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Western Kentucky University Bowling Green, Kentucky

Tuesday, April 11, 2000



Cadets like Brian Miles, a sophomore from Richmond, Va., are required to lie prone aiming outwards, securing a perimeter where command can plan and eventually launch a mission.

HILLTOPPER COMMAND

BY JACOB BENNETT Herald reported

Maria Rothman inspectedmaria rotinman inspected-her-firing range target with mixed emotions. With her last three shots, she had connected with one near bull's eye, but the other two bullets almost missed

other two bullets almost missed the paper completely. The Reserve Officer Training Corps cadet, one of 28 Western students participat-ing in Western ROTC's spring training in Tullahoma, Tenn, last weekend, pointed to the pair of bullet holes in the far left corner.

"I don't know what happened over here," Rothman said. "I guess I was thinking too hard

when I was shooting.

She had shot guns before at the fall camp last year at Fort Knox, but later in the day the Bonnieville freshman would take aim at pop-up targets for the first time. Her two near-miss-

es weren't encouraging to her.
"I'm nervous about it," she



At the end of a training mission led by Hardinsburg sophomore. Neil Armstrong and Westley Williams, a junior from Harrison, Ark., ROTC cadets wait to be debriefed on their performance

"I'm afraid I'll completely

Many of her fellow cadets were also nervous. Though some had attended the fall camp, many were also doing things they had never done before, like shooting M-16's with

live ammo and making rope bridges to cross water. Western's ROTC program trains high school and college

students to be officers in the U.S. Army, and the spring camp is one of the year's main events. Western's cadets trained

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Western's cadets trained
beside students from Tennessee
Technological University and
Middle Tennessee State
University. The freshman and
sophomore cadets spent the weekend getting acquainted with the military equipment while their junior counterparts simulated more complex battle situations in the woods.

Most of the students attend would the students attended to voluntarily or to receive class credit. They get a chance to see if they enjoy the program enough to stick with it and even tually become officers.

tually become officers.
"Our focus is to keep them
interested," said Brandt
Cashion, a cadet second lieutenant colonel from Bowling
Green. "I want to see them stick
with it source not comprise." with it, 'cause not everybody can do it. You're a better person if you do.

SEE COMMAND, PAGE 6

Commandments bill could apply to colleges

Faculty have mixed feelings on posting religious text

By JIM GAINES Herald reporter

Kentucky teachers may soon be under pressure to post copies of the Ten. Commandments in their classrooms under legislation Gov. Paul Patton will probably e bill's sponsor doesn't think it's a state universities like Western.

"When we were writing (the bill), we were "When we were writing (the oill), we were expecting it to go to the elementary or secondary levels," State Senator Albert Robinson (R-London) said. "I hadn't really thought about them teaching this at a college level."

But Robinson's not against extending its reach. If it's legal for kindergarten through 12th grade, it should be legal further on, he said.

Posting them on Western's walls hasn't

Posting them on Western's walls hasn't been suggested, but President Gary Ransdell wouldn't disapprove. "Personally, I don't have any problem with it, but I don't believe it's something that should be mandated on a university cam-

pus," Ransdell said. "If somebody wanted to do it, it would be no problem with me, but it's not something I would ask of or require of any of our faculty."

The bill, which passed the General Assembly on March 29, orders that "every public school teacher in Kentucky" be told they can post the Ten Commandments, Robinson said.

"They've always told everyone it's illegal

"They've always told everyone it's illegal to post the Ten Commandments," Robinson said. "The Supreme Court never said that." Robinson cited Stone v. Graham, a 1980

SEE COMMANDMENTS, PAGE 8

Collins pleads not guilty

Trial date scheduled for June 20

> BY JASON RAGAN Herald reporte

Former Area Coordinator Kim Collins pleaded not paulty yesterday in Warren County Circuit Court to charges of theits of over \$5,000 from Housing and

Residence Life.

Collins and her attorney. Ken
Meredith, rushed into Judge Meredith, rushed into Judge
John Minton's courtroom
somber faced, for their 1 p m
arraignment. Collins barely
uttered a word as her attorney
entered the plea, after which
they both left.
Her trial is set for June 20.
Campus Police Capt. Mike
Wallace is not surprised by
Collins' plea of not guilty and is
ready to put the case in the
court's hands.

This is the proper place for

This is the proper place for

this to be judged, and we are pre-pared, Wallace said.

Brian Kuster, director of Housing and Residence Life. said it is her prerogative to plead not guilty and that he doesn't fol-

low the case.
"No need for me to," Kuster said. "... It is something we put behind us and we are moving on. It is in the hands of the

Meredith would not comment

Meredith would not comment on the case, saying it is his policy not to talk about his clients Collins faces five charges of theft totaling \$5.425 from Housing and Residence Life handed down by the grand jury last month last month

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INSIDE

SGA debate today

Student Government Associa tion presidential candidates Cassie Martin and Duan Wright will square off at 1:30 p.m. in DUC Room 226 as the highlight of Meet Your Candidate day.

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Baseball woes continue

The Western baseball team fell to 14-20 on the season after losing two of three conference games to New Orleans. The Hilltoppers are now 6-8 in Sun Sports, Page 17



Weather forecast

Weather information provided by StormCenter 12, where you can get an updated forecast at 6 tonight.



Chicago style: Michelle Higgins, center, a senior from Jacksonville, Fla., rehearses her role in Cell Block Tango, a dance routine from the musical "Chicago," Monday night in Van Meter Hall. Also rehearsing are Owensboro junior Laurie Huff, left, and Nashville sophomore Melissa Nason. The musical is one of the performances that will be showcased next week dur ing the WKU Evening of Dance in the fine arts center's Russell H. Miller Theatre.

Crime Reports

Arrests

· Thomas Keith Husband, Keen Hall, was charged Saturday with possession of marijuana and possession of alcohol by a minor. He was released the same day from the Warren County Regional Jail on a \$500 unsecured bond.

unsecured bond.

Daniel Joseph Osborne,
Keen, was charged Saturday
with possession of marijuana
and possession of alcohol by a
minor. He was released the same day from the Warren County Regional Jail on a \$500 unsecured bond

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Reports

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Anthony Westbrook,
Crason Drive, had his court
date on charges of DUI, possession of marijuana and marijuan
aparaphernalia held over.
Gordon Joseph Jr. was
found guitly Friday in District
Court on DUI charges.

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Students to join D.C. protest

By JIM GAINES Herald reporter

A handful of Western students will join thousands of others in Washington, D.C. this weekend, trying to shut down meetings of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund. Members. of the Student Environmental Action Coalition

Members, of the Student Environmental Action Coalition will take to the streets as part of a broad coalition of labor environmental and human rights groups that oppose World Bank and IMF policy. Up to 10,000 people are expected. "Part of the purpose of these protests is to actually prevent

"Part of the purpose of these protests is to actually prevent these meetings from occurring. like thousands of other did at the World Trade Organization talks in Seattle, Wash. last November, said Sean Murphy. a Louisville treshman and SEAC member.

Wash. last November, said sean Murphy, a Louisville freshman and SEAC member. The World Bank and IMF, international but US, dominated organizations formed in the 1940s, provide development loans and emergency bailouts to underdeveloped countries. But protesters say their policies fund pork-barrel projects that benefit only wealthy elited and drive weak governments.

further into debt, enslaving the poor to major corporations that destroy the environment and disregard human rights.

disregard human rights.
"With the IMF bailouts, they stick on these so-called 'structural adjustment' programs, where countries are forced to get rid of valuable social services like health care and public education." Murphy said.
The Kentucky Student Youth

The Kentucky Student Youth Progressive Network, an alliance formed in December, is renting vans and arranging car pools for the trip, said Carrie Brunk, a senior at Transplvania University who's helping coordinate it.

"There are students going from Transplvania University, the L'uversity of Kentucky the

"There are students going from Transylvania University, the University of Kentucky, the University of Transylvania University of Louisville, Northern Kentucky University, Berea College and obviously from Western." Brunk şaid. "Right now, the numbers are at about 60 to 55 neenle."

Right now, the numbers are at about 60 to 85 people." They're funding it with donations from labor unions, peace groups, religious groups and departmental funds from some universities, she said. Travelers will have to pay for their own food and contribute for the said of the said o

Some organizations plan to set up group kitchens for the protesters, and area universities are setting up tent cities, Murphy said. The caravan will leave Lexington on Friday. April 14 and return Monday.

April 17:

"We want to show that globalization affects everybody."

Murphy said. "Some of the same stuff that affects third world countries affects people right back here.

"We hope to show that people from here, from Kentucky from around the world aren't going to take this any more, and we've going to stand up for human white here."

Information on the planned protest and the organizations involved is available at www.al6.org.

If you go

What: Student Environmental Action Coalition When: 7 p.m.,tonight Where: Garrett Center, Room

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Don't force meal plans on students

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to require

freshmen and

meal plans.

Our view:

sophomores to buy

Students should

not be forced to

eat overpriced, unhealthy meals.

O pen wide. Western offi-cials want to cram a spoonful of meal plan

spoonful. of meat plan down your throat. Western and Aramark want to build a food court near Hugh Poland Hall, and they want students to pick up the tab.

Besides being forced to Besides being forced to live on campus, freshmen and sophomores will be required to buy meal plans as early as fall 2001. And it's all for the good of the stu-

dents, they say.

John Osborne. John Osborne assistant vice presi and Aramark want dent for Campus dent for Campus
Services and
Facilities.
explained the need
for a new dining
facility to the
Student to the Association last week

Apparently it's just too far for stu-dents to walk from Zacharias Hall to Downing University

Center.
"I know what
you're doing in the residence halls on the south dence halls on the south end of campus right now at night, "he said. "You're ordering pizza, etc. You're not coming up to (DUC).... It's too far to go."

What Osborne really meant was Aramark's not making enough money, and the administration wants to help them out.

help them out.

neip them out.
Consider this: There are
4,705 students living on
campus and only 1,340 currently have meal plans. If
another 1,000 students rently have meat plans. It another 1,000 students bought the cheapest meal plan, which runs \$647, Aramark would bring in an additional \$647,000 each

semester.
According to the propos al, Aramark would own the new facility for 10 years. In that time, the company could bring in over \$12 million in additional sales. The building is only projected to cost \$3.3 million.

Of course these numbers are purely hypothetical, but

bility if approved. if this plan

But the real flaw in the plan is Osborne's claim that DUC is too far from the

DUC is too tar from the south end of campus. Osborne claims that stu-dents on the south end of campus have to walk more than five minutes to eat, which he says is too far. First, if it does take more

than five minutes to get to
DUC from
Zacharias, it's

only another minute or two — and that's if you're walking.

Second, Second, if you're too lazy to walk five minutes for a meal, the last thing you need are the greasy, fattening foods offered at campus eateries

priced, any meals.

The choices right now are just too limited. The food can be very unhealthy and does not take

into account vegetarians or diabetics.

With everyone eating this campus food every day, the dreaded freshman 15 will become the freshman 50 at Western. Every morning we can roll out of bed, waddle over to a greasy breakfast then ride the Big Red Shuttle up to class.

Shuttle up to class.

This plan is a ridiculous ploy to bilk more money from already broke sturdents. It will add significantly to the cost of attending Western, which makes the school less attractive to

those who plan on paying their own way Osborne and other their own way.
Osborne and other
involved officials, our message to you is to scrap this
idea before it blows up in
your face. President Gary
Ransdell, we ask you to step
in and quash this nonsense.
As for SGA, this is the

perfect opportunity for you to fight for what the stu-dents really want.

Yeah, but we got this nifty new dining hall! I can't believe I have And once that mandatory to buy a meal plan just pedestrian fee passes they'll build that up the hill escalator! to get , well ... THIS !

McLean memories last a lifetime

Looking toward the short weeks until graduation. I lie on my lumpy dorm bunk bed that's way too short for a six-foot-tall gal and stare at the poster-putty speckled ceiling As the hot water chortles through the prokety most like an

the poster-putty speckled ceiling.
As the hot water chortles
through the rickety pipes like an
old emphasemic man in a
marathon. I realize something.—
I'm really going to miss McLean
Hall.'

Hall '
I've lived in the same room for three years. In the meantime, I've had three different roommates and haven't been able to keep a suite, but I'm still saying that had nothing to the same for more than half a semester, but I'm still saying that had nothing

to do with me.
Though it's old and ailing. McLean has to be one of the most charming dorms on campus. The perks of having a private bathroom have far outweighed the seasonal Hades of not having air-condition-

Hades of not having air-conditioning.

It's going to be sad moving out. But what will be even sadder is that next semester, there won't be a batch of new girls to fill the halls and be frightened with tales of the ghost of old lady McLean.

The dorm is only closing temporarily for renovation. But even after it opens again, it won't be the same. The walls will be clean and unblemished. The floor tiles will stay where they're supposed to. The, hallway won't even smell of stale cigarette smoke and feet.

So to keep the lessons I've learned at McLean alive, I'm writing this column for future generations.

This is what I've learned in my years at McLean.

◆ After the poster has fallen off the wall for the 10th time, give it up. No amount of poster putty will hold a cardboard mounted, life-sized

poster of David Boreanz to a dorm

posses of David Boreanz to a dorm walf no matter how hard you try. Alize believe me. I've tried.
It's only going to fall off again, probably landing-on you in the middle of the night, scaring the hell out of you.

• No matter how lame they sound, always believe the ghost stores associated with your dorm. It makes life more interesting. You have cool stories to 'tell around Hallowen. And it makes the little things. I like

like things. your not being able to keep a person on the other side of your suite without freak-ing out on you six weeks into the semester,

burn incense in your room Ever. Even

you're not so k i n g commentary
yeed, it smells suspicious and will bring your very irritated resident assistant pounding on your door.
Even the smell of match smoke

Molly Harper

commentary

Even the smell of match smoke can arouse your RA's inner Smokey the Bear! I find it sort of sad that I'm 22 years old and I'm still not find it sort of sad that I'm 22 years old and I'm still not find it sort of sad that I'm 22 years old and I'm still living in a dorm, but I digress.

This doesn't really apply to which dorm you live in, but since I've had four roommates in as many years, I coasider myself an expert on the subject.

Newer let your parents talk you into rooming with-their friends' kid

who you don't really know all that well. It never works out. They go home and complain about you tak-ing a chainsaw to their plastic-encased, cataloged Beanie Baby collection. You end up in the emergency room getting your scalp stitched up from where the room-mate chucked their heavy brass keychain at your head. Either way, your parents lose their bowling buddies

This leaves you at the mercy of the Western computer system to pick your roomate. In some cases, it works out. In some cases it does not. In some cases, you should take the hint when they're drawing devil horns and Medusa snakes on your Prom pictures and move out right then!

• Don't try to out duet tane over This leaves you at the mercy of

on't try to put duct tape over your vents in that intensely sweatly two month phase between the real beginning of spring weather and the time they shut off the heat. It either melts onto the grafe and starts to smell like evil or it just keeps falling off and frustrates you, leaving the possibility of the heat-fury induced death of your innoent roommate.

But last and certainly not

least I've learned no matter how

least, I've learned no matter how loud they're being —even if they're running a vacuum cleaner at 2 a m. — NEVER call a noise complaint in on your neighbors.

Your RA thinks you're whiny and loses all respect for you. Your neighbors figure out who called it in by process' of elimination and they'll make your life a living hell. It's really not worth the righteous indignation.

indignation.

Molly Harper is a senior print jour.

nalism major from Padwah.

Could you eat on campus every day?



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Conference draws crowd from three states

Various sexual issues presented

By BRANDY WARREN Herald reporter

Shelbyville junior Jennifer Chandler has been dating her girl-friend, Bryar, for over four months. Bryar moved from Atlanta in February and the couple now live towether.

live together. Jennifer and Bryar joined an family this weekend, a family that consisted of gays, les-bians, bisexuals and transgender bians, bisexuals and transgender people from across Kentucky, Tennessee and Indiana. The two women, along with nearly 100 other people, participated in Come Together Kentucky 2000: A Family Affair.

The sixth annual conference was held at Western this weekend with participants from eight universities. Western's two gay, lesbian and straight organizations,

bian and straight organizations, WKU Lambda Society and the bian and straight organizations, WKU Lambda Society and the Diversity Cbalition, co-sponsored the event. The conference featured seminars and workshops on issues that affect the gay community, including relationships, discrimination and HIV/AIDS prevention. Workshop topics ranged from serious issues like safe sex to how men can look good in dresses. For Chandler and about 100 others, the conference was about not only coming to terms with their lifestyle, but celebrating it and sharing their stories.

Chandler, who "came out" when she was 14 years old, said she knew she liked girls from the time she was in kindergarten. When her mother found out, however, she cried and her, parents blamed themselves. Eventually, they came to accept the fact that Chandler was a lesbian. "It was not really that bad," she Education and information was

said.
Education and information was
also a big part of the conference.
Brad Hampton, a community
health outreach worker for
Volunteers of America, presented
a session called "Making it Hot."

Volunteers of America, presented a session called "Making it Hot," which provided tips on how to make safe sex fun, including a demonstration on how to put a condom on with one's mouth.

"(The session is) kind of like our version of a safer sex Tupperware party," Hampton said "instead of bringing containers, pitchers and glasses, we bring condoms and lubricants."

Tom Collins, the MSM Prevention Coordinator for the Department of Public Health, presented one session called "Getting to Know Your Primary Sex Organ," another safe sex seminar for men. Collins' department provides funding for the conference in the conference agrees to focus a major portion of the seminars to HIV prevention. Collins said, he hoped students would leave the conference and spread their knowledge of HIV prevention to no tother students.

On a lighter note, Brian Weens,

On a lighter note, Brian Weens, On a lighter note, Brian weels, the reigning Miss Gay Black West Virginia, presented a seminar called "Life's a Drag," which talked about what it is like being a drag queen, iscluding identity conflicts, how to perform, dancing and how stressful performing drag

"I strongly believe any man can "Istrongly believe any man can make a beautiful woman," he said.

Larry Danjelson, a modern language and intercultural studies professor, presented a program titled. The American Sissy. The seminar focused on gay men who possess feminine characteristics and how they are treated in American society.

They are stigmatized for no good reason, only because they are breaking gender rules," he said.

Participants in the seminar also shared stories about physical and verbal abuse in public

schools.

And verbal abuse seems to be one issue that is far from eliminated. James Obenshain, vice president of the University of

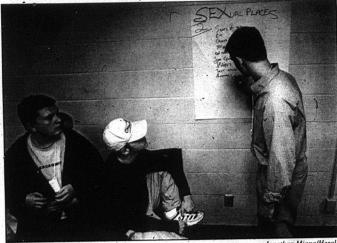
Kentucky's Lambda chapter, said he even received some in DUC's food court Saturday morning, when he and his a fends were called Tags" and other slurs.

"Nothing like this has ver happened to us on UK's campus." Obenshain said. "It totally demeaned everything we're trying to do at this conference."

Despite that incident, most people attending the conference were pleased with it.

Elizabeth Schmidt, a junior at Eastern Kentucky University, is president of Eastern's Pride Alliance. She said the conference was important because it allowed gay students to meet their peers. "It's very easy to become isolated if you don't have an outlet," she said. "It's important to realize there are other people out there who are just like you."

Jimmy Ausbrooks, chairman of the conference, said he thought it was an overall success. "We brought a lot of young men and women from across the state... together on a college campus to celebrate diversity and the strong kinship that most gay and lesbian people have," he said. "The pressures that society puts on us make it really unbearable sometimes, and opportunities like this where we can come together reenergizes us and gives us a feeling of unity."



Jonathan Miano/Herala

Come Together Kentucky Vice Chair Matt Leffler, right, participates in a workshop that dealt with issues involving sex and HIV/AIDS. This workshop, "Making it Hot," was one of many held Saturday in Downing University Center.

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Debate, to address students' concerns

Herald reporter

The two candidates for Stu dent Government Association president will square off in a debate today to give voters a bet-ter idea on their stance on student

Glasgow junior Cassie Martin and Bowling Green senior Duan Wright, will answer questions between 1.30 and 2.30 p.m. in Downing University Center Room

The debate, which is co-spon The debate, which is co-spon sored by SGA and the Herald is part of today's Meet Your candidate session which lasts from 1 to 3 p m. The candidates will answer questions from a mediator as well as from students.

SCA President Amanda Coates said by debate is a way for stu-dents to find out more about the candidates before Thursday's

ction 'You get all your concerns dressed' Coales said "This is

an opportunity for students to make an informed decision come

election day."

Both Wright and Martin also urged students to attend the debate Wright said he thought studebate. Wright said he thought stu-dents that do attend will "come out with more of a willingness to vote for the candidate they think is the most qualified." I hope a lot of students' ques-tions are answered, he said. Martin said students need, know.where she and Wright stand on different issues before they.

"It's important for students to be sat the debate." She said. "so they re not just voting for a name It's not just a popularity contest It's about the issues." During the 30 minutes before and after the flebate, students will be able to talk to the candidates in a more informal one-one set-

a more informal one-on-one set-ting, said Matt Bastin, SGA vice

president for public relations.
Basin said free food will also
be available on a first-come-firstserved basis

you train people to be soldiers.

Caskion and other senior-cadets worked with the younger students on their sobts, letting them shoot extra rounds until they got the hang of it. Sophomore Megan Zedalis was the last to leave the range, staying behind to hone her

"I hate shooting," she said
"I'm awful at it I don't even
know how (the pop-up targets) work. But it should be fun though."

ough."
But there were some parts of the weekend that weren't as the-weekend that weren't as much fun Like lunch, which consisted of processed food like spaghetti or grilled chick-en in a bag with chemicals that heat up when water is poured

"I've had five or six (bags)." said cadet Kyle Kirby, a sopho-more from Heidelburg. Germany "This is the first one 've heated up - and they were

Once it was time for the popular gets, the cadets became more cheerful.

Orman Talbert, a freshman from Clarksville. Tenn, who had confessed to being bored, at the other range, perked up as he watted for his turn.

"This is the fun part right here," he said. Talbert has been in the national guard since his junior year of high school and said he learned a lot of this training there. In his lot of this training there. In his two tries, he hit 24 out of 40 targets both times.

Rothman did not do badly either, connecting with 22 both

"It was better than I thought

"We're training people to be leaders. In the army,

- Lt. Col. Carl Filip

it would be," she said "I didn't think I would hit any The top mark was 31 hits

The top mark was 31 nits
As night enveloped the camp, the young cadets got to play with a new tov — night vision goggles. The goggles allowed them to see everything as if the Earth were orbiting a

Talbert said, looking down Though he had been bored at times. Talbert need

at times. Talbert perked up when he got to lead the platoon in a march back to the bar-

"He's a good cadet." Cashion said "He's still fresh, he doesn't know what all's going on yet. He's in the National Guard, where he doesn't have to be very vocal. We're trying to make him vocal."

Saturday morning

The 6 a.m. silence was pierced by one of the senior cadets.

"Time to get in up! You females have 15 minutes in the restrooms." The lights came on The female cadets scurried to the restroom, shampoo and soap in hand One of the male cadets

rolled over

"I don't know about you, but I think we need to get a little more sleep tomorrow," he groaned.

COMMAND: Cadets face tough challenge "Ah, we gotta get up early and clean the barracks," came the answer

Soon they were outside where Friday's sun had been tednapped by the night's rain.
The temperature was 31

"My ears are so cold. Rothman said, standing in the woods: "I thought it was going to be in the '70s this weekend's

The temperature continued to drop like wounded soldiers, and the plans to practice land navigation outside had to be

navigation outside had observed and exchanged for classroom instruction instead.

"We try to challenge them, but we don't want them to be miserable," said Lt. Colonel Carl Filip. "We're training people to be leaders in the army. ou train people to be soldiers We try to teach them the same basic skills you learn in the army, but we want to instill enthusiasm in them, and you can't do that if they're miserable

Though the camps are volum tary, many cadets said they would be back
"My whole family's in the army," Talbert said "My mom,

army." Talbert said "My mom. dad, uncles ... My grandfather was in World War II. I got a long history

long history
The cadets had other reasons to stick it out.
"You learn a lot of nice stuff
in ROTC." said Brad Denisar, a
freshman from Bradenton, Fla
"I was shy when I was a freshman, but they made me give speeches and work with other

people."

He didn't appear shy that day. He ran down the aisle. elling for one of his friends

Cheerleaders place fourth

Western's varsity cheerleading squad came home from last Friday's National Cheerleaders Association National Championships with a fourthplace finish. The Hillitopper cheerleaders were competing in a field of 39 Divison I squads in Daytona Beach. Fla., and claimed fourth with a 7.98 scoring average. next month. cheerleaders

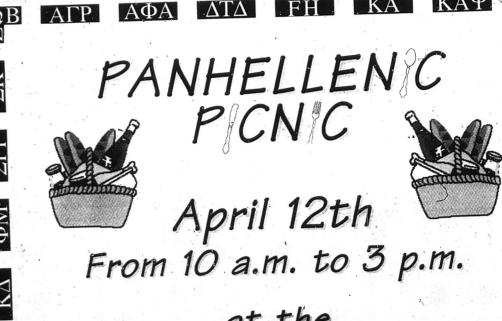
ing average.

The NCA's Division I includes all Division I schools that do not sponsor I-A football.

Western was one of two Sun Belt schools to finish in the top

five, as Florida International took third with a scoring average of 8. Stephen F. Austin won the event by notching an 8.63 average, and Northeastern was second. The competition finals will be aired on the USA Network on a date to be determined late next month.

coached by Tammy Witt and assisted by Missy Graviss and Gabe Pearson. Tom Jones is the team's tumbling instructor



at the Downing University Center

















HILLTOPPER COMMAND

Western ROTC cadets train for leadership



Toby Ferguson, a senior from Newburgh, Ind., gives his camouflage face paint a touch-up as he prepares to do battle with the next group of cadets. Ferguson was part of the OppFor, or opposition force, the enemy which other cadets are negotiating in their training exercises. Andrew Otto/Herald



Andrew Otto/Herald

Bowling Green senior Scott Driver plays dead at the end of a drill while Tennesee Tech sophomore Kevin Michael conducts the proper procedure for searching an enemy's dead body. Driver was also part of OppFor.

"We try to challenge them, but we don't want them to be miserable."

-Lt. Colonel Carl Filip





photos by John Low Herald

Freshman Brad Denisar of Brandenton, Fla., lifts fellow Western cadet John Bradley, a sophomore from Paducah, during a one-man carry exercise Friday afternoon. LEFT: Cadet Maria Rothman, a freshman from Bonnieville, savors a peanut butter cracker sandwich during lunch. All cadets are issued complete meals to eat in the field called MRE's, or Meal Ready to Eat.

COMMANDMENTS: Gov. Patton's office hinting approval

U.S. Supreme Court case that struck down a 1978 Kentucky Jaw-requiring the Ten Commandments in classrooms. He said the case did not 'say the Ten Commandments couldn't be postic in a school, just that the state couldn't require its posting. But the court's decision said otherwise, finding the document's display in schools a violation of the Constitution's protection from state-established religion.

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"Posting of religious texts
on the wall serves no such
coductional function," the
court's opinion said "If the
posted copies of the Ten
commandments are to have
any effect at all, it will be to
induce the schoolchildren to
read, meditate upon, perhaps
to venerate and obey; the
Commandments." Commandments

Commandments "That's not his bill's intention. Robinson said "The Ten Commandments is a religious document." he said "We all know that But it's much more than a religious document. It's a historical-document. It's a historical-document. Robinson said an earlier

Robinson said an earlier state law. KRS 158 195, permits teachers to post the Ten Commandments, and this bill's purpose is to point that out

"... I don't think that it's appropriate to post any religious statement in a governmental building."

marketing and economics profes-sor and member of the Christian Faculty and Staff Fellowship

"The Department of Education has ignored it or overlooked it," Robinson said. "Not one time have they ever told them it could be taught," he said. "They fixe told them to the contrary, it is not unconstitutional to post the Tommandments."

Although it mentions half dozen historical documents

Although it mentions half a dozen historical documents plus court cases, acts of Congress and the Founding Fathers' statements. KRS 158 195 does not actually mention the Ten Commandments. No tax dollars would go to

tion the Ten Commandments - No tax dollars would go to buy copies of the Ten Commandments Private organizations, like churches, would have to contribute them.

But if Western received a stack of framed copies, its place of display might be a storeroom. Many of those best acquainted with the list - religion profes-Many of those best acquainted with the list — religion profes-sors and professed Christians —

would not hang them up
"What would be the point?
For that matter, what's the
point of posting them anywhere?" said John Long, philosophy and religion department head. "It seems to me that
people are trying to use the
Ten Commandments as a kind
of good luck charm. posting

Ten Commandments as a kind of good luck charm. posting them is not a solution to very complex social problems. History professor Jack Thacker disagrees. "1-think" it is a reminder of who we are and what our nation is," he said. "Our nation was originally founded as a Christian nation.

is." he said. "Our nation was originally founded as a Christian nation.

"Eighty-some percent of the people claim to be Christians." he said. "The people who do not want the Ten Commandments are imposing their morality on everyone else."

everyone else."

On that he echoes Robinson.

When the boat came to these great shores, it did not have an atheist, a Buddhist, a Hindu, a Muslim, a Christian and a Jew. "Robinson told the Associated Press in February That view of history makes it an easy question for Thacker.

"Would I post them? Sure,"
said "I wouldn't have any
oblem about it at all."
But hanging the list isn't an

individual decision, since pro fessors share classrooms, phi

post them

And economics and marketing

And economics and marketing professor Stephen Lilg, a member of the Christian Faculty and Staff Fellowship, agrees with the bill's legislative opponents.

"I would oppose posting them in the public schools or in any government agency." Lile said. "I think it's great for Christian schools and Christian theore to have the freedom to colleges to have the freedom to do that, but I don't think that it's appropriate to post any reli-gious statement in a governmental building

Mark Pfeiffer, acting communications director. Patton will

deciding whether to sign it, but he's already hinting that he will

"The governor has said that generally, when a strong majority of the legislature approves a decision, then he considers that public policy and he would be inclined to sign that legislation into law," Pfeiffer said. The bill passed the House 77-17 and the Senate 33-2.

If schools post the Ten Commandments, the American Civil Liberties Union will take cases school by school, like it's already doing in a lawsuit against the Harlan County board, said ACLU Executive Director Jeff Vessels

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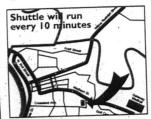
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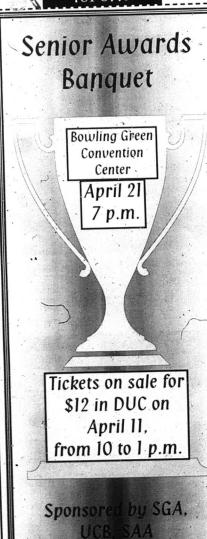
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COLLINS: Job safe until trial over

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The investigation of the thefts began after her Feb. 8 arrest for forgery of a \$30 Phi Mu check infended for park begches outside of Zacharias and New Sorority halls.

This led to a myriad of other missing funds linked to Collins

This led to a myriau 01.04ner missing funds linked to Collins. First, \$2.340 was found miss-ing from the National Association of College and University Residence Halls

account after a check bounced last May. In a similar incident on Nov. 16, 1999, \$2,175 was dis-covered missing from another

Then another \$650 in cash was discovered missing from the housing department.

A total of \$163 donated for

the park benches are missing. The fifth charge involves \$97 found missing from the Battle of the Bands contest last December

After her resignation from Western, Collins got another job as a hall director at Aurora

job as a hall director at Ayrora University in Illipois. Ron Beauchamp. Student Life director at Aurora, said Collins listed high quality references, although none-from Western. No Western officials were contacted before she was hired at Aurora.

Beauchamp said there will be no decisions made about Collins until her trial is over.

Campus News

Forensics team to be honored at event

The communication department is holding An Evening of Excellence tonight to honor the accomplishments of the William

The event will be held at 7 p.m. in the Garrett Auditorium. A reception will be held afterwards. The forensics team defended its world title in Paris, France, over Spring Break

Workshop on Web-based courses to be offered

The Center for Teaching and Learning and Academic Technology is offering a teleconference workshop Thursday for faculty interested in developing Web-based courses.

The teleconference will be held-between 1:30 and 3 p.m. in Downing University Center, Room 226. Anyone interested in the teleconference needs to call 745-6508 to preregister.

Campus movie schedule

Tuesday 4/11

9 a.m. Breakfast of Champions 11 a.m. Runaway Bride 1 30 p.m. Mystery Men 3 45 p.m. Down in the Delta 6:30 p.m. Air Force One

Wednesday 4/12

9 a.m. Fresh 11 a m. Mickey Blue Eyes 1 p.m Krippendorf's Tribe 3 p.m. The Thomas Crown Affair

7 p.m. Affliction

Thursday 4/13

9 a.m. What Dreams May Come 11 a.m. The Long Walk Home 1 p.m. The General's Daughter 3 p.m. It's My Party

5 p.m. Stigmata 7 p.m. The Wood

Friday-Sunday 4/14-4/17

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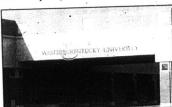
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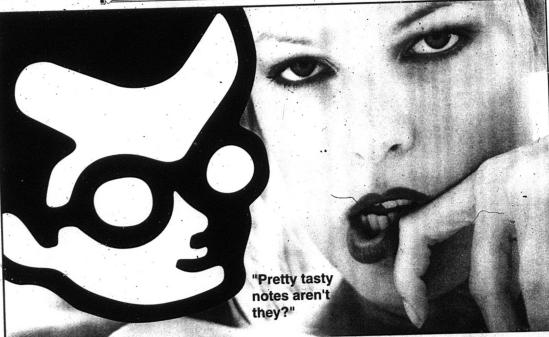
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Wright and Campbell confident about campaign

Candidates focus on increasing diversity

BY REX HALL JR.

Duan Wright and Dwight Campbell underdogs.

The -two candidates are going up against ore widely date, current SGA Vice



Président Cassie Martin, who has also campaigned more extensively with her running mate Leslie Bedo Still, Campbell says he and Wright feel confident in their bid for office.

So don't call them underdogs Absolutely not," Campbell

Wright, a Bowling Green senior, and Campbell, a Lexington junior, will face off against Martin and Bedo, chairoman of the organization's Public Relations Committee on the presidential and vice presidential ticket.

Wright said he thinks stu-dents are looking for something different in SGA leadership for

next year.
"I think Cassie has served to her capacity," Wright said. "Her voice on the executive branch has been heard and I think the students are looking for some-thing new, and a lot of students will respond to that on election

day."
While other candidates have had campaign posters hanging since late March, Wright and Campbell hung their posters only a week ago. Wright said it's easy for people to pass over posters that have been hanging for a while.

"They begin to ignore (the posters) because they see them so

Focusing on the presidential race. Profile of Cassie Martin much Campbell said. "Our said posters are fresh and new in the students' fresh page 12.

SGA

Elections

minds. Increasing diversity in SGA is issue Wright and Campbell want to focus on.

There is not a large representation (in SGA) of the culture here at Western," Wright said.
"A lot of ideas in the organization right now are very similar We have hopes of SGA being more effective, and we want to bring about change in the orga-

Making the organization more diverse would mean having to increase membership in SGA. something that the organization has struggled to do. Campbell, a history major, said membership does need to be increased, but that alone is not enough.

We need to reach out more students outside of SGA to find people who aren't carbon copies of the members now," Campbell said. "Most people in SGA have the same mix of views, so it's hard for many people outside of SGA to get their ideas and views heard."

If Wight and Combell area. students outside of SGA to find

If Wright and Campbell are elected, Wright will handle the majority of external issues con majority of external issues con-cerning SGA while Campbell will be faced with the internal issues. With the bulk of issues facing students, Wright said stu-dents need to find leaders that are strong in their stance. "With, (President Gary) Ransdell being the new presi-

dent he is, he has brought about, a lot of new changes that are good," Wright said. "He will need feedback on certain stu-dent issues and he depends on SGA to get that feedback."

Wright, an English major, said one of the main issues he wants to focus on is a proposa regaire meal plans for all freshmen and sophomores to fund a new food court on the south end of campus

"I want to make sure that students come out on top of

this and get

the fair part of the deal," Wright said.

Wright also wants to reach out

know



more to students. to

Dwight Campbell what students want," Wright said: "I want to be more involved with the students and make the president of SGA more visible on campus."

If elected vice president, Campbell will serve on the Student Life Foundation, where he wants to make sure student interests are heard concerning the renovations of dorms. "Two people in a small room

doesn't leave much opportunity for private living," Campbell said. "The new plans will change that. With the new dorms, we want to make sure the price increase can be han-dled by students so they aren't overwhelmed."

Both Wright and Campbell have extensive experience in SGA. Wright has been a member for three years and is currently a juror on the organization's Judicial Council. Last year he was a member of SGA Congress. Campbell is currently in his-second year as chairman of the Research Legislative Committee of SGA. He is also vice chairman for the University Center Board.

"We bring a good mix as can-didates," Campbell said. "We represent different areas of SGA, and we are both very qual ified for the positions."

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Campus Life

Journalism and Broadcasting director to be honored

Jo-Ann Albers, director of the School of Journalism and Broadcasting and the 1999. Freedom Forum Journalism Administrator of the Year, will honored on campus April 21.

Albers, who received the Freedom Forum award in December, will be recognized on campus during a reception from 11 a.m. to noon at the **Faculty House**

The Freedom Forum award recognizes outstanding admin-istrative leadership in the

advancement of journalism education and is the top honor education and is the top nonor for journalism and mass com-munication administrators. Charles L. Overby, chairman and chief executive officer of the Freedom Forum, will the Freedom ro, attend the reception.

—Mattias Karén

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Candidate looks to current SGA issues for platform

Martin/Bedo leave concerts behind

BY LYNDSAY SUTTON Herald Reporter

Cassie Martin's face stretched into mock disbelief as she approached one of her nine roommates Friday afternoon at

approached on the through approached of the commander Friday afternoon at Tug.

"I can't believe you left the house without putting one on," the Glasgow junior said while pulling a roll of "Vote Cassie. Martin/Leslie Bedo" singler's out of her jacket pocket. She then peeled one off and placed it on the left shoulder of her Alpha Delta Pi sorority sister.

it on the left shoulder of her Alpha Delta Pi sorority sisten. In between cheering for ADPi's Tug team, Martin, a candidate for SGA president, strolled around the crowd searching for Bedo, her running mate, and labeling friends with campaign, stickers. One guy asked the mathematics: secondary education major if she planned on bringing the Dave Matthews Band to campus next year.

She simply grinned at him,

The goals she and Bedo have in mind for SGA don't do with the around and

much-debat



ed idea of Cassie martin getting a big-name band to come to Western. Instead, Martin and Bedo want to strengthen several items already on SGA's plate-like faculty evaluations and working with the new Collegiate Health Service administrators to ensure the most affordable prices for stu-dents.

dents.
Closely working with the newly-formed Student Life Foundation and further developing an already proposed campus spirit award are, other items, on Martin and Bedo's agenda

agenda
Martin said the combined
experience in SGA between herself and Bedo make for a strong
campaign. Martin has been a
member of SGA's executive counfor two years. She was

appointed vice presi-dent of Public Relations as a sophomore

Elections and is cur-rently serving as vice presi-dent. Bedo was Focusing on the presidential presidence. Profile of Duan Wright mears on parliamentar an and the McCormack

SGA

McCormack
Hall representative last
year. This year, the Bowling
Green sophomore chairs the
Public Relations committee.
T've worked with, and

Erve worked with, and Leslie has too, on so many committees with the faculty and administration," Martin said. "And J really think that's a major selling point for us because we have that experience, and we know those people, and it's key in trying to get anything accomplished on this campus. You have to be able to work with the administrators

campus. You have to be able to work with the administrators and the faculty."

One of those committees is the search committee for a new vice president of Student Affairs, where Bedo is one of two student representatives.

It's something that gives me

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of 1300 WKU

Students.

a little bit of. an advan-tage," said Bedo, a cor-

vice presi-dent, Martin serves on the Student Life



serves on the Student Line Lesile Bedo Board, helping make decisions about campus renovations. Whoever is next year's vice president will sit on the board, which is one of the reasons Martin wants to be president.

"It'll be a smooth transition between myself and Leslie work through all of the process that she needs to understand," Martin said.

Bedo, who fives on campus, wants to ensure that students' interests are seriously considered when renovation decisions are made.

are made.
"I want to make sure those renovations are something the students want." Bedo said.
Another thing Martin wants to see happen is a newly pro-

posed campus spirit award, which would promote and raise

student participation in cam-pus events.

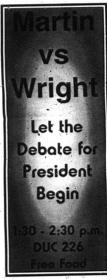
President Gary Ransdell recently proposed the award to the Budget Council, on which Martin currently serves, saying he would like to give money awards to student organiza-tions with the most school spir-

The organizations would be The organizations would be given points for attending campus activities such as athletic events and doing things to benefit campus, like making signs and other beautification projects, Martin said. The organizations with the most points,

zations with the most points, either for the year or semester, would win the money.
While Ransdell proposed \$10,000 for the project, Martin talked to Chief Public Affairs officer Fred Hensley about setting aside \$5,000 for it. She would like \$GA to put up half of the money and Public Affairs the other half. An unclaimed \$2 student fee could also be applied toward the

unclaimed \$2 student fee could' also be applied toward the "Whenevor there's a campus award, even if it's \$200, there are students out there at ball-games showing spirit." Martin said. "And that's what I want to bring back to Western."

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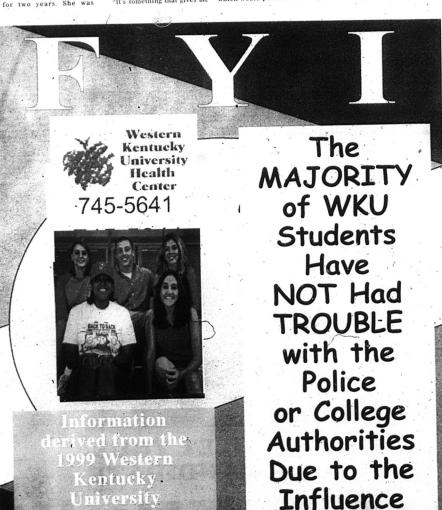
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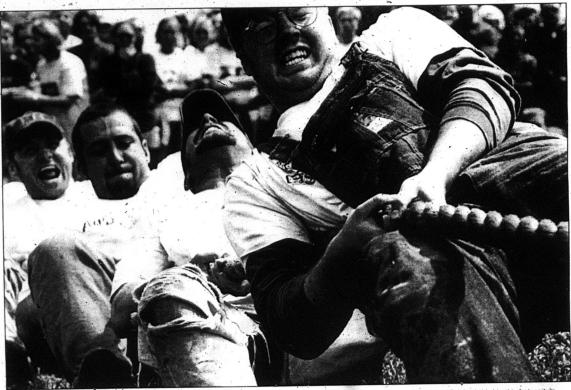
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College Heights

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Features



Richmond senior Ryan Renfro, front, and fellow Farm House fraternity members compete in the Greek Tug on Friday. Farm House finished third in the fraternity's competition with Alpha Gamma Rho coming in first. Ceres won the sorority competition.

Everything to prove Nothing to lose

STORY BY ERICA WALSH . PHOTOS BY WENDI THOMPSON

They entered the pit like gladiators

They entered the pit like gladiators ready to rumble.

With faces as intense as major league pitchers before throwing the first ball, they stood silently, waiting for the competition to begin.

Within seconds they were down in the dirt, stomping and kicking, preparing for the main event of Greek Week — Tug.

"It's the Super Bowl of Greek Week, said Bowling Green junior Adam Humphrey, an Alpha Gamma Rho member and co-chairman of Tug.

When the mud cleared, two teams were left sitting — returning frat champs AGR and the underdog snority Ceres.

Surrounded by cheering fans and waving flags, AGR and Ceres pulled their way to No. 1.

ing Hags, Not am to No. 1. 3 AGR is usually on top, or, close to it, when it comes to Tug. But Ceres — in their first Tug appearance — was a major sleeper when it came right down to it. They didn't let first impressions bother them.

though.

Wearing their "We're used to pulling heifers" shirts with pride, Ceres set out to leave a first impression no one would for-

get.
"We had nothing to lose and everything to prove," said Leitchfield senior Katie Escue, one of the senior members of

Using all their strength, Ceres tugged Using all their strength, Ceres tugged and defining champs Rappa Delta to win first place for the sororities, along with respect of the other organizations.

"We earned a lot of respect — a lot," said Utica sophomore Sarah Hall, a member of the Ceres Tug team.

Meanwhile, for the men, AGR increased its winning streak by another war.

year. Stomping past first and second round



Members of the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority struggle to gain ground while Kevil senior Joe Humphrey coaches them on. AOPi lost during the second round of competition.

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competitors, AGR faced and took down Phi
Delta Theta in the final.
Bowling Green senior Joe Regnier
helped lead AGR to the win.
"This is what we pride ourselves on,"
he said. "There's no greater feeling."
The teams weren't the only opes nervous about the competition. Spectators
and organizers were stretching themselves to the limit as well.
Humphrey was both tired from planning and nervous about watching his
team pull.

"I'm drained," he said. "I didn't sleep last night. My \$tomach is in knots."
Humphrey's co-chairman and KD member. Bowling Green senior Katie Houchins, was also cheering for her fellow sisters as they competed.
"It's not like trying to make the other groups feel bad, it's just you have to make your team feel better," she said.
Teamwork plays a big part in Greek Week. Houchins thinks that sometimes, Greeks get negative attention, but that

Greeks get negative attention, but that Greek Week is something positive that

Greek Results:

Greek Results:

Spring Sing: AOPi, AGR
ChiO, Farmhouse
ADPI, Pikes
Banner AGD, Sig Ep
AOPi, AGR
KD, Lambda Chi
Blood Drive: KD, AGR
Sigma Kappa, Farmhouse
ChiO, Phi Delts
Phi Mu, Lambda Chi
Events Day-AGD, Farmhouse
ChiO, Phi Delts
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Penny Tess: Phi Mu, Farmhouse
Tug: Ceres. AGR
KD, Phi Delts
Phi Mu, Farmhouse
Overall: KD, AGR
AOPI, Farmhouse
(tie) ChiO, Phi Mu
Phi Delts
Greek Man of the Year: Dan Gilbert, Phi
Delta Theta
Greek Woman of the Year: Katie
Houchins, Kappa Delta
Charley Pride Spirit Award: Angela
Burnett, Phi Mu

needs attention, too.
"Greek Week builds character,"
Houchins said. "Tug is all about teamwork,
the Blood Drive is all about volunteering,
even if you aren't Greek, you can come out

and enjoy it."

Greek Week competition ended on Saturday, and overall winners were announced Sunday. Adding up the totals of all the week's events, the overall winner for the fraternities was AGR. For the sororities, Kappa Delta took top overall because.

Music Review

ommon almost hits perfect score with new album

Grade: B+

BY TAYLOR LOYAL Herald reporter

Many would argue that hip hop is on the brink of self-destruction. But as long as artists like-Mos Def. Talib Kweli, Company Flow and Common are around, there is nothing to fear.
"Like Water For Chocolate" is a

The album takes its name from The album takes its namel from author Laure Esquivel's first novel which is set in Mexico's troubled 1910's. In the book, the main character Tita expresses her emotions through the food she prepares for her family, friends and enemies.

"Like Water For Chocolate," which was produced by The Roots' Ahmir "Yuestlove" Thompson, lookes its listeners on a soulful tour

Ahmir "?uestlove" Thompson, takes its listeners on a soulful tour

a.k.a. Common.

The rapper's brand of intro-spective lyricism leaves listeners feeling as though they have known

ceing as inough they have known Common for years. The album's first single, "The Sixth Sense," had me hitting the repeat button on the CD player over and over.

Other tracks like "Heat" and "Coldblooded" will have you feeling like you are listening to the soundtrack of a remake

of "Superfly."
During "Dooinit," Common takes a much deserved shot at what I like to call "glam-rap."

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what I like to call "giamr-ap.
Although he never names any spe-cific rappers, it isn't hard to deter-mine his aim.

"Back to back LP's that sound the same ... it's a shame what money do to a (brother's) brain. If he lose his soul, what did (he).

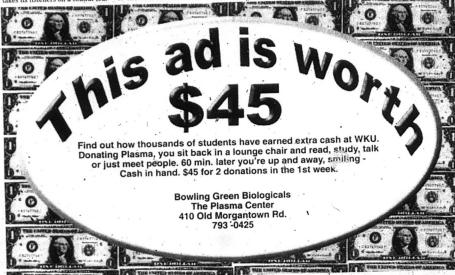
(cough — Puffy — cough.) The album winds down with "A

Song for Assata," in which Common gives a detailed account of Assata Shakur's shootout with the cops, escape from prison and exite to Cuba. The song features Cee-Lo from Goodie Mob singing a heartfelt chorus.

This album is well worth the

This album is well worth the This album is well worth the money and time you will spend on it. The only reason it gets a B+ as opposed to an A is because the standards are so high for an artist like Common that I am left wishing he had done more.







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Movie Review

Cusack takes dating to a new level

Grade: A

BY MICHAEL COMPTON

'High 'Fidelity" exploits a simple formula that, unfortu-nately, isn't used enough in movies today

Here is a film that has interesting characters having interesting conversations and relating to each other in such a natural way that, by the time the movie ends, you feel like you

movie ends, you reel like you have made new friends.

Okay, it may just be me and my pathetic social life.

The movie stars John Cusack as Rob Gordon. Rob owns a reel of shop that specializes in antique vinyl albums. As the movie opens he has just been dumped by his girlfriend, Laura (Iben Hieile).

As we soon learn, this break up is just another in Rob's cycle

of thich have ended with Rob heartbroken. So he decides it's time to figure out what went wrong and tries to track down his top five all time worst break

Cusack gets help from his co stars. Tim Robbins is funny as lan, the man Laura leaves Rob

Jack Black and Todd Louiso are hysterical as Dick and Berry the slacking employees at Rob's record store. Some of the best moments in the film involve their constant debates on unin portant top five lists they have compiled on every situation imaginable, ranging from the top five songs about death to the top five songs to get you going on

Monday
But its Cusack that makes
this movie a must-see. Cusack that has such a charming personality that he can pretty much be lik-able in anything The movie uses this charm effectively by breaking the fourth wall and having

Cusack's character talk to the

audience.
This device helps create a person anyone can identify with Rob is basically a nice guy; he just makes mistakes that anyone could make. It's also refreshing to see a character be smart, yet not have to talk down to the

not have to taik down to the audience.

Cusack's acting skills are often overlooked, but only because he makes it look easy ft's nice to watch a film where the solution to a relationship isn't just getting back together. You have to give Cusack credit for co-writing a character who has flaws, especially since most writer/actors seem to have a god

complex
From "Say Anything " to
"Gross Pointe Blank " Cusack
has always captured the insecurity of a guy frying to find the right girl. He takes it to another level here, creating a memo-rable character in a film that all definitely be among the

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The program will feature
Bach's cantata "Herz und Mund
un Tat und Leben" (Heart and
Lips, Thy-Whole Behavior) and
several other chorales.
Admission to the concert is \$5.

Saxophonist Rousseau in recital April 23

At 7:30 p.m. April 23, world-

renowned saxophonist Eugene Rousseau will be presenting a recital at the fine arts center. The program will consist of

selections from standard saxo "Sonata for Alto Saxophone" com-posed by Western's composer-in-residence, Charles W. Smith.

The event is free and open to

the public.

For information, call the music office at 745-3751.

Exhibition planned

An exhibition of the work of retired art professor Walter Stomps will be presented at the fine arts center gaflery beginning Wednesday, April 19.

The show will stay open through July 28. The public is invited to attend

Scholarship concert to be held

Western's music department will present its sixth annual scholarship concert at 7:30 p.m., April 25, in Van Meter Auditorium.

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The concert will feature saxophonist Eugene Rousseau and
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Gilbert 'high on Greek system'

Fraternity member an inspiration

BY ERICA WALSH Herald reporter

Between being president of Between being presidents.

the Intrafraternity Council, president of Phi Delta Theta, a Spirit Master and a full-time student, it's a wonder-that Louisville senior Dan Gilbert has time to being the page.

senior Dan Gilbert has time to steep, let alone free time to hang out with his friends or fraternity brothers.

But, despite how buss be is, he wouldn't change a thing. "I enjoy it," he said. "I wouldn't give it up for anything. "Gilbert said being involved in the Greek system at Western is a responsibility he wouldn't trade. He considers his Phi Delta brothers his best friends, and some of his favorite memories are Phi Delta winning the Reed Morgan award and traveling to New Orleans to play flag football.

When friends think of Dan, they are impressed by his lead-ership and his ability to balance verything he has going on.

"Every time a situation comes up. Dan knows what to do, and ne doesn't think twice about his decision," Bowling Green sophomore Chris Sparks, a fraternity brother,

"He's got a lot on his plate, but he still makes time for his broth

ers."
Gilbert agrees that he has a lot going on, but says he handles it pretty well.

"I really don't stress out that much," he said. "I just take it one thing at a time and try not to do 10 things at once.

Since he is a full-time student. Since he is a full-time students sometimes grades fall last on the priorities list. But you'd never know it. With a 3.4 grade-point average he balances academics

and activities well.
"I'd rather be someone with a
3.4 who is involved in a lot of
things on campus than someone ith a 4:0 who doesn't experience what college is really like," he

Charley Paide, director of Charley Fales, director of Student Activities and Organizations, has known Gilbert since the firs# semester of Gilbert's freshman year, when he decided to pledge the fraternity.

Gilbert said that Pride is one

Gilbert said that Pride is one of the people he looks up to. Pride

"Every time a situation comes up, Dan knows what to do, and he doesn't think twice about his decision."

> - Chris Sparks Bowling Green sophomore

is equally impressed with Gilbert.

"He's one of those people who's always involved," Pride said. "He's not afraid to do the dirty work.

dirty work."

However, the one, thing that Pride said he thinks of when he thinks about Dan doesn't have to do with his school activities.

"The first thing I think about is Dan sitting on the front porch playing his guitar. I think it's a way for him to handle stress."

Stress that Gilbert says he doesn't have all that often. Most

doesn't have all that often. Most of his memories so far from Western are stress free, and he would encourage everyone to be

would encourage everyone to be as involved as they can be. "I would definitely recom-mend it to anybody." he said. "I'm so high on the Greek system here, it's one of the best things I've ever done."

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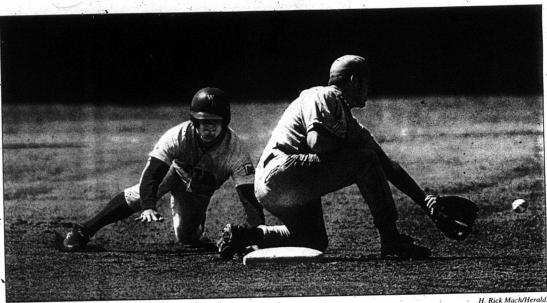
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"We didn't cut it when it was that time of the game where somebody needed to step up ... - Baseball coach Joel Murrie



Junior outfielder Matt Fox tries to steal second base as New Orleans' Todd Thompson receives the ball during the second game of Sunday's doubleheader at Denes Field. Fox slid past the base and was tagged out. Western lost 9-2.

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New Orleans wins series' final two games

BY BRIAN MOORE Herald reporter

New Orleans coach Randy Bush was a little concerned about how his team would perform in Sunday's doubleheader

against Western.
After Saturday's game was postponed because of cold tem peratures, his team sat in their hotel rooms all day. They didn't practice. They didn't swing any bats. They just sat, watched television and chatted.

They rose at 6 a.m. Sunday and gathered for a team breakfast at 7.

Then they made their way to Denes Field and tattooed the Hilltoppers with three home runs in the first game and 10 hits in the second to win 7-6 and

9-2.
"The guys came out swinging the bats," Bush said. "I was really pleased with their approach. We had an extremely long day off yesterday, and we were up early this morning. You hope your guys will be profes-

sional and show up ready to

sional and show up ready to play, and they sure did." Western (14-20, 6-8 Sun Belt Conference) hung with the Privateers offensively through-out the first game. Down 5-2 in the bottom of the sixth inning. junior designated hitter Justin Herrguth doubled and advanced to third when junior outfielder Matt Johns reached first on an error. Senior catcher Curtis Bliss singled to drive in Herrguth and freshman first baseman D.J. Johnson singled to score Johns and Bliss to tie

the game at five. New Orleans came right back with a run in the seventh

and eighth innings to go up two. Johnson returned to the plate in the eighth inning and left the yard with a solo homer to right field, but the Toppers scored no

more.

"Offensively, I felt pretty good," Johnson said. "I finally got to start and I knew I had to prove myself. Luckily for ine, I saw the ball really well. The home run pitch was a fastball right down the middle. I was surprised it left because the wind was blowing in pretty hard."

Johnson had no comment on what Western coach Joel Murrie said to the team after

game. The Toppers have now dropped four consecutive con-ference series and 12 of their last 16 games overall.

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In an abbreviated seveninning second game Sunday, the
Privateers scored three runs in
each of the third, sixth and seventh innings to win 9-2. Western
tallied only six hits to post their

tallied only six hits to post their two runs.

"I think UNO capitalized and really played harder as the game went along." Murrie said.
"We didn't cut it when it was that time of the game where somebody needed to step up

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Mansfield honored again

ShaRae Mansfield coasted along ShaRae Mansfield coasted along the Diddle Arena halluay leading to the women's basketball office yesterday, thinking the visit would be just a routine stop to pick up a few things. But something was waiting for the Lady Topper junior forward—the best piece of mail she's received all year. Mansfield has been invited to complete for a spot on the R. William Jones Conserved was ready month.

Cup team next month.

Cup team next month.
"I'm just so happy, so excited," she said last night. "I's like, man ... I don't know how much I could ask for."
Except for maybe a spot on the squad.
Sixty-seven other women's hoops players will share the floor at the United States Olympic training center in Colorado Springs, Col., May 17-20.

and vie to be one of the 12 names on the roster. The final list will be announced on May 22. The squad is part of an annual camp held by the U.S. Olympic team.

"It's definitely the elite group," said Western associate head coach Mary Taylor Cowles. "If they're not on the Olympic team, they're going to be trying out for the Jones Cup."

It's a team from which Mansfield has been waiting to hear a call. She's wanted the chance for a long time before shining this season, when she ayeraged 18.5 points and 10.6 rebounds per game. Mansfield was a third team All-America selection by the Women's Basketball News Service, a three-time Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week and a unanimous selection for

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Football to face Wisconsin

Football team will play Rose Bowl champs next year

HERALD STAFF REPORT

Western football has already named

Western football has already named a fee for the 2001 season. The Hilltoppers will face Rose Bowl champion Wisconsin on Sept. 15, 2001, at 1:05 pm. in Madison.

The Badgers are the two-time defending Big Ten champions and became the first Big Ten team to win consecutive Rose Bowls by downing Stanford 17-9 in January.

Wisconsin, which boasted the Heisman Trophy winner and record-setting running back Ron Dayne last sea-

son, has won 10 games and finished in son, has won to game the top five in the polls in each of the last two years.
"Our players will welcome the

"Our players will welcome the chance to play and show their talents against a quality Division I-A program," head coach Jack Harbaugh said. "We are excited about the opportunity to enhance our entire athletics program as well.

Western hasn't faced a I-A opponent western hash traced a 1-3 ppsssince losing to Louisiana-Lafayette (then known as Southwestern Louisiana) 38-24 to finish the 1998 sea-

The Hilltoppers have never played a g Ten school, but will try to improve Big Ten scho on last year's 6-5 record.

Fellow Ohio Valley Conference mem-ber Murray State faced Wisconsin last season, and the Badgers won 49-10.

Softball Tops stay consistent, spank Tennessee St. in laugher

Western has outscored TSU 45-2 in four games

> By JOE COX Herald reporter

Nashvillé is a nice city In retrospect, the Tennessee State Lady Tigers probably wish they had stayed there

But instead, they took the trip up 1-65 to Bowling Green on Friday For their troubles, they were soundly thumped in a doubleheader by the Lady Toppers.

Western (20-16-1) extended

Western (20-16-1) extended their winning streak to five in a row by thumping the Lady Tigers 4 280 10-0 and 13-0. In four games this season against TSU. Western's com-bined margin of victory was 45-2.

After a seven game losing streak where Western managed only a total of 10 runs, the Lady Toppers, scored 23 times, on Friday, making it 59 runs in the five-game winning streak

Going from looking helpless at the plate to putting up the kind of numbers on the score-board that could make Jack Harbaugh (or maybe even Dennis Felton) proud, has cer-tainly changed the Lady Toppers outlook.

"Hitting is contagious."
Western coach Leslie-Phelan
said. "I'm pleased with the way
we swunt the bat.
With Western putting up double-figure runs-in four straight
games, the Lady Toppers' pitchcontagious."

"I think we're having fun now. That has a lot to do with (the offensive improvement).

> - Jesse Richardson freshman outfielder

ing excellence makes the game

ing excellence makes the game look downright unfair.
Freshman aces Amber Carlinston and Kate Swerfager each threw three-bit shutouts Friday, each working only five innings due to the mercy rule, which ended both games carly. Garlington's shutout was her fourth of the season, and mproved her record, to 12-9 while dropping her ERA to a microscopic 122

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microscopic 122.
Swertfager's shutout was her third and improved her mark to 5-7. She also set a new career high with 11 strikeouts.

"Katie Swertfager threw the

best game I've seen her throw all

year." Phelan said.
In the opener, Western didn't wait long to jump on TSU. A run in the second and another in the third gave the team more sup port than Garlington would require, but it was an eight-run fourth inning that allowed the

game to end early.
Western batted around in the inning, highlighted by a three-run double from freshman out-fielder Jesse Richardson. The feight runs were only one shy of the season high for runs in an

inning .
"I think we're having fun

now," Richardson said. "That has a lot to do with (the offensive improvement)."

Eight players had hits in the game, with freshman shortstop Sara Alanis, junior catcher Cassie Palmer and freshman out-fielder Kristalyn Smith each contributing a pair.

contributing a pair.

In the second game, Alanis, playing with 13 stitches in her right shin after an injury sustained in last Sunday's win over tennessee-Martin, got her chance to play the hero.

The reigning Sun Belt Player

The reigning Sun Belt Player The reigning Sun Beit Flayer of the Week made Lady Topper history with a fourth-inning grand slam, the first in team history. Alanis also had another hit in the game, giving her four on the day and boosting her teamleading batting average to 380.

"Tve really been working on it (hitting) and it's paying off," Alanis said. "We're just execut-ing everything. In the last five games ... we've scored enough runs to let everybody know we're not playing games out here... With 10 of Western's 18 remaining regular season games

at home, the Lady Toppers stand a great chance of meeting their preseason goal of finishing above 500. One major roadblock comes up tomorrow when Western hosts the 28-12 Southern Illinois Salukis in a 3 p.m. dou bleheader Maybe Sara Alanis summed it

This is our house," said the gritty shortstop, who played despite the pain of her spiked shin. "Nobody comes in and tries to kick us out."

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Junior forward ShaRae Mansfield attempts a shot during the Lady Toppers' 86-71 win against Denver on March 4. Mansfield scored 13 points and had 13 rebounds.

Topper honored ANSFIELD:

the Sun Belt All-Conference team We've known it since we recruited ShaRae, that she had

recruited ShaRae, that she had some very natural. God-given ability." Cowles said.

The squad is part of, an annual camp held by the United States Olympies. The team will play for a gold medal against foreign teams-in Taipei, Taiwan, July 16-20. The U.S. Jones Cup teams have won gold three out of the last five

times they've competed, including their last appearance in 1998. Only two Lady Toppers have

Only two Lady Toppers have made national teams — Terri Mann was on the 1987 World University Games; and Danielle McCulley was the only Western player to snag a medal as part of the 1999 Pan-American bronze, winning team: If Mansfield makes the team, she and her summer teammates will rejoin in late August, in Monolulu to practice for a nationally televised contest with

Mansfield begins the tough training tomorrow. It'll be like the season all over again. But if things work out her way, she thinks one of those 12 spots should have her name on it. "I know I'm definitely going

"I know I'm definitely going against some great players, but I'm going to go out there and play my hardest." Mansfield said. "I'm willing to do whatever it takes to make it."

Tops: Hutchison beats New Orleans

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and do the job, we didn't step up and do it. We played better base-ball but still not successful base-

Western will try to turn Western will try to turn things around at 6 p.m. today at Denes Field. They'll face Eastern Kentucky at 6 p.m. tomorrow also at Denes Field.

Western 3, New Orleans 0

Junior pitcher Ryan Hutchison threw his second complete game shutout of the season as Western beat the

season as Western beat the Privateers 3-0 Friday night. Hutchison (3-2) struck out five and allowed only eight hits for his ninth consecutive win in Sun Belt Conference play.

... we didn't step up and do it. We played better baseball but still not successful baseball."

> - Joel Murrie baseball coach

In the fifth inning, junior first baseman Eric Hammer walked and advanced on a walk by Johns and sacrifice bunt by senior catcher Kevin Clutter. Hammer scored on a groundout by junior

scored on a groundout by Jumbs
shortstop Luis Rodriguez.
Junior second baseman Brian
Houdek and junior right fielderTim Cleland singled in the sixth
inning. They were driven in by
Johns and Hammer to give the Toppers their three runs.

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