn't produced.

But that can't be blamed on him. He really hasn't had many chances to run the ball in the big game.

The Bills' defense has given up so many points early, the only plays Kelly can call are

pass plays. Dallas' Troy Aikman and Emmitt Smith are both banged up, so Buffalo's defense should be able to hold them in check long enough for Thomas to get his yardage and touchdowns.

2. Time. The only Super Bowl in the past decade that I can remember being close, no matter who the contenders were, was the Bills' heart-breaking, one-point loss to the New York

Giants three years ago. That was the one time there was only a one-week layoff between the conference champ-

ions and the Super Bowl — until this year. The Bills won't have an extra week to remind them of their past blunders and should be poised and focused for the win. 3. Fate. The odds have to be in the Bills' favor. Even though Buffalo is at least a 10-point underdog, the Bills have lost three big games in a row. The streak has to stop eventually. The only team that can't beat the odds is the NBA's Dallas Mavericks. And Jamal Mashburn and his crew won't be playing in the Georgia Dome this weekend.

4. Pride. The Bills have come up empty-handed too many times. The players owe themselves and their coach, Mary Levy, a win. Levy took the Bills from football poverty to prosperity. Before Levy, Buffalo was a pushover. Finally he and his team will get their just reward



Dennis Varnney
Commentary

Tennis team to restart season

BY JEFF NATIONS

Tennis Coach Jody Bingham has never looked so forward to the spring as this year.

Western's spring tennis season starts this weekend at Eastern Kentucky, and Bingham is ready to go to Richmond.

"This is probably the best team we've had at Western in 20 years," Bingham said. "It's definitely the best team I've coached, and I've been here five years."

Mike Curran, who beat Quincy Brown for the No. 1 seed at practice Wednesday, will compete in his first spring season this year.

Curran, whose serve has been clocked as high as 132 miles per hour, said he's been playing "just about every day" to prevent himself from getting rusty over the break.

Curran said he's looking forward to playing on Eastern's hard surface courts.

"If you can serve consistently in the 110-to-115-mile-an-hour range on those courts, then you'll never lose your serve," he said.

Brown, who sat out last

semester after an academic mixup made him ineligible, was penciled in as Western's No. 2 seed, but may not be eligible this semester, either.

"Quincy's eligibility is pending," Bingham said, "but he probably won't play this weekend."

Bingham said losing Brown could upset the balance of the team.

"With Quincy out of the lineup this weekend, it could be a total disaster for us," he said.

"We definitely are going to have our hands full now. When you ask everybody to move up a spot, you're asking a lot."

Sophomore Alex Lykos, a native Australian who transferred to Western from St. Peters in New Jersey, will probably start the season as Bingham's third-seeded player.

Last year, while at St. Peters, Lykos won the Mid-Atlantic Athletic Conference singles title. "Alex is just so steady," Curran said. "He just waits for you to make a mistake."

Lykos said he relies on his

consistency to beat opponents.

"I'm not going to try to go out and power anybody, because I don't have those tools," he said. "I just try to be consistent and steady and not beat myself."

In doubles, Bingham welcomes back the No. 1 team of a year ago, Curran and Matt Wuller. Wuller will also play as the No. 4 singles seed this season.

Bingham got some additional good news when ex-basketball Topper Brad Cirino joined the team a few weeks ago.

Bingham said Cirino's 6-6 height and powerful serve will make him an impact player for Western soon.

"Brad is the future of collegiate tennis," he said. "I think you'll see more and more programs recruiting bigger players."

Western will play Eastern at 10 a.m. on Friday, Saturday, it'll play Evansville at 8:30 a.m. and will finish up the tournament on Sunday at 1 p.m. against Southern Illinois. All three matches will be in Richmond.



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Sophomore Alex Lykos is the tennis team's third seed.

♦ Sports briefs

Mee readying for return

Darnell Mee, who led the Topper basketball team to last year's Sweet 16 finish, will return to NBA action sooner than previously thought. He was averaging 22 points before the injury.

The stress fracture on his left leg earlier this season with the Denver Nuggets was thought to be season-ending, but Mee said doctors said he should be back in action in less than two months.

Former Western coach fired

After guiding the Phoenix Cardinals to three consecutive wins to end the team's regular season, former Western assistant coach Joe Bugel has been fired. Even with the Cardinals' strong finish, the team was 7-9 on the season.

Bugel is the second former Western assistant coach to get fired after the NFL's regular season. The Atlanta Falcons fired Jerry Glanville earlier this month.

Schedule change

The men's home basketball game with Louisiana Tech has been moved to Feb. 28 at 7 p.m. The game was originally scheduled for Jan. 20, but was canceled due to icy road conditions.

In order to keep the Toppers from playing two games in consecutive days, the March 1 home game with Texas-Pan American has been moved to March 2 at 6 p.m.

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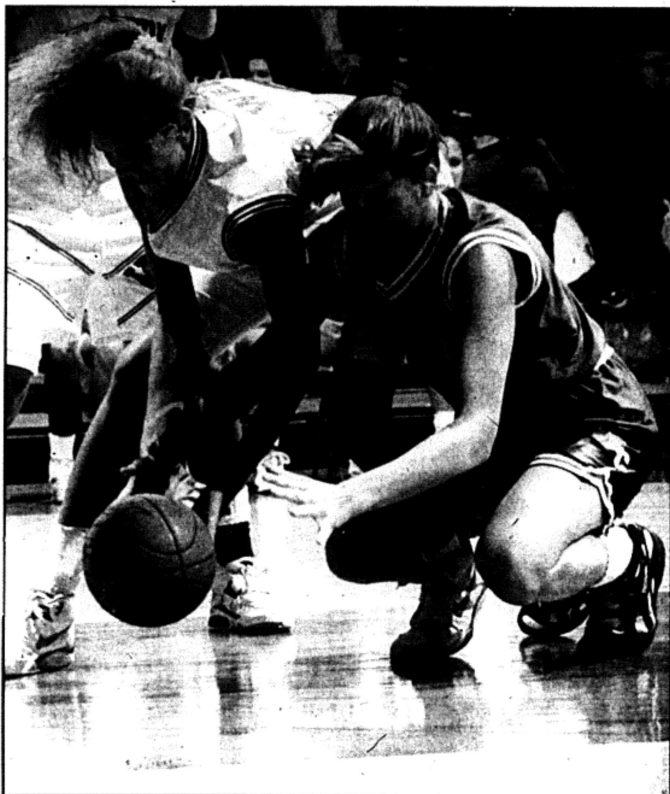


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Junior forward Ida Bowen battled Alison Jurgens for control of the ball in the Lady Toppers' win against Missouri-Kansas City last week. The Lady Toppers host Evansville in Diddle Arena at 2 p.m. Sunday after going on the road for a conference game against Texas-Pan American at 7 tonight.

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Loss: Team ready to compete

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play," he said.

They'll also have to stop Dawn Beachler, Texas-Pan American's top player. Beachler is leading the Sun Belt Conference with 24 points per game.

The Lady Broncs' biggest weakness is their rebounding. They are last in the conference in rebounds per game and give up more rebounds than any other Sun Belt team. The Lady Toppers are first in the nation in rebound margin, averaging almost 17 more rebounds per game than their opponents.

Sanderford said the Lady Toppers won't take the Lady Broncs for granted.

"It seems like everybody saves their best for us," he said. "I'm

sure Texas-Pan American will play hard and be ready to compete."

Abell agreed that the team would have no problem focusing on getting a victory.

"A lot of us are through with taking teams lightly," she said. "They're tired of us beating them. When it comes time to play, we'll be ready."

Senior forward Denise Hill said the Louisiana Tech game will remain on the team's minds.

"Physically and mentally, it was a terrible loss," she said. "We've got too much pride and tradition to let someone do that to us again."

The Lady Toppers will be back in Diddle Arena Sunday for a game against Evansville (2-15) at 2 p.m.

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Western part of new NCAA program

◆ *The school is one of the first to participate in the NCAA-mandated self-study of the athletic program in hopes of gaining accreditation*

BY KAREN D. BROWN

Western, along with 70 other institutions around the country, will be showing and telling all about its athletic department in hopes of becoming athletically certified by the NCAA.

During the 1993 convention, the NCAA started a new program for Division I schools that want to keep their accreditation in athletics.

Western is among the first institutions to participate in the year-long mandatory self-study. Western began the self-study last November with an orientation by NCAA contact Dr. Jerry Karner.

James Heck, executive assistant to President Thomas Meredith, will chair Western's steering committee, which will oversee the study. A broad range of Western personnel will serve

on four subcommittees: academic integrity, fiscal integrity, governance and rules compliance and commitment to equity.

The subcommittees are all in the data collection process using the NCAA's official Self-Study Instrument, which provides schools with operating principles, self-study items and an evaluation and plan for improvement.

After the study is complete and Western is reviewed by a peer board, the institution will be classified in one of three categories: certified, certified with conditions or not certified.

The NCAA has not clearly defined what it means to be certified or not certified.

"The NCAA hasn't said what the consequences are going to be if a school is not certified," Associate Director of Athletics Barry Brickman said.

Gathering information

The instrument assigned the subcommittees specific duties to fulfill.

The academic integrity subcommittee has been collecting its data from three main sources, Chairman Kyle Wallace

said.

They are retrieving information from Western's computer system, the Office of Admissions and the Office of the Registrar concerning the admissions process and graduation rate of ath-

letes, Wallace said.

"I have worked on other self-studies," he said. "I am

impressed by the NCAA's organization process."

Steve White said his subcommittee of fiscal integrity is hoping to release a preliminary report by next week. Its information will come from the budgets and annual reports of the past three years.

Retired football coach Jimmy Feix heads the governance and rules compliance subcommittee to examine what influence the president, Board of Regents, private citizens and booster organization have with the athletic department.

"Eventually we will come up with an evaluation," Feix said. "Everyone needs to be up front and not hide anything."

The last subcommittee deals with gender issues, minority issues and student-athlete welfare and is chaired by psychology Professor Betsy Shoenfelt.

All the subcommittees are able to see any information related to their study from interim Athletics Director Jim Richards, Associate Director of Athletics Pam Herriford and Brickman.

"We are here to answer any question and explain informa-

tion to the subcommittees," Brickman said.

Accreditation expected

Livingston Alexander, associate vice president for Academic Affairs and member of the steering committee, gave three specific areas the study will examine.

The study is to ensure that the athletic program is in compliance with the rules, the institution is in control of the athletic department instead of outside organizations and that financial aspects are in good shape, he said.

Also the study will show what the department's strengths and weaknesses are, and Heck thinks only good results will emerge.

"I think we have an outstanding athletic administration, coaches and student-athletes who represent the institution well," he said. "This will be demonstrated in the study."

The athletic department is pleased to be going through this study because it is an improvement process and will help the department do things better, Herriford said.

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— James Heck
Assistant to the President

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Feb. 19 at Mississippi
20 at Mississippi
22 BELLARMINE
26 at Ala.-Birmingham
25 at Birmingham South
27 at Sanford

March 1 at Southeast Missouri
2 EASTERN KY.
5 *LITTLE ROCK (DH)
6 *ARK.-LITTLE ROCK
8 at Eastern Kentucky
9 SE MISSOURI
12 at Jacksonville (DH)
13 at Jacksonville
17 WISC.-MILWAUKEE
18 WISC.-MILWAUKEE
19 MARSHALL (DH)
20 MARSHALL
22 at Vanderbilt
26 *S. ALABAMA (DH)
27 *SOUTH ALABAMA
28 at Louisville
30 TENN.-MARTIN

April 2 *at Arkansas St. (DH)
3 *at Arkansas State
5 TENNESSEE TECH
6 at Tennessee-Martin
9 *at Little Rock (DH)
10 *at Ark.-Little Rock
12 at Kentucky
13 LOUISVILLE
16 *JACKSONVILLE (DH)
17 *JACKSONVILLE
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27 at Morehead St. (DH)
28 at Tennessee Tech
30 *ARK. STATE (DH)

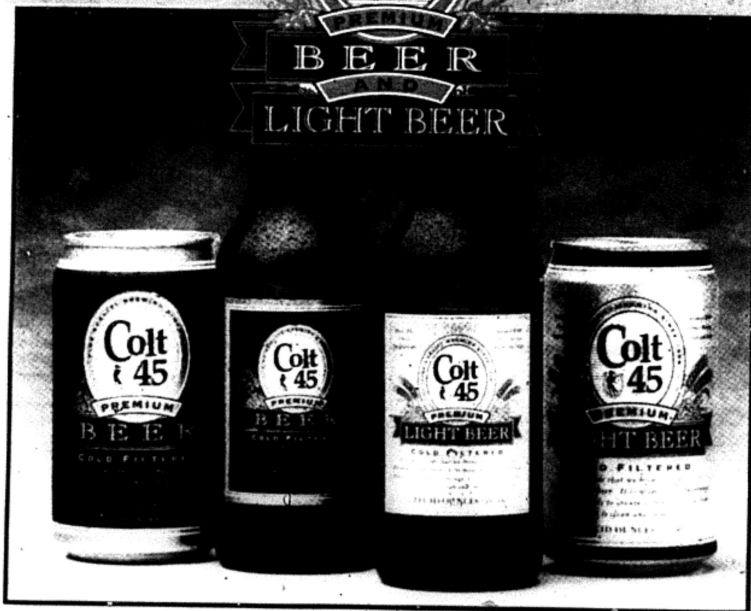
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Willard wants team to keep playing with confidence

◆ **Western will play Lamar in Diddle Arena at 7 p.m. on Saturday**

BY JASON FRANKS

With 12 games and five weeks left until the Sun Belt Conference tournament, the Hilltopper basketball team is heading into the stretch run of the season.

Western's next test is 7 p.m. Saturday against Lamar (7-6, 3-4) in Diddle Arena. The Toppers will enter the game 8-7 overall and 5-3 in the conference, good for third place in the league.

While Coach Ralph Willard and his squad will be focused on winning games and jockeying for a high, or even a top seed in the post-season conference tournament, several questions remain concerning the Toppers' chances for a successful post-season.

First, can a Topper team that took its lumps early on in the season regain its confidence in time for March Madness?

After Monday's 91-87 win over Sun Belt leader Southwest Louisiana, several Toppers said the confidence problem had been solved.

"I think it (the win) kind of confirmed what we've known in the back of our minds since the beginning — that we're a good basketball team," junior guard Darrin Horn said.

Another question, raised mostly by Willard, that surrounded the team's first half of the season was that of establishing a leader — one that the Toppers could count on in the clutch.

Again, Monday's game may have provided the solution. In fact, the game may have provided more than one answer.

After suffering through a cold shooting night, sophomore guard Michael Fralix showed the toughness of an up-and-coming leader by nailing a three-pointer with 11 seconds left to give the Toppers the victory.

Also stepping up may have been Horn and sophomore forward Chris Robinson.

Robinson has averaged 24 points and 13 rebounds during the last two Toppers games and continues to lead his team in

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— **Ralph Willard**
men's basketball coach

scoring at 15.3 points per game. After struggling through most of the season, Horn showed signs of breaking out of his slump Monday night. Horn scored 13 points, nailing three of five three-pointers, and added six rebounds and three assists.

So, with confidence returning and leaders emerging, the last question surfaces. Are the Toppers now ready to start making a run toward the post-season?

Not so fast, says the coach. "I'm not really concerned about winning or losing basketball games at this point,"

Willard said. "I'm more concerned about playing with confidence and being relentless. I thought for much of the (Monday) game we were relentless."

Before heading to the Hill on Saturday, Lamar will host conference doormat Louisiana Tech (1-12, 0-6) tonight in Beaumont, Texas.

The Cardinals have been led so far this year by the three-guard tandem of Quincy Dockins, Attim Browne and Keith Venev.

"They are all solid players for us," Cardinal Coach Greg Giovannine said. "Browne is a four-year starter for us, Dockins has probably been our best player of late and Venev is coming off a great freshman year."

Dockins, a senior, leads his team in scoring with 15.6 points per game. He is tied for fourth in the conference with 22 steals per game and also leads his team in assists with 3.4 per game.

Browne is the Cardinals' all-time assists leader and is their second-leading scorer at 14.8 points per game.

Venev, who was named the Sun Belt's Freshman of the Year last season, averages 13.7 points per game and 2.5 three-pointers per game, second in the Sun Belt.

The Cardinal frontcourt relies on senior forward Neville Dyson, who averages 13.0 points per game and leads the Sun Belt in rebounds (12.2 per game) and field goal percentage (54.4 percent).

At only 6-6, Dyson's rebounding prowess is explained as all heart by Giovannine.

"That speaks a lot about his character and heart," he said. "He's just tenacious on the boards and somehow has a knack for coming up with the rebound."

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DALLAS: Coach is the key

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But against the Bills in the Super Bowl, things like those just don't seem to matter.

Some are saying that the law of averages is bound to help the Bills. After three straight losses, the Bills are destined to finally win one.

I've got two words for those believers.

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Can the same be said about the Bills' coach Marv Levy? Yes, I'm sure he is very dedicated, but if the past is any indication, he and his team will once again be on the wrong side of a very lopsided score.

One need only look back to the early-season matchup between the same two teams. The Bills were able to squeak out with a 13-10 win in Dallas, but the circumstances under which the Bills won and the margin of victory should be cause for alarm for Bills' fans.

During that game, the Cowboys were without league Most Valuable Player Smith, who was still holding out for a

much-deserved pay raise. "So what," you say. "The Bills still would have won with Smith."

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◆ Belt loop

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Team	Conference	Overall	Next game
Texas-Pan American	5-1	9-3	Tonight at Troy St.
SW Louisiana	6-2	12-4	Tonight vs. Arkansas St.
WESTERN	5-3	8-7	Sat. vs. Lamar
New Orleans	4-3	10-5	Tonight at South Alabama
Jacksonville	5-4	8-7	Sat. vs. Texas-Pan Am.
Arkansas State	3-4	8-7	Tonight at SW Louisiana
Lamar	3-4	7-6	Tonight vs. La. Tech
Arkansas-Little Rock	3-5	8-6	Sat. at Arkansas St.
South Alabama	3-5	7-9	Tonight vs. New Orleans
Louisiana Tech	0-6	1-12	Tonight at Lamar



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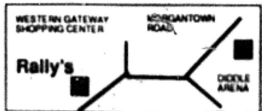
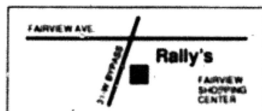
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kind fry, & 2-for-1 soft drink.
Cheese and fix extra

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