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SPECIAL OLYMPICS: Games bring people together



Stefanie Boyer/Herald

While waiting for the announcement of awards for her event, Erin Holley, 11, from Metcalfe County, receives a hug from her Special Olympics buddy, April Young, 15, at Smith Stadium Saturday.

BY DAWN ANG

Andrea Shannon wants to be a running back for the Miami Dolphins when he grows up, but for now, he's content just winning the 50 meter dash at the area Special Olympics held Saturday at Diddle Arena and Smith Stadium.

Andrea, 12, who represented Simpson County, waited patiently at the sidelines to receive his ninth blue ribbon since he began participating in the Olympics a year ago.

"I'm going to hang the ribbon on my bedroom wall," he said.

About 600 athletes between 8 and 47 years old and 150 coaches from 10 counties participated in the Area 5 Kentucky Special Olympics, said Jo Verner, director.

Many supportive parents

stood along the sidelines cheering their children on. No participants left that day without receiving a colored ribbon for their efforts.

There were 13 events altogether, including track and field, gymnastics, swimming, and developmental events for the severely developmentally impaired, which was the category Tiffany Foster, 11, participated in.

Tiffany was determined as she huffed and puffed her way around floor mats trying to topple bowling pins in the body-bowling competition.

Tiffany, who has cerebral palsy, won two blue ribbons for the body-bowling and the log-roll events. She was at the games

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Greek volunteers give time to help Olympians

BY CATHERINE WHIPPLE

As part of Greek Week, about 200 Western fraternity and sorority members volunteered Saturday to bring some joy to the lives of Special Olympic participants.

The Special Olympics is an athletic competition for people who are mentally or physically disabled.

Each competitor at the Special Olympics is paired with a buddy. The two stay together all day and the buddy acts as a mentor, making sure the participant gets to his or her event.

Harned senior Todd Whitworth, a Sigma Nu member, was the buddy for two boys, one 11 and one 13.

"I wanted to help those who are less fortunate to feel better about themselves and for me

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Western
lagging
in regent
election

BY SHERRY I. WILSON

Western is the only state university that hasn't set a date to elect a staff regent.

Anna Highland, Staff Advisory Council vice chairwoman, said she realizes the process is slow.

"It is moving, though," she said.

Gov. Brereton Jones signed a bill into law March 10 requiring

◆ **Staff regent elections are planned for the first of June.**

Kentucky's state universities to elect a staff member to each school's governing board. Mike Dale, personnel director, said Western must have a staff regent by July 1.

Highland said the personnel department will be helping the Staff Advisory Council with the election.

Dale said he thinks the election will probably be around the first of June.

However, Western is behind the other state universities because it hasn't set an election date.

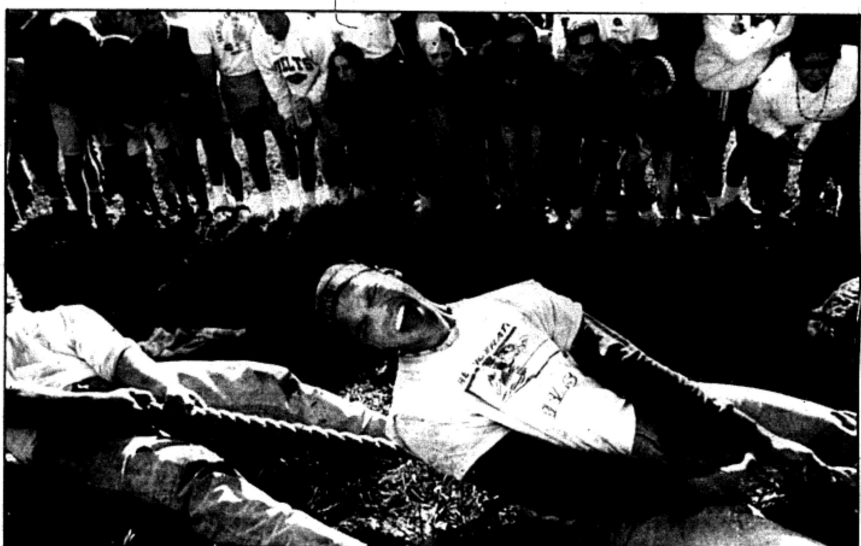
Morehead State University has just begun its process to elect a staff regent, said Judy Yancy, Morehead's director of Institutional Relations.

She said they are taking nominations through April 27 and will have the election May 18.

Dan Connell, chairman of the staff congress at Morehead, said they are requiring the winner of the election to have at least 50 percent of the vote.

He said they are looking forward to a run-off election after their first election. A run-off election would take place between the two top vote-getters if neither got the 50 percent needed to win. The two candidates

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Stefanie Boyer/Herald

Pulling together: Jason Gerst, a sophomore from Evansville, Ind., helps his fraternity, Delta Tau Delta, defeat Phi Delta Theta during the final round of the Greek Week Tug-of-War. The Deltas tug team practiced four times per week for a month before the competition. For more Greek Week results, see page 9.

Credit card companies 'market the upside, but don't emphasize the trap'

◆ **This final story of the series shows why companies target students**

BY CHRIS POYNTER

Stacy Wright thought his credit card was his ticket through school. It would allow him to take road trips, eat at nice restaurants and buy nice clothes.

"It started with stuff for school — books, stuff for the dorm room, this and that," Wright said. "Then it evolved to whatever I needed, whatever I wanted."

A \$500 video camera was his

first purchase, then a Super Nintendo and one compact disc after another. He also discovered he could withdraw cash from automated teller machines.

Now the 23-year-old who graduated last May is living with his parents, working a minimum-wage job and trying to erase the \$2,000 debt.

"The thing that gets me is that I'm home and I want to get out," he said, "but I can't because of money."

Wright's like other students who live at a higher standard in college because they can charge. Credit card companies have been targeting students since the



1970s. It began with petroleum corporations, which introduced credit cards that were accepted at certain restaurants, gas stations and hotels, said

Howard Bailey, dean of Student Life, who has been at Western for 22 years.

Since then the number of students who have credit cards has grown, Bailey said. Now it's common to find students who have reached their credit limit.

According to a recent survey by College Track research group, 51 percent of students have a major credit card. Those students charge about \$60 billion each year, said Stuart Himmel

farb, who conducted the survey.

"They make it very tempting for college students, especially those who aren't used to managing their own money," he said. "Credit cards are appealing."

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♦ Campusline

Spirit Masters host an interest meeting from 1 to 4 today in Downing University Center, Room 340. For more information, contact Lara Briner at 745-6654 or the Spirit Master office at 745-5811.

Rugby team practices at 3:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Creason Lower Field. For more information, contact Stan Hodges at 782-3485.

Golden Key National Honor Society meets at 6 p.m. Tuesdays in DUC, Room 341. For more information, contact Valerie Wilcox at 745-3405.

Christian Student Fellowship meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the CSF house across from South Hall. For more information, contact Amy Bryson at 745-3924.

Campus Crusade for Christ meets at 8 p.m. Tuesdays in Tate Page Hall Auditorium. For more information, contact Susan Carson at 706-3118.

Circle K Club meets at 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays in DUC, Room 305. For more information, contact J.P. Peach at 782-7811, Suzie Wiek at 745-2637 or Marie Johnson at 745-2508.

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.

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

Students Right to Life meets at 3:30 p.m. Thursdays in DUC, Room 230. For more information, contact Kelly Goedert at 745-6620.

The College Republicans meets at 4 p.m. Thursday in DUC, Room 308. For more information, contact Brian Smith at 782-1360.

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 p.m. Thursday at the Baptist Student Union. For more information, contact Toy Lisa Mitchell at 745-2228.

♦ Clearing the air

An article in Thursday's Herald quoted Gary Ransdell, vice president for Institutional Advancement at Clemson University, as saying, "It sounds like this may not be a person we want at Western."

Ransdell said Thursday that he didn't say the word "person," but instead talked about the situation as a whole. Ransdell said he wasn't attacking Robert Rutledge's character.

Herald reporter Jim Hannah's notes show that the quote was accurate.



Jamal A. Wilson/Herald

Curtains: When the curtain fell at the close of "Gotta Dance," Mauricio Sanchez, a sophomore from Venezuela, embraced Bowling Green senior Andrea Basham with a farewell hug. Basham participated in the Evening of Dance performances during her four years at Western. The last performance of "Gotta Dance" was Sunday at 3 p.m.

♦ For the record/crime reports

Reports

♦ Beverly Dorene Veenker, 328 E. Main St., reported her video camcorder, valued at \$360, stolen from the Russell Miller Theatre ticket office on April 18

or 19.

♦ Susan Patricia Minors, 420 E. 13th St., reported her wallet, valued at \$5, and its contents, valued at \$25, stolen from her office in the Science and Technology Hall April 20.

♦ Kimberly Faye Rufra, Lost River Apartments, reported \$35 cash stolen from her wallet while it was in the room located off the front desk at Preston Health and Activities Center April 20.

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TAKING CHARGE

Always read the fine print, counselor says

By ROB WEBER

To handle credit cards responsibly, students must realize how credit card charges accumulate and read the fine print of the contract, said Archie McClain, a financial counselor with National Consumer Services in Louisville.

"They need to understand the annual percentage rates and annual fees because you can end up owing a lot more to a credit card company than was actually borrowed," McClain said.

Students ready to get a credit card should look for cards with no annual fees and low interest rates — ranging from 9 to 12 percent, McClain said.

Also students should look for cards with a grace period of about 30 days — that will give card carriers almost a month to pay for their purchases before any interest is added to their bill.

Although some credit card companies allow card holders to skip a monthly payment on their balance, that isn't an offer students should take advantage of since interest will continue to accumulate, McClain said.

Pay more than minimum

In fact, students should try to pay more than the required monthly minimum payment — usually about 18 percent of their balance, McClain said. Otherwise, interest may force a person to pay much more than was actually charged before their credit card bill is paid in full.

Some credit cards, such as American Express, require an annual fee — \$35 for students —

What to look for

The best credit cards have:

- ◆ No annual fees
- ◆ Low interest rates — usually 9 to 12 percent
- ◆ A 30-day grace period, the time you can pay the debt without interest being added.

but don't charge any interest and require that the entire credit balance be paid off every month.

The fees and interest rates of MasterCard and Visa credit cards can vary, since they are issued through more than 6,000 individual banks.

The Discover Card doesn't charge an annual fee. However, interest rates are subject to change according to shifts in the prime rate and the amount of goods purchased with the card.

Although credit cards are easier to get once a person establishes a good credit history, students shouldn't need more than two major credit cards, said Edwina Jackson, a financial counselor with Consumer Credit Counseling Service.

But students who lack the money to pay for credit card charges should resist the temptation to get a card, said Kelli Peck, director of New Sorority Hall, who talks to student groups about money management.

"No credit is better than bad credit," Peck said.

In Downing University Center, Bailey said. Nothing else has been done.

Western used to allow credit companies to set up tables at the beginning of the fall semester for a \$75 charge. That no longer happens, Bailey said.

Credit companies are "preying on a group that is on a very limited budget yet there is a real competition on today's campuses to dress nice, look nice, drive nice vehicles," Bailey said. "We've become a credit card society. If you can't afford it, charge it."

Digging a financial grave

Since students are vulnerable when it comes to credit, there is a question that Miller says need to be addressed: Is it moral to push credit on students without also telling them the dangers?

Credit companies "market the upside, but don't emphasize the trap," Miller said.

Once students get cards, they are likely to spend without thinking of the consequences. When Miller's daughter went to college a few years ago, she, like others, maxed out her card and couldn't afford to make payments.

"It was trapping her," he said. Miller's not sure who should be responsible for educating students about pitfalls of credit.

Should it be the consumer's, the public's or the credit card companies' Should it be law that companies tell you about possible problems in advance?

Miller suggests that universities and colleges should offer debt counseling. Others say something must be done.

Now more than ever, Bailey says students are "digging themselves into a financial grave."

CREDIT CARDS: They're everywhere you want to be ... even on campus

By CHRIS POYNTER

Pick up the Herald and a Discover insert falls out. "Get something out of college you know you'll use," it reads. The bin that holds the papers has a Visa advertisement on it, and inside the Herald are three ads for credit cards.

Applications for credit cards are tacked to the bulletin boards in Downing University Center. Stop by the information desk and they are there, too.

Even the sneak preview movie "Blue Chips" at DUC Theatre was sponsored by Discover.

Howard Bailey, dean of Student Life, said Western is one of the few campuses in the nation that gets to show sneak preview movies, which are often sponsored by credit card companies. Sometimes Western is required to pass out applications as students enter the door.

"We've kind of gritted our teeth and gone along with it," Bailey said. He said the benefits of having sneak preview movies outweigh the concern of credit cards.

The visibility of credit cards on campus is everywhere from bulletin boards in classrooms to booths set up around campus that offer students a two-liter of cola or a candy bar if they fill out an application.

Deans of Kentucky universities realize that credit card companies have taken over campuses. Two years ago, the deans met to discuss the issue

but little has been done to address the concern.

Western took the first step by not allowing credit card companies to set up booths on campus. However, companies have skirted that rule by promising money to campus organizations each time they set up a booth and students sign up for a card.

Bailey said that's a loophole the administration will look into this summer, but it's tough because companies offer organizations lucrative amounts of money.

"We don't want to create a situation where we cause a big disturbance," Bailey said, "but at the same time I don't feel good about having those groups on campus."

Bailey is also concerned that those groups will interfere with a new credit card that Western is marketing to students and alumni.

Every time a student charges something on the Western Visa card, the university will receive about 1 percent of the payment.

The money will be funneled into the alumni office and be used for travel and publication of the Alumni magazine.

Students will be receiving information through the mail and information about the credit cards will be included in orientation packets.

It is expected to bring in \$45,000 the first year and \$116,000 by the fifth year, said Gene Crume, director of Alumni Affairs. The estimates are based on figures from the credit card company.

"Students can apply and in most cases get a credit card without a problem," Crume said.

"We've kind of gritted our teeth and gone along with it."

— Howard Bailey
dean of Student Life

PLASTIC: Companies 'preying' on students

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because they offer money that students have yet to get their hands on. It's always easy to spend what you don't have."

Credit companies target students for several reasons:

- ◆ Loyalty. "They feel like if they can get cards out while you're young, you will keep it a lifetime," said Cliff Shaluta, an advertising professor at Western. Two years ago, one of Shaluta's classes did an advertising campaign for Visa. The class found that people are more likely to keep one brand of credit card.

- ◆ College students are easily persuaded, Shaluta said. If students get what they want, they'll be more likely to charge it than adults, he said.

- ◆ Students can usually pay for the debt after they graduate, said Richard Miller, a psychology professor who is a board member of Service One Credit Union, which issues credit cards to students. Also, parents will sometimes pick up their children's monthly payments while they are in school, he said.

- ◆ Students with degrees generally earn more than those without a college education, Bailey said.

Credit cards are "one of the most competitive business categories on campus," Himmelfarb said. Administrators at Kentucky colleges realized that and decided to do something about it.

Two years ago, deans of Kentucky schools met to discuss campus issues. One of the hottest topics was college students and credit, Bailey said.

Western decided that credit card companies that market the cards can no longer set up tables

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—Thelma Jackson, Master's Degree Health Care Administration

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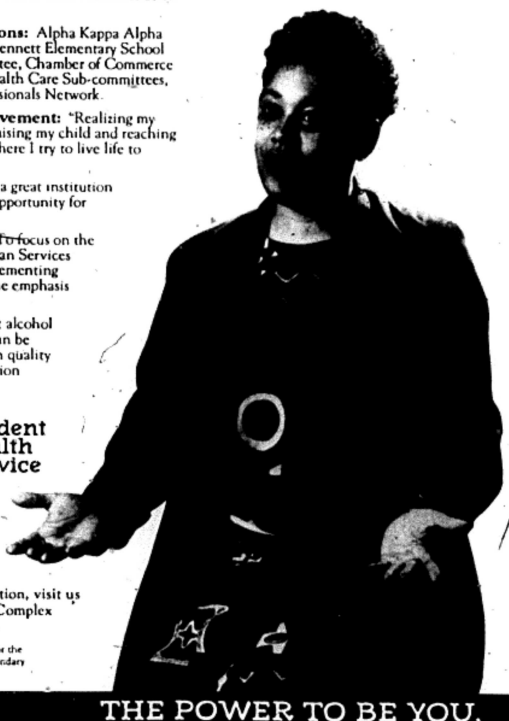
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♦ Our view/editorial

Western can use new hiring policy

Western needs a new set of rules to play by in the hiring game. Recently, a lot of controversy has surrounded some of the university's hiring procedures for administrative positions. A little change in the way things are done could only make things better.

Western can begin with a formal policy, making it clear who is responsible for what and just what the procedure for hiring is.

President Thomas Meredith, with the power of his position behind him, should have the executive decision when it comes to bringing in new faces, but along with his power comes more responsibility when it comes to the search process.

He should take care to advertise positions well and be sure to establish a knowledgeable search committee to get the job done right.

But there's more to do, much of which has gone unnoticed in the past. Deadlines, for example, have been something the university has given little regard. To keep things running smoothly on a university campus, dead lines must be set and met, no question about it.

And let's not forget good communication. People have a natural desire to know what's going on. What's more, as part of this campus, they have a right to know what's going on. It's up to those in charge to make sure the people they preside over understand all there is to know about the process and those involved.

By being prepared, Western can save itself a lot of confusion and embarrassment. And with the way things have been going, it's something to think about.



♦ Your view/letters to the editor

Information on campus crime

As concerned individuals of campus crime and safety we thought you would be interested in a recent study completed. For our Social Work 381 class, we finalized a study on the issues

surrounding safety and crime here at Western. Some goals we wanted to achieve were to increase awareness, to learn more individually, and to ask questions.

These tasks were accomplished in a variety of ways. We implemented a hotline for questions and comments, conducted a survey, posted flyers, read arti-

cles and conducted interviews. From this and the survey conducted of Western students we were able to conclude the following:

- ♦ 82 out of 100 people wanted better lighting around campus.
- ♦ 66 out of 100 wanted better lighting in the parking structure.
- ♦ 58 out of 100 wished for increased safety patrol and 38

out of 100 thought that the escort service could be improved upon;

- ♦ 52 out of 100 wished for more campus phone lines and 48 out of 100 had felt unsafe in Western's elevators.

We also concluded that there had been eight victims of crime at Western with three participants in crime. While these figures seem relatively small, any

crime is too much. Most of the individuals that we talked with expressed a concern that nothing would be done even if they reported the crime. Most of the participants in our study felt that treatment by city and campus officers was fair.

While our study indicated

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♦ PEOPLE POLL: How do you think former President Richard Nixon will best be remembered?

"Water-gate proba-bly and him stepping down as president, which may have been a bad decision in the long run. He was a pretty good president overall, I think."



—Ty Koon, Lexington senior

"For the scandal. That's what I think of every time I hear his name."



—Tara Crump, Louisville junior

"I think he'll go down in history as one of the better presidents. He did a lot of good stuff along with the bad."



—Mike Anderia, graduate student from Maryville, Mo.

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♦ Your view/Editor's Hotline

Gender bias is against men

In light of Anne Murray claiming gender bias, I would ask her to look in the back of the (university) catalog where there's such things as women's studies, but she will not find anything about men's studies. And here she is a woman claiming gender bias when it's clear it's gender bias, but not against women, it's against men.

Get rid of newspaper

In response to David Bunnell's commentary on how

EDITOR'S
HOTLINE

745-4874

SGA is not important on Western's campus, why don't we get rid of the things that really aren't important to Western like the Herald. That can save a lot of money for the campus and it can get rid of these liberal-minded commentaries."

Editor's Note: The Herald operates on its advertising revenue. Money is not budgeted by the university for the paper.

Privacy isn't worth PFT

"I'm calling about the confirmation cards we received in the mail from the housing office. They failed to mention when we filled out our housing requests that yeah, you can have a private room, but it has to be in PFT and nowhere else on campus. This just isn't right."

♦ Your view/letters to the editor

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that students wished for changes at Western, we realize that certain limitations exist such as budgets or personnel limitations.

We do hope that this information has been helpful to you. If you have any suggestions for our group, or you would like to comment on our study, just drop us a note to the following address.

Jennifer Lienhart,

Glasgow senior
Student Safety Action Group

Editor's Note: Students can write to:
Student Safety Action Group,
c/o Jennifer Lienhart, Student
Social Work Program, Western
Kentucky University, Bowling
Green, KY 42101

Proud to be Greek

I am writing this letter concerning Stacy Curtis' comic strip "Geek Week" on April 19. I feel I'm qualified to comment on this issue since I've been both an independent and a Greek.

In the past two years that I've been Greek, I've volunteered more time, donated to more charities and philanthropies, met more people and gotten more involved on campus than I ever did or could have as an independent. I've been involved with numerous blood drives, food drives, and fundraisers to help others in need. So, if all this is a crime, then by all means please prosecute me.

Oh, sure, we're known for partying and having fun with such "trivial" things as penny toss and Greek feud. Well excuse us for having some fun and competition. When was the last time

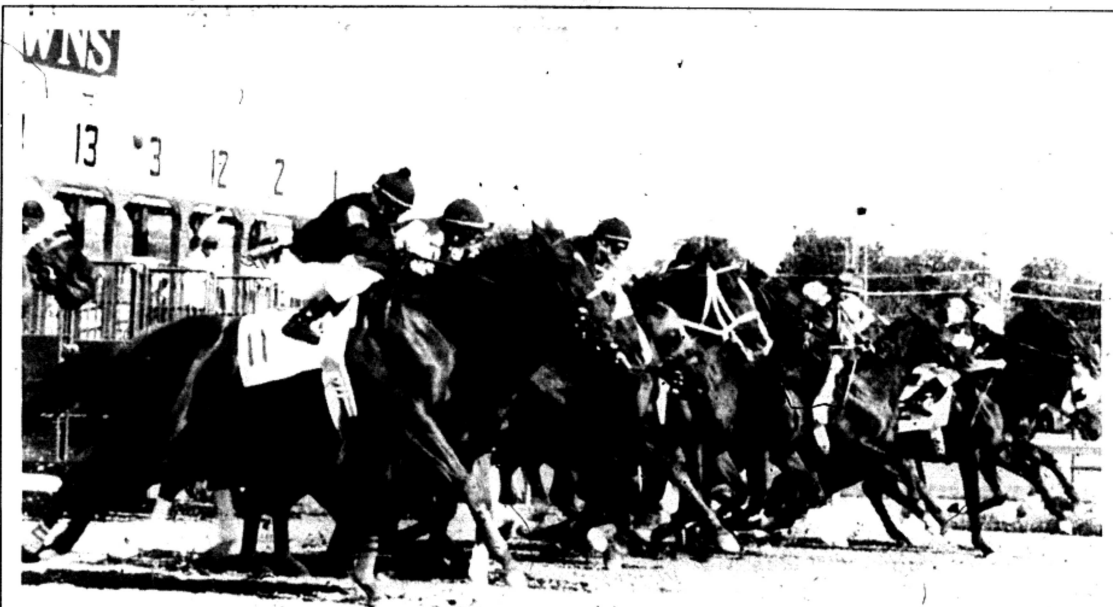
the independents were criticized for drinking and having fun? So basically, the independents can party with us and go without doing many of the positive aspects that we contribute to both the campus and community, and not get criticized. Sounds fair to me.

I think that a small college newspaper has a lot of nerve making fun of organizations that purchase a major part of their advertising. Where would you be if all the Greek organizations united and decided to protest and not place ads with your newspaper anymore?

In closing, if volunteering time, donating to charities and being involved with the campus and community and don't forget the ever famous partying makes me a geek, then I'm very proud to be called a geek.

Brandy Mullen,

junior from Connersville, Ind.



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CHURCHILL DOWNS

Some recent grads moving back home with mom and dad

By P. ALAN BERNARDY

After four or more years of studying, test-taking, attending class and stress, as they grab their diplomas, some students are coming to the conclusion that there is no place like home.

A new analysis by the

Population

Reference

Bureau which

appeared in

the Courier

Journal, said

that young

Americans are

staying at

home longer

and are more

likely to

return after an

extended

absence.

What this

means to some

graduating

seniors, is that

relying on

their parents'

financial stability

is much more

attractive than

competing in the

current job market.

"I'm going home for about a

year to try and find job and save

some money," Frankfort senior

Scott Blackburn said.

Blackburn, who will be

receiving his degree in elemen-

tary education, said parents have

to be understanding to their chil-

dren and his have no objections

to his returning home.

"They like the idea of their

son coming home," he said.

The 1990 census said that 21

percent of all 25-year-olds living

in households were living with

their parents. That figure was up

from 15 percent in 1970.

What is it that is attracting

graduates back to their parents?

Calhoun senior Amy Bickett

said that job opportunities have

a lot to do with it.

"I can see if you didn't have a

job that it would be easy to move back with your parents," she said. "But I've been on my own since I was 21, and far too independent to think of anything like that."

Traditionally, when a person graduates from high school they go away to college, get married

or join the military.

"But today's

young adults

came of age

during recessions,

tight job

markets, slow

wage growth

and soaring

housing costs,"

the Courier

Journal article

said.

And that

makes their

parents' financial

stability even

more attractive.

"I think that sometimes they

don't know what else to do,"

Bowling Green senior Craig

Bitterling said.

But is it the parents' responsi-

bility to take their children back

in after they have helped pay for

their education?

"I don't know that it is their

responsibility," said Sallye

Clark, consumer and family sci-

ence professor. "I think they do

it out of love for the child. It may

be a hardship for the parents,

but it is part of parenting."

Clark also said that graduates

are facing a lot of competition

from the baby boomers who

refuse to give up their jobs.

Bickett, who is working on her

second degree, said that while

other circumstances may come

into play, independence is the

determining factor.

"I think once you get out of

college with a college education,

you outgrow living at home," she

Snack cart moves to bottom of Hill

HERALD STAFF REPORT

The red trailer has moved to the bottom of campus.

The trailer, which is operated by Marriott and offers breakfast and lunch foods, is now at the south corner of the Preston Health and Activities Center.

Students said the trailer should move to the bottom of campus, said Rob Medley, Marriott general manager. The trailer spent about two weeks on top of the Hill between Wetherby Administration Building and the fine arts center.

More moves are possible,

depending on student feedback, Medley said.

Business at the previous location "wasn't bad," Medley said. He did not want to share any figures.

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BIKES and BADGES



Schaeffer cruises the parking structure during a normal afternoon's work. "A high percentage of our daytime thefts occur in the structure," Schaeffer said. "The bike lets me come up on people very quietly."

A mountain biking trend has affected more than just students.

Three campus police officers patrol on two bikes owned by campus police rather than in police cars.

Officer Richard Schaeffer has been patrolling on bicycle since September of 1992. Officer Mike Waldrop and Officer Gordon Turner also patrol on bikes.

"The bike is able to go more places," Schaeffer said. "It can go through parking lots and on sidewalks."

Schaeffer said the ability to ride in these places has allowed him to observe more thefts.

"All of your senses are there," Schaeffer said, "hearing, seeing... You don't have those in a car."

Waldrop said he and Turner patrol at night when the weather is warm. He said he does not feel intimidated about being out on a bike at night.

Campus police Chief Horace Johnson said there has been about a 35 percent decrease in crime, but he doesn't know if it can be attributed to the bike-patrolling officers.

"Most criminals don't expect to find cops on bikes," he said.

Although the bikes have been beneficial in crime prevention, Schaeffer said the greatest benefit is the community involvement it promotes.

"Students are not as intimidated by an officer on a bike," Schaeffer said. "They might ask questions that they wouldn't ask an officer in a car."

The bikes are made by Raleigh, a bicycle manufacturer, specially for patrolling officers, Schaeffer said. He said the only difference between regular bikes and the bikes made for officers is in the durability.

"The officers I talked to said not to buy a Murray bike from Wal-Mart," Schaeffer said. "They won't hold up to the use."

The bikes are ordered by Nat's Outdoors because they are the Raleigh representative in Bowling Green.

Schaeffer said he did some research before campus police ordered the bikes in 1992. He said the University of Washington in Seattle and the Seattle police department

sent information on officers who patrol on bikes.

"Now we are doing the same with people calling us," Schaeffer said.

The bikes have saved money for campus police because they replaced a scooter that was used before the bikes were ordered in 1992, Schaeffer said.

"We're using man power rather than gas," Schaeffer said.

One reason the bikes were purchased is because campus police could not afford any more patrol cars, Johnson said.

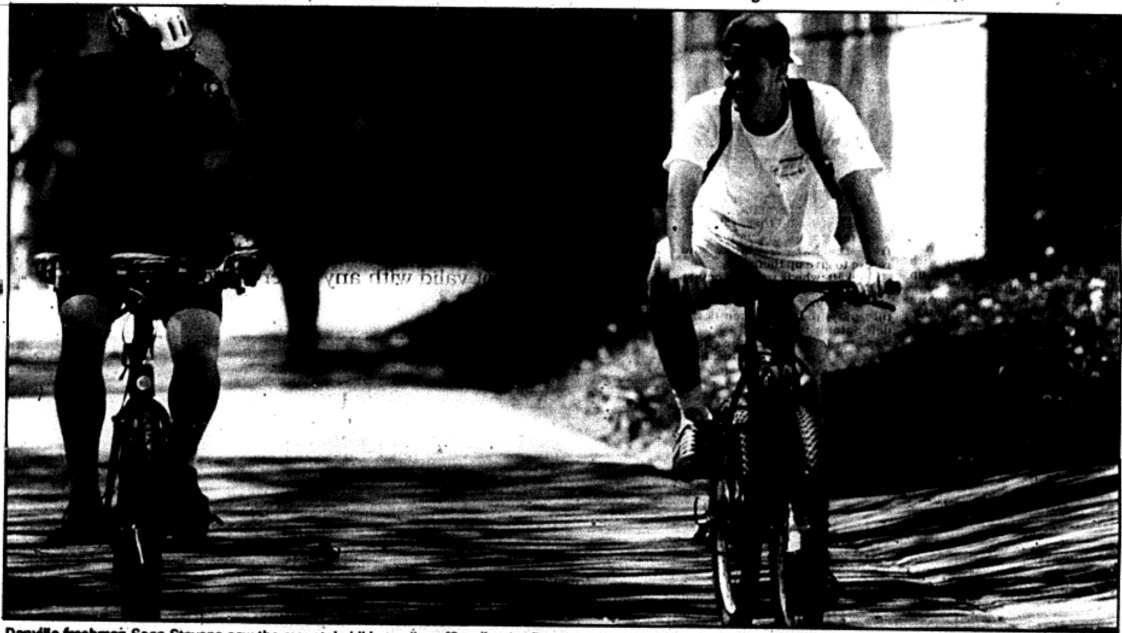
The police bikes cost between \$500 and \$600, he said. The bikes are cost effective, but there are still some drawbacks, Johnson said. They cannot escort a person if they need help or take an individual into custody when an arrest is made.

Schaeffer said he cannot think of any negative aspects of the bike. But, he said he does not ride when it is raining or is cold.

"When the officers who ride the bikes are not able to use them, they either use a patrol car or walk, Johnson said.

Story by Jennifer Provano

Photos by Chris Obenchain



Danville freshman Sean Stevens saw the mountain biking police officer for the first time Friday afternoon. Schaeffer says he loves other bikers to give him riding tips.



Schaeffer uses his bike to access difficult areas such as the upper levels of Smith Stadium. Sunbathers using alcohol has been a problem in the past but Schaeffer hasn't seen any in the stadium this year.



Schaeffer tickets a car parked inside the fence at Smith Stadium. The officer riding the bike is responsible for the same general duties as the officers in cars. "The bike will go a lot of places the cars won't," Schaeffer said. "It gives you some definite advantages over the cars."

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OLYMPICS: Community supports area games

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representing Allen County. "Tiffany's real good at it," said Mendi Foster-Wolfe, her mother. "Her teacher has been practicing with her since the start of school."

"Tiffany also won a gold medal at last year's state games for body-bowling. She wants to go to the state games again this year," she said.

Apart from the support Tiffany got from her mother, who stood on the side proudly film-

ing her daughter, she also had the support of three volunteers who spent the day taking her around in her wheelchair.

There were about 1,000 volunteers from the various counties as well as students from Western who signed up to help in the day's events.

Many of the volunteers were Greeks and students who were required to help to get credit for their class.

"We couldn't have done without the volunteers," Verner said.

GREEKS: Volunteers interact with buddies

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to feel better about myself," he said.

One of the students he helped was 11-year-old Jonathon Givins, who won a fourth place ribbon. "I like playing with my buddy and the softball throw," Jonathon said.

Not all Greeks volunteered as buddies for the participants.

Princeton junior Wendy Whittington, an Alpha Delta Pi member, yelled and cheered for competitors as they raced around the track at Smith Stadium.

"They've been training a year for this," she said, "so it's really important that there are people out here to cheer them on."

Whittington said it was especially important for the Greeks to volunteer so the competitors could see different people than they had been working with all year.

Kris Templeton, a junior from Ringgold, Ga., also an ADPi, said she volunteered to give smiles

and hugs to the children.

"Kids need encouragement," she said. "Not many people are aware of how happy the games make them feel."

The games weren't only open to kids. Special adults as old as 47 also competed in separate divisions.

Besides offering support on the sidelines, some Greeks helped with Olympic Town outside of Downing University Center. Olympic Town was separate from the athletics offering entertainment in between events. It featured booths with activities such as beanbag tossing, balloon stomping and craft projects.

Amy Hayden, a sophomore from Pensacola, Fla. and a member of ADPi, said volunteering for Olympic Town helps her education major.

"It's good to get experience working with kids," she said.

Next year, I'd like to be a buddy so I can interact with the kids more."



Adam M. Bettcher/Herald

Runners compete in the 100-yard dash during the Region Five Special Olympics at Smith Stadium Saturday. About 100 Greek "buddies" helped with the event.

Greek Week winners announced

BY CATHERINE WHIFFLE

Members of Western's fraternities and sororities made up 20 percent of the total volunteers for the Special Olympics on Saturday.

Fraternities and sororities that participated received three volunteer points toward Greek Week. If 10 percent of their members volunteered, Greek Adviser Charlie Pride said.

The overall winners at Greek Week were Sigma Kappa sorority and Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, said Henderson senior Elizabeth Stull, Greek Week

chairwoman.

She would not disclose the number of points they received.

The competition was stiff between the sororities and fraternities on Saturday to get people to volunteer, since the Special Olympics was one of the last chances to get points, Stull said.

Points were awarded for participating and playing well in different events throughout the week. Points were given for participation in such events as the blood drive, Greek Feud — a trivia contest, the penny toss, tug of war and Volunteer Day, which

included Special Olympics.

Stull said Kappa Delta and Sigma Kappa both had 50 volunteers for the Special Olympics, the most for sororities. For the KDs, that was 60 percent of their chapter and for Sigma Kappa it was almost 65 percent.

The fraternities had fewer volunteers but some were over the 10 percent participation goal. Stull said Sigma Phi Epsilon had 11 volunteers, 23 percent participation, and Pi Kappa Alpha had 14 volunteers, 20 percent.

"I'm really impressed with all the support, especially from the fraternities," she said.

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WARREN: Author's works were 'all in harmony'

By ANN MADISON

About 130 people clapped for almost a minute after R. W. B. Lewis, a former English professor at Yale University, stepped away from the lectern in Garrett Auditorium Sunday afternoon.

◆ The Warren Library was dedicated at the Kentucky Building.

Lewis had just finished an hour long lecture about the life and writings of Robert Penn Warren at the seventh annual Robert Penn Warren Symposium.

The symposium was sponsored by Western's Center for Robert Penn Warren Studies and the Kentucky Humanities Council.

Warren, a native of Guthrie published 10 novels, 10 volumes of poetry and, among other things, won the 1946 Pulitzer Prize for fiction with "All the King's Men." He was named America's Poet Laureate in 1986. He died in 1989.

Lewis, a colleague of Warren's, said Warren's proficiency in different types of writing was one of his most important writing characteristics.

Lewis also praised Warren for his unique style in writing critical analyses of authors.

"His works were all in harmony," he said. "They added up to a

coherent view of the authors. His writings consisted of the same voice and personality."

Lewis also read excerpts from conversations between him, Warren and Cleanth Brooks, a colleague of Warren's and a former English professor at Yale University.

In one conversation between Brooks and Warren, the two were discussing their first interests in literature.

Warren said as a student at Vanderbilt during the 20s, he was fascinated with analyzing the internal structure of works of literature.

The symposium was followed by a reception at Cherry Hall and a dedication of the Warren Library at the Kentucky Building.

The library contains Warren's private book collection, his desk and chair, his photographs and medals and the first editions of his books. Eleanor Clark, Warren's wife, donated the 2,246-volume collection in 1992.

English Professor Mary Ellen Miller said it's important that Western holds the symposium to honor Warren as a distinguished writer and native Kentuckian.

Miller pointed out one thing that pleased her most about the symposium.

"I was sitting where I could see Eleanor Clark's face," she said. "I could tell by her expressions that she really enjoyed Lewis's presentation. I thought that was very special."

Controversial ex-president takes top spot at Murray State

By LESLIE FLYNN

Former President Kern Alexander was named president of Murray State University Friday, six years after leaving Western to take a teaching position at Virginia Tech.

Murray's board of regents approved his hiring 7-2 after the faculty senate requested that Murray continue to search for a new president. On Thursday, the senate voted that Alexander was an "unacceptable" candidate, mainly because of his record at Western, said Nancy France, Murray's faculty senate president.

Censorship Issue

Alexander left Western amid controversy when he proposed faculty editors for the Herald and Talisman, Western's year book. During his 2 1/2 year tenure at Western, he also angered faculty for not advertising openings for administrative positions, upset other state universities when he opened Western's Glasgow campus and angered Guthrie residents when he announced plans to move Robert Penn Warren's home to Bowling Green.

France said it was these concerns in addition to others she

heard — such as Alexander's being away from campus when no one knew where he was — that led to the faculty's opposition.

"I think Murray has certainly made a mistake since the faculty is so opposed," said Richard Weigel, a history professor at Western who unsuccessfully ran for faculty regent in 1986.

Weigel said Alexander did some positive things for Western, such as proposing that department heads focus more on faculty involvement and less on the administration.

But Alexander mishandled many situations, such as the publications controversy, he said.

Not only are the faculty upset, but Murray students are, too, said Jenny Wohlleb, senior editor of the student newspaper, the Murray State News.

"We're not really happy he's coming," she said.

Wohlleb also said that it's not just Alexander's history with student publications that concerns her. She said some of his proposals for Murray "don't seem realistic" and cost too much money in times of tight budgets.

Brian Van Horn, Murray's student regent, said Alexander wishes to increase Murray's cur-

rent enrollment, increase faculty wages and increase student participation.

Western's enrollment increased under Alexander.

He approved \$90,000 to plan and build Niteclass in the Downing University Center basement, and proposed a \$3.3 million Greek Row, a student recreation center and dorm.

Wohlleb said she is also upset about the way the board of regents handled the hiring. She said the regents were secretive and disregarded student and faculty opinions.

"Everyone is just furious with the board of regents," she said.

Bul Van Horn, who voted in favor of Alexander, said he is the right man for Murray.

"Some of the things he believes in are things Murray State needs," Van Horn said.

Alexander's leadership experience, as well as his knowledge of Kentucky's educational system, can only help, Van Horn added.

He said Alexander answered concerns about his past at Western effectively.

"I found Kern Alexander's answers to be very good in most of these questions," he said.

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Students may soon be pledging the FarmHouse

By LISA TOLLIVER

Fraternities may have a little more competition to get pledges if Auburn junior Dan Costellow has his way.

Costellow and about 30 other students are in the process of starting a chapter of The FarmHouse fraternity at Western.

"We are hoping to make chapter status by the end of the fall semester or the beginning of the spring semester," Costellow said.

Chapter status means the group will be recognized by the university as an actual fraternity and not just as an interest group.

The fraternity has 38 chapters nationwide with two of those in Kentucky, one at University of Kentucky and the other at Morehead State University.

Costellow, who is acting president of the group, hopes to make it three.

The new chapter will give students a different avenue to look at when it comes to choosing a fraternity, he said.

"A lot of our values are different than other fraternities," he said. "Most of the guys that are pledging now weren't interested in what they offered."

The FarmHouse hopes to help its members grow intellectually, spiritually, socially, morally and physically, with the main emphasis on morals.

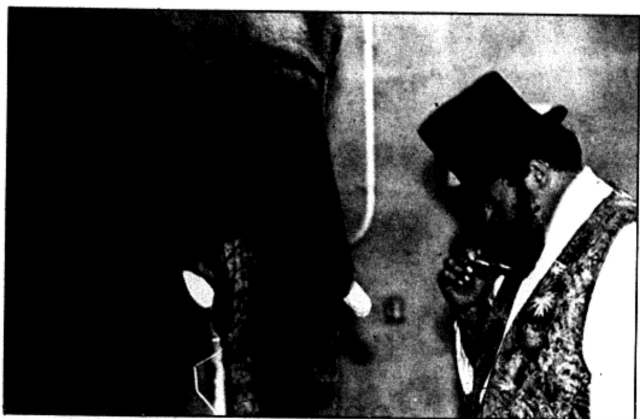
Costellow said he could not find a fraternity offering all of those so he decided to start a FarmHouse chapter.

"When you can't find something you like, you have to go out and make it yourself," he said.

The group may not be a recognized fraternity yet, but it already has an adviser.

Agricultural Professor Elmer Gray worked as a FarmHouse adviser at the University of Tennessee and is now helping Costellow and the others get the chapter going at Western.

"It will provide another opportunity for students to become members of a fraternity," he said.



Stefanie Boyer/Herald

Tusk, tusk:

While taking a break between events, elephant trainer Dave Balding spends a moment backstage with his elephant, Flora, during the Ritzpah Shrine Circus held Saturday at the Agricultural Exposition Center.

Plenty o' goodies. The College Heights Herald

Health association awarded grants from Cancer Program

By DON EDWARDS

The Western chapter of the Kentucky Public Health Association was recently awarded two grants for the spring semester from the Kentucky Cancer Program.

One grant of \$1,400 was for radon testing in senior citizen centers in Southeastern Kentucky.

The other grant was \$1,200 and was allotted toward developing an educational program dealing with smoking and second-hand smoke.

The program is offered to educate the Boys and Girls Clubs of Warren County about smoking's harmful effects.

Public health Professor Ray Biggerstaff said the chapter also received the KPHA Award.

"When doing the proposals this time," he said, "we were actually going for funding instead of just going through the form."

Biggerstaff said community health majors are required to submit these types of proposals during their senior year, but this was the first time the group was considered for taking control of Kentucky Cancer Association programs.

"When the students have this

hands-on experience," he said, "not only writing the grant, but actually seeing results and participating in the administering the grant, to me that's the ultimate teaching experience."

Bowling Green senior Shelly VanMeter, program director of the radon testing, said she and 11 other public health majors are overseeing the program in six area counties.

"I am just as involved in the routines as I am overseeing the whole project," she said.

VanMeter said the group had a teaching plan committee, which was responsible for going to senior citizen centers and informing them about the possible presence of radon.

"It's basically an awareness project," she said.

VanMeter said the group performs radon tests when access is available at certain locations, and follows the tests by informing people of the danger level at which the radon exists.

"Radon is responsible for 5,000 to 20,000 deaths a year

through lung cancer," she said, "so people must be made aware of the problem somehow."

Nashville senior Chris Oldham, assistant director of the smoking education program, said it has been a learning experience for him by teaching children.

"You don't want to make it difficult for kids that age to learn about smoking," he said. "They don't know a lot of things people our age might know through experience."

Oldham said these programs have been the best way for KPHA to improve and advance in the future.

Biggerstaff said the KPHA award and the grant from the Kentucky Cancer Association were significant because of the fields in which these honors were received.

"It helps these students having visibility throughout the state," he said, "by marketing their abilities with organizations and by opening up avenues for internships. It's just good business."

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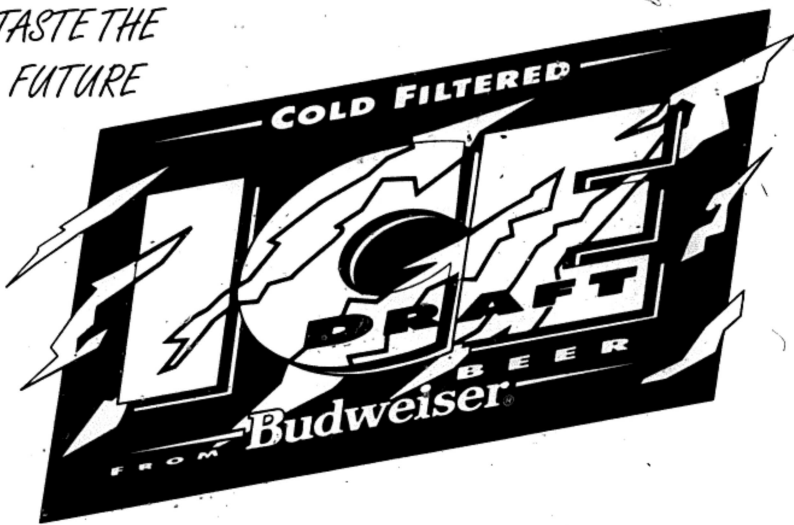
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Students study 'wherever and whenever'

BY ANN MADISON

Throughout the next two weeks one word may be on many students' minds.

They might use this word to answer the common question, "What are you doing tonight?"

The same word may be scribbled in their daily planners to designate what they will be doing for a certain block of time.

The word is "study." And the reason is final exams.

Whether it's the dorm room, the library or a certain couch at home, many people have a comfortable study spot.

For some students, a quiet

atmosphere determines their study setting.

Louisville sophomore Rasha Robinson said she heads to her private dorm room when it's time to crack open the text book and review class notes.

"It's my way of being somewhere quiet and private," Robinson said.

Other students, like Bowling Green freshman Ryan Boothe, find that the library provides the best silent environment.

But this isn't the only reason he heads to Helm-Cravens library.

"If I need resources, I can get them right away instead of having to wait," he said.

"When I'm taking a test ... I'll associate the background TV noise with the material I was studying."

— Kasey Thomas
Bowling Green junior

However, some students find everything they need at home. Bowling Green junior Huma Ashan finds home is where she studies best.

Ashan said she goes to bed at 9, wakes up at 3 a.m., and then studies for three to five hours.

"I have to go to sleep because my head is so cluttered with things that went on during the day," she said. "At 3 a.m. I get a fresh start."

Ashan said her philosophy is that five to six hours of studying before a test guarantees an A.

For other students, using certain memorization tech-

niques helps them earn an A.

Bowling Green junior Kasey Thomas said she often studies at home on the couch with the television on.

"When I'm taking a test and can't remember the answer, then I'll associate the background TV noise with the material I was studying."

Unlike these students, not everyone finds time to schedule certain study settings.

Bowling Green junior Greg Jent has 15 hours of classes and works 30 hours a week.

So, he said, he studies when he has time.

"Wherever and whenever," he said.

REGENT: Memo will list nomination rules

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would run in another election. "Campaigning is small right now," he said.

Dale said the winner of Western's election will also be required to have at least 50 percent of the vote.

Eastern Kentucky University has not elected a staff regent yet, but is also in the process.

Doug Whitlock, executive assistant to the president at Eastern, said the nomination deadline is May 15 and elections will be May 22.

Shirley Reamer, president of the staff congress at Murray State University, said nominations there are due May 20 and elections will be June 10.

Murray is not allowing campaigning by any staff members, including the posting of campaign signs or posters or buttons and pins, "because it gets wild," Reamer said.

She said Murray is also requiring that nominees have at least three years' employment by the university.

Western does not have any years employed requirement for nominees, Dale said.

He said personnel has not considered a ban on campaign-

ing like Murray's yet.

The staff regent will attend the board's July 29 meeting, Dale said.

He said the Staff Advisory Council and President Thomas Meredith asked his office to get involved because the matter deals with personnel.

Dale said the nomination process involves getting out information to the right people.

"Human Resources will be sending out memos to all the staff members that are eligible for the election," Highland said.

The memo will describe nomination processes and rules, she said.

The afternoon before the election, each candidate will have the opportunity to recite his or her platform. There will also be an absentee ballot available, Highland said.

"The Staff Advisory Council will be counting the votes under the supervision of the Human Resources department," she said.

The new law requires that the staff regent be a "non-teaching personnel member," full-time employee, and elected by other staff members to each state university's governing body.

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Earth Day activities promote day-to-day efforts

BY ANN MADISON

A table sitting on Downing University Center's north lawn on Friday was covered with two off-white canvas sheets. Several small containers of fluorescent paint and scattered paint brushes sat on top of the canvas.

Painted on the sheet in pink letters was "Eco Justice." Written below the message were the words "Love Your Mother" in blue paint and "Earth" in green paint.

The messages were written by students who attended the United Student Activists' annual Earth Day Trash Bash.

In addition to the painting table, the Trash Bash included booths set up by USA members, Box of Rocks, and Whole Earth Grocery.

Vanceburg senior Belinda Setters, USA vice president, said the purpose of the event was to educate people about environmental issues and promote environmental action.

The Whole Earth Grocery booth provided information on health and the environment.

The booth also displayed various types of food and diet and cookbooks.

Across from the Whole Earth Grocery table sat the USA booth.

USA also sold T-shirts, bumper stickers and pens with environmental messages.

A cardboard box overflowing with newspapers and cardboard was recycled sat on the grass next to the booth.

"We have to learn that we are part of an ecological structure," Setters said. "Everything has an impact. There will be no place

to live if we don't recycle."

Some students like Lexington junior Tracy Freeman are following Setters's suggestion.

Freeman said she recycles newspapers and aluminum cans in Bowling Green and plastic and glass in Lexington.

Freeman said she had mixed feelings about Earth Day.

"It's important for people to support Earth Day," she said.

"But one day won't save the earth. It will take a conscientious effort on a day-to-day basis."

Next to the USA table was the Box of Rocks booth.

Box of Rocks provided music and sold T-shirts, CD's, bumper stickers and jewelry.

Besides an Earth Day Trash Bash, USA is planning other environmental programs.

Setters said the organization plans to establish a campus wide recycling project.

USA has provided recycling bins in several rooms in Cherry Hall, but they want to extend the program throughout the campus.

"It's good that a group on campus is doing something to get involved," said Khaled Mubarak, a sophomore from Kuwait who stopped by the Trash Bash on Friday.

Next year USA plans to involve more student and community organizations in the Trash Bash, said Louisville sophomore Mark Brown.

Brown, who coordinated the event, said the Trash Bash emphasizes the importance of day-to-day responsible environmental action.

"There isn't much you can do about saving the world," he said, "but you can save your own backyard."



Tor Mathisen/Herald

United Student Activist members, Louisville freshman Lisa Huber, Louisville sophomore Mark Brown and Lexington sophomore Rhoda Cantor sell t-shirts, buttons and other items with Earth Day slogans at Downing University Center's north lawn Friday.

SGA award banquet tonight

HERALD STAFF REPORT

The Student Government Association will show their appreciation to students, faculty, staff, community members and current SGA members today.

SGA is having its annual year-end award banquet tonight at 6 in the Kentucky Museum.

SGA will present seven awards, four to SGA members and three to students, faculty, staff and community members.

The awards include:

- ◆ The Dean Charles A. Keown Award, which is given to a SGA congress member for service.
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Also at the banquet, the new administration will take its oath and current SGA President Donald Smith will give his farewell address. Rob Evans, SGA president-elect, will give his inaugural speech, said SGA Treasurer Jason Embry.

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Alepra gives Toppers solid start

◆ The Toppers host Austin Peay at 6 tonight at Denes Field

BY TOM BATTERS

There will be nothing remarkable next to his name in the box score. He didn't get a win or a save. He gave up two runs on three hits and ended up with a no decision.

But junior Andy Alepra's performance against Middle Ten

nessee State last night was more valuable than any numbers in a box score could show.

Prior to last night's 7-5 win at Denes Field, the Toppers had lost 11 of their last 13 games and were in need of a strong performance from a starting pitcher.

"Andy deserved better, but that happens," Coach Joel Murrie said. "He threw some good pitches and stayed in control."

"It was Western's (14-20) second straight win. They will play Austin Peay tonight and must win three straight against Arkansas State this weekend to have a chance to qualify for the Sun Belt Conference Tournament."

"We aren't mathematically eliminated," Alepra said. "Based on how we played tonight, I wouldn't put it past us to make the tournament."

Western is in fourth place in the five team Eastern division of the Sun Belt Conference. Only the top three teams from each division make the tournament.

Senior Matt Cook got the win after senior relief ace Doug Smyly was hit hard in one inning of work. Cook gave up one hit and struck out three in two innings.

"I thought the defense was the key," Cook said. "We didn't make any errors for the first time in a long time. That will be the key for us in the next couple weeks."

Junior James Davis continued his hot streak, going 3 for 4 with three runs batted in, including a line drive home run over the left field wall.

Davis is hitting a team-high .364 with seven home runs and 30 runs batted in.

"At first I felt a little pressure to be the one to carry the load offensively," Davis said. "Now everyone is starting to come around and I'm just going out to do whatever I can to help the team."

His home run in the fifth inning put the Toppers ahead 4-2. The Blue Raiders tied it in the seventh when pinch hitter Jamie Hicks hit a two-run double off of Smyly. Hicks then scored on a Brett Greer double to make it 5-4.

Davis scored on a wild pitch

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"Based on how we played tonight, I wouldn't put it past us to make the tournament."

— Andy Alepra
junior pitcher



Stefanie Boyar/Herald

Piggyback: Lexington freshman Tony Hester collides with a Brescia defender during the first game of Western's Spring Soccer Classic on Sunday. Western won the game 9-0 and went on to win the tournament, which was held at Smith Stadium.

Tennis team saved by unlikely hero

BY JEFF NATIONS

Coach Jody Bingham never expected the most important point scored by his tennis team this year would be made by a basketball player, but that's exactly what happened on Saturday at the Sun Belt Conference Tournament.

Freshman Brad Cirino, a 6-6 former Western basketball player, and current No. 4 seed for the Topper tennis team, won match point to break a 6-6 deadlock with Texas-Pan American's Mike Morse and gave Western a 4-3 victory and fifth place in the tournament.

"The place just went stir crazy after he got that point," Bingham said. "It was like we won a national championship. The kids were on the court hugging each other, and I got Gatorade dumped on me."

It wasn't a national championship, or even the Sun Belt

championship, but fifth place was two spots higher than the seventh-seeded Toppers were predicted to finish. And to do that, Western had to beat No. 5 seed Texas-Pan American and No. 6 seed Lamar.

"It was fantastic," said sophomore Alex Lykos, the No. 2 seed. "They were picking us to finish seventh and we finished fifth. It was really good to beat two Division I schools in two days."

Bingham predicted last week that his team could finish as high as fifth, but he was still surprised that his team played so well.

"It's incredible," Bingham said. "We had one of the best finishes in the history of our program. I just wish we were starting the season today."

The tournament didn't start out well for the Toppers.

Western's first round opponent, No. 2 seed Southwestern Louisiana, beat the Toppers 6-1 in an 8 a.m. match on Thursday. Sophomore Mike Curran provided one of the few highlights for the Toppers Thursday. Curran, Western's No. 1 seed, took the 'Ragin' Cajuns' Greg Wood three sets and beat him. Wood had beaten South Alabama's

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Brad Cirino

Year's highlights include weird mascots, six Swedes

There was a win over Eastern Kentucky in football. There were trips by both basketball teams to the NCAA Tournament. There was a heartbreaking end to the football season.

There were many memorable sports moments during the 1993-1994 school year on the Hill. Here's a look at the best and worst of them.

Coach of the Year: Bill Powell, swimming. In a sport that receives little recognition, Powell has built a dynasty out of the swimming program. He reached the 200-win plateau in February and was named Eastern Intercollegiate Coach of the Year. His team finished with a 12-1 record and placed second at Easterns.

Honorable Mention: Jack Harbaugh, football.

Male Athlete of the Year: Eddie Thompson, football. Thompson finished his career as the all-time leading rusher at

quarterback in Hilltopper football history. He led the team in



Jason Frakes
Commentary

rushing, and helped them to an 8-3 record and a near miss of the playoffs.

Female Athlete of the Year: Gwen Doyle, women's basketball. In her first year on the Hill, Doyle led her team in almost every offensive category and led them to the NCAA Tournament for the 10th straight year. After she sprained her ankle in the Sun Belt Conference Tournament, Doyle was sorely missed as the Lady Toppers struggled in postseason play.

Freshman of the Year: Scott Cummins, swimming. As a freshman, Cummins was one of the main reasons the Toppers finished with a second-place finish at Easterns. He won 24 of the 26 events he entered during the season and also qualified for four events at the U.S. Swimming National Championships.

Honorable Mention: Nicholas Aliwell, track, and Erica Montgomery, women's golf.

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TENNIS: Fifth place a 'major victory'

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Peter Kuhn, who is ranked in the top twenty nationally, earlier this season.

"If Mike Curran can beat Greg Wood, then you know he could beat Kuhn," Bingham said.

Curran didn't get the chance, because the loss to Southwestern Louisiana dropped the Toppers into the losers bracket, where fifth place was the best they could hope for.

Friday morning saw the Toppers on the court for another 8 a.m. match, this time against Lamar. This time the Toppers put it all together and beat the favored Cardinals 6-1.

Bingham said his team made a good impression with good sportsmanship, particularly Cirino.

After one of the Lamar players lost his match, he threw a fit on the court, prompting officials to penalize him.

"It's what they call ball abuse," Bingham said. "He was slinging balls all over the court."

Since that match was over and Cirino and his opponent were the only ones still playing, the officials granted Cirino a penalty point, which put him ahead.

To even the score again, Cirino intentionally hit his

serve into the net.

"Cirino just gave it to him, and said 'hey, now we're even, let's get on with it,'" Bingham said.

After the match, the official came over to me and said in his thirty years of officiating, it was only the second time he's seen such good sportsmanship.

On Saturday, the Toppers locked up fifth place with their win over Texas Pan American.

Cirino, who is transferring to New Hampshire this fall to play basketball, said this weekend's finish was a good ending to his tennis career at Western.

"I think it was a combination of the hard work throughout the year and guys like me and Matt (Wuller, the No. 3 seed) knowing it was our last chance to do something," Cirino said.

Bingham agreed.

"Major, major victory for the program," Bingham said. "It was just one of the most overall team efforts that I've ever seen in all my years of coaching."

FINAL STANDINGS

1. South Alabama
2. Arkansas Little Rock
3. Southwestern Louisiana
4. Jacksonville
5. Western
6. Texas Pan American
7. Lamar
8. New Orleans

Western sports pulling in recruits

By Dennis Varney

While the men's and women's basketball team's recruiting wells have gone dry for the time being, other Western teams are continuing to fill out their respective rosters.

Swim Coach Bill Powell got his second commitment of the recruiting season when he signed Adam Ileg, a butterflyer from Michigan City, Ind., yesterday afternoon.

Ileg was second in the individual medley and fourth in the butterfly in Indiana's state meet this year.

Eric Carter, who was first in the state in the 100 butterfly for Louisville St. Xavier, signed over the weekend and Powell said both will complement the team he already has.

Powell said Carter was probably the best swimmer in Kentucky and also has great potential in the backstroke. He has one more scholarship left and is trying to get a diver.

Last year's recruiting class made a major impact on the team's season and Powell said this year's will do the same.

"Last year I was trying to get a bunch of kids for depth," he said. "This year I just wanted to get superstars."

Volleyball

Coach Mark Hardaway has received letters of intent from Jamie Ritterskamp, a middle hitter from Floyds Knobs, Ind., and Christina Nikolaou, a right side hitter from Chicago.

Hardaway said he expects both players to make an immediate impact on the team.

"They both already have a wide variety of shots," he said. "They both can play a lot of positions."

Hardaway said Nikolaou will compete for a job as soon as she joins the team.

"Her skills are strong enough to where she won't have to make a lot of adjustments," he said. "She's a very good team person."

The team also received commitments from three potential walk-ons, but Hardaway said he couldn't name them until they register for fall classes.

After getting a walk on earlier in the recruiting season, these signings will expand the team's roster from 11 to 16, which Hardaway said will be an adjustment for everyone on the team.

"We'll still only take 12 players on trips," Hardaway said. "So everyone will be fighting to make the travel squad. It should add a little flexibility to the team."

Men's Tennis

Coach Jody Bingham got his first letter of intent of the spring signing period last week.

Bill Howard of Hilton Head, S.C., will have an immediate impact on the program, Bingham said.

"He'll probably come in and play somewhere in the middle of the lineup," Bingham said.

Despite having no seniors on this year's team, Bingham will lose three players from his program.

Freshman Brad Cirino, who played in the middle of the lineup for the Toppers, will transfer to the University of New Hampshire to play basketball.

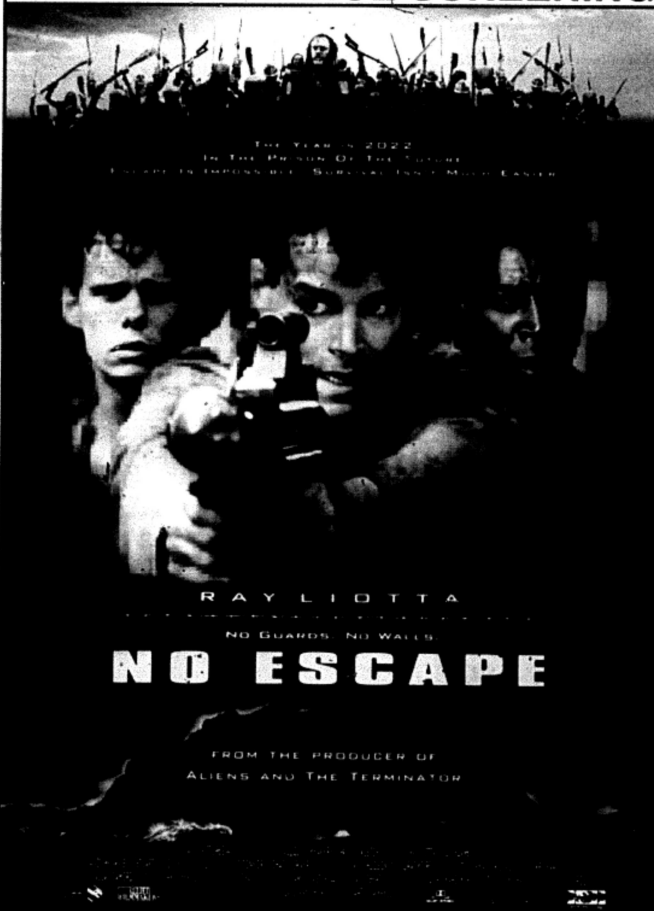
Sophomore Matt Wuller, who usually played as Western's No. 3 seed, will transfer to New Orleans to move closer to home.

"I really hate to see Brad Cirino and Matt Wuller leave," Bingham said. "It's going to be tough without them."

Bingham will also be without the services of sophomore Alex Lykos, at least for the fall season.

Lykos plans to play soccer in the fall. A native of Sydney, Australia, Lykos said he was a member of his state team in high school.

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Women's tennis finishes ninth in Sun Belt

◆ **Coach Laura Hudspeth said pressure on her younger players contributed to the team's low finish**

By P. ALAN BERNARDY

In the end, it came down to seeding and one very bad day of tennis, said freshman No. 2 seed Leslie Cupp.

The women's tennis team (3-11) lost Thursday to Texas-Pan American 6-3 in the first round of the Sun Belt Tournament in Little Rock, Ark., but beat New Orleans 8-1 to finish in ninth place in the three-day event.

"I thought we'd do a lot better than we did," Cupp said. "We didn't play well at all against Texas-Pan American, but we did against New Orleans."

South Alabama won the tournament by defeating Southwestern Louisiana 5-1 in the championship match.

When the seedings for the tournament were announced Wednesday, Coach Laura Hudspeth said she was hoping for seventh, but ended up in the eighth spot.

"You don't even have a

chance to get into the top eight if you lose that first match," she said. "Instead of playing two matches you play four, and I wish we could have gotten those two extra matches."

Freshman No. 4 seed Jessica Buckland said the loss to Texas-Pan American really destroyed the team's chances to finish higher.

If they had beaten the Lady Broncs, she said, they would have had a chance to play heavily favored South Alabama and an opportunity to finish in the top six.

"The win against New Orleans was good, though," Buckland said. "It kept us from finishing last."

Hudspeth said freshman No. 1 seed Allison Hassell went undefeated on the weekend, winning both of her singles matches and her doubles match against Texas-Pan American.

"She really played well," Hudspeth said. "So did Jessica and Ericah (Passmore, No. 6 seed)."

She also attributed Western's early exit to the team's inexperience.

"Some of them could not handle the pressure of knowing that

they had to win," Hudspeth said.

Hudspeth said she is not disappointed with the season, because she knew it could go either way. She said she is looking forward to next season, when her athletes will gain another

year of experience.

"We have to get some power up top," she said. "UNO, the team we beat this weekend, just recruited some foreigners, so we need to stay up with that."

The final team standings, in

order, was South Alabama, Southwestern Louisiana, Arkansas State, Arkansas-Little Rock, Lamar, Louisiana Tech, Jacksonville, Texas-Pan American, Western and New Orleans.



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HIGHLIGHTS: Tennis coach most quotable

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Story of the Year: Men's basketball coaching vacancy. After Ralph Willard left the program for Pittsburgh, the speculation about who would be the next coach was abundant. After weeding out names such as Wimp Sanderson and Tommy Joe Eagles, the selection committee decided on Matt Kilcullen.

Scholar Athlete of the Year: Cindy Wiseman, volleyball. While at Western, Wiseman maintained a 4.0 grade point average in biology while helping her team to a 21-16 overall record. Although she has a year of eligibility left, she will leave the team to attend graduate school at Louisville next year.

Snub of the Year: After posting an 8-3 record, the football team was left out of the I-AA playoffs. The selection committee took three teams from the Yankee conference. Delaware was the last team picked over Western for the playoffs. Interestingly enough, Charles Boone, who is the chairman of the selection committee, is the athletics director at the University of Richmond, a Yankee Conference school.

Never Come Back to Diddle Arena Award: The three Big Eight officials that called the Kansas State-Western men's basketball game. These three guys made three terrible calls that probably cost the Toppers the game.

Most Missed Athlete of the Year: Amy Haskins-Cowles, tennis team. Quitting the team over Christmas break for personal reasons, Haskins-Cowles was the team's best player. The key there is "was." Without her, the women's tennis team has struggled to a 3-10 overall record.

Quote of the Year From an Opposing Coach: Bob Smith, Southern Illinois football coach after losing 51-24 to Western in Carbondale.

"That was one of them old-fashioned country butt-kickings."

Quote of the Year From a Western Coach: Jody Bingham, men's tennis coach. Bingham could fill a book on this subject, but I picked a couple of my favorites.

"The last I heard, they had six Swedes and they're going to come down here and put a nose job on us." — Bingham previewing a match with North Alabama.

"I figure it's going to be a blood fest between the coaches, because nobody wants to play South Alabama." — Bingham on the draw for the Sun Belt Conference Tournament.

Delay of Game Award: President Thomas Meredith. It's been several months since Lou Marciniani resigned from the athletics director job, and Meredith still hasn't started a search for a replacement. Either take the word "interim" out of Jim Richards' title or begin a search soon.

Scandal of the Year: Soccer team. After losing at the Sun Belt Tournament in Edinboro, Texas, Coach David Holmes kicked five players off the team for drinking on a road trip. Three of the players ended up getting at least part of their scholarships back, but the whole incident was an embarrassment to the program.

Cupcake Schedule of the Year: Men's tennis team. While budget limitations restrict the team from traveling to play big competition, the abundance of Division II teams on the schedule warrants this award. With matches against North Alabama, Kentucky Wesleyan, Bellarmine, Belmont and Chattanooga State Community College, the schedule has been less than impres-

sive.

Scare of the Year: Men's golf team. While at a tournament in Elizabethtown, the team was forced off the course by a tornado. According to junior golfer Kelvin Burgin, the tornado touched down one minute before the team went to the clubhouse basement.

Worst Hosts of the Year: Wichita, Ka. The host of the NCAA Midwest Regional Men's Basketball Tournament, Wichita was less than ideal. The Coliseum was located 20 minutes from downtown, and the stench from a rodeo that took place the weekend before the tournament was still very noticeable.

Biggest Win of the Year: Football team's 15-10 win at Eastern. It was the first time Western had won at Eastern in 20 years, and it got the team on the right track toward an 8-3 season.

Most Interesting Mascot of the Year: The Arkansas Little Rock Trojan. During timeouts, this guy would do cartwheels across the floor. Dressed in shin pads, a cape and blue striped tube socks, he drew rave reviews from the fans. Rumor had it that he was a law student at Little Rock.



Adam M. Bettcher/Herald

Junior second baseman Brian Luebker was out at the plate in the first inning of last night's 7-5 win over Middle Tennessee State. Luebker had two hits and scored later on a James Davis home run.

ALEPRA: Tops could make postseason

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in the bottom of the seventh to tie the score once again.

Junior Eddie Sharer got hit by a pitch to lead off the eighth inning and freshman walk-on Steve Smith came in to pinch run.

With the hit-and-run on, senior Mark Pfannenstiel hit a line-drive single. Smith never hesitated and went to third base. The throw to third base from the outfield went past the third baseman and out of play, allowing Smith to score.

Freshman John Moffett then drove in Pfannenstiel to give the Toppers a 7-5 lead.

"Steve (Smith) executed the hit-and-run perfectly," Murrie said. "That doesn't show up in the score book, but it's the kind of thing that wins games."

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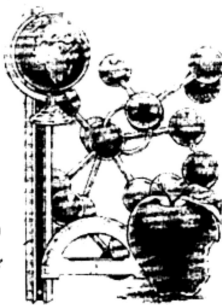
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James Davis	.352
Josh Patton	.321
Harry Nesbitt	.308

Hits

James Davis	44
Harry Nesbitt	37
Josh Patton	35

Doubles

Harry Nesbitt	10
Josh Patton	9
Sean Thomas	9

Triples

Greg Stone	2
Josh Patton	1
Brian Luckbert	1

Home Runs

James Davis	6
Josh Patton	3
Greg Stone	2

RBI

James Davis	27
Sean Thomas	23
Josh Patton	15

Walks

James Davis	16
Greg Stone	14
Sean Thomas	13

Stolen Bases

Harry Nesbitt	7
Mark Pfannenstiel	7
Greg Stone	6

Runs

James Davis	24
Harry Nesbitt	22
Greg Stone	17

On Base Percentage

James Davis	.434
Greg Stone	.406
Harry Nesbitt	.381

Slugging Percentage

James Davis	.576
Josh Patton	.514
Harry Nesbitt	.417

Pitching

Doug Smyly	2.80
Darrin Bernhard	3.46
Greg Monelle	3.81

Wins

Doug Smyly	3
Darrin Bernhard	3
Matt Cook	2

Losses

Greg Monelle	5
Darrin Bernhard	4
John Markham	3

Innings

Greg Monelle	52
Darrin Bernhard	52
Doug Smyly	45

Walks

Darrin Bernhard	24
Greg Monelle	21
Robb Taylor	17

Strikeouts

Doug Smyly	50
Darrin Bernhard	33
Greg Monelle	24

Saves

Matt Cook	3
Doug Smyly	2
Darrin Bernhard	1

Appearances

Doug Smyly	18
Matt Cook	13
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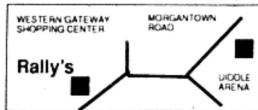
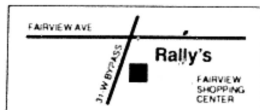
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