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"Weekend in the Woods"

by Patty Witty

Approximately 35 WKU students and staff retreated to the woods on October 1-2 to take part in "Weekend in the Woods," a leadership retreat sponsored by Student Activities. "Weekend in the Woods" is a special retreat held each fall for selected campus leaders to transfer information, focus on special topics, and promote campus unity. Its purpose is to help ensure student organizations are working toward the same goal—a better WKU. Some of the groups represented were SGA, UCB, ARA, IFC, Panhellenic, Spiritmasters, and Cheerleaders.

Participants arrived at Gasper River Retreat on Saturday, October 1, for an afternoon of fun and games. After "olympic" events such as wheelbarrow, sack races, egg toss, water-balloon toss, and centipede, the group played a competitive game of touch football.

Jennifer Mize, a Western alumnae, and Donald Smith, Coordinator of Annual Funds in Alumni Affairs, opened the leadership sessions with a workshop on interorganizational communication. After a pizza party, Kathy Kanz, Area Coordinator in Residence Life, presented a session on "Dealing Effectively with Organizational Conflict." Several students role-played different scenarios where they had to work through conflict and come up with a solution.

Scott Taylor, Director of Student Activities and University Centers, concluded the evening session speaking about "The Prolific Leader." Mr. Taylor emphasized that leaders must have dreams and vision to make a difference in their organization.

Gene Crume, Director of Alumni Affairs, wrapped up the retreat on Sunday morning with a presentation concerning "Involvement." Julie Conkin, a WKU freshman and member of the leadership community at PFT, said, "It was beneficial to me, because I got to meet other campus leaders. I would recommend others to go to the retreat next year."

Employee Spotlight

Delia Brown

Because of the initiative she demonstrates and her cooperative attitude, Delia Brown has been chosen for our employee spotlight. Delia goes out of her way to help out without complaint. Her competence and dedication make her a valuable student employee. Delia, a freshman from Beaver Dam, Kentucky, works at the information desk, the movie theatre, and billiards.
Recreation Activities

by Dawn Garvan-Pinkston

It's that time of year again for fall bowling leagues to be underway! Unfortunately, we have no teams to compete. In an effort to have a more successful Spring bowling league, we ask that all interested groups or individuals please call us at 745-5817 after 6:00 p.m. and let us know what days and times would best fit into your schedule.

Fortunately, we do have several other successful fourth floor programs. Our Monday night Bingo has grown into an exciting weekly event and has already established some Bingo "regulars." A $1.00 charge covering entry and your first card and a $.50 charge for each additional card promises a fun-filled hour of socialization and suspense, hosted by Phil Payne. Prizes range from shot glasses, t-shirts, and other WKU souveniers, to food coupons from local restaurants.

The recreation staff is also very pleased with the success of our new Birthday Party package for families of faculty and staff. We have already been host to nine children's parties this semester. Anyone interested in reserving lanes for a party or needing information on group rates, please call 745-5793 between 8am and 4pm, Monday through Friday.

Finally, we would like to congratulate Will Curtis and Mike Curran, the winners of our September 7 Spades Tournament. We'd like to invite all Western students to sign up for any of our upcoming tournaments on the fourth floor.

Please feel free to call Dawn or Phil at 745-5817 or stop by room 406 of DUC after 6:00 p.m. Mon - Sat, and let us know how we can better serve your recreational interests. We hope to see you soon!

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

TUES., Oct. 25 Darts
Wed., Nov. 2 PingPong
Wed., Nov. 16 9-Ball
Sat., Nov. 19 Bowling
Wed., Dec. 7 8-Ball

CENTER THEATRE PRESENTS...

Oct 25 - 29
Nov 1 - 5
Nov 8 - 12
Nov 15 - 19
Nov 29 - Dec 3
Dec 6 - 10

Crooklyn N.Y.
The Cowboy Way
Dazed and Confused
4 Weddings and a Funeral
Blown Away
The Shadow

Showtimes are 7:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday. Tickets are $2.00 per person. Season passes for both semesters are available for $25.00 per person. For more information, call 745-5793 or visit our office at DUC 228.
GET INVOLVED IN UNIVERSITY CENTER BOARD!

by Bennie Beach

Through matriculation and transfers, University Center Board has lost a good portion of its executive staff. We're finding ourselves in a period of rebuilding membership. But don't let our small numbers fool you. We have already produced one concert, several recreation floor tournaments, and dances in Niteclass.

Homecoming week will find us with programs each day at the noon hour: Fun Flicks, Bill Haymes, ATJ, and Blizzard of Bucks. Big Red's Roar will be on Friday night, October 22 with MTV's Red Johnny and the Round Guy, and Saturday will see a Tailgate Party on the South Lawn with 1964: The Tribute (the only Beatles act endorsed by the Beatles). Concerts and lectures are in the planning stages and will be promoted very shortly.

Theatre Committee Formed

by Jerry Johnson

For the past several semesters, the attendance at the Center Theatre has been in a steady decline. To offset that decline, a theatre committee has been formed. The goal of the committee is to plan film programs for the coming semester and to create new ways to encourage students to attend their own theatre.

Last July I had the opportunity to attend a week-long seminar at Indiana University. I was very impressed with their theatre operations. The films they presented to IU students are the same films we present at Center Theatre, but the major difference is that students have control of the total operation. The booking of the films, concessions and ticket sales, pick up and delivery are all controlled by the students. This type of operation is the type I hope to create here at Western. The survival of the theatre is at stake.

At present, we have about 15 individuals who have signed up to be on the committee. The participants range from faculty and staff personnel to students. They are now working on the Spring semester's film program. We should have that schedule posted in the next publication of D.U.C. Tales. If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the committee, please call me at 2456.

On a final note, we have scheduled free screenings for Nov. 1, Nov. 29, and Dec. 5. These will be publicized in the College Heights Herald.
How To Make Room Reservations at D.U.C?

All recognized student organizations and departmental offices may make a room reservation at the Downing University Center by calling 745-5793 between 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

All other groups or off-campus organizations must call the Office of University Relations at 745-2497.

For more information, call Patty Witty at 745-5793 or come by Office 228 of DUC.

Meet Our Staff!

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DUC 327  Ph: 2459

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DUC 328  Ph: 2459

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Coordinator of Student Organizations and Greek Affairs  
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DUC 240  Ph: 5794

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Philip Payne, Recreation Supervisor  
DUC 406  Ph: 5817

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GCC Lobby  Ph: 3357

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sat., Oct. 22  Homecoming
Mon., Oct. 24  Bingo
Tues., Oct. 25  Darts Tournament
Fri., Oct. 28  Rockin’ the House Down at DUC
Thurs., Oct. 27  D.E.C.A.
Mon., Oct. 31  Hallowe’en
Wed., Nov. 2  Ping Pong Tournament
Sat., Nov. 5  Area 5 Special Olympics
Mon., Nov. 7  Bingo
Tues., Nov. 8  Red Cross Blood Drive
Wed., Nov. 9  Red Cross Blood Drive
Fri., Nov. 11  High School Leadership Conference
Sat., Nov. 12  Radiological Technicians Seminar
Mon., Nov. 14  Bingo
Wed., Nov. 16  9-Ball Tournament
Thurs., Nov. 17  Leadership for the 90s
Sat., Nov. 19  Bowling Singles Tournament
Mon., Nov. 21  Bingo
Mon., Nov. 28  Bingo
Fri., Dec. 2  UCB Christmas Craft Show
Mon., Dec. 5  Bingo
Wed., Dec. 7  8-Ball Tournament
Dec. 11 - 16  Bowling Lanes Closed
Thurs., Dec. 15  Nurses Pinning Ceremony