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Central Hall residents file petition

◆ 10th-floor residents say they don't want to move: 'We are up against a brick wall'

BY JANEAN DAVIDSON

Residents of Central Hall's 10th floor have sent a petition through Federal Express to the Housing Office to try to stop changes that are occurring in several dorms across campus.

The petition asks Housing to reconsider its plans to turn their floor, along with others across campus, into private-rooms only. The students say they feel cheated, particularly those who have lived there a long time.

"The petition said that some of the girls have lived here for three years and they shouldn't have to leave," said Hollie Kushner, a sophomore from Utica, Mich. "They don't agree that they do not have priority."

Floors in 10 dorms, according to Housing Director Kit Tolbert, are considered target areas — Keen, McCormack, Bates-Runner, East, North, South, West, Pearce-Ford Tower, Schneider and Central. These dorms have floors with 12 rooms, half of the number available on other floors in the same dorm.

"We are accommodating more desires of more people," Business Services Administrator John Osborne said.

He said private rooms were unavailable in

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Police search for robbers

BY CHRISTA RITCHIE

A student reported that two men in ski masks barged into his Poland Hall room and demanded money shortly after 10 Saturday night, according to a campus police report.

The men left with \$150, the report said. Madisonville sophomore Paul Williams was visiting Michael Tewell, a freshman from Springfield, Tenn., when two men entered the room.

Williams said he was cooking noodles when two men burst into the room and started yelling, "Where's the money at?"

Williams said he laid his back to them so he didn't get a good look at them. He said they were wearing ski masks.

"I have no idea who it is," Williams said. "It freaked me out."

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Spring Break hours

Downing University Center — Restaurants closed
Subway in Garrett Center — Open weekdays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Preston Center — March 11 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.), March 12 (1 p.m.-5 p.m.), March 13-17 (11:30 a.m.-6 p.m.), March 18 (9 a.m.-5 p.m.), March 19 (1 p.m.-9 p.m.)
Helm-Cravens Library — Sat. (10 a.m.-2 p.m.), Sun. closed, Mon.-Fri. (8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.)
Student Health Service — Business office open
Dorms close Friday at 6 p.m. and reopen March 19 at 8 a.m.

'A chance to go very far'

How well will the basketball teams do in the NCAA Tournament? Some fans make predictions.

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Dandelions, garlic, etc.

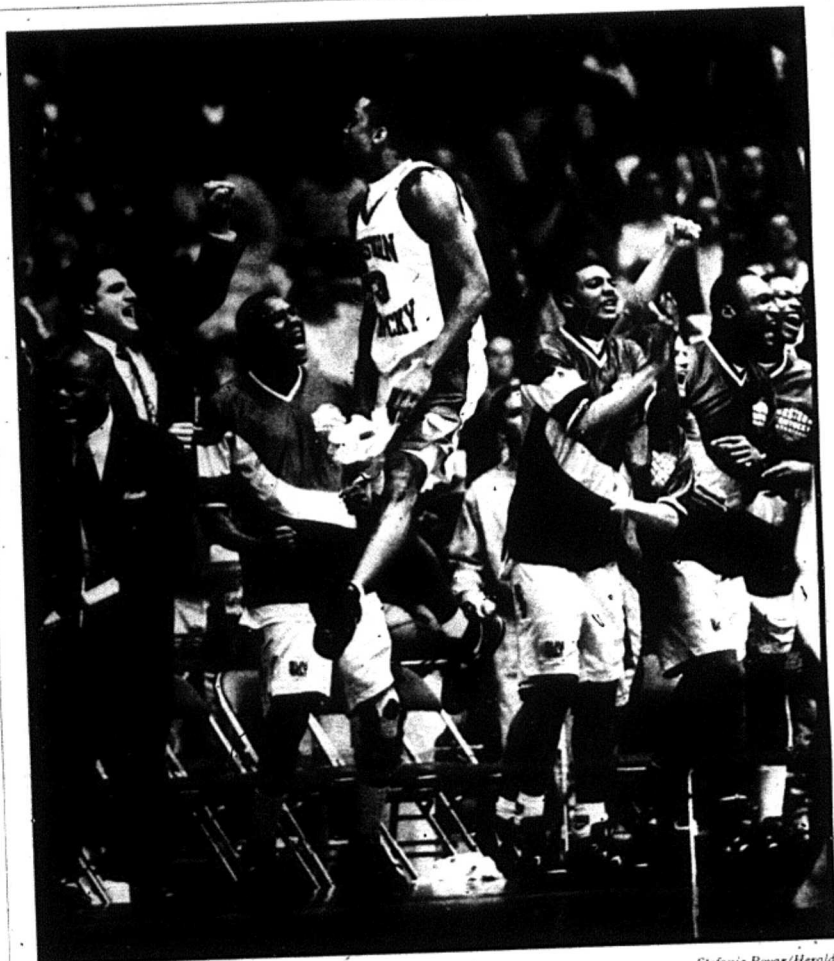
Herbal medicines increasingly are being used by young people, a Western professor says.

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Coach: Story misleading

Paul Sanderford downplayed a report on his interest in the opening at Kentucky — "I'm very pleased with where I am"

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Stefanie Boyar/Herald

Momentum from a second-half turnaround propels junior guard Chris Robinson past Western's bench Tuesday night in the Sun Belt Conference title game. The men's team has the most wins in Division I.

Dance fever

As the men's team arrived yesterday in Bowling Green, the women began a quest for their own Sun Belt Conference title. The Lady Toppers play Lamar at 5:30 tonight in

Ruston, La. Western was stung by a last-second, one-point loss at Lamar in January. Three All-Sun Belt players will lead Western.

See pages 7, 17.

SPORTS FUNDING: Letter targets foundation

BY MELISSA GAGLIARDI

A letter sent to Hilltopper Athletic Foundation members last week asked supporters to make sure they know where their contributions are going.

HAF President Joe Earl Campbell said he sent the letters because the WKU Foundation also is seeking donations, and it may receive money that was intended to go to athletics.

"It's a situation where someone may want to give to Western and may assume

money will automatically go to HAF, but that's not necessarily the case," he said.

In the letter, he wrote "it may be naive to expect WKU Athletics to be the beneficiary of any major gifts to the WKU Foundation."

Campbell said he supports the WKU Foundation and is not trying to keep people from donating money to it.

Campbell also asked that donors either make a direct donation to the foundation or designate that donations

to the WKU Foundation be restricted to the HAF on behalf of Western athletics.

Robert Rutledge, WKU Foundation director, would not comment.

Kevin Warner, HAF assistant director, said the donations it receives are used for scholarships, equipment, academic advising and team travel.

Warner said there are around 1,400 memberships in HAF, most of which are families. He wouldn't comment on how much the foundation receives annually through donations.

♦ Just a second

Regents review student's appeal

Balltown sophomore John Taylor, the student who is appealing his expulsion, may have a chance to argue his case tomorrow morning.

The Student Disciplinary Appeal subcommittee of the Board of Regents will meet at 9 a.m. in the Regents Room in Wetherby Administration Building. The meeting is closed to the public because it involves a disciplinary matter, University Attorney Deborah Wilkins said.

Taylor may be invited by the subcommittee to speak; otherwise, the appeal review will be based upon the record only. This includes the transcript of Taylor's hearing in front of the University Disciplinary Committee last month, where Taylor said he was guilty of gun possession and drug possession in his room in Schneider Hall.

This may be the last step for Taylor's appeal. The Board of Regents can choose to review the appeal at its next meeting.

♦ Campus line

People interested in housing international students during Spring Break should contact the Rock House at 745-4857 as soon as possible.

Hardin Planetarium presents "Winter Skies" at 7:30 tonight. For more information, contact the planetarium at 745-4044.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes meets at 8 p.m. Thursdays in West Hall Cellar. For more information, contact Richard Brannin at 745-5101.

Phi Beta Lambda meets at 8 tonight in DUC, Room 305. For more information, contact Daryl Payne at 842-4954.

Tomorrow is the deadline for entering Alpha Phi Alpha oratorical contest, to be held at 7 p.m. March 20 in Garrett Center, Room 100. For more information, contact Ray Brown at 745-2516.

United Student Activists meets to discuss organizing Earth Day activities at 1 p.m. tomorrow in Garrett Cafeteria. For more information, contact Mark Brown at 745-2493.

♦ Clearing the air

The People Poll question was partially obscured in Tuesday's Herald and should have read, "Should the athletics department have a disciplinary code?"

Due to a printer's error, a photo on Page 7 in Tuesday's Herald was reversed.



Craig Allen/Herald

Elbow grease: Despite weather in the mid-60s the day before, Glasgow junior Jennifer Siebold scrapes the windshield of her car yesterday morning after one inch of snow fell on Bowling Green. She was preparing to go home for Spring Break.

♦ For the record/crime reports

Reports

♦ Elaine Nogay Walker, Boone Court, reported someone punctured both tires on the right side of her car when she was parked in Academic Complex lot on Feb. 10. Estimated damage was \$140.

♦ Patricia Lee Thomas, Thompson Complex Central Wing, reported damage to a campus telephone in the lobby of Thompson on Feb. 28. Estimated

damage was \$40.

♦ Jeffrey Alan Rolfingsmeier, Rodes-Harlin, reported two illegal withdrawals at \$10 each from his ATM account last Wednesday.

Arrests

♦ Chad Robert Sneller, Hermitage, Tenn., was arrested and charged Saturday with first offense alcohol intoxication. He was released that day from Warren County Regional Jail.

♦ Miguel Hernandez, New Orleans, was arrested and charged Saturday with first offense alcohol intoxication. He was released the same day from Warren County Regional Jail.

♦ Timothy Shane Jones, New Orleans, was arrested and charged Saturday with first offense alcohol intoxication. He was released that day from Warren County Regional Jail.

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Slides show women together in poverty

By Sherry I. Wilson

Black and white images of worn faces and hands told the story of two sisters, while soft guitar played during Larry Powell's slide show, "Gracie and Flossie: A Portrait of Rural Poverty."

The two sisters keep a promise to each other every day, to keep on living, even in poverty.

In the house they were born in and the road they were raised on, the slide show, held in Gerard Auditorium Monday and Wednesday night, was part of Women's History Month activities. About 30 people attended.

Showing Gracie's and Flossie's story showed women surviving, Scottsville junior Tracy Hurt said.

"We think we have to have everything," she said. "It's amazing that people can live like that."

History professor Carol Crowe Carraco liked the slide show because it typified the theme of Women's History Month.

The sisters showed how staying together is important and being strong is a quality women can win with, Carraco said. The slide show really incorporated the theme for Women's History— "Promises to Keep."

No words were spoken throughout the slide show as the daily activities of Gracie, 91, and Flossie, 87, came to life. There were chickens to feed, often from the women's own plates, water to be drawn from the well, and daily trips to set up the mailbox and take it down each night.

"They've had two or three

mailboxes stolen," Powell said. "So they take it in every night just like a pet."

The sisters don't get much mail, but they make sure the mailbox is up on the third of the month to receive their Social Security checks — their only source of income, Powell said.

They share a small bed in a house that doesn't hold heat and is home to several of Gracie's chickens, which she treats like her children.

Powell has been photographing the sisters on and off since 1988. He uses no flash with his cameras, only available window light inside their house. By doing this, he hopes to have left things untouched.

Powell said he has never interfered with Gracie's and Flossie's way of life. They have never asked him to do anything for them, except the time Gracie requested a photograph of one of the chickens.

"Their greatest fear is being moved into a nursing home," he said. "They want to die there (at their own homes). That's important to them."

"I respect those people. I don't give distaste to the smells or the way they live. You can't do a project like this with that kind of attitude."

Brandenburg senior Jennifer Mascaro said the slide show was interesting to her because it dealt with her major, health care. Sometimes people living in poverty don't realize how they are looked upon. They might need people's time more than people's money or nursing homes, Mascaro said.

Women's History Month Promises to Keep

CENTRAL: 'None of us want to leave'

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these "magnet buildings," causing many students to move off campus rather than live in a private room in PPT.

Osborne said the change isn't for people who just want private rooms — it's for those who want to live in certain buildings.

Tolbert said many students move off campus because they want the privacy only private rooms can insure. With the high demand for private rooms, Housing is attempting to make them more available. Tolbert said the residents affected by the change have first priority on the private rooms.

"I want this to be a positive thing," Tolbert said. "If it's going to upset people, we'll revisit it." Nikki Mitchels, a freshman from Michigan City, Ind., said the changes are unfair.

"Why can't they spread the rooms out evenly?" she said. "None of us want to leave."

Kushner, Central's 10th floor RA, said Housing sent residents a letter saying they have the option of staying on that floor in a private room by paying extra, or relocating.

Mitchell said Housing con-

dicted itself when it sent out housing renewal letters.

"We received another letter in the mail saying we are guaranteed our room back if we want it," she said.

"If they'll come forward and voice their opinion, then we'll accommodate any confusion."

— John Osborne
Business Services
administrator

Several residents feel that students wanting private rooms should come last.

"Those people who want to live alone should not be first priority," Bowling Green freshman Ashley Osburn said.

Osburn, a resident of Central's 10th floor, said she has made several attempts to contact Housing

but can get no response.

Monticello freshman Hillary Moore said every time she called, Tolbert wasn't available.

"We are up against a brick wall," she said.

The majority of the 10th-floor residents feel they will have to move out of Central if the room changes actually take place, but Osborne said residents will be able to remain in the same dorm if they don't want a private room.

He also said he hasn't heard complaints from any students.

"We apologize for any confusion," he said. "If they'll come forward and voice their opinion, then we'll accommodate any confusion."

Tolbert said the Central residents' petition was the first she had heard of students being upset because of the changes.

Moore said a majority of the women living on the 10th floor are freshmen and have lived there all year.

"We're all there for each other," Moore said.

Kushner said the smallness of the floor is why people enjoy living there so much.

"There's a sense of community," she said.

ROBBERS: Case still under investigation

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Tewell called his roommate, Nicholasville freshman Donny Wilson, and told him about the robbery.

"He called me at work. His voice was shaking and he said, 'You'll never believe what happened,'" Wilson said.

Tewell said he didn't have any money, so he took the \$150 out of Wilson's desk drawer because he was "scared to death," Wilson said.

Wilson then reported the robbery to campus police. He said Tewell "just didn't think to

report it."

Wilson told police the men were armed with a large stick wrapped in tape, and they made gestures suggesting they had a gun in one of their jackets.

Tewell has since withdrawn from classes and no longer lives in Western housing, Wilson said. Tewell's mother said he was living at home, but was out of town and couldn't be reached for comment.

The case is still under investigation and police wouldn't comment further.

Campus police said there are many unanswered questions in

the case and that Tewell is being sought for questioning about his involvement.

Wilson said he isn't suspicious of his former roommate.

"We are the best of friends and I would trust him with anything," Wilson said. "He was leaving Sunday before it ever happened."

Wilson said he thinks the men who stole the money were from out of town and were friends of someone in the dorm.

"I think it was somebody in the dorm who knew we lived here and thought they could get someone to take advantage of us," he said.

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Opinion



♦ Our view/editorial

March Madness sweeping the Hill

As men's basketball coach Matt Kilcullen got off the bus at Diddle Arena yesterday, tournament trophy in hand, his smile said it all.

It's simply a great time to be a Hilltopper.

Yes, March Madness is here — when brains turn to mush and basketball takes priority.

It's even taken its toll at the Herald. Sunday's 6 p.m. editorial board meeting was probably the shortest on record — about 10 minutes. But we had a good reason.

The men's Sun Belt Conference semifinal would be on in 30 minutes, and we had to get in front of the TV.

In fact, the only suggestion for an editorial was, well, you know, basketball.

And there was madness Tuesday night after the Toppers, ranked No. 23 in the country, won the Sun Belt tournament — students yelled out dorm room windows and deliriously called the post-game radio show.

We love it. It's great to see people excited about something.

There's not a better place to be right now than basketball-crazed Kentucky — especially at the school that will have both the men's and women's teams in the NCAA Tournament.

Teams that are second in the nation in combined winning percentage.

Let's hope the No. 11 Lady Tops can clinch the conference tournament Saturday — more reason to celebrate. They're already on their way, getting through the first

round of the conference tournament easily yesterday.

Now it's time to see how high the Toppers and Lady Toppers will be seeded and where they'll be playing.

Those questions will be answered Sunday at 11:30 a.m. for the women and 5 p.m. for the men, when the NCAA selection committee tells us who's been invited to the Big Dance.

For 12 Western seniors, the NCAA Tournament marks the end of their college basketball careers. They've been so dedicated and deserve our support.

They'll get it. Only basketball has our attention right now — that and Spring Break.

But it's doubtful we'll forget about the teams while we're away.

Western fans will be easy to pick out. We'll be the ones with TVs — and red towels — on the beach.

♦ Your view/letters

White males threatened by minorities, affirmative action

I am a 23-year-old African American male, majoring in government with a minor in African American studies, and after reading the cartoon in the Feb. 28 edition of the College Heights Herald on affirmative action, minorities, women and blacks, I was offended and outraged that you were even allowed to print such material of a tasteless nature. It never ceases to amaze me how history has taught many people nothing. This cartoon reflects a typical white, Anglo-Saxon Protestant (WASP) Republican male who has no hope for the future. Statistics show that by the year 2000 that minorities will be the fastest growing class. I feel that for some reason you are socially and economically threatened by minorities in general to draw such a cartoon. The only truth by your cartoon is that if you're not a white male, you're considered a minority.

Since many people only know what they read in the Herald, let me educate you. February is the shortest month of the year, but rich in history. For those who don't know, Carter G. Woodson started Black History Week, which was eventually changed to Black History Month in 1963.

February was the month that President Abraham Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation, freeing slaves, civil rights leader Malcolm X was assassinated, many poets, authors and lecturers were born during this month, and the NAACP was formed.

For myself, I celebrate Black History Month throughout the year.

Affirmative action is an opportunity given to minorities to help those who are qualified to have an equal chance of obtaining a job.

It is my hope that this response might change some of your views on minorities and affirmative action and give you the incentive to go out and learn what other cultures have to offer you, because intercultural understanding begins with self-definition. So instead of saying no to minorities, say no to racism and hate that has for so long consumed the souls of men and women of this nation for too long.

Timothy L. Ford
Bowling Green senior

Everyone deserves second chance

As if I enjoy all this negative attention? I'm getting just as sick of hearing about it and reading about it as everyone else is. I don't mind this being a public issue. In fact, I wanted it that way to show just how much everyone on the Hill cares about justice and how students are being served by Western's version of it.

I appreciate the Herald being here and all its coverage. Because if not for "Freedom of the Press" this issue would have been easily swept under the rug. Of course, that could have worked in my favor if Western wanted it that way. "All is quiet on the Western front" would be the only news about issues that Western does not want to face publicly.

I agree that we need rules. I have said for the record that I am wrong for breaking the rules.

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♦ PEOPLE POLL: How far will the basketball teams go in the NCAA Tournament?

"If they can get a top seed, they can get as far as the Sweet Sixteen and possibly the Elite Eight."



—Donna Gregory,
Greenville junior

"I think both teams have a chance to go very far. The men have a lot of balance. I think the women will do well. It's the experience factor."



—Mike Jackson,
Ticket Office intern

"I think that they'll make it through the first round. I'd like to see them go further, but the last three or four games have been real close."



—Wade Squires,
Greensburg senior

"I don't know that much about the teams, but I'm going to be optimistic and hope they go all the way."



—Janet Grooms,
Bowling Green senior

◆ Your view

Memories harder to swallow than black coffee

I hate black coffee. Maybe hate is too strong — I have an intense dislike for black coffee. I like my coffee to be full of frothy milk and cinnamon sprinkles. I guess that's why I still don't understand why I was drinking black coffee.

It just fit my mood. Black. I was eating breakfast at Bread and Bagels on a very cold, very wet Monday morning. My two friends and I were talking about something — I have to admit, I don't really remember what. I wasn't paying close attention to them, just adding an obligatory nod now and then, a surprised, "Oh really?" when the conversation required I was too busy focusing on other things.

I was focused on the tiny, round table at which we were sitting. It was too small for the three of us, and we were crunched around it, hovering over our food like vultures. I was also focused on my fingernails. Why hadn't I painted them last night? Is there a crack in my thumbnail? Why was I so concerned with them in the first place? That seemed so petty.

Suddenly, I felt this little black corner of my mind growing

larger and larger. A slow, sad fog started to creep over me, and I had to think about something else to push it out.

When could I get my car radio fixed? What were my friends talking about? When will my meteorology lab be due? Why was Bread and Bagels out of strawberry cream cheese? Why was I drinking black coffee?

But it was too late. I asked myself a million pointless, inane questions, but I couldn't make that black fog go away. I couldn't get away from the most important part of my mind.

The fact was, my grandmother was gone.

The first memory hit halfway through that cup of black coffee. I knew what had happened as soon as my roommate came to get me that Sunday night.

"Your mom is on the phone," she had said. It was after midnight at home in Louisville — my mom was always in bed by 11:00. When I got to the phone, she told me what I had already figured out for myself.

Then the second memory hit me. I was listening to my mother and grandfather decide what would have to be done with my

grandmother. Soon, her brain would be ravaged by Alzheimer's disease. Should we make plans to send her to a nursing home? Should we try to find a live-in nurse so she could stay with my



Kristen Miller
Commentary

grandfather? They didn't know. Back on the phone, my mother told me to come home as soon as I could. I immediately started babbling, as I'm likely to do in serious situations. To say I don't handle seriousness well is like saying Mardi Gras is just a small social affair. I promised I'd be home when I could and hung up the phone.

I tried to forget about that phone call the next morning as I swallowed down more coffee. I began planning my trip home. If I

could skip my 11:45, I could make it home by 3:00, maybe even sooner. But what would I take to wear? I didn't have any funeral clothes, really — one black dress, maybe a black skirt. Again, I tried to occupy my mind with a barrage of silly questions and worries. I took another sip of coffee, and again, a memory hit.

I remembered finding out about my grandmother's disease. I didn't believe it for a second. Soon, my mother said, my grandmother wouldn't be able to do anything — cook, shop, or even drive.

I didn't believe her until my grandmother took me to the mall one afternoon. As she drove through the parking lot, she cut across several lanes of traffic, almost hitting a few cars. She never realized what she was doing. It was only a few years later that my family convinced her to give her car to me and give up her independence at the same time.

I pushed away that memory and tuned into what the people were saying at the table next to us. It was less interesting than I had hoped, so I tried listening to

my friends again. They were busy comparing the blueberry cream cheese to the cherry.

Finally, I gave up, and I let the memories come one after another: volunteering at the local elementary school with her each summer, the way her house smelled after she had been cooking all day, her beautiful high school picture, where she looked so young and untouchable, the week I spent with her when I had the chicken pox, sneaking on the phone when she talked to my mom each night to beg her to pick me up early from day care (she almost always did).

And then, a final memory that explained my most petty concern. There were my, my grandmother and I, sitting at the kitchen table in the afternoon sunlight. I was watching her try to teach me how to paint my fingernails, long and red and smooth and shiny, just like hers. Why hadn't I painted my nails the night before?

I washed that memory away with my last sip of black coffee. Then, I got up and walked away. I hate black coffee.

◆ Your view/Letters to the Editor

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From the beginning, I have done the honorable thing by owning up to my mistakes. So far my honesty has not helped. I wonder what message that will send to the next student who gets caught breaking rules. Does everyone deserve a second chance? I sure hope so.

No one is perfect. That includes Western. The issue of how Western still has not conformed to ADA standards has been in the Herald more times than I have. Has Western admitted to being wrong? Does Western deserve another chance to comply to federal government rules?

John W. Taylor
Balltown sophomore

Editor's note: John Taylor is appealing an expulsion from Western.

Affirmative action arguments unrealistic

This letter is in response to the commentary by Stacy Curtis entitled "Affirmative action isn't solution to equality" (Herald, March 7).

Although your arguments seem logical, they aren't realistic. Affirmative action is about racism, and it is about the past and present dominance of white males.

It would be nice to step into an employer's office knowing you have the same opportunity as the next person to obtain a certain position. However, ending affirmative action will not cause this to happen. What will happen is that women and minorities will, once again, be subject to the sexist and racist beliefs that are likely to be held by those who do the hiring. How do I know those doing the hiring will likely hold sexist and racist beliefs? Read on.

The past and present dominance of white males is a significant factor in the hiring practices of employers. Why? Because they are still the employers and they still do the hiring. Without affirmative action (or some type of governing policy), those in power will have total control over who they hire and why. How do I know those in power will not hire competent women and minorities? I use the past to predict the future.

If affirmative action is to be disabled, it must be replaced by a system that promotes fair hiring practices in each and every place of employment. A suggestion I have is to establish a board made up of culturally diverse men and women to do the hiring rather than leaving it to one person and his or her biases.

Riley H. Ross, III
graduate student from
Virginia Beach, Va.



New Party just the same old liberals

Reading in the Herald that Americans have "truly progressive values" the other day (Feb. 21) was both amusing and sad. That these "values" could be promoted by a "New Party" is frightening and makes me wonder what could be so new.

The columnist, Gary Houchens, was worried that today's college students don't keep up with politics enough and wanted to find ways to get them interested in "democracy" again.

This is a question of semantics. What does "new" mean? Is it like the New Age Movement, which for the most part remarks ancient pantheistic beliefs? Ever heard that old saying, "There's nothing new under the sun?"

Most "progressive" publications read like souped-up socialism to me. As far as our "progressive values" go, last fall's elections settled that question — until the left's hierarchy finds a "new" way to mislead the public about its true intentions. It was a matter of time until the liberals changed the name of their movement, but I'm disappointed in their lack of imagination.

The evening news talking heads told us liberalism/socialism is dead. Who doubts them? Before that it was communism that bit the dust. Is communism really dead? The truth is, as long as there's a copy of the Communist Manifesto lying around for some dummy to pick up and say, "Oh boy, this might work." Communism won't die.

As for how it's doing in our country, let's see what Norman Thomas, the former United

States socialist presidential candidate, had to say: "The American people will never knowingly adopt socialism. But under the name of 'liberalism' they will adopt every fragment of the socialist program, until one day America will be a socialist nation, without knowing how it happened."

Funny thing is, while reading Karl Marx's Communist Manifesto,

Barry Bright
Commentary



psychology and our current school "reforms."

What's wrong with socialism? Contrary to popular dogma, socialism is simply a monopoly of power. This is exactly what the big money powers of the world want because they have the resources to come out on top no matter who originates the "class struggle."

How far along the road are we toward this utopia? Thomas Jefferson said:

"Single acts of tyranny may be ascribed to the accidental opinion of a day. But a series of oppressions, begun at a distinguished period, and pursued unalterably through every change of ministers (administrations) too plainly proves a deliberate systematic plan of reducing us to slavery."

But I couldn't close with a better statement than what Alexander Hamilton provided 200 years ago in the Federalist No. 6: "Have we not already seen enough of the fallacy and extravagance of those idle theories which have amused us with promises of an exemption from the imperfections, the weaknesses, and the evils incident to society in every shape? Is it not time to awake from the deceitful dream of a golden age and to adopt as a practical maxim for the direction of our political conduct that we, as well as the other inhabitants of the globe, are yet remote from the happy empire of perfect wisdom and perfect virtue?"

Editor's note: Barry Bright is a student seeking teacher certification from Campbellville.

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Abacus is wrong about classes after Break

BY KRISTINA GOETZ

When students return from Spring Break, they'll find a change in Western's class schedule. Instead of continuing on the schedule printed in the Abacus, students will attend Monday/Wednesday classes instead of Tuesday/Thursday classes.

The alternating Fridays will continue to be reversed in the Abacus for the rest of the semester.

Sharon Dyrsen, director of orientation and special projects, said there has to be one critical document. Students should follow the schedule printed on Page 8 in the schedule bulletin.

Dyrsen said students can pick up an extra copy of the bulletin in the registrar's office.

The change was made to accommodate those students who attend both Elizabethtown Community College and Western. Those students had been missing their Friday classes because of the differences in the two schedules.

Delta Sigma Pi, a business fraternity, is in charge of publishing

the Abacus.

"The people who work on the Abacus just printed what they normally printed every year," Dyrsen said. "They didn't know the university decided to make the switch."

The Abacus was printed before Delta Sigma Pi found about about the switch.

"We tried to match their schedule and didn't realize the oversight," Dyrsen said.

Letters were sent to all department heads three weeks ago requesting that they announce the change to faculty.

Hopkinsville junior Brandon Killebrew, president of Delta Sigma Pi, said the fraternity will distribute fliers around campus, and in all academic buildings and dorms to announce the error.

Killebrew said this is the first time in 15 years there has been a problem.

Dyrsen said such changes will be given in written form to Delta Sigma Pi in the future.

"We want to thank everyone for buying the Abacus and for their support and understanding," Killebrew said.



Chris Stanford/Herald

Rain, rain, go away: Students trudge through the rain between classes Tuesday. Despite the recent sporadic weather, the weekend is expected to be partly sunny with highs in the upper 60s.

College Heights Herald. Goodies aplenty.

Professor writes book about film producer

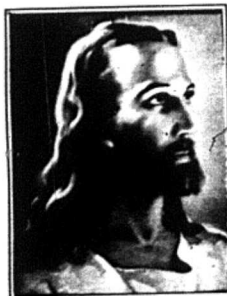
HERALD STAFF REPORT

Film producer and director Martin Ritt is the subject of a new book written by history professor Carlton Jackson.

"Picking Up the Tab: The Life and Movies of Martin Ritt" describes Ritt's life in the South and his portrayal of social issues in his films. "Norma Rae," "Hud," "Sounder," "The Spy Who Came in From the Cold" and "The Great White Hope."

"He (Ritt) was a leftist who embraced various radical movements of the 1930s and, largely because of this involvement, was blacklisted from television in the early 1950s," Jackson wrote in his book.

Jackson, a 1992 recipient of the WKU Award for Distinguished Contributions in Research and Creative Writing, has had senior lecture awards in India, Pakistan and Bangladesh. He also held the Fulbright Bicentennial Chair of American Studies at the University of Helsinki, Finland, from 1989 to 1990, and has published several books.



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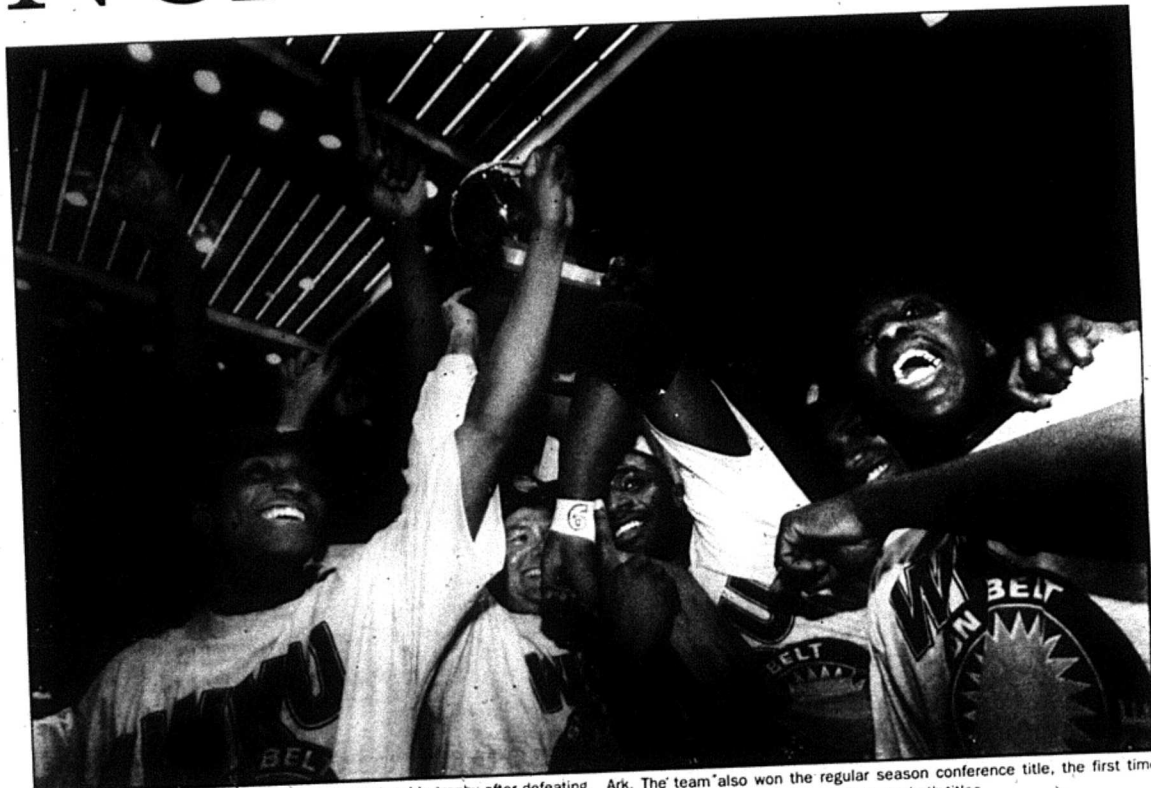
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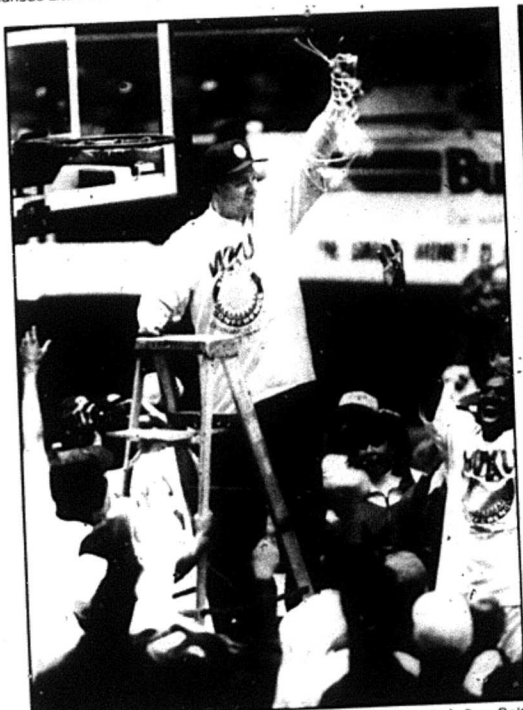


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The Hilltoppers took home the Sun Belt Championship trophy after defeating Arkansas-Little Rock 82-79 Tuesday night at Barton Coliseum in Little Rock, Ark. The team also won the regular season conference title, the first time since 1991 that a Sun Belt team has won both titles.



Coach Matt Kilcullen took the net after winning his first Sun Belt Tournament championship. Kilcullen was named Sun Belt Coach of the Year for the second consecutive season.



Above, senior Darrin Horn celebrates as senior Darius Hall dunks at the final buzzer. Left, Derek Flowers cheers from the bench just before the end of the game.

Professor receives award from Clinton

BY KENDALL CLINTON

Astronomy part-time professor Rico Tyler won't be doing his regular teaching job at Franklin Simpson High School this week.

He's in Washington D.C. to receive a teaching award from President Clinton.

Tyler is receiving the Presidential Award for Excellence in Science and Math Teaching. The award is associated with his teaching work in science at Franklin Simpson.

He was one of six presidential winners from Kentucky who will join other winners from across the United States for the all-expense paid, week-long event.

"There's half a dozen formal occasions, so I'm packing every suit and good pair of shoes and clean underwear that I have in the house," Tyler said.

During his stay in Washington, he said he will take a cruise on the Potomac, attend a dinner at the State Department, go to the Air and Space Museum, and have breakfast with the Kentucky delegation to Congress. He will also be attending seminars and meetings.

He won the award, which includes \$7,500 for him to spend on his classroom, on the basis of an anonymous nomination and

recommendations.

Tyler is chairman of the science department at Franklin Simpson, where he teaches physics, physical science and astronomy.

On Monday nights he teaches an Astronomy 104 class. He said he is also involved with the planetarium, the physics department and the space-science education workshop Western has each summer.

Charles McGruder, physics and astronomy department head, said Tyler is an invaluable member of the department.

"He's an extremely cooperative person that's very easy to work with, who's always full of ideas and plays a leadership role in joint projects," he said.

Richard Hackney, professor of physics and astronomy, also spoke highly of Tyler.

"He's very creative, energetic, and innovative," he said. "He brings a lot of original things to his class."

McGruder said even though Tyler is a great teacher, he would rather have him stay at the high school level rather than teach full-time. He said his role in teaching high school and the contact he gives Western with high school is very important.



photo by Greg Cooper

Birds of a feather: A study session in Basil Griffin Park on Three Springs Road ended in a feeding frenzy Monday evening for Winchester freshman Shannon Anderson. She had to retreat to her car after several of the birds attacked her.

Do you have a story idea? If so, call us at 745-6011.

SGA doles out the dough

BY MELISSA GAGLIARDI

After four meetings and more than eight hours of decision making, the organizational aid committee of the Student Government Association has decided which organizations on campus will receive money this semester.

Each semester, SGA gives \$2,500 to different organizations to help them with projects, bring in guest speakers, or raise more money.

The money comes from SGA's budget, which is funded through student fees.

None of the 13 groups that applied were turned away.

"We tried to give consideration to organizations that haven't received aid in the past," Treasurer Brandon Rucker said.

Rucker, a Bedford junior, said the groups that got aid last semester got less this semester than groups that didn't get anything last semester.

He said SGA looks at the aid as one gift, adding last semester's amount to this semester's.

But the list of recipients is still unofficial. SGA members were supposed to vote at Tuesday's meeting but couldn't because there weren't enough members present.

"This puts us two weeks behind getting checks out to the organizations," Rucker said.

President Rob Evans, an Owensboro senior, said some members apparently thought the meeting was canceled because the power had been out earlier that day.

Rucker said congress members usually don't change the suggested amounts granted to any organizations.

The organizations receiving aid are as follows:

- Kappa Alpha Psi — \$250
- Criminology Club — \$200
- Psychology Club — \$200
- Student Alumni Association — \$150
- Habitat for Humanity — \$225
- Campus Crusade for Christ — \$150
- HOSA — \$200
- Delta Sigma Theta — \$250
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ID ABUSE: 'They never even ask'

By Christa Ritchie

Students don't have to worry about not having their Big Red Card if they want to eat at campus restaurants — all they need is their Social Security number.

But that could be a problem if someone heard them and tried to use the number later.

Greenville freshman Matt Haskins said he has used his Social Security number about 15 times to get food. He has done this at all the campus restaurants.

"None of those times did they ask for any form of ID," he said. "I can see how it would be easy to steal something by just spitting out somebody's Social Security number."

Irene Jones, a cashier at Hilltopper Inn, said there will be about three to four people during a week who don't have their Big Red Cards.

She said most customers are regulars and she will let them use their Social Security numbers. But she asks for identification if she doesn't know them, she said.

Scottsville freshman Chris Williams said he doesn't think it's a good idea for people to yell out their Social Security number when they are in line.

"That's really very screwed up — maybe if you don't have your card with you then you don't eat," Williams said.

He said a person having someone else's Social Security number can do more than get food with it.

"Anything you want to find out about a person, you can if you know their Social Security number," Williams said. "It's really rather scary."

However, London freshman

Gabe Weaver said he doesn't think using Social Security numbers to get food is a problem.

"They are not going to do that because people don't stand there in line with a pencil and paper and write down someone's Social Security number," he said.

Nashville senior Lisa Meyer agreed.

"I think it's a good idea because if you misplace it or forget it and you are starving, you don't have the time to explain

of a different race.

"It's too easy because they don't look at the picture," he said. "I think they should be more aware of whose picture is on the card."

Monticello freshman Hillary Moore said she has let friends use her Big Red card a few times if she owed them a meal.

"They have never questioned it," she said. "They never even ask; they just run the card through."

She said she thinks cashiers should question those actions.

"I don't think people should be able to use just their Social Security number if they've lost their card either, because they can come up with any number if they want to," Moore said.

She said she thinks there is a problem with much money being stolen off food cards.

"I had \$100 at the beginning of last semester and it was gone in a week," Moore said. "I don't even eat that much."

Steve Householder, a freshman from LaGrange, Ind., had his Big Red card stolen a few weeks ago.

"I had much money on the card, so I went down to the ID center and they canceled it immediately," Householder said.

Campus police officer Audrey Spies said there hasn't been any problems reported with people using someone else's Big Red Card because once a stolen card is reported, it is deactivated.

Householder said he knew if he did not cancel the card right away then it would be easy for someone else to use his money.

"It's easy," Householder said. "I've used other friends' cards all the time and none of those people look at the picture on the card."

"Anything you want to find out about a person, you can if you know their Social Security number. It's really rather scary."

— Chris Williams
Scottsville freshman

you don't have it," she said. "It's not like they're charging expensive items on your credit card, it's just a food card — it's just a meal."

Louisville freshman Meg Albert said she has lost her meal card twice. Once a cashier let her use her Social Security number, and the other time they asked her for a picture ID.

Boyling Green senior Shane Hazelwood said he has used a friend's food card three times this semester but has never been caught, even though his friend is

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Every other Thursday, the Herald publishes results of restaurant inspections in Bowling Green.

Health department inspectors check each restaurant in Warren County about every six months and assign a score on a 0-100 scale. They inspect food storage, sewage, garbage disposal, insect and rodent control and toxic materials storage.

Inspectors identify 13 "critical" items which must be cleared up within 10 days. If a restaurant receives a score of less than 70, the restaurant's permit will be suspended within 10 days unless the restaurant asks for a hearing. A follow-up inspection checks if corrections have been made.

NOTE: Critical items and other violations in restaurant reports can reflect either the existence of a problem or the potential for one. Some areas are corrected at the time of inspection.

Inspections from Feb. 13-March 6:

Pizza Hut, 2631 Scottsville Road, Feb. 13 — 89 (follow-up)
Kentucky Fried Chicken, 2626 Scottsville Road, Feb. 14 — 73 (3

criticals)
Pope's, 2001 Russellville Road, Feb. 16 — 67 (4 criticals)
Mr. Gatti's, 600 Fairview Ave., Feb. 21 — 97

Ponderosa, 1608 31-W Bypass, Feb. 21 — 92 (follow-up, 1 critical)

Wendy's, 1633 31-W Bypass, Feb. 21 — 92 (follow-up, 1 critical)

Pizza Hut, 543 31-W Bypass, Feb. 21 — 82 (follow-up, 2 criticals)

Smokey Pig, 2520 Louisville Road, Feb. 23 — 82 (2 criticals)

Bolling Restaurant, 1951 Scottsville Road, Feb. 23 — 81 (2 criticals)

Steak Express, Greenwood Mall, Feb. 27 — 98 (follow-up)

Westside Grill & BBQ, 703 Gordon Ave., Feb. 27 — 86

Papa John's, 516 31-W Bypass, Feb. 28 — 74 (2 criticals)

Puerto Vallarta, 1632 31-W Bypass, March 1 — 74 (2 criticals)

Pizza Hut, 542 31-W Bypass, March 1 — 91 (follow-up, 1 critical)

Kentucky Fried Chicken, 2626 Scottsville Road, March 1 — 85 (follow-up, 1 critical)

Waffle House, 1979 Mel Browning Road, March 1 — 88 (follow-up, 1 critical)

Downtown BBQ, 520 Scott St., March 1 — 88 (follow-up, 1 critical)

Ryan's Family Steak House, 1920 Mel Browning Road, March 1 — 94 (follow-up, 1 critical)

Subway, 2734 Scottsville Road, March 6 — 77 (3 criticals)

Burger Basket, 824 Center St., March 6 — 95 (1 critical)



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All quiet on Western's front?: A storm lingered over Western's campus Monday night, briefly knocking out power to various buildings. Bowling Green has received slightly more than two inches of precipitation since Monday morning. No precipitation is expected today.



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Health 100 change is challenged by group

BY KRISTINA GOETZ

Students planning to enroll in Health 100 next semester may get a practical chance to apply what they learn.

Western's Department of Public Health has proposed a course revision for Personal Health 100 to the Academic Council. If the council approves the proposal, students will be taking advantage of the services the Wellness Center at the Preston Health and Activities Center offers.

According to the proposal, students registering for the class would participate in a wellness screening activity provided by the center.

The screening would include a personal wellness profile, which is height, weight and wrist size. The procedure also includes a blood pressure reading and flexibility and abdominal strength tests.

Wellness programming Director Nancy Givens said the change is important.

"The health classes now are theoretical and non-experiential," Givens said. "It is important to integrate what we know into our own lives."

After this screening, each student would receive a 14-page report and personal guide.

Every student would be required to complete an in-depth personal wellness plan.

David Dunn, public health department head, said the proposal was sent back to the general education committee.

"The consensus of the academic council was that the proposal would go back to the general education committee in order to answer some concerns," he said. "They did not like the idea that it would be mandatory for all students who enrolled in the class."

Givens said it should be a mandatory part of the course.

We have to learn how to move beyond awareness to the actual doing," she said.

The committee also was concerned that some confidential information might be mishandled.

"It was a matter of misunderstanding," Givens said. "No information is shared beyond this facility."

Givens said that since the general education committee had a private discussion and voted on the issue, members made the decision based on misinformation.

The general education committee scheduled a meeting for March 6 but canceled it in order to inquire if the meeting, which has always been closed, was legal. The date for the next meeting has not yet been set.

The academic requirements and regulations committee also presented two proposals at the Academic Council meeting last month.

This committee proposed that once classes begin for the 1995 summer-school term, students may withdraw from a class through the end of the official withdrawal period without the instructor's signature.

The other proposal involved adding a class. The committee also proposed that a student may add a class without the instructor's signature through the end of the add period as long as the class is not already full or otherwise restricted in enrollment.

Both proposals were sent back to the academic requirements committee.

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BY AMANDA DAVIS

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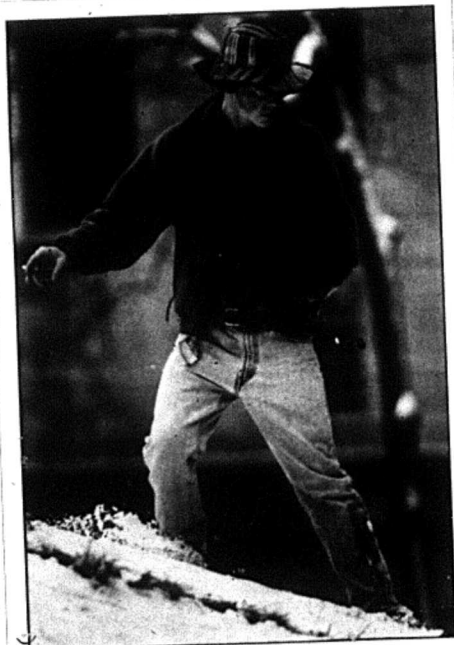
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— **Ricky Hines**
Toy Chest owner

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"I was tickled to death and they were too," he said.



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Slick: Playing around between classes, Louisville sophomore Alan Kestner slides down a mound near Gordon Wilson Hall. "I love to ski," Kestner said.



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Almost everyone remembers that spooky-looking aloe plant their mother watered from time to time. Usually tucked into a lonely corner or resting morosely by a window, the plant grew silently, almost as if it knew one day its magical, medicinal properties would be called upon.

That day finally came — you accidentally touched a glowing light bulb, held a burning match too long (admit it, we all played with them) or fell asleep while laying under that fiery summer sun. As your complaints and wails filled the house, your mother gently pushed you along into the room where the aloe plant patiently waited.

Mom tore one of the knobby leaves off, cut it down the middle and squeezed it. As she rubbed the gel on your burn, she whispered, "Everything's going to be all right."

Well, she was right. Aloe, with its anesthetic, antibacterial and tissue-restoring properties, soothed the burn and initialized the healing process.

You may not have known it, but your mom was practicing a form of medicine that has had a resurgence in popularity in recent years — herbal medicine.

Home-grown remedies

You don't have to grow herbs in your backyard or be an herbalist to practice effective herbal medicine — people practice it without even knowing it, said Erika Brady, folk studies associate professor.

Peppermint is prime example, she said. It is used to help the digestive process.

"Sometimes people don't even think of peppermint as a digestive aid," Brady said. "They just grab that mint by the cash register on the way out the restaurant. Peppermint really does stimulate some enzymatic action that helps break down foods."

Herbal medicine has been around for millennia, Brady said.

Egyptian manuscripts dating back to 1000 B.C. describe herbs that are still used today — cumin, dill, myrrh and mint are a few.

How does



Purple Sage



Folk studies associate professor Erika Brady said people practice folk medicine without even knowing it.

herbal medicine work? By using specific herbs and other plants, herbalists can make special teas, lotions or other medicines.

Inhaling aromas of herbs and brewing them into teas are some of the milder treatments. According to Brady, making direct extracts from herbs or ingesting parts of the plant (such as leaves and roots) can be much more potent and in some cases dangerous.

"Herbs are strong," she said. "One of the reasons formal medicine has turned away from using herbs in their raw state is because the amount of the effective component varies tremendously from plant to plant."

Soil conditions and climate can make it very difficult to make a fast judgment about quantity when it comes to herbs,

she said. A word of caution from Brady: if you are interested in herbal remedies, you must become informed on the subject before you go herb hunting. Buy a book or two.

According to Brady, herbal medicine is common in Kentucky. A growing number of young people have taken a great interest in herbal medicines, she said — they want a more holistic or natural way to stay healthy, or they may be reluctant to consult doctors.

Using herbs passed down in family

When Hollie Kushner, a sophomore from Utica, Mich., was eight years old, she suffered from a severe stomach virus — her fever was high and her food was constantly coming up. Her mother brewed some mushrooms and other herbs into a tea. Two hours after drinking it, Kushner was fine. That was when her interest in herbal medicine bloomed.

Now she practices her own herbal reme-

dies handed down from her mother and grandmother.

"When I was younger and would get sick, my mother would make these weird concoctions and within 24 hours, I'd be feeling 100 percent better," Kushner said.

"We never went to the doctor."

Learning the "secrets" of herbal medicine was not difficult, Kushner said. She learned the majority of her knowledge from her mother.

"I never really asked her, but I always observed what she was doing

and learned that way," she said. "It was more of an unspoken thing."

Kushner also said she would ask her grandmother and her friends who worked with herbal remedies about the subject, and they would give her information.

Since she has been at Western for only a year, Kushner hasn't introduced her home remedy beliefs to many of her peers — when she does, their response is usually skeptical.

"People around here will look at you funny and you know they don't quite under-

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Rosemary

Horseradish, garlic more than food seasoning

BY CHRIS HUTCHINS

A problem with prescription antibiotics is after they are used to combat an infection, your exhausted immune system is vulnerable to a secondary infection. Bowling Green herbalist Doni Hudspeth said.

For those who are sniffing through flu country, Hudspeth has some natural ways to curb those flows in your nose:

For congestion relief, stick your nose in a jar of horseradish — it's a good antihistamine. "That'll do just as much as Sudafed will," Hudspeth said. "It'll open up your sinuses."

She said if horseradish doesn't appeal to you, do what some Mennonites in this area do — carry a little bag of dried basil leaves.

Folk studies associate professor Erika Brady suggested making a vapor tent and inhaling the fumes from some Cherokee sweet mint in boiling water for about 10 minutes as another decongestant.

For a sore throat, Hudspeth suggested drinking some sage tea.

To combat that nasty secondary infection, drinking rosemary tea or putting copious amounts of garlic in your food are effective antibiotics,

she said.

Brew a tea of anise seed (it has a licorice taste) for a good expectorant. "It can help clear your sinus passages and helps get rid of that cough," Hudspeth said.

However, for those who are suffering from bad headaches, neck aches and nausea, Hudspeth said to sit tight and live through it — it should pass within a day or two.



Garlic

HERBS: They're effective, affordable

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stand," Kushner said. "I never really got that when I was in elementary school — I've gotten more of it since I came here."

Kushner said a possible reason why people do not understand these remedies is the relation of herbal medicines to the stereotypical, dark underworld of the occult.

"People who practice home remedies are not necessarily devil worshippers, at least not in my experience," she said.

Kushner said although over-the-counter medicine may be more effective for immediate needs — buying aspirin for the killer headache before that midterms — herbal remedies are much more effective.

Using dandelions as an example, Kushner said the green leaves of the weed are phenomenal. They have more iron and nutrients than the mighty spinach plant, she said.

What most people see as a pesky weed, Kushner sees as a possibility to heal. According to "Rodale's Illustrated Encyclopedia of Herbs," European herbalists still use dandelion leaves to treat diabetes and liver diseases and regard it as one of the best herbs for building up the blood and curing anemia. It is also prescribed as a mild laxative, an aid in digestion and an appetite stimulant.

Herbal remedies are not only effective but comparatively affordable, Kushner said. If you don't have very good health insurance and don't have prescription coverage, it could cost \$68 to get 35 tablets of an anti-inflammatory muscle relaxer. The herbal alternative?

"You could make almost the same home remedy for as cheap as \$2," she said.

Kushner governs the use of herbal remedies by a simple philosophy: take only what you can

give back. This philosophy has helped her love and appreciate the Earth.

"You gain a new respect for the world around you," she said. "You don't see the world as a commodity that can be bought or sold — you begin to appreciate it

immediate respiratory break down. She rushed to the emergency room and antibiotics were administered.

A year later, Hudspeth was still having an allergic reaction on the spot where she had been bitten. Since she knew that echinacea (an herb that boosts the immune system) may be able to kill the reaction, she brewed it into some tea. When it didn't go away, and someone came to her with a possible solution, she didn't pass up the opportunity to recuperate.

"Someone gave me echinacea in a capsule form. It was much more concentrated," Hudspeth said. Although the label said "one to three capsules daily," Hudspeth said that being the cautious person, she only took one every three days.

"I knew I wasn't allergic to echinacea because I was able to drink the tea — but when I started having asthma-like or heart attack-like symptoms, I went back to emergency room," she said.

The doctors had no idea what the problem was. They said the symptoms may have been a product of a "panic attack" or a "psychological problem," Hudspeth said. But Hudspeth was not the victim of a panic attack — she was the victim of an accidental herbal overdose.

"It was a while until I figured out ... there was nothing in my bloodstream that would clue (the doctors) that this was an herbal overdose."

After the incident, Hudspeth read that if a person had a high sensitivity to the herb, echinacea can act like a steroid — increased heart rate and other side effects could plague the body. After her encounter with a more concentrated dose, Hudspeth made a grim realization about herbs from hands-on experience.

"They can work, but they can work too well."

"You gain a new respect for the world around you."

— **Hollie Kushner**
sophomore from
Utica, Mich.

You take time to stop, look and literally smell the flowers, even during a busy day.

Interest in herbs started as a hobby

"I do not chant, hold strange things over my head or dance around," said Dori Hudspeth, a Bowling Green writer and herbalist. "It has nothing to do with the moon. I am a normal human being by almost every one's standards."

Hudspeth's interest in herbs began as a hobby years ago, growing them in her yard and using them for cooking.

Ten years ago, Hudspeth began her own herb business. During that time, she read everything available on the subject. And although her herb store closed five years ago, she still uses herbs for culinary, medicinal and fragrant purposes.

Hudspeth had an experience where her use of herbs got her into trouble. Four years ago, she was bitten by a brown recluse spider, and its poison caused an

What's happening

Movies

Greenwood Six Theater

This Weekend
Outbreak, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Heavyweights, PG, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.
Brady Bunch Movie, PG-13, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.
Forrest Gump, PG-13, 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Roommates, PG, 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Man of the House, PG, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.

Live Music

Around Town

Tonight
Radioactive Flowers, 10 p.m., Thursday's
Lost River Band, 9 p.m., O'Pawley's Pub
Riddle Road, 10 p.m., Baker Street Cafe
Patrick Hancy, 9 p.m., Smothers' Bistro
Janie Grey and DSF & Earthcore, 9:30 p.m., Gary's: The Only Alternative

Plaza Six Theater

This Weekend
Nobody's Fool, R, 7 and 9:15 p.m.
Hideaway, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Just Cause, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Billy Madison, PG-13, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.
Legends of the Fall, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Dumb and Dumber, PG-13, 7:10 and 9:15 p.m.

Martin Twin Theater

This Weekend
Richie Rich, PG, 7:15 and 9:15 p.m.
Higher Learning, R, 7 and 9:30 p.m.

Arts

Capitol Arts Center

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Second Cinema Series:

"Son of the Sheik," Sun., 4 p.m.
"Metropolis," Sun., 6 p.m.

New Rock 92 Top Ten

1. Stone Roses - Straight
2. 18th Dye - Aug
3. The Caulfields - Alex Again
4. Flat Mass - To Give
5. Kittywinder - Fooled
6. Kitchens of Distinction - Now It's Time to Say Goodbye
7. Black Watch - Just Last Night
8. Tragically Hip - Fifty Mission Cap
9. Missionaries - Higher
10. Adam Art - Vampires

Student Movie Channel

Today-Saturday

My Father the Hero: today-9 a.m., 4:30 p.m., Fri.-12:30 a.m.
Cemetery Club: today-10:30 a.m., 6 p.m., Fri.-2 a.m.
Robin Hood, Prince of Thieves: today-noon, 8 p.m., Fri.-4 a.m.
Hocus Pocus: today-2:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m., Fri.-6:30 a.m.
Alive: Fri.-9 a.m., 5 p.m., Sat.-1 a.m.
Bugs Bunny Movie: Fri.-11 a.m., 7:30 p.m., Sat.-3:30 a.m.
Sister Act II: Fri.-1 p.m., 9 p.m., Sat.-5 a.m.
New Jack City: Fri.-3 p.m., 11 p.m., Sat.-7 a.m.

Friday

Sixth Floor, 10 p.m., Thursday's
Lost River Band, 9 p.m., O'Pawley's Pub
Michael Gough, 10 p.m., Baker Street Cafe
Riddle Road, 9 p.m., Smothers' Bistro
Moral Chain of Custody, 9:30 p.m., Gary's: The Only Alternative

Saturday

Envy Estate, 10 p.m., Thursday's
Ernie Smalls Blues Band, 10 p.m., Baker Street Cafe
The Parrot Heads, 9 p.m., O'Pawley's Pub
Never and The Static Trip, 9:30 p.m., Gary's: The Only Alternative

Nashville

March 18
Buddy Guy, 8 p.m., 328 Performance Hall

Cincinnati

Tonight
Face to Face with Shoot the Gift, Bogart's, 7 p.m.
Saturday
Tesla, Bogart's, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday
Tom Petty, Cincinnati Gardens
Tuesday
Tracy Chapman, Bogart's, 7 p.m.

March 16
Michael Hedges, Bogart's, 7 p.m.

March 18
Alabama, Cincinnati Gardens

March 22
Carly Simon, Bogart's, 7 p.m.

Louisville

Sunday
Tracy Lawrence, Palace Theatre, 8 p.m.

Friday
Tesla, Brewery

March 18
Parti LaBelle, Palace Theatre, 8 p.m.

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Sports

Lady Toppers advance to semifinals

By DAN HIES

After a sloppy first half, the Lady Toppers came out of a trance to outscore Southwestern Louisiana 56-18 in the second period, beating the Lady Cajuns 88-41 in the first round of the Sun Belt Tournament in Ruston, La.

Western blew out Southwest Louisiana for the second time in a week. The Lady Toppers jumped out to a 15-0 lead on their way to an 80-30 victory over Southwestern last Thursday in Diddle Arena.

The beginning of yesterday's game was not as pretty for the Lady Toppers. Western (24-3) turned the ball over 15 times in the first half while allowing the seventh-seeded Lady Cajuns (4-23) to hang with it throughout the first half.

After having led the Lady Cajuns 45-11 at halftime a week ago, the Lady Toppers went to the locker room with a relatively small 32-23 lead.

"You have to give Southwestern Louisiana a lot of credit. During the first half, they played

about as well as they could. They came out aggressive and physical, and we just weren't ready to play," Coach Paul Sanderford said. "The second half we looked like a totally different team. We looked like we knew what we were looking for."

Western held the Lady Cajuns to 21.7 percent shooting after the break, allowing Southwestern Louisiana just one field goal in the first eight minutes of the half while building a 34-27 lead.

The Lady Toppers' defense was tough all afternoon, limiting Southwestern Louisiana to 27.8 percent shooting for the game. Western also outrebounded the Lady Cajuns 52-22.

"We did a very good job of rebounding and our defense was tough," Sanderford said. "There were two things we wanted for the tourney. One is defense and rebounding. The other is taking care of the ball. We didn't start to do that until the second half."

The Lady Toppers turned the ball over just six times in the

"The second half we looked like a totally different team. We looked like we knew what we were looking for."

— Paul Sanderford
Lady Topper coach

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Sanderford not likely to leave for Kentucky

By DAN HIES

Lady Topper coach Paul Sanderford has said he'd listen if contacted about the vacant women's basketball coaching job at the University of Kentucky, but he isn't likely to leave Western anytime soon.

Sanderford said that a story reporting his interest in the job in yesterday's Lexington Herald Leader was misleading.

"I'm very pleased with where I am now," he said.

Former Lady Cats coach Sharon Fanning's contract will

not be renewed for next season, leaving the job open.

Fanning compiled a 134-97 record over eight years at Kentucky but posted a 35-59 record in the Southeastern Conference.

UK Athletic Director C.M. Newton would not comment on whether Sanderford is on his school's list of prospective coaches.

"We're moving on with it and we're hoping to have something together real soon," he said. "We're moving and trying to get ourselves a new coach."

Sanderford said Kentucky has

a lot of potential and the position will be a good job for whomever takes it.

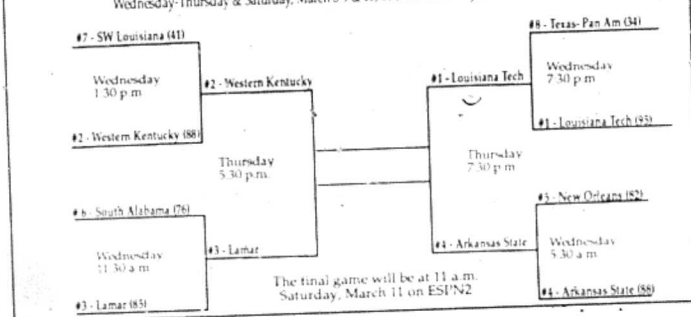
"I have a lot of respect for C.M. Newton and I would listen to whatever he told me," he said.

Sanderford said while there's a chance he would leave Western for the job at Kentucky, it is highly unlikely.

"There's always a chance. If the Knicks called and offered me a million dollars, I'd be there tomorrow," he said. "But I'm very happy with the program we have here."

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Sun Belt champions, Tops 'going dancing' next week

◆ The NCAA Tournament begins next Thursday at eight regional sites throughout the U.S.

By MICHAEL SCOTT

Jeff Rogers says he is like a spark plug — he comes into Western games and gives his team a boost.

During the Sun Belt Conference Tournament this past week at Barton Coliseum in Little Rock, Ark., the Toppers' sixth man provided a lot more than a spark. In fact, the senior guard played well enough to be selected to the All-Tournament team.

Coach Matt Kilcullen said Rogers has overcome adversity to become an important part of the Toppers' success.

"He doesn't have any bigger critic than me," Kilcullen said. "He doesn't have any bigger fan than me."

In Tuesday night's 82-79 championship win over Arkansas Little Rock, Rogers led the Toppers with 18 points and three steals. He played 28 minutes in the final, and for most of that time he was being guarded by Little Rock's All-Conference guard Derek Fisher in the last five minutes.

Rogers scored eight points.

"I knew Fisher had three fouls," Rogers said. "Coach told me if I had the shot to take it."

Kilcullen said Rogers was actually the first to notice Fisher's foul trouble, and he said Rogers told him he could score against Fisher.

Junior forward Chris Robinson, who was selected the tournament's Most Valuable Player, said the Toppers played well from top to bottom.

"Jeff has been doing this all year," Robinson said. "I was happy for him making the All-Tournament team."

Senior center Darius Hall joined Rogers and Robinson on the All-Tournament team along with Little Rock's Muntrelle Dobbins and Fisher.

Hall said the championship was the kind of game the conference needed.

"People underestimate the Sun Belt," Hall said. "This was a very competitive game. Tonight proved we're a strong conference."

Despite taking the nation's second-best record into the tournament, the Hilltoppers were overlooked in the national polls the entire regular season. Only after their 64-61 win over Texas-Pan American in the Sun Belt semifinal did the Toppers climb

into the Associated Press Top 25, at No. 23.

Over the course of the season, Kilcullen declined to comment on the polls and a possible NCAA Tournament seeding. After Tuesday night's win, he explained that was part of how he and his team remained focused solely on their next game all season.

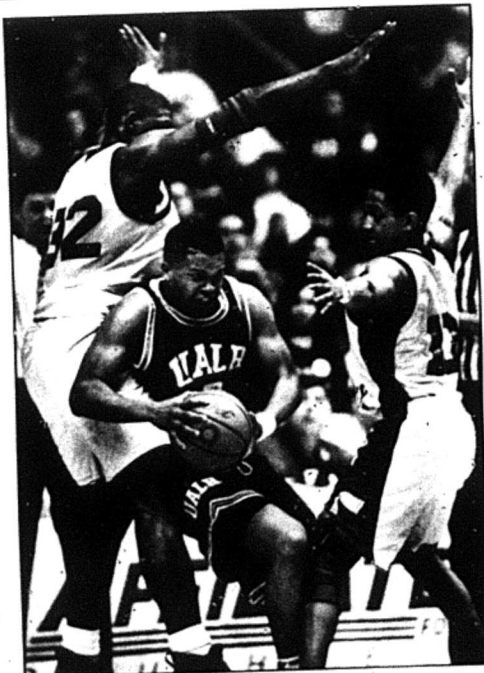
"As far as the seedings, I wouldn't be surprised if we were in single digits," Kilcullen said. "We'll play whoever we have to play like we've played all season."

The NCAA will announce the tournament pairings Sunday night at 5 p.m. on CBS. The first two rounds will be played in Baltimore, Albany, N.Y., Tallahassee, Fla., Memphis, Tenn., Dayton, Ohio, Austin, Texas, Boise, Idaho, and Salt Lake City.

The regional finals will be played in East Rutherford, N.J., Birmingham, Ala., Kansas City, Mo., and Oakland, Calif., and the Final Four will be in Seattle.

Robinson said the Toppers can now look forward to the NCAA Tournament.

"We're ready for it," Robinson said. "As long as we keep doing what we've been doing, there's no telling how far we can go."



Stefanie Boyar/Herald

Sun Belt Conference All-Tournament team members Darius Hall and Jeff Rogers trap Arkansas-Little Rock's Terrone/Parham during Western's 82-79 win in Little Rock Tuesday night.

◆ On Deck

Hilltopper Sports
Calendar

Today

◆ Women's basketball at Sun Belt Conference Tournament in Ruston, La., vs. Lamar, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday

◆ Baseball hosts Jacksonville, doubleheader, noon, Denes Field.

Sunday

◆ Baseball hosts Jacksonville, 1 p.m., Denes Field.

Tuesday

◆ Baseball at Marshall, 2 p.m.



Todd Stabing/Herald

Freshman Emily Troyer practices her swing in the basement of the Bowling Green Country Club Tuesday to prepare for her first match.

Women golfers look to regroup for spring

By MICHAEL LARNER

After an up and down pre-season, the women's golf team is preparing for Saturday's season opener in Mobile, Ala. Although four members from last year's squad are returning, Coach Leslie Lawrence referred to her team's fall season as "dismal." Lawrence explained that lack of talent, along with the graduation of seniors Jennifer Moore and Liesl Diedericks, contributed to the disappointing fall season.

The women's golf team also saw freshman standout Erica Montgomery transfer.

"Losing Erica did hurt, but we had some problems and we're glad to see her go," Lawrence said.

After problems with recruiting left Lawrence with only two recruits, she is focusing on the future.

"I'm really excited about the girls that are coming in next year," Lawrence said. "I goofed during the recruiting process last time and now have to just wait 'til next year."

As for this season, the women's No. 1 player and perhaps their one bright spot is junior Danielle Barker. Last spring she led her team to two second place finishes in the Eastern Kentucky Lady Colonel Classic and Western's Lady Topper Invitational. This sea-

son she hopes to do even better. "A realistic goal for me would be to finish in the Top 10 in all five tournaments," Barker said. "Conference could pose a problem because there are some tough players down there."

Other golfers returning from last season are seniors Michelle Higgins and Kate Hitchcock along with junior Stacey Newman. Rounding out the squad of seven are sophomore Paula Stocker and freshmen Emily Troyer and Joyce Rommelaar.

Lawrence said she expected big things from her two freshmen and that Rommelaar would probably be her No. 2 player.

The golf team travels to Mobile, Ala., to play in the Spring Hill College Invitational Saturday. Western is the defending champion, but Lawrence said she would be happy with a fifth-place finish. She said that she does, however, expect good things from Barker, who last season tied for sixth place. Barker hopes she can better last season's performance.

"I played really well this fall and I've done good in practice, so I don't see why I can't win at Spring Hill," Barker said.

After competing in Mobile, the team returns to action after Spring Break when it travels to Southern Mississippi March 20-21.

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Inseparable sisters bring hard work to track team

By KEVIN KELLY

They've been best friends for life, but often times they find themselves with nothing to say to each other.

Senior twins Kimberly and Catherine Hancock live together, take the same classes, will receive a degree in biology together — with aspirations of becoming physical therapists — and run an average of six miles a day together.

Often, they run out of things to talk about over the course of a day. The two look so much alike with their bright red hair, it's almost impossible to tell them apart.

"I asked their mother one time at the end of a cross country race which one came in first," Coach Curtiss Long said. "She told me she wasn't sure."

Long added that while the two have similar physical characteristics, they also have a willingness to sacrifice to prepare for a meet and the love for competition.

"Catherine and Kimberly epitomize the reason why people are in coaching," Long said. "They're the types of people that make the effort and time spent in coaching worthwhile."

However, one would think that having a twin sister to compete with would affect their relationship. It doesn't.

"I don't ever think about beating her, but if she beats me that's fine," Catherine said. "We always give our hardest effort. I know that if she can do it I can do it too."

Being twins there's always been questions. Who's faster and who's better are the most popular.

"That's the number one question," Catherine said. "Actually we just point to each other."

Long says the two aren't picturebook runners but their success is due to their determination.

"I've stood beside other coach-

es, at meets, and all they can say is, 'Wow they're just tough,'" he said.

At last week's Sun Belt Conference championships, Catherine brought the distance medley relay team from third place at the beginning of her leg to victory, breaking the Sun Belt record in a time of 12 minutes, 18.72 seconds.

As a freshman and junior, Catherine was voted All-Sun Belt Conference. She has made the academic All-Conference team all four years here at Western.

To be eligible for academic All-Conference, a student-athlete must have a 3.0 grade point average or above.

Kimberly is coming off her best cross country season so far at Western, but reoccurring stress fractures in both of her legs have sidelined her for the past four-and-a-half weeks. She has also made the academic All-Conference team the past three years.

"I can't stand it when it's really nice outside and I can't run," Kimberly said. "It's like taking chocolate away from a kid. It's something I love."

The respect the two have for one another is evident in their own evaluations.

"She's (Catherine) a lot more mentally focused than I am," Kimberly said. "There's a lot of days when I just don't want to go to practice. I'd rather get out of class and go fix a bowl of ice cream and watch soaps all day."

Catherine said, "No matter what, she (Kimberly) gives her best effort, she's really dedicated when it comes to races and she'll push herself beyond the point of pushing herself."

Not only have the sisters earned respect from each other but teammates as well.

Kimberly and Catherine both agree the best part of having a twin sister at Western is that if one gets

sick or upset, they always know they have a best friend in their sister.

After this semester, both plan to attend physical therapy school and continue running.

"I want to keep running for the enjoyment of running," Kimberly said. "I'll go as long as I can go."

The two plan on competing in either marathons or triathalons.

There's no doubt that the red-headed running twins of Western have made a lasting impression.

"If we're driving down the road and we need a relief driver, you would say 'Yes, I'll put the lives of everybody else in their hands,'" Long said.



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Catherine (left) and Kimberly Hancock have been running for nine years.

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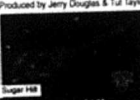
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ADVANCE: Western out for revenge

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second half

"I think in the first half, we didn't really come out ready to play," senior guard Veronica Cook said. "They played us really physical, and we didn't really know how to respond."

Senior forward Gwen Doyle led the Lady Toppers with 14 points. Cook scored 11 and senior center Tara Cosby added 10 points for the Lady Toppers. All three players were named to the 10-member All Sun Belt team. Western was the only team to place three players on the team.

Cook said one of the reasons the Lady Toppers came out flat may have been that they were looking forward to their opponent in the semifinals — Lamar.

"Maybe my other teammates were I wasn't looking forward to Lamar," she said. "I'm looking forward to them now."

The Lady Toppers will play Lamar today at 5:30. The game will be a chance for Western to avenge its most stunning loss of the season, a 75-74 loss at Lamar Jan. 26.

That loss came four days after Western had defeated then fourth-ranked Louisiana Tech 79-71 in Diddle Arena and prevented Western from having a share of the Sun Belt regular season title.

Sanderford said that while the Lady Toppers overlooked Lamar that time, it will not happen again.

"I've done my homework this time," he said. "I hope our kids come out ready to play. This is a game we desperately need to win if we want to get in the finals against Louisiana Tech and get a good bid in the NCAA Tournament."

Lamar defeated South Alabama 85-76 yesterday to reach today's match-up against the Lady Toppers.

Center Emma Clements and guard Lisa McMahon, both of whom made the All-Sun Belt team, combined for 36 points and 19 rebounds against South Alabama. Clements collected 19 points and 12 rebounds while McMahon, the Sun Belt Freshman of the Year, dumped in 17 points while grabbing seven boards.

According to Cook, the team will be ready when they face off against the Lady Cardinals.

"It means a lot to us. We're out for revenge," she said.

Southwestern Louisiana (41)
B. Allen 1-1 2-3 4, Didier 0-0 0-0, Fisher 2-6 0-0 4, Habetz 1-15 3-7 5, Landry 4-11 5-7 14, Lofton 1-3 0-2, Melancon 1-2 0-2, Mitchell 0-1 0-0 0, Robinson 2-8 0-0 4, Roux 1-3 0-2 2, Shamse 2-4 0-4. Totals 15-54 10-17 41

Western (88)
Abell 3-4 1-3 7, S. Allen 1-1 0-2, Ashby 0-2 2-2, Bowen 4-5 2-3, Cook 3-7 5-6 11, Cosby 4-9 2-4 10, Doyle 6-14 2-4 14, Gamble 0-0 0-0 0, Heikkila 4-5 0-1 9, Reed 0-3 3-3 3, Townsend 4-5 0-0 9, Warner 4-7 4-2 11. Totals 33-60 18-28 88

Halftime—Western 32, Southwestern Louisiana 23. 3 point goals—Southwestern Louisiana 1-12 (Landry 1-2, Habetz 0-6, Mitchell 0-1, Robinson 0-1, Roux 0-2); Western 4-7 (Heikkila 1-1, Townsend 1-1, Warner 2-3, Cook 0-1, Doyle 0-1). Fouled out—Robinson. Rebounds—Southwestern Louisiana 22 (Robinson 3), Western 52 (Bowen 10). Assists—Southwestern Louisiana 5 (Habetz 3), Western 12 (S. Allen, Warner 3).

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Celebration a fitting end to great tourney

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Finally, he said he had only one more thing to say.

"We're going dancing," Kilcullen yelled.

After the Toppers squeaked out an 82-79 victory over Arkansas-Little Rock Tuesday night to clinch the Sun Belt Conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament, the question had been, answered.

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After senior guard Jeff Rogers stole a Derek Fisher pass in the last seconds of the game, he looked up court to senior forward Darius Hall. All alone, Hall dribbled from the top of the key and slammed home a thunderous dunk after the final buzzer sounded.

While the dunk did not show up in the final score, it was a fitting end to a wonderful weekend in Little Rock.

Players swarmed the floor and fell into a pile. Hall cheered it up for the cameras and showed up on all of the sports shows that reported on the Toppers' victory.

The celebration had just begun. After Hall, Rogers and junior forward Chris Robinson picked up their plaques for being on the all-tournament team, tournament officials placed a ladder underneath one of the goals.

Players, coaches and trainers took their turn at the net, cutting off parts for keepsake.

Robinson posed with fans for pictures. Senior forward Derek Flowers recorded the celebration on a camcorder. Junior guard John Matthews hollered out his ring size.

All the players will receive championship rings.

While beeping as a large pickup truck does when it goes in reverse, Hall carried the ladder to the

other end of the floor to get the other net.

Senior manager Eric Cunningham clutched the championship trophy, smiling widely. — not wanting to give it up.

After Big Red climbed down the ladder

der with the last of the net, the celebration moved to the locker room. Wearing hats and t-shirts with "Sun Belt Champs" on them, the Toppers broke into song and dance.

Associate head coach Glenn Cyprien led the locker room celebration — dancing in the middle of a circle that the singing players had created.

This was the way the script was supposed to go. It was a celebration that was supposed to take place last year when Western hosted the tournament. A year later, those plans finally panned out.

Now the only questions are where the Toppers will play their first round games next week and what seed they will get in the tournament.

Kilcullen said he expects a "single-digit seed." However, the Toppers deserve better than an eight or nine seed. A six seed may be pushing it. A seven seed would be more likely.

Many are hoping the Toppers will be sent to Memphis, the first-round site closest to Bowling Green.

No matter the site or the seed, this year's team has the ability to advance to the Sweet Sixteen.

Let's just hope that celebration is as good as Tuesday's was.

Jason Frakes
Commentary



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Baseball team ready for Cards

By MICHAEL SCOTT

A year ago, Shannon McKenzie and Ken Konopacki were playing baseball at the junior college level.

Both transferred to Western over the summer and worked their way into the Topper starting lineup. Assistant coach Dan Mosier said the two have been important in Western's 5-3 start.

"We're real pleased with the way they've come in here and played," Mosier said.

McKenzie, who transferred from Allegany Community College, plays first base and leads the team with a .357 batting average. Mosier said he fields well and is a sound player.

Konopacki, whose .346 batting average is second on the team, transferred from Dundalk Community College. Mosier said Konopacki has been steady as the Toppers' third baseman.

Western was scheduled to play Valparaiso and Tennessee Tech Tuesday in Cookeville, Tenn. Both games were postponed due to inclement weather.

Mosier said the cancellation may affect the team's play. "Obviously, once you start playing, you don't want to take five or six days off," Mosier said. "With as many new guys as we have it's important to kind of find a groove and play."

The Toppers play at Louisville (3-6) today at 1 p.m. Mosier said the Cardinals' Parkway Field is a hitter's park.

"Louisville always swings the bats well," Mosier said. "Our pitchers will have to minimize mistakes and not give up a lot of hits."

Junior righthander C.J. Martin will start on the mound for the Toppers, but Mosier said several other pitchers will get work due to the time off.

The Toppers begin their Sun Belt Conference schedule this weekend with a three-game homestand at Nick Denes Field against Jacksonville. The teams will play a doubleheader on Saturday, beginning at noon, and will play Sunday at 1 p.m.

The Dolphins were picked second in the Sun Belt coaches preseason poll.

Junior lefthander Christian Blackburn is the probable starter in Saturday's first game, and senior righthander Matt Bowles is probable for the second game.

Mosier said Sunday's starter will depend on who works out of the bullpen during Saturday's games to face a tough Dolphin team.

"They're very experienced at the skill positions," Mosier said. "It's important to get off to a good start in our league."

Tops finish in 10th place

HERALD STAFF REPORT

Heavy rains and tornado-like conditions caused the cancellation of the second round of the University of New Orleans Intercollegiate golf invitational on Tuesday and left the Toppers with a disappointing 10th-place finish.

Arkansas State and Jacksonville State (Ala.) tied for first in the 18-team event with a team score of 302. Western shot a 318, tying them with Nicholls State, Toledo and Louisiana Tech.

Sophomore Ryan Tucker shot a four-over-par 76 to lead the way for the Toppers, finishing in 14th place overall. Seniors Joe Daly and Kelvin Burgin shot 81 and 82 respectively.

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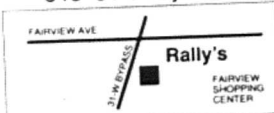
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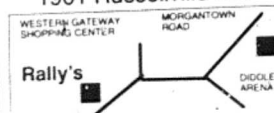


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