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## Sober drivers get free drinks

BY CHARLIE LANTER

A bill passed by the Student Government Association on Tuesday will put free soft drinks in the hands of designated drivers.

The bill authorized \$900 for the production and distribution of 5,000 designated driver cards.

Louisville junior Callie Varner, chairwoman of SGA's campus improvements committee, said the cards bear names of 12 local restaurants where a holder is entitled to free soft drinks.

Now SGA has to get the cards in students' pockets.

Varner said the committee hasn't decided on a method for distribution.

Setting up tables in Downing University Center, stacking cards on front desks at dorms and asking resident assistants to hand cards out on their floors are among the ideas Varner said the committee suggested.

Charles S. The Olive Garden, Vics Sports Bar, Toons and 40 Main are among the restaurants Varner said will be participating.

John May, operating partner of Hops, said his business is happy to be on the cards.

"The majority of our staff are students, and of course we play a big part with the university," May said. "This is a way we can help ensure safety in Bowling Green and on Western's campus."

### Other business

The SGA Congress also approved a resolution yesterday asking the university to put paper towels in the restrooms in DUC.

Paper towel dispensers are already hanging in the restrooms — SGA wants them kept full. Bowling Green senior Jason Hyde told the congress yesterday that the dispensers are stocked only on special days when the university expects parents or prospective students to visit.

SGA also heard the first reading of 10 pieces of legislation. All will likely be voted on at its regular meeting this Tuesday.

One resolution asks for the replacement of a tile walkway in front of Thompson Complex Central Wing.

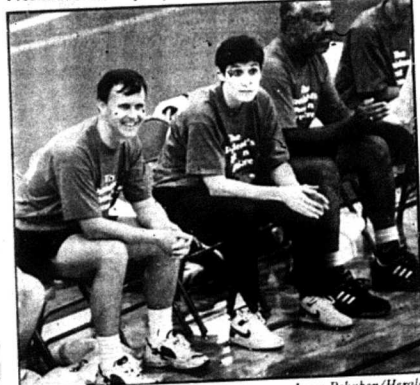
The student congress wants the tile replaced with a material that won't become slippery with "even the slightest rain."

The legislation describes the tile, which is broken in many places, as unattractive.



Stephen Frazier/Herald

President Gary Ransdell talks with Lexington freshman Traye Moore and Franklin sophomore Kim Randolph in Garrett Center on Monday.



Jason Behnken/Herald

Ransdell, Housing Director Kit Tolbert and Howard Bailey, dean of Student Life, watch as the president's basketball team takes on students yesterday at the Preston Center.

## Western greets new president

BY SHANNON BACK

Gary Ransdell's first week as president is almost over and he has a black eye to show for it.

Ransdell hit the basketball court for the first time in years last night at a presidential reception at the Preston Health and Activities Center. But in the midst of the excitement, he took an elbow to the face.

"I hope it doesn't look too bad. I have to go to Glasgow tomorrow," he said after realizing he had a shiner.

Ransdell, a group of administrators and a few former Western basketball stars lost 57-54 to a team of students coached by

Russellville senior Keith Coffman, Student Government Association president.

"It's fun trying to win with a bunch of old timers," said Lady Topper coach Steve Small, who skipped Ransdell's team. "It was a really good idea to do this for his first year as president and mine as head coach."

Free pizza was served before the game and Ransdell said more students showed up than he anticipated.

"I really didn't know what to expect," he said. "The turnout is really good."

Louisville freshman Hope

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## Local bar sold at auction for \$70,000

### ◆ The new owner of the old Baker Street Cafe says the bar will reopen in December

BY BRIAN MAINS

The bar on College Street and 13th Avenue will be back in business with bells on.

"We'll be open before Christmas," said Terry Maggert, the new owner of what was formerly known as Baker Street Cafe.

Maggert, who owns the new Pair O' Dice pizza parlor off University Boulevard, walked out of the narrow building at the bottom of the Hill on Tuesday after winning a small but hard-fought bidding war in the auction sponsored by Century 21.

The final price for what was one of the most popular hangouts in town? \$70,000.

Never fear, Maggert said. Those students who frequented Baker Street shouldn't find the new business too strange.

"We want to keep our customers," he said. "We plan on lining up the best acts ... and local favorites."

Baker Street closed late last month when the former owner, Trey Mossley, was involved in an accident which caused him to be hospitalized. "He was unable to operate his business," was all auctioneer

Buddy Adams said.

The bar was packed as Adams went through the legal issues surrounding the auction.

Everything except the cigarette machine, ice chest and gumball machine was auctioned off for one lump sum. Maggert put 10 percent down and agreed to close the deal by Dec. 11.

"Everything (was) sold as is," Adams said.

Maggert will have to apply for a new liquor license as well, Adams said. With machine gun rattling speed and a roomful of people, the auction began, littered with

phrases like "you want a better deal? You can't find it."

Cell phones were busy as other auctioneers went through the crowd, cajoling potential buyers to go higher than the initial \$35,000 bid.

The price of \$65,000 hung in the air until Maggert upped the ante one final time with his bid of \$70,000.

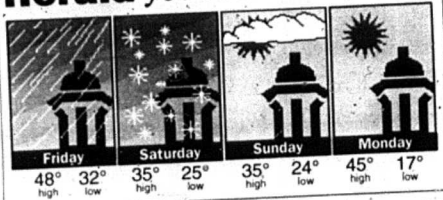
Rick Malek, a Bowling Green resident and Western graduate, said he was surprised by the going price of the place he considered a "home away from home."

"I expected it to go for \$90,000," Malek said.

Cathy Allen, a Bowling Green resident and one-time employee of the bar, said she was just glad the fate of the building was decided. "It's weird," Allen said. "I've been here a long time."



## Herald forecast



## ♦ Just a sec

## Police to set up road checks

The Bowling Green Police Department will be setting up sobriety road checks tonight and tomorrow night from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

These check points will be on Nashville Road near Natcher Parkway; Louisville Road near Old Porter Pike, U.S. 31-W Bypass near Fairview Road; Nashville Road near Campbell Lane, U.S. 31-W Bypass near University Boulevard; and Louisville Road near Riverview Road.

The police department said the road checks are designed to discourage drinking and driving.

## Kentucky poet to speak

Kentucky poet and author Richard Taylor will conduct a poetry reading at 7:30 tonight in Cherry Hall, Room 125.

The reading, sponsored by the English department, is free and open to the public.

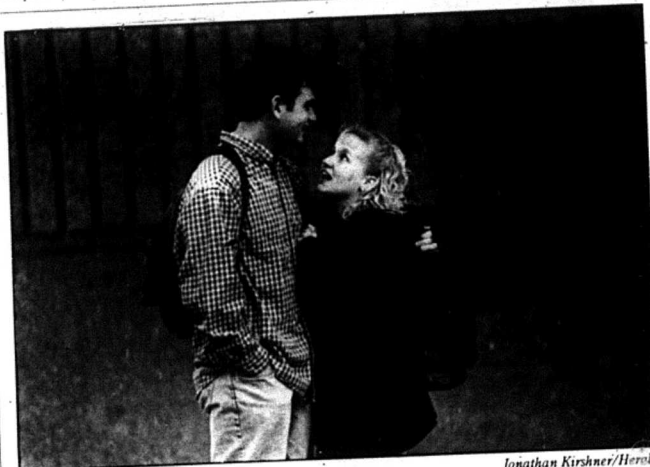
## Price leaving women's studies

The director of the women's studies program will be stepping down in May to return to full-time teaching.

Jimmie Price, who has served as director of women's studies for four years, is also a public health professor. "I have four years left until retirement and just wanted to spend time teaching," she said.

## ♦ Clearing the air

A story in the Nov. 6 Herald should have said 40 percent of Western students binge drink.



Jonathan Kirshner/Herald

## Warmhearted:

Chicago junior Michael Tolbert and Vicki Sheafan, a junior from Tampa, Fla., react to the snowfall yesterday while seeking shelter at the fine arts center colonnade.

## ♦ For the record/crime reports

## Charges

- ♦ Chad Anthony Taylor, 716 Pearce St., was charged Saturday with alcohol intoxication while a passenger in a car stopped for DUI. He was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the same day on time served.
- ♦ Shawn Mitchell Perry, 1296 Barnwood Ave., was charged Saturday with alcohol intoxication while a passenger in a car stopped for DUI. He was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the same day on time served.
- ♦ Ashley Elizabeth Davidson, 16204 Pamela Jo Ave., was charged Sunday with

DUI and driving on expired Kentucky registration tags on Big Red Way. She was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the same day on a \$500 unsecured bond.
- ♦ Jillian Leigh Staton Bemis Lawrence, was charged Sunday with DUI under the age of 21 after she was stopped going the wrong way on Kentucky Street. She was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the same day on a \$500 unsecured bond.
- ♦ Kelly Christopher Holland, 1026 Fran Elm Road, was charged Sunday with alcohol intoxication in a public place while in Diddle Arena. He was released from the

Warren County Regional Jail the same day on time served.

## Reports

- ♦ Justin P. Herod, Keen Hall, reported Saturday five compact discs, valued at \$75, and \$40 cash stolen from his room.
- ♦ Lance Moon, Keen, reported Sunday the sunroof of his car, valued at \$300, broken while parked in Egypt lot.
- ♦ Keith A. Whitney, Pearce Ford Tower, reported Monday two pairs of jeans, valued at \$30, one pair of khaki pants, valued at \$20, and one pair of corduroy pants, valued at \$20, stolen from a dryer in his dorm.

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# New support group offers help for depression

BY KELLEY LYNN

Imagine having a disease so debilitating that doing everyday things like working, eating or even getting out of bed are simply impossible.

These are problems people with depression face every day. But as of tomorrow, depression sufferers will have a new weapon with which to battle their illness.

A new self-help group called Depressed Anonymous will hold its first meeting from 2-3 p.m. tomorrow at Broadway United Methodist Church.

Depressed Anonymous (D.A.) is a 12-step program — patterned after Alcoholics Anonymous — to help depres-

sion sufferers form friendships, networks of support and eliminate feelings of isolation. The group was founded as part of a project at the University of Evansville in 1984. Its goal: to help some of the estimated 22 million Americans who suffer from forms of depression.

"It was a pilot project to see if people who are depressed could follow basically the same format program and spirituality of A.A.," said D.A.'s founder, who in the spirit of the organization, requested to remain anonymous. "And everyone who followed our little program got better."

It's been growing ever since. The group has chapters in Louisville and Owensboro — and also satellite groups in

Ireland and Germany.

Bowling Green resident Katherine Lane lives with bipolar disorder, or severe fluctuations in mood from extreme elation to deep depression. Her condition has made her a perfect catalyst for the formation of a Bowling Green chapter of D.A. She said people who have symptoms such as feelings of hopelessness, inability to sleep or eat, radical mood swings or suicidal thoughts should come to the meeting but should also seek professional help.

"It's not a place you can come and get fixed," Lane said. "D.A. is all about self-help, what you can do to help yourself."

There are many things that a person can do to help regulate the severity of

depression, Lane said.

"Mental health is like physical health," she said. "There are all these catalysts that affect whether or not the illness will manifest itself or not."

Another catalyst that can worsen the illness is the lack of understanding by loved ones. Many times people get advice from friends and family that proves less than helpful, Lane said.

"It's not a 'pull yourself up by the boot straps' kind of thing," she said. "It's an actual illness. It's not just 'in your head'."

People who feel they need assistance with depression are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Lane at 782-7150.

## PRESIDENT: First week hectic

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Pike said she decided to watch Ransdell and his team instead of working out.

"I've met him before and he seemed really nice, but I didn't see him as the athletic type," she said, laughing.

"I still don't, but this is very entertaining."

Last night wasn't the first chaotic night this week for Ransdell. Almost every minute of his schedule since he arrived on Monday has been booked for months.

Since the Board of Regents named him president in September, he has met with the Faculty Senate, SGA, vice presidents and lawmakers.

In addition to touring campus and talking with students

on Monday, he met with several campus and community groups.

His first meeting was with the College of Business Advisory Council and later that afternoon he conferred with state and local leaders about the dangerous crosswalk at University Boulevard.

Ransdell will also be busy raising money. He is scheduled to meet with alumni clubs in Owensboro and Louisville in the next few weeks.

This weekend he'll take his first flight to the nation's capital as Western's president. At a conference of State Colleges and Universities, he'll meet with other university presidents and editorial boards from various newspapers.

"I hope I'll be able to learn

and get connected with those constituents," he said.

In the Garrett food court Monday, students who were eating between 11 a.m. and noon had an unexpected visit from their new president.

"It's nice to see his face," Irvington sophomore Michelle Stiff said.

"Before now I'd only seen pictures of him. I'm glad he spared a few minutes on his first day to talk with students."

Ransdell said he wants to be visible on campus and involved with activities. He wants students to think of him as "easy to talk to" and "not just the president who works in his office all of the time."

"I want to be out on campus as much as I can and still effectively do this job."

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# Opinion

## Solve pedestrian safety problem now

**A**re students expendable? It would seem so by the way university, city and state officials are dragging their feet in dealing with the safety problem on University Boulevard.

On Monday these officials met behind closed doors at Bowling Green City Hall and endorsed adding a skywalk to the state's six-year road plan.

This could take years of red tape, or it may never happen at all.

**• The issue:** City, state and university officials met last Monday and did not offer any real immediate solutions to the safety problem at University Boulevard.

**• Our view:** Public officials should implement a solution to the problem now before someone else is seriously injured.

This grandiose plan is a bad idea that only serves to postpone any real action from being taken.

What's it going to take?

Will someone have to be killed before public officials really take the problem seriously enough to do something immediately?

There is no way to know when the next pedestrian will be maimed when crossing.

Last month, Tara Darville got a concussion and a bruised foot and was in the hospital for three days after being hit in the crosswalk. Last March, Fred Lucas broke both shoulders after being run over. In November 1995, Mekisha Page had a collapsed lung and had to have reconstructive knee surgery after being hit at the crosswalk.

To them it was a profound moment in their lives, but to these officials it seems they were just numbers on a long list — Nos. 4, 5 and 6 since 1992, to be exact.



Officials proposed three so-called solutions to the problem:

- ◆ Temporarily lower the speed limit from 35 to 25 miles per hour.

- Assuming that people abide by the speed limit, it would still take a car going 25 mph 29.76 feet to come to a full stop, according to Detective Eldon Isenberg of the Kentucky State Police.

- ◆ Conduct a study on whether the speed limit should be permanently lowered.

When lives are on the line, you take action. You don't just study and wait for the next accident to happen.

- ◆ Add rumble strips and increase

police patrol on the road.

Neither of these will really slow down traffic or decrease the number of accidents that take place.

More needs to be done.

Last September, University Attorney Deborah Wilkins submitted a proposal to the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to move the crosswalk at the intersection of Creason Drive to the intersection at Big Red Way and install a scramble switch that allows pedestrians to push a button that turns the lights red. But the idea was rejected because the cabinet thought it wouldn't be feasible with the traffic flow.

Wouldn't be feasible?

Moving the crosswalk would be the most simple, most affordable and most feasible solution. Traffic flow seems inconsequential when compared to the lives of students.

It's time for these politicians and bureaucrats to wake up and grow up.

For years, university officials have said this wasn't their responsibility because University Boulevard is a state road. All the while more people keep getting hit.

The time for studying the problem is over. The time for talking about it is over. Action is long overdue.

### ◆ Letter to the editor

#### Professor deserved extension on deadline

This is a response to Chuck Lindeman's letter in Tuesday's Herald. Lindeman commented, "Would a student that had a paper or project due get the same leeway from a professor? I think not."

Western's 1997-1998 Catalog (issue, page 28, discusses of the process of an income

plete grade. Western, as an institution, as well as many faculty members, will take into consideration situations that may arise.

Valerie Haskins not only teaches a full course load, but was also assigned to manage the Native American Grave Protections and Reputation Act (NAGPRA) project in the archaeology lab.

This project is required for the university

to comply with a federal law.

Noncompliance to this law could result in the university as a whole losing its federal funding. She is the faculty adviser for all of the anthropology majors and the Anthropology Club.

Lindeman is obviously unaware of these extenuating circumstances, which is evident when he stated that "most college students, including myself, juggle just as much

or more events in our lives as Haskins."

The fact is, life is not laid out on some imaginary grid of rules as Lindeman suggests. I would hope that Western has provided everyone with enough experience to determine that life is for living and requires no rule book.

Michele Martz,  
Independence senior

### People poll

#### ◆ Have you ever had a close call at University Boulevard?



"I guess he didn't see me. He stopped almost right in front of me."

Clarence Jackson,  
Louisville sophomore



"It's kind of hard to see people when you're driving."

Chris Freeman,  
freshman from Newburgh, Ind.



"I was crossing the crosswalk and there's no lighting, so no one could see me very well and they don't stop."

Emily Witcher,  
Glasgow junior



"This lady drove by in a big white Cadillac and honked her horn, but she didn't stop and I had to step out of the way."

Scott Brown,  
Lewisburg sophomore



"I was riding with a guy I know the other day, and he almost hit a girl that was jaywalking."

Darren Fontress,  
Hardinsburg junior

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# Forum

## Take a stand against drunken driving

I want to tell you a story about a girl I knew.

Her name was Amanda. She was 13 years old, and she was my brother's girlfriend.

Out of all the girlfriends my brother had ever had, she was the only one I ever took time to get to know. I took her to church with us, brought her to our house, took my brother to her house and talked to her on the phone when she called.

I didn't know much about her personally — I didn't know her favorite color or even her favorite song — but I did know she was crazy about my brother and he was crazy about her.

On Oct. 23, Amanda was killed in an automobile accident because her mother chose to drink and drive.

The sad part was that she should have been in school at the time the accident occurred.

Her mother apparently came and picked her up early that day.

While I am not affected as personally as some people, it hits home because it has affected my brother and it will affect him in the future.

I mean, how do you tell a 12-year-old his girlfriend — his best friend — is dead?

I couldn't sleep the night I found out about her death.

Every time I closed my eyes I would see her face. She had such a beautiful smile.

The sad part is that these kind of accidents are not rare. Nearly 300 people in Kentucky were killed in alcohol-related automobile accidents in 1995 alone.

People, many of them children, die every day because of drunken drivers. Most of these deaths could have been prevented if someone had been responsible.

I know Amanda's death could have been prevented. There was no reason she needed to be picked up from school early and be in the car with her

rarely do most of us think about the innocent people who get killed in these types of accidents until it hits us personally. I rarely did.

I hope everyone will stop and think about people who are important to them, even those you aren't as close to, such as Amanda. Think of your mother, your little brother, your best friend or the annoying kid who lives next door.

Think of how you would feel if that guy who sits beside you in math class suddenly died because someone was irresponsible enough to drink and drive.

Until something like this happens, many people will not take drinking and driving seriously because it still happens all the time.

But take just a few minutes to think about the people in your life, especially the younger ones,

and think about how your life would be affected if something happened to them.

Why isn't the world just as distraught when a child, someone who never got a chance to live his life or achieve his dreams is killed?

Amanda never made it to high school. She didn't get her driver's license, never got to enjoy a prom, graduate from high school or get married — all the things most children look forward to.

Take a stand against drunk drivers. Don't drink and drive yourself and take the keys from your friends if they decide to because you never know when an innocent life, such as Amanda's, will be taken away from those who love them.

**Editor's note:** Melissa Felkins is a sophomore print journalism major from Monticello.

**Melissa Felkins**  
Commentary



mother and the other passengers who had also been drinking.

I know this incident will affect my brother and the rest of his classmates for a long time. It will affect me for a long time. The problem is that very

## This model citizen really not too tough

Isn't it amazing how mature some of us can be?

Those model citizens with kids standing around them wanting autographs have to do something stupid.

Stupid as in punching someone because he referred to the model citizen as a baby. The model citizen has a broken hand, can't play ball, is forfeiting his salary while he is off, and the other party denies the model citizens ever punched him.

In an issue of the Louisville Courier-Journal sports section, there was a story that stood out. It had a headline "Wounded by words, Harbaugh hits Kelly" with the story telling about the Indianapolis Colts quarterback punching ex-Buffalo Bills quarterback Jim Kelly because Kelly called Harbaugh a "baby."

The same Jim Harbaugh who is a volunteer assistant coach for Western's football team. The same Jim Harbaugh who Western recently honored for his contributions to the university. The same Jim Harbaugh who was made an honorary alumnus. The same Jim Harbaugh who was commissioned a Kentucky Colonel and a Warren County Good Ole Boy. The same Jim Harbaugh who after the game was surrounded by kids and grown-ups alike seeking his autograph. The same man whose picture appeared in the pages of the Herald, photo by yours truly.

The stupid part, the thing I don't understand, is why someone, namely Harbaugh, thought he had to confront Kelly, who referred to him as a "baby," who "overdramatized" his injuries on television.

Harbaugh stated that he punched Kelly because "I felt I had to do something since my toughness was being questioned."

Here's a news flash — you showed how much of a baby you really are by your response.

Colts coach Lindy Infante said "everybody has to understand that there are some competitive people in the business." If this is what competition

brings, forget it.

All this from the people who brought you strikes, free agents and ticket prices so outrageously high that you need a loan to take the family out to the game. Not to mention that every-

body wants a new stadium every few years to keep up with other cities, creating a heavier tax burden for the average person.

When people wear chips on their shoulders, it puts a burden on them and they think they're untouchable. When the chip falls, it only lands on the people wearing it. They are the ones who get hurt in the end.

My name is Neal. I'm a redneck. I have been called worse. I have been called better. If I ever worried about what anybody ever called me in my life or this past week, I would be in a constant battle. Before any of us start to do something stupid like hit a person because of what they say, remember it takes a better person to walk away from a fight than it does to actually fight.

If we want to talk toughness in sports, take a look at George Blanda, who played quarterback and kicker for the Oakland Raiders when he was 48 years old, 45-year-old Nolan Ryan throwing fast balls at more than 95 miles per hour, or Satchell Paige being the Rookie of the Year in baseball at the young age of 42. Both Harbaugh and Kelly need to look at these people before they consider themselves tough.

If we want to talk toughness in real life, how about the boys who "hit the beaches of Normandy" back in June of 1944 or any war veteran? How about the starving, the AIDS victims or my father with his leukemia?

We don't even know what being tough is until we are in these people's shoes.

Baby?

What a word to ruin your career over.

**Editor's note:** Neal Cardin is a senior photojournalism major from Sonoma.

**Neal Cardin**  
Commentary



## Other cultures inferior to ours

Recently I read "A Little Glass of Tum," in which Claude Lévi-Strauss supports viewing all cultural behaviors in their proper context and avoid knee-jerk reactions to what might initially appear to be bizarre activities.

How exactly are we going to be able to do this when our counterparts are so, well, bizarre? Once I've systematically and triumphantly proven that America has the only worthwhile culture, I think that you'll agree that this notion is but a fallacy. This idea that we, as a country, should appreciate our moronic global neighbors is pitifully off base. I, as mouthpiece for my red, white and blue brethren, will explain how the citizens of the greatest country in the world really feel about opposing cultures.

Take the Europeans... please. Come on, these people don't even have brains enough to drive on the right side of the road. We're supposed to view them as equals? I don't think so.

Look at the French. They don't even have the aesthetic sense to appreciate Euro-Disney, which is probably the greatest cultural achievement that country has ever seen. It's not like anybody had even done anything artistic over there before, right?

I had a friend who once went on a vacation to Italy and he told

me that the people there can't even speak English.

We're looking at a country full of adults that don't even know our language.

Arabs and Indians are no better, believe me. You've got a nation full of people walking around with tablecloths wrapped around their heads and I'm supposed to respect their

culture?

Don't even get me started on their women, either. These chicks not only don't show any skin, they even refuse to show their hair. I expect my women to parade around in tight little T-shirts and cut-off denim shorts, no excuses.

Oh yeah, memo to India: A cow is good eating, not your deceased cousin Habib.

The former Soviet Union? All they care about is spotting a chink in our Yankee armor so that we will fall easy prey to nuclear winter. I know what these Russians are really about. All that posturing for democracy is just a front.

Another place that's not on my vacation itinerary is Africa. Man, you'll find some real savages there. No hot dogs or apple pie on the menu in this land. In fact, you probably don't even want to look at a menu unless you consider it an honor to be included. I've heard that the locals on the continent will size you up like USDA prime cut and toss you in a cauldron as though they were Dallas Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman.

And from what I've been told, they have hundreds of various dialects in Africa, but not one is English. Sounds like a conspiracy to me. Somebody better call all the living members of the Warren Commission, or at least get me Sen. Arlen Specter on the phone immediately.

Finally, the devious Japanese. If it weren't already clear that these people are misguided, look at how they value the elderly in their country. Our little yellow adversaries haven't yet caught up to the Western truth that old people are merely a nuisance.

You see not only is it ridiculous to imagine Americans embracing a foreign culture above our own, but we are also incapable of avoiding the cultural biases that are programmed into our psyches from birth.

Years ago, my grandfather said, "Son, don't ever trust foreigners or anyone who can't name the cast members of Friends. Obviously this was sound advice. Needless to say, it has held me in good stead."

And if you question my grandfather's wisdom, remember "Friends" would not debut on NBC until some 20 years later.

People from divergent cultures might eventually gain my respect, but not until they've choked down too much fast food, played a few games of Twister and sat through every episode of the Brady Bunch.

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

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# A Trend in need

Western students and faculty share their love for fads gone bad



Story by

Scheri Elaine Smith

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**Admit it.** Everyone has at one time or another fallen prey to a dead trend. You know: When you get dressed, T-shirt ties are in ... but by the time you get home, they're sooooo over.

There are a million more stories like that one. Who can forget the days of Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles or the wondrous crimping iron? What about the zip-zip-zip sound parachute pants made when you walked? Or OP shirts? With so many trends to keep up with, someone's bound to drown in the pool of dead ones and stay in love with others. Western students and faculty are no exception.

And they went on the record — most of them begrudgingly — to share their secrets. Welcome to the dark side: the world of WHAM! lovin', slap-bracelet wearing, trend junkies that just won't let things die.

### Music to die for ... or of

◆ **Stephanie Zirnheld, Louisville sophomore**

TREND IN NEED: '80s ROCK N' ROLL

It's make-up, it's hair, it's huge fireworks. Welcome back to the shock-rockin' days of '80s music. Pure flash and a few guitars were enough to fill stadiums.

"I want the '80s music back," Zirnheld said. "I absolutely loved the music. It was feel good music."

Zirnheld said bands like Bon Jovi and Poison still have a warm spot in her heart. But the clothes of the decade could use a little help.

"The music was great," she said. "But the hair and clothes were so tacky."

◆ **Kelly Mayfield, Elizabethtown junior**

TREND IN NEED: The scratchy vocals of the great AXI ROSE

"There's nothing like Guns N' Roses," she said. "But I have to admit I don't mind them not coming back because it means so much more if you're the only one who thinks they're cool."

The '80s may have been rad from a pop culture perspective, but some people's secret bad fad extends way beyond the decade of Reaganomics.

◆ **Ashley Thornton, Bowling Green freshman**

TREND IN NEED: The MULT-SHOP style of the '50s

"I want the '50s back," Thornton said. "I just love the music and clothes."

Something else attracted Thornton to the decade she has never seen: "I really like the innocence of that time period," she said.

### Clothes to die for ... or choke on

If it isn't the music of the past that provokes good vibrations, there is always the ever-changing fashion world. Leisure suits, bell bottoms and beads have all made comebacks, but what about the not-so-successful fads?

◆ **Royden Covington, Glens Fork non-traditional student**

TREND IN NEED: SOCK-HOP SOCKS

It's all in the socks, according to the 69-year-old student. If he had his way, the fad of the day would have to do with feet.

"I love bobbie socks," he said. "I'm not sure why, but it's the first thing that pops in my mind."

◆ **Mary Cobb, physical education and recreation instructor**

TREND IN NEED: SEAMY LEGS for women and professional GEAR for men.

"I like to see seams in the back of pantsy hose again," she said.

Why? Because the seams make legs look sexy, she said. As far as fashion for men, Cobb said she would like to see them in more British-style attire.

"I love the idea of men wearing waist coats under their suits," she said. "I also like chain watches. It just makes them look more professional."

And just when it looked like the closet trends had gone far enough, Karen White jumps in.

◆ **Karen White, sophomore from Portland, Tenn.**

TREND IN NEED: GOLD ... M.C. style

"I want to see big fat gold chains come back in," White said. "The ones like L.L. Cool J used to wear."

◆ **David Lee, dean of Potter College**

TREND IN NEED: M-I-C-K-E-Y-M-O-U-S-E

"It'd have to be Mickey Mouse ears," Lee said. "I don't have any now, but I'm sure I did at one time."

However, the ears mean more to Lee than just role-playing a mouse; they represent the beginning of an era.

"They came out in a time when television was new," he said. "It had a significant impact on America. It may seem frivolous and trivial, but it was an introduction to what television was to become."

"And Mickey Mouse ears just bring out the kid in us all."

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# Cry rivers at 'Yellow Boat'

Why does Asian food taste better with chopsticks? Why does a man feel twice as cool when he has a toothpick in his mouth? Why do drive-up cash machines have Braille printed on the keys? And if homosexual men are called gay, why aren't homosexual women called ecstatic?

Hmm. Things to ponder before reading SuperPicks.

## Pick of the weekend

Done pondering? Good. Last week, I plugged campus radio, this week it's the children's theater program. I know what you're thinking: "Children's theater? Feh." But this is good stuff, people. I saw the production of "House at Pooh Corner" two weeks ago, and I'm hooked. (Great job, Tigger and Eeyore!)

And now, there's a new production to check out: "The Yellow Boat," showing at 4 p.m. tomorrow in Gordon Wilson Hall. Admission's a buck, and it's a steal.

The play takes place in the 1980s, when the threat of HIV was supposedly nonexistent. When the daughter of a young couple contracts the virus via blood transfusion, the physical and social ramifications of the disease become all too apparent. Friends desert them. Parents



## WEEKEND SUPERPICKS

Chris Hutchins

deal with the pain. A daughter stays hopeful.

The play is suggested for children 8 and older, but here's why you should go — it's serious, it's well-written — and one of the cast members is 12 years old. Tres cool.

"One of my professors knows that I like to do real serious plays," said director Shannon Bryan, a junior from Ashland City, Tenn. "I like to direct serious pieces that have a meaning other people probably wouldn't touch. I read the script, and after five pages of it I fell in love. It was that inspiring to me."

And the story behind the curtain is, too. The production lost a cast member on Monday; actor Mike Taylor has only been practicing for four days. Katie Mitchell, 12, is the girl who plays

the ailing daughter. According to those involved in the play, she has been a great addition.

"They really like having her here," Bryan said. "The cast has told me personally having a child is one of the best decisions I've made. Instead of getting a college-aged student to play a child. And hopefully, having a child play the role will make it more realistic to our audience members — kids."

The play is realistic. There's drama. And sadness. And death.

"But we shouldn't be afraid of that," Bryan insists. "It's a vital part of life. Yes, you grieve, but you need to get on with your life; they (the dead people) would want you to get on with it. Children need to see that, too. That's why this was written for children."

Here's hoping they love it. And here's hoping you go. It's \$1. It's tomorrow. If you can't make it then, you can go at 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, same place. For more information, contact the department of theater and dance at 745-5845.

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## TREND: Fads remain fab

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### Television and movies rule the world

There's no way around that one television show that stops the world when it comes on. In Bethany Brown's case, nothing would make her more happy than a little more contact.

◆ **Bethany Brown, Glasgow junior.** TREND IN NEED: An educational, yet entertaining series "I loved '3-2-1 Contact,'" she said. "But what I really loved the most about it was the detective part of it called 'The Bloodhound Gang.'"

What would be even better is if they had a whole series of just "The Bloodhound Gang," she said. Brown went on to pledge her allegiance to shows like "Diff'rent Strokes" and "The Facts of Life."

"I just love that Arnold," she said. ◆ **Nicole Hendricks, Franklin freshman.** TREND IN NEED: A bunch of rebels — without causes Hendricks said she loved old movies starring James Dean.

"It's all about the rebel men," she said. "They were so sexy. They had that sense of adventure."

And that adventure is what Hendricks said is missing today. "Rebel men dared," she said, "which men these days just don't do."

◆ **Carrie Heaton, Bardstown junior.** TREND IN NEED: Boogie-bouncing teens on the bandstand.

"It's all about 'American Bandstand,'" she said. "I loved Dick Clark, not to mention the great music."

"American Bandstand" was practically her day. "I would like to watch them on Saturdays," she said. In the midst of all the trends revolving around fashion, music and what was hot on television, reality rears its ugly head. And these trends are fun to reminisce about, but according to some, there are definitely more important things.

◆ **Howard Bailey, Dean of Student Life.** TREND IN NEED: More student involvement.

"I would like to see a student body that got actively involved in campus issues come back," Bailey said. "I think that's when a campus offers the most in student development."

## Important Notice

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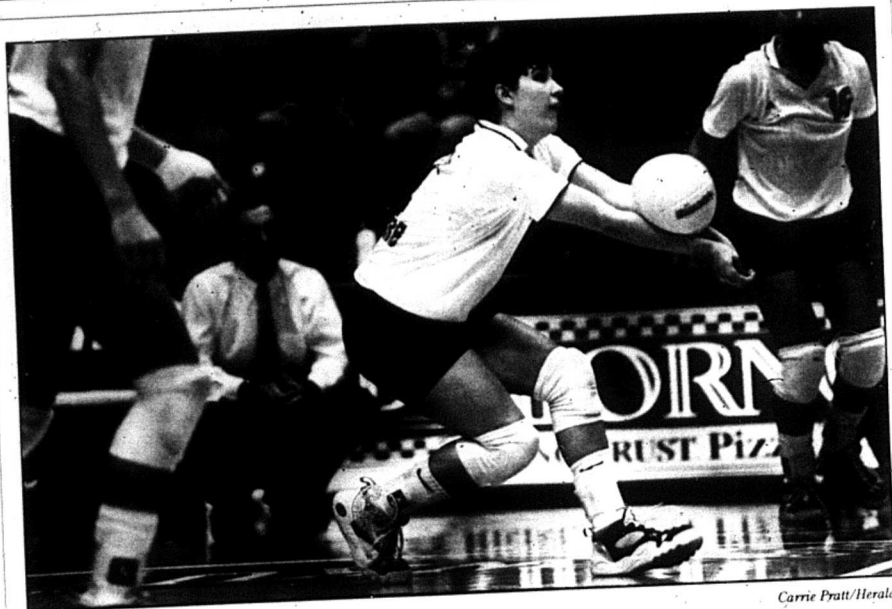
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# Sports



Carrie Pratt/Herald

During Tuesday's match against Middle Tennessee State, senior outside hitter Alexa Hartley bumps the ball. Western lost the game, 11-15, 15-13, 12-15, 16-14, 12-15.

## Western falls in last home match

◆ *The volleyball team ends its season against Austin Peay at 7 tonight in Clarksville, Tenn.*

BY CHRIS ABRELL

Western closed out the home portion of its schedule last night against Middle Tennessee State. All 197 volleyball fans in Diddle Arena got their money's worth.

"It was one of the best crowds we've ever had on senior night," Western coach Travis Hudson said. "I doubt that anyone left disappointed."

Senior middle hitter Jamie Ritterskamp added another gold star to her report card, setting a Diddle record with 28 kills.

"I guess (the record) makes the loss easier," Ritterskamp said. "I'm still disappointed. I'd rather have the win for the team."

Western (9-21) fell in five games to a

tenacious Lady Raider team (7-19). MTSU coach David Schwepker said a team has to be scrappy when it only dresses seven players.

"This is a really good win for us," Schwepker said. "Our season started great, but we had some problems in the middle. Now we're starting to get that focus back."

MTSU pounced on the Lady Toppers 5-2 in game one before Western cut the lead to 12-11, but couldn't hang on, losing 15-11. Early in game two, Western found itself in a similar predicament, down 8-4. This time the Lady Toppers dug in, making a 5-0 run to take the lead 9-8. Two blocks and a service ace later, they won 15-13, tying the match at 1-1.

Game three went to the Lady Raiders, who kept precedent, opening 8-3. Western caught up at 12, but MTSU made it to the top of the ladder first, winning 15-12.

"We went through a period in game three where we were tentative," Hudson

said. "They jumped on us, and I think I might have waited too long to stop the bleeding."

But being wounded can make teams fight harder. MTSU couldn't shake the Lady Toppers as they took game four 16-14, tying it up at 2-2.

Western never had the lead in game five. The Lady Toppers drew within one at 13-12, but went no further as Lady Raiders secured its first win ever over Western 15-12.

"In the fifth game we played up," Schwepker said. "We had some good blocking toward the end that we needed. Had they stayed up, it would've been an even better battle."

Western ends its season tonight at Austin Peay, but for one senior the real season ended last night in front of family and friends.

"I know we finish the season at Austin Peay," Ritterskamp said. "It's hard to put into words, but this felt like our last match."

## Men's basketball to play exhibition

BY GEORGE ROBINSON

Drobe Juts RV, another of the long line of out of the country exhibition teams, is bringing its brand of basketball to the New World.

Nestled in southcentral Lithuania, Drobe Juts has several players who have competed on the Lithuania National Team.

The Toppers will host Drobe Juts (7-1) at 7 tonight in Diddle Arena. Western will be trying to pick up another exhibition win before heading to No. 2 Kansas on Wednesday.

"This is an important tuneup for our team," Western coach Matt Kilcullen said. "We still have a lot of kinks we still need to iron out."

One of those kinks is a decision that all coaches wish they had. "Who will get the playing time?"

During Saturday's exhibition win against Next Level Sports, several Toppers failed to log double digit minutes in the game because of Western's deep bench.

"That'll prove to be an asset rather than a liability," Kilcullen said. "Of course we would like to get all of our players minutes, but we're dealing with 15 players and it's hard trying to get all of them an adequate amount of playing time. I think we did a good job in getting nine different players in double digit minutes."

The Toppers don't seem to mind how many minutes they accumulate beside their names on the score card. Their attention is directed at the improvement of the team.

"The guys who are out there working hard in practice are the guys that'll stay out on the court during the games," sophomore forward Lee Lampley said. "Our depth is our strength, and you can contribute as the seventh man as you would if you were the starter."

Drobe Juts isn't as tall as Next Level Sports. The centers are 6-8 and 6-11, but the team makes up for lack of size in the frontcourt with tall guards. No guard is under 6-3, with the tallest at 6-6.

The team, which is on an eight-game tour, lost Tuesday to the University of North Carolina Greensboro, 105-67.

With Western's replenished inside game, the Toppers are

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## Gridiron Toppers await playoff announcement

BY TRAVIS MAYO

Western football players are marking the days off their calendars.

The Toppers are waiting for Monday night, when a portion of the playoff field will be announced by a selection committee. Then and only then will the Division I-AA playoffs become official.

While Western finished the regular season 9-1, talk of the postseason is still at a whisper around the football office. No one wants to guarantee a bid yet.

"Stranger things have happened," defensive coordinator Andy Hendel said. "The committee can look at the polls, but it isn't written in granite."

Hendel added that he liked No. 5 Western's chances of mak-

ing the playoffs, especially since the team's only loss came against Division I-A Alabama-Birmingham by only four points.

But being an independent team and not having the support of a conference makes it more difficult.

Eastern Kentucky coach Roy Kidd's Colonels are in the Ohio Valley Conference and could receive an automatic bid with two wins to close out the season. Kidd doesn't see any problem for Western, who beat Eastern 37-21 earlier this season.

"I don't think there's any doubt about Western going," he said.

**"I don't think there's any doubt about Western going."**

— Roy Kidd  
Eastern Kentucky  
football coach

Eastern has faced and beaten Western in both of the Toppers' playoff appearances. The Colonels won 40-17 in a first-round game in 1987 and then again in the quarterfinals, 41-24.

What are the chances of repeated history?

"Hey, I just want to get in, and I don't care who we play," he said.

Paul Just, Western's Sports Information director, also likes the Toppers' chances. But he warned against premature speculation, saying, "Until it's done, we're not in."

Even though the Hilltoppers

are the top independent in both the ESPN/USA Today and Sports Network Polls, they are the fourth best independent team according to the USA Today Sagarian Computer Ratings.

Just recalled three Western teams that had the chance to make the playoffs and didn't. The most recent was the 1993 squad, which finished 8-3. Just said that team was ranked at the end of the season but was still on the bubble.

In 1989, Western coach Jack Harbaugh's first team didn't make it, finishing 6-5. The chance came down to the last game against Eastern Illinois, with rumors rampant that the winner would advance. Eastern Illinois won 10-7 and did advance. It was the last time Western rushed for less than 100 yards in a game.

Another 9-1 team didn't make it in 1990, but the I-AA playoffs were just beginning and there were no automatic bids.

This 9-1 team may find out Monday. Senior wingback Jade Gummer likes Western's odds.

"Everybody's feeling good right now because in years past we've put it on other teams' shoulders," he said. "This year we took the destiny into our own hands and we made it happen."

**Taggart reaches another milestone**

Senior Willie Taggart became the first quarterback ever to average more than eight yards per carry in the regular season after Saturday's win over Indiana State. The previous high of 7.87 was set in 1994 by current Tennessee Oilers quarterback Steve McNair, then at Alcorn State.



## Swimmers hit road

BY CHRIS ABRELL AND  
JENNY CHRISTIAN

For those who don't know Western has a new women's swimming team (3-2) and those who don't expect much from a first-year squad, this weekend's double dual with Northeast Louisiana in Monroe, La., could provide a wake-up call.

Western coach Bill Powell said he scheduled the double dual with Northeast Louisiana Indians and Division II's Henderson State Reddies primarily to gauge his women against NLU's second-year team (2-2).

Powell said his fledgling group of young women have a better chance of weathering the weekend than his well-established men.

"Turns out that our women's team recruited a little better than they did," Powell said. "Our girls may have a fairly easy time of it and our men are going to go down there and run into a buzzsaw."

UNL coach John Pittington didn't see either of the teams having a clear-cut advantage, but he did admit his Lady Indians would have a tough time with Western.

"It'll be a pretty good meet,"

Pittington said. "We didn't get to recruit our first year, and from the times I've seen, (Powell's) got (an advantage)."

### The men's side

The Big Red Machine, a.k.a. Western's men's swim team (5-0), may find that Northeast Louisiana can put a stop to the Tops' winning streak on Saturday.

"Their men are tougher than snort," Powell said. "We're going to have to swim really well to win."

The Indians (6-1) have five new swimmers leading the team this year, all of which are international swimmers who competed on their national teams.

Powell said Western's freestyle and medley relays will have to perform well to gain any points for the Hilltoppers.

Having three teams at the meet affects the scoring, making Western's depth nearly useless. Although Powell isn't worried about the Reddies, Northeast Louisiana does have him concerned.

"They're awfully tough in the sprints," Powell said. "We'll just jump in and see what we can do."

## Districts next for Tops

BY JENNY CHRISTIAN

After leaving their mark at the Sun Belt Conference Championship meet, the men's and women's cross country teams are heading to Greenville, S.C., for the NCAA District III Championship meet Saturday.

On a course they've run before, the men are hoping to cross the finish and qualify for the NCAA championships, while the women are looking to finish in their season in high style.

Our main concern is qualifying for nationals at districts," junior Ian Don-Wauchope said. "We must finish in the top one or two of several teams."

Competing in the NCAA Pre-Meet helped prepare Western's cross country teams for this race. It was also held at Furman University.

To qualify for nationals is a goal that has remained just out of reach for the Hilltoppers, but this

year it looks to be closer than ever. "We always want to qualify for nationals," Don-Wauchope said.

"This year we have a chance. The key to our success is that we've got a lot more depth this year."

For the women's squad, the priorities are a little different. The last time the Lady Tops ran this course, they finished last among 23 teams.

"I'm hoping they'll run better," assistant coach Michelle Scott said.

With such a large field, it is hard to tell how well the women will run. Scott said. But they are taking the same squad that placed second at the Sun Belt Conference, with one possible exception. Freshman Terri Hennessey is suffering from a hamstring injury, and she may be replaced by sophomore Colleen Guy.

"I have no real expectations," Scott said. "It's just another race, but it's an important race."

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Using this game to implement the other side of their offense.

"We basically need to do a better job at recognizing the open man," junior center Maurice Strong said. "We want to work on our low post kick-out and sharpen our passing."

Lampy said it's important to play hard regardless of the opponent. "We aren't looking past anybody — whether they are an international team or a nationally ranked team."

### Tops sign guard

Western's men's basketball team just added to its abundant backcourt for 1998-99.

Bowling Green High School guard Casey Simpson officially signed with the Hilltoppers on Wednesday, having verbally committed to Western in late July.

The 6-2, 170-pound senior led his team in scoring last season averaging 19.0 points, three rebounds and three assists per game.

## Lady Tops sign three

HERALD STAFF REPORT

Western's women's basketball team signed two players for the 1998-99 season yesterday and a third is expected to sign today.

Katie Wolf, a 6-3 center from Normal (Ill.) Community High School, and Shatika Hutcherson, a 6-1 forward from Tennessee Prep High School in Nashville, signed national letters-of-intent yesterday. Christina Covington, a 6-0 guard/forward from Elizabethtown High School, verbally committed last month and is expected to sign her letter today.

Wolf is a late bloomer whose high school friend, Natalie Furey, has verbally committed to play volleyball at Western. Wolf averaged 11 points and nine rebounds last season.

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# New coaches hope to end Louisville-Western feud

BY JERRY BREWER

It's a rivalry known more for its off-the-court yacking and misunderstandings than sterling on-the-court play.

Actually, if the term "rivalry" is strictly defined, then Western vs. Louisville isn't in the dictionary.

They don't play each other in basketball anymore. The women's teams have been divorced five years.

It's the players who've suffered the most from the absence of the Western-Louisville game. Western senior forward Sha Ronda Allen, a Louisville native, has a vested interest in a reconciliation.

She was recruited heavily by both the Lady Toppers and Lady Cardinals. Two of her cousins — Tony Kimbro and Dick Rogers — played basketball for Louisville's men's team. But she chose Western because of the Lady Toppers tradition.

This rivalry is needed, Allen said. "We're the top Division I schools in the state. But when you think of women's basketball in Kentucky, you don't think of U of L. It's Western."

It's time for the jealousy to stop and for us to start playing each other again.

The women have reopened the possibilities box.

The No. 16 Lady Toppers play the Lady Cardinals at 7 p.m. tomorrow in Diddle Arena. But don't call it a broken barrier just yet. This is a forced meeting; the teams are competing in the first round of the

National Women's Invitational Tournament.

But there is hope of a reconciliation.

"We'll probably renew the rivalry," Lady Topper coach Steve Small said. "I'm sure we'll have a contract to play each other real soon."

## Bitter history

The Lady Toppers and Lady Cardinals butted heads in 1992 over Gwen Doyle, who transferred from Louisville to Western that year.

Former Louisville coach Bud Childers cried foul, saying Western tried to persuade Doyle to come to Western, which is illegal. Childers then refused to release Doyle from Louisville, backed out on a two-year contract the teams had with each other and vowed never to play Western as long as Doyle was there.

Former Western coach Paul Sanderford maintained innocence. No fault was found, and Doyle's transfer was legal.

However, because Doyle was not released by Childers she did not get a scholarship to play for the Lady Toppers. She averaged 14.6 points and 7.8 rebounds per game in her two years with Western, which makes her — statistically — the best walk-on in Lady Topper history.

It was a situation that happened and was misunderstood, admitted Martin Clapp, first-year Louisville co-head coach who was an assistant under Childers in 1992.

What came out in the newspapers weren't the reasons why

Gwen left. It wasn't anything that Western did. There were just a lot of disagreements between Bud and Paul that caused us not to play."

Clapp and Sara White were named Louisville's co-coaches on April 15, just days after Childers left to run the James Madison program. They were married Aug. 9.

Clapp said if not for scheduling conflicts, Western and Louisville would probably sign a four-year contract to play a home and home series starting next year. But since both teams are locked into schedule commitments, it's more likely that the teams will begin that series in the 1999-2000 season.

It's time to put the past behind us, Clapp said, adding that he and Small have laughed about the past conflict in recent conversations. "It's too good a rivalry. It's just a game that needs to be played."

## The game

Louisville and Western enter tomorrow's game with many similarities. Besides both having new coaches, both teams feel they have a family atmosphere on their team.

Louisville returns four starters from a 20-9 team that lost in the first round NCAA Tournament last season. Western returns five from a 22-9 team that lost in the NCAA's first round.

Both also have wide-bodied centers. Western senior center Leslie Johnson (16 ppg and six rpg last season) will match up against Louisville junior center Sharon Beilamy (11.9 ppg, 5 rpg).



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Monday in Diddle Arena, senior guard Laurie Townsend drives the lane during an exhibition game against the Kosariabda team from Hungary. Western will face Louisville in the first round of the National Women's Invitational Tournament tomorrow.

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