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◆ SGA elections

THE RACE:
*Sivley vs.
Evans at
polls today*

BY TONYA ROOT

Candidates will be pounding the pavement today to reach as many people as they can before the Student Government Association general election polls close at 4 p.m.

"I'm excited about it," said Jason Vincent, secretary candidate. "I plan to go out and do everything I can."

Brandon Rucker, treasurer candidate, said he will talk to and meet people as they are going to vote.

The polls, which are open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., are located in Downing University Center. Students need a valid student ID to vote.

SGA President Donald Smith said he hopes about 1,000 people turn out for the election. There are about 15,000 students eligible to vote.

Here are the races that will be decided today:

◆ For president and vice president, Owensboro senior Rob Evans and Slaughter's sophomore Tara Higdon oppose Scott Sivley, a junior from Hendersonville, Tenn., and Somerset junior Andrea Wilson.

◆ For director of public relations, the candidates are Greg Edmonds, a sophomore from Mason, Ohio, and Glendale sophomore Kyle Key.

◆ For treasurer, the candidates are Bowling Green junior Huma Ahsan and Rucker, a Bedford sophomore.

◆ For secretary, the candidates are Bowling Green sophomore Jason Martin and Vincent, a Brownsville junior.

◆ Candidates elected automatically because they were unopposed include:

Senior class off-campus representatives Lena Garner of Smiths Grove, Annemarie Maxwell of Goodlettsville, Tenn.,

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Jason Koski/Herald

A clean sweep: Physical Plant employee Jean Garmon sweeps beneath the cool shade of Van Meter's archway Thursday afternoon. "I'm honored to have a job at Western," Garmon said. She has taken care of Van Meter Hall since she began working at Western.

**Meredith's
plan raises
questions,
support**

BY JILL MOELLE CECIL

How to begin "moving to a new level while keeping old traditions" has many professors eager to see results.

This was the title of the plan President Thomas Meredith proposed to faculty and staff last Wednesday in Van Meter Auditorium in an effort to increase state funding through higher quality education.

Funding based on quality rather than solely on enrollment was proposed by Gov. Breckton Jones and the Council on Higher Education last year, Meredith said.

Some of the issues tackled include raising admissions standards, reducing class sizes, improving the teacher evaluation process and requiring students to volunteer for public service in order to graduate.

With the weekend over, professors have had time to give Meredith's plan some thought.

Faculty Regent Ray Mendel said he is optimistic about the benefits the plan will have for Western as a result of smaller classes.

"I think it sounds like the plan I'd like to be teaching," said Mendel, a psychology professor.

Some of the specific issues addressed in the proposal, like admission standards, were long overdue, he said.

◆ Faculty

like the

ideas but

wonder how

to make

them work.

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**Federal office
will review
hiring policy**

◆ President Thomas Meredith said a lack of women or minority applicants has resulted in his hiring mostly men.

BY CARA ANNA

Looking at the employees who report directly to President Thomas Meredith, two things are usually clear.

White. Male.

The four vice presidents, the president's executive assistant, the interim athletics director and the internal auditor are, like the president, all white males.

Meredith has been at Western since August 1988. Last fall was the first time he appointed any one besides a white male to a position that reports directly to him.

Hiring and other Western procedures regarding affirmative action will be looked at later this year, when an office under the U.S. Department of Labor begins a review of the university.

Anne Murray, who last week filed a lawsuit against Meredith and the Board of Regents, has also filed complaints containing similar information with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs.

The EEOC cannot comment on any complaints.

But the OFCCP will conduct a compliance review this year to see how well Western is following affirmative action guidelines, said Larry Stanley, district director of the regional office in Nashville.

The review will begin between July 1 and Sept. 30, he said.

Western has been notified of the complaints.

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**CHARGE AHEAD: Companies may
give students too much credit**

◆ This is the first story in a three-part series that looks at some of the problems of credit cards.

BY JULIE GRUNDY AND ROB WEBER

Any Watkins loves clothes, good food and fun with her friends. She also loves her credit card.

Watkins, a 1993 Western graduate, clearly remembers the day she got it. She had seen plenty of them come through her

mail before, the stylish packages and names already on the shiny plastic. But she had managed to resist until her junior year.

"I'm surprised I managed to hold off until then," Watkins said. "But even by my junior year, when I thought I was mature enough to handle it, I still got myself in trouble. It's almost impossible not to these days. Credit grabs you and doesn't let go."

Reports show that more young people than ever are applying for credit cards.



The plastic trap

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**Using credit cards
requires homework**

BY JULIE GRUNDY

Be careful. According to some major credit card companies, that's all you have to do to safeguard your credit. But even that may require a little more effort than some students are giving.

"Credit cards are not something you can play around with," says Susan Long of NationsBank of Delaware, a major Visa issuer. "If college students don't know what they're getting into, then they're in trouble. All they need to do is know what to look for."

What to look for, Long said, are interest rates, fees and your state's credit laws. Knowing how

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♦ Just a second

Car vandalism suspect arrested

A student was arrested yesterday afternoon for causing an estimated \$3,000 damage to a car on the first floor of the parking structure.

James Bradford Raines, Gilbert Hall, was arrested for first degree criminal mischief after a witness identified him as the person seen damaging a car in the parking structure early Sunday morning, according to a police report.

Raines and some of his friends went to the parking structure after the Banshee party, where they were drinking alcohol, said campus police Captain Richard Kirby.

Kirby said there was \$6,020 damage to four cars in the parking structure Sunday morning and more arrests will probably be made following an investigation.

Raines is lodged in Warren County Regional Jail. Bond had not been set as of yesterday.

♦ Campusline

Psi Chi and Psychology Club sponsor a mini-conference on women in psychology at 3:30 today in Tate Page Hall, Room 240. For more information, contact Patty Randolph at 745-4407.

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

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

Sociology Club meets at 7 tonight in Grise Hall, Room 139. For more information, contact Carey Duke at 793-0313.

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

Special Olympics "buddies" must attend one of the following meetings: 7:30 tonight in Diddle Arena, Room 220; 3 p.m. tomorrow in Diddle, Room 220; 7:30 a.m. in Smith Stadium, Room 128. For more information, contact Jo Ann Verner at 745-6063 or Kevin Lloyd at 745-6048.

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

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

The Latter-Day Saints Student Association meets at noon.

Wednesdays and 7 p.m. Thursdays in DUC, Room 309. For more information, contact Stephanie Wiles at 745-3244.

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

International Association of Business Communicators has a spring banquet at 7 p.m. tomorrow at the Bowling Green Country Club. For more information, contact Kay Payne at 745-3296.

♦ In the spotlight

Eric McCandless, a senior from Harmony, Pa., won a \$500 scholarship from the News Photographers Association of Greater Pittsburgh.



Brian Bohannon/Herald

Behind bars: Paducah freshman Johnna Waggoner, front, and Campbellsville freshman Karl Sapp use the portable pole vault pits along the fence at Smith Stadium as cushions for sunbathing. The two decided to catch some sun last Thursday after teaching swimming classes at Diddle Arena.

♦ For the record/crime reports

Reports

♦ Justin Robert Davis, 2001 Rockcreek Drive, reported his sports bag, valued at \$20; martial arts kick target, valued at \$50; two mouthpieces, valued at \$2; two jump ropes, valued at \$10; muscle cream, valued at \$46; three Ace bandages, valued at \$6; and a bottle of vitamins, valued at \$7, stolen from the back of his truck while it was parked either on the seventh floor of the parking structure or at his apartment between April 10 and 14.

♦ Katherine Lillianna Litchfield, Hugh Poland Hall, reported her textbook, valued at \$40, stolen from Thompson Complex Central April 14.

♦ Stephanie Ann Wilson, Gilbert Hall, reported the right rear taillight lens, valued at \$150, stolen from her vehicle while it was parked on the fourth floor of the parking structure April 17.

♦ Julie Hale Strode, McCormack Hall, reported the taillight lens, valued at \$100, stolen from her vehicle while it was parked on the second floor of the parking structure between April 15 and 17.

♦ Carston Darrell Shanklin, Gilbert Hall, reported the back and front windows broken; dents on the hood and doors; rear right taillight and front headlight busted; and the back seat torn while his vehicle was parked on the first floor of the parking structure between March 27 and April 17. The damage estimate was \$3,000.

♦ Stacy Dean French, Rhodes-Harlin Hall, reported his left front headlight, valued at \$20, busted while his vehicle was parked on the first floor of the parking structure April 17.

♦ Sheri Lea Simpson, McCormack Hall, reported her hood and left side dented, scratches on the roof and front window, and left rear window broken while her vehicle was

parked on the first floor of the parking structure on April 16 and 17. The damage estimate was \$2,500.

♦ Christopher Scott Rogers of Gallatin, Tenn., reported his windshield cracked, passenger side headlight broken and the passenger side dented while his vehicle was parked on the first floor of the parking structure April 17. The damage estimate was \$500.

Arrests

♦ James Michael Alley of Hermitage, Tenn., was arrested April 1 for driving under the influence. He was released from Warren County Regional Jail that day on a \$500 cash bond.

♦ Curtis L. Whitfield, 1552 State St., was arrested April 14 for driving under the influence and driving the wrong way on Big Red Way. He was released from Warren County Regional Jail April 15 on a \$500 unsecured bond.

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CREDIT: Interest rates blamed for 'vicious cycle'

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Reasons cited among college campuses include newspaper advertisements, offers through the mail and the permission by many universities such as Western to allow credit card companies to set up shop on campus while other solicitors are restricted.

Students on Western's campus are typical of other college students — 67 percent of them ages 17 to 22 have at least one major credit card. That, along with the fact that from September 1990 to December of the same year, some \$20 million was spent in credit card ads directed at college students, comes from a study done for VISA by one of Western's advertising campaigns.

What the report fails to mention, said Kelli Smith of Western

Kentucky Mortgage Reporting, is that half of those students with plastic cards in their back pockets "are really paying the price."

Bush, a graduate student who works for what used to be known as the Credit Bureau of Bowling Green, has seen plenty of students with serious credit problems.

"It's kind of sad, because I think most of them never realize what's going on until it's too late," Bush said.

Watkins admits she is one of the typical. She bought clothes, a little food and once charged a plane ticket. It was too easy, she said, and the bills came quickly.

She got a job to pay off her debts. She made a little money. She charged again.

"It's a vicious circle," she says now. "Once you're in, you're in for

good. Interest rates never let you accomplish much on paying off your debts. And you don't have to have an awful lot of credit to get in a lot of trouble."

But Watkins has been lucky. Though it hasn't been easy, she has never missed a payment. And working full time as a dental hygienist in Elizabethtown since graduation has helped bring her bill down from near \$2,000 to \$900.

Credit card providers target college students because they are often low on cash and will usually be able to pay off their charges, plus interest, after they graduate.

The lure of an easy source of credit tempts some students into debts they can't afford, said Archie McClain, a financial counselor with National Consumer Services.

"We get quite a few college students in our door overextended in debt," McClain said. "From my experience, I've found they charge on their credit card out of convenience."

Edwina Jackson, a financial counselor with Consumer Credit Counseling Service, agreed, saying many students are like Watkins.

"A lot of people cover their living expenses" with credit cards

she said. "And some people tend to spend more just because they have a credit card and can say 'charge it.'"

Jackson said many people "feel it is a good idea to get credit cards in college to establish good credit and all of a sudden they have 10 or 12 cards."

Susan Long, a customer service representative in the credit department of NationsBank of Delaware, says the credit card companies take the risk by issuing cards to students.

"It's not as easy as some people think to get credit," Long said. "Credit is a privilege, not a right and many college students lose sight of that. As a result, they get themselves into trouble and end up blaming the companies that trusted them."

HIRING: Western to be reviewed

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but Meredith had not heard about the review, he said yesterday.

"We would welcome that review," Meredith said.

Murray, an employee in the Office of Development, charged gender bias in terms of salary, position and other issues.

Her lawsuit also charged that Meredith has not followed Western's affirmative action plan.

"I think, looking at those positions, that's not very unusual," Meredith said. "That doesn't make it necessarily perfect."

You have to look at the circumstances surrounding each one, he said.

"Most were in place before I came," Meredith said. "Some I appointed."

Of the eight positions that report directly to Meredith, six have been filled by him in the five years since he came to Western.

The only minority and females reporting to Meredith are the four part-time affirmative action officers appointed last fall. Three officers are women, the fourth is a black male.

In Meredith's tenure, he has appointed nine positions, the lawsuit says. All are white males.

There are no women in some of the job searches, Meredith said. "I can't force a pool."

He cited several changes in his

tenure at Western to "change the culture of campus," including extra money toward equity and a sexual harassment policy.

Western's affirmative action plan, amended in 1981 after a review by the OFCCP, guarantees equal opportunity and treatment for all employees and for all applicants.

But Western's compliance with the plan has not been reviewed since 1981, said Bob Brown of the OFCCP in Nashville.

There would have to be a compelling reason, such as a complaint, for the office to conduct a review with a university, Brown said.

FEE: Interest is high

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to play the game, she said, is knowing how to be good at it.

Interest rates are what make credit cards such a good deal for the companies that issue them. Interest rates can run anywhere from 10.9 percent to 19 percent, with anything under 15 being considered good.

Some cards offer no annual fees. In most cases, that can be good news for the students who are charging. Long said. But students may be asked to make up that fee somewhere else.

Don't be so flattered if you're offered a large credit limit. These can do much more harm than good. Learn control. Keep your card for emergencies or at least make sure you have the money to pay for what you charge.

Watch out for offers that allow you to skip a month's payment. These are common around

the holidays, but if you accept the offer, you'll be paying more interest later on. Also watch out for a deal that would lower your monthly payment. It can stretch your payments out for a number of years and triple the interest you owe, according to a Consumer Reports article on the powers of credit.

Cash advances can quickly have you turning your pockets inside out. In some cases, interest, along with a small fee, is charged immediately to your account with payment due in just a short while.

Each time you apply for a new credit card, according to Consumer Reports, it will show up on your credit history. And too much good credit, whether used or not, can lead to a lot of trouble.

"It all comes down to knowing what you're getting into," Long said. "Just learn to ask some questions."

PLAN: Faculty say reality may set in

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"Let's redefine Western and stake out some territory that no other institution in the state has," Mendel said.

Folklore Professor Erika Brady said she supports Meredith's plan.

"It will give us an advantage in competing for diminished resources across the state," she said.

Brady said she believes all professors look forward to an improvement, but may be leery of how it will be accomplished and at what cost.

A few professors have reservations about its broad scope.

"I'm not sure how easy it will be to do this or what long range effects it will have," English Professor James Heldman said.

"Whether or not they can be merged with realities is another

question," he said.

Mendel said he is concerned that it will be more difficult to get time for research because of the expected classroom attention the plan will require.

"It'll be a long run gain by a short-term loss," he said. For instance, even though classes will be smaller, the quality of graduates produced will improve their appeal in the job market.

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Opinion

♦ Our view/editorial

Clean up the Earth

We've heard the message plenty of times before. Earth Day is every day. But the trash littering our streets seems to send a very different message — no one really cares. And that's a shame.

Now, we're not planning on cramming any type of environmental expertise down your throats. All we're hoping for is a little compassion for the space around you.

And no, one person cannot save the world, but if everyone does his or her own part, it sure can help.

If you're interested in learning more about environmental concerns, a forum is being held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Downing University Center sponsored by United Student Activists. And from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, the designated Earth Day, there will be a Trash Bash on DUC's north lawn.

In the meantime, there are plenty of things to improve on. We can start by throwing things in the trash rather than on the streets. And how about making use of those recycling bins that members of USA have been kind enough to provide around campus? These things don't require much effort, just a little thought.

But there's more that can be done. When it comes to recycling, for example, the university needs to step in and take some control, teaching students by setting examples.

The university does try to use recycled paper, but when we're finished with it, it usually goes in the trash. A paper recycling bin is much needed.

But there are other things the university can do, too.

Co-sponsoring special events or projects is something Western could do at little cost and with great benefits.

These actions don't require much effort, just a little thought. And that's all we're asking for. The rest is up to you.

"What good is a house if you don't have a decent planet to put it on?"

—Henry David Thoreau



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♦ Policies/letters to the editor

Vote Evans, Higdon

I am writing this letter in support of the Rob Evans-Tara Higdon ticket for Student Government Association president and vice president. I have known the two for two years, meeting them both through our involvement in SGA.

Evans and Higdon: both have

a solid background of SGA service. Evans has served as SGA treasurer and worked on a number of committees. At this time, he is senior class vice president. Writing legislation is essential to making changes at Western, and in this capacity, Evans has proven he is a powerhouse, having authored the legislation establishing Fall Break. Another

monumental movement concept Evans founded was organizational aid, which to this date has awarded nearly \$20,000 to student organizations in need of funding for their programming.

Higdon has served as representative-at-large and sophomore class representative. In addition to her Congress experience, Higdon has worked as sec-

retary for the SGA office for the past two years, and her day-to-day responsibilities to all SGA members has been a valuable "lab" for Higdon to observe and learn the business aspect of SGA — an aspect others fail to realize exists. The new SGA constitution names the vice president as chairman of Congress meetings, and her parliamentary proce-

dures abilities will be imperative to her effectiveness as vice president/presiding officer.

I hope each student will consider this highly-qualified team for president and vice president today.

Andrea Calhoun,

junior from Floyd's Knobs, Ind.

♦ PEOPLE POLL:

Do you recycle? Why or why not?

"Yeah, I try to when I can, mostly glass and plastics. It helps the environment."



—Scott Rogers,
Atlanta senior

"At school I try to put stuff in the boxes they provide in the dorm kitchens, but at home mom recycles everything she can."



—Kelli Clark,
Campbellsville
sophomore

"I really don't do it, but it's a practice everyone should pick up. You have to plan a lot of things to do it right, think a lot about it."



—Robert Rice,
junior from
Gallatin, Tenn.

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Painted Fences

A LOT OF PEOPLE THINK THAT THE MEMBERS OF SORORITIES AND FRATERNITIES ON CAMPUS ARE NOTHING BUT BEER DRINKING SNOBS WHO PARTY ALL THE TIME AND ACT SILLY. SO THEY CHOOSE TO CALL THIS WEEK "GEEK WEEK."



"I BEG TO DIFFER. I MEAN, THE GREEK SOCIETY ON CAMPUS IS RESPONSIBLE AND IT TAKES A CERTAIN TYPE OF PERSON TO BE A MEMBER IN THEIR FRATERNITIES OR SORORITIES..."



Sacrificing SGA means saving needed programs

The system isn't working like it should.

The Student Government Association is supposed to be the students' voice to the administration and faculty, but that isn't happening.

Only 715 students out of more than 15,000 participated in the most recent SGA election, because most students don't see the value of SGA. But I'm not complaining to those students, because I don't see it either.

We live in a time of severe budget cuts. The administration is considering eliminating 13 full-time positions in next year's budget. Programs students want are jeopardized. Professors have to fight just to get minimal raises large enough to keep up with the inflating cost of living. Sports teams have to raise funds in the community and programs like football go year to year in fear of being eliminated altogether.

If Western is to continue affording to give us the educa-

tion we need, the things students don't need must be cut from the budget.

If students really need or even want SGA, then why do only 4 percent of us vote in its elections?

SGA is an elite group elected by and accessible to only a handful of students, yet \$44,000 of Western's funds is given to them per year. And what do they do with it that helps Western or the student population?

This year, it seems the programs they have fought the hardest for have a disturbing trend of lowering the standards of education at Western. Look at a few examples.

♦ A proposal to double the number of scholarships Western allots for students based on skin color rather than merit or financial need.

♦ A proposal to disallow professors the right to require class attendance as part of course curriculum.



David Bunnell
Commentary

♦ A proposal to allow students to retake any class they didn't make an "A" in the first time around — which would bring grade inflation and cheapen the value of a high grade point average.

When I heard these SGA reso-

lutions, I pictured myself in the future, being snickered at when people found out I was a graduate of Western.

But how can I as a student propose doing away with our only voice in the administration?

If we lose SGA, though, it wouldn't mean losing our voice. Kentucky law provides the student body with a voice and a vote on the Board of Regents.

If the present elections — in which strangers harass you as you try to walk past Downing University Center on your way to class, begging you to go inside and vote for them in offices as silly as SGA public relations director — were replaced by a single, annual election for student regent, it might even increase students' influence on the administration.

This student regent would be one person, whose name would be known by students, who could assess what the students' needs were and address them before

this or her fellow regents.

Maybe then, when this one student was being held accountable to represent students on everything from the budgeting process to who would be hired as basketball coach, students might actually see reason to get involved in student elections.

Real issues could be debated by candidates, and the winner wouldn't be determined by which person in front of DUC in a sharp suit or pretty dress had the best tasting candy or the most valuable pizza coupon to give away.

Western's wallet isn't full enough to pay for a system that helps about 70 students put "involved in student government" on a resume, when that system does nothing to help the rest of the students.

Right now Western's budget is coming up short. We don't need SGA. Let's get rid of it before we lose a program we do need.



Join The Party At The World's Ultimate Spring Break.

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Sivley gets warning for violating SGA's campaign policies

By Tonya Root

A Student Government Association candidate was issued a campaign warning yesterday.

The judicial council gave Scott Sivley, SGA presidential candidate, a warning for passing out his student government card as an election promotion. The card was printed by SGA and identifies him as SGA administrative vice president.

Sivley said the regulations on the cards were a gray area that was not clear to him.

The warning was part of a meeting where the judicial council discussed a letter written by Shawn Pinkston, former SGA presidential candidate, asking the council to remove Sivley from today's general election ballot.

The judicial council hears complaints concerning SGA members and candidates' actions. Any student can bring up a member for review.

The letter said Sivley, a junior from Hendersonville, Tenn., should be withdrawn from the ballot. The reasons include withholding information, supposedly trading trash cans for votes and using improper campaign promotions.

"I felt like Scott abused his power as administrative vice president and broke campaign procedures," Pinkston said.

Pinkston said Sivley withheld information about the Green Light program from the SGA congress because he wanted to use it in his campaign platform.

The Green Light program is a program to save the university money and make it more environmentally conscious. SGA is looking into endorsing the program and Sivley also used it in his campaign. Sivley was researching the program for SGA.

The judicial council said they could not find a reason for Sivley to withhold information about the program.

Sivley said issues like this that have nothing to do with real issues like fee increases are

being stretched out of proportion.

The letter also stated that Sivley may have traded trash cans for votes from the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity.

Sivley got two university trash cans for the Chestnut Street lot a month ago to help curb the trash problem the Pikes were having after parties. He did not go through the proper university procedures, according to Kemble Johnson, Facilities Management administrator. He also didn't go through the proper SGA channels, said David Serafini, campus improvements committee chairman.

The judicial council said the trash can incident is not related to the election and, if any action will be taken, it will be left up to SGA.

"We can find no conclusive evidence that Scott bought votes," said Joe Rains, judicial council chairperson.

Donald Smith, SGA president, said SGA won't take any action against Sivley.

Sivley said he did nothing wrong and the truth has shown through.

"It was brought out and both sides of the story were heard and I was vindicated," Sivley said.

Because the rules governing the use of SGA cards are unclear, campaign rules and regulations will be amended later this semester to clarify that candidates may not use anything bought by student government for campaigns, said Rains, a senior from Antioch, Tenn.

Rains also said that the logos of Western, Big Red and SGA cannot be used in campaign advertisements.

Pinkston said the judicial council apparently felt he was wrong.

"I didn't do it for personal vengeance or spite," Pinkston said. "I felt like the truth needed to be known."

Sivley said it saddens him that the election contained so much name calling and mud slinging.

"The more you do, the more people have to try to call you out for it," Sivley said.

POLLS: Students can vote today

Continued from front page

Heather Meenach of Lexington; Eddie Myers of Hendersonville, Tenn.; Angelo Rodriguez of Ecuador; and Jason Young of Louisville.

Junior class off-campus representatives are Phillip Eleson of Louisville; Troy Nunn of Elizabethtown; Junior Rajewich of Brownsville; Jill Reading of Shelbyville; Amanda Thurman of Franklin; and Dave Vanderpool of Danville.

Sophomore class off-campus representatives are Jason Gerst of Evansville, Ind.; Jason Hays of Bowling Green; Jason Richardson of Bowling Green; Rob Sherrill of Nashville; Eric Turner of Evansville, Ind.; and Jeff Van of Evansville, Ind.

For college representatives unopposed candidates are Graduate College, Bowling Green senior David Serafini; Ogden College, Louisville freshman Terra Swanson; College of Education, Campbellsville fresh-

man Bonnie Newton; and Potter College, Stephanie McCarty, a sophomore from Eden, N.C.

For non-traditional representative, unopposed candidates are Bowling Green senior Julie McCay, Radcliffe freshman Jim Parvin, and Balltown freshman John Taylor.

Positions still open include one College of Business Administration and two off-campus representatives for each class.

Former Western president to interview at Murray

By Dawn Ans

A former Western president will be back in Kentucky tomorrow, to interview for the president's position at Murray State University.

Murray has been looking for a new president since the board of regents decided not to renew the contract of Ronald Kurth last year and Kern Alexander is one of the finalists for the position.

"I was aware about it within the past week," said President

Thomas Meredith. "He's a very capable man, and if through the interview process, he likes Murray and Murray likes him, then he might be president."

Before Alexander resigned as Western's president in the Spring of 1988, there was controversy that he wanted to extend university control over the Herald and the Tallisman. The incident drew nationwide media attention.

It was reported that Alexander wanted to appoint a faculty mem-

ber to be editor of the Herald after the paper reported on his divorce and his failure to be present at a governor's meeting for university presidents.

Alexander took a position as a professor at Virginia Tech, which he cited as a better career move.

The faculty at Murray have expressed concern over Alexander being a potential president.

Alexander was out of town and could not be reached for comment.

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Banshee

Two thousand students and rugby players showed up at Beech Bend Raceway Park on Saturday night for the annual Banshee Celebration. Banshee is an annual bash that complements the WKU Rugby tournament. Western won the tournament for the first time since 1985, beating Kentucky, Eastern Illinois and Southern Illinois. Western concluded its 9-2 season at Drakes Creek Middle School, where the tournament was held. The Western Kentucky Ol' Boys, Middle Tennessee State, Wabash and Evansville rugby clubs also participated in the competition.



When a keg stand showdown developed in the middle of the crowd at Beech Bend, several students took on the challenge. Students held keg stand challengers upside down while they drank beer.



Above, Complete with DJ, bonfire and kegs, the Banshee celebration attracted about 2,000 people. **At right**, A Southern Illinois defender takes down freshman Mike Stines during the final game of the tournament. Western defeated Southern Illinois 24-20 and won the tournament.



STORM: Campus suffered less damage than city

BY SHERRY I. WILSON

Two tornadoes whipped through Bowling Green on Friday, taking parked cars and buildings along with them.

Damage to local businesses varied from minor window damage to complete cave-ins.

Greenwood Mall was evacuated when a strong down wind blew out skylight windows in the cafe court.

Five people were injured citywide in the storm.

Damage to campus was minimal, said Kemble Johnson, Facilities Management administrator.

High winds blew out three windows in Cherry Hall and three or four in Bemis-Lawrence and Barnes-Campbell Halls, he said.

Johnson said the damage didn't require the university to call an insurance agent.

"Damage done was under \$50," Johnson said. "That's not enough to file a claim."

Other damage included several trees

being blown over and one student's car being struck by a tree in Chestnut Street lot, said campus police Capt. Richard Kirby.

Power was out for a little over an hour in buildings at the top of the Hill.

The National Weather Service in Evansville, Ind., issued a severe thunderstorm warning for the region, but did not issue a tornado warning despite two tornado sightings.

Western's plan during a tornado warning is to call and notify all buildings, Kirby said.

"We didn't have to take that plan of action because the National Weather Service didn't give us a warning," he said.

Louisville sophomore Paige Van Meter said she didn't go to class on Friday because of the bad weather.

Van Meter, who lives in New Sorority Hall, said she didn't want to walk out into the lightning and rain for her biology class.

"I thought it looked dangerous," she said. "I definitely think they should have cancelled classes."

Registration easier for some because of rain, short lines

◆ Students left their schedule cards at the registrar's office when computers were down

BY STEPHANIE BROADBENT

Tompkinsville junior Lisa Titcock braved high winds and pouring rain Friday to register for fall classes. And thanks to the short lines caused by the storm, she got all of the ones she wanted, she said.

There were no lines at the registration counter. Only two or three people sat at the tables most of the day, flipping through the schedule bulletins as the storm raged outside.

"This isn't usual," said Registration Assistant Linda Davis as she looked across the nearly deserted office.

After the power went off Friday morning, computers in the registrar's office were off for about an hour, delaying registration for a few students, Registrar Freida Eggleton said.

Instead of waiting for the power to be restored, students left their schedule cards to be processed when the computers came back on.

Davis said she thinks more people would have registered Friday if it had not been for the storm and computer problems.

Tompkinsville senior Georgetta Kingery agreed that the short lines were one benefit of registering then but said that was not her main reason for going when she did.

"I figured it was the one day on campus you could actually find a parking place," she said.

The computers in the registrar's office

were not the only ones affected by the storm. Computer labs across campus lost power but workers say there was no permanent damage to the systems.

Between 30 and 40 people were using computers at the Helm Library lab when the electricity went off, said computer consultant Marc Beeler.

Libby Garner, student technical center supervisor, said she had just started to tell students to save their work when the power went off. She had already typed a message into the system, warning them about the storms and the possibility that their work could be erased if it was not saved.

But only students who logged in after the message was typed could see the warning.

Nashville senior Matt Godsted was working on a paper for his advanced composition class when the electricity went off.

He said he lost about half of the four page paper, which was due that afternoon.

"I was almost finished," he said, then sighed as he started all over.

The computer labs in Grise Hall were evacuated when tornado warnings forced the students to go to the first floor.

Those computers also lost power but no damage was done, said lab worker Randy Caudill. Between 20 and 30 students were using the computers when the power went out, said Caudill, a Russell senior. Those labs were reopened after about an hour.

The lab in Thompson Complex was left in complete darkness when the electricity went off. Students using the computers went to another part of the building until energy was restored, said Leo Zheng, a graduate student from China who had been using the lab.



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Louisville senior Jason Price and his roommate, Tompkinsville senior Denise Wilson, look at a tree that was struck by lightning in front of University Church of Christ, 1302 Park St. Wilson was watching the storm from her apartment window when the bolt hit the tree.

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Jackson urges students to be involved in government

By Mitchell Quarles

Jesse Jackson Jr. addressed a crowd of about 200 in DUC Theatre last night on what was supposed to be about student empowerment.

"I didn't come to talk about the parking problem here — I know you have one, and I didn't come to talk about the food in the cafeteria because I know it sucks," Jackson said.

Instead Jackson spoke about the students' moral obligation to get involved in the events of their country.

"Our generation has the potential to end the cycle of racism and violence," he said.

One way to do this, Jackson said, is for more of America's young people to vote, get involved with communities and learn about each other's history.

"If more of our young people on college campuses voted then no congressman would vote against student aid."

Jackson also encouraged college students to get involved in their communities once they finish college.

Jackson said that the best way to end ignorance is to learn about other people's history.

"Racism cannot end until we learn to appreciate other people's history and stop ignoring it."

He also talked about national and international concerns.

Jackson, who has toured several countries in South Africa and worked with Nelson Mandela, said he was looking forward to that country's upcoming elections.

"In the upcoming elections there will be 16 million native people of South Africa who have never voted," Jackson said. "The change of power from the minority to the majority will be interesting."

Student Government Association president and Elizabethtown senior Donald Smith said he was pleased with Jackson's message.

"I thought he was very effective in getting through to the students," Smith said.

Jackson's visit was sponsored by the combined efforts of the Panhellenic, Minority Students Support Services, University Center Board, Potter College, Inter-Fraternity Council, Residence Life, Student Life, the President's office, Alpha Delta Pi sorority, SGA and Alumni Affairs.

Jackson was scheduled to kick off Cultural Diversity Week in March, but the engagement was postponed due to scheduling conflict.



Leah Hogsten/Herald

Jesse Jackson Jr. told about 200 people last night that college students must get involved in social and political activities. The event, held in DUC Theatre, was sponsored by several organizations.

COMIC: Students get their laughs from two new shops

By Bill Kemp

Comic book fans can now follow the adventures of the X-Men, Spawn, and Batman without traveling far from campus.

Comics and Collectibles Too, a new comic book store, is located at 1247 31-W By-Pass, next to Lee's Famous Recipe.

Owner Randy Spinks said he opened the store 11 months ago because he found a good location close to Western.

"We rely a lot on Western, and we'll notice it when Western students leave here in about a month," he said.

Spinks said his store also carries paperback books, role-playing game supplies and trading cards, but comics sell better than the other products.

"X-Men" is the best-selling title, he said, and "Spawn" is a close second.

Spinks said he hasn't tried to create any particular environment for his customers.

"They pretty much just come in and find their books," he said. "It's not so much atmosphere as long as they have books they want available."

But, Comics and Collectibles Too isn't the only new comics store in town.

Hobby Crossing, 600 31-W By-Pass, opened six months ago.

Co-owner Aaron Boggess said Hobby Crossing is more of a hobby shop than just a comic book store.

They carry trains, trading cards, model cars and games, aside from comics.

He said he had always wanted to open a hobby store.

"I've always felt Bowling Green could support a hobby store if it was run right," he said. "I don't want parents to be afraid to bring their kids in here because there's adult material in the store. It's a family place."

Pac-Rats' manager Mike Stevens said he doesn't know if other comics stores have affected sales in his store.

"I haven't really done a sur-

vey or anything," he said. "I haven't noticed any less people coming here. We just keep growing."

Former Western student Todd Rose said he has been to Comics and Collectibles Too twice, and he likes it.

"It's pretty nice," he said. "I like the layout of the place. I found everything I was looking for. They had a good selection, and the people were really

nice."

Some students prefer one store or the other.

Bowling Green freshman Joey Oakes said he stopped going to Comics and Collectibles Too.

"He was always rude, and for a while, he wasn't getting in any new comics," he said of Spinks. "Pac-Rats has been treating me right."

Spinks said his store doesn't

carry new issues right now, and he can't speculate on when it will.

Bowling Green freshman Kevin Kilpatrick also said he's glad Bowling Green's comic book market is expanding.

"I think it's good that Bowling Green has a diversity of comic shops," he said. "I just hope they get a distributor soon."

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Parrott turns down North Dakota job

BY SHERRY J. WILSON

Residence Life Director Dave Parrott was offered an administrative position at North Dakota State University but he turned it down.

Parrott said the biggest portion of his decision was personal. "I didn't see a situation there that I wanted," Parrott said.

Parrott said he was offered the position after interviewing in March with George Wallman, NDSU vice president for Student Affairs.

Wallman said Parrott would have been offered increased responsibilities and increased pay in the "\$50,000 range," if he would have left Western. Parrott makes about \$36,000 now.

Howard Bailey, dean of Student Life, said Parrott did not negotiate a new salary with Western.

Parrott said money did not drive his decision making.

"I think some of the reasons I find Western attractive is the excellent staff I have to work with," he said. "I have a wonderful relationship with Howard Bailey."

Bailey has worked with Parrott for eight years.

"Dave Parrott is an exceptionally talented individual," Bailey said. "You have to look at what programs he has started here at Western."

President Thomas Meredith said Parrott has come up with "extraordinary programs."

Parrott is responsible for the MASTER plan program that was implemented last fall.

The MASTER plan — Making Academics and Social Transitions Educationally Rewarding — teaches incoming freshmen and transfer students things like time management and study skills through different seminars. The students who participated in the plan also had their books pulled for them and got to move into the dorms a week early.

Parrott said he is also glad to see an increase in coed living on campus and in community living, which gives students the opportunity to make their own living rules.

Bailey said he is hoping to offer Parrott new job responsibilities, but doesn't have anything specific yet in mind.

"He is one of the more creative and hard working individuals I know," he said.



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Flashdance:

Patureic Brasher, 5, made sure she had everyone's attention Sunday at Smith Stadium. Brasher was rollerskating while her aunt walked laps around the track, when she became tired of it and broke out into a dance routine. Jennifer Moody, a junior from Sellersburg, Ind., and Munfordville freshman Jennifer Johnston laugh at her skits.

Wilson Theatre to be renamed

BY ANN MADISON

If enough funding from the private sector can be raised, the theater and dance department plans to rename and renovate Gordon Wilson 100.

Gordon Wilson 100 is a theater used for the children's theater series, one act studio series and student directed, full-length plays.

Theater and dance department head William Leonard said the theater has undergone minor renovations since it opened in 1969.

Leonard said renaming the

theater in honor of Mildred Howard, a former theater and dance department professor, is the main reason for the changes.

Before coming to Western, Howard was a professional actress and taught at the American University at Cairo, Egypt. She then went on to teach at the University of Texas and the University of Illinois.

Then during the '60s Howard taught drama classes and directed plays at Western. In April 1969 she directed "J.B." by Archibald MacLeish, the first

play performed in Gordon Wilson Theater 100.

The department is working with Bob Rutledge, vice president for Institutional Advancement, to help raise funds for the project.

Rutledge said plans for renovations have been submitted to the university architects.

He said he and the department are in the process of estimating the cost of the project.

The amount of funding received will determine when, and what type of renovations will take place, he said.

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No one takes blame for campus security problem

By CARA ANNA

Li Eugene Hooper works the night shift for campus police, midnight to 8 a.m.

Last week, he said, he came across an open room in Thompson Complex with a sign reading "Radioactive Materials" on the door.

The room is open almost every night.

"I'm almost afraid to go in it," he said, laughing.

But the humor ends there.

Hooper has been on the shift since mid-October, and already he is amazed by how open campus buildings can be at night, when they should be locked.

"It's frustrating to us when we find some doors open every night," he said. "What is being done about it? Am I wasting my time?"

Some administrators say changes need to be made in how campus is secured at night. But deciding who's in charge of making changes is a chore.

"It's a little difficult to pin down who's ultimately responsible," said Jerry Wilder, vice president for Student Affairs.

While lower-level administrators say Wilder and two other vice presidents are in charge, Wilder said he assumed President Thomas Meredith and his executive officers would be responsible.

Meredith threw the issue

back to everyone at Western.

"Everyone must take care of their responsibilities to keep the doors locked," he said. "The last person out of a building must lock the door and close the window."

But that hasn't been working. A Herald investigation in late March found several campus buildings open on consecutive nights. Reporters found they had access to a big-screen television, a VCR, a video camera and computers, among other things.

That comes as no surprise to police on the night shift.

In this school year alone, open or unlocked doors have been found 465 times in 21 buildings. It is not the total number of doors open or unlocked, since police do not have time to check every building every night.

The science buildings are the science buildings, said Hail and the Academic Complex, records show. In Thompson Complex Central Wing alone this year, open doors were found 59 times and unlocked doors were found 36 times.

Hooper suggested that the shift for locking doors, which is manned by one Facilities Management worker, be changed to end at about 2 a.m. instead of midnight because some buildings don't close until then.

But who is responsible for making other changes in secur-



Tor Mathiesen/Herald

Sole mates:

Walton freshman Lee Martin and Erlanger freshman Chrissy Cahill take advantage of the nice weather and rest between classes outside Gordon Wilson Hall yesterday.

ing buildings?

The question produces a lot of finger pointing. Facilities Management is in charge of locking doors but says it can't be responsible for people who leave doors open after hours. And police check buildings when they have the time.

When police find open and unlocked doors, they leave notes for the people in charge of the buildings.

They also send weekly

reports to Robert Haynes, vice president for Academic Affairs, Howard Bailey, dean of Student Life, and Kemble Johnson, Facilities Management administrator.

Bailey and Johnson said Haynes, James Ramsey, vice president for Finance and Administration, and Wilder are in charge.

Bailey reports to Wilder Johnson to Ramsey. But Haynes has said he pass-

es his report to the dean of each college and is not sure what is done after that.

When contacted about the problem two weeks ago, Ramsey said he was not aware there was a problem with unlocked doors.

Wilder said nothing needs to be done to better organize the responsibility for campus security.

"We feel, based on the evidence, this is a very secure campus," he said.

EVALUATIONS: Faculty give Meredith favorable rating

By TONYA ROOT

President Thomas Meredith has received a strong vote of confidence from the faculty.

According to a Faculty Senate survey released Thursday, about 68 percent of faculty are confident with Meredith's leadership abilities, while about 31 percent are not confident.

The senate sent out 631 surveys and had 286 returned.

Robert Diettle, senate chairman, said the survey shows the diversity among the faculty.

"I think it shows the two extremes," Diettle said. "One side supports anything and the other side is against anything he does."

Meredith said the survey was very positive for him, but he would rather have 100 percent favorable.

"I would be distressed if only one person felt I'm not doing a good job," Meredith said.

Meredith received a higher rating in his communication skills than his financial skills.

Examples include a 51 percent unfavorable rating for Meredith

in splitting available money equally to all areas of the university, with 28 percent saying he does a good job.

However, about 59 percent said Meredith uses the appropriate channels to convey information, with about 15 percent giving him an unfavorable rating.

The communication is left up to Meredith, but his financial

skills can be related to the budget problems the university is experiencing, said Glenn Lohr, another senate member.

"It's difficult for an administrator to be ranked high when there is little or no money to work with," Lohr said.

Senate member Larry Snyder said faculty view Meredith in a good light.

"I think the perception is Dr. Meredith is a good people person and that he handles the administration as well as he ought," Snyder said.

The overall rating of Meredith from the faculty has improved since last year, said Dorsey Grice, another senate

member.

About 55 percent were confident in Meredith, while 40 percent did not have confidence in him last year.

If his evaluation in general is up, obviously that means the faculty is more pleased with him than last year, Lohr said.

Meredith's approval results

A partial list of the results of the Faculty Senate questionnaire on Dr. Thomas Meredith and the job he is doing as President of the University. The questionnaire was distributed to 631 faculty members. The results are from the 295 questionnaires returned.

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Works for providing equitable salary rates for faculty	9.6	15.1	12.0	46.6	16.8
Allocates available funds equitably to all areas of the university	24.2	27.3	19.5	24.6	4.3
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Students help recreate Civil War to educate others

BY BILL KEMP

In the imaginations of some Western students, the Civil War rages on.

Clarkson sophomore Dennis Skaggs said he participates in Civil War reenactments on week ends during the summer months to show how people of that era lived and how they performed in military operations and battles.

"We try to bring books to life, for ourselves and spectators," he said. "We relive them so others can watch."

Skaggs said he has been doing this for seven years.

During the rest of the year, he said, he studies so he will know more about the Civil War.

He said during the school year, the reenactment group also visits small schools to fill in gaps left by history classes.

Louisville sophomore Daniel Mercer said he started participating in Civil War reenactments six years ago because he found it interesting.

"I was at a living history program and thought it was neat," he said. "So I decided to get into it."

Mercer said he usually portrays a Confederate infantryman in battle reenactments.

He said they usually do reenactments at Civil War historical

sites in this part of the country.

Skaggs said they wear uniforms and use supplies and weapons from the Civil War era.

"Some items we make ourselves, some are authentic, and some are reproductions," he said. "It's a large enough hobby that several companies reproduce the wares we need."

Skaggs also said some people do reenactments independently, but most people belong to a unit or a company.

Skaggs belongs to Fourth Kentucky C.S. He said they portray the original Fourth Kentucky Regiment from the Civil War.

"We promote people through the ranks," he said.

Williamsburg freshman Teresa Partin said she has been to a reenactment in Bardstown.

"I really liked it," she said. "It was really exciting."

Partin said she would like to see another one.

But not everyone would care to see a Civil War reenactment.

Ken Johnson, a freshman from Lily Orchard, Miss., said he has a special interest in the Civil War, but he's never been to a reenactment and never will.

"Most of those idiots don't know what they're doing," he said.

"We try to bring books to life, for ourselves and spectators."

— Dennis Skaggs

Clarkson sophomore

Talisman survives another year

HERALD STAFF REPORT

The Talisman, Western's yearbook, will survive this year's budget cuts, said editor Ephra Good, a Radcliff sophomore.

She said President Thomas Meredith told her the Talisman

would not be left out of the budget, despite selling fewer books than last year.

Last year, Meredith said the Talisman would need more sales to last another year.

Good said applications for next year's staff can be picked up in Garrett Center, room 122.

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FOOTBALL: Harbaugh likes what he sees so far

◆ **Senior quarterback J.J. Jewell says he's ready to fill Eddie Thompson's shoes**

By Tom Batters

At the beginning of spring practice a month ago, Coach Jack Harbaugh told his players about the "mayonnaise jar."

It was "hermetically sealed" like the envelope on the old Johnny Carson shows.

Inside it were the five names that Harbaugh predicted wouldn't make it through the spring — the names of the players he thought were too weak, not ready for big time college football.

Saturday night at Smith Stadium, his players had one last chance to show that they were here to stay and that their names didn't belong in that jar.

It was the red-white scrimmage game, where the Toppers annually put on the pads and see how they stack up against each other in a real game to end spring practice.

And even though the sound of the baseball p.a. announcer at Denes Field could be heard in the background and only about 150 fans showed up, the players on the field were concentrating on football.

Senior quarterback J. J. Jewell showed he was ready to fill Eddie Thompson's shoes, which isn't an easy task.

"I don't feel any pressure at all," Jewell said. "I just want to

have fun and get into the playoffs. We'll do it, too. We're sittin'.

◆ **"This is the most intense spring game I've ever played in."**

— **Rod Roston**
junior defensive end

pretty right now." Jewell completed 15 of 27

passes for 186 yards and two touchdowns.

"Coach and I talked about it," Jewell said. "I'm more of a passer than I am an option quarterback like Eddie was."

And Jewell wasn't the only one playing in midseason form.

Wide receivers Eric Kemp, Laramando Walls, Lito Mason and Brian Sowerby combined for 13 receptions.

Senior running back Davion Sarver rushed for 73 yards and two touchdowns.

The defense was hitting hard and not letting up, even if the offensive players were members of their own team.

On one play, junior defensive end Rod Roston came sprinting from the outside to sack Jewell. A few plays later, he charged

Jewell and caused him to throw an errant pass.

"This is the most intense spring game I've ever played in," Roston said. "This decides who's going to start and who will be second string. Everybody played like they wouldn't settle for second string."

On another play, senior defensive tackle Danny Davis sacked quarterback Darryl Houston and smothered him into the ground, drawing a personal foul.

Senior linebacker Sheldon Benoit was a one-man show with 11 tackles, eight assisted.

But there were still signs of spring rustiness.

At times, defensive backs

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Teak Phillips/Herald

Long jump: With an Eastern Illinois player soaring over him, junior Joe Buckosh slides through mud during the Banshee Rugby Classic on Saturday. Western went on to win the game and the tournament, the first time it has done so since 1985. The team ended the season with a 9-2 record.

◆ Golf news

Toppers starting to improve

By Michael Scott

Western junior Joe Daly fired an opening round 73 at the 1994 Eagle Classic in Elizabethtown. Daly went on to place 15th overall with a total of 151, leading the Toppers to a tie for fifth place in the team standings.

Morehead State, the tournament host, won the team competition with a combined 594. The Toppers scored a 611. Twelve teams competed in the tournament, which lasted two days.

"Things started to come around for us," said John Stiles, the team's only senior. "It gave us confidence going into the Sun Belt tourney."

Stiles was second for Western, shooting a 152. Brian Harris, a junior, was next with a 153. Freshman Jared Baysinger shot a 155 and junior Kelvin Burgin scored a 159.

Play was temporarily suspended on Friday morning when the Elizabethtown area was hit with severe weather. At least one confirmed tornado touched down.

Burgin said the storm moved in before all the players could get off the course. "I looked at my watch when they moved us into the clubhouse basement," Burgin said. "It was 10:42. That night on the news we saw that the tornado touched down at 10:41."

Stiles said there was some damage to the course, including some uprooted trees.

"It was kind of scary," Stiles said. "I felt that they left us out on the course too long."

Play resumed when the worst of the weather passed by. Burgin said wind and rain hampered play the rest of the day.

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Baseball team swept, seeking a 'confidence builder' against UK



Francis Cardler/Herald

Freshman pitcher Joey Talley gets his rally cap adjusted by a teammate during a late-inning comeback which fell short as the Toppers lost to Jacksonville 2-1 despite a good pitching effort by Greg Monelle. Western also lost the second game of the double-header.

By Charlie Nichols

The Toppers (12-18) will try to snap a three-game losing streak when they play in-state rival Kentucky (19-16) at 6 p.m. at Denes Field.

The Wildcats are led by senior two-sport star Pookie Jones. Jones, an outfielder on the baseball team and a quarterback on the football squad, leads the Wildcats in home runs with 10 and he has 30 RBIs.

The Toppers lost the first meeting against the Wildcats earlier in the season in Lexington 8-4.

Coach Joel Murrie said this game could be a confidence builder for his team, who were swept in a three-game series this weekend at home against Jacksonville.

"This is a great opportunity for us to get a boost and play a

very competitive ball game," Murrie said.

Senior right fielder Barry Nesbitt said the team has loosened up.

"I think that we are going to play well, because everybody seems to be more relaxed right now," Nesbitt said.

The Toppers' three losses to Jacksonville this weekend dropped their conference record to 3-10 and put them in last place in the Sun Belt Eastern Division.

The first game was a pitcher's duel between senior Darin Bernhard and senior Dan Slater. Neither pitcher gave up a run until the seventh inning.

Bernhard pitched eight innings, giving up three hits, one run and collected six strikeouts. Slater pitched 10 1/3

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FOOTBALL: Team will pass more next year

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Coach Darren Twombly yelled down to the field from the press box when he was upset with the defense.

"What the hell is he doing that for," he would shout into his headset to whomever was listening on the other end down below.

"We're still trying to recognize what wrinkles we have to get straightened out," senior safety Tim Comstock said. "But I think the team looked good. The defense hit hard and was flying to the ball."

Overall, Harbaugh said the Toppers have a good chance to make the Division I-AA playoffs this year after going 8-3 and just missing last year.

Hester trying to play in summer soccer league

BY MICHAEL SCOTT

Western freshman soccer player Tony Hester has met with a great deal of confusion as the United States prepares to enter the world of professional soccer.

With a slow but steady growth in interest, soccer is becoming a major American sport. This summer the United States will host the World Cup, soccer's biggest international event.

Hester is interested in playing for the Bluegrass Bandits, a Lexington team that competes against both professional and amateur teams. But participation might place his NCAA eligibility in danger.

The problems arise from trying to form a league that will allow amateurs to compete, while satisfying NCAA eligibility requirements. The NCAA does not allow participation on a team or in a league that has applied for professional status or is already in professional status.

The Bandits have applied for membership to the United States Interregional Soccer League (USISL), a minor professional league, said Francisco Marcos, the commissioner of the USISL, but they haven't officially joined.

Hester said he'd have to know the team's status before he'd play. "I wouldn't risk my eligibility to play for the Bandits," Hester said. "I would rather get my education."

Parvis Zartoshty, technical director for the Bluegrass

"This summer will be very important," he said. "We have to get back in the weight room and stay focused in the classroom. We can't afford to have anyone stumble a toe academically."

This year, the football program won't get any money for summer school, which makes this semester even more important, Harbaugh said.

After the game, Harbaugh told the players to go out and celebrate the end of spring practice and get ready to work hard over the summer.

What he didn't tell them was that there were no names in the mayonnaise jar. Everyone made it.

"It was a just a little trick from the old coach," he said, laughing. "They'll forgive me."

Bandits, said his team is in the USISL but will compete with mostly amateurs. But since they'll be competing against professionals, college players' eligibility could still be in jeopardy.

The USISL is expected to become the equivalent of baseball's Class A league and will be called Division III soccer.

The country's best professional players would compete at the Division I level.

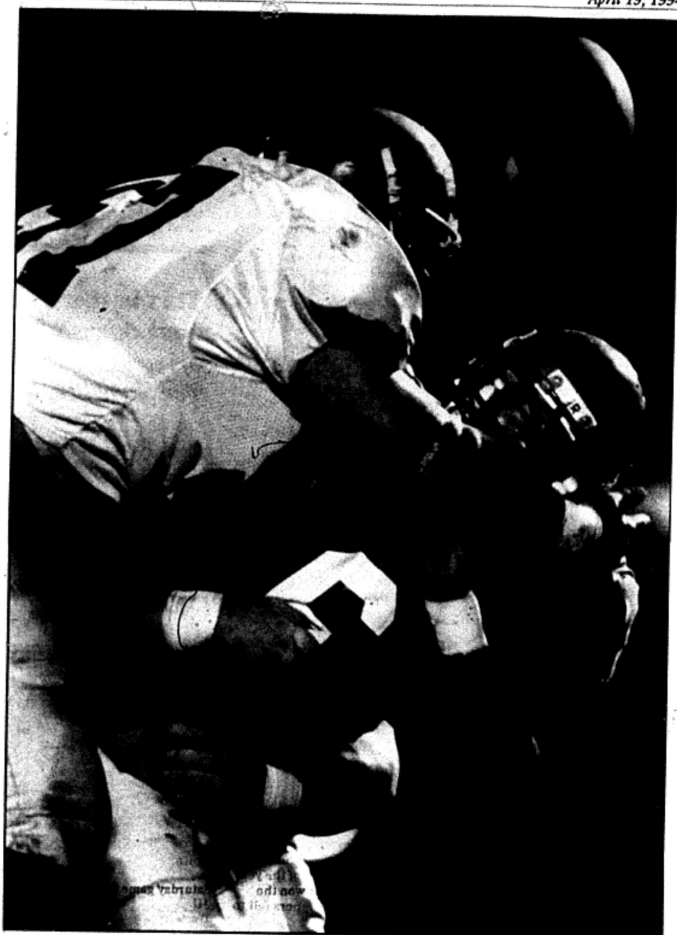
Steve Mallonco, Director of Legislative Services for the NCAA, said, "The USISL has registered as a professional league. College players would jeopardize their eligibility by playing on a pro team, even if they didn't get paid."

Marcos agreed. "The NCAA does not allow college players to compete in the USISL without loss of eligibility."

However, Marcos said the Bandits are not in his league.

"The Bluegrass Bandits are in the USASA (United States Amateur Soccer Association). They are in a league made up of amateur teams. The USASA is entirely amateur, and it is my understanding that players in that league would not lose their eligibility."

Western assistant Coach Joel Harrison said the NCAA and the professional leagues must work out an eligibility agreement. It will be necessary to allow collegians to play competitively during their off-season.



Freshman linebacker Daniel Pope of the white team tackles junior quarterback Daryl Houston during the first half of the red-white scrimmage game Saturday at Smith Stadium. Photo by Joe Stefanich

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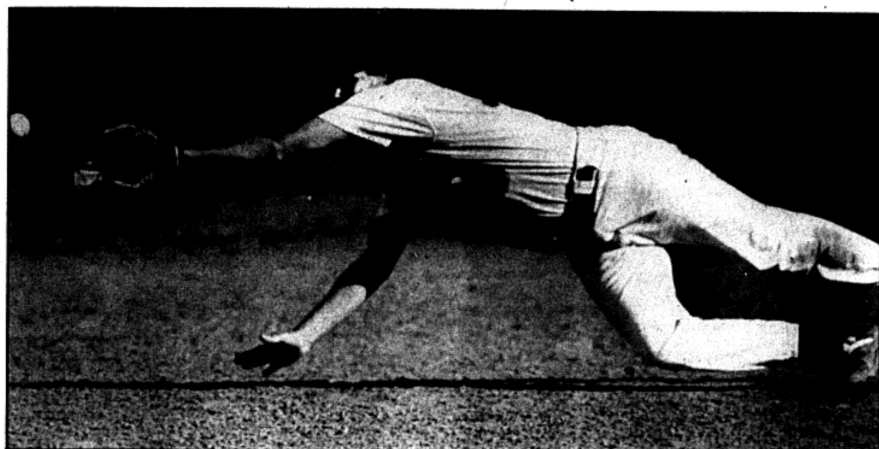
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Junior third baseman Robbie Thigpen dives for a line drive by Jacksonville's Chris Hayes during the first game of a doubleheader Saturday. Jacksonville won both games on Saturday, and also won on Sunday to sweep the Toppers at Deneb Field. With the losses, Western fell further into last place in the Eastern Division of the Sun Belt Conference, with a 3-10 record.

GOLF: Tops in fifth spot

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The Sun Belt Conference golf tournament got underway yesterday in Nashville. The Toppers, hosts for the three-day tournament, are in fifth place after the first round. The team combined for a 293 on the first day, 10 shots off the lead.

Arkansas-Little Rock leads the 10-team field after the first round with a 283. South Alabama is second, and Arkansas State is in third.

Western was led by Stiles, Daly, and Harris, with all three shooting a 73. Freshman Ryan Tucker shot a 74, and Burgin shot a 78.

The best four scores in each round are counted for the teams.

Stiles, who is playing his last tournament as a Hilltopper, was pleased with his performance the first day.

"I had a steady, solid round," Stiles said. "I hit the ball really well, and I'm impressed with the team."

BASEBALL: Toppers continue to slide in Sun Belt play

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innings.

He gave up 12 hits, one run and had seven strikeouts.

The Dolphins scored three runs off senior reliever Doug Smyly in the top of the 11th inning to win the game 4-1.

Smyly (3-1) was tagged with the loss.

In the second game, the Toppers led 1-0 going into the fifth inning, but the Dolphins tied the score in the bottom of the sixth inning.

The Dolphins managed to score one run in the top of the seventh to win the second game 2-1.

"Overall as a team we failed to take advantage of the offensive and defensive opportunities presented to us in those two games," Murrie said.

Freshman second basemen Steve Smith said the Toppers' pitching was solid, but the hitting was questionable throughout the weekend.

Junior Greg Monelle (1-4) was tagged with the loss.

He pitched 6 1/3 innings, giving up three hits, two runs and he had two strikeouts. Senior

Matt Cook relieved and pitched two-thirds of an inning, giving up one hit and one walk.

In Sunday's game, the Toppers fell behind 6-0 to the Dolphins before they scored four runs in the bottom of the ninth inning.

The scoring was highlighted by senior center fielder Greg Slone's two-run home run. It was his second home run of the year.

But the Dolphins won the game 6-4 and the Toppers fell to 12-18 overall.

Senior John Markham (9-3) pitched four innings, giving up four hits, two runs and striking out one hit.

Junior Andy Alepra pitched 2 1/3 innings in relief, giving up three hits, two runs and three walks.

Senior Matt Cook pitched 1 2/3 innings in relief and gave up one hit.

Senior Kevin Wallace pitched one inning and gave up three hits and two runs.

The Toppers will play the University of Evansville Wednesday night at 7 p.m. in Evansville, Indiana.

Baseball linescores

Saturday game 1
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Western 000 000 100 06 — 1 12 4
Slater, Ramsey (11), Guerra (11) and Holin; Bernhard, Smyly (9) and Thomas. W-Slater, 3-4. L-Smyly, 3-1. S-Guerra (1). HR-Holin.

Saturday game 2
JU 000 100 1 — 2 4 0
Western 000 001 0 — 1 4 0
Guerra and Holin; Monelle, Cook (7) and Davis. W-Guerra, 9-2. L-Monelle, 1-4.

Sunday
JU 101 010 102 — 6 11 2
Western 000 000 004 — 4 11 4
Knobloch, Cary Braun (9), Scheer (9) and Holin; Markham, Alepra (5), Cook (7), Wallace (9) and Davis. W-Knobloch, 3-1. L-Markham, 0-3. S-Scheer (1). HR-

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for the Mad River Canoe Day at Basil Griffin Park Lake this Thursday from noon till 6 p.m. Anyone with an interest in canoeing is invited.

◆ Tennis news

Tops get second victory

BY P. ALAN BERNARDY

Women's tennis Coach Laura Hudspeth said that things haven't gone wrong for her team this season, but they haven't gone right, either.

With the unexpected loss of former No. 1 seed Amy Haskins-Cowles and a team made up predominantly of young athletes, Hudspeth said she is very happy with the way the season turned out. The team (2-10) finished its last weekend of regular season competition with a 3-1 win against Cumberland College Thursday, but lost a close match on Saturday to Transylvania 5-4.

"We've managed over the course of the spring to work out most of the kinks," Hudspeth said. "I'm hoping for at least a seventh seed in the Sun Belt Tournament (Wednesday)."

The team battled high velocity winds on both days, but Hudspeth said the wind was much stronger when they played Transylvania in Lexington.

"We had to play the wind, not necessarily our opponent," she said.

The Lady Toppers had beaten Transylvania in the fall 5-4, and Hudspeth said if it had not have been for the wind, they would have done so again.

Freshman Jessica Buckland said with the wind on both days, any team could have won.

"It could have gone either way," she said. "It was really windy."

Winners against Cumberland were freshman No. 1 seed Allison Hassall, freshman No. 2 seed Cherie Little, junior No. 4 seed Debi Robertson, freshman No. 5 seed Shannon Rice and junior No. 6 seed Erica Hassmore.

The doubles teams of Rice/Little, Buckland/Passmore, and sophomore Kristie Jackson/freshman Elizabeth Bowling won their matches as well.

Against Transylvania, Rice, Passmore, and Little won their singles matches, and Robertson/Passmore won the doubles.

The tennis team will open up post season competition Thursday when they travel to Little Rock, Ark., for the Sun Belt Conference Tournament. The team finished ninth last year.

◆ Golf news

Slow start puts team behind

HERALD STAFF REPORT

The women's golf team fell behind quickly in the first round of the Sun Belt Conference Tournament in Nashville yesterday.

Western shot a 350 to finish the round in fifth place, 38 strokes behind first-place Lamar.

Junior Stacy Newman led the team with an 84 in the first round on the par-72 course. She is in 14th place individually.

Freshman Erica Montgomery shot an 88 and freshman Danielle Barker, senior Leisi Diedericks and senior Jennifer Moore all shot 90.

The tournament will continue today and will finish tomorrow.

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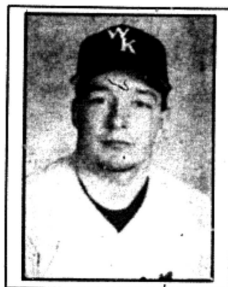
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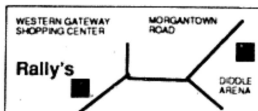
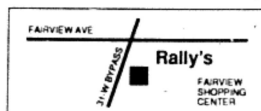
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