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Alcohol rules still unclear

Unwritten guidelines changing; attempts at written policy fail

BY BRANDY WARREN
Herald reporter

Students and faculty have been confused about Western's alcohol policy before.

They're about to be bewildered.

For the last few years, Western administrators have chosen not to have a formal alcohol policy that outlines what can and cannot be done and what the consequences are for breaking rules.

Instead, Western has been operating on an unwritten, sometimes unenforced rule: the Hill is a dry campus.

Now that unwritten rule is changing.

Last year, in response to alcohol-related issues that arose during tailgating, a group of administrators including President Gary Ransdell; Gene Tice, vice president for Student Affairs; Dean of Student Life Howard Bailey; General Counsel Deborah Wilkins; athletics department representatives; and Campus Police Chief Robert Deane discussed creating a document they had previously deemed unnecessary — a formal alcohol policy.

The Herald has obtained a copy of one draft.

But that proposal was scrapped sometime around last February — administrators can't remember exactly when.

However, a number of new, unwritten rules have settled into place. Tice and Ransdell have verified that there are now certain places on campus where alcohol can be served.

For instance, requests to have alcohol on the Hill from campus or non-university affiliated groups can be made to University administrators.

Money used to purchase alcohol does not come from state funding, but through donated funds.

Still, there is no written criteria for deciding which groups on campus will be permitted to have alcohol. Tice said the decisions are made subjectively based on what information the organization wanting to host an event submits.

Tice said although these policies are not written, they are known to faculty members.

"All they have to do is ask the chain of command and all of those answers are very clear," Tice said.

And though some of the new policies are similar to those in last semester's drafts, Ransdell said the council dropped the proposal because it became too complex, and they decided it would never work.

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Administrators will try to stop underage drinking at tailgating

BY REX HALL JR.
Herald reporter

Gene Tice didn't like what he saw last year at tailgating.

Students — some who were younger than 21 — were drinking alcoholic beverages during the event, and some didn't intend to go to the game afterward.

"The trouble that I saw was those individuals who came to tailgating and they came strictly to party and there was no relationship between tailgating and going to the football game," said Tice, vice president for Student Affairs.

With tailgating activities set to begin Saturday before the Toppers take on Kentucky State, Tice and other administrators are changing the way they enforce the rules against underage drinking on campus to keep what happened last year, and in previous years, from happening again.

Administrators plan to randomly card students at tailgating and confront anyone who is acting irresponsibly or is visibly under the influence of alcohol. They're also going to regulate the amount of time individuals can remain on Downing University Center South Lawn after a football game has begun.

University officials have clear guidelines they plan to follow in the enforcement against underage drinking, but the answers are not as clear when it comes to students who are 21 or older and choose to drink at tailgating.

Tice, Dean of Student Life Howard Bailey and President Gary Ransdell dodged questions about what penalties, if any, there would be for students who are of drinking age.

The rules about underage drinking and tailgating were specifically mentioned in a confidential alcohol control policy that Tice, Bailey, Ransdell, General Counsel Deborah Wilkins, athletics department representatives and Campus Police Chief Robert Deane worked to put together last year after the problems arose at tailgating.

The Herald obtained a copy of that draft, which never went into effect.

"We decided we were not going to be able to administer that as it was," Bailey said.

Tice said because the policy was dropped, administrators will, as they have in the past, use the policy regarding alcohol stated in subsection 15 in the 2001-2002 Student Handbook as a guideline for governing alcohol at tailgating and around campus.

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photo illustration by Thomas Cordy/Herald

Western takes lead in energy conservation

\$3 million savings expected over 12 years

BY JENNIFER L. DAWES
Herald reporter

Western is turning other state universities on to energy conservation.

It is the first Kentucky state agency to begin an energy efficiency plan with private providers. The plan is designed to save businesses

and agencies millions of dollars over a period of years.

The project at Western will be the template for other state agencies and their dealings with private providers.

The state, acting for Western, signed a contract with Enertech, a division of Louisville Gas & Electric, to begin the energy saving performance contracting, or ESPC, later this month.

Enertech will upgrade and renovate older energy systems including lighting, air conditioning and heat ventilation systems

at Western.

ESPCs operate by initially paying for all the equipment and work. Western will pay the company the amount saved on energy consumption quarterly for 12 years.

Enertech is expecting Western to save \$3 million over the 12-year period, which will more than cover the equipment and renovations.

One of the reasons Western is at the forefront of ESPC is because of the university's persistence in getting a program up and running.

"We pursued it more aggressively

than others," said John Osborne, associate vice president of campus services and facilities. "I saw it as a tremendous opportunity for us."

He said the university became interested in the project in 1998 when legislation began allowing state universities to get involved with ESPCs.

University of Kentucky, University of Louisville and Murray State University are a few of the other state universities

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INSIDE

Life behind bars

Student bartenders are spending late nights earning big bucks while trying to find the right mix of work and play. Afternoon classes and light hours help keep them on track. **Page 9**

Three up, three down

Western's women's soccer team is loaded with freshmen in its inaugural season, but that didn't keep the Lady Toppers from winning their first three games. **Page 13**

Weather forecast

Today	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
87° 67°	84° 68°	87° 67°	84° 65°	84° 64°
Chance of storms	Stormy	Sunny	Chance of storms	Showers

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 R: 87°/70°, cloudy
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 Tu: 83°/63°, showers

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 M: 87°/68°, sunny
 Tu: 84°/64°, showers

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 Tu: 85°/66°, showers

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



Sang-Hyuck Park/Herald

The Big 'O': Facilities Management crews paint the 'O' in "HILLTOPPERS" on the stands at Smith Stadium on Wednesday afternoon. Western will play its first home game of the season Saturday against the Thoroughbreds of Kentucky State. Game time is set for 5 p.m.

Crime Reports

Arrests

◆ Micheal C. McGowen, Virginia Avenue, was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana. He was being held Wednesday in Warren County Regional Jail on a \$2,500 cash bond.

◆ John A. Snyder, Louisville, was charged Monday with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of alcohol by a minor. He was released Tuesday from Warren County Regional Jail on a \$1000 unsecured bond.

◆ Brian R. Snyder, Louisville, was charged Monday with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and pos-

session of alcohol by a minor.

Reports

◆ A fire alarm was activated at 2:55 p.m. Friday in Gilbert Hall. The cause was burnt food in a second-floor kitchen.

◆ Andrea Smith, Bemis Lawrence Hall, reported receiving harassing phone calls at 3:40 a.m. Saturday.

◆ A floor buffer was reported stolen from Diddle Arena August 30. Building service attendant Daniel Holloway said the buffer was worth \$1,001 and was last seen between 11 p.m. August 15 and 6 a.m. August 16.

◆ Thomas B. Sketo, Pearce-Ford Tower, reported his parking permit worth \$60 stolen from

his car parked in the Egypt Lot between noon Saturday and 9:30 p.m. Monday.

◆ Linda Brown, facility zone management technician, reported \$200 in damage to two bathroom doors in Thompson Complex Central Wing between 12 a.m. Monday and 4 a.m. Tuesday.

◆ Alicia N. Leaverton, McLean Hall, reported her parking permit worth \$60 stolen from her car parked on the fourth floor of the parking structure between 8 p.m. August 22 and 7:20 p.m. August 29.

◆ A fire alarm was activated in Schneider Hall at 7:50 p.m. Wednesday after a resident mistakenly pulled the alarm.

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The Deep End (R)	12:45	3:00	5:10	7:30
Jay & Silent Bob Strike Back (R)	12:45	3:00	5:10	7:30
Summer Catch (PG-13)	1:30	4:40	7:15	9:40
American Pie 2 (R)	1:00	3:15	5:30	7:50
American Pie 2 (R)	1:45	4:15	6:45	9:00
Captain Corelli's Mandolin (R)	1:15	4:00	7:00	9:45
Osmosis Jones (PG)	12:45	3:00	5:10	
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WWF tags out, fans stunned

BY MICHEAL COMPTON
Herald reporter

Western has been body slammed — again.

For the second time in four years, a World Wrestling Federation event scheduled for Diddle Arena has been canceled. WWF officials told the Herald yesterday the event scheduled for Sept. 16 will not happen.

The event was to feature top WWF Superstars like "Stone Cold" Steve Austin, Kurt Angle, Chris Jericho and Kane.

The event was canceled due to "scheduling conflicts," said Cindy Jackson, a WWF live events representative. She declined to elaborate on what those conflicts were, although a WWF performance scheduled for Saturday in Lexington's Rupp Arena has been moved to Sunday, according to WWF.com, the organization's official Web site.

The news came as a shock to those at the Western ticket office.

"We had great ticket sales and an overwhelming response," ticket office representative Buddy Johnson said.

According to Johnson, the WWF notified Western early Wednesday morning and would not give them a reason why they decided to cancel the event. It was scheduled earlier this summer after WWF officials sought out Western's facilities.

The cancellation frustrated wrestling fans like Gamaliel sophomore D.J. Burchett, who said he was looking forward to seeing a live event for the first time in several years.

"I'm pretty upset because me and a bunch of my friends were planning on attending," Burchett said. "I probably won't attend an event again for a while. I wouldn't want to spend my money again, only to have to the event canceled at the last minute."

Brent Russell, New Rock 92 station manager and host of the wrestling talk show "Taking it to the Mat," said he is disappointed in the WWF's decision.

"I think it's a shame because there are a lot of great wrestling fans in the Bowling Green area who can't make it to Nashville, who now are deprived of going to see some of their favorite performers," Russell said. "I think this is going to alienate fans. Why is it they have promised to be here and back out at the last minute?"

"The people I feel really bad for are the people who camped out overnight to get tickets, and now they are not going to see a show."

Johnson said any person holding a ticket can receive a cash refund at 9 a.m. Sept. 12 at the Diddle box office.

The WWF held shows at Diddle in 1993 and 1995, but canceled a show in 1997, which they also attributed to scheduling conflicts.

With the WWF pulling out of Bowling Green yet again, Johnson said the chances of an event at a later date are remote, at best.

"I don't know if this totally eliminates the WWF putting on an event here again, but I can tell you it makes for a fragile situation," Johnson said.

Olive Garden closes, Smokey Bones coming

Western students out of a job

BY JOSEPH LORD
Herald reporter

Nathan Dam didn't see it coming.

The junior from Hendersonville, Tenn., had happily worked at the Olive Garden Italian restaurant for two years as a server and was looking forward to more.

But on Aug. 2, a sign arrived at the restaurant from the company's headquarters. It was an announcement to customers that at the end of the week the restaurant would be closed.

Bowling Green's Olive Garden shut down suddenly just before the beginning of the semester, leaving several Western students, like Dam, scrambling for work.

Aug. 3 was the last day for Bowling Green's Olive Garden, which is owned by Darden Restaurants — the same company that owns Red Lobster and Smokey Bones, the soon-to-be occupant of the Italian restau-

rant's 2450 Scottsville Rd. spot, Dam said.

According to Rick Walsh, senior vice president of corporate affairs for Darden Restaurants, the Olive Garden was closed because Smokey Bones — a barbecue grill and sports bar — has a greater business potential in Bowling Green.

Louisville junior Katie Murphy, who had been a server and bartender at the restaurant for about a year before its close, said a full staff meeting was held on Aug. 4. About 50 employees were officially told the restaurant was permanently closed and were given an assortment of options for their employment future.

The workers were told they could go to work at another Olive Garden in Nashville, at the Red Lobster in Bowling Green or accept two weeks' severance pay, Dam said.

Employees who accepted severance pay — determined by averaging each employee's last 13 paychecks — would not be permitted to work at another Darden restaurant for 3 months, he added.

The restaurant's managers were relocated, said Mara

Fayerman, a media relations representative from Olive Garden.

"It was pretty much two weeks pay and have a good life," Dam said. He'd been a server at the restaurant for two years.

The employees were told they'd have the first opportunity to apply for positions when Smokey Bones starts hiring in January, he said.

The new restaurant is expected to open its doors in February, Walsh said.

He said the restaurant features a barbecue grill with a sports bar, and that the Bowling Green location will be the first in this area.

The city was chosen by the chain because of the university and the local community, Walsh said.

"What goes better in a town with a terrific university than a barbecue sports bar?" he said.

Walsh said there should be about 15 locations of the two-year-old chain by the time Smokey Bones opens in Bowling Green.

While some former employees chose to stay with Darden Restaurants, others decided to take the severance pay and try

their luck in the job market.

Dam and Murphy both chose to take the check and find work elsewhere, and both ended up working at 440 Main Restaurant and Bar.

Rob Eaton, general manager at 440 Main, said the Olive Garden shutdown has created an excess of experienced servers in Bowling Green.

"We have a surplus of people," he said. "We're probably overstaffed right now."

Other former employees chose to stay in the Italian food business.

Tedesco's, a new Italian restaurant that opened Aug. 23, has hired seven former workers, said assistant manager Re McKeown — who had worked at Olive Garden until four months before the closing.

Dam said he would never work for a Darden restaurant again because of the way the closing was handled and wouldn't consider applying for a position at Smokey Bones.

But the situation hasn't entirely left a bad taste in his mouth.

"I plan on eating there because I hear they have great barbecue," he said.

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Opinion

Look out D.C., the Toppers are coming

There is a battlefield where the power players meet and divide up the pie. Yes, in Washington, D.C. they decide who gets what and how much.

The decision of the university to throw into a money pool with the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville for an office in Washington is indicative of the school's ambition to sit at the table where the game is played.

Since President Gary Ransdell's arrival at Western, this university has opened its hands to receive its share of the nation's bounty. This move, kicking in \$50,000 to maintain a visible presence in the country's capital, is a wise bet that looks to pay off in spades down the road.

UK and U of L have long stood as the high-water mark schools in the Commonwealth. But over the past few years, Western has been growing stronger, and a presence in D.C. is a step that legitimizes the university's efforts and abilities.

While it remains to be seen how lucrative this investment will be, it seems like the right move for the university at the moment.

In many instances, success is the result of knowing the right people. If Western wants to rub elbows with the country's cash cows, we've got to be close to them.

THE ISSUE: Western has decided to throw in some cash, and maintain a Washington office with UK and U of L.

OUR VIEW: This is another big step for a university that continues to yell, "We want to play, too!"

Bold teachers make the Hill a cooler place

And a professor shall lead them.

The only thing more refreshing than the cool blasts of air in Subway this week is the fact the efforts to end the suffering of the Subway faithful were spearheaded by a professor.

For associate government professor Shelly Arsneault to begin the circulation of a petition for the sake of the restaurant's employees and patrons speaks highly of her commitment to this university.

The actions of one amidst the complaints of many is a breath of fresh air. Arsneault's actions were not only courageous, but necessary. For a professor at this university to look out for students and employees of the school is a move that we applaud with hopes that this will spark heroism in others.

In addition to Arsneault, the more than 600 students who signed the petition in aid of their fellow Toppers and sandwich suppliers ought to pat themselves on the back, knowing they've done a good thing.

In many aspects of campus life, students, faculty and staff are in this together. If we don't look out for each other, who will?

Perhaps it is unwise for an employee of the university to speak out about the "inhumanities" it perpetrates. If that is the case, then Arsneault has truly gone above and beyond the call of duty, as a government professor, practicing what she preaches.

Thank you, Professor Arsneault, for being cool so that others may do the same.

THE ISSUE: Associate government professor Shelly Arsneault led the fight for Subway's air conditioning.

OUR VIEW: Everyone on the Hill should heed this example, and take note of what one determined voice can accomplish.



You clean, I'll write

When I lived in the dorms — I mean, the residence halls — I used to yell to my resident assistant as I passed him in the hallway, "Hey, those dirty clothes in my room aren't going to clean themselves!"

I was joking, of course. I knew that those clothes were my responsibility and that my classes were mine to fail or pass.

That is what I like so much about college. It was up to me to decide if I was going to fail a class, not my parents or my teachers or my friends. It resembled some of the basic tenets of America in my mind: if you want to eat, you'd better work and if you want to mess up your life (as long as you don't cause anyone else harm), that's fine, too.

The new policy about drinking makes me wonder just how big those new dorm rooms are. If Western made them big enough for students and their parents to move in together, then I think that is great. But if my parents aren't living in my dorm room, why do they need to know when I get caught with beer?

At this point I will reiterate the time-tested creed "If I am old enough to die for my country, why can't I drink a beer?"

A new spin on that is, "If I am old enough to live in a small room with someone I don't know, why do my parents need to know if I got busted with a couple of beers?"

A letter home? I hate to be the bearer of bad news, but most students don't write letters home anymore. We use computers and e-mail. We don't even write letters to our student newspaper.

Seriously, the university's administrators need to make up their minds. If students are not old enough to deal with their own problems, Western should go into dorms with some movies (since the campus movie channel has shut down), clean the residents' rooms and do their laundry.

Those clothes aren't going to clean themselves!

Brett Corbin is a senior print journalism major from Prospect, Ky.



Brett Corbin
commentary

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| <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> We would like to officially welcome the Lady Topper soccer team to the Hill. Now let's turn Title IX into nine titles.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> And, specifically, congratulations to Allison Nellis, the women's soccer Sun Belt Player of the Week. She is woman, watch her score.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> And to area law enforcement officials who manned the safety checkpoints this past weekend—despite the slurred curses of a few, we appreciate it.</p> | <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Can we put those broken down shuttles up on concrete blocks on DUC South Lawn? Then we'll really look like a Kentucky school.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> And what's up with Big Red Cards that can buy Big Red nothing? We finally found something worth less than the peso.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Also, a big boo to the men's basketball schedule. Creighton twice? Morris Brown? What's wrong? Selig couldn't find a gang of midgets to play us?</p> |
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Parking patrols on the prowl

New employee writes 100 tickets a day

BY BRETT CORBIN
Herald reporter

Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat nor night will save a car's front windshield from the dreaded yellow parking ticket.

For the first time, Western has a full-time parking enforcement official on its payroll. Karen Thurman was hired, according to Campus Police Capt. Mike Wallace, because of her enthusiasm to get out in adverse conditions and write parking tickets.

The position was created to make up for the student patrol ticketers who can work only part-time and for police officers who can issue parking citations but also must respond to other calls.

"She was hired in July to plug up those gaps," Wallace said.

Thurman, 49, begins her patrol at 7 a.m. in the center of campus. She tends first to faculty and staff zones. Campus police start on the fringes of

campus, patrolling for illegally parked vehicles, and work their way in.

Thurman began her job July 9 and has since delivered more than 1,800 parking tickets. She averages 100 a day, but said that on numerous occasions someone with a ticket has run up and told her they had been coming right back. She typically voids the ticket out after explaining why she wrote it.

"I think most people keep in mind that I am working for them," Thurman said. "I'm trying to make their life easier — not harder."

As a full-time university employee, Thurman is allowed two classes free. She is working on her photojournalism degree and wants to work for the Associated Press in the future.

Thurman said that when she tells people what she does, they try to get on her good side.

"People always volunteer their car: 'Oh, I drive a purple Mustang, don't give me a ticket,'" Thurman said with a laugh.

There are five student patrollers, and Wallace said he's hiring more.

Thurman leaves work at 4 p.m. Part-time student patrol

officer and Mark Vince comes in every night at 8 and works until 11. Vince, a junior from Louisville, has been working around campus as a student patroller for three years in "heat, rain, cold" for minimum wage. He said one female student patroller left the job recently to go work at McDonald's because it paid more.

Vince said that he likes his job because he gets to work special events with police officers and the job offers flexible hours.

The job also puts him in contact with the student body.

"It's 50-50," Vince said. "Half the people I see smile and nod and the other half detest what I do, they see it as me and them."

Vince said he has been threatened on some occasions and when that happens he tries to explain to the person why he wrote the citation and then walks away. If the threats persist, he radios a campus police officer.

Ticket prices changed this summer. Depending on the offense, charges used to range from \$10 to \$20, but are now all \$20.




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The slides come from a trip to Mexico she took in March.

For more information call Lumsden at 745-5841.

Music professor honored for sixth straight year

Music professor Charles W. Smith has received the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers award, given for prestige and performance of work. This is the sixth consecutive year he has won the award.

Class of '51 to join Golden Anniversary Club

The Golden Anniversary Club will induct Western's class of 1951.

A reunion will begin at 6 p.m. on Sept. 21 with a reception and dinner at the Kentucky Building.

The induction will take place at their reunion at 9 a.m. on Sept. 22 at the Faculty House.

For more information call Laura Suiter at 745-4395.

Elizabethtown open house scheduled

An open house for high school juniors and seniors and Elizabethtown Community College students will take place at 6 p.m. Sept. 12 at the Nolin RECC office in Elizabethtown.

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Anthropology professors searching for information

Two Western professors are conducting an oral history project on the nature and impact of archaeological tourism and New Deal archaeological research in western Kentucky.

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— Joseph Lord

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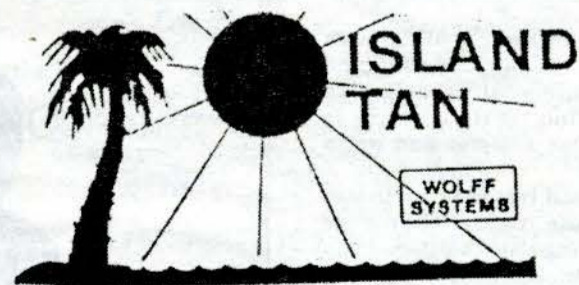
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TAILGATING: Rules for legal drinkers remain ambiguous

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That policy states: "In addition to federal, state and local laws governing the use and possession of alcoholic beverages, the University prohibits possession, furnishing or use of alcoholic beverages (including wine and beer) by students and/or guests of students while on University property."

Tice said any student who violates the policy could be subject to arrest by campus police, entry into an alcohol program sponsored by Western and writing a letter home to their parents to notify them of the violation.

"I cannot let students who are underage publicly drink and flaunt the policy," Tice said. "We don't allow them to drink in the residence halls. They can't simply walk out of the residence halls and go out into the tailgate area and be underage and drink. I've got to enforce that."

While the policy outlined in the student handbook pertains to all students, Tice, Bailey and Ransdell will only discuss penalties for underage students who choose to drink.

"We don't need to be creating problems where problems don't exist," Ransdell said yesterday about enforcing the policy for students over 21.

Western recently participated in a College Alcohol Study sponsored by the Harvard School of Health. In it, Bailey answered a number of questions for the study concerning the drinking habits of Western students.

In response to one question about the use of alcohol on Western's campus, Bailey selected a response that read: "Alcohol prohibited for everyone regardless of age."

Despite Bailey's willingness to give such a clear answer on the survey, he and Tice, in response to questions about whether students over 21 can drink on campus, say that they are focusing on underage drinking. They would not respond to questions about students who are of drinking age.

"We were headed for some problems last year if we had not intervened," Tice said. "So, what I'm going to concentrate on at tailgating are the problem areas, and that's underage drinking..."

Tice and Bailey, along with the help of campus police and other administrators, also plan to "redefine" that tailgating is "a pregame activity and not a big party."

Tice said last year some students made it clear they were at tailgating only to drink. They weren't interested in the game.

Tice said tailgaters will now be asked to leave South Lawn after the beginning of a home football game. It's part of an effort to get more students to

ON ENFORCEMENT...	
For underage drinkers:	For legal drinkers:
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go to the games, he said.

"Tailgating is a pregame activity ... and when football games start then we are going to start shutting tailgating down and say 'go to the football game,'" Tice said.

Tice and Bailey said they have communicated the new rules to fraternities and sororities, but Student Government Association President Leslie Bedo said SGA has never been made aware of the new

enforcement at tailgating.

Despite the fact that Tice and Bailey have said campus police and administrators will randomly card students to check for underage drinkers, Ransdell said Tuesday that irresponsible conduct will be what may lead to them being carded.

"It's the behavior that's going to prompt the attention in the first place ..." Ransdell said.

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POLICY: SGA president calls for clearer guidelines

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"As we discussed it, it became clear it was too cumbersome. It had too much detail. It's not a black and white issue," Ransdell said. "We came to the conclusion that simpler is better. A more brief policy clarified in the campus student handbook was a better course of action."

So Western is back to having no policy, except for the one in the student handbook.

The student handbook currently states "the university prohibits the possession, furnishing or use of alcoholic beverages (including wine and beer) by students and/or guests of students on University property."

Though the new rules are being passed through chain of command, some faculty members, regents and alumni didn't know of the changes.

University Senate President Robert Dietle said that in the past he remembered alcohol being served at functions at the Faculty House, but that the policy has changed in recent years.

"The most recent was that alcohol was not permitted on University property," Dietle said. He was unaware that alcohol was now permitted anywhere on campus, if given prior approval by administrators.

Regent Kristen Bale said she couldn't remember if she had heard of an alcohol policy draft. She said so many issues are presented to the Board of Regents, the group hopes some issues could be dealt with on the administrative level.

"The general feeling of the board is that Western is a dry campus," Bale said.

And some members of the Western family don't want that changed.

Dero Downing, former Western president and current chairman of the College Heights Foundation, said the old way should be the only way.

"My feeling has been that the policy which had historically been in effect was the most desirable and reasonable," Downing said, "and that is to have a dry campus."

Recently, however, President Gary Ransdell disputed the fact Western was ever actually a dry campus.

"That's not realistic," Ransdell said. He said that although Western was considered a dry campus while he was a student at Western, he recollected that students still consumed alcohol.

In the past, a state statute prohibiting alcohol on public grounds was cited as the reason Western was a dry campus. However, the attorney general's opinion that universities are public places does not hold the weight of a statute and many universities ignore it. Ransdell disagreed that a university could be considered a public place, and Tice said the laws, which are decades old, are ambiguous.

Other faculty members sympathize with administrators' trouble in creating a policy.

Faculty Regent Mary Ellen Miller said she was unaware alcohol could be served on certain parts of campus, but added that she had not inquired in recent years.

Miller said she thought there needed to be an alcohol

policy, but realized writing a policy was difficult.

"When I say that, I'm aware of how difficult a written policy is when you're within the law," Miller said.

But Student Government Association President Leslie Bedo said the policies should be clear, if only for students' sake.

"We need to set boundaries because students are getting mixed messages and they need to know what they can and cannot do," Bedo said.

And somehow, other universities are making black and white of the gray issue.

The University of Kentucky has an alcohol policy that its leaders say works.

Jim Kuder, associate to the provost for Student Affairs at UK, said the university has completely banned student alcohol use on campus. He said since the plan was implemented, there have been large reductions in damage to buildings, false fire alarms and cleaning up after students. He also said the numbers of participants going through Greek Rush is up.

The UK alcohol policy said

ON HAVING A DRY CAMPUS...

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use of alcohol must not violate state and local laws, and alcohol is not permitted in classrooms, laboratories, offices, buildings where the public has access or any outdoor area on campus. Alcohol is not permitted in undergraduate housing or at athletic events.

He said in his opinion, those are measures that demonstrate their alcohol policy is effective.

The University of Louisville

has a set of guidelines made specifically for student organizations or councils who wish to host events with alcohol. The policy includes guidelines to follow for planning and supervising such events.

Beverly Pregiasco, assistant to the dean of Student Life at the University of Louisville, could not be reached for comment.

The previously mentioned draft of Western's policy intro-

duced these ideas:

u Alcohol could be served and consumed in the Kentucky Museum galleries or rooms, the Carroll Knically Institute for Economic Development meeting rooms, the Alumni Center reception rooms and the Lost River Cave area.

◆ For University-sponsored events, requests must be made to the chief administrative officer of the division no less than six days before the event. For non-university sponsored events, requests must be made to the chief administrative officer responsible for use of the site.

◆ Only beer, wine or wine coolers would be permitted. All alcohol must be provided by Aramark.

◆ Police must be notified of the event five days in advance.

◆ Rules regarding tailgating were also listed.

But, for the moment, the issue remains gray on the Hill.

"We could never come up with (a policy) we were comfortable with from a legal point of view, from a liability point of view," Tice said. "We're exactly where we were before."

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WKU and city revise Diddle proposal

Final decision expected Friday

BY MAI HOANG
Herald reporter

The future of the partnership between Western, the City of Bowling Green and the Hilltopper Athletic Foundation for the Diddle Arena renovation will be determined Friday.

City commissioners will meet in a special meeting at 9 a.m. Friday to vote on a revised agreement on the renovation. The Board of Regents will meet later that day to vote on the agreement.

President Gary Ransdell is confident that the revised agreement meets the concerns of all the parties involved.

"The city's questions are all addressed in the document," Ransdell said. "That's what we've been working on."

"I expect that they (the Board of Regents) will approve it as well; this document includes any perspectives expressed by the Board of Regents."

A draft copy of the revised agreement said the city would put up \$3 million towards financing the project until the state authorizes the use of university funds to pay back the debt to the city.

This revision rests the concerns of state legislators who said Western could have violated state statutes if Western used more than \$400,000 in university funds, which are considered state funds, to pay back the debt before authorization from the General Assembly, which will meet in January 2002.

However, if the General Assembly does not agree to authorize Western to use university funds to pay the debt, then HAF will be in charge of paying back the debt using private funding.

Members of the Board of Regents have received copies of the agreement. Faculty Regent Mary Ellen Miller said she has not had an opportunity to read it.

"I have to read through it first and reflect a little bit on it," Miller said last Friday. "But as of this moment I am planning to (vote for it)."

Student Regent Leslie Bedo has talked to Ransdell about the agreement. She would not say how she was going to vote Friday, but sees the renovations as a way to attract students and non-sporting events to the arena.

"There aren't a lot of the modern conveniences that you see in modern arenas," Bedo said. "... I think this is a wonderful opportunity to improve an important part of campus."

Herald reporter Rex Hall Jr. contributed to this story.

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ENERGY: Costs cut

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now interested in ESPCs, according to Energetech. Western is far ahead of other universities in this area and is being looked at as a forerunner, said Kim Oatman, chief engineer at Murray State.

"I think we are interested in it once we can learn more about it," Oatman said.

Osborne said officials at other universities have told him they are watching the way ESPC works at Western to see if it is applicable to their school.

"We think there is an eagerness in all parties to see this work," Osborne said.

ESPCs have begun to become commonplace in private industries and businesses, according to a Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet fact sheet. It states reasons agencies might benefit from the contracting.

"Performance contracting allows institutions to make building improvements when capital dollars are not available; update aging equipment with newer, more efficient products; reduce energy costs without sacrificing service and reduce maintenance costs."

Osborne and other Facilities Management personnel attended workshops funded by the

state and different contractors to get a clear picture of what Western wanted. He sees the contract with Energetech as a win-win situation.

The renovations and upgrades are expected to start in mid-September and last more than eight months. Most of the work will be done after scheduled classes, but occasionally some may have to be relocated or rescheduled, Construction Manager Ed West said.

Cherry Hall will receive the most work, including a complete state-of-the-art heating and cooling system, Renninger said. The system is designed to shut off after students and personnel have left the building for the day.

"There will be some major disturbances with that building," he said.

Renninger said that Cherry Hall is unique.

"That building (will be) like a showcase of energy efficiency," Renninger said.

Richard Weigel, Cherry Hall building coordinator and head of the history department, said he has not heard anything about the project nor the possible rescheduling.

"We don't have a lot of open space in this building," Weigel said.

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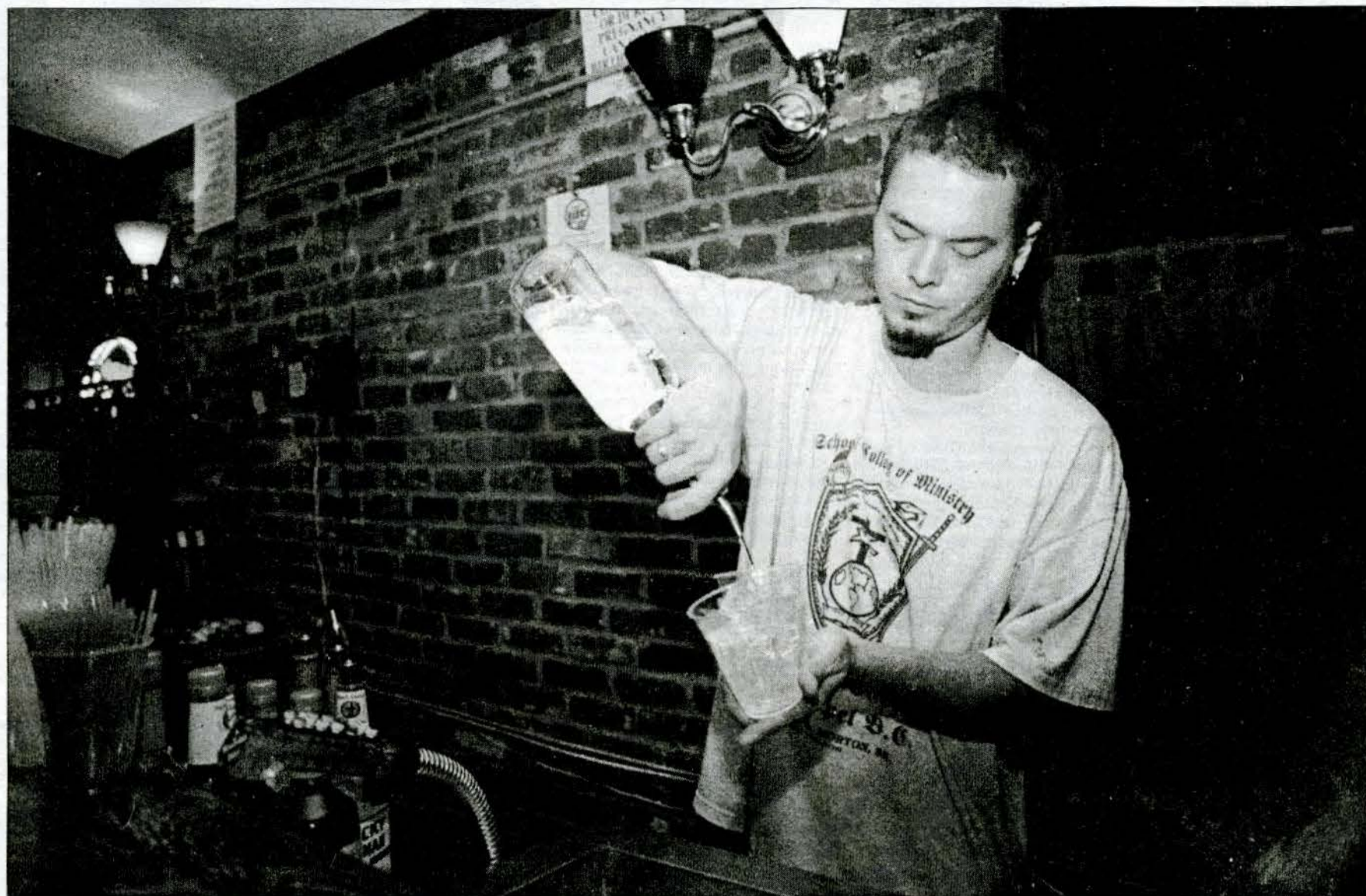
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LIFE *behind* BARS

Student bartenders mix late nights with a twist of college education

BY JASON RAGAN
Herald reporter

The 24-year-old man of medium height and slim build is surrounded by friends at work.

Some he has never met before — but everyone knows his name.

Bartender

Clay Willoughby, a Bowling Green junior, has kept the cups of bar-goers full for about three years. For the last year, he has been quenching the thirst

of Hilltoppers at Springer's and the Parakeet Café at the Fletcher House.

For about 30 hours a week, he's running the show.

In many of the bars that mark the corners and populate downtown Bowling Green, Western students can be found pouring the drinks and working the doors.

All say income tops the list of reasons they work — followed by the proud statement that when you're at a bar, it doesn't feel much like work.

Double shot

The Parakeet is more upscale than most bars in Bowling Green. Willoughby takes his place behind the dark, sturdy bar. He wears a dark red tie and waits for people to arrive.

Hanging above his head is an abundance of crystal-clear glasses, waiting to be plucked from the hanging rack and served to waiting customers.

"It's fun, easy work," Willoughby said. "I don't know if you can call it work."

He likes the Parakeet, where he works about once a week, but his favorite spot is Springer's. Tuesday night — all you can drink night — finds the shirt and tie from the Parakeet traded in for blue jeans and a yellow T-shirt, and the fancy glasses replaced with clear plastic cups.

At the Parakeet, "we take pride in how we make the drink," Willoughby said. "(At Springer's) we take pride in how fast we can make the drinks."

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photos by M.J. McDonald/Herald
Detroit senior Matthew Jones waits for Tuesday night's crowd to show up at Springer's. Top: Bowling Green junior Clay Willoughby pours a drink for a customer during Tuesday night's All You Can Drink at Springer's.

Broken goals shatter little brother's dreams



WEEKEND SUPERPICKS
Jacob Bennett

BRANDENBURG — A dream died in a dirty driveway Friday when Weekend SuperPicks columnist Jacob Bennett accidentally backed into the basketball goal of his little brother, Micah.

For all 12 years of his life, Micah had worked to lift himself from this sleepy hamlet and into the National Basketball Association. He spent hours shooting jump shots and chasing the ball down the family's long driveway when it failed to kiss

the bottom of the net.

All that came crashing to a halt just a couple of miles from the town's feed mill when Jacob ran over the family basketball goal with the "Shaggin' Wagon," a red 1990 Grand Am. The goal fell over when its pole was uprooted like a tree in a twister.

"(Stuart Pepper Middle School) traveling squad tryouts are next week," Micah said tearfully. "I don't know how I'm gonna practice now."

Despite repeated attempts by the columnist to get out of bed and call traveling squad coach and study hall teacher Larry Legend, the blankets were just too soft and the coach could not be reached for comment. But he probably would have said that Micah stood little chance of making the team without practice.

SPMS guidance counselor Stan Theman was appalled when he heard Micah didn't have a goal.

"Every child should have a goal," he said. "You can't make anything of yourself without one."

The police report said Jacob was swerving to avoid hitting his dog. Other sources close to the columnist say he was probably playing with his radio.

Early reports indicate that Jake Fans everywhere had to count to 10 to calm down.

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'O' one of year's best films

Review: 'O'
Grade: A

BY MICHEAL COMPTON
Herald film critic

This isn't the "Othello" you study in English Lit.

The new film "O" does have the same basic story line as William Shakespeare's play; however, the film uses the plot to drive a hip urban theme that resonates with raw power and emotion rare in most 2001 films.

Mehki Phifer plays Odin James, the only black student in a posh South Carolina prep school. A basketball standout, James is embraced by his coach, the school's officials and all the student body — except Hugo Goulding (Josh Hartnett).

Like O, Hugo wants the glory of his peers and the admiration of his father Duke Goulding, the team's head coach who treats O like a son.

A jealous Hugo conspires with Roger Rodriguez (Elden Henson) to tear down O's world by turning him against his high school sweetheart, Desi Brable (Julia Stiles), and his best friend Michael Cassio (Andrew Keegan).

Anyone who has read "Othello" will appreciate how much Brad Kayaa's screenplay stays true to Shakespeare's original work, but, then again, jealousy and racism are still prevalent in today's society. It's a credit that Kayaa keeps central plot devices, such as the infamous scarf, so crucial to the advancement of the story.

Director Tim Blake Nelson, best known for his role in "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" does a very steady job handling the transition of basketball action with an urban soundtrack backdrop to quiet one-on-one scenes between the three lead actors.

Phifer is very credible in the lead role. Stiles has developed a nice little resumé with Shakespeare adaptations such as "10 Things I Hate About You" and "Hamlet," although "Save the Last

Dance" has made her a household name.

But it's Hartnett who is the biggest surprise. True, he was competent in "The Virgin Suicides," but he shows he is capable of depth and range that most young actors only wish they could attain. Yes, it's easier to play the villain, but Hartnett oozes sleaze without going over the top.

This film sat on a shelf for two years, mainly because Miramax Films was afraid some scenes too closely resembled the Columbine High tragedy. Frankly, that thinking was unjust. Thank goodness Lions Gate Entertainment stepped in and released one of 2001's best films when it could have easily been stuck in release limbo indefinitely.

Now that would have been a tragedy of Shakespearean proportions.

Did you love "O" too? Or do you think O should stand for "Oh! that film was awful?" Drop Micheal a line at Cdelgado6@aol.com or call him at 745-6291.

Picks: The Muck and Godstock

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"I was just backing up, and I heard this thud," Jacob said in a statement released by his lawyer. "I looked back, and I saw my basketball goal falling over. I couldn't help but think in my head, 'Timber!'"

Whatever the case, his baby brother will now have to search for a new dream in this Ohio River town, where retired gentlemen still gather in the Dairy Queen lobby to drink steaming coffee and flirt with good-hearted waitresses.

Experts say the boy could take up a sport that doesn't require a basketball goal, such as football, or soccer, or maybe croquet.

"Maybe I'll be a marine biologist or maybe an architect," Micah said. He scratched his head. "I guess I could get a job at Vandeleigh Industries, importing and exporting latex."

This isn't the first time Jacob has ruined his little brother's dreams.

In 1992, Jacob wouldn't stop watching "Martin" reruns so Micah could have the TV to watch "Barney." In 1998, Jacob put a "Kick Me" sign on his little brother's back, the same day Micah had planned to finally

talk to the little red-haired girl.

Last year, Jacob gave his little brother a swirlie, crushing Micah's dream of never having his head dunked in a flushing toilet.

But for now, Micah plans to keep practicing for traveling squad the best way he knows how. On a recent fall day, the boy could be seen doing ball-handling drills and running wind sprints.

Picks of the Weekend

◆ The Muckrakers are playing what could be their last show at 10:30 p.m. Friday at Happy Inn. It'll probably be crowded, but there's always room at the Happy Inn.

◆ Two words (if the year counts as a word): Godstock 2001, Hillvue Heights Church's annual camping weekend at Barren River State Park. They said anyone can come.

Registration starts at 4 p.m. Friday at Barren River State Park. There's a barbecue at 6 p.m. that night (\$4 if you're not camping!) and worship services on Friday and Saturday nights at 7:30 p.m.

All are welcome to participate in the golf scramble starting at 7 a.m. (cost \$40) and Saturday's fishing contest from

5:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$25 per boat). They also open up the beach from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where are they now?

Listen up! It's the first SuperPicks contest of the year! I'm calling it "Where Are They Now?" because I don't feel like thinking up a better name.

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If you get all three, plus the bonus celebrity, you get your name in the paper twice. Rules are subject to change, depending on how much bourbon I have in me at the time.

This week's celebrities are: Burgess Meredith, Phil Jackson, and Steve Guttenberg. The bonus celebrity is Neil Patrick Harris.

Good luck!

Daddy, daddy, if you could only see, just how good columnist Jacob Bennett's been treating me, you'd e-mail him at jacobmbennett@hotmail.com, or call him at 745-6291 and give us your blessing right now, 'cause we are in love, yes we are in love. But please, papa, don't preach.



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Interns join the real world

BY DAVE SHINALL
Herald reporter

Broadcasting major Rich Smith thought he landed the ultimate summer internship: working in the nation's No. 1 radio market, New York City, for America's No. 1 shock jock, Howard Stern.

The Winchester senior was wrong.

"It was a tremendous opportunity," Smith said, "but as far as the job itself goes, it sucked."

His dream internship turned out to be little more than answering phones, opening mail and making coffee. His workday at K-Rock, WXRK-FM 92.3, started at 4:30 a.m.

"Because it's the biggest market," Smith said, "they have so many people trying to be interns, they can just waste you away on telephones or scanning mail."

Between 700 and 800 Western students intern across the country each year, according to Carol White, associate director of Western's Career Services Center.

Three counselors at Career Services coordinate the university's internship program with faculty and students. Students can also often find internships on their own.

"There are tremendous opportunities out there," White said.

"The bottom line is that the students are in the field, working, taking theory learned in the classroom, applying it in the workplace and getting a chance to have actual hands-on experience working in an organization with professionals in the fields they want to enter."

White said a recent survey of Western interns showed that students ranked knowledge and confidence gained as the top benefits from their internships.

Murray senior Ryan Haverstock spent his summer working in Maui. He found his internship with the Sheraton Hotel on the Internet.

"It was a dream internship. It really was," he said. "It was so much more than I expected."

Though unpaid, he had few living expenses, with the hotel covering both lodging and meals. When not working the front desk or in the hotel's sales office, he said he spent a lot of time on the beach, exploring a nearby bamboo forest and climbing lava rocks.

Smith's internship wasn't such a paradise, but he knew it was something he had to do.

"I did this because it's the No. 1 radio show in the world, and that on a resume will help out more than anything," he said.

Smith failed to consider New York's high cost of living when he took the unpaid internship. Smith

said he spent \$1,200 a month to sleep on a rock-hard mattress in a dingy, roach-infested room.

"It's ridiculous how much it costs to live there," he said.

The whole experience was something he doesn't want to repeat.

"It changed me, and some of the changes were bad," he said. "You eventually become one of those people shoving kids off the subway. It's insane."

Still, his nightmare had its perks.

"As soon as you're about to say, 'That's it! I'm tired of wasting my money and my time,' Ozzy Osborne would walk by or Gary Busey would come in," he said. "Suzanne Sommers was very, very nice. Ozzy Osborne was really weird. Snoop Dogg got me high. I've never smoked weed in my life, but I got a contact buzz just from being in the same room at 8 a.m."

Whether the experience is good or bad, an internship is an orientation to the world of work, according to White.

"Most employers are very interested in students who've already had experience in their field," White said. "I'm not saying that there aren't hurdles that students have to overcome. I'm just thinking it's an excellent way to enhance your overall education."

BARS: Big bucks, friendly faces

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Willoughby serves up a beer with just the right amount of foam.

"You must be a pro," a patron said.

"Best in town," Willoughby said with a smile.

He loves his work. He loves the money. He is not alone.

Quarter drafts

Craig Eversoll, owner of Club 302, often hires college students to tend bar at his dance club.

"I realize that the college students are trying to get a part-time job to get money," he said.

He also knows that hiring college students brings in the business.

"They have a lot of pull and people come in," Eversoll said.

Jeff Lobb has worked at 302 since it opened. He graduated from Western this summer with a degree in computer information systems. He tended bar during most of his stay on the Hill.

Like many of the Hilltopper bartenders, Lobb adjusted his schedule to make room for the late nights.

"We're down here to go to school," Lobb said.

Most bartenders end their shifts between 2 and 3 in the morning.

The late nights do have benefits. Lobb said on good weeks he could pull in \$400 to \$500 a week in just four nights of work.

Bowling Green senior Steve Brown, who works at Baker Boys, also enjoys the steady flow of cash.

"There's not that many jobs you can work for 12 hours and make out with \$300," he said.

Detroit senior Matthew Jones, who works with Willoughby, sees bartending as a way to make it.

"It is the best way to put yourself through college," Jones said.

The light hours make for ample study time, but still allow students to pay the bills.

All the students have goals. The shiny table tops and liquor bottles help them trade in the bar towel for a college education.

Roger Chancy, a freshman from Blackshear, Ga., works as a bouncer at Kelly Green's. Some

nights, before the crowds arrive, he takes the time to catch up on some studying, often asking co-workers who have taken the class before for tips.

Working in an environment where people let loose doesn't stop Chancy from remembering what he has to do the next day.

On the rocks

The bartender's life doesn't always go as smooth as a 12-year-old scotch. Sometimes, the good time atmosphere lends itself to overly intoxicated people, and problems may arise.

Chancy said while fighting can be a part of the scene, it isn't common at Kelly Green's.

"Actually it's a quiet bar," Chancy said. "Most of the time nobody causes any problems."

There are occasions, but Chancy said that compared to other bars he has worked at, the scuffles are limited.

Brown said fights are also a rarity at Baker Boys.

"It's not that big a deal," Brown said. "Most of the time you can break it up before it starts."

The bartenders also feel close to their co-workers. The word "family" is often mentioned. During the slow times, there is time to talk.

Willoughby and Jones smoke cigarettes and share conversation behind the bar Tuesday before most customers arrive. They have had lots of time to talk in the past year they have worked together.

The bar separates them from the patrons, who often pay little notice to the figure behind the dimly-lit bar. They know the title. They know the job. They know how to have a good time.

Glasgow senior March Poynter doesn't often think about the guys behind the bar.

"They give us drinks," she said with a cup in her hand. "They're pretty good guys. I try to tip them at least once a night."

The bartenders collect the tips and pour more drinks. It's another dollar earned after another night with friends.

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Movie Capsules

BY MICHEAL COMPTON
Herald film critic

◆ **American Pie 2 (B)** This fairly standard, by-the-numbers sequel is easy to take, thanks in part to a very likable cast. The male cast takes center stage as Jim (Jason Biggs) and the rest of the guys rent a beach house following their first year of college. Sean Williams Scott and Alyson Hannigan shine in beefier roles than the original.

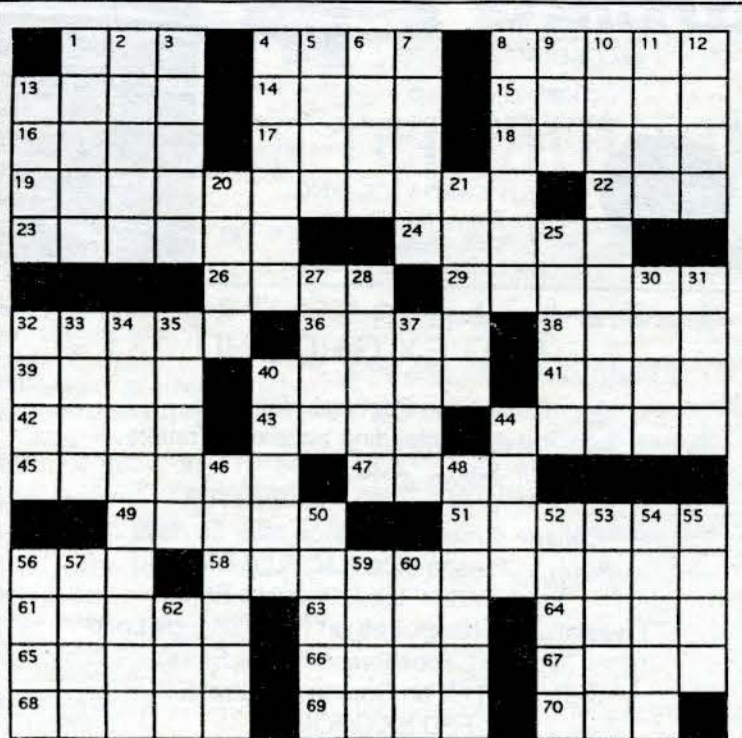
◆ **Jeepers Creepers (C-)** For the first 45 minutes, writer-director Victor Salva's tale of a pair of siblings who uncover a creepy secret on a deserted highway zips along with thrills and chills. Then the film's menacing character is revealed — and he's not very menacing after all. It's too bad, because this could have developed into one of the better horror films of recent years.

◆ **Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back (B+)** The Internet, movie studios, even prima-donna actors — nothing is sacred in writer-director Kevin Smith's blistering satire. He comes out firing from frame one and along the way generates some of the biggest laugh-out-loud moments of 2001. Any fan of Smith will enjoy the inside jokes about his previous films, even if some audience members might feel like they need a refresher course in the history of Kevin Smith cinema.

◆ **The Others (B-)** A very methodically paced ghost story with a clever (although somewhat predictable) "Sixth Sense"-type twist. Nicole Kidman stars as a mother of two living in a secluded British mansion that may be haunted. Director Alejandro Amenabar does a nice job of creating tension with dark places and locked corridors.

◆ **The Princess Diaries (B)** This Disney fairy tale tells the story of a teen-age girl (Anne Hathaway) who learns she is the heir to a small European country. Despite director Gary Marshall's fairly predictable pacing, the film works thanks to the charming chemistry between Hathaway and Julie Andrews.

◆ **Rat Race (D)** Hollywood's latest attempt at the 1960s favorite "It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World" does manage to zip along, until the completely over-the-top politically correct finale. This has to be the first film in recent memory to feature three former Oscar winners and still have a cast that feels like the reject list from "The Love Boat"



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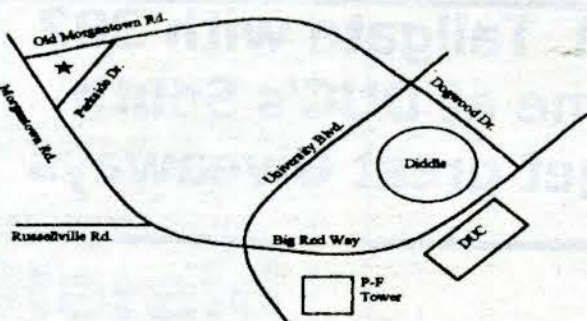
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Western's Christi Banas, right, celebrates midfielder Allison Nellis' goal during their first home game against IUPU-Fort Wayne on Sunday. Western won 8-2.

THREE UP THREE DOWN

The women's soccer team is young and inexperienced but exceeding expectations

By KEITH FARNER
Herald reporter

MOREHEAD — In three years as a bus driver for Louisville-based Miller Transportation, Gary Nicely has been a good luck charm before.

He once drove for the World Police and Fire Games in Indianapolis, an international soccer tournament of teams comprised of police and firemen.

And the team from Spain loved him.

"They would be in line for another bus and wait for me because every time I drove them, they won," Nicely said.

Nicely's "good luck charm" reputation advanced last Friday when he drove Western's inaugural women's soccer team to Morehead State for their first game ever.

Despite a roster dominated with 20 freshmen, the Lady Toppers rolled past the Lady Eagles in historic fashion. They triumphed 2-1 on a goal by midfielder Allison Nellis in double overtime.

Then they came home, but kept on truckin'.

They blasted Indiana University Purdue University at Ft. Wayne 8-2 Sunday, and the 18-year-old Nellis garnered Sun Belt Conference Player of the Week honors.

Last night the Lady Toppers beat Murray State 1-0.

"I'm a little surprised we're 3-0," head coach Jason Neidell said. "Our team is, I think, better than I expected us to be."

With no score in the first half, Neidell challenged the team during the intermission last night.

They responded in the second half.

Freshman midfielder Melissa Robinson was instrumental in turning the game around while initiating several offensive chances.

The only goal came in the 73rd minute when freshman defender-midfielder Erica Baker deflected a ball in the box to freshman midfielder Jeannine Bennett.

Bennett headed the ball from point-blank range into the back of the net.

"I heard the keeper come up behind me and yell 'keeper,'" Bennett said. "So I figured if I flicked it backwards, it'd go in."

At Morehead, Western con-

trolled most of the first half, utilizing speed and passing to fire eight shots on goal.

But Western couldn't get sustained offensive chances. It was frustrated by an offside trap Morehead used to near perfection.

Finally in the 74th minute, Western wheeled and dealed its way into the history book with its first-ever goal.

Freshman Jackie Kreiger picked up the ball about 25 yards out and turned into a Morehead defender that steam rolled her, setting up a free kick. Freshman Jenny Dalby, a former high school football place kicker, took the kick.

Dalby used her left foot to curl the ball past the goalkeeper and inside the left goal post.

"I saw where the wall was set up, and I could just bend it right around the wall and the keeper wasn't even close to it," Dalby said.

Finally, relief.

"I just didn't feel like we were very sharp," Neidell said after the game. "I think a part of that is we're really tense with it being our first real game, and I think that effected us."

It took Western several tries to put the game away after Morehead tied it at one in the 83rd minute.

In the first overtime, Nellis was fouled inside the box. Freshman Leslie Anderson took the penalty kick from inside the box and the game-winning shot went off the left goal post.

Nellis got another chance a minute later. Freshman Leslie Krieger took a loose ball at the top of the box, drew a defender and tapped it to Nellis.

Nellis took the pass and buried the game winning shot in the second overtime.

"That is an incredible way to win the first game in the history of the program," Neidell said. "And if we had to sacrifice our sharpest effort in doing it that way, that's a great way to win a game."

Sunday stood for ceremonies.

Initiating the team's first home game, several athletics administrators and Sun Belt associate commissioner Jeanie Boyd opened with a ceremonial first kick.

Dalby was presented a plaque at

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Volleyball drills UK, eyes big weekend

By KYLE TUCKER
Herald reporter

Call it the Tour de Sun Belt. The Western volleyball team is through the first leg of a serious road race. They didn't take every stage, but Coach Travis Hudson doesn't mind.

It's who's wearing that yellow jersey at the end. Or, in his case, who's hoisting the Sun Belt Conference trophy.

The Lady Toppers opened their brutal pre-conference schedule, which includes 11 straight road matches, with a 3-1 record.

After taking its first two matches of the year easily, Western fell to

host Toledo in the final match of the Rocket Classic over the weekend.

But the Lady Toppers rebounded Tuesday, dropping in-state rival Kentucky on the road.

"All these matches are for is to get you ready for conference play," Hudson said. "You hope each weekend you find out what your weaknesses are."

In the loss to Toledo, Hudson said blocking and the serve-receive offense needed work. That, and they needed to get Natalie Furry more involved on offense.

Check, check and check.

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Toppers lose football opener

Coach calls two Monday practices

By KYLE HIGHTOWER
Herald reporter

Funny how watching a game-tape six times can change a coach's perceptions.

Such was the case for Western football coach Jack Harbaugh, who grew more frustrated about last week's 17-13 loss at Western Illinois over the three-day holiday weekend.

The loss was soggy with missed opportunities, and afterward Harbaugh was reasonably

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sure why his team had suffered just its third defeat in its last 14 games.

"The game was won because Western Illinois made plays, and we didn't," Harbaugh said Thursday night. "You won't find two more evenly matched teams ... When it came down to it, they made a play or two more than we

did and won the football game."

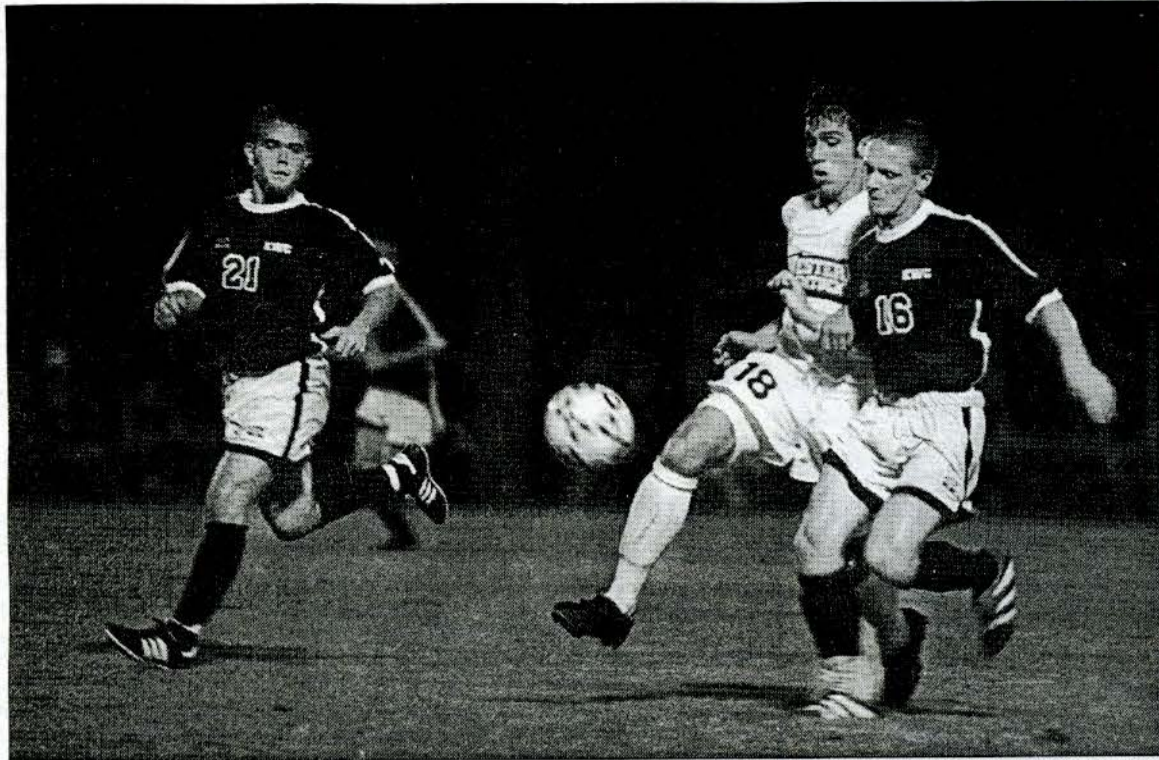
What he saw in the weekend film study prompted him to call two Labor Day practice sessions.

And by Tuesday he was seeing things a little differently.

"We ran 74 offensive plays to WIU's 47," Harbaugh lamented Tuesday. "We had 20 first downs to their 11, and we held the ball almost 15 minutes longer ... We didn't do the things that good teams do to win."

Harbaugh also highlighted stats from the Toppers (0-1, 0-1 GFC) conference and season opener that won't be found on any stat sheet but are like a bowling ball yo-yo for a coach.

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Jed Conklin/Herald

Western forward Justin Goodman splits the defense in Tuesday night's 5-2 victory over Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Men's soccer starts 2-0

BY DANNY SCHOENBAECHLER
Herald reporter

Led by a late scoring barrage, Western's men's soccer team defeated Kentucky Wesleyan 5-2 in a sloppy one-sided match Tuesday.

The turning point of the match was in the 65th minute. Hilltopper sophomore Jeremy Weber plowed through Panther forward Phillip Roberts and passed to freshman midfielder Brandon Bailey.

In retaliation for the hit by Weber, Wesleyan forward Andy Potter took out Bailey from behind with a vicious tackle.

Potter collected a red card and was sent off the field, leaving

Wesleyan to finish the game with 10 players.

The Toppers took advantage, firing on the goal repeatedly. They cashed in when freshman forward Justin Goodman received a diagonal pass from senior Zach Mills and put it away for a 3-0 lead.

Seconds later, Mills intercepted a goal kick and found Goodman again. Goodman kicked a rocket to the front post giving Zach Heid no chance at the save.

"There is a lot of competition for spots on the team, and I'm pleased with how we have worked in practice," Coach David Holmes said. "I want to be a team to compete in the tough conference."

Western struck two minutes later when junior defender Ron Plute played a ball from 40 yards

out that snuck over Heid's head and into the back of the net.

In the 84th minute, Wesleyan was awarded a penalty kick against Hilltopper goalkeeper Ryan Lossie, who had entered the match just two minutes earlier.

Panthers senior midfielder Jason Dillow put the shot away. It was the Panthers' first shot on goal.

Tops 4, Lipscomb 0

Western picked up its first win of the season Friday, defeating David Lipscomb 4-0.

Mills led Western with two goals. Senior midfielder Tawanda Chitapa and freshman midfielder Brad Benz added the other two Hilltopper goals. Sophomore goalkeeper Daryl Sattler picked up the shutout.

Volleyball: Tops face Missouri

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"We were able to correct some of those things in practice Monday, and it made us a better team against Kentucky," Hudson said.

Furry answered the call against the Wildcats, hitting a blazing .484 with 17 kills in the match.

Tara Thomas had 16 kills against Kentucky, and Western won in four games (31-29, 27-30, 30-15, 30-28).

"It's huge," Hudson said. "I put it in perspective like this: When our seniors came to Western, we had beaten Kentucky once in school history. Now they will leave here having beaten them three times in four years."

Western finished second in the round-robin Rocket Classic in Toledo, Ohio, to start the year. The

Lady Toppers dropped their first opponent, Cleveland State, in three games (30-21, 30-22, 30-25) Friday.

Freshman outside hitter Amanda Cecil shined in her college debut, digging 14 balls and putting away 5 kills as Western dominated the Vikings.

Saturday, Western disposed of Chicago State in three games (30-17, 30-14, 30-26), while Furry racked up her 1,000th career kill.

"I think our passing was really good," Furry said. "That and our balance. We have so many good players, it's hard to stop us."

But in their final match of the tournament, the Lady Toppers were stopped by Toledo (30-28, 30-27, 30-25). That despite setter Sara Noe's 34 assists, which made her

only the fourth Western player to record 2,000 assists for her career.

Things don't get any easier for the Lady Toppers. Western heads to Southern Illinois tomorrow for the Saluki/Best Inns Invitational.

Besides getting SIU tomorrow, the Lady Toppers will face Missouri — a top 25 team last year that returns all of its starters — on Saturday. They'll close the round-robin tournament against Indiana University Purdue University at Indianapolis.

Hudson knows knocking off Missouri will be a tall order.

"That will be a huge, huge challenge for our team," Hudson said. "But (being) 6-1 is not my top priority. This team continuing to play with passion and continuing to get better is my No. 1 priority."

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FOOTBALL: Tops hope to improve

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Against the Leathernecks, Harbaugh cringed as he noted seven blown coverages in the defensive secondary and the 50 yards in penalties his team amassed.

The Toppers will get a chance to show the improvement of a week's practice Saturday when Kentucky State comes to Smith Stadium.

"We played hard, and we're physical, but there were times when we had maybe just nine or 10 guys doing their jobs," senior quarterback Jason Johnson said. "We have to have 11 guys doing it right every time to win in this league."

Johnson was the Toppers' leading

rusher Thursday, compiling a career-high 150 of Western's 287 yards.

He carried the football a career-high 32 times, a total that neither Johnson nor the Western coaching staff want to duplicate.

"The mistakes we made can be corrected. That is the positive part about it," Johnson said.

Another positive was the play of sophomore offensive lineman Daniel Withrow, who finished the game with seven pancake blocks and didn't allow a tackle at his position.

The most room for improvement may be with the highly-touted Hilltopper defensive core.

Against Western Illinois, two of Western's top three tacklers were

members of the secondary.

Defensive coordinator David Elson said he didn't have any problem with the team's effort, but with technique and mental breakdowns.

But the Leathernecks did most of their damage through long pass plays that repeatedly challenged the Western secondary.

"We have to get back to the basics starting this weekend," Elson said.

And that's what they'll have to do if they want to repeat their 10-1 record from a year ago.

"You never know until you play again how much you have improved from the last game," Harbaugh said. "We are working on getting back to us, whatever us is."

Sports Brief

Cross Country places high at Belmont

Western's cross country teams weren't only facing first-meet jitters Friday, but they were also fighting some early season adversity and their own youth.

Despite having an injury-dotted roster and fighting through rainy conditions, the men's and women's squads burst through the course at the Belmont Opener meet in Nashville. The men's team finished first out of 11 teams, while the women finished a close second behind Belmont. Both teams were coping with injuries that eliminated several runners from the roster.

Sophomores Terry Goertz and David Altmaier and freshman Gregg Threatt finished sixth, seventh, and eighth, respectively, for the Hilltoppers. Tony Cambron took 10th, and Chris Young placed 14th.

For the women's team, freshman Cara Nichols finished second overall, just nine seconds off the leader's pace. All-Sun Belt runner Olga Cronin finished sixth, and Bonita Paul finished eighth. Janette Pike and Angela Burgett placed 14th and 21st, respectively, for the Lady Toppers.

— J. Michael Moore

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Topplers bitten by familiar bug in opener: Missed opportunity

MACOMB, Ill. — As Jason Johnson's pass sailed through the air, it carried a team's hopes for victory in its tight spiral. It carried with it the possibility of redemption, of forgetting about mistakes in a game filled with opportunity, of taking advantage of a lightning strike at just the right time and channeling that energy into a positive outcome.

But some nasty, dark storm clouds ruined that victory parade.

Johnson, Western's senior quarterback, battled through a one-hour lightning delay Saturday before taking on the Western Illinois defense. Tied 10-10 at half-time, Johnson began Western's first drive of the second half on his own 15-yard line. After two hand-offs and a 5-yard run, Western had a first down.

Then came some trickery. And the Hilltopper offense proved it could do something other than run. Sort of.

On second down and two from his own 34-yard line, Johnson deceived the defense, acting as if he would roll out for another option pitch. But the quarterback instead dropped back, spotting wide receiver Antonio Veals streaking downfield.

And Johnson threw the pass, the one that carried the victory in its stitching, the one that sailed about 40 yards to the Western Illinois 25-yard line.

Veals had beaten his man so badly he had to come back for the ball, but he was ready and waiting for this gift from Heaven. Like playing catch with Dad in the



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backyard. Veals needed only to cradle the pigskin and make his way to the goal line.

Then lightning struck — for Western Illinois.

Veals dropped the ball. It symbolized every missed opportunity in a 17-13 loss.

For Western, there were too many lightning strikes off the field and too few on it.

We could talk about the opening kickoff, which was returned by Mel Mitchell, then fumbled, then picked up by linebacker Charles Thompson and returned to the WIU 10. After three running plays and a personal-foul penalty, Western was forced to try a field goal, which Peter Martinez missed.

We could talk about the fourth quarter, when Western faced a fourth-and-1 on the Western Illinois 8-yard line. Attempting to score the winning touchdown, the Topplers boldly tried for the first down.

After taking the snap, Johnson fumbled. No first down. No points.

We could talk about when six minutes remained in the game, and Western faced a third-and-3 from the Western Illinois 9-yard line.

Johnson was tackled for a 4-yard loss, resulting in a field goal by Martinez. But the only thing that could help the Topplers was a touchdown.

Finally, we could look at the last two minutes of the game.

Western Illinois' second-string running back Carlos Daniels fumbled on the Western Kentucky 32-yard line, giving one more chance for the Topplers to pull out a win.

But the same lightning that had been filling the sky outside the stadium earlier that night wouldn't resurface on the field.

And Western started the season 0-1.

In a year when the schedule is as tough as three-a-day workouts, Western can't afford to give more games away.

Because more missed opportunities means Western will be missing from this year's playoffs.

This Saturday, Coach Jack Harbaugh will right the ship against a hopelessly overmatched Kentucky State team. But the real challenges lie down the road, where Western will have to stay focused and take advantage of such gridiron gifts.

Otherwise, coaches, players and fans will be thinking about a season of missed opportunities.

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midfield for scoring the first goal in the program's history.

Then the Lady Topplers got down to business, again.

They pummeled IUPU-Ft. Wayne 8-2, fueled by Nellis' two-goal, two-assist outing.

But the game wasn't pretty. There were a combined 19 fouls, a brutal style of play that reached its peak in the 41st minute.

IUPU-Ft. Wayne defender

Katy Laage was chasing down a loose ball near midfield when freshman Kelly Frericks tripped Laage from behind and the two tumbled over each other.

Laage punched Frericks, and Frericks retaliated. She gave Laage a bloody nose before referee Victor Petroni separated them and gave them both red cards.

Under Sun Belt Conference rules, Frericks was suspended

for the next two games because of the fight and red card.

Bethel up next

The Lady Topplers face Bethel at 2 p.m. Sunday at the WKU Soccer Complex.

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The Lady Topplers will then head west Sept. 13 to take on Oral Roberts in Tulsa, Okla.



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