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Programs begin race for excellence

◆ Higher education reform requires state universities to pick their best departments

BY JOHN STAMPER

Departments across campus will slap on their rouge and lip gloss tomorrow.

They'll be dressing up statistics and awards, bragging about their recent graduates and generally trying to impress each other

— all in the hopes of becoming a "program of excellence."

Western's program directors, coordinators and department heads will gather tomorrow for a day-long session, reading papers and deciding exactly which programs on campus should reap the benefits of the Kentucky Postsecondary Education Improvement Act.

Passed in May, the reform law requires each state university to designate one or more programs as "programs of excellence," making them eligible for mil-

lions of state dollars.

But these programs must have the potential to become "nationally recognized," bringing prestige and honor to the university and Kentucky higher education as a whole.

After tomorrow's talks, the council of deans and interim President Barbara Burch, also the vice president for Academic Affairs, will make the final selections and send them to the Council on Postsecondary Education for approval.

"My expectation is that by the

end of October we're going to be pretty close to knowing what are going to be the most likely candidates for programs of distinction," Burch said.

No decisions have been made yet; the number of programs of excellence hasn't even been decided, although three to five seems likely, but the Herald has been asking questions and looking at facts and figures from years past. It's too early to say who the winners are, but if lessons can be learned from history, the

runners are pretty clear to see from old please.

The top three

Teacher education, journalism and psychology. Long considered the three main food groups of Western education, these programs are rated top notch by faculty and students across campus — and the nation.

◆ In the 1920s, Western was known as Western State Teacher's College. Today, a full third of the

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10k title at stake Saturday

BY JERRY BREWER

Perhaps a dream or two will be realized Saturday. Perhaps a competitor who has never been called a champion will have his or her day in the sun — here. Perhaps a simple accomplishment — like finishing —

will be made. That's the lure of the Bowling Green 10k Classic, which will have its 18th running through the streets of Western and the city at 9 a.m. Saturday. It's a time for fun, a time for fitness.

And for one male and one female, a time to win and bask in the glory of being the victor of a nationally recognized race for an entire year.

Race Director Rick Kelley said about 4,000 runners will compete in the 10-kilometer race. He said he can't give an exact count because people can register until the day of the race.

Both of last year's champions — former Western star Sean Dollman and women's champion

◆ Country music's Tracy Lawrence performs in Diddle Arena tonight.
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Kurt Fattic/Herald

Maestro: John Carmichael, a music associate professor, conducts the Western Symphonic Band during their performance Tuesday night in Van Meter Auditorium. The concert, part of The Wind Band Masterworks Series, was dedicated to John Fullerton, the former band director of Warren East Middle School who died last week.

Task force studies women's salaries, status at Western

BY SHANNON BACK

Money and jobs. Women at Western are trailing behind men in both categories.

There are 33 department heads, but only four are women. There are 103 administrators, 31 of which are women. And there is one female vice president.

Out of 211 professors, 33 are women — and statistics show their yearly salary is \$3,023 less than their male colleagues.

What's causing the differences? Barbara Burch, vice president for Academic Affairs and the first female vice president in Western history, said it's time to find out.

"There is no question that women's and men's salaries are not equal," she said. "I'm committed to increasing the number

of opportunities for women at Western.

"It doesn't just happen. People who come here usually stay here, and there isn't enough mobility into leadership roles."

The university has taken the first step in ensuring that women have the same chance as men at moving up the ladder of success. In January, former President Thomas Meredith appointed a task force to conduct a study on the status of women on campus.

The 21-member task force is studying topics including equal treatment, equal opportunity for advancement, Western's sexual harassment policy and job satisfaction.

It expects to submit data to new President Gary Ransdell in December, Burch said. Then the

report will go before the Board of Regents.

Ransdell said he recognized the low numbers in the 1997 Western Fact Book.

"I made some check marks in the Fact Book," he said. "We don't have a proper gender ratio in our work force."

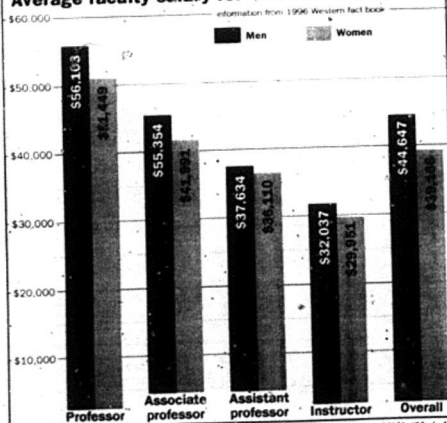
Ransdell said he'll make recommendations to the Board of Regents when he gets the task force's report. For now, he has a few suggestions.

"The first thing we need to do is to recognize that inequality exists," he said. "Then those who make employment decisions need to change their attitudes."

Jane Olmsted, assistant director of the women's studies pro-









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Average faculty salary for men and women



Dan Hieb/Herald

Herald forecast

			
			
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
84° high	83° high	84° high	84° high
54° low	54° low	55° low	54° low

Just a sec

Greeks offer basketball tourney

Lace up the sneakers and grab the basketballs. The Phi Delta Theta fraternity wants you for their annual 3-on-3 basketball tournament at the house at 1260 State St. Fraternities, sororities and independents will compete for the title of "King of the Court" at 5 p.m. today and tomorrow. The cost is \$45 per three-member team. Proceeds will benefit Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Bowling Green, the Phi Delt's philanthropy. First- and second-place winners will receive plaques. For more information or to enter a team, contact Jon Arnold at 793-9613 or call the Phi Delt house at 782-0666.

Ransdell to be on campus

President-elect Gary Ransdell will be on-campus Monday and Tuesday, meeting with various administrators and members of the Board of Regents. Ransdell is also scheduled to meet with the Faculty Senate executive committee at 4 p.m. Monday. At 5 p.m. he will host a reception for the Faculty Senate at the president's home on Chestnut Street.

Clearing the air

A story in Tuesday's Herald should have said student pass rates on the National Counseling Licensing Exam for Registered Nurses have hovered between 83 and 97 percent. Cynthia Manley, a spokeswoman for Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville, was misidentified. A story about Jim Harbaugh should have ended, "On a different field, on one dissimilar to the one they had occupied some 25 years ago, the results are still the same: Harbaugh's still winning. And now Western is, too."



Stephan Frazier/Herald

Collision course: Emergency workers attend to Denise Johnson, a junior from Franklin, Tenn., after she hit Gamaliel senior Windy Hall with her bicycle about 4 p.m. yesterday at the junction of Normal and State streets. Johnson, who was knocked from her bicycle, was treated and released from The Medical Center at Bowling Green.

For the record/crime reports

Charges

◆ Kristy Giady's Murphy, Central Hall, was charged Monday with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia. After allowing campus police to search her room, a baggy of marijuana, rolling paper, a wooden pipe and forceps were found. She was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the next day on a \$250 unsecured bond.

◆ Jennifer R. Pearl, Central, was charged Monday with possession of marijuana. After allowing campus police to search her room, a baggy of marijuana was found. She was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the next day on a \$250 unsecured bond.

Reports

◆ Robyn R. Alsop, Bemis Lawrence, reported Friday receiving threatening phone

calls from a former boyfriend. ◆ Karen L. Schneider, Cherry Hall, reported Friday her wallet and its contents, valued at \$30, stolen Thursday from her office. ◆ John H. Darnell, East 11th Street, reported Monday \$100 stolen from his wallet in Preston Health and Activities Center. ◆ Christopher J. Lloyd Barnes-Campbell, reported Tuesday \$260 stolen from the desk drawer in his room.

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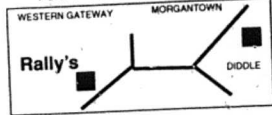
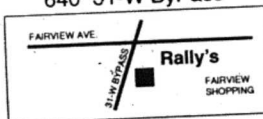


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♦ Student government news

Resolution backs nursing students

By CHARLIE LANTER

Nursing students upset over a new departmental grading policy have won the support of the Student Government Association.

The SGA-Congress passed a resolution Tuesday asking the university to apply a tougher, new nursing department grading scale only to incoming students.

The new scale, which raises the standard for a C from 70 to 77, went into effect on the first day of classes. Students must receive a C in any nursing course to pass.

Interim nursing Department Head Kay Carr said the change is an attempt to improve student pass rates on the National Counseling Licensing Exam for Registered Nurses.

All nursing students, even those admitted to the program under the old standards, are graded according to the new policy.

Glasgow sophomore Jennifer Hamilton, a nursing student and co-author of the resolution, said what bothers most students about the change is how the faculty kept them in the dark.

"If any change is going to be made, they should let the students know," Hamilton said. "We're the reason Western's here."

Hamilton said representatives on the nursing student advisory committee were never informed of the decision.

According to a handbook issued by the nursing department, one purpose of the committee is to "provide input into policies and decisions which impact student welfare."

Hamilton said the committee can't do its job if it's not informed of policies and decisions.

Carr said the nursing faculty who voted on the new scale were not required to notify the commit-

tee of the change.

Hamilton also said the new scale could affect students' admission to graduate programs.

"When we get ready to start a master's program, we're going to have a poorer (grade-point average)," she said.

Students with a C would probably be denied admission to most schools, Hamilton said, and others with academic scholarships will need to work a lot harder to keep from losing their financial aid.

SGA President Keith Coffman said the department is wrong. "They shouldn't be able to change this without letting students know ahead of time," the Russellville senior said.

Coffman said he plans to talk to Barbara Burch, vice president for Academic Affairs, next week about SGA's resolution.

"I want to see what reasoning they have for doing this," he said.

SGA wants dorm rooms peep-able

By CHARLIE LANTER

The next time someone knocks on your dorm room door, you may be able to look through the door and see who's there — depending on where you live.

A resolution passed by the Student Government Association on Tuesday asks Facilities Management to install security peep holes on doors in every coed dorm.

The resolution only asks for peep holes in coed dorms, where Elizabethtown sophomore Jenny Stith said safety should be a main concern.

"It's really easy for guys to walk around on girls' floors in the coed dorms," Stith said. "This is to give

the option to look out the door and see who it is."

Munfordville sophomore Tara Logsdon, who co-authored the legislation with Stith, said single-sex dorms are more secure since they have limited visitation hours and require guests to check in.

Logsdon said there was another reason for only including coed dorms in the request.

"We thought it would have a better chance of getting done if we didn't ask for everything at once," Logsdon said.

Logsdon said SGA got the idea from Zacharias and New Sorority halls, which were built with the feature.

However, installing the peep holes raises another issue — what

will be done with mirrors on the back of doors in some halls?

Logsdon said the SGA suggests either relocating the mirrors or getting rid of them.

Facilities Management Director Mark Struss said installing the viewers would cost a little more than \$8 per door.

"That includes parts and labor," Struss said. "But it would be up to Housing as to what would be done with the mirrors."

Logsdon said Facilities Management told SGA it would cost roughly \$8,000 to install the holes in every coed dorm.

"Of course, that's just an educated guess," she said. "And it doesn't count the labor it would take to move the mirrors."

Smoke detector could have saved student

By BRIAN MAINS

Assistant fire chief Richard Storey has been fighting fires for 15 years.

In that time, he has seen more than his fair share of people die in house fires — many of which could have been prevented if a smoke detector had been working properly.

"I've seen one fire death with a working smoke detector," Storey said of his many years as a firefighter.

Residents should test their smoke detectors once a month, fire officials say.

Early Saturday morning, he was involved with a fire fatality that was typical of most fire deaths in Bowling Green, the state and nation.

Former student Eric Hinkle, 20, of 1733 Patrick Way, died in an apartment fire this weekend which fire officials suspect was started by a cigarette.

Storey said Hinkle's death most likely could have been prevented if the detector in his apartment had been connected.

"It was off the wall," he said.

With one fire fatality every 18 months in Bowling Green, Storey said residents should take the time to check their detectors at least once

a month.

"All they have to do is push the red test button," Storey said.

If there is no test button, students can buy a product called canned smoke and open it near the detector to test it.

"One thing students should not do is use an open flame to test the device."

"The heat might melt circuitry," Storey said.

Glasgow graduate student Kelly Ross said telling people how to test a smoke detector doesn't matter because most students don't take the time to do it.

"I wouldn't think so," Ross said. "I didn't."

The state has made it a law that all new structures have AC smoke detectors, which are connected to the electricity of the building and have a battery back-up to hopefully try to ensure occupants are protected.

Older homes only need battery-operated devices.

Storey also said owners of apartment complexes are supposed to keep a log book of when detectors were tested to ensure they are working.

Storey said the law is not something to fall back on because in Hinkle's case the AC detector tested OK three weeks ago, but was not there when most needed.

"It was apparently removed by the occupant," he said.


For Ross' part, she said she knows she has one that works right now.

"I just bought one."


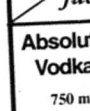

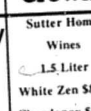
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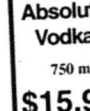
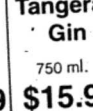


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Opinion

'K.C. and the Brain' deserves another chance

So "K.C. and the Brain" won't be broadcast on Western's New Rock student radio station any more. Big deal, some may say. Well, it is a big deal. Any time a forum for expression is taken away, it's a big deal.

Even if the show didn't offer thought-provoking insight on important issues (or on any issues), students have still lost an outlet for free speech.

The issue: The "K.C. and the Brain" radio show will not be returning to the airwaves this semester.

Our view: The show has an audience and should be given one more chance.

The show was not renewed largely because it was filled with "poor taste" and "sexual innuendo," according to Bart White, the faculty adviser for the station

and a communication and broadcasting professor.

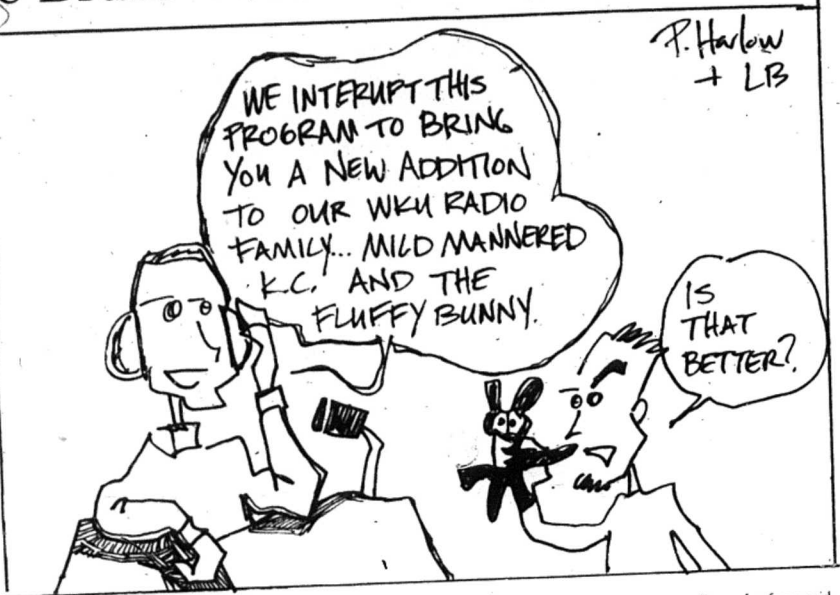
White said the station broadcast around Bowling Green and the complaints came from parents of non-Western students.

Sure, the show was crude. But Howard Stern goes much further than this program ever has, and many people find what Rush Limbaugh has to say offensive.

So what. No one is forced to listen to either of them. Just like no one was ever forced to listen to "K.C. and the Brain."

But in light of past warnings, the hosts — K.C. Armstrong, a senior from Port Jefferson, N.Y., and Bill Thompson, a May graduate from Lebanon — should be willing to show some responsibility, which they tried to do.

Armstrong offered a proposal to the Broadcast Advisory Board to change the format of the show to include discussion



of current events and air in the mornings. Yet the board decided they didn't trust him.

The duo should have at least been given one more opportunity to redeem themselves, since there is a following out there. How many other shows could you name from the station?

Of the programming on 97.1 FM WWHR, "K.C. and the Brain" was the most popular, which means some students have lost something. At least some students found it to be entertaining. Armstrong said he has gotten more than 100 e-mail messages in sup-

port of the show.

If the co-hosts are willing to actually change something and listen to complaints, they should be given a chance.

White voted to accept Armstrong's proposal. However, when the advisory board's vote was a 4-4 tie, White said the responsible thing to do would be to not renew the show to avoid the risk of losing the station's license. That license does not come from the Federal Communications Commission, but from the university, which funds the station.

If the license was revoked, the Board of Regents would be the ones to do it.

But Chairwoman Peggy Loanman said she did not know of any consideration by the board to pull the license.

And if a little bit of "poor taste" and "sexual innuendo" is enough to kill the entire station, the university should be more lenient.

The station is a great learning experience for broadcast students, but what kind of message is Western sending by pulling a show because of controversial content? The advisory board should reconsider Armstrong's proposal.

If a college campus is not a place to offer free expression, what is?

Submitting commentaries

The commentaries that appear on page five are the expressed views of the columnists who write them.

Also, the cartoons that appear on page five are the opinion of the cartoonists. Commentaries and cartoons are edited by the Editorial Board.

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Contact opinion editor Fred Lucas at 745-6011.

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People poll

What kind of programs would you like to hear on campus radio?



"Bob and Tom. It's talk radio show in syndication. They don't get them here."

Amber Dillard,
Henderson junior



"Another call-in show."

Geoff Spalding,
Louisville senior



"Anything that isn't rap. A show discussing intelligent campus issues."

Kathy Young,
Brownsville junior



"We've got enough talk shows. We need more music."

Diane Bushwack,
Senior from New London, Conn.



"The popular music should be played the most."

Jesse Raley,
Beaver Dam junior

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Forum

Religious bigotry considered acceptable

We danced, we jumped, we sang at the top of our lungs, we moshed and we sweated more liquid than we thought our bodies could hold. The Festival of Arts at Christ Presbyterian Church in Nashville, held Sept. 20, quite frankly rocked.

Big names like Out of the Grey, Third Day, Reality Check, Chris Rice, Plumb and Steven Curtis Chapman took the audience to total euphoria. It was an amazing 5 1/2 hours of fun between hundreds of Christians who gathered to benefit the church's Christian academy.

But aside from the adrenaline maniacs, a festival like this ended up being more than a place to hang out for the evening. It was more of a chance for Christians to share their love for Christ and for each other as a united group of people.

Christian music is the most fortunate forum I can think of

because it is the only "safe" place for believers to openly share their ideas and feelings about religion without fear of persecution.

In a country that was founded by Christian people for the purpose of being a God-fearing and respectable nation,

America has strayed from the morals it was founded on.

We live in a country that persecutes the very same values that we fought to protect 200 years ago.

Why do you think we have racism, homophobia, violence, pornography, corrupt politics and so many other problems?

Every day somewhere in

America there is a believer who is fighting the same battle for freedom that other minorities are.

The stories may not be believable, but the facts point out that

Christians are a numbered few. Professional educators are not allowed to express their faith through the curriculum they teach students because school boards don't want to rock the boat with some parents.

Those same teachers and administrators are sometimes not legally allowed to give school time to extracurricular activities like Fellowship of Christian Athletes or prayer groups because they would be "pushing

religion onto students."

Employers may often give employees a hard time about wanting Sunday off for worship, though Sabbath rest is very important in most doctrines, regardless of denomination.

Are there any laws to protect Christians from losing their jobs or from being discriminated against when they express their ideas as a follower?

Is there any legal action that can be taken when people look at you funny for praying before a meal in public?

Do we even call that discrimination? Or do Christians just "exaggerate"?

The National Endowment for the Arts can spend millions of taxpayers' dollars for pornographic art, and Disney World can have Gay Day, but those of us who do not necessarily agree with those things cannot openly protest them without being

labeled "narrow-minded" and "a bigoted group of people."

The Herald has a page entitled Forum specifically designed to give students — any student — a place to make their voice heard. If you don't like the way things are going, change it by accessing the resources around you. Write a commentary, start a club, protest, publish a piece of literature, write a piece of music or put on a play.

It's time to stop reacting to the world around us and time to take action in making it the place we want to live.

With the deaths of people like Mother Teresa, and Christian artist Rick Mullins (who died Sept. 20 in a car accident), we see very clearly that time is limited. We owe it to ourselves not to waste it.

Editor's note: Misty Scott is a junior English major from Austin, Texas.



Misty Scott

Commentary

Noble cause, death of soldiers ignored

The world watched in fascinated horror at the death, funeral and mourning of Princess Diana.

Diana, a mortal with human weaknesses but angelic ideas. Ideals of improving conditions for children worldwide, finding cures for diseases and making the world a safer place by the banning of land mines.

We watched Diana's children display a steadfast courage in facing the adversity of losing their mother.

She was a woman sometimes seeking the spotlight and sometimes hounded by publicity.

She deserved high recognition for her high ideas and worldwide mourning for her death.

Her death was caused by a drunk driver and money-madened publicity hounds.

With almost no media attention five Americans were killed in Bosnia. Like Diana, these five Americans were killed in a crash.

These five Americans — Mia Mellnick, David Krisskovich, Livio Veccacio, William Nesbitt and Marvin Padgett — also believed in making the world a better place. These Americans were on a humanitarian mission of keeping the peace in war-torn Bosnia. something Diana would have approved of.

These men and women I am sure were human with human weaknesses, and I'm sure these men, like Princess Diana, had families: fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, wives and children.

It is there the similarities of these six lives end. The soldiers did not perish in a car crash caused by a drunk driver. They were killed in a helicopter crash.

Unlike Diana, the world did not mourn their deaths.

Unlike Diana, they neither sought publicity nor hid from it. Rather than bringing attention to noble causes, they performed in a noble cause.

I know these five Americans had families. I wonder if the

children of these men reacted with the same bravery as did Prince William and Prince Harry. I wonder if this family reacted as nobly as did Diana's

I wonder who these five Americans were. I wonder why their deaths, not caused by a scandal-seeking media, have been ignored by a controlled media.

Controlled why? For whom? For what purpose?

I want to be angry at someone. But who?

The Bosnians, because they can't settle their differences? The American government, for committing our soldiers to the

mission? Or the media, for the failure to fully appreciate the sacrifice of these magnificent heroes?

There are certain criteria that are used prior to commitment of American

troops. A top criterion being: Is there a reasonable chance of success? The media would have you believe everything is great in Sarajevo.

Our troops tell a different story. Privately, everyone I have spoken to believes the fighting will resume when we pull out.

Another necessity is having a clear-cut strategic goal, for example — invade a nation, depose its leader and neutralize the opposing army.

What is our strategic goal in Bosnia? Has the goal ever been articulately enunciated by our government?

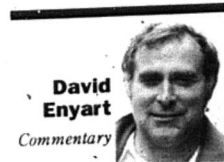
Western students, your show of support for a professor, whose job is at risk is evidence you are and are concerned about others.

Careers are important — life and the loss of life is even more important.

Western students: Diana's family received millions of cards and letters. Wouldn't it be nice if we could just send one card to each of the families who lost a loved one in Bosnia?

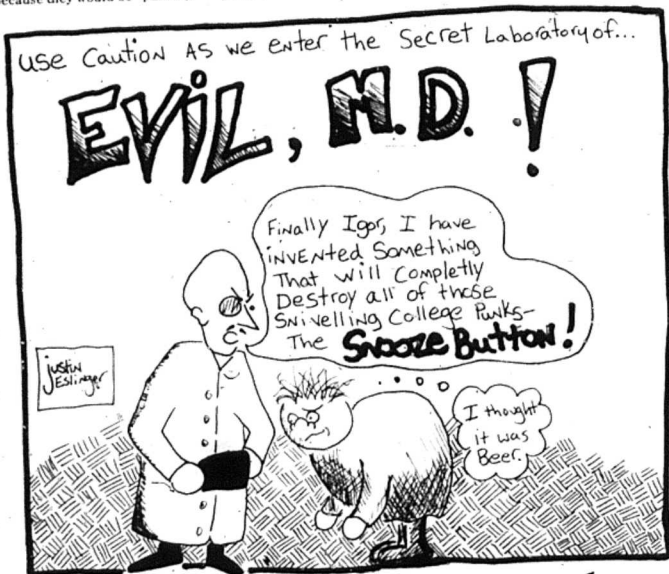
They didn't preach of doing good works. They did good works.

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David Enyart

Commentary



Campus apartments in poor shape

One thing about the British, they're good with titles. Prince Charles isn't just a prince but a Royal Highness, a Defender of the Faith, the Royal Heir and a bunch of initials that no one really understands.

Americans are almost as good, but we prefer more informal titles. Gary Ransdell is officially the president of Western, but as anyone will tell you he's also Top Lobbyist, Primary Political Target and most importantly Chief Fund-raiser.

All of those come with the office, of course, but there's one title he enjoys that I bet he didn't expect.

Bowling Green's biggest slum lord.

Take a walk up State Street and you'll pass at least one empty and desolate home that the university owns.

At the same time that private investors are building multi-million-dollar apartment complexes, the university plays shell

games with the ownership of housing, transferring them back and forth from one foundation to the other.

In the process, the students are evicted and housing goes unused.

The building in which I live is owned by the university and managed by Chandler Real Estate company.

Not only did the rent not increase, but we no longer

have to wait for the bathrooms in Diddle Arena to be fixed before the burst pipes in our homes are repaired.

This old, slightly dilapidated building, which used to have peeling paint, wall paper hanging in tatters and leaves blowing freely in the foyer, has been transformed with new carpet in the hall, new paint on the walls and new people in the remodeled apartments.

Of course, I'll have to move out before my apartment gets redone, but such is the fate of other long-term, dependable tenants.

But the unfortunate fact remains: If you want something done about the little things, there by rendering many of the big things moot, then give someone a cash incentive to take care of it.

Recycling is successful where people can be shown it is in their best interest to do so.

But, of course, the pinko in me says this shouldn't be. What everyone owns, no one owns. I know and believe this to be true.

I just don't like it.

I wonder at the logic in hiring a new president who is renowned for his skill in fund raising when we apparently have enough money to let property decompose, contributing to the decline in the quality of housing for students and to the community around the university as a whole.

In "The Grapes of Wrath," John Steinbeck writes that unused ground is a sin against hungry children. I'm sure he would agree that empty and unused housing is a sin against the students and citizens whose tuition and taxes go to buy them in the first place.

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Jake Howard

Commentary

SALARIES: Problem not just at Western

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gram, said she hopes the board will make a commitment to implementing the president's recommendations.

"Thirty-three percent of 211 professors is not equality," the English assistant professor said. "I feel very comfortable in my department, but to say that 'just because it's OK for me I won't complain' wouldn't be fair to other women."

National statistics

It's not just a Western problem. According to the American Association of University Professors annual salary report, it's a nationwide problem.

Western's salary statistics are in sync with the rest of the nation, according to the AAUP's annual report. The national average salary for a female professor is \$29,994 a year less than male professors. Female professors at Western are paid \$3,023 a year less than males.

"Women's salaries are always lower in a university setting," said Ernest Benjamin, AAUP director of research. "No one can determine for sure what causes the problem."

But AAUP members have a few theories — rank distribution, discipline and discrimination.

Since women have recently come into higher education, most have lower ranks than men who have been employed longer. Research shows that women are more likely to be in lower ranks and have lower salaries because of what they choose to teach, Benjamin said.

Also, men tend to spend more time on research while women spend more time teaching and many universities view research as more important, he said. "Or maybe it's just because they're women." Some employers tell themselves that the woman has a husband supporting her and doesn't need a higher salary. Personally, I think some of the discrepancies are due to discrimination."

PROGRAMS: Many vying for few spots

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students on campus (about 5,000 students) are still involved in the teacher education program.

"The campus has always prided itself in strength of teacher education," Burch said. But numbers aren't the only source of pride for teacher education. They have many awards to show as well.

Just this year, the middle grades program was recognized as one of the top 20 teacher education programs in the nation by the National Middle School Association.

"There's over 1,000 programs throughout the nation," said John Moore, a teacher education associate professor who serves as program coordinator of the middle grades and secondary education program.

What would they do with more money? Hire more teachers.

"I'm really concerned about us keeping our status both in the state and nationwide if we don't recruit more faculty," Moore said.

Journalism is a small program with about 500 majors and 15 faculty, but it has a national reputation.

"Journalism has always been one of the premier programs on campus," said Robert Haynes, a history professor and former vice president for Academic Affairs. "Journalism is good in part because it attracts a national body of students."

Divided into four degree programs (photo, print, advertising and public relations), the department attracts nearly 31 percent of its majors from out of state, compared to the university average of just more than 16 percent.

And the photo department, widely seen as the best of its kind in the nation, attracts a whopping 67 percent of its students from out of state.

And don't forget, there's a proposed \$18.5 million journalism/technology building being considered for Western.

The proposal to give us a new building is a

vote of confidence," journalism Department Head Jo Ann Albers said.

The psychology department's claim to fame is its ability to bring in outside money to help with research.

"We probably have been first or in the top two or three in bringing in external grants for a number of years," psychology Department Head John O'Connor said.

Couple psychology's money-drawing powers with its 470 majors and 32 faculty and it's clear to see why the second-largest program on campus is well on its way to excellence.

"We just have a pretty good reputation of having good faculty in classrooms," O'Connor said. "I think the faculty really have fun with what they're doing."

If the cash flow starts winding toward Tate Page Hall, O'Connor said he would like to hire more graduate assistantships and upgrade classrooms with the latest technologies.

The dark horses

Here is where the lines start to blur. There are a number of other programs that definitely can't be counted out in the race for new money. Probably the leader of the underdogs is the folk studies graduate program.

"We are the largest master's program in the country, and widely considered the best in the country," said Michael Ann Williams, director of the folk studies program.

The program's six faculty members also seem to be a major strength.

Erika Brady, a modern languages and intercultural studies associate professor, won the university's public service award this year while Williams brought home last year's university research award.

"The part of combine the academic approach with a real-world approach," Williams said. But quality education at Western doesn't stop after a handful of programs.

The history department is strong, with professors who produce research and books regularly. Recombinant genetics is growing in

strength and reputation by the minute. And in the College of Business, accounting has always been a rigorous course, producing graduates who are employable.

And two other areas that can't go without mentioning are Western's centers for coal science and gifted studies. In a time when research must be usable in the real world and public service is a virtue, these programs are considered impeccable.

The losers

Some programs on campus won't fair so well in this search for excellence. They might even die in the process.

For Western to receive the millions in state funds that have been set aside, they must match state funds with money reallocated from low-performance programs.

"We'll look at programs that have potential for collaboration and combination," Burch said. "Then we're going to look at programs that maybe need to be reduced in size or phased out."

Like areas that will improve, most administrators say they have ideas about which programs should be reduced or abolished. But that is a painful process — one administrators don't like to talk about.

"So many schools go through this exercise and they recognize some programs that need eliminating, but they don't get eliminated in the end," Haynes said.

Whether individual programs gain or lose, Burch and others are stressing that the university will be the ultimate winner if programs of excellence are built on a solid core of liberal arts classes.

"We can't maintain programs of distinction on a foundation that is anything but excellent," Burch said.

"It's sort of like if you have a family of five kids and one of them is Michael Jordan and one runs the local convenience store," Burch said. "You have to be proud of all of them and you can't create a sense of elitism."

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Debit popular way to bank

BY JASON HALL

It's like a credit card without the bill.

It's like a check, but the only thing to write is a name.

It's a debit card, and local financiers say they are the latest craze in currency, especially among college students.

"Everybody's doing it," Laveda Ferguson, a customer care associate at Trans Financial Bank in Bowling Green, said jokingly.

Debit cards look and act the same as credit cards, with one major advantage — the money comes out of a checking account, and too low a balance means no sale.

That is the major selling point of the card for students who want the ease of a credit card without the hefty bills at the end of the month, said Brent Thomas, merchant services manager at National City Bank in Bowling Green.

"The big word is convenience," he said. "You can use it at any place."

Though many established customers have begun to use the card, Thomas said older people are more apprehensive about the debit card and prefer to stick to checks.

"It's mostly the younger crowd that it's really hitting," Thomas said. "It's almost like it's a generation thing."

Thomas estimated that 75 percent of students who start a checking account at National

City in Bowling Green opt for the debit card, which is amazing considering the cards have only been around his bank since June 1995.

Spokeswoman Carolyn Bretschneider of Visa, which holds the lion's share of the debit card market, said their company has issued 50.4 million cards in the United States.

"The debit card market has just exploded over the last five years," she said.

Ferguson said there is also tremendous usage at Trans Financial, which makes debit cards available for all its checking accounts as well.

"It's a lot less bulky than carrying around a checkbook," she said. "And today's society is converting to plastic, anyway."

Most students like debit cards because they are as convenient as credit cards but don't carry the same debt risks.

"The biggest advantage of it is it's a budget for yourself," Thomas said. "Many students max out their credit cards and then put those credit card bills off."

But nothing is perfect, and debit cards have their faults as well.

Ferguson said the major drawback of the cards is that many students do use them like credit cards and forget to treat them like checks — that means writing the transaction down in a register.

If that's not done, Ferguson

said, one may be surprised one day when there's no money left in the bank.

"Unless you run a significant balance, that can create a problem," she said.

Auburn freshman Sarah Hess uses her debit card often and agrees with Ferguson about the potential risks.

"It's a good idea, as far as being convenient, but it's hard to keep track," she said. "If you're responsible with it, it's pretty good."

Another problem with the cards is the technology itself. Authorization of the cards takes longer than a traditional credit card because the inquiry has to go through the credit agency, to the bank, back to the credit agency and then back to the retailer. Normal credit cards only have to go to the credit agency and back.

And a problem with the technology means no sale.

"If there's a break in the line, then it will send back a denial," Ferguson said. "Many people don't understand. They think, 'I've got money in that account.'"

Problems like that are what cause Scottsville sophomore Adam Cline to shun the debit card.

"It takes so long for a debit card to clear," he complained. "Once I bought a \$5 worth of gas and a Coke, and space the gas station waited a week to turn it in, it bounced and cost me \$20."

Cline said he still has his debit card, but he wants to "cut it up."

But Ferguson and Thomas agree that despite the drawbacks, the convenience without the worries will keep the debit card around awhile.

"You can use it at any place," Thomas said.

Besides, everybody's doing it

College students at higher risk for STDs

BY LEIGH ANN MOORE

An estimated 12 million people are infected with sexually transmitted diseases each year, said Sharon Broom, director of public relations for the American Social Health Association.

"And two out of three of those cases occurs in people under the age of 25," she added, meaning college students are at a higher risk for these diseases than anyone else.

◆ About two-thirds of Americans with sexually transmitted diseases are under 25.

Young people are more likely to be sexually active and have multiple partners, Broom said. This puts them at a greater risk for contracting STDs such as gonorrhea, syphilis and herpes.

Beth Rush, head nurse at the Student Health Service, said there are several other STDs young adults should be concerned about, like the bacterial infection chlamydia.

"Chlamydia is the most widespread STD," she said. "It is a real problem on college campuses and can cause sterility in women."

Some of the symptoms associated with chlamydia include discomfort, discharge or burning during urination. For men, symptoms can include swelling or pain in the testicles. However, Broom said that 85 percent of women and 40 percent of men with chlamydia do not experience any symptoms.

Gonorrhea, like chlamydia,

may never show any symptoms.

"The most important fact about chlamydia and gonorrhea is in women, if it is unknown and doesn't get treated, can cause pelvic inflammatory disease," Broom said, adding that it can cause infertility.

Despite the danger of more common STDs, Lewisport freshman Danny Hinton said HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, elicits the most concern from him and his peers.

"Death is a pretty big consequence for one night of pleasure," he said.

Rush said the Student Health Service sees many students with symptoms they think may be related to STDs.

"It's important if you have a problem to seek medical advice," she said.

It is also important for any sexually active person to have regular check ups "if they are having or have had sex," Broom said, adding this includes anal, oral and vaginal sex.

Studies show that most college students engage in oral sex, Broom said. Students often assume wrongly that participating in oral sex can protect against STDs.

"Sexually active persons should use a latex condom for any type of sex — oral, anal or vaginal," she added.

Broom also said a misconception about STDs is that only dirty, lower-class people have them.

"You can't tell just by looking at someone, or by their clothes and their hair. Anyone could have an STD."

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Churches join to honor abortion victims

BY SHANNON BACK

In the time it takes to abort 4,000 children — one day — two area churches constructed a memorial Saturday for, each soul.

Saint Joseph and Holy Spirit Catholic churches joined together across the street from Holy Spirit. They came with white wooden crosses, hammers, nails and a desire to remember the innocent.

The crosses line two acres of land off Smallhouse Road, forming what is known as the Memorial of Innocence. In front of the rows are signs showing the number of abortions per year.

From 1973 to 1997 there were 31 million children aborted. And every day 4,000 more die, according to the Alan Guttmacher Institute, which tracks abortion statistics in the United States.

"When you see a field of 4,000 crosses it's just like, 'wow, there's really that many every day,'" said Beth Marra, a member of the Respect Life committee at Saint Joseph.

In front of the cluster of crosses, a sign reads, "A cross for each life. One cross to save us all. Where there is hurt, there is healing."

"It's a very bold and strong statement," Marra said. "It reminds us how this huge issue



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Lt. Col. Joel Payne, commander of the ROTC at Western, holds his daughter, 3-year-old Mary Margaret, at the memorial of crosses he and his wife helped build. The memorial, which stands across from Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Smallhouse Road, is designed to remind people of the number of abortions that occur per day in the United States.

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Marra said the idea came about when a few of the board members visited the Cemetery of Innocence in Cape Girardeau, Mo., last year.

Board members from both churches imagined building a similar memorial in Bowling Green. She said the two churches work together often and Holy Spirit had land to put the memorial on.

Planning began Aug. 30, and a month later the memorial is complete. Marra said they set a deadline of Oct. 1 because this month is National Respect for Life Month.

Bluegrass Specialty/Flooring donated wood for the crosses, and Classic Paint and Wall Coverings sold paint to the churches at a reduced cost.

Once the supplies were gathered, church members worked in Larry Conrad's garage every Saturday, building and painting the crosses.

"I have no words to describe what it felt like," Conrad, a gym floor contractor, said. "I've handled that material so many times."

"It started as piles of white wood, but when it began to take shape it was amazing. I had no idea there were that many children aborted."

On Saturday the church members' hard work paid off. About 80 people showed up to place the crosses in the ground.

When they were finished, the workers lined Smallhouse Road to take in the beauty of their work, Marra said.

Now, they can rest knowing they've done what God asked them to do.

"We wanted to make a visual and graphic impression of what's happening in our world, without making an accusation," the Rev. Richard Meredith of Saint Joseph said. "We hope people will see it as sign of memorial faith and hope."

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Fewer students choosing dorms

BY MOLLY HARPER

Believe it or not, this year's freshman class is smaller than last year's.

The lines don't seem shorter, the classes don't seem smaller, and dialing Topline is still impossible. The only sign of a decline in Western's population is the slight drop in dorm occupancy rates.

According to Housing Director Kit Tolbert, campus-wide occupancy rates went from 82 percent in fall 1996 to 78 percent this semester.

The Housing department has two classifications for students: new and returning. New students are usually the housing department's biggest draw. Although the percentage of new students living on campus has dropped, the number of upperclassmen staying in dorms has remained steady.

The percentage of returning students has remained about the same, maybe even gone up a little, Tolbert said. "We were able to offer more private rooms this year, and that has attracted people who are looking for privacy at a good rate."

Before the beginning of the semester the dorms were full, Tolbert said about 150 students didn't show up to claim their rooms. Then there are the people who go to classes for a week and quit.

"The number we open at and the number we settle in at are completely different," Tolbert said.

The Housing department is working with Residence Life to improve retention rates for dorms. Keeping students happy seems to be the focus of the plans.

"We're doing two surveys, on quality of life and the facilities," Tolbert said. "As a customer, when I go into a store and someone asks me how they could improve service, it makes me feel a little better about shopping there."

The price of housing is apparently not an issue. Western experienced its smallest increase in housing costs in 15 years this semester, Tolbert said, and she hopes that incremental rises in fees will become a trend, but doubts that it will draw students.

"A few years ago we froze housing fees and it meant very little difference," she said.

Students usually complain about the visitation and noise policies of dorms and the structure of the dorms themselves. Community bathrooms, immobile furniture and closet-sized rooms can't be changed. However, some dorms, such as McCormack Hall, are trying to change their policy.

"Right now, we're doing research and surveys of students to see if there's enough interest in a new policy for weekend visitation," Complex Director Teresa Zabik said.

As for next year, a rise in occupancy rates is expected. Tim Hatton, a Rodes-Harlin resident assistant, sees a resurgence of lower-classmen in the near future.

"In my building, there seems to be a lack of upper-level students," Hatton, a Paducah junior, said.


A larger underclassmen population is expected next year because sophomores will be required to live on campus, Tolbert said she hopes to draw more students to the dorms with innovations in policy.

"We're trying to get student input," she said. "I don't want to presume to know what they want. Hopefully we can make some changes that mean something to students."



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Washing away: Bowling Green junior Bob Zoellner cleans up after his Landscape Maintenance class planted flowers at E. A. Diddle Memorial Park yesterday afternoon. The class has taken over the landscaping for the park.




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Country star to take stage

By Kelley Lynn

Armed with a new look and a new album, Tracy Lawrence is coming to town. The country music superstar will be performing at 7 tonight at Diddle Arena. His visit kicks off Saturday's Bowling Green 10k Classic.

With his trademark long hair and mystache far behind him, Lawrence feels that "The Coast Is Clear" ahead of him.

Doris Thomas, vice president of marketing for Commonwealth Health Corporation, said when race coordinators began looking for an act to perform this year, Lawrence immediately came to mind.

"We always try to look for someone that is popular with all ages," she said. And certainly, Tracy Lawrence is a very popular country music artist among all ages.

It's that popularity that has fueled the success of his four other albums since 1991, three of them went platinum. "Albino" his second album went double platinum in 1993.

Recognition is nothing new to Lawrence, who has been showered with awards since '91. He's taken home the Academy of Country Music's Best New Male Vocalist, Billboard Magazine's Top New Male Vocalist and was named "Airplay Monitor's 10th most played artist."

In a recent phone interview, the soft-spoken country artist shared his story of breaking into the world of country music. It's the story everyone's heard before, but one that few who journey to Nashville in search of fortune and fame can be lucky enough to tell.

It all began in Arkansas, where Lawrence spent years playing in bars before finally scrumgong the money to make a trip to Nashville,

the capital of country music. "I just sold everything I had, put about \$700 in my pocket and moved to Nashville," Lawrence said in his slow Southern drawl. "I was terrified."

But fear took a backseat to determination.

"I remember the first night I pulled into Nashville," Lawrence recalled. "I saw the skyline and for the first time in my life, I really knew it was where I belonged. I felt at home."

In almost no time, he had

ning — keep it lively.

"I keep a pretty quick pace," he said. "I move through the show, and I do a lot of music. I try to get the crowd revved up and get the energy level up pretty high."

And with numbers like "Renegades," "Rebels and Rogues," Lawrence should keep audiences on their feet until the cows come home.

But Lawrence insists the energy level of his show will never get to the point that it turns destructive — like some of the more hardcore country acts of recent years. This performer has a more conservative approach to his trade. "I promised myself a long time ago if I ever thought about busting a guitar, I'd give it to a kid in the crowd so they could get some use out of it," Lawrence said with a laugh.

But even a low-key guy like Lawrence faces the downside of the business. An example: obsessive fans.

"I've had a bunch of them," he said. "I've had stalkers. I've worn bullet-proof vests on stage. I've had death threats and all kinds of crazy stuff."

But Lawrence chuckled — learn to take the good with the bad and move on, he said.

"You do what you got to do. It was a bit uncomfortable, a bit strange, and I hope I never have to do it again," he said. "But you got to do what you got to do."

And with a well-grounded outlook and a drive for the stars, Lawrence should be able to keep performing for a long time.

Tickets are still available at Acme Boot Factory Outlet, Kelley Business Systems, The Boot Store and Diddle Arena Box Office. Reserved seats are \$22, reserved bleachers are \$20 and general admission seats are \$18.

"I try to get the crowd revved up and get the energy level up pretty high."

— Tracy Lawrence country music singer



earned his first hit in 1991 with "Sticks & Stones." The song went platinum.

Expect to hear that tune tonight. Lawrence's show is a musical ride from the subdued, crooning style in "I See It Now" to the energetic, hard-hitting "If The Good Die Young."

Lawrence's vocal versatility allows him to occasionally cover songs by two of his largest influences — Merle Haggard and George Strait. But the fans don't always appreciate his honorarium.

"A lot of people complain. I don't do my stuff, 'cause I'm dropping out stuff like 'Sticks And Stones' and 'Albino' and people want to hear them," he said.

But he'll be playing them tonight. In his 90-minute show, Lawrence said he'll try to fit in as many songs as possible, while maintaining a simple concert approach he's had from the begin-

10K: 'The field will be wide open'

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Gladys Ondeyo of Boston — won't defend their titles.

"It opens up the field a whole lot, especially since Sean isn't running in the men's division," Kelley said. "Sean has always been the local favorite. The field is almost entirely new. Most of last season's top finishers on the men's and women's side aren't back."

Dollman will be in attendance but is nursing a knee injury. "I felt I had an incredible advantage," Dollman said. "I knew

the field and had incredible crowd support. I guess the field will be wide open."

ESPN's cameras will also be absent from this year's race. ESPN, the national cable sports station, carried the race last season and in previous years. Kelley said 10k officials customarily taped the race and sent it to ESPN, which carried a hefty price tag.

"The cost outweighed the benefits," Kelley said. "On our end, it was too expensive."

The festivities begin at 2 p.m. tomorrow with The Medical

Center Health and Fitness Expo at the Bowling Green/Warren County Convention Center. The expo features fitness testing and vendors selling their products.

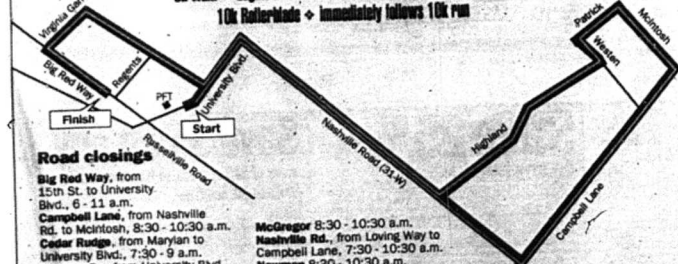
Race day activities begin at 8 a.m. with a 5k run, a 5k racewalk and a 1.5 mile walk. After the 10k race, there will be a 10k Rollerblade at about 9:30 a.m.

"It gets pretty hectic around this time," Kelley said. "But I do it because I want to give back to the community. I've lived here my whole life and I have watched this race grow. It makes me proud."

10k Classic route Race begins at 9 a.m. Saturday

Saturday events

5k Walk + begins at 8 a.m. 10k Classic + begins at 9 a.m.
10k Rollerblade + immediately follows 10k run



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- Big Red Way, from 15th St. to University Blvd., 6 - 11 a.m.
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- Cresson Dr., from University Blvd. to Marylan, 7:30 - 9 a.m.
- Dogwood 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Dublin 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Highland 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Linnick 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
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- Marylan 7:30 - 9 a.m.
- McCubbin 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.

- McGregor 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Nashville Rd., from Loving Way to Campbell Lane, 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Newman 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Normal, from University Blvd. to Kiss Me Quick, 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- O'Shea 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Patrick Way 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Regatta 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Smallhouse, from Campbell Lane to Craggitt Ave, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Sumpter 7:30 - 9 a.m.

- Sycamore 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Thoroughbred 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- University Blvd, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
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Driving Miss Crazy

story by
Chris Hutchins



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Is he aloof? Is she nagging? Campus experts say making a relationship work is tough. Here's how to make it work.

Becky Withers' boyfriend of four months is driving her nuts. "He has road rage," the Clifty senior said, smiling. "But that's the only bad thing I can really say about him. He's sweet and considerate."

And generous and creative. And intelligent and honest. In fact, Withers said her boyfriend, Rockfield graduate student Chad Asbridge, gets extra points for the honesty part: it's something she values in a relationship.

Things are going well for the couple. Here's hoping it stays that way.

Popular culture — from "Jerry Springer" to *Cosmopolitan* — stresses that relationships are tough to maintain. Infomercials with monk-turned-therapist John Gray say men and women are from two completely different worlds. We act differently, he says. We communicate differently.

And experts say that communication barrier, among other things, is what can cause a relation-

ship to sour. Think about it: Have you ever wondered why he seems so distant one moment, then romantic the next? Or why she always wants to talk about the relationship? Or why, at times, you seem to be so fundamentally different?

Those are things Kay Payne talks about in her Gender Differences in Communication class. She teaches that "masculine" men assume the role of being aggressive and power-driven, asserting their independence. "Feminine" women, in comparison, are more passive and relationship-oriented, emphasizing the similarities they have with others.

The potential for miscommunication is great, the communication and broadcasting associate professor said, and it plays itself out in relationships. An example of a potential barrier? Two words: "I'm sorry."

"When women say, 'I'm sorry,' it doesn't mean they feel like they've done something wrong; it's just a conversational ritual," she explained. "But if

a man says, 'I'm sorry,' it's because he ... wants to be forgiven. When women say it, they mean something more empathetic: 'I'm sorry with you,' rather than 'I did something wrong.' A lot of times, that's misunderstood."

It's the "I'm sorry's" of a relationship, the basic nature of communication between men and women, that can cause gridlock, Payne said. Typically, women are more likely to bring up the relationship in casual conversation. Men don't feel they need to talk about it if there's nothing wrong with it. We just *think* differently, Payne insists.

"If a man doesn't want to talk to you because he's reading his newspaper, (it) doesn't mean he doesn't love you; just the fact that he's sitting there means that he enjoys your company," she said. "But see, women like to be talked to — and they might resent the fact that he's just sitting there, staring at the football game."

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Cave City celebrates 1840s life

BY STEPHANIE SIRIA

Randy Richardson is a truck driver during the week. But once a month, he puts away his 18-wheeler and picks up a tomahawk for some good old-fashioned competition.

"I can throw three at a time when trying to hit a target," the Lebanon Junction native said. "That's a pretty impressive sight." Richardson, known by his buddies as Doodle, is a member of the Tomahawks, a national organization of tomahawk throwers and competitors. And he's just one of the many participants in the first three-day Kentucky Free Trappers Weekend at the Dreamketcher Village in Cave City.

Men, women and children from Texas to Florida will descend upon the Mammoth Cave area, setting up 40 to 60 camps and living the way the pioneers did before 1840. Beginning tomorrow morning, the village will become a replica of a typical pre-Civil War township, although it's not meant to be a re-enactment.

It would have been done back then," Jack Rooney, owner of Dreamketcher Village and chief of the Ayote Circle of Trees Inter-Tribal Council, said. "They live and do exactly what would have been the norm in those times. Only here, it's for real and not a show."

Rooney said the participants set up camps in the village and teach their skills to people passing by.

"We have CEOs of large corporations, truck drivers come and show people of all ages how to blacksmith or build a fire from flint and striker and cotton," he said. "Others who do this — trade, sell or give away what they make to anyone who is interested."

Richardson, who is also a member of the Kentucky Free Trappers, said his black powder

and gun demonstration shows the audiences watching how people defended themselves back then.

"Before the invention of the Colt .45, people's lives were built around their weapons," he said. "Survival for them was a chore and a real part of their lives."

In addition, these men, women and even kids, use all the things they would need for everyday life back then — silver forks, candle lanterns and meat right off the animal's back.

"There are no plastic spoons or Coleman lanterns," Richardson said. "Everything is handmade rather than bought from a store."

Rooney said buck skippers or blacksmiths don't come for glory or recognition, but the pleasure of teaching what they know

◆ If you go

What: Kentucky Free Trappers Weekend
Where: Cave City
Cost: \$4 for adults, \$2 for children, \$10 a car load. Students get a \$1 discount.
Contact: Dreamketcher Village; (502) 773-4653.

School spirit, sabers part of local clubs

BY KELLEY LYNN

OK. The new "Must See" son is in full effect. But some people on campus would like you to do three things instead of watching: get up, turn off the television and join a club.

There are more than 180 clubs on campus, most of which would be glad to welcome new members into their ranks.

WKU Hillraisers

WKU Hillraisers is an organization involved in supporting Western sports.

A Hillraiser will receive a T-shirt, red towel and will get improved seating at games. Members will also be eligible for contests during halftime at games, with prizes ranging from a meal plan from Aramark to free tuition.

"I think it's great for morale," said Russellville senior Keith Coffman, Student Government Association president and Hillraiser coordinator. "I think if you get the students out there and show them how much fun they can have at ball games, the students will become more involved."

Information: contact Coffman at 745-4354.

Anthropology Club

This club is an organization dedicated to enjoying the study of different peoples, past and present.

The Anthropology Club has sponsored a workshop on making and using Native American tools and attended conferences in Nashville. They have also taken trips to Memphis, Tenn. to see exhibits of ancient Egyptian artifacts.

Club president Michele Martz said the club can be enjoyable for anyone with or without a connection to anthropology.

"People don't even need to

be students to come," the Independence senior said. "They just need to have an interest."

Dues are \$10 per year. Information: contact Michele Martz at 793-9706.

Western Fencers

Increasing the awareness and enjoyment of the sport of fencing is what this club's about.

Western Fencers offers an instructional course that covers the three basic types of weapons — the foil, the epee and the saber. The club has all the equipment needed. A beginner can try the sport before purchasing all accessories.

The group travels to Nashville and Louisville to compete with other clubs as well as hosting a competition in the spring.

"This particular program seems to be working out quite well," said Michael Trapasso, geography and geology professor and club adviser. "We've got a lot of enthusiasm."

The club practices at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Smith Stadium, Room 218. Dues are \$10 for the first year and \$5 for each year thereafter.

Information: contact Daniel Fallier at 842-1853.

Geology Club

This club is designed for people who are intrigued by the natural formations on the planet we live on.

The club has made trips to Mammoth Cave, the Appalachian Mountains and Grand Canyon. They have also studied fault lines.

"Anyone who has an interest in geology is welcome," said Beth McClellan, club adviser and geology assistant professor.

There are \$10 yearly club dues. Information: contact McClellan at 745-5973.

WKYU explores local WWII history

BY SCHERI ELAINE SMITH

To most college students, it may seem like the history of World War II is nothing more than motionless pictures in fictional-sounding books. But the Public Television Service of Western and the Kentucky Museum are trying to help bring the history of World War II era Warren County to life.

WKYU-TV, Channel 24 in Bowling Green, and cable systems throughout Southcentral Kentucky, will broadcast the half-hour television documentary, "Over Here, Over There: Warren Countians Remember WWII" at 7 p.m. Sunday.

Earlene Chelf, marketing and special events coordinator for university libraries, said the film portrays the stories of Warren County residents who served on battlefields and remained at home.

"We captured veterans and

people who were left behind on film," Chelf said. "It is always a very moving experience."

The planning for "Over Here, Over There" began two years ago. Laura Harper Lee, the education curator at the Kentucky Museum, said "What we basically wanted to do was something with older people," she said. "I chose to focus on World War II because I knew there were a lot of stories out there about that time."

The local history featured in the film is invaluable. "Students need to watch it for its local history," Lee said. "In books, it's easy to not recognize that events actually affected people around you. But the film helps to show that the people of Warren County were part of the event."

Jerry Barnaby, WKYU-TV station manager, said this will be the first time the program has run on public television.

"We wanted to let more people have the opportunity to see it," Barnaby said.

Barnaby said the idea for the project came thanks to an oral history project conducted by the Kentucky Museum, Very Special Arts Kentucky and The Phoenix Theatre in Bowling Green. After finding a topic, the project grew.

So did the filmmakers' fondness for it.

"No matter what you read, actually hearing someone tell their story is incredible," Barnaby, who helped edit the video, said. "To them it seems very familiar, but to us it's extraordinary."

"A lot of us were in tears," he said. "The interviewees were very straight about what they had to live through."

"Over Here, Over There" will air again at 8 p.m. Oct. 10 on WKYU-TV.

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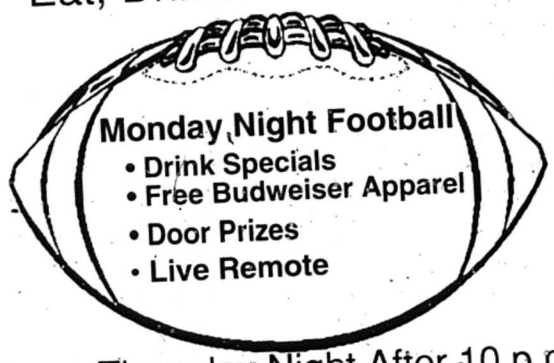
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♦ Movie review

'The Peacemaker' bombs

BY DAN NIEB

Are you in the mood for a good ole' gratuitously violent action flick? Rent "Die Hard." How about a thoughtful movie dealing with the passions that drive people to commit unspeakable horrors? Try "Schindler's List." Heck, you can even rent "Crimson Tide" and get a little bit of both.

Don't expect to get either one if you go see "The Peacemaker." "The Peacemaker" tries to deliver on brains and brawn but misses on both counts.

Instead, you get George Clooney playing, well, George Clooney. Witness the sickeningly overdone set for the camera and flashes his patented pretty-boy smile. Whether in doctor's garb or a Batsuit or camouflage, it's the same role Clooney has always played. Is it too much to ask him to actually act for a change?

Nicole Kidman does better as Julia Kelly, a Washington wunderkind collaborating with the White House. Unfortunately, Kidman is swept under the rug by Clooney, who dominates the

film, albeit badly. The basic premise of the film is a bundle of nuclear missiles is stolen from Russia. A Bosnian diplomat, Dusan Gavrich (played by Marcel Iusac), seeks to use one of the nukes to protest the meddling of Western nations in the Balkans. In a nutshell — he wants to nuke New York City.

Gavrich thinks the Balkans should be allowed to arrive at their own solution. He says the United Nations makes things worse. He blames the U.N. for the death of his family.

And the U.N. is in the Big Apple. Thus, the Big Apple must be turned into the big vat of apocalypse.

Unfortunately, there is little explanation of what drove Gavrich over the edge — the fact that his family was killed by a U.N. sniper isn't even revealed until near the end of the movie. Instead of building up emotional bonds throughout the film, "The Peacemaker" makes an awkward

attempt to be apologetic toward its designated bad guy near the end of the film. It doesn't work.

The movie's final wannabe tense scene is too long, with the bad guy walking through most of New York with a nuclear-powered backpack before Clooney and Kidman finally catch up to him. It's extra annoying because the United States military knows Gavrich is roaming the city. They even have snipers posted to take him out.

But every time a sniper or Clooney has a chance to shoot Gavrich, a family or pack of children gets in the way. It's such a string of lucky coincidences that it makes you wonder if God himself wants New York blown up.

Not that I would blame the Ultimate Creator for letting New York get nuked. After all, at least the blast would take out Clooney and his lackluster performance in this movie.

Grade: C-

"The Peacemaker," a melodramatic action movie starring Nicole Kidman and George Clooney. Rated R for violence and language.

CRAZY: How to deal with your loved one

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It's knowing your mate and recognizing those communication differences that's a key to making a relationship work. Karl Laves, staff psychologist at Western's Counseling Services, said. But recognizing when it's not working is just as important.

"It's popular to talk about how to make relationships stay together. But most relationships in college are new, they're experimental," Laves said. "I think we'd all be a lot happier if we accepted that most of them probably should not work out. You don't expect a kid to learn how to ride a bike the first time they climb on it."

A realistic look at a relationship is needed every once in a while. Laves said — playing "grown up" is tempting. But just because you've been dating someone for two months doesn't mean you're going to cruise into the sunset together. Dating is hard work, he said. It should be fun, too.

"Let's stop beating ourselves up and labeling (breakups) as failure," Laves said. "I don't think we have to be quite so driven to do it right exactly every time. I think we should be more playful about relationships. You know, to take some pressure off."

Knowing what you're looking for is critical to the success of any relationship you're getting into, Laves said. And, according to Arvin Vos, a philosophy and religion professor, so is knowing yourself and, more importantly, how to love.

"When most people think about love, they think about a certain feeling they have," Vos, who teaches a course on love and friendship, said. "But love is a skill. It's a skill where you learn to care for a person. Caring requires knowledge. Knowledge requires time. And patience. And trust. When we love someone, we respect them. We take a sort of responsibility toward them."

"It takes courage," he said. "It's risky."

It's that leap of faith we make in relationships that make them exciting and worthwhile, Payne said. But our fundamental differences can be our undoing.

Tips for relationships

Although Karl Laves, staff psychologist at Western's Counseling Services Center, isn't in a confidential session and Kay Payne, a communication and broadcasting associate professor, avoids being prescriptive, they've offered some advice to college-aged kids in relationships.

On taking him back:

"My philosophy is, if they do something you don't like, forgive them, and you go on. ... If he does a whole lot of stuff you don't like and you can't forgive him, then go on to somebody else — find the guy you're looking for." — Payne

On attracting losers:

"If someone was abusing you in a relationship, then you're the kind of person that can be abused. If you thought the other person in the relationship was too passive or too clingy, then you have to ask yourself, 'OK, what attracted me to that person?' or 'What attracted that person to me?'" — Laves

— Chris Hutchins

Women share trouble talking with one another, men share little. It can cause a relationship to veer off course from the start, she said.

An example? Meeting Mr./Ms. Right at a party.

"In general, the man is looking to have sex," Payne said. "And he's looking for the woman who can give it to him without commitment. A woman who goes to the same party is looking for the guy who she can make a commitment with. Polar opposites."

Ultimately, dealing with any dating relationship takes a lot of maturity and patience, Vos said. "Learning to love is a life-long project," he said. "To find that you've entered a relationship and things don't work out, that's not a big deal. We learn from each relationship."

Payne agreed — the drive is as memorable as the destination.

"I've been married for 36 years, and it's taken my husband and I a long time to figure who we are," she said. "It's hard work. But it's so worthwhile. When you get to the other side, you can say, 'Wow. We made it.'"

♦ Restaurant review

Hettini's is authentic Greek

BY KRISTINA GOETZ

Authentic, exquisite and easy on the pocketbook. These are three good ways to describe Hettini's, the new Mediterranean deli located inside Whole Earth Grocery. It's owned by Erfan Hettini, a Western hotel, restaurant and tourism management graduate.

The best part about the food is its authenticity. The second best is the price.

First, the entrees. For those brave enough to try something new, the falafel is a good bet. This popular ancient dish is made from garbanzo beans, parsley and other spices fashioned into mini veggie burgers. A sandwich is only \$2.95 and is dressed with Mediterranean salad and Tahini sauce. (Everything on the menu is grilled, baked or broiled except the falafel. It's fried.)

The Mediterranean salad is the deli's signature salad and is made with lettuce, tomato, cucumber, parsley, green onion, garlic, lemon juice, vinegar and olive oil.

For those who want to stick to something a little less daring, the chicken kabob is a great choice — a familiar dish with a different twist. The chunks of chicken are marinated in a mixture of vinegar, lemon juice, yogurt and spices and then grilled. These scrumptious chunks alternate between green peppers and onions on a long skewer. Yum. The chicken kabob combo is only \$5.15 and is served with rice (seasoned with curry), Mediterranean salad, hummus, pita bread and Tahini sauce.

The best value on the menu is the super combo. It includes a

sample of gyros, chicken kabob, tabouli (a parsley salad made with crushed wheat, tomato, onion, lemon juice and olive oil) and falafel. It's \$6.35.

For those vegetarians out there, don't fret. There are plenty of choices left for this group, too. Try the Greek salad. It's made the same way as the Mediterranean salad, but it's topped with feta cheese and Kalamata olives. All salads are \$3.95 and are also sold by the pound.

Hettini uses a mix of his mother's recipes and some of his own. Some of the spices Hettini uses come from India, he said.

Still afraid you might not like something? Hettini said he'd give first-timers a free sample. There's no way you can go wrong with that.

Grade: A-

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SuperPicks. That's the idea, anyway. Everything picked this weekend has an element of military might to them. You know, death and destruction. Murder and mayhem. Was this theme a product of great cosmic planning and foresight on my part?

Heck no. I was really lucky and discovered a motif. Go figure.

So, without further ado... atten-shun!

Pick of the weekend

The Battle for the Barren is happening tomorrow through Sunday at historic Baker Hill on Old Louisville Road. Here's the deal: There'll probably be more than 100 re-enactors in full Civil War garb (that's wool, people) camping out and conducting mock battles. Sound stupid? Forget about it. Go see this stuff — it's cool. And it's free.

Tomorrow's going to be a busy day for the re-enactors; they have to set up camp, that sort of thing. And people can go out and see them from 1 to 10 p.m. A traveling Civil War museum will also be there.

On Saturday, thing's get supercool. At 10 a.m., the rumble for Baker Hill will go down, complete with Civil War-era rifles and pistols thundering and troops "dying." At dusk, the bombardment of Howling Green begins — cannons will fire honkin' blanks at the city. A storyteller and open-air concert will also be present.

Sunday's got more of the same, plus a memorial service at 2:30 p.m.

Look for Western geography and geology Professor Michael Trapasso out on the field. He's one of the dozens of re-enactors who will be out there. Hey Trapasso. Thanks for the inter-



WEEKEND SUPERPICKS

Chris Hutchins

views and demonstration Monday.

Other happenings

◆ Keeping with the past for a few more paragraphs, check out the saucy, delicious movie "Like Water for Chocolate" at 7 tonight in the Gerard Auditorium in Garrett Center. It's about a love affair during the Mexican Revolution, the strong bond of family and wonderful Mexican food.

Mmm... chicken with rose petals. Hey. It's sensual. It's sensitive. It's free. Check it out.

◆ I know you can't be at the Civil War re-enactment and in Glasgow at the same time, but I'll plug the Fort Williams Revisited celebration on Saturday anyway. It's happening at 10 a.m. at the Glasgow Municipal Cemetery.

To commemorate an Oct. 3, 1863 conflict that happened at Fort Williams, there will be a walking tour of the site. Civil War artifacts will be there to admire, as well as a weapons demonstration by none other than Glasgow Mayor Charles Honeycutt. Politicians brandishing firearms — what's not to like? (Think Alexander Hamilton.)

Information, contact the Southcentral Kentucky Cultural Center at 502-651-9792.

◆ And Saturday night can be

a blast for a good cause — that is, if you don't show up at my place for the party. (Sorry... can't divulge the address, but BYOB.) I'm endorsing another charity concert, pray it doesn't bomb. This time, the shindig's at the Army's National Guard Armory, and it starts at 7 p.m. The music lineup includes Bean, Tweak! and Fugeliner. There's a \$5 cover charge, but the fundage goes to a good cause: the Humane Society. It's an all ages show.

Interested? Call the boys that are supplying the speakers: Kentucky Music at 842-8022.

Weekend SuperPicks appears every Thursday. Feedback is welcome. If you'd like Chris to know about your weekend event (or party!), contact him at 745-6291, fax: 745-2697. E-mail: hutchje@uku.edu. Snail mail: 122 Garrett Center, 42101.

◆ Campus line

College Republicans meet at 6 today in Downing University Center, Room 305. Information, contact Theresa Criss at 745-4206.

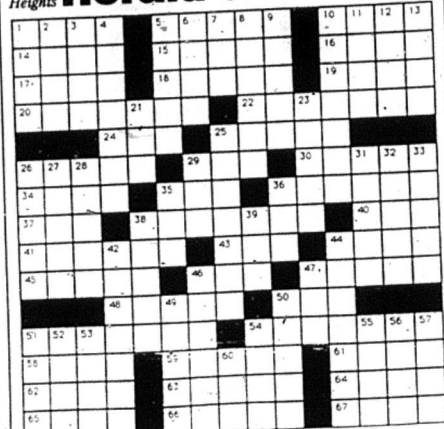
Campus Crusade for Christ meets at 7 p.m. Thursdays in Page Hall Auditorium. Information, contact Crystal Boes at 745-3020.

Hilltopper Optimists Club meets at 8 p.m. Mondays in DUC, Room 308. Information, contact Nicole Laster at 745-3524 or Ryan Woodward at 745-2304.

Christian Student Fellowship meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in the CSF House on Normal Drive. Information, contact Steve Stovall at 781-2188.

Christian Faculty/Staff Fellowship meets at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday in Garrett Center Executive Room. Information, contact Linda Oldham at 745-6902.

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Sports

Men's golf takes third in tourney

BY SCOTT SISCO

Hilltopper golf is on the winning path — a place they haven't been in six years. The team has finished second, first and third in its last three tournaments.

The Toppers followed their winning performance at the Colonel Classic with a third-place showing at the University of North Carolina-Wilmington-Belvedere Invitational on Tuesday in Hampstead, N.C.

Senior Ryan Tucker led the Toppers, earning medalist honors in both tournaments. Tucker shot a 211 for three rounds of the Colonel Classic and 141 for the two-day UNCW-Belvedere tournament.

"I wouldn't trade Ryan for any guy in the country," Coach Brian Tirpak said.

Western tied with Akron for third place, just two strokes behind champion Eastern Kentucky. Eastern won the tournament in a playoff with the College of Charleston. There were 18 teams in the field.

Freshman Chris Cassell also played well in the UNCW-Belvedere tournament, finishing tied for 14th place. He said the older team members helped him by keeping his head in the game.

"They've been there before and know what to look for," Cassell said.

Last weekend at the Colonel Classic in Richmond, the Toppers won the tournament by beating host Eastern in a playoff. Tucker shot the low score individually and junior teammate Nate Gilchrist, the team's captain, finished second.

The win at the Colonel Classic was the first for the Toppers since the 1991-92 season.

"Our record is starting to come around," Tucker said.

Tucker said the playoff was exciting and it was great to beat Eastern on their home course.

Western's score is improving as the fall season rolls on. The team is averaging 294 strokes per round this season. The Toppers scored 898 for three rounds in the first tournament of the fall and scored 882 in the three-round Colonel Classic.

"That's the whole key: we're getting better," Tirpak said.

Tucker said part of the good play is because of the chemistry of the team. He said everyone was cheering for everyone else at the tournaments.

"Hopefully, it will be a sign of things to come."

Dollman declines to defend 10k title

BY JERRY BREWER

Alone in his living room, alone in an apartment filled with memorabilia of his past achievements, alone in a city that loves him, alone in a zone dissimilar to his previous one, a 29-year-old, two-time Olympian contemplates his future.

Sean Dollman has lost his religion temporarily, perhaps forever. He is at a crossroad. He faces a challenge. He must make a decision with immense implications for him.

When the starting gun fires and the 18th annual Bowling Green 10k Classic gets underway, the former Western star and winner of two of the last three of these races won't be there to

defend his title.

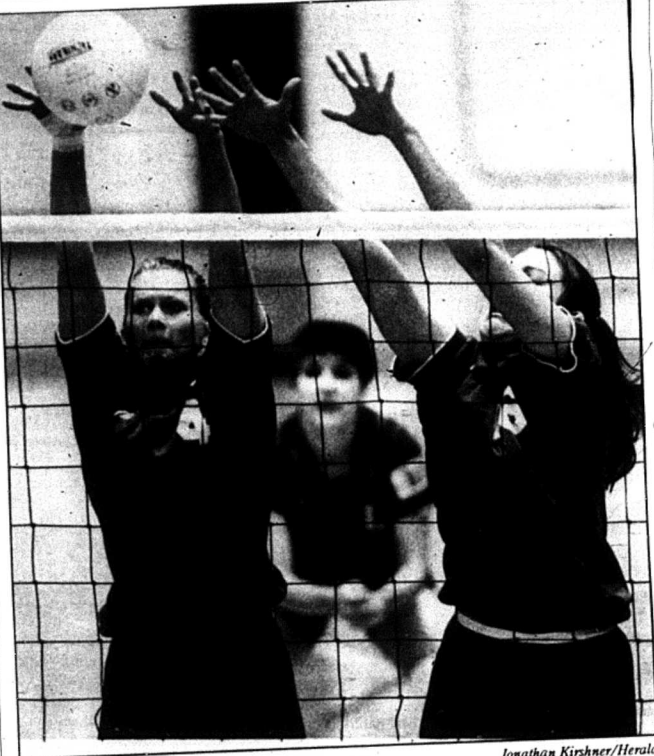
He'll be in attendance, but only as a spectator, a fan of a sport in which he has gained prominence.

"We will certainly miss Sean," 10k race Director Rick Kelley said. "We will miss his local flavor, his hero status. Sean always made it a competitive, exciting race."

Dollman is considering a retirement from running presently. He said within the next six months he'll make a final decision.

"If I had to make a decision right now, I'd choose not to run," Dollman said. "But I haven't made my decision yet."

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Jonathan Kirshner/Herald

During last night's volleyball match against Belmont, sophomore setter Jenni Miller and senior middle hitter Jamie Ritterskamp block a Bruin attack.

Volleyball beats Belmont

BY CHRIS ABRELL

NASHVILLE — Western's volleyball broke an eight-game losing streak last night at Belmont, improving to 6-12 going into conference play.

"When you go on a streak like that where you lose (a string of) matches, your kids have to learn how to win again," Coach Travis Hudson said. "We let them get started

and they were nearly unbeatable. To their credit, their players played extremely hard."

Belmont scored the first four points of game one before a three-point Western rally. From that point the Lady Toppers outscored the Bruins 4-1, taking a 7-3 lead on a kill by senior middle hitter Jamie Ritterskamp. Western errors brought Belmont as close as

11-8, but Western scored the last four points for the win. "I think we were carrying some of the last two weekends with us," Ritterskamp said. "It took awhile to get started."

In game two, Western jumped to an early 6-1 lead, then split the next 12 points with the Bruins, making it 12-7. Belmont battled back, tying it

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Tops don't fit usual perception of football team

You know football. It's the same everywhere, really. It's oversized men who grunt daily. It's rough. It's kill or be killed. It's steroid needles and male chauvinist jokes in the locker room.

The football field is where crazy, deranged animals do battle because somebody told them that pigskin would make a great slab of bacon.

That's football. Such a nasty game best suited for a crew of braze or foolish people, depending on how you view them.

But you ought to venture into a (big) red locker room just off Big Red Way. Your perception of what a football team is might change.

There's a different flavor in the Western locker room. The Hilltoppers have this seldom-found trait — class.

Haven't heard the word used with football in a while, huh?

Been watching too much Nebraska. Too much Boston College. Too much Dallas Cowboys.

Perhaps this Division I-AA Western team should grace your television screens. This is the most humble 5-0 team in America.

This is a team that will stop a late fourth-quarter drive at the 1-yard line and have its quarterback kneel down and run the clock out instead of scoring that touchdown which would run up the score.

This is a team that embraces 83-year-old Eck Branham, a former Hilltopper athlete himself, and shares a most sacred moment with him before every game as he gives them "the juice."

These are players a protective father would pat on the back and even offer to pay for dinner instead of the usual "you better not hurt my daughter" stare-down. Well, most of the players.



PLAYGROUND NOTES

Jerry Brewer

This is a team that represents the university tastefully. A team that doesn't bother with those nasty unsportsmanlike conduct penalties. A team that will put its undefeated record on the line Saturday against Division I-A foe Alabama-Birmingham.

Former Western President Thomas Meredith is now a chancellor in Alabama, and UAB is one of the three schools he oversees. If in attendance, these Hill-

toppers are so classy they might beat the Blazers (gracefully, of course) and then go over and shake Meredith's hand.

You don't hear about scandal in Western's program. You don't hear about players raping females. You don't hear about players getting suspended for the draged violation of team policy.

Are these Hilltoppers saints? Of course not. I'm sure players have had a little too much to drink on occasion as most college students do. I'm sure there have been off-the-field fights. But these guys have yet to embarrass this college, something many can't say.

Coach Jack Harbaugh prides himself on instilling values in his players. He wants players in his program that will continue Western's winning tradition and represent the university with class.

Perhaps that philosophy has

cost the coach a few wins in previous seasons. But those are sacrifices a coach must make.

For Harbaugh, wins are just that — wins. Keep it there, in its proper perspective.

Life is much more important. Life extends beyond the football field. Most, maybe all, of the players on this current roster won't play in the NFL or any other pro league. Therefore, developing character, preparing these players to take on the world just as an opponent, is the goal.

"That's the beauty of athletics," Harbaugh said.

Stick with these Hilltoppers whether they win their remaining five games or lose them all. You're watching a rare, one-in-a-million gem being polished.

If you can't root for this classy team on its first-class ride to the top, then I don't know who's worth rooting for.

Football's perfect season at stake against Blazers

By Travis Mayo

Joey Stockton has heard something around campus. He's heard this is the game Western can't win. But the senior wide receiver knows his team.

"This is one of the teams that their best is when people don't think we're going to win," Stockton said.

No. 3 Western (5-0) is set for to visit Birmingham, Ala., on Saturday for its match-up with Alabama Birmingham (2-3).

But the Blazers are a step above the Tops. UAB plays in Division I-A, but that doesn't necessarily make them superior.

"They're supposed to be better than us, but I don't think they are," senior defensive end Caleb Alcineus said.

Western coach Jack Harbaugh said the difference between the two teams will be a physical one, which will force his team to take all aspects of the game to another level.

The size difference won't send Alcineus running. He said it should make the team play even harder.

"We're going to stick our noses in them and hit them every

play," Alcineus said. Stockton believes the size difference isn't the only one heading into the weekend's game. He said since UAB is Division I-A, more scholarship players fill the roster, which means more reserves.

"One of our strongest points is to wear people down and it's going to be hard to do against a team that's going to stick in fresh bodies," Stockton said.

Players wearing the red helmets don't want to see a sequel to last year. The Toppers lost to UAB 24-0 in 1996. Willie Taggart watched from the sidelines last year, nursing an ankle injury he had suffered the week before.

Stockton said the senior quarterback's presence on the field this season will make for a better passing game. He said UAB played a man-to-man coverage against the Toppers, holding Western to 1-for-7 passing and 10 yards.

"It should be a different ball game with Willie in the game," Stockton said. "There's a good chance for a lot of big plays to come out of the passing game this week."

While saying his team didn't pass enough or well enough against UAB in '96,

Harbaugh stressed how much playing a Div. I-A team means. He said it's good for Western to play such a team every

year and that it gives them a chance to step up.

"That's what the challenge is all about — stepping up to the next level and demonstrating that you belong," Harbaugh said.

Senior linebacker Ron Kelly said at this point UAB is probably the toughest team on the schedule. A win, he said, could mean talk about a loss in 1997 could be silenced.

"If we beat them, we could be looking towards an undefeated season," Kelly said.

"We're going to stick our noses in them and hit them every play."

— Caleb Alcineus
senior defensive end

BELMONT: Lady Tops end string of losses

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at 14 before they won 16-14, finishing the match at 1-1.

"We were doing well because of our confidence and intensity," Bruin coach Tracy Corey said.

Game three started with a 5-3 standoff, but the Bruins broke loose to lead 10-7 and reached 13 before the Lady Toppers put

on the brakes, holding on to take a 2-1 lead in the match. Western only gave up one point in the fourth game, winning the match 3-1.

Ritterskamp recorded her second-highest kill total of the season with 20. Senior outside hitter Alexa Hartley totaled a season-high 10 kills.

Western to begin conference play

Hudson has preached it all season: Conference play is where the season begins.

Western opens its conference schedule with two matches this weekend at home in Bowling Green.

At 1 p.m. Saturday, the Lady Broncs of Texas-Pan American enter Diddle Arena to challenge the Lady Toppers. After carrying the last position in the conference preseason coaches poll, UTPA is 10-6 on the year, the fourth-best record in the Sun Belt Conference.

Hudson said the Lamar Cardinals appear to be the premiere match this weekend for Western, though the 7-11 Cardinals only posted the seventh-best record in the conference. The Lady Toppers take the floor against Lamar at 1 p.m. Sunday.

"Lamar will provide the most problems for us," Hudson said. "They are a big, athletic team and have played a tougher schedule than Pan American. They are both certainly matches we can win."

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Women's golf hosts, wins Hilltopper-Racer Classic

By Scott Sisco

The women's golf team kept pace with the men Monday by taking top honors at the Hilltopper-Racer Classic at Miller Golf Course in Murray, a tournament they co-host with Murray State.

Western came into the final round trailing Murray by eight strokes, but they shot a 326 in the final round to finish the tournament two strokes ahead of Murray.

Western coach Leslie Lawrence said Murray's squad lost partly because they were playing not to lose instead of playing to win.

"It's difficult to play from the lead," Lawrence said.

Lawrence told her team Sunday night that Murray was going to play not to lose. The Hilltoppers came out playing to win.

A storm front rolled through Murray on Sunday night and created windy conditions for play Monday.

Lawrence said the wind was a factor. She said her players played well because they were experienced in playing in different weather conditions.

Junior Ashley Smith tied for

third individually with a score of 158 over two rounds.

Smith said she kept pushing herself for the team because the team is what is important to her. "Pressure is good for me," Smith said.

Junior Jaime Henk tied for sixth individually. She said the team was determined to come back for the final round and beat Murray, which they lost to in the last tournament.

"She said it was hard to catch the leading team when you play with them."

"It's hard to keep yourself playing your game and not playing against the people in your group," Henk said.

Lawrence said her golfers needed the confidence of the win and it may help in recruiting.

"We're building the tradition," Lawrence said.

Western also beat Arkansas State, a Sun Belt Conference rival, by nine strokes at the tournament.

The Toppers will be traveling to Mississippi this weekend for a two-day tournament. Lawrence said two of the top teams in the Sun Belt, Arkansas State and Arkansas-Little Rock, will be at the tournament.

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Tennis uses fall for preparation

By Scott Sisco

Senior Tim Sallens showed his senior leadership this weekend, finishing in the semifinals of the Middle Tennessee State Men's Tennis Fall Classic. He played in the Flight 3 section of the tournament.

The tournament was divided into three flights. Top seeds played in Flight 1, No. 2 and 3 seeds played in Flight 2 and the lower seeds played in Flight 3.

Sallens said the big factor in his play was the help and guidance of assistant coach Andrew Kolesine.

"He knows all of our games so well he can tell us what we need to work on," Sallens said.

Kolesine finished his eligibility last year with the Hilltoppers and is now an assistant coach with the team while he finishes his degree.

Sophomore Heath Majors said Kolesine did a great job teaching him.

"It really feels good to know he's there," Majors said.

Kolesine said the new players showed some good team spirit.

"The whole team is very young, but they showed a lot of

effort," Kolesine said. Junior Beau Sparks played in the Flight 1 section and lost in the first round. He said the lower seeds played better than last year.

"The team showed improvement through the tournament," Sparks said.

Freshman Michael Lindskog played at the No. 2 spot for the Toppers and he played in Flight 2. He won his match in the first round, but lost a close match in the second round.

Sallens teamed with Majors to make it to the second round of the doubles section of the tournament. They played in Flight 3.

Sparks and Lindskog teamed in the Flight 1 doubles and lost in the first round to Austin Peay.

Majors said the team faced some very good competition and playing that level of player will make Western's players better.

The Toppers played some top teams from this area, including Louisville and Vanderbilt.

"You see what you need to work on and what you need to improve," Majors said.

Coach Jeff True said the main goals for the team this fall are to play in a few tournaments and improve for the spring season

TITLE: Former Topper considers retirement

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"The only reason I would come back would be to run in the marathon in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney (Australia). That's the only thing I haven't done. I've run 15 miles but never 26."

It's all odd, because maybe six months ago he would have never thought of retirement. He wouldn't have uttered quitting running, this "sport that has opened so many doors for me."

But then came one cold February day, perhaps the slowest of his life because his knee

afternoon and run 10 to 20 miles.

"Running is more of a form of religion," Dollman said. "It takes all of your life. It's a hell of a lot of sacrifice. You live running. In time, it becomes a form of life. But there comes a time when something has to give. There are only so many hours in a day."

Much of Dollman's focus since the knee injury has been on getting his master's degree in business. He is a graduate assistant in the College of Business.

"I like to go, go, go, go all the time," Dollman said. "I can see myself with the same energy in business."

Dollman, though appreciative of what running has done for him, doesn't want to be thought of as just a runner any more. Like most, he is a multi-dimensional person, and he would

"Getting my master's in business is a top priority now. I'm enjoying my work and am willing to give as much of my time to it as I did to running."

— Sean Dollman
former Western track coach

because of tendon damage.

Dollman won two national championships while at Western, was named an All-American four times and made himself a figure admired by all cross

country runners who would come after him.

He competed in his first Olympic Games in 1992 in Barcelona, Spain, and placed 32nd in the 10,000 meters. His encore Olympic performance was four years later, in Atlanta, where he finished 28th in the same event.

Think Western, think distance running, and you think Sean Dollman. He had become like fabric here — a piece of that big red furniture which has "TRADITION" inscribed on it. And Dollman was proud of that, too.

But now he sees the end of that part of his life. Dollman, who had been an assistant coach at Western, quit over the summer. It begrudgingly broke a bond between himself and his runners.

"I miss him a lot," sophomore runner Evelyn Corona said. "Last Wednesday, I wanted to cry for him. I haven't gotten over his leaving. I want to go over to his house and say, 'I miss you coach. I love you.'"

Dollman doesn't train like he used to. Dollman used to wake up each morning and run eight miles, only to come back in the

like to prove that.

"With my international background, the international aspect of business is enticing," Dollman said. "Getting my master's in business is a priority right now. I'm enjoying my work and am willing to give as much of my time to it as I did to running."

Whatever he decides in these next six months, Dollman said he will still enjoy his life — even if it's without his precious sport.

If his decision is to leave, Dollman leaves running with fond memories. Memories of how he opened the door for other South Africans to come here. Memories of the thrill of competition.

Memories of how he has transcended sex, race and prejudice and influenced the lives of many.

"He's my third dad," Corona said. "I talked to him a few weeks ago and he said he has nothing left to accomplish in running, nothing left to prove to himself."

"If he's happy, then I'll be happy for him. I love him. I'll always love him. He's my coach. He'll always be my coach. Whatever he ends up doing, he'll still be great."

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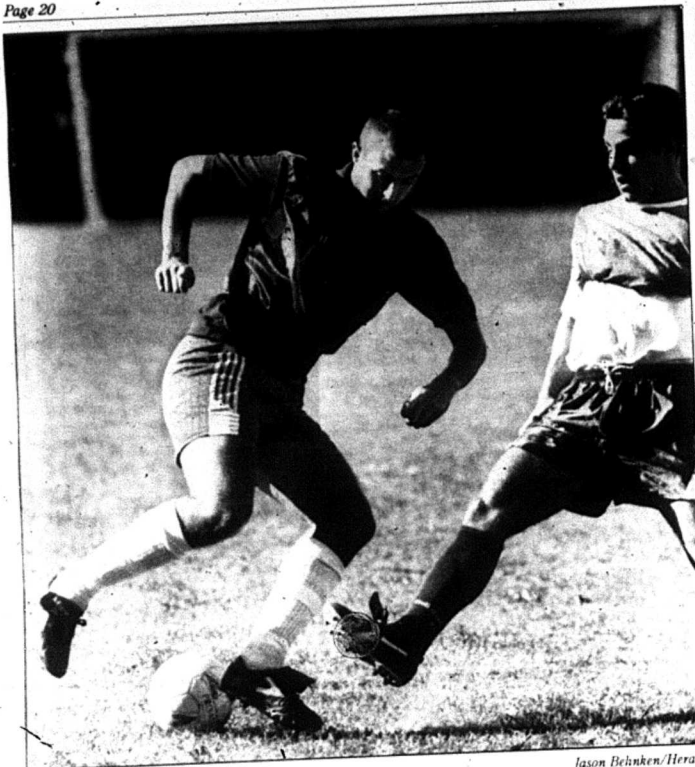
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During Tuesday's soccer practice at Creason Field, freshman midfielder Chris Lloyd, left, dribbles past sophomore midfielder Matt Hawkey. The Hilltoppers take on Alabama A&M, a former Sun Belt conference opponent at 7 p.m. tomorrow at Smith Stadium. The Bulldogs ended the Hilltoppers season last year with a 5-2 win at Smith Stadium.

Tops come home to face Bulldogs

BY GEORGE ROBINSON

When Western's soccer team left the Sun Belt Conference last year, it left behind a team 225 miles south of Bowling Green in Huntsville, Ala. They left for a competitive conference in the Missouri Valley, and they left because of expensive travel.

Alabama A&M will do the traveling this Friday as the Bulldogs come to Smith Stadium. The game will give Western (2-7) a break from two opening conference losses.

These guys need a win, Western coach David Holmes said. "Sure, this isn't a conference game, but that doesn't matter any more because we need to get some type of rhythm or momentum."

The 7 p.m. meeting will be only the fourth time the two teams have met. The Bulldogs ended the Toppers' season with a 5-2 win, one of only three wins for Alabama A&M last year.

The field was absolutely horrible last year," Western junior midfielder Joe Hickey said. "We couldn't do anything."

The Bulldogs (3-6) feature nine players from the Caribbean and Africa. Six of those players are from Bermuda, two from Ethiopia and one from Uganda.

"They really play a different style," Holmes said. "We're not unfamiliar with it because it's different from the West Coast's fast pace. They play like us, a slow pace. The difference is that

they have a more controlled attack."

That controlled attack hasn't produced results so far, as A&M has dropped games to Miami of Ohio 3-0 and Central Florida 10-1 — a team that the Tops play Oct. 31 in Boca Raton, Fla.

"The key for us is to keep pressure on them and play like we're capable of playing."

Western senior forward Mark Robson said. "Sometimes we get too complacent out there, and we need to keep out intensity."

Despite the 0-2 start in the Missouri Valley

Conference, the Tops are still excited about the change.

"I grew up in southern Illinois, and I've watched Drake and Tulsa and Southwest Missouri State play," Hickey said. "I've always been impressed with the MVC, and it gives us a chance to start over fresh, especially for the upperclassmen."

For the upperclassmen, five of the remaining nine games will be at Smith Stadium, so seniors Robson, defender Greg Sparks, forward Ian Chapple, goalie Andrew Cecil and midfielder Stephen Robinson will get to play in front of the home crowd more often than not in their college finale.

"We want to play like we did against Creighton — if you could be happy with a loss," Robson said. "We want to at least be competitive and not beat ourselves."

"The key for us is to keep pressure on them and play like we're capable of playing."

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