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Thursday, December 4, 1997

## Western narrowing field of top programs

BY JOHN STAMPER

Western's Board of Regents likely will consider three programs of distinction at their January meeting, said Barbara Burch, vice president for Academic Affairs.

Burch and the council of deans met Tuesday to discuss 12 proposals for programs of distinction, and the Board of Regents will be briefed on their progress today during the board's retreat at Rough River Dam State Park. "I'm going to give them our best thinking," Burch said.

A program of distinction, an element of the Kentucky Postsecondary Education Reform, must be able to garnish national respect and will be eligible for

\$1.4 million in state funds, which must be matched by the university.

"You have to struggle long and hard to come up with \$1.4 million dollars," Burch said. "It's not going to be easy."

She said no decisions have been made, but some programs do seem to be surfacing as front-runners.

Most often mentioned are journalism, which also has an \$18.5 million journalism/technology building up for consideration by the General Assembly, and elementary education, which is the largest program on campus.

"In the back of my mind, it's a little hard to keep looking at these and not see certain things emerging," Burch said.

Some of the other stronger candidates include a center for applied sci-

ences and research, folk studies, gifted studies and two proposals from the psychology department.

The center for applied sciences and research would combine research aspects of various science programs, like the Institute for Applied Physics, the Kentucky Climate Center, the Center for Cave and Karst Studies, applied technology research, the Center for Coal Science, the biotechnology lab and other projects.

"We do as good a job as anybody involving undergraduates in research," Burch said.

But she cautioned that no proposal has been ruled out and that the existing

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### Proposed programs of distinction

- ♦ center for applied sciences and research
- ♦ recombinant Genetics
- ♦ two proposals from the psychology department
- ♦ elementary education (may include Western's Head Start and gifted studies programs)
- ♦ history
- ♦ journalism (may include broadcasting and communications)
- ♦ folk studies
- ♦ Kentucky studies
- ♦ writing track in English
- ♦ forensics
- ♦ some aspect of business administration
- ♦ center for gifted studies (may include a math and science academy)

## Center seeking private partner

BY SHANNON BACK

For almost a year Louisville junior Luke Bakken has been a student worker at Western's Adult Day Care Center.

In that time he has watched the center lose more than \$15,000 in state funds. Now the center is seeking help with its financial management — a partnership with a private company.

"Some clients have been denied services because we can't afford them, and they can't afford to pay," Bakken said. "They will continue to be denied. If we had more money, we could offer them more services."

The center's annual budget is between \$400,000 and \$500,000. Lois Layne, executive director of the center, said 25 percent of the budget comes from state and federal money, 50 percent is provided by Medicaid grants and the remainder comes from private funds. Layne said the center loses money each year.

The center's greatest problem is dealing with Medicaid claim



Jonathan Kirshner/Herald

**Water wars:** Bowling Green sophomore Brandt Cashion participates in the Combat Water Survival Test yesterday morning at the Diddle Arena pool. The proficiency test is given twice yearly and includes learning how to make a floatation device out of pants.

## WISH LISTS: Gifts they never got

BY KELLEY LYNN

With Thanksgiving in the past, television channel surfing has become a minefield of colorful holiday specials that inevitably turn people's minds to one thing: Christmas loot. People's minds are filled with thoughts of giving and receiving, good times and good gifts of years past.

But everyone has a holiday present that never came. Like jilted lovers, we've all pined for some of our grandest Christmas wishes have gone unfulfilled. The Herald asked a handful of people to share some of their unanswered gift wishes, if only to prove that you're not the only one who wanted a pony for Christmas.

So hit play on the "An Elvis Christmas" CD, kick back with some eggnog,

and enjoy.

♦ Name: Heather Watt. Nonpresent present. A pony.

Like a movie scene turned real, the Bowling Green sophomore has wanted a pony as long as she could remember. "It's kind of the classic little girl thing."

Watt said. "Every year, I would put it on my list... just sort of slip it in there."

She said she hoped and hoped but was told that a pony was not a realistic gift. "My parents always said they were too much trouble," she admitted.

— Marshall Peschell  
Lexington freshman

♦ Name: Bowling Green Mayor Eldon Renaud. Nonpresent present. A toy train. Little boys with toy trains are staples of Christmas lore (an opening scene of the modern classic "A Christmas Story" proves that, but for Renaud, they are reminders of that one special gift that

never materialized because of family economics.

"I had a cousin that had a train and I just really enjoyed doing that," Renaud said. "But I came from a family of six kids and my father was a milkman so we just kind of took what came and were happy with it."

♦ Name: Shaun Lockhart. Nonpresent present. A go-cart.

Motorized toys have long been something children wished for at Christmas. But for Louisville freshman Lockhart, the dream did not stop with childhood. "I always wanted a motorized go-cart to drive around the neighborhood," he said. "It was just something that I always wanted and still do really."

♦ Name: Marshall Peschell. Nonpresent present. A G.I. Joe big wheel.

In this modern, enlightened age violent toys aren't politically correct, but Lexington freshman Peschell remembers a time when effects pertaining to

## Father to face murder charge

HERALD STAFF REPORT

Richard Figgs waits for the resolution of the investigation surrounding the death of his son, 4-month-old Evan Figgs.

He's been waiting for two months in the Warren County Regional Jail for the results of an autopsy to decide whether he will be charged with wanton murder. Kevin Kirby, a Warren County coroner, said the reason for the wait was a back log at the state's crime labs.

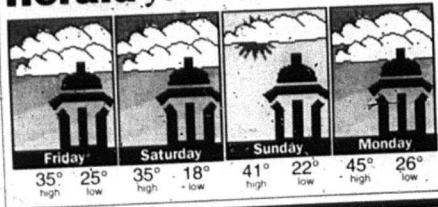
Though Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Wilson could not be reached for comment about the autopsy, it seems the wait is over. WBKO-TV reported Tuesday that the state is planning to pursue wanton murder charges against Figgs. The announcement will come when the grand jury convenes Wednesday.

Figgs was charged in October with three counts of assault — family strong arming after Evan died from injuries suspected to be from child abuse. The baby had been on life support for a week and had spent a week with his mother, Sally Hastings, a broadcasting and communications assistant professor.

Figgs is being held on a \$100,000 cash bond.

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## Herald forecast



## ♦ Just a sec

## Beauties prepare for pageant

It has been four years since the last Black and Gold Beauty Pageant, sponsored by the national Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, appeared at Western.

To celebrate the Alphas' 91st birthday, the Eta Rho chapter will host the local level of the national competition at 8 tonight in the Garrett Ballroom. Admission to the event is \$3.

The four contestants will be judged on their performances in five categories: business attire, swimsuit, talent, evening gown and question and answer, according to program coordinator John Mark Eberhardt, a Louisville senior. A panel of four judges made of faculty and staff around campus will judge the competition.

Whoever is crowned Western's Miss Black and Gold will receive a \$250 book scholarship. Then she will advance to the state level of the pageant. That winner will go to the regional level. The regional winner will attend the fraternity's national convention, most likely in Washington, D.C., although the actual date is not set.

## Phonathon exceeds goal

The 1997 Phonathon, Western's biggest fund-raising effort of the year, netted \$468,573 for the university, surpassing the goal of \$450,000 and topping last year's total by more than \$60,000.

Pledges came in from 8,013 alumni, which included 2,349 new pledges. The calling session, ended Nov. 24, but Donald Smith, coordinator of the annual fund, said the drive's success has prompted his office to begin a new session in the spring.

## ♦ Clearing the air

A photo outline in the Nov. 20 Herald misidentified Bowling Green senior Joy Prins.

A graphic in the Nov. 25 Herald should have said all campus restaurants were closed Sunday, Nov. 30. It also should have said the hours for the Preston Health and Activities Center on Saturday, Nov. 29, were 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Rick Scibelli/Herald

**Salty sax:** Bowling Green junior Michael Strautman puts forth his best effort during the WKU Jazz Ensemble's rendition of Dizzie Gillespie's "Salt Peanuts" Tuesday evening in Garrett Ballroom.

## ♦ For the record/crime reports

## Charges

♦ Brandon Alan Stubbs, 418 S. Main St., was charged Nov. 18 with alcohol intoxication while in Smith Stadium. He was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the next day on time served.

♦ Michael Anthony Robinson, 123A Westwood Circle, was charged Nov. 22 with DUI, trafficking controlled substances within 1,000 yards of a school and possession of drug paraphernalia second offense after being stopped on State Street. He was

released from the Warren County Regional Jail on Nov. 24 on a \$10,000 unsecured bond.

## Reports

♦ Carrie E. Holman, New Sorority Hall, reported Nov. 13 the passenger's side window, valued at \$150, broken and a portable compact disc player, valued at \$200, and a compact disc, valued at \$15, stolen from her car in Normal lot.

♦ Amy Craig, Barnes-Campbell, reported Nov. 14 someone planted a smoke bomb in her

dorm, setting off the fire alarm.

♦ Jamie Lyles, McCormack Hall, reported Nov. 21 two hair caps, valued at \$150, stolen from her car in the parking structure.

♦ Heather N. Davidson, Gilbert Hall, reported Nov. 22 the driver's side mirror, valued at \$150, broken off her car while parked on Big Red Way.

♦ Angelic P. Pronoble, Rhodes-Harlin, reported Nov. 22 the driver's side mirror, valued at \$100, broken off her car while parked on Big Red Way.

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December 4, 1997

# Ruling called censorship

By SHANNON BACK

A Kentucky federal judge's decision on Nov. 14 that said college and university administrators can censor student publications has sparked national controversy.

Frankfort Judge Joseph Hood ruled that Kentucky State University did not violate free speech rights of student journalists when it refused to distribute its 1993-94 yearbook. The *Thoroughbred*, because of its quality.

"This is a very dangerous decision," said Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center in Washington, D.C. "It's going to help administrators already inclined to censor feel justification in doing so."

In his ruling, Hood cited a 1988 Supreme Court case, *Hazelwood School District vs. Kuhlmeier*, where the justices ruled that high school publications could be censored by a school's administration. In a footnote in the same ruling, though, the court refused to apply the ruling to universities and colleges, saying "we need not now decide whether the same degree of deference is appropriate." Goodman said this is the first time the case has been applied to a university student publication.

The Student Publications Board at the University of Northwestern Alabama in Florence, Ala., has been toying with the idea of having the publications director review and OK every article before its newspaper, *The Flor-ala*, can print. Tyler Greer, the newspaper's incoming executive editor, said the KSU decision is adding fuel to the fire.

Greer said the university's president appointed a Student Publications Board subcommittee in August to review the newspaper's bylaws. It will make a recommendation as to whether the faculty adviser should approve the paper's copy by tomorrow.

Greer said the full board will vote in January and the president will have the final say.

**"The Herald should have the responsibility to independently report the news."**

— Gary Ransdell, president

Bruce Orwin, a Somerset attorney representing the two KSU students who filed the case, has asked Hood to reconsider his decision. If Hood does not, the students are going to appeal to the Sixth District U.S. Court of Appeals. Orwin said several national media organizations have contacted him in support of *The Thoroughbred*, including the Student Press Law Center, the Society of Professional Journalists and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Goodman said even if the

decision is reversed harm has already been done. He fears other universities will use the decision as a basis to censor their student publications.

"People who say these things won't happen — they already have," he said of the University of Northwestern Alabama. "They will prompt more censorship."

President Gary Ransdell said this won't happen at Western. "That's not very good training for those students who need to gain experience and autonomy to publish," he said. "Students won't have such scrutiny in the real world."

I don't intend to do anything about this decision. The Herald should have the responsibility to independently report the news and the freedom to report the news and reflect opinion.

Laura Cullen, former faculty adviser for *The Thoroughbred*, said KSU's decision to hold the yearbook wasn't based on quality. Administrators have said she said it's "retaliation" for a decision she made as adviser.

Cullen, who worked at KSU from 1991-1995, said an administrator asked her not to print a letter to the editor in the school newspaper. When the letter was published anyway, Cullen was demoted to handling out dorm keys as secretary in the housing department. She said the yearbooks were ceased later the same day.

Cullen added that Hood's judgment is "frightening" because he hasn't seen the yearbook.

"This is appalling," she said. "It's very dangerous for student journalists everywhere."

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"I believe this report will prove to be an important document as we define our strengths and weaknesses and measure our progress."

The board will also be discussing its new committee structure, administrative roles, legislative agenda and programs of distinction.

# Dorm fire leaves students sleepless

By BRIAN MAINS

Residents of Roland Hall stood outside the dorm shivering, shaking and threatening lives late Tuesday night.

"I'm sick of this crap," said Corey Fogle, a sophomore from Virginia Beach, Va. "I'm tired and I want to go to sleep."

Fogle was talking about being moved out of his dorm at 10:45 p.m. after the sounds of a fire alarm and smoke from a trash chute fire filled his dorm.

A day before, Remis Lawrence had a trash blaze of its own, and campus police Capt. Mike Wallace said most of these fires are arson — either by accident or design.

Wallace said the blaze, which belched out carbon monoxide and heat on floors six through nine in the dorm, could have been started by a cigarette butt.

But by the next day the campus police still weren't sure what caused the blaze.

The fire did cause three sprinklers to kick into action on the sixth and seventh floors that night.

By 12:45 a.m., most of the students standing out in the cold didn't care. The fire department had been gone for nearly an hour and there was no hope of getting back in the dorm for another two hours.

Most were complaining about the cold and the sleep time they were missing.

"It's after midnight. I'm out side. It's cold," said Florence freshman John Holtzapfel, summing up the sentiments of his fellow refugees.

As water dripped out of a window facing the Preston Health

and Activities Center, more groans were raised as a resident assistant stuck his head out the window and said there was two to three inches of water on the floors where the sprinklers went off.

"There goes my guitar and amplifier," Fogle said, fearing the water in the halls seeped under his door.

Wet vacs sounded as maintenance workers tried to dry up the mess after the sprinklers were replaced and the fire department had left.

In small groups the residents stood around and jokingly began plotting to heat the person who started the trash chute fire. Then their anger turned to the resident assistants who stood in the warm lobby waiting to open the dorm back up.

"I don't see an S on their chest and a cape," Holtzapfel vented.

I mean, come on. Brian Kuster, director of Residence Life, said the RAs were allowed to stay inside to help with the cleaning up.

Fears of lack of sleep and questions of possible water damage were all answered by the end of the night.

Kuster said students were not allowed back into the building until after cleanup crews finished up around 3:45 a.m.

He also said there was water damage in rooms and he was waiting for final estimates on the total amount of damage.

Bowling Green freshman B.J. Back offered the only consolation earlier in the evening to his fellow residents about the fire alarms.

"At least this one was real."

# Regents to hear review results

By SHANNON BACK

The Board of Regents' annual retreat is today and tomorrow at Rough River Dam State Park.

"This is an important opportunity to roll up our sleeves with the board, get down to action, make decisions and begin charting a course for Western," President Gary Ransdell said.

Primary on the agenda is the university's Institutional Review, which board members received yesterday. Ransdell said he will use the review, which contains more than 50 recommendations, to make suggestions to the board on how to improve the university.

"We will talk about some important actions taken and set benchmarks to measure our

progress," Ransdell said.

"I believe this report will prove to be an important document as we define our strengths and weaknesses and measure our progress."

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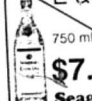

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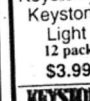
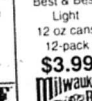
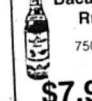
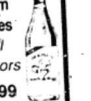
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# Opinion

## Ruling could set bad precedent

The thought police could be running college campuses in Kentucky if a recent court decision is upheld.

A federal judge recently handed down a decision that would allow university

**• The issue:** A federal judge upheld the right of Kentucky State University administrators to censor the school's yearbook.

**• Our view:** This decision is wrong and could set a dangerous precedent for future censorship of student publications.

administrators to control students' free speech by allowing Kentucky State University to suppress the distribution of the school's yearbook because administrators thought it was poor quality.

The case of the yearbook alone may seem minor, but the precedent set by the ruling is a threat to student publications everywhere.

The decision is flawed because the judge seemingly reversed a 1988 Supreme Court decision. He based his opinion on the *Hazelwood School District vs. Kuhlmeier* decision that said high school publications could be censored by school administrators. But a footnote in that decision said the ruling would not apply to university publications.

This could set a dangerous trend. When censorship is allowed to take place in one case, it could easily become

acceptable in another case and another case ... And according to this decision, the administration has every right to control the content of a student publication.

Already this ruling has set a frightening precedent. Northwestern Alabama University had proposed mandating that the faculty adviser approve everything before it goes into the campus newspaper. Now they are using this case to further their agenda.

Bruce Edwards, a spokesman for Kentucky State, said administrators have "felt all along that the yearbook that came out was not a quality representative of the university."

So what. It doesn't matter. The Constitution does not just protect quality speech; it protects all speech. Allowing a governing body to suppress a publication completely undermines the First Amendment.

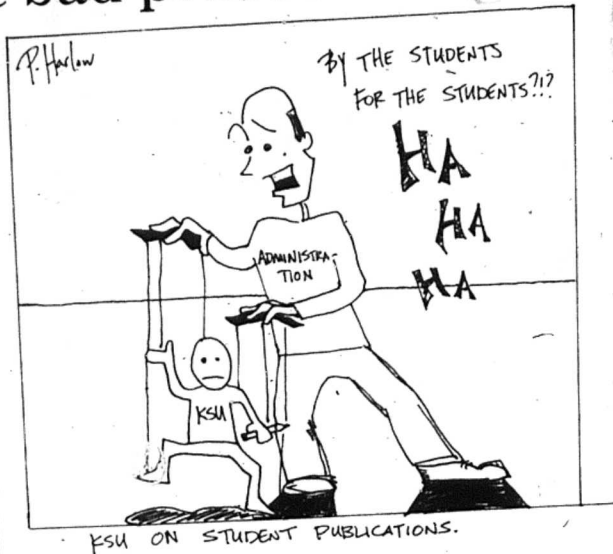
Who decides what is and isn't quality anyway?

Betty Gibson, vice president of Student Affairs at Kentucky State, said the university would do the same thing to the student newspaper if it produced something that was "not suitable."

Who decides what is suitable for the public?

The administration? When freedom of the press is infringed upon, the public loses because those in power have control over what the public has access to.

It doesn't matter why restraint is made. It's still censorship. What does



matter is that this court decision has placed the authority in the hands of a governing body to determine what is "suitable" for the public to read.

The judge is being asked to reconsider his opinion. He should examine the repercussions of this decision and reverse it. But if not, the case will likely be appealed in the U.S. Sixth

District Court of Appeals.

A university is supposed to be a place of higher learning and free expression of ideas.

But what kind of higher learning can take place at an institution where administrators are allowed to stomp out the most basic rights this country was founded on?

## Christmas a time to offer help to others

'Tis the season for giving. It seems everyone is in the giving spirit this time of year as Christmas quickly approaches. However, this is not always the case throughout the year.

This past September, Panorama, a local home for the mentally handicapped, held a fund-raiser concert at the National Corvette Museum with seven different bands. But almost no one showed up. The money raised from that concert was supposed to buy Christmas and birthday presents for Panorama's clients who might

have to be without. These clients suffered the effects of bad scheduling and may have missed out on a lot. And students missed out on a chance to help someone who needed it

So now is a good time to make up for a missed opportunity to help the less fortunate.

• **Panorama** is taking donations and gifts to give to needy families. They are providing Christmas meals for those who may not have anything to eat on Christmas day.

For more information, call David Story at 782-0759.

• **Most of us** have dropped change in the Salvation Army kettles as we walked out of the mall. But there are other ways to help this organization help needy families.

Anyone can just call the Salvation Army and say they'd like to adopt a family or buy gifts or food, or both," said Joyce Lance of the Salvation Army. People can also

choose a child to buy a gift for who wouldn't otherwise have a gift.

For more information, call Lance or Juliet Self at 843-3485.

• **The Barren River Area Safe Space** has a clothing closet and a food pantry for abused children. For more information, call shelter coordinator June West at 781-9334.

These are only a few options available

for making someone's Christmas merrier than it might otherwise be.

Even poor college students can do their part. There are an endless number of outlets to give to, to make the lives of others better.

Dropping off that sweater that you haven't worn in years may seem like nothing to you, but it could mean everything to someone who is cold this winter. That can of soup you never ate could provide a meal for someone who is hungry.

If everyone gives just a little, it can help a lot.

You don't have to have a lot to make someone's Christmas a little better, just a willingness to give something back to others that you've always taken for granted!

### ◆ Should student publications be censored by administrators?



"No, we should be covered by the First Amendment rights and say what we want."

**Rachael Lopez,**  
Nashville  
freshman



"No because of freedom of the press."

**Thomas Silva,**  
Bowling Green  
junior



"To a certain extent. They shouldn't use vulgar terms. This is a university. We have morals."

**Audrey Taylor,**  
freshman from  
Tucson, Ariz.



"No, so you can express the way you feel."

**Tony Lopez,**  
Chicago  
sophomore



"I don't think so. You need to get the real meaning of what people have to say."

**Jason Turner,**  
Louisville  
sophomore

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# Forum

## Camping out can cure boredom at home

Um, that sure was satisfying — at least the first time around. That gluttonous bout of foul and fat we call Thanksgiving has ended, and our fat cells might have a little growth to prove it.

Or at least we thought it was over. In the intervening days after turkey day, the course of choice was probably turkey tetrazzini, turkey casserole or turkey sandwiches.

After fleeing the fever pitch of class work, you may have welcomed a little time with the family. But nearly a week?

Thanksgiving should be a homecoming of another sort. The holiday should be a solace from the rigors of daily life. But when the family becomes another rigor, it's time to hit the road again.

But where to? I can recall my sixth-grade teacher recommend-

ing "your favorite place." She would coax the students in the class into forming an imaginary environment in their minds and meditating over it. Everyone's favorite place would be filled with all they enjoy, and they could return to it as often as they wanted.

But life should be tangible — it should be felt, breathed, experienced.

So after the turkey binge, I gathered some friends and headed to my favorite place — the Red River Gorge.

Now if you've never been to eastern Kentucky and Powell County (it gets a bad rap), you

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Road. This campus retreat has hiking trails and a small lake that is naturally draining into a sinkhole — typical for this area. Who says there's nothing to do in Bowling Green?

Now perhaps I'm a tad biased. With seven brothers and sisters crawling around the youngest is 25, it's not hard to get burnt out on the homestead. But I venture to say that anybody stranded at home for a month as we will be for Christmas break, might be looking for that special somewhere after say, two weeks.

Maybe that favorite place isn't the Gorge, maybe not even nature. But, please, find that ideal spot and visit often. It has saved at least one writer's sanity.

**Editor's note:** Matt Batchelder is a sophomore print journalism major from Bardonia.

**Matt Batchelder**  
Commentary



## Tragedy reminder that life is precious

Tragedy hit home Monday when a freshman opened fire on a prayer group at Heath High School in West Paducah. The bloodbath left three dead and several more injured. One of the dead was my sister's best friend.

How could something like this happen in my school? Gangs, guns and racial disputes have never been a problem at Heath. What is this world coming to when even little Heath High School, with a student body of fewer than 600, experiences something like this?

I saw the halls I walked for four years splattered with blood on national television news. It still seems unreal. This couldn't be my high school.

Jessica James was turning to pick up her books to go to class, following my sister, when her life was snuffed out. She looked at my sister and said, "I've been shot."

Then she just lay down — she didn't fall down, she lay down. I don't know how my sister dealt with watching her best friend die in the lobby of my high school.

Jessica will never laugh again. She will never play her French horn again. She will

never graduate from high school and go on to college. All the potential lost.

Why? Not even the kid who pulled the gun out of his backpack and opened fire on his fellow students can answer that. I've known him for a long time, too. I know his family and my sympathies go out to them. I can't imagine what they are going through.

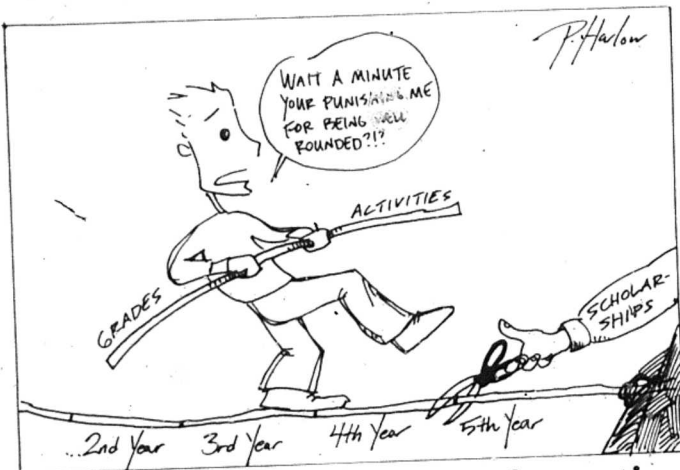
Ben Strong is the leader of the prayer group. Investigators said he prevented further bloodshed when he finally

talked the boy into putting his gun down. That took some courage. I don't think I could go up to someone who is still firing a gun and talk to him at all, let alone talk him into putting the gun down. I really admire Ben.

This has really made me think about how precious life is. Just a few more inches and my sister's face could be on the front page of every national newspaper and newscast. That is the main thing that has been going through my mind since I heard about the story.

Just a few more inches. **Editor's note:** Scott Sisco is a sophomore print journalism major from Paducah.

**Scott Sisco**  
Commentary



## Potatoism takes years of practice

You, dear reader, can become a couch potato.

However, don't allow your self to be misled, as potatoism takes extraordinary initiative and self-discipline.

No, not everyone is cut from the same sofa-eater cloth.

What follows is a guide to help make the transition from ambition to the world of bad nutrition as smooth as possible.

Utilize your television, it is the most important entertainment tool you own.

If you have access to cable, then by all means have your house wired.

Hour upon hour of quality viewing time is lost each year because of ignorance or plain old apathy.

This is America's silent tragedy.

What a sad truth it is that some young people have never seen an infomercial.

Now that you're plugged in, a handy tip for a lengthy sitting is to prepare refreshment portions large enough to enable yourself to remain motionless through a small

natural disaster.

How can anyone derive full enjoyment from "Oprah" with the nagging knowledge that at least two scoops of Neopolitan ice cream are still in the refrigerator?

Friends, it simply cannot be done.

Another good rule is if your television screen is not completely obscured by a coffee table full of soda cans and empty boxes of snack crackers, you definitely are not slouched

down far enough in the old Lay-Z-Boy. This chair was designed for comfort, one must take advantage of such luxuries.

Remember, there are starving children in China who have to sit on hard floors just to watch "The Price is Right."

One potential problem is outside interference from neighbors, family and friends.

Evidently, some people find it necessary to go outside during the summer.

The proper response to noise pollution from lawn mowers, children's laughter or

car motors is zero tolerance.

An effective safeguard against such nuisances is to keep one's windows and doors shut at all times.

In fact, celebrities such as Elvis have long known the benefits of placing tin foil over any openings to kill all sunlight whatsoever.

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After such strenuous home improvement, feel free to treat yourself to a peanut butter and banana sandwich.

Indeed there are a plethora of other examples, but aren't the virtues of rest and relaxation already apparent?

Besides, the author is planning to watch "Matlock" in five minutes.

A final aside: Reruns of "Matlock" are not suggested for beginners.

Novices are advised to familiarize themselves with Andy Griffith's seminal work prior to such an undertaking.

Go ahead and stick a toe in the water with an episode of "The Andy Griffith Show," and please remember to share your Fritos.

**Editor's note:** Ricky Cobb is a sophomore undeclared major from Horse Cave.

**Ricky Cobb**  
Commentary



### Letter to the editor

#### Walkers should stay in crosswalks

I have a problem with University Boulevard. I think the adjustments that have been made are necessary and helpful to students and the drivers who don't want to hit them.

However, my problem is with the jaywalkers. The new speed bumps have brought about. Last week I was traveling toward the 31W Bypass on University Boulevard when out of nowhere was a person walking across the street where the speed bumps have been placed, down the hill from where the crosswalk is. I

slammed on my brakes, barely stopping in time, only to be given "the bird" for my trouble.

The days after, I have seen many more people crossing at the speed bumps instead of the crosswalks. Because of where the speed bumps have been placed, if people cross at them instead of at the crosswalk, it's even more dangerous than it was without the speed bumps.

People really need to use the crosswalks and leave the speed bumps to what they were designed for — slowing traffic, not stopping it.

Jen Fields Covington  
Leisburg senior

# Gifts: Students recall holidays

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violence were the deciding factor. "I wanted a G.I. Joe big wheel that made gun noises," he said. "I wanted that one because of the sound effects."

But according to Peschell, the sound effects were not enough of a reason to his parents to replace his other big wheel — the one with He-Man on it — leaving this wish ungranted.

• Name: Lanny Finley  
Nonpresent present: A mini-bike  
Finley's desire for a motor-

cicle started early. He was 6.

"We had a field in the back of my house and my neighbor would always ride a motorcycle through there and I wanted to do it, too," he said. "I wanted a dirt bike so I could go out there with him."

But in hindsight, the Cadiz junior said he was probably too young for such a gift and credited Santa with having good sense in the matter.

• Name: Martha Bonds  
Nonpresent present: A worry-free Christmas

For Bonds, it's simple.

"To not have to worry where I was going to come up with the money for my kids' Christmas," she said. "That's what I've wanted for the past 13 years."

According to the Scottsville sophomore and president of Women in Transition, sometimes the stress created by tight finances around the holidays can overpower the joy of them.

"It's a disappointment to them when they don't get it and it's a disappointment to me when I know I can't do it," she said.

## 1997 Fall Semester Final Exam Schedule

December 10-16

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10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	Classes meeting first at 10:30 a.m. Monday	Classes meeting first at 11:45 a.m. Monday	Classes meeting first at 9:15 a.m. Tuesday	Classes meeting first at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday
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6 to 8 p.m.	Classes meeting at 5:15 Wed. only, 6:45 Wed. only	Classes meeting at 5:15 Thurs. only, 6:45 Thurs. only	Classes meeting at 5:15 Tuesday only, 6:45 Tuesday only, 6:45 Tue./Thurs.	Classes meeting at 3:45 Monday only, 3:45 Mon./Wed.
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# AIDS awareness, HIV testing stressed

◆ **Student Health Services is offering free HIV tests until 11:30 today in conjunction with World AIDS Day**

BY MELISSA FELKINS

The AIDS epidemic is growing rapidly worldwide and students need to be aware of how serious it is, said Beth Rush, head nurse for Student Health Services.

"It's your life and you only get one," she said. "There are a lot of things we can't control... but this is one thing we can control."

In response to World AIDS Day, which was Monday, the Student Health Services held free HIV testing yesterday and eight students showed up. The testing will continue through 11:30 today, but students can be tested at any time for as little as \$5 and have results from the state lab in about a month, or for \$24 they can have them in a couple of days from the Nashville lab.

"Our goal is to make people aware and get the people who need to be tested tested," Rush said.

HIV and AIDS cases are spreading twice as fast worldwide as in the past, especially in African and Asian countries, according to United

Nations reports. About one in every 100 sexually active adults are infected with HIV, and only one in 10 of those know they are infected.

However, HIV and AIDS cases in Kentucky and the United States are on the decline, according to the most recent statistics from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Walter Norris, disease intervention specialist at the Warren County Health Department, said he hopes the decreases are because of prevention and understanding about AIDS. But there is still a lot of work to be done, Norris added.

"We can't ease off," he said. "We have to be vigilant and get the message out that anyone can get the HIV virus."

HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, is considered AIDS once the CD-4 white blood cell count is 200 or less. Symptoms include illnesses such as cancer, tuberculosis and pneumonia.

For students who don't get a chance to go to the HIV testing on campus, the Warren County Health Department also does free testing at any time, and testing is also free at every health department in Kentucky

The health department also offers counseling before and after the test and explains to patients what kind of process is taking place with the testing, Norris said.

"The health department wants to make (testing) as less or little traumatic as possible," Norris said. "We want to service each person to the best of our ability so the patient will feel comfortable and use us again in the future."

According to statistics, the most at-risk of contracting the disease are homosexual men, intravenous drug users and those practicing unsafe heterosexual sex.

The majority of HIV and AIDS cases occur in white males between the ages of 30 and 39. The second-highest age rate is between the ages of 20

and 29. Norris said the fact that a lot of college students may be having unsafe sex and swapping needles is the reason he feels they are at risk.

"Every college student needs to understand what HIV is, how it is spread and how to protect themselves," he said. "It's the best way to fight the AIDS epidemic."

## New HIV cases declining in U.S.

### Total AIDS cases

United States — 581,429 (12/31/96)  
Kentucky — 2,355 (6/30/97)  
Warren Co. — 38 (6/30/97)

### Total HIV cases\*

Kentucky — 2,189 (6/30/97)  
Warren Co. — 21 (6/30/97)

### New AIDS cases in 1997

United States — 49,050 (11/22/97)  
Kentucky — 319 (11/22/97)

### New HIV cases in 1997\*

Kentucky — 197 (11/22/97)

\* The United States cannot provide numbers for HIV, since only 29 states report HIV cases. While the spread of AIDS is decreasing in the United States, the disease's spread continues to accelerate throughout most of the world, especially in underdeveloped nations.

Source: Center for Disease Control and Prevention

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# TV station offers students experience, fun

BY MELISSA FELKINS

Working at WKYU-TV is kind of like cross-training for television, said Cheryl Beckley, a producer and director.

"Everybody does different things to keep the station on the air," she said.

Being the only university-owned public television station in the state, WKYU depends heavily on student labor. That training takes the form of checking sound, camera angles and lighting to make sure everything will run smoothly.

After filming starts, students are in the control rooms constantly changing camera angles, adjusting volume and typing game keys, which are phone numbers and graphs that appear on the screen.

On a typical day the crew sets up for Outlook, a daily news and public affairs program. Staffers check the schedule board to find out which job they will be doing for the day.

With two Emmy awards on the wall, students feel that working at the station is a great way to gain experience.

"(The station) trusts students to go out and do things on our own," Bowling Green senior Brad Kurtz said. "It's a good place to work. If you want experience in television, come here."

Past WKYU students have gone on to internships at stations in Nashville, Louisville and MTV in Los Angeles.

"(Stations) are not used to getting students of this caliber,"

Beckley said. "They already know the things everyone else knows."

Getting a segment on the air takes lots of preparation and hard work. Take Belton sophomore Ryan Hardison, for example. He came up with an idea to do a segment on "thumb-picking," otherwise known as banjo playing, in his hometown.

He first had to find out if the people were willing to cooperate and decide what exactly he wanted to do with the segment. After that he decided what type of equipment he would need for the shoot, got a crew together and chose the lighting.

He shot the interviews with the thumb-pickers a few weeks ago and will go back to shoot their performance. He will then edit it and put it all together.

"My favorite part is when I go home, turn on Channel 7 and something I did is on the air," he said. "It makes me feel good."

But it's not all just dealing with high-tech gadgets and taping.

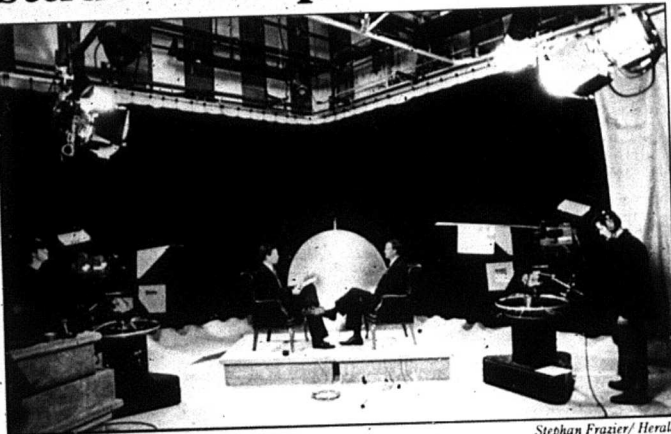
Paducah senior Kevin Spann works in programming and in the library. His duties include dubbing tapes, making sure the tapes are in order, working with the record log and labeling.

"The most interesting part is dubbing tapes for other people," he said. "Hopefully I'll be able to please that person."

Another big part of what goes on at the station is deciding what will be on the air.

Linda Oldham, the program manager, said part of what she does is watching television.

"I preview a fair number of



Stephan Frazier/Herald

"University Journal" is one of the shows produced by WKYU-TV in the Academic Complex. Belton sophomore Ryan Hardison, David Lee, dean of Potter College, President Gary Ransdell and Greenville sophomore Christopher Moore, left to right, film the show for later broadcast.

shows and decide what will be on the station," she said.

Since WKYU-TV is affiliated with PBS, many of the shows it runs come from there, but Oldham tries to find times that will better fit the schedules of their viewers.

In its ninth year of operation, the station has expanded and has a variety of educational programs to offer viewers, including children's programs such as "Barney"

and "The Magic School Bus," how-to programs, collector's programs and Hilltopper basketball.

Since the crew works closely together every day, Beckley said good relationships are a must.

"It is very enjoyable working with the students," she said. "They are close-knit and are good at what they do."

Oldham said she hopes by providing quality service she can

"make this corner of the world a better place."

"I feel a sense of responsibility to the audience," she said. "We're not here to sell a product. I feel good about what we do here because what we're selling is the show. When someone calls and tells me a show we aired made a difference in their life, it makes me feel good to know people are actually being helped by what we do here."

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# Aramark inspections low

BY MATT BATCHELOR

At first glance, Aramark Food Services lost its first bout with health inspections.

The Barren River District Health Department finished its first round of inspecting campus eateries yesterday, and the scores showed little or no improvement over previous semesters.

On a 100-point scale, restaurants in Downing University Center scored a 70, a point below readings a year ago. Garrett food court registered a 78, five points ahead of last year.

Both restaurants were reinspected, necessary any time the inspector finds "critical items" or a score below 85.

"I was stunned," Dining Services Director Nathan Farmer said. "Our people are not stupid, and that's what the score almost said."

In other words, 85 or below is a failing score.

"I hate to use the phrase 'They didn't pass,'" said Barry Turner, Environmental Services director at the health department. "Say, 'They didn't pass under conditions.'"

Garrett had three critical violations that were corrected the same day, boosting its score to 88. DUC was reinspected yesterday, yielding a 93 rating.

Inspectors found "potentially hazardous food," potato wedges held at 120 degrees, not 140 degrees as the law requires. They also discovered "sanitizer in the wiping cloth solution exceeds 200 parts per million."

Three critical violations were found at DUC. Tapioca pudding at Topper Cafe was considered "potentially dangerous" because it was held at 73 degrees. Sour cream was 53 degrees and ranch dressing was 50. Turner said the law requires they be no more than 45 degrees.

The report also found too little sanitizer in some cleaning bottles and degreasers stored with chemicals.

But those scores may not be as dismal as they seem. Aramark and health department officials agree the current inspection system is ineffective in coming up with valid results. Because all restaurants at each food court are assessed as a group, the score is somewhat lower than if, say, McDonald's and Pizza Hut were scored separately.

"It's not a bad score," Turner said. "When they get 70s and 73s, it looks a lot worse than it actually is."

Turner said his department is attempting to separate the restaurant permits, so each restaurant can be graded individually, boost-

ing scores. But he added that's difficult when many of the eateries share the same kitchen, and current regulations require them under one permit.

"It's simply because they share the same dish machine," Farmer said, speaking of DUC's food court.

He points to a comment by inspector Marcheta White, who said, "Considering the size of this establishment, they are doing very well."

Farmer said White's personal opinion of the establishments was glowing.

"Her professional opinion is not consistent with the report she's required to do," he said.

Farmer blames some of the low scores on the age of the facilities.

"Our places aren't dirty," he said. "They're very old—I will say that. As old as they are, I'm surprised we made a 98."

Western's food courts have had a long history of low inspection scores. Last year, DUC scored a 78 and Garrett a 73. The latter scored as low as 44, according to a June 28, 1995 report. The complex was closed for a half day that year.

Reinspections were required all of those years.

Turner said that inspections are always unannounced. Aramark can estimate their arrival, though—every six months.

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## CENTER: Help needed in financial management

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files, University Attorney Deborah Wilkins said. She said the university is looking for a company that "works professionally with the elderly." She said the Medicaid paperwork "will soon be beyond the scope of the center's capabilities."

Western's Adult Day Care Center serves about 37 elderly a day and provides part-time jobs for nearly 80 students. Student workers spend most of their time reading and playing games with the clients.

Barbara Burch, vice president for Academic Affairs, said in order for the center to continue offering services to the elderly, it needs money and it needs help earning and managing that money.

"Needs for services grow every day at that center," she said. "We're not giving control of our program away and if a company is hired, it will be to help with the financial side of the program. Our staff will not change."

Layne said the staff is spread too thin and many workers who would like to work with clients are stuck in the business office.

Layne said if a company is hired, the center will begin plans to expand, particularly in three areas—speech therapy, occupational therapy and physical therapy.

"We have to find other funding sources to do this," Layne said. "The state is pulling out funding. We've had a contract with the state since 1990, and we're getting less money now than we did."

"The state isn't keeping up with the center's needs." In 1991 the state provided the center with \$125,000. This year it only received \$105,277. And Layne said that just isn't enough.

"We also receive public funding and funds from Medicaid, but all together, we're still short," she said. "It costs \$7 an hour for each client and we have a waiting list for services—either we don't have space or they can't afford it."

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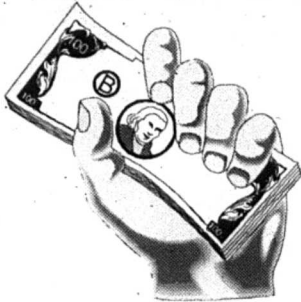
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# Greek fund raising pays off

BY STEPHANIE SIRIA

The semester is winding down, and when the Greeks look back fondly on the memories they've made, one thing should stick out in their minds — money.

Greeks have had a successful fund-raising semester for the local and national philanthropies they support. According to Charley Pride, student organizations and Greek affairs coordinator, they've raised close to \$7,000 in the first three months of the semester.

Of the groups who have events, they've paid off in terms of success," Pride said. "Lots of effort and time has come through in the long run."

So, who are the winners? Among the fraternities, the Phi Delta Theta fraternity took first place, raising \$750 during its "King of the Court" basketball tournament in September. More than half the event's proceeds went to Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Bowling Green, the Phi Delta's philanthropy.

An event held for the first time was the Farmhouse fraternity's miniature golf tournament in October.

"We wanted to have something that a lot of people would be interested in and participate in," Bowling Green senior and

Farmhouse member Tommy Roberts said. "We ended up with a good crowd of nearly 100 people."

Farmhouse's event raised \$400 for the National Asthma and Allergy Research Foundation. Roberts said the tourney was so popular among the fraternities and sororities

that were in it, they'll be bringing it back next fall.

Other fraternities raised a good deal of cash, too.

— Charley Pride  
Greek affairs coordinator

The Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity also collected more than \$500 for Big Brothers-Big Sisters of Bowling Green during Pikes Peak Week in September. The Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity raised \$550 with its annual Watermelon Bust pageant in October.

The Alpha Gamma Rho and Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternities also held events to raise money for their philanthropies, but exact numbers have not yet been released.

On the sorority side, the Kappa Delta sorority was the winner with its Shenanigans on Nov. 18, which raised \$2,000 for both the Family Enrichment Center of Bowling Green and the KD's national committee for the prevention of child abuse.

Co-chairwoman Megan Holsapple, a junior from Newburgh, Ind., said this year's show was definitely an improvement from years past. "I think (the 1990s theme) is one of the factors that caused a rise in participation and attendance," she said.

Another annual event, the Alpha Delta Pi sorority's Mr. Hilltopper pageant, held Oct. 14, raised \$1,500 for the Ronald McDonald House in Bowling Green.

Another sorority experimented with something new to raise money. The Alpha Omicron Pi sorority held its "Rose Bowl," a bowling tournament Nov. 21, which raised \$500 for AOP's National Arthritis Research Foundation.

Pride said money isn't the only thing the Greeks have contributed this semester — goods and community service hours have also been high so far this year.

"If you count all the hours from the Phonathon and the help given during the Bowling Green 10k Classic, you'd probably get around 2,700 total," Pride said.

Pride said unlike other colleges with Greek systems, Western does not require community service.

"These groups help out and give their time and talents, because for them it's part of being in that fraternity or sorority," he said. "The fact that they're not forced to should say something."

# Physical education program to refocus

BY LEIGH ANN MOORE

Physical education and recreation majors may soon be able to expand their career opportunities if a change in the program is approved by the university this semester.

"The program right now is a teacher education program," Department Head Burch Oglesby said.

He said he decided to make changes within the department because of student demand.

"We've had several students interested in the field but they didn't want to be teachers," he said.

The change will allow students in the physical education department to have an emphasis on physical science or fitness and wellness sports. The department is dropping senior seminar and is adding courses in Applied Exercise Physiology, Practicum in Exercise Science, and Fitness Programming.

Big Spring junior Mark Deaton is one of the students wanting another option in the physical education and recreation department. He said he plans to possibly go into cardiac rehabilitation when he graduates.

"I was going into physical education and didn't want to teach. I was going to have to transfer unless the physical science major was approved," he said.

The new changes will allow students to have an emphasis on physical science rather than physi-

cal education.

"There is some need for the change for students interested in being physical fitness or wellness directors — not teacher ed," Oglesby said. Deaton said the change will increase job opportunities for students.

Frank Wyatt, a physical education and recreation assistant professor, said physical science is a program in high demand.

"We've been contacted by people from all over," he said. This fall, when a woman from Owensboro called to find out if Western had a physical science program, Wyatt said he was able to say to her, "We're working on having one in the spring."

The spring of 1998 is when the department hopes to see the changes go into effect so current students like Deaton can make use of them, Oglesby said. The changes have been approved by the department and the Academic Council and are currently awaiting approval by the vice-president, president and Board of Regents.

Oglesby said the department now has two instructors with experience in physical science, which is making the change possible.

"Last year we had a faculty member retire and we replaced that person with an exercise physiologist," he said.

Oglesby said this is a change the department has been wanting to make for a long time, but had not been able to because they only had one faculty member who specialized in that area.

## PROGRAMS: Faculty to be involved

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proposals will probably change. After receiving board approval, the proposals will be considered by the Council on Postsecondary Education, probably in March. The council has said previously they would prefer only one program of distinction at each regional university.

"What the governor wants is every university to have one program that is known nationwide and even worldwide," Burch said. "The reality is, most institutions would like to think they have more than one program that has the potential to be a hallmark program for the university."

Between now and the end of January, Burch said faculty will be involved in the selection process for the programs.

"We're going to ask a faculty review group to look at them and we'll also do several open forums on them," she said. "I truly want to keep an open mind to hear what faculty say."

During their meeting Tuesday, the deans and Burch began placing the proposals in three categories: those already at distinction status, those demonstrating potential to become programs of distinction and programs that should be nurtured, considering Western's mission.

"My guess is we already have a couple of programs of distinction," Burch said. "They're not all programs of distinction, but out of fairness we're going to look at them."

The group also considered if proposed programs should stand alone or if they could be broadened, becoming part of an umbrella-type program.

Burch said Western is considering doing this with the journalism program. She said it could be coupled with broadcasting and some parts of the communications department.

"Should we look at journalism as a discipline or should we look more broadly at journalism as part of a field," she said.

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## Affairs to remember



### Regional and national critics share some of their romance movie favorites

It's tough to resist a great romantic movie — and the flurry-filled holiday season is the perfect time for cooing and cuddling with the loved one in your life. Hot chocolate, smoldering fireplaces, flannel sheets and romance films are staples for lovers this time of year.

There are always sensual standby romance movies for college couples, and they're the ones most of us know fondly or grew up with: "Casablanca," "When Harry Met Sally," "Moonstruck" and more recently, "The English Patient." But the people who watch movies for a living — film critics — know the hope chest has more jewels in it than that.

And after chatting with three critics, here is an unbelievably unofficial, not-in-any-particular-order Romantic Movie Top 10 list. The sources? Judith Egerton, the film and theatre critic for the *Courier-Journal*; Gene Wyatt, the film critic at the *Tennessean*; and Ty Burr, a critic at *Entertainment Weekly* magazine. All of the films they mention are available on video.

#### "The Philadelphia Story"

It's the definitive, clever fight-for-the-lady's attention movie — the players: Katherine Hepburn, Cary Grant, Jimmy Stewart and John Howard. Hepburn's about to marry Howard — she's the ex-wife of Grant and may be falling for Stewart. Sound complex and fun? See the flick, Egerton says.

"The dialogue is just great," she said. "There's a scene where the three of them are trying to get her attention, and you hear dialogue (in that scene) that you just don't hear much anymore. It's smart, witty and they all

have their timing down. It's just great."

#### "Truly, Madly, Deeply"

Burr kept it simple when he described the film's plot: "It's sort of like 'Ghost' for people with brains." Juliet Stevenson suddenly becomes a widow when her husband dies unexpectedly. She sinks into a depression so deep and so dark, that it brings his soul back from the dead. Like "Ghost." With brains.

"She can see him and talk to him and have sex with him, and then he starts inviting his friend ghosts over to watch videos, that sort of thing. Basically," Burr says, "he helps her get over the hump and enjoy life. You want to talk about romance? This is it. Her performance is incredible."

#### "Marty"

The film was broadcast on television before it ever showed on the big screen, Wyatt notes from the start. Ernest Borgnine plays a middle-aged Brooklyn butcher who finds romance. Want more plot? Wyatt doesn't give any.

"That's about it. It's hard to explain," Wyatt says with a laugh. "... It's so disarming in its simplicity — you expect a romance to be about beautiful people and people who live exciting lives, and this is not like that. It's about an ordinary man in Brooklyn who discovers a way his life can be fulfilled. It's beautiful."

#### "Roman Holiday"

Gregory Peck is a reporter, Audrey Hepburn is a European princess. They meet by accident in Rome. They fall in love. It's a comedy and a drama. And it's a lot more, and a fun

movie.

"This was one of her early films — she was just so elegant and young and beautiful. And he is such a great guy: handsome and graceful and gentlemanly," Egerton said. "They were a very charming couple together in this movie — both such likable actors. ... You want them to be together and happy. And they are, but it's not cheesy. It's great."

#### "The African Queen"

Humphrey Bogart and Katherine Hepburn starred in the delicious drama that takes place on a rickety boat on an African river. When the duo escape death on the land via "The African Queen," Bogie's boat, the troubles begin. She's wealthy and spoiled ... he's crusty and drunk. The odds are against them from the start.

"What terrific performances. And what an unlikely romance in the movie," Wyatt says. "He was so stubborn, and she was so prim — besides being a romance, it's a great cracker-jack story, and that's part of its appeal. ... Those characters found a common ground, and it's charming."

#### "I Know Where I'm Going"

Starring Wendy Hiller, this English film is about a cynical London girl who is about to marry a rich man she doesn't really like. Then, under strange circumstances, she meets a Scottish lord who — during the course of four days — falls in love with her, and she with him. The woman realizes she has to make a choice between the man she loves ... and security.

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STORY BY CHRIS HUTCHINS

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## ♦ Movie review

## Ripley should stay dead

BY DAN HILL

The Alien franchise should have been left dead. It should never have been "Resurrected."

Like most Hollywood sequel series, the "Alien" movies have grown more bland and contrived with every new take on the bug-like subject. And like all Hollywood studios, 20th Century Fox seems happy to beat as many dollars from the faltering franchise as possible.

I just hope the well is finally dry on this one.

For anyone who hasn't seen the original, go see it. And the first sequel, "Aliens," is also a must-see. But it's a downhill ride from there.

This franchise's plot is old. A bunch of people get stuck in a big metal box in space with a big, bad alien with acid for blood and a mile-wide violent streak. While the first two movies are great, the last two have just been poor remakes of the original.

For those of you lucky enough

to have missed the debacle known as "Alien 3," let me give you a bit of plot summary. Lt. Ellen Ripley (Sigourney Weaver) learns that she has been impregnated with a queen alien, which is gestating inside her chest. The same scientists who have been trying to capture the bugs since the first film are en route to remove the creature for study. Ripley, knowing how dangerous the creatures are, decides to throw herself into a pit of lava instead.

## Grade: C

"Alien Resurrection," a sci-fi gore-fest starring Sigourney Weaver and Winona Ryder. Rated R for violence, language and brief mutant nudity.

But thanks to the miracle of genetics, we get "Alien Resurrection." A government scientist uses a drop of Ripley's blood to clone both her and the alien she was carrying. But the cloning actually intertwines bits of alien DNA into Ripley and bits of Ripley DNA into the aliens.

When Ripley comes to, she is stronger, faster, more withdrawn. The sexy confidence and cat-like swagger make her less like the Ripley of the first three movies and more like a subtle version of Xena, Warrior Princess. The effects on the aliens are far less dramatic and much more con-

trived — one alien, for instance, has human teeth.

The storyline presents a psychological challenge to Ripley. She realizes that she isn't really Ellen Ripley, but a slightly deficient clone. She is traumatized by the fact that she is part alien. She is confused as to who and what she is. Ripley is joined by the crew of a mercenary ship that docks with the space station where she is being held. Winona Ryder (playing the character Call) leads an entertaining supporting cast.

"Alien Resurrection" is better than "Alien 3," but not by much. It's more creative and takes more risks than its predecessor. But the movie's biggest plot twist is titanicly stupid, ruining the end of the film.

So my best advice is, if you see this movie, listen for these lines:

Ripley: "I can hear them, in the hive... it's close... We're on the hive."

Call: "Jesus. Come on..."

Ripley: "I can hear them... the queen..."

Call: "What...?"

Ripley: "She's in pain."

Once you hear those lines, get up and leave. It's the only way to avoid the movie's painfully bad finale.

## Nashville planetarium looks for life on Mars

BY MIKKI OLMSTED

For centuries, people have stared at the heavens and wondered.

Are humans alone in the universe? Is there really life on Mars?

The Sudekum Planetarium at the Cumberland Science Museum in Nashville is presenting a program, entitled "Is There Life on Mars? Inquiring Minds Want to Know," that attempts to answer — or at least offer explanations — for the thousand-year-old question about extraterrestrial life.

Through Jan. 4, 1998, the multimedia presentation will present information and speculation about life on Earth's closest neighbor. Running Tuesday through Sunday with the exception of Christmas Day and New Year's Day, the program will feature how scientists looked at Mars in the past, in the present and in the future, according to the planetarium director Kris McCall.

McCall said the presentation will touch on information gathered from Mars landings by Viking I, Viking II, Pathfinder and Sojourner. There will be a segment on the meteorite ALH001 that landed in Antarctica in 1984 and the possibility of life within the meteorite.

Roger Scott, a physics and astronomy professor and director of Hardin Planetarium, said Mars is the most Earth-like planet in this solar system, so people's curiosity is natural.

Since NASA recently discovered allegedly fossilized bacteria and minerals in the remains of the meteorite, scientists are wondering if the "bacteria" did exist or if it is something else.

"The natural speculation is these might be bacteria like that lived on Earth in years past," Scott said.

But Scott stressed scientists still do not have hard proof that life exists beyond Earth's atmosphere. In years past, the Hardin Planetarium has offered programs about life on Mars.

For students who are interested in more than just Mars, the Sudekum Planetarium has a live program every Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. that updates the weekly star chart. There is also a hotline for nightly star information called Astroline: 615-401-5092.

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# AFFAIR: Redford, Fonda, Pfeiffer romantic actors

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"This is beautiful because you see somebody get over their cynicism and realize that they have to do something romantic in life. And embrace the love," Burr said. "... It's very witty and emotional, as well."

♦ **"The Fabulous Baker Boys"**  
The Baker Boys (played by Beau and Jeff Bridges) are a two-piano lounge act that receives attention and acclaim when a saucy singer (Michelle Pfeiffer) joins the gig. Pfeiffer and Jeff Bridges have a romance. Egerton loves this movie.

"Pfeiffer really sings in this, and she's good," she said. "It's actually a pretty sexy movie. ... It's not sappy, sentimental, either. It has more of a romantic edge to it."

♦ **"Barefoot in the Park"**  
Wyatt enjoys the movie quite a bit, and with good reason: It

was a Neil Simon play before it was a film, and it's a beautiful New York movie. Robert Redford and Jane Fonda are a couple who live near Central Park. The late earthyrob Charles Boyer also starred.

"It's delightful and a first-class movie. The dialogue is, of course, one of its strengths. ... And Boyer was really a great actor. And his personal life was fascinating: After the death of his first wife, he committed suicide. He, I feel, is probably one of the ultimate romantics."

♦ **"The Unbearable Likeness of Being"**  
The story takes place in

**"After the death of his first wife, he committed suicide. He ... is probably one of the ultimate romantics."**

— Gene Wyatt  
film critic, *The Tennessean*

Czechoslovakia during its liberation from communism. As the setting implies, it's not the traditional, light-hearted romantic comedy Americans are used to.

Egerton said. But it doesn't mean it's not great. The performance from Daniel Day-Lewis and Juliette Binoche are tremendous, she said.

"It's one of the more erotic romances," Egerton said, beginning an impromptu review, "and it's an intelligent movie, too. It's about sexual freedoms and political freedoms and how people search for freedom in countries with dictatorships ... and how they live life after that oppression is lifted."

## ♦ "The Clock"

Robert Walker and Judy Garland star in this one of the "most wonderful New York movies ever made," according to Burr. She's a New York local. He's a soldier on leave. They meet. They spend the day with each other. And at the end of the day, they realize they've both met "the one."

"They're both very surprised by that," Burr explains. "They don't quite know what to do about it. ... It's a great being-in-love movie. This kind of goes hand in hand with a much more recent movie, 'Before Sunrise.' They're both great movies. Both capture what it is to meet somebody, spend the day with them and realize you've packed a whole lifetime in a day. Can you leave this person when the sun falls?"

"It's a very sweet, little movie."

## More love affairs

Here are some more movies film critics Judith Egerton, Gene Wyatt and Ty Burr recommended for all the lovely couples out there.

Egerton:  
♦ "Laura"  
♦ "Sabrina," original version  
♦ "Doctor Zhivago"  
♦ "The English Patient"  
♦ "The Piano"  
♦ "Rebecca"  
♦ "Casablanca"

Wyatt:  
♦ "Pretty Woman"  
♦ "Carmen Jones"

Burr:  
♦ "Choose Me"  
♦ "Bringing Up Baby"

— Chris Hutchins

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# Mad-libbing the last column

This is the last Weekend SuperPicks for the semester. And looking back, we've had a lot of good times here by the crossword puzzle, haven't we? We got to talk to B.B. King's daughter, Shirley. We were able to chat with an alumna who goes on archeological expeditions in Portugal. And it was fun to speak to Clay Walker's publicist, too — even if we couldn't interview the country megastar because he was shooting a video.

I've gotten some encouraging feedback and fielded some questions about the column, the most common query being, "How do you get the ideas for SuperPicks?" Typically, they come as I'm running around campus, tearing down fliers and calling folks an hour past deadline. The driving force for SuperPicks, though, is to keep things quirky and fun.

And let's make the last SuperPick of the semester the best. Let's have a team effort and write it together. It'll be cool... we'll do it a la my childhood favorite word game, Mad Libs.

Now let's get to work, fellow writer. And remember the two cardinal rules of Mad Libs: one, you'll need a friend to give you the words, and two, a Rated PG-13 vocabulary is required... Rated R preferred.

## Pick of the NOUN

Greetings, dear PLURAL NOUN! Chris Hutchins, ADJECTIVE journalist and YOUR NAME, ADJECTIVE reader here, to YERB our opinions on the great things to do this ADJECTIVE weekend. Now we know what you're YERBING. "EXCLAMATION!" What do they know? Well, we say, "Don't worry. We're PLURAL NOUN — we know what we're YERBING."

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## WEEKEND SUPERPICKS

Chris Hutchins

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## Other happenings

And since we're in the holiday NOUN, we'll also YERB the production of the classic, "A Christmas WOMAN'S NAME." Oops. We mean, "A Christmas Carol." The Children's Theatre play is based, of course, on the NOUN written by FAMOUS BRITISH PERSON. You can see it at 4 p.m. tomorrow and at 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, all in the ADJECTIVE building, Gordon Wilson Hall. Admission is \$1. Call the theatre and dance department at 745-5845 for more information.

Thanks for helping me write SuperPicks. Have a healthy, happy holiday break. On a serious note, take time to relax. And love. And laugh. And YERB.

See you next year. Weekend SuperPicks will appear every Thursday next

semester. Feedback is welcome. If you'd like Chris to know about your weekend event, contact him at 745-6291, fax: 745-2697, E-mail: hutchc@wku.edu, Snail mail: 122 Garrett Center, 42101.

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Women's rugby meets at 3:30 today, 5 p.m. Monday and 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in front of the Preston Health and Activities Center and at 10 p.m. Tuesday on the practice field. Information: contact Carrie Groulx at 745-3362.

College Republicans meet at 6:15 tonight in Downing University Center, Room 305. Information: contact Theresa Criss at 745-4206.

Campus Crusade for Christ meets at 7 tonight in Page Hall Auditorium. Information: contact Crystal Bates at 745-3020.

People's Park Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. Monday at 1377 High St. Information: contact Paul Dixon at 746-9055.

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

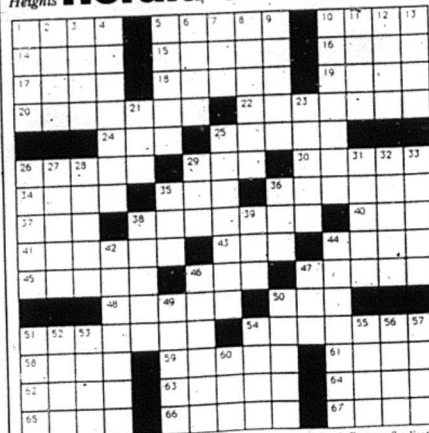
Christian Student Fellowship meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the CSF House on Normal Drive. Information: contact Steve Stovall at 781-2188.

Campus Scouts meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday in DUC, Room 226. Information: contact Heather Watt at 745-7188.

The physics and astronomy department presents a public viewing of celestial bodies at 6 p.m. Wednesday and Jan. 14 and at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 11. Information: contact the department at 745-4357.

Campus line will appear every Thursday next semester. To get your event in, drop off your submission (including event or club name, the time, date and place) to Garrett Center, Room 122. Include a name and phone number to publish for more information. The deadline is 10 a.m. Wednesdays.

## College Heights Herald Crossword\*



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## Across

1. Feel the loss of
5. Explosion
10. Baby's word
14. Voice range
15. Calcutta cash
16. Golfer's item
17. Genuine
18. Bakery workers
19. Fast time
20. Tiny fish
22. Bears witness
24. Garden lady
25. Word with Downs & salts
26. Gawk
29. Prefix for position of heat
30. Improve
34. Notorious German
35. Neptune's realm
36. Leisurely, to Liberate
37. Assam silkworm
38. Causes
40. Soak flux
41. Biblical mount
43. Ornamental vase
44. Numerical prefix
45. Babbled
46. Major-leaguer
47. Place for a temporary stay
48. Jibe
50. Overly
51. Soil
54. Rude
58. Enthusiastic review
59. Hurt
61. Boy
62. More than
63. Elf
64. Ripening ingredient
65. Benign skin tumors
66. Checks
67. Pulls

## Down

1. Heavenly body
2. Parts of intestines
3. One with the leading role
4. Unites
5. Pickling solution
6. Henry or Clare Boothe
7. Jungle denizen

8. Versatile blanket
9. SAT and LSAT
10. Problem
11. Son of Zeus
12. Word of warning
13. Hill builders
21. Common contraction
23. Amphibians
25. Deletion
26. Fleeced
27. ... firma
28. Map or Hirohito
29. Word with coat or cock
31. River bank bird
32. Sis' baby
33. Of a marriage downy
35. Establish
36. Jillian
38. Home's place, in song
39. Spanish gold
42. Vagabonds
44. Porch item
46. Authorize
47. Lowing sound
49. Grates
50. Carries
51. Forehead
52. Part of a housetop
53. Swedish boy's name
54. Border
55. Othello's nemesis
56. Did in
57. Pronoun
60. Item with a blade

\*Answer will be printed Tuesday

Answer to last week's puzzle:

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ROAD	ELSE	ESSAY
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### Greenwood 6

Flubber (2 screens) — (F) 7, 7:30, 9:15, 9:30, (S&S) 1:30, 2, 3:45, 4:15, 6, 7, 9:15, 10  
The Rainmaker — 7:30, (S&S) 2, 4:45, 7:30  
Kiss the Girls — 7, 9:20, (S&S) 1:45, 4:15, 7, 9:20  
Starship Troopers — 7:15, (S&S) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15  
Anastasia — (F) 7:15, 9:15, (Sat.) 1:30, 3:45, 6, 8, 10, (Sun.) 1:30, 6, 8, 10

Home Alone 3 (sneak preview) — (Sun.) 3:45

### Plaza 6

Alien Resurrection — (F) 7, 9:15, (S&S) 2:15, 4:45, 7, 9:15  
Mortal Kombat: Annihilation — (F) 7:15, 9:45, (S&S) 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45  
The Jackal — (F) 7:15, 9:45, (S&S) 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45  
Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil — (F) 7:30, (S&S) 2, 5:30, 9

Bean — (F) 7:30, 9:30, (S&S) 2, 4, 6, 8, 10  
I Know What You Did Last Summer — (F) 7, 9, (S&S) 2:30, 5, 7, 9

### Martin Twin Theatre

The Peacemaker — (F) 7, 9:30, (S&S) 2:40, 7, 9:30  
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# Sports

## Playoff road leads Western northwest

BY TRAVIS MAYO

The proverbial long road to the championship just got longer for Western. After Saturday's 42-14 win over rival Eastern Kentucky, the Toppers are going on a road trip.

The fifth-seeded Tops (10-1) head across the country today to Washington to prepare for the third seed of the Division I-AA playoffs, Eastern Washington (11-1).

Saturday's match-up at 2:30

p.m. at Albi Stadium in Spokane, Wash., will pit two of the premiere teams in I-AA football. But it's the playoffs, as Western coach Jack Harbaugh said, and that's the way it should be.

"I really think this may be the class of I-AA football," Harbaugh said of the Eagles. "We were going to have to play them sometime, so let it be now."

Now, still on his first playoff ride, Harbaugh and his team are likely to see a lot of scoring Saturday. The game will include five

of the top 35 scorers in the regular season. Western has two high scorers in senior quarterback Willie Taggart and sophomore placekicker Jeff Poisel.

Eastern Washington has the three other representatives: junior placekicker Josh Atwood, senior tailback Rex Prescott and senior wide receiver Jeff Ogden. Western's nationally top-ranked rushing offense in the regular season will match up

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## Tops pummel rival Colonels

BY TRAVIS MAYO

Western put Saturday's first-round playoff game out of reach, scoring on a reverse play. It wasn't the usual reverse. Cory Himsel took the snap from senior quarterback Willie Taggart, rounded the left side of the field and dived into the end zone.

Eastern (8-4) didn't see the play coming, but had to see the

sophomore tight end, listed at 225 pounds, barreling toward the goal line. Western coach Jack Harbaugh said the reverse that put the Tops (10-1) ahead 35-7 was one of the funniest he's ever called. Himsel knew his speed couldn't outrun defenders in an attempt to get to the corner of the end zone.

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## Toppers down Bulldogs

BY GEORGE ROBINSON

Every possession down court, Butler had its cue cards flashing from the bench.

S.O.S. was constantly being shown as the offensive play, followed by a series of numbers that seemed to bewilder the Bulldogs.

In the end, however, it was Butler who was in need of saving as Western (2-1) pulled away from Butler (4-3) to win its season home opener 59-49 last night.

Despite the 10-point win, the game was closer than the result.

With the Toppers down 40-38 with 7:50 remaining, junior guard Monty Latimer popped a three to give the Toppers their first lead of the second half.

After a Butler timeout, Latimer again pushed the ball in transition and faked another three only to find sophomore center Greg Springfield all alone in the paint. Springfield's dunk put Western up for good at 43-40.

"Those were two key decisions in the entire game," Western coach Matt Kilcullen said. "Latimer couldn't have done a better job at running a team."

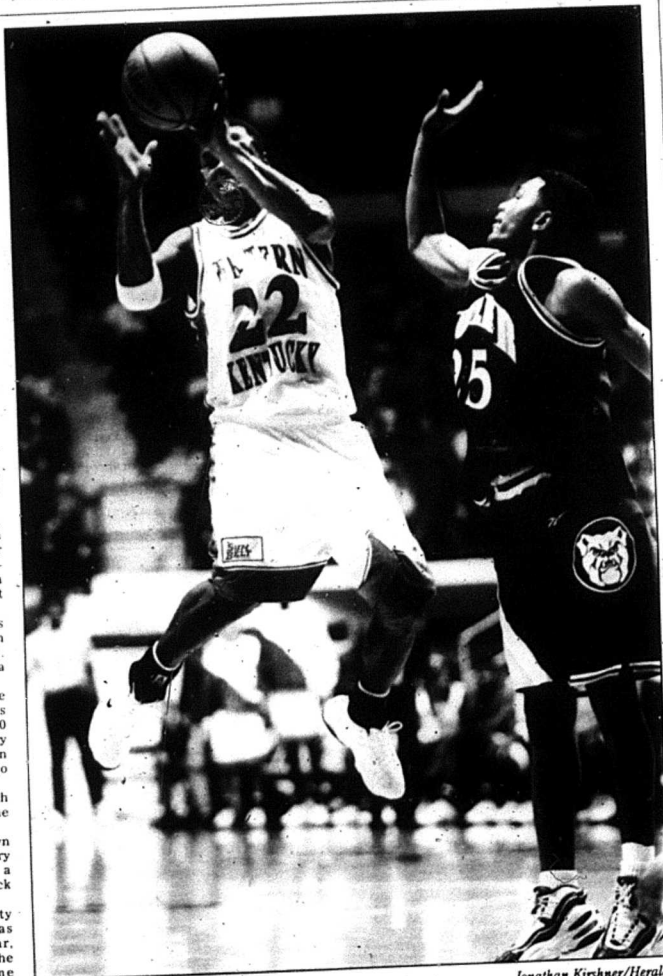
Butler was able to close the gap 47-45 with junior guard Otis Frazier's three-pointer with 4:10 remaining. But after a mandatory timeout, senior forward Steven Bides knocked down a three to put Butler away.

The last 2:30 were spent with Butler fouling the Tops, thus the 10-point win.

"They just outplayed us down the stretch," Butler coach Barry Collier said. "We're just not a very good team if we're not rock solid with our intensity."

Both teams lacked intensity and focus in the first half as Western players, in particular, struggled to find their shot. The Toppers' first field goal came with 14:30 on junior guard Joe Harney's jump shot.

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Jonathan Kirshner/Herald

During Western's 59-49 win last night at Diddle Arena, Western junior guard Monty Latimer passes the ball while Butler freshman guard Lavall Jordan attempts to block.

## Center injures ligament in practice

BY GEORGE ROBINSON

When Western junior center Rylon Farris stumbled on the hardwood during practice or in a game, he would hop up with the words "I'm alright."

Last Friday, the day before the Hilltoppers' game with Mississippi Valley State, during

warm-ups Farris hit the floor. On top of him was his teammate, sophomore center Maurice Strong.

"Big Mo (Maurice) went up to dunk the ball and I sort of slid underneath him and he came down on my knee," Farris said. "Right down on the outside of it."

When Farris didn't pop up immediately, he and the team knew something was wrong. "I knew it wasn't right," Farris said. "I knew it when I heard the pop."

Farris slightly tore his medial collateral ligament in his left knee, and as last year's team suffered through a season with

no help in the middle, the Toppers will have to make do without their most experienced inside player for at least six weeks.

Besides that, Western will entertain one of the most explosive offensive teams in the

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## Stealthy McCulley ignites Lady Tops

BY JERRY BREWER

It was a quiet run. It was one of those runs that just sneaks up on someone. A 52-47 deficit turned to a 55-52 Western lead in two minutes. All of a sudden fans looked up, saw their team ahead and jumped to their feet.

That's senior forward Danielle McCulley's style. She goes about her job gracefully, without much fuss. She bites, and five minutes later the pain is felt.

McCulley scored eight consecutive points early in the second half against Indiana last night to give the Lady Toppers that 55-52 lead — which it would never relinquish — with 12:45 left in the game. The run propelled No. 17 Western (7-1) to a 79-70 win last night in Diddle Arena.

When it was over, McCulley looked as if she hadn't done anything. No untucked shirt. No out-of-place strand of hair. No sweat.

"I was disappointed with the way I played in the first half," said McCulley, who finished with 20 points, seven rebounds and four assists. "I felt like I didn't play hard enough, so I stepped it up in the second."

The Lady Toppers, who are on a five-game winning streak, trailed the Hoosiers until that run. Led by the outside shooting of junior guard Kristi Green, who scored all of her 17 points in the first half, Indiana had a lead as big as 11 points in the first half.

Western came out flat, perhaps suffering from a letdown after last week's win over then-No. 6 Texas Tech in Cancun, Mexico. A common phrase during that first half last night was that the Lady Toppers had "left their game in Cancun."

But Western kept battling, using its deep bench. Indiana (3-3) wound up getting worn down by game's end because four Hoosiers had to play 34 or more minutes. Western, on the other hand, played 11 players. Western's bench outscored Indiana's 22-3.

"I have a role on this team, and that is to be a spark," said senior guard/forward Sha'Ronda Allen, who helped Western with five rebounds.

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# Reasons for the fall season are plentiful on the Hill

It's starting to get 'chi ly out-side, it's December, and 'tis the season, as they say.

But don't be so cold, winter. Let the fall play out its season. Excuse me, winter. Excuse me, hoops. You're great, too. But we need a little closure.

So, what are the reasons for this blissful fall season?

8. Soccer. An apology is in order right about now. Last year, this columnist implied the Western soccer team had no heart. I was wrong. I am sorry.

This soccer season did not end with jewels and honors, but it was an eventful one. Remember the upset of national power Evansville? Remember how every time we counted out senior goalie Andrew Cecil, he would perform admirably?

7. Janet Thompson. Hey, it's

the sophomore Topperette from Leitchfield who accidentally got hit by a player during Western-Murray State LXII. Quick update: That severely sprained ankle is healing nicely. But she's been seen wearing a brace from time to time.

6. Volleyball. A preseason faded away because of injuries. Score of the year: Surgeries 3, Western 0.

The Toppers will lose senior left side hitter Lori Cummings, but senior right side hitter Tina Nikolaou (knee surgery) will return. Sophomore left side hitter Melissa Starck returns also, and her this-losing-crap-has-got-to-stop attitude should ensure future success.

5. Evelyn Corona. Love that girl. And here are two words that



**PLAYGROUND NOTES**  
Jerry Brewer

make the sophomore cross country runner adorable to a journalist: Quote machine. This is Corona at her best, describing why Texas-Pan American ran away with the Sun Belt title this year: "Those girls took off like the last burrito on earth was only 5k away."

4. Men's cross country. This team won a well-deserved Sun Belt Cross Country championship this season.

3. Willie Taggart. The senior quarterback does it all. Defenses key on him, and he still jukes right by them. Defenses say he can't pass, and he throws 44-yard bombs to senior wide receiver Joey Stockton.

2. Lori Cummings. This volleyball player deserves this spot, despite only playing in seven games this season. In five years at Western, she only played in 20 or more games just once — her freshman year — and only played the majority of a season twice.

Cummings came to the Hill with dreams of breaking the Western digs record. But knee surgeries and an academic

mixup stopped her. Despite the hardships, Cummings refused to say "Why me?" and by far is mentally the toughest athlete at Western.

1. Football. True story: Five years ago, Western football was almost killed by the university. The finance committee recommended it be cut because it cost too much to play. Now, the Hilltoppers are in the quarterfinals of the Division I-AA playoffs, just three games from a national championship.

Coach Jack Hanbaugh and his team win with class, too. All of Western can now begin to dream of what might happen if our Hilltoppers can do it just three more times.

The dream continues Saturday.

## BULLDOGS: Adams big in victory

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Western shot 24 percent (7/29), while Butler hit 42 percent of its shots in the first half.

Western was able to pressure the Bulldogs into committing 13 turnovers by halftime, as it shut down Butler's leading scorer, senior forward Jon Neuhauser.

Neuhauser had only three points in the first half as the Tops switched its defense every time down court. Half-court traps, man-to-man, full-court press and even a three-man trap at the top of the key had the Bulldogs reeling, but Butler led 21-17 at the half.

"That three-man trap wasn't by design," Killeuallen said. "If that was the case, you could have my job."

With junior center Ravon Farris out with a torn ligament in his knee, junior forward Melvin Adams started in his absence and collected a career high in steals (five) and tied a career high in rebounds (seven).

"I just wanted to show the coaches and the fans that I could step up and play at this level," Adams said. "I wanted to go out and assert myself early and let my ability take over."

For the second consecutive game, Latimer paced the Toppers in scoring with 14 points, while Harney chipped in 13 and Bides with 12.

After a lackluster first half, Neuhauser came out in the second with three consecutive three-pointers and ended with a game-high 15 points. But Western's defense wore down the Bulldogs.

"There's other things that I and the team could have done a lot better, but right now we're happy to come away with a win," Latimer said. "Especially after shooting the way we did."

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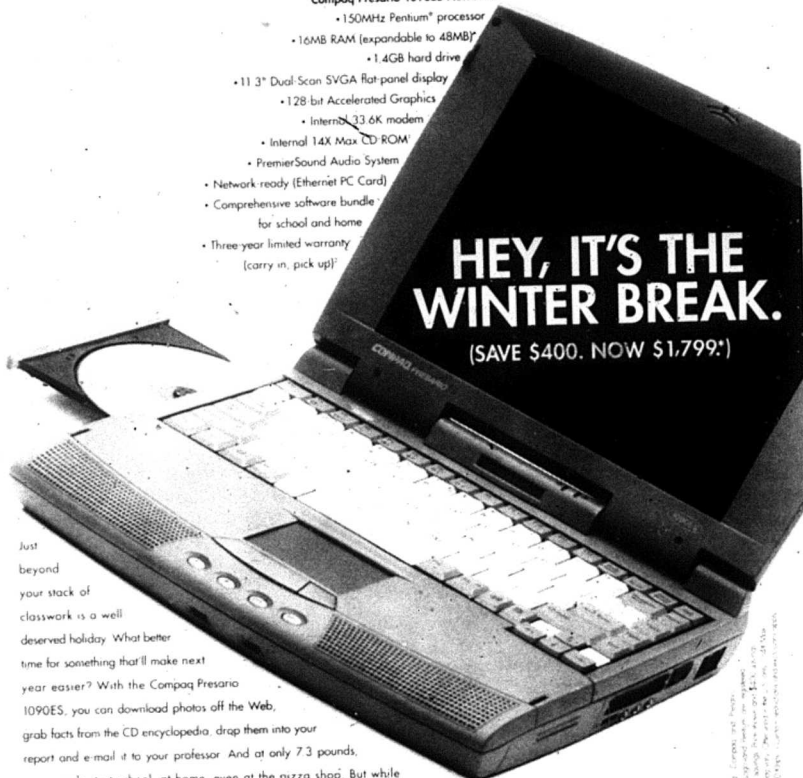
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BY JERRY BREWER

For her efforts, she was

"We had a nice talk," Small said. "I told her anytime she's ready to play, then I'm ready to play her."

"When they come in on Monday, we're going to be hungry," Hartley said. "I hope we slaughter them by 50."

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For Western (1-1), the loss of Farris has forced Topper coach Matt Kilcullen to rotate his bench differently. Starting in replace of Farris will be 6-6

"I want to come back as quick as I can, but I'm not going to be foolish," he said. "I'm looking for a long-term, career not a short-term."

## Tops beat Delta Devils

Junior guard Monty Latimer led Western with 20 points, while senior forward Steven Bides added 15 points and 11 rebounds.

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## ROAD: No. 5 Toppers to face No. 3 Eagles

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against the Eagles' tenth-best running attack. Eastern Washington has the edge in the passing game, ranked first. The Toppers are 115th. As for total offense, the Eagles have the best in the nation. Western's is sixth.

Eastern Washington possesses a balanced offensive attack, totaling nearly 6,000 all-purpose yards. Its defense is no slouch. The Eagles have scored 429 points and held its opponents to just 199. Western has a strong case to match, putting up 408 points this season, allowing only 205.

There will even be balance between the opposing coaches roaming the sidelines Saturday. Harbaugh was named Region Three's I-AA GTE Regional Coach of the Year on Monday and the I-AA Independent Coach of the Year on Tuesday. Eastern Washington coach Mike Kramer was named Region Five's GTE Regional Coach of the Year.

But Harbaugh said his second playoff foe does have some weaknesses. He said the team hasn't seen the option run against it in years — something Taggart has run to perfection in 1997.

Harbaugh added that the game will come down to which team adjusts to the other's offense the best.

Sophomore tight end Cory Himsel said the Toppers shouldn't have any problem putting points on the board.

"If we just play like we have been and execute our offense right, we'll be able to score on them," he said. "We'll be all right."

After losing to Western last weekend, Eastern Kentucky coach Roy Kidd voiced his vote of confidence for the state's only remaining play-

off team.

"I'm sure that Western Kentucky will represent the state of Kentucky well in the playoffs," he said.

The Toppers will be playing a long way from home Saturday. While some players haven't flown before, Harbaugh has a strategy for making sure they adjust to flying across the country.

"We're putting towels over all the players' heads and telling them it's a bus trip. We've gone for hours on a bus before," he said, holding back a laugh. "As long as they think they're riding on the highway, they won't know the difference."

### Countdown to Kickoff

Tops vs E. Washington

When: 2:30 p.m. Saturday

Where: Albi Stadium

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## RIVAL: Western crushes Eastern

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So he dived. "I was going to get in this time," Himsel said. "I guess I got up higher than I thought I could get up. I'll probably remember that one for the rest of my life."

The Hilltoppers took a 7-0 lead into the locker room at halftime after scoring on their first drive of the ball game. The home team went to the air first, with senior wide receiver Joey Stockton's 44-yard reception and then again when Taggart found senior tailback Jammie Kyle for a 37-yard touchdown pass.

Eastern coach Roy Kidd was disappointed to see the successful air raid early.

"We felt like they would try to hit Stockton and they did," he said. "They out-executed us there."

Stockton finished the game with five catches for 109 yards.

The second half saw a combined 49 points. Western took a 14-0 lead early in the third quarter with Kyle, punching in one of his three touchdowns. The Toppers scored again after junior linebacker Brandon Egan picked off an Eastern pass minutes later.

### Safety suffers stroke

Freshman strong safety Traye Moore will miss Saturday's game against Eastern Washington after suffering a mild stroke during the win over Eastern. The stroke occurred while Moore was running down the field. Tests are still being run. Western's head trainer Bill Edwards said.



Jason Clark/Herald

While trying to make a sack during Saturday's playoff game at Smith Stadium, Western junior defensive tackle Bryan Heyward grabs the face mask of Eastern senior quarterback Simon Fuentes. Western won 42-14.

## Swim teams hit the road

BY CHRIS ABRELL

Western's men's and women's swimming teams will compete in the Miami, Ohio Invitational today through Saturday.

The tournaments won't affect the Hilltoppers' (6-2) and Lady Toppers' (5-3) records.

The field includes 10 teams other than Western — Missouri, Cincinnati, Miami, Toledo, Kenyon College, Illinois, Ball State, Cleveland State, Valparaiso and Oberlin.

Coach Bill Powell said most events pit 90 or more swimmers against each other. The top eight finishers in each event move on to the finals that night. The next eight go to a consolation round.

After the tournament, both teams are off until Dec. 27 when they will travel to Venice, Fla.

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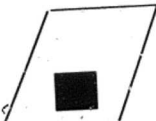
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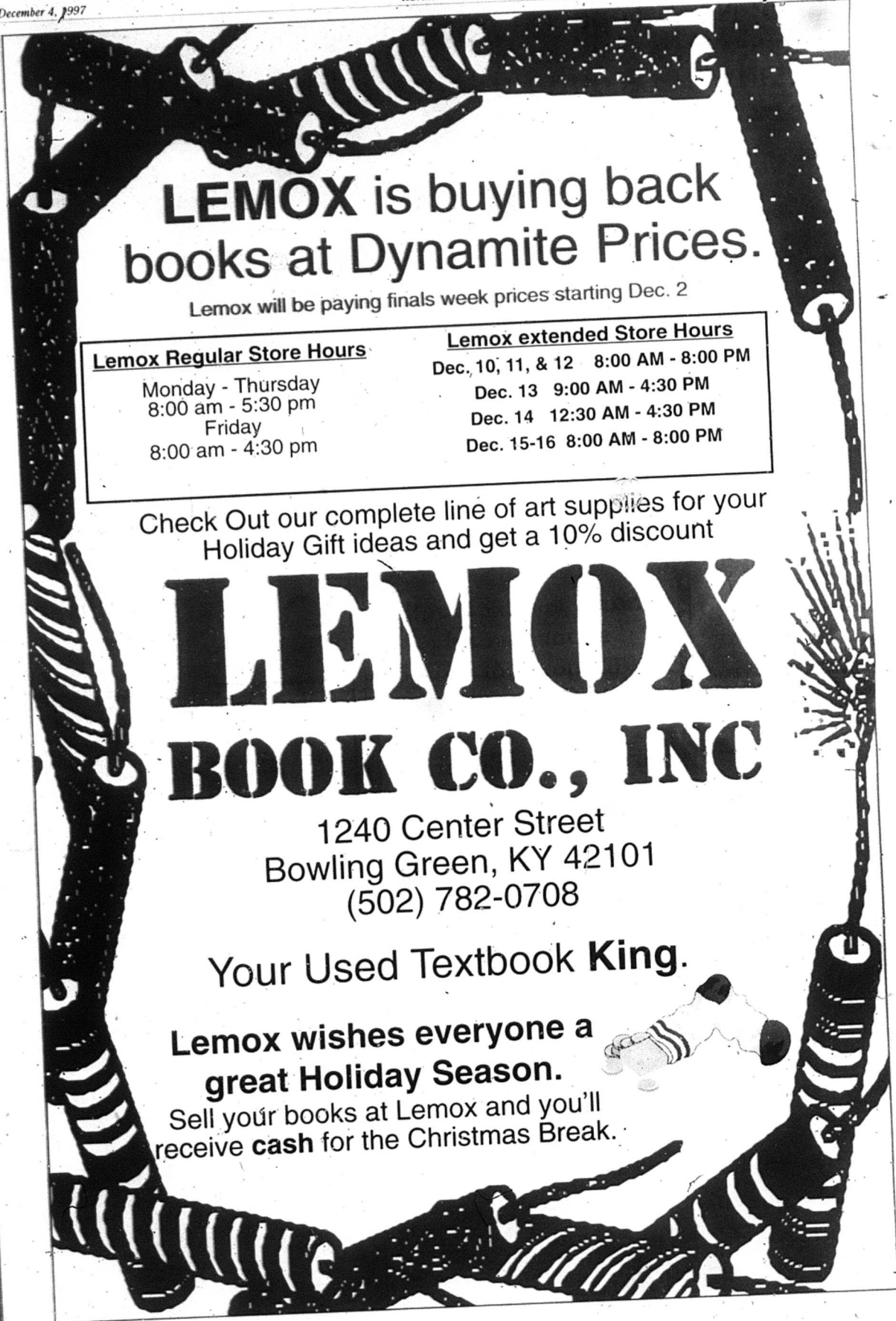


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# IGNITES: McCulley scores 20 as Lady Tops outgun Indiana

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and aggressive defense off the bench. "I'm not looking to score, I rebound and do all the little things. Everyone on our bench thinks the same way. We're so deep — we have 15 players who can play and anyone can be a spark."

*"I felt like I didn't play hard enough (in the first half), so I stepped it up in the second."*

— Danielle McCulley  
senior forward

Senior center Leslie Johnson scored 18 points and grabbed a game high 13 rebounds for Western. Junior forward Shea Lunsford added 11 points and senior guard Laurie Townsend had 10.

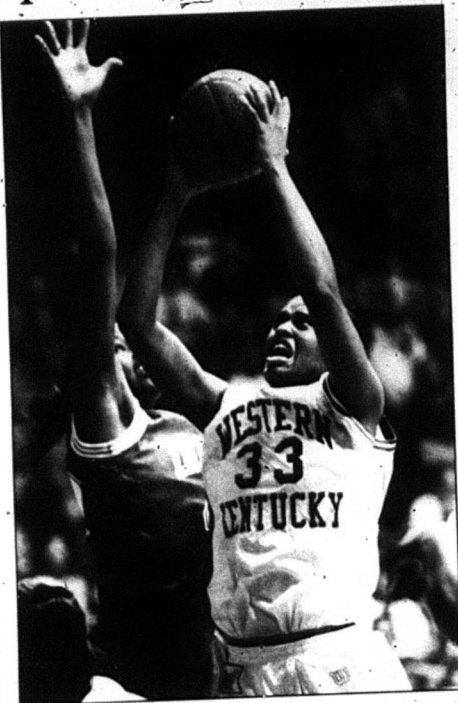
Senior center Quacy Barnes led a balanced Indiana attack with 19 points. Junior guard Dani Thrush and junior forward Summar Maines each added 12.

"We came out and played extremely well," Indiana coach Jim Izard said. "But in the second half, down the stretch turnovers hurt us."

And McCulley hurt them, too. After the game, Izard proclaimed McCulley was "an All-American." But the laid-back, easygoing McCulley gave the praise to her team's scrappiness.

The game wasn't pretty — it featured 38 turnovers. But Western scratched and clawed its way to a win.

"I have a lot of faith in this team," Western coach Steve Small said. "This team is going to find a way to win. I didn't make any real coaching adjustments. The girls just found a way to suck it up and get it done."



Stephan Frazier/Herald

During last night's 79-70 win in Diddle Arena, Western senior forward Danielle McCulley goes up against Indiana senior center Quacy Barnes. McCulley scored 20 points in the contest, moving the Lady Toppers' record to 7-1. Western will take the court again Monday, when they host Kentucky.

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## College Heights Herald Classifieds

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### Apartments



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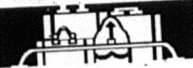
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## City of Bowling Green COMMUNITY CENTER ASSISTANT

Organizes, instructs & coaches indoor/outdoor recreational activities; prefer experience in recreation or athletics. Requires ability to obtain CPR and standard first aid certifications; 25 hrs/wk, 40 hrs during the months of June and July; age 18+; \$6.65/hr plus vacation, sick and holiday leave benefits.

Interested applicants should obtain an employment application from the Human Resources Department in City Hall, 1001 College Street, Bowling Green. Completed applications must be submitted by 4:00 p.m., December 10, 1997. The City of Bowling Green is an Equal Opportunity

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### Qualifications

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**\$14<sup>99</sup>** plus tax

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**1 Large - 1 Topping**

& an order of cheesesticks

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"The Works"**

**\$6<sup>99</sup>** plus tax

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**14"  
1 Topping**

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**16"  
2 Topping**

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1 Topping**

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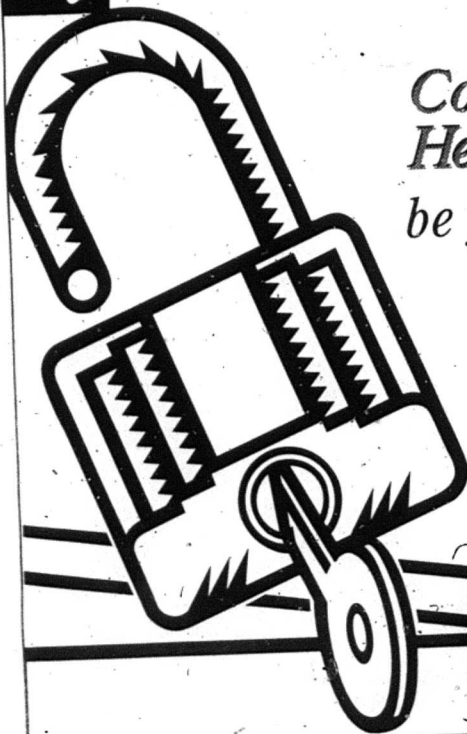
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