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Western Kentucky University
Western Kentucky University was established by an act of the Legislature of Kentucky in 1906. Originally created for the sole purpose of training teachers for the elementary and secondary schools of Kentucky, Western has steadily increased the scope of its academic programs to meet the expanding needs of its students.

Designated as a university by the Kentucky General Assembly on February 6, 1966, Western now consists of seven colleges: the Bowling Green College of Business and Public Affairs, the College of Applied Arts and Health, the College of Education, the Ogden College of Science and Technology, the Potter College of Arts and Humanities, the Graduate College, and the Community College.

The University now offers six four-year undergraduate degrees, three two-year undergraduate degrees, eleven graduate degrees, and participates in two doctoral programs, with course offerings leading to fifty majors and fifty-six minors. Western's enrollment has been more than 12,000 students for the past two years. That figure does not include students in the Jones-Jaggers Laboratory School or students in extension classes conducted away from the campus.

As the 1975-76 academic year opened, Western's physical plant consisted of more than 60 buildings worth more than $94 million with an Environmental Science and Technology Building near completion.

The University now has well over 22,500 alumni who have received bachelor's degrees; more than 5,200 hold the master's degree. Western's seven libraries contain over 500,000 volumes and more than 3,100 journal titles, as well as numerous other holdings.

Western's campus of more than 200 acres is recognized as one of the most beautiful in the nation. It is crowned by a commanding hill from which Hilltopper athletic teams derive their nickname. It affords a view of the University from almost any approach to the city of Bowling Green, a community of approximately 42,000 people.
JOHN OLDHAM

The Athletic Director

John Oldham is a man who has excelled at nearly every phase of basketball competition and one who is now making a considerable name for himself as athletic administrator. An All-American at Western Kentucky under the late E.A. Diddle, Oldham has also performed successfully as a professional player and as a head coach at both the high school and college levels.

Oldham succeeded Diddle as head coach of the Hilltoppers in 1964. His seven year record with the Hilltoppers before giving up coaching to become athletic director in July, 1971, was phenomenal. He led Western to four regular season Ohio Valley championships and one second-place finish; four holiday tournament titles; five trips to national post-season tournaments; and an overall record of 146 wins against 41 losses.

Several of his former Hilltoppers are now in the pro ranks and more than a score others are in the coaching profession. Counting out a nine-year stay at Tennessee Tech before coming to Western, Oldham's overall collegiate coaching record shows 264 wins to 124 losses over a 16-year span.

Since taking over as athletic director in 1971, he has guided the Hilltoppers to three OVC All-Sports championships, giving Western a total of nine such titles in the past 13 years.

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OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

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JIM RICHARDS

Head Coach

The 1975-76 season will be Jim Richard's fifth as head coach of the Hilltoppers. He succeeded current Western Athletic Director John Oldham in 1971 after three years as an assistant coach. He immediately, in the 1971-72 season, led Western to a tie for the Ohio Valley Conference title and a 15-11 record.

He and Oldham share a distinction held by no other coach in the history of the OVC. Since they are the only coaches to win a share of the league title in five consecutive years as head coaches. Oldham won his first OVC crown at Tennessee Tech in 1955-56, nine years before coming to Western.

In 1972-73, despite a wave of injuries that reached almost 80% of the team, Richards brought the Hilltoppers back from an 0-6 league start to win six of their last eight games and finish with a 10-16 record. He followed an 8-6 record the previous year, another whirlwind finish gave the Hilltoppers an overall 15-10 record and fourth place in the tough OVC race. The performance won OVC Coach-of-the-Year honors for Richards by vote of his fellow coaches.

Last season, playing what may have been the Hilltoppers' toughest schedule ever, his team finished second in the league at 11-3 and with a 16-8 overall record that included important non-conference wins over Purdue and fourth-ranked LaSalle.

He will enter the 1975-76 season with an overall 56-45 record for his four years at the WKU helm. Richards' leadership of the Hilltoppers is another chapter in a continuing success story. His career as a player was no real indication of the phenomenal success he would later enjoy as a coach. He was a solid reserve player, but never a starter, at Adair County High before graduating in 1954.

As a student at Western, he was a baseball player who attracted several professional offers and kept statistics for the late E.A. Diddle's basketball team. After his junior year, he changed his mind about becoming a dentist and set his sights on a coaching career.

The 38-year-old Richards joined the Western coaching staff following a high school coaching career that could be termed nothing less than brilliant. It began at Auburn (Ky.) High School in 1959, where his teams won 64 games against 30 losses over three seasons. From Auburn to Glasgow (Ky.) High, where the Scotties' five-year record was 122-27, a winning percentage of .819.

His high school coaching stint was climaxxed in March, 1962, when he led Glasgow to the Kentucky State Championship and a 32-2 record. Shortly afterward he was voted the state's "Coach of the Year" award by his fellow coaches across the Commonwealth. He joined the Western staff only a few months later.

Richards' teams have always been associated with an aggressive, pressing type of defense and a running style of offense. His basic basketball philosophy revolved around his defense.

"Whatever the sport, you like to build a strong defense first," he declares. "But there's more to the game than that. I believe you have to be aggressive and active on defense— even more so on offense.

"I also believe that if you have a lot of movement in your defense, you are likely to get a lot of movement, which is a basic necessity, in your offense. If you get lazy or static on one end of the floor, you'll probably get the same way at the other end." Richards and his wife, Annette, who was a cheerleader at Adair County High when he was playing there, have two children, Steve, 12, and Ann, 10.

His relaxation most often takes the form of a fast game of Hearts with friends or a round of golf.

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All-Time Series Record Against 1975-76 Opponents

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Assistant Coach BOBBY RASCOE

Bobby Rascoe joined the Western coaching staff in the summer of 1974 after serving as an assistant director of University Centers at Western for nearly four years. He was one of the top high school basketballers ever in Kentucky and was later a two-time All-Ohio Valley Conference choice and an All-America pick for the Hilltoppers under the late E.A. Diddle. As a high school player at Daviess County, he was named to the All-State team in both 1957 and 1958. He was inducted into the Kentucky High School Basketball Hall of Fame in the spring of 1974.

Following graduation from Western, Rascoe was drafted in the third round by the New York Knicks of the NBA. Instead of joining the Knicks, however, he played four years with the Phillips 66ers before moving to the Kentucky Colonels of the ABA for two outstanding seasons.

He and his wife, Nancy, have two daughters, Nancy Lynn, 5, and Mary Elizabeth, 2.

Assistant Coach LANNY V. EMAN

Lanny Van Eman came to the Western coaching staff in the summer of 1974 from the University of Arkansas, where he had been head basketball coach for four years. During that tenure, he had turned the Razorbacks from "also-rans" in the Southwest Conference into genuine title contenders. His 1972-73 squad had the school's best record since 1961 and tied for second place in the SWC.

A native of McKeesport, Pennsylvania, Van Eman earned All-Missouri Valley Conference and All-American honors at Wichita State under highly-regarded Coach Ralph Miller.

After a brief fling at both professional basketball and professional baseball, Van Eman returned to Wichita State in 1962 as assistant to Miller. He moved with Miller to the University of Iowa in 1964 before moving to the University of Arkansas in 1970.

He and his wife, Janis, have one son, Robert, 13, and a daughter, Lauren, 10.

Trainer RUSSELL MILLER

Russell Miller, a native of Kenton, Ohio, joined the Western staff as athletic trainer in 1969. His ability to diagnose and treat injuries sustained by Western athletes has won the respect of Western's coaching staff and players.

Miller graduated from Wilmington College, where he held the trainer's post from 1965 until 1967. He was named the College's "Outstanding Student" in 1965 and received its Alumni Recognition award in 1966.

He received his M.S. degree from Indiana University and served as trainer at DePauw University, Greenfield, Indiana, for two years before coming to Western.

He is married to the former Carole Wolfe. They have two sons, Darik, 4, and Brandon.

Assistant Trainer RON DUNN

Ron Dunn became a member of the Western staff in the summer of 1974 after having served a year as a graduate assistant at the University of Missouri.

A native of Jefferson City, Missouri, Dunn was head trainer at Central Missouri State University in 1972-73. He earned both the B.S. and M.S. degrees at Central Missouri before doing his graduate work at the University of Missouri.

His addition to the Hilltopper training staff gives Western's athletes in every sport some of the finest health and training care provided for teams anywhere in the nation.

Dunn's wife, Jane, is a registered nurse. They have one son, Eric, born last spring.

1975-76 HILLTOPPERS

10 JERRY LEE BRITT
5-8 Guard
Oakland, Ky.

11 STEVE ASHBY
6-0 Guard
Madisonville, Ky.

12 GARY GREGORY
5-10 Guard
Manchester, Ky.

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6-1 Guard  
Elizabethtown, Ky.

JOHNNY BRITT  
6-2 Guard-Forward  
Oakland, Ky.

ROB DUNBAR  
6-6 Forward  
Benton, Ill.

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BILL SCILLIAN  
6-6 Guard-Forward  
Eddyville, Ky.

DAVE PFISTER  
6-6 Forward  
Dolton, Ill.

DAVID BECKNER  
5-10 Guard  
Bowling Green, Ky.

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1975-76 HILLTOPPERS

JULIO DAVILA
6-6½ Guard-Forward
Miami, Fla.

DAMON GRIMES
6-6 Center-Forward
Bowling Green, Ky.

MIKE WARNER
6-7 Forward-Center
Tallahassee, Fla.

WILSON JAMES
6-5 Forward
Williston, Fla.

LLOYD TERRY
6-9 Center
Gary, Ind.

RANDY ROEBER
6-10 Center
Whittemore, la.

JAMES JOHNSON
6-7½ Forward Center
Savannah, Ga.

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Red Towel Country... How it all began

Western Kentucky University’s red towel tradition originated with the late E.A. Diddle—form er Hilltopper coach, one of basketball’s revered legends, and a member of both the Naismith and Helms Athletic Foundation Halls of Fame.

Through 1,062 Hilltopper basketball games—759 of them victories—the fourth highest total ever for a coach—Diddle clutched a red towel in his hands. He kept it there as he guided his teams to 32 championships in three different conferences, as he developed 13 All Americans and 16 professional players, as he took his team to 11 national post-season tournaments (eight times to the NIT and three times to the NCAA), and as he led Western to 18 seasons in which it won 20 or more games.

He chewed on it, threw it in exultation, cried on it during the rare moments when things didn’t go right, waved it at fans and used it to signal to his players.

The red towel became synonymous with Ed Diddle... and Ed Diddle became synonymous with Western’s winning athletic tradition. For years it has been traditional for fans at every Hilltopper sporting event to wave red towels as they cheer for the “Big Red.” When a Western team goes on the road, fans fly red towels from their automobiles as they make their way to the site of the game. No real Hilltopper fan would be caught without his red towel.

Coach Diddle passed away in 1970 at the age of 74, but his memory will live as long as a red towel waves on the Western campus. And red towels will wave there as long as the Hilltoppers compete in intercollegiate athletics.
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LaSALLE'S BACKCOURT-FRONT COURT COMBO CHALLENGES 'TOPPERS

Western's defense, which showed signs of maturing in the 76-62 win at Butler University Tuesday night, should get another rugged test tonight against LaSalle's Explorers.

The visitors will present a particularly tough combination of inside-outside threats, headed by their 6-11 junior center, Donn Wilber. His work underneath the bucket is bolstered stoutly by 6-5 junior transfer Mike Arizin.

Opposing defenses are kept honest by the backcourt work of veteran senior guard Charlie Wise. Wilber has led the Explorers to their current 6-5 record by averaging 22 points and hauling in 12 rebounds per game. Arizin, who was named to the All-Southern Conference team two years ago at William & Mary, averages nearly 17 points per game.

Wise, a 6-foot jack-rabbit, averages 16 points and nearly five assists per game. The Explorer is also a defensive wizard who pressures opposing guards almost constantly.

Playing on the road will be nothing new for the LaSalle quintet. They have been at home only three times in their first 11 games.

The Explorers' starting lineup will probably be rounded out by 6-2 senior guard Glenn Collier and 6-6 sophomore forward Jim Wolkiewicz.

Western used a mixture of defenses to keep Butler off balance in its last outing, while at the same time, the Hilltoppers made the most of their running game. Even more importantly, they played with persistent patience on offense when the fast-break opportunity was denied by the Bulldogs.

Johnny Britt, who leads Western scoring with a 19.9 average, was held to a season low of 12 points against Butler, but played one of his better floor games of the year, handing out six assists.

Wilson James led the Western attack in Indianapolis, pumping in 20 points while hitting on eight of nine field goal attempts. The performance brought his season scoring average to 16.3, second only to Britt.

Chuck Rawlings kept his season scoring mark at 15.7 points per game while at Butler, while Mike Warner had nine rebounds and handed off five assists.

Center James Johnson did not score against the Bulldogs, but had five rebounds and played solid defense.

The Hilltopper bench contributed heavily to the road victory, led by 6-9 Lloyd Terry and guards Bill Scillian and Gary Gregory. Terry had six rebounds and 10 points, while Scillian and Gregory each had four points and three assists.

Damon Grimes seeing an increasing amount of action, had five points.

Center is the leading Western rebounder with a 10.1 average, followed by James at 8.3, Warner at 7.9 and Britt at 6.3.

Following tonight's action, the Hilltoppers travel to Tallahassee, Fla., Thursday night to tackle Florida State before returning to Diddle Arena on Jan. 10 to host MacMurray College.
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The mercurial speedster always a defensive gadfly, improved his shooting touch last year and became a long range scoring threat. His reputation as one of the toughest backcourt defenders around.

As a catalyst for the Explorer running game. A dangerous shooter, Glenn also led the Big Five in free throw accuracy.

At Memphis State. He also led the Big Five in free throw accuracy.

20 GLENN COLLIER

Glen emerged as an offensive spark last year and improved his reputation as one of the toughest backcourt defenders around. His cat-like quickness and sharp passing eye make Glenn a valuable catalyst for the Explorer running game. A dangerous shooter, Glenn also penetrates well and will be counted on to supply more scoring this year. Last season Glenn scored at a 10.2 ppg. clip and his 119 assists were second best on the team. His career high of 23 points came against Texas Tech.

Defense is Glenn’s forte. He usually draws the opponents’ top guard and affords him blanket coverage. His keen knack for anticipation and quick reactions resulted in many steals and fast break layups.

As a freshman, Glenn led the sub varsity scorers with a 15.9 ppg. average, previously, he enjoyed an outstanding scholastic career at West Catholic High, where he earned All Catholic honors under coach Bill Hoy.

1975-76 LA SALLE BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

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College Heights, on hilltop fair,
With beauty all thine own,
Lovely jewel far more rare
Than graces any throne!

College Heights, with living soul
And purpose strong and true,
Service ever is thy goal,
Thy spirit ever new.

College Heights, the noble life
Shall e'er our pattern be,
Teaching us through joy and strife
to love humanity.

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We shall never fail thee,
Falter never—live forever,
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First row (1 to r) - Mgr. Rick Tyler, Jerry Lee Britt, Wayne Gilbert, Danny Kragel, Joe Hayden, Jeff Edwards, David Billingsley, Mark Collins.
Second row - Student Trainer Fred Cantler, Bob Wilson, Randy McCarty, Rob Dunbar, Lloyd Terry, Jim Philpot, David Pfister, Julio Davila, Coach Bobby Rascoe.

MEN'S JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL
Home Games - 5:15 p.m. (Central)

1975-76 HILTOPPER JV Season

SEASON’S RESULTS
Louisville J.V. ...................................... W91-71
Volunteer State C.C. ................................ L82-63 (OT)
Kentucky Wesleyan J.V. .......................... W82-77
Elizabethtown C.C. ................................. L48-56
at David Lipscomb J.V. .......................... L77-82
Murray State J.V. ................................. W117-81
at Louisville J.V. ................................. L77-100
Middle Tenn. J.V. ................................. W87-79
at Kentucky Wesleyan J.V. ...................... L76-78
at Volunteer State C.C. .......................... W92-90
at Elizabethtown C.C. .......................... L71-61
at Murray State J.V. ............................. W91-65
David Lipscomb J.V. ............................ W80-75
at Middle Tenn. J.V. ............................ L79-96

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HILTOPPER BASKETBALL: WINNING

Hilltopper basketball, a golden era of Western Kentucky University's proud heritage, has been a success story right from its beginning back in 1914, when Western's cagers put together a 5-1 record.

In 1922, Ed Diddle, the man who would become a legend in his own time, began the first of his 42 seasons at Western. In that first game, Diddle's men opened the season with the most lopsided contest in the school's history, a 103-7 victory. It was a fitting start for a coach who would later become one of the winningest coaches in the history of the game. Not only was he known for his winning teams, but he became world renown for his waving of a red towel, and malaprops, better known as "Diddle-isms".

His words had a way of coming out considerably different than he intended, but quite often had an increased emphasis on the point he wanted to make.

For instance, he was once being interviewed on the radio and became somewhat frustrated when he realized his meaning wasn't getting through to the interviewer. He said, "If you can't understand it, it's just due to ignorance on your part."

And once before a group of varsity and freshmen players, he commanded them to, "line up alphabetically, according to height."

Diddle led Western to 149 victories in the "Little Red Barn," a wooden structure long since torn down. The Hilltoppers then moved to the Physical Education Building, now the Margie Helm Library, where his teams were to win 336 of 374 home games over 32 seasons.

During the 1933-34 season, Diddle's Hilltoppers posted the first of 18 seasons with 20 or more victories. It was also the first of ten straight such seasons. Western's best ever year came in 1937-38 when the team powered its way to 30 wins against only three losses.

Under Diddle's guidance, Western won 13 Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Championships and eight Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association titles. Western also became a charter member of the Ohio Valley Conference in 1948. Under Diddle the Hilltoppers won ten regular season OVC crowns and four league tournaments. In post season appearances, Diddle's teams made three appearances in the NCAA Tournament and eight in the National Invitation Tournament.

MARK OF DISTINCTION: TWENTY-TWO 20-WIN SEASONS

Only one NCAA University Division basketball team in the nation has fashioned more 20 victory seasons than Western Kentucky University. The Hilltoppers have compiled 20 or more wins in 22 of the 55 seasons in which they have fielded basketball teams.

That amazing record includes one string of 10 straight 20-win seasons, beginning in 1933-34 and continuing through the 1942-43 season.

The top year for victories was 1937-38, when Western compiled 30 wins against only 3 losses. The 'Toppers won 29 games each in the 1941-42 and 1953-54 seasons; 28 each in 1933-34 and 1947-48. A total of 18 of those 20-win seasons came during the fabulous 42 year coaching tenure of E.A. Diddle. Four came during the career of current athletic director John Oldham, who succeeded Diddle and was succeeded in turn by present Head Coach Jim Richards.

Leaders In Number of Seasons Winning 20 or More Victories

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TRADITION FOR OVER HALF-CENTURY

In 1964, at the retirement of Diddle, John Oldham took command of the Hilltoppers. Oldham, an All-American under Diddle in 1949, guided Western to its ninth appearance in the NIT.

Before becoming full-time athletic director in 1971, Oldham led Western to some of its finest hours in basketball. In his seven years as head coach, he led the Hilltoppers to four 20-win seasons. In the 1970-71 season, Oldham's Hilltoppers gained fame by placing second in the ECAC Holiday Festival, losing by two points to a powerful South Carolina team. They later won the NCAA Mid-East Regional Tournament by defeating Jacksonville, Kentucky and Ohio State. The Hilltoppers eventually finished third in the national finals at Houston, Texas.

In seven seasons under Oldham, Western won 146 games and lost only 41, a winning percentage of .781. He was named the OVC's "Coach of the Year" four times in 1962-63, 1965-66, 1969-70 and 1970-71.

Succeeding Oldham in 1971 was Jim Richards, who in his rookie season led Western to a tie for the Ohio Valley Conference title. In his second year as coach, despite a number of player injuries, he brought his team back from a 0-6 OVC record to win six of their last eight games and finish the season with a 10-16 mark. In 1974 he led the Hilltoppers to a 15-10 record and was named "OVC Coach of the Year." Last year, playing one of its toughest schedules ever, Western finished the season with a 16-8 record and finished second in the OVC with an 11-3 record. The '75 Hilltoppers were impressive throughout the season, impressive non-league with wins over Purdue and LaSalle to their credit.

Richards begins the '75-76 season, his fifth at Western, with a 56-45 record. Richard's teams have always been associated with their aggressive defense and running offense. In fact, Western ranked among the nation's top 15 in scoring offense last season.
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Wm. McCrocklin 1938

Carlyle Towery 1940

Oran McKinney 1943

Art Speelstra 1953

Tom Marshall 1963, 1964

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Left to right: Mike Jeannette, Buddy Connelly, Fred Cantler, Rick Tyler, David Nance.

1975-76 SWIMMING

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THE 1975-76 "LADY TOPPERS"

First Row (L-R): Susan Porter, Teresa Condit, Linda Howard, Daphne Easterling, Mitilda Willis, Beth Lane, Emily Penney, Joni Taylor.
Second Row: Asst. Coach Curtis Turley, Manager Susan Brandon, Brenda Chapman, Isabelle Spriggs, Linda Davis, Pam Kordenbrock, Donna Doellman, Suzette Price, Trainer Pam Moody, Head Coach Carol Hughes.

“Lady Topper” Roster

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1975-76 YELL LEADERS
Leading the Hilltoppers in cheers for the 1975-76 season were 14 yell leaders. Pictured here (top row, L-R) are Steve Nickles, Glen Ellyn, Ill.; Kathy Wise, Winchester, KY.; Karen Miley, Evansville, IN.; Beth Lynn, Cooksville, TN.; Nina LaFosse, Radcliff, KY.; Wanda Keltye, Louisville, KY.; Alternate Elaine Robinson, Louisville, KY.; Jamie Oden, Warren, KY.; and Mike Smith, Louisville, KY.; (bottom row, L-R) Mike Laudenslager, Mel bourne, FL.; William LaHa, Louisville, KY.; Mike Kyser, Louisville, KY.; William Cole, Rutledge, GA.; and Alternate Keith Algieier, Jeffersontown, KY.
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