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Art Faculty Exhibition Opens Tomorrow

Tomorrow, Nov. 18, at 11:45 a.m., don't miss the reception in the Art Gallery of the Ivan Wilson Center for Fine Arts honoring WKU Art Faculty.

The WKU Art Faculty Exhibition runs through Dec. 15 in the Gallery, and works will feature drawing, ceramics, computer generated images, mixed media work, painting, photography, printmaking, sculpture and weaving.

Faculty who will show their works are:

Gallery hours are 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. weekdays, and by appointment weekends. All Gallery programs are free and open to the public.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Getting to know African-American Scientists

The WKU Physics and Astronomy Department is sponsoring a series of lectures by outstanding African American physicists starting next month. Dr. Charles McGruder III, head of WKU's department, explains Get to Know African-American Scientists is "to give all African-American high school, community college, and university students who are interested in science an opportunity to interact with a prominent African-American physicist in a very informal atmosphere."

Dr. McGruder says interested science teachers of participating high school students are also welcome and are encouraged to attend.

Participants will have lunch provided by WKU with the visiting African-American scientist and Dr. McGruder. Additional activities will include a tour of the WKU Physics and Astronomy Department and possibly other WKU science departments, and a seminar presented by the visiting scientist.

"An important aspect of these seminar days involves giving the students who visit an opportunity to interact with these outstanding physicists," says Dr. Weib van Der Meer, WKU Professor of Physics who is coordinating the speaker seminars. "These young people may look at these successful African-American scientists as role models, as sources of inspiration, persons important in science that they can believe they can compare themselves with," says Dr. van Der Meer.

WDU's guest speakers and the dates they will be on campus are:

- Dr. Eugene Collins, chair of the Fisk University Department of Physics, and past president of the National Society of Black Physicists (NSBP) Dec. 6;
- Dr. Sekazi Mingwa, (pronounced See-Ka-Zee Ma-ting'-wa) chair of the Physics Department, North Carolina A & T, president of NSBP, Jan. 24, 1994;
- Dr. James Gates, professor of Physics and previous Chair of the Department of Physics, Howard University, Feb. 7, 1994; and
- Dr. Ronald Mickens of Clark-Atlanta University, founding father of the NSBP.

If you'd like more information regarding the Get to Know African-American Scientists seminars, call Dr. Weib van Der Meer, Department of Physics and Astronomy, WKU, 745-4357.

MEMO FROM THE PRESIDENT:
Governor's Review Commission on Higher Education

The purpose of this memo is to bring you up-to-date on the activities of the Governor's Review Commission on Higher Education. We just held our third meeting in Frankfort Nov. 1. The next meeting will be Nov. 16, and the final report is due Dec. 21.

The Commission is composed of the eight university presidents and the board chair of each institution. There are a number of legislators and government officials, as well as the executive director of the Council on Higher Education and the chair of the Council. We were previously divided into two committees. The committee on which I serve deals with mission/programs, and Board Chair Burns Mercer serves on the other committee dealing with finance.

Much of the discussion at our last meeting dealt with mission statements and professional programs. We are being asked to revisit the mission statement approved by the Council on Higher education and to offer a rewriting. Western XXI will serve as our guide. We have also been asked to review the academic programs that fall outside of our basic mission and to look closely at those that are producing fewer than ten graduates a year. Dr. Haynes and the deans are reviewing those now.

There is a heated discussion regarding the professional schools of dentistry, engineering, medicine, and law. Obviously, that discussion at our last meeting was between the University of Louisville and the University of Kentucky. I'm not sure what will happen there.

We are remaining attentive to the process and will do everything possible to make sure that the decisions made are in the best interest of Western Kentucky University and those we serve. If you have thoughts or comments on the process, I would appreciate hearing from you. I will keep you informed as further developments occur.
Finley Baird: She's making a difference

By Jeff Hall, a student intern in the Office of University Relations from Simpsonville, Ky.

With the Council of Higher Education and Kentucky's universities trying to increase the enrollment of African-American students on college campuses, one person at WKU has made a commitment to make a difference of seeking out the bright students from the state of Kentucky.

Finley Baird, Director of Minority Recruitment in the Office of Admissions at WKU is seeking out the bright students in Kentucky, a job she says she has always wanted to do.

Since joining Admissions in 1987, Baird has held every position in the office except director.

"I started from the bottom up five years ago right out of college," said Baird, smiling and shuffling mounds of reply cards across her desk like a young child playing with its food.

Baird was named Director of Minority Recruitment by the University's Board of Regents last spring.

Like the many positions she has held in the admissions office, Baird says she will continue to do many of her old routines, like making high school visits, college fairs and expos. Only this time she has a focus: the African-American student.

"The kids respond well to me when I visit their high schools. They ask me questions about my age, and classification," said Baird, now in full view behind her desk after wrenching the last of the request cards to the floor.

"They feel I am one of them, instead of an authority figure, she says, referring to black students she encounters on recruitment trips to schools. "This allows me to talk to them openly about the importance of college education," she added.

"There is no typical day," said Baird, when asked to describe her job.

"That is what I enjoy. There is always something new, be it from the student I meet or from their parents."

Baird has her master's degree also from WKU.

"Being a student here at Western has enabled me to give new freshmen helpful hints on succeeding on the Hill," she says, adding: "I know what it is like to feel out of place and lost in a community that is far from what you're used to. Students here now want more social activities with their ethnic diversity brought forth."

In the years to come, Baird says she hopes to increase the population of black students by commitment and direct communication.

The most rewarding aspect of the job for Baird, she says, is the chance to meet intelligent African American students and give them a chance at higher learning.

"Everywhere I go I am reassure that my future is in good hands, judging by the youth I come in contact with every day."

Happy Thanksgiving!

Strengthening Canadian Studies

The Office of International Programs at Western Kentucky University was recently selected by the Canadian government to receive a $3,000 grant for the strengthening of WKU's Canadian Studies Program.

Eight to 10 American colleges are selected each year to receive this support to be used for instructional materials, guest speakers and faculty development.

WKU offers students the opportunity to study for a certificate in Canadian Studies and to participate in an exchange program with Trent University.

The grant project will be co-directed by Dr. John Petersen, associate vice president of academic affairs, and Mary Ellen Miller, professor of English.

The Canadian Studies Program is one of several in the Department of International Studies. Programs such as these offer students, according to Dr. Petersen, "an understanding of other cultures which is becoming more important as we move towards a global economy."

In addition, the Office of International Programs announces the signing of an Agreement of cooperation between WKU, Trent University (Canada) and Universidad Autonoma Chapingo (Mexico).

The agreement is for five years and will develop academic and administrative exchanges, promote the exchange of faculty and researchers, foster open access to academic research and administrative services in each institution, facilitate joint publication of scholarly works, and develop opportunities for undergraduate and graduate student study and research.

For more information about the exchange, call Donna K. Cheshire, Assistant Director of International Programs, 5333.

Wellness Center News

Positive Lifestyle classes

EMPOWER Weight Management Program*

This is not a diet program.

Learn principles to lose or increase weight - permanently.

Dates: Wednesdays, Nov. 17, 24, Dec. 1, 8 (4 sessions)

Time: 12:00-1:00 p.m. (Bring a bag lunch if you like!)

Place: DUC 349 Cost: $5 per person

Success With Stress*

Identify personal stressors and learn skills to transform "bad" stress into "good".

Dates: Mondays, Nov. 29 & Dec. 6

Time: 4:40-5:45 p.m. Place: DUC 349 Cost: $5

* Pre-registration is required for all PALs. Call 6531.

As the holidays approach, fight back! The average American gains 7 lbs. between Thanksgiving and Christmas. This year, join the Maintain Campaign and break the cycle!

What it is: Departmental "teams" will compete to hold weight gain down to no more than 2 lbs./person.

Happy Thanksgiving!
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Note: About You is devoted to listing professional achievements (papers presented, awards, appointments, or other special recognition) of WKU faculty and staff. Send items addressed to: About You, % On Campus, Office of University Relations.

Business Administration

MANAGEMENT

Dr. Atzai Rahim, professor of management, organized and chaired a symposium on Managing organizational conflict in France, Turkey, Netherlands and Spain, and presented two papers at the sixth annual conference of the International Association for Conflict Management, held in Houthalen, Belgium in June. They are co-authored with Nace R. Magner of Accounting. Confirmatory factor analysis of the styles of handling interpersonal conflict: First-order factor model and its invariance across groups; and with Sandra Kaufman, Cleveland State, and Nace R. Magner, Accounting, A Structural equations model of wife's styles of handling conflict and husband's perception of marital satisfaction and instability.

Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

COMMUNICATION AND BROADCASTING

Dr. Jim Westerfield led two workshops on news media/communication verbal deception used to disguise abortion reality at the annual convention of the Kentucky Right to Life Association meeting in Louisville Oct. 30.

HISTORY

At the ninth annual Ohio Valley History Conference at WKU Oct. 15 and 16, Anna Bates presented a paper on Anthony Comstock: Weeder in the Garden of the Lord; John Hardin presented The May 27, 1968 Louisville Riots: An Observer's View; and Fred Murphy presented Enriching Western Civilization Courses With Transparencies.

JOURNALISM

Jo-Ann Huff Albers, head of the WKU journalism department, is the 1993-94 president of the Association of Schools of Journalism and Mass Communication.

The ASJMC, which recently celebrated its 75th anniversary at its national meeting in Kansas City, has 186 schools as members, each represented by its top-ranking journalism/mass communications education administrator. The association's mission is "to provide leadership for excellence in all aspects of journalism and mass communications education."

Albers is in her seventh year at Western. Prior to coming to WKU, Albers worked 27 years in daily newspapers in Ohio, Kentucky, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Virginia, including 20 years at The Cincinnati Enquirer.

MODERN LANGUAGES AND INTERCULTURAL STUDIES

Jim Wayne Miller's novel, His first Best Country, was eighth on a recent best sellers list at a bookstore in Alexandria, Ky. Dr. Miller was the Dr. Robert L. Palmer Memorial Lecturer at Cumberland College Oct. 21 and 22.

Juan Penna presented Syntactic and Semantic curiosities about Spanish Negation at the Mountain Interstate Foreign Language Conference Oct. 9 at Clemson University.

Melissa Stewart presented a paper on The Tyranny of memory in Ana maria Mati's Juila at the Mid-America Conference on Hispanic Literatures Oct. 15-17. She presented Maria Aurelia Capmany's Felimentos; to see una dona; The Female Picarosque in Contemporary Catalonia Oct. 21 for the Association of Feminine Hispanic Literature.

MUSIC

Dr. Michael J. Kallstrom has been announced as the winner of the 1993 McNeese State University Composers Competition for his choral work, Piers and Bridges. He will receive a cash prize and a performance by the A Capella Singers on the Music of Our Time Series Concert at McNeese State University tomorrow, Nov. 18.

Dr. Kallstrom has been accepted as a Ragdale Fellow in music composition by the Ragdale Foundation, and he will be an artist-in-residence at the Foundation's artist's colony in March 1994. Ragdale is in Lake Forest, Ill., near Chicago, on the grounds of the family estate of the acclaimed architect Howard Van Doren Shaw, and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Dr. Christopher Groves spoke on Groundwater Modeling in karst Aquifers: A Review and Limestone Dissolution Kinetics at a workshop on Understanding Karst for Environmental and Engineering Applications at Oak Ridge, Tenn. Dr. Groves also was appointed chairperson of the Research Advisory Committee for the National Speleological Society.

Dr. Kenneth Kuehn presented a co-authored paper, Efficacy of Oil Agglomeration for Beneficiation of Ultrafine and Micromized Coals at the 10th annual meeting of the Society for Organic Petrology in Norman, Okla.

At the Kentucky Academy of Science meeting in Georgetown, the following faculty presented papers:

Glen Conner, Latitudinal Variation of consecutive Day Precipitation; James L. Davis, Transportation Facilities Analysis of Warren County, Ky;

Conrad T. Moore, Inverse Relationships Between monthly Wind Velocities and Precipitation in the United States and Pacific Basin;

Mark Lowry II and Stuart Foster, A New Approach to Measuring Segregation;

David J. Keeling, Developing Mercosur: Can Argentina and Brazil Replicate the European Common Market;


James Wells and Christopher Groves, Recent Cave Exploration in the Central Kentucky Karst;

Beth McClellan, The Eismutzel Dome, Norway - A Glimpse into an Orogen;

Deborah Kuehn, Gravity Anomalies and Geometry; and with Michael Sykes, Paleomagnetics and Identification of a Newly Exposed Roadcut West of Auburn, Ky.

MATHMATICS

Joe Stokes presented A Look at Mathematical Thinking at the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics conference in Jackson, Miss.

Dr. Afzaal Magner, Accounting, received recognition of Western Kentucky University's Achievement Award at the annual meeting of the American Accounting Association's mission is "to provide leadership for excellence in all aspects of accounting."
Dr. Wanda Weidemann and Mary Barr Humphrey have been awarded a two-year grant of $39,500 to co-direct a project entitled New Connections — Partnerships between Mathematics Faculty and K-8 Teachers.

At the Kentucky Academy of Science 79th annual meeting Oct. 21-23 at Georgetown College, the following faculty presented papers:

Carroll Wells, Geometry Activities for the Classroom; Bruce Kessler, Data Compression Using Fractal Surfaces; James Porter, Prototyping Neural Networks; Randall Swift, A Class of Harmonizable Isotropic Random Fields.

James Barksdale Jr., Generating Functions for a Class of Complex Surfaces; John Spraker, It Ain’t Necessarily So With Apologies to George Gershwin;

Mark Robinson, An Introduction to the Numerical Solution of Schroedinger-Type Equations Using Finite Element Methods; Barry Brunson, Calculus Reform at WKU and

David Atkinson, A Linear Programming Algorithm That Combines Continuous Variable and Combinatorial Techniques.

University Libraries

Linda A. Morrissett participated in a panel discussion on Interinstitutional Cooperation, and co-presented with Therese D. Baker at the University of Kentucky at the sixth Off-Campus Library Services Conference Oct. 8 in Kansas City, Mo.

Library Public Services

Therese D. Baker, Library Public Services, co-authored with Linda A. Morrissett Assessing and Enhancing Off-Campus Library Services in Western Kentucky published in the Sixth Off-Campus Library Services Conference Proceedings, Mount Pleasant, Mo.: Central Michigan University, 19931 pp. 169-180.


Cynthia Etkin, Library Public Services has From Stetttl to a Shout: Librarians Make Your Voices Heard, appearing in Kentucky Libraries 57 (3) : 15, Summer 1993.

Note: Hot Off The Press, as the title indicates, includes recent publications by WKU faculty and staff. Send items addressed to Hot Off The Press, %On Campus, Office of University Relations.

James W. Grimm, Sociology and Anthropology, has Postdoctoral fellowship in A Weberian Spirit: Medical Care Specialists Seeking Full Professional Status and Recognition, co-authored with Neale R. Chamber of Case Western Reserve published in Sociological Focus, Vol. 25, No. 4.

Susan James and Susan Devaney, Educational Leadership, had School Counselors and Family Resource and Youth Services Centers: Five Ways to Enhance the KERA Relationship published in the Fall 1993 KCA Journal, Vol. 12, No. 1, pgs. 2-14.


Student publications, you’re the best!

The College Heights Herald, student newspaper, and Talisman Yearbook staff members returned from the Associated Collegiate Press/College Media Advisers convention in Dallas with more awards than any of the 500 plus schools represented there. Western was the only school to have both its newspaper and yearbook recognized in the Best of Show Competition.

Award winners were:

—Best of Show, yearbooks under 300 pages, Talisman, second.

—Best of Show, non-daily tabloid newspapers, Herald, fifth place.

—Business and Economic Writing, John Martin, second; Jim Hannah, third.

—Editorial Cartoons, Martin Hoffmann, third.

—Promotional advertising, Jim Dewese, first.

—Sports Photography, Marc Piscotty, first, Francis Gardier, third.

—News Photography, Andrew Cutraro, first.

—Photographer of the Year, Marc Piscotty, second.

Baughman’s all-star tennis player

Henry Baughman, a professor of public health at Western Kentucky University, was a member of the Southern Tennis Association’s men’s 55-64 team that reached the final of the U.S. National Team, Men’s Intersectional Tennis Championships at Pawleys Island, S.C.

There were 10 teams, composed of three singles and two doubles, representing their tennis associations that included the 48 contiguous states and the Caribbean Islands.

Dr. Baughman was selected to this all-star team by the Southern Tennis Association because of his current No. 3 ranking in the nine-state South and his 1993 record. That record includes a win over the 1991 finalist to reach the round-of-16 of the U.S. National Clay Court Tennis Championships.

Dr. Baughman, who also won the U.S. National Senior Olympics this summer, played the No. 2 singles and No. 1 doubles position in the competition that included more than 20 former winners of national titles, three former Davis Cup players and one former Wimbledon champion.

In its first match, the STA team defeated the New England team 5-0, with Dr. Baughman defeating Wally Stinson 1-6, 6-2, 6-4. He teamed with Bob Helton to win the doubles 6-4, 7-5. Next, the team defeated Texas 5-1, with Dr. Baughman defeating Lee Hamilton 6-4, 2-6, 6-3. In the finals, Florida defeated the STA team 5-0. Dr. Baughman lost to Paul Crains 2-6, 3-6. He and Helton also lost in the doubles match.

—Best of Collegiate Design- Typographic Display (newspapers, yearbooks, magazines), Herald, fifth; Nameplates, Herald, third; Front Pages, Herald, second; Photo Pages, Herald, first and fourth; Overall Design, Herald, second.

Other recent awards received by student publications include:

—Society of Newspaper Design’s Best Dressed list of college newspapers for 1993: Overall design for non-dailies, Herald, third; Rick Loomis, first place, best overall use of photography; Chris Poynter, Tom Batters, Rick Loomis and John Martin, third place, special section.

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COMING UP

Editor's note: Many of our readers have expressed an interest in knowing about community events as well as happenings on campus, so something new to "Coming Up" this issue is a listing of community events from the Office of University Relations Master Calendar. On Campus has also added regional events. Also, we wish to thank more and more of you each issue for scheduling your events through University Relations. Not only will you be assured of facility needs, but your event is listed on the many calendars we publish, both on and off campus. Thank you!

November


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8 a.m.
Department of Criminal Justice Training. L. D. Brown Agriculture Center. Continues through Nov. 18. For more information contact David Payne, 745-2404.

8 a.m.

10 a.m.
Victorian Christmas Tour. Continuing through Dec. 17. Historic Riverview at Hobson Grove. 1100 W. Main Ave. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. Sundays. For more information contact Sam Terry, 843-5565.

6:30 p.m.
WKU MEN'S BASKETBALL at North Carolina. Pre-Season Nit. For more information contact Sports Information, 745-4298.

7 p.m.
BOWLING CO-ED TOURNAMENT. Downing University Center Rec. Floor. For more information contact 745-5816.

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8:30 a.m.
WKU Art Faculty Exhibition. Continues through Dec. 15. Ivan Wilson Fine Arts Center Gallery. For more information contact Marsha Heidbrink, 745-6403.

8 p.m.
The Department of Theatre and Dance Presents Kiss Me Kate. Continues through Nov. 21. Van Meter Auditorium.

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For more information contact the WKU Theatre and Dance Dept., 745-3121.

8 p.m.
International Film Festival. Mediterraneo (Italy). Cherry Hall, room 125. For more information contact the International Student Office, 745-4837.

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8 a.m.
Sun Belt Conference Volleyball Tournament. For more information contact Women's Volleyball, 745-6496.

7:30 p.m.
Grammy-winning gospel music artist Lamelle Harris, a member of the 1993 WKU distinguished Alumni, will perform at Riverpark Center in Owensboro at 7 p.m. a benefit concert for the Owensboro Volunteer Center. Call Alumni Affairs, 745-4395.

Midnight
Midnight Movie. Downing University Center Theatre. For more information contact 745-2456.

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8 a.m.
Area Five Special Olympics. Downing University Center Bowling Lanes. For more information contact Joe Verner, 745-6063.

8 a.m.
Special Olympics Bowling Tournament. Downing University Center Bowling Lanes. For more information contact Joe Verner, 745-6063.

1 p.m.

3 p.m.
Fall Classic Walking Horse Show. L. D. Brown Agricultural Exposition Center. Approximately 150 horses will be sold. Concessions Available. For more information contact Charles Anderson, 745-5958.

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10:30 a.m.
Cave Mill Baptist Church Presents Our Greatful Praise. For more information contact 842-1400.

2 p.m.
WKU Women's Basketball vs. Team Lithuania-exhibition. E. A. Diddle Arena. For more information contact Sports Information, 745-4298.

6 p.m.
Living Hope Baptist Church Thanksgiving Dinner. For more information contact Phil Mitchell, 781-2481.

Owensboro Museum of Fine Art. United Distillers Presents A Craftsman's Christmas, an exhibition organized as the finale of the Owensboro Museum of Fine Art's participation in the national celebration of The Year of American Craft. This 17th presentation of the Holiday Forest will combine trees decorated with hand-crafted objects by organizations with an exhibition and indoor crafts fair of the region's leading crafts artists.

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8 a.m.
Chamber Theatre Production. Van Meter Auditorium. For more information contact Lynn Gestrae, 542-9155.

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Thanksgiving Day. The University is closed until Monday.

December

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Light Up A Life Christmas Tree. Sponsored by Hospice of Bowling Green, Inc. Greenwood Mall. Continues through December 22. For more information contact 782-3402.

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5 p.m.
Cumberland Presbyterian Church's Festival of Lights. 807 Campbell Lane. For more information contact 781-3295.

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7 p.m.
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7 p.m.
Girl Scout Holiday Tree At The Kentucky Museum. Continues through Dec. 17. Tuesdays - Saturdays 9:30 to 4 p.m.; Sundays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. $1 per child; $2 per adult, $5 per family; No charge on Sundays. For more information contact Suzanne, 842-8138.

7 p.m.
Billiards 8-Ball Tournament. Downing University Center Rec. Floor. For more information contact 745-5815.

8 p.m.
Jazz Ensemble Concert. Garrett Conference Center Ballroom. For more information contact Marshall Scott, 745-3751.

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New Sheriffs Orientation by the Kentucky Sheriffs Department. Executive West, Louisville. For more information contact Martha Loveless, 745-4137.

Volleyball NCAA Playoffs. For more information contact Women's Volleyball, 745-6496.

7 a.m. President's Faculty Breakfast. Garrett Conference Center Executive Ballroom. For more information contact the President's Office, 745-4346.

11 a.m. Value Billing: Does It Work? Academic Complex. For more information, contact Martha Loveless, 745-4137.

7 p.m. Miss Black Gold. Garrett Conference Center Ballroom. For more information contact Terrence Kennon, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. 745-5662.

8 p.m. International Film Festival. The Home and the World (India). Cherry Hall, room 125. For more information contact the International Student Office, 745-4857.

9 a.m. Christmas Crafts Show. Downing University Center, third floor. For more information contact Student Activities, 745-5795.

2 p.m. Hanging of the Green. Traditional celebration to open the holiday season. Downing University Center Lobby. For more information contact Student Activities, 745-5795.

8 p.m. Bowling Green-Western Choral Society. Benjamin Britten's St. Nicholas. Van Meter Auditorium. Admission will be charged. For more information contact the Music Department, 745-3751.

9 p.m. West Hall Cellar Dance. West Hall Cellar. 745-2459.

8 a.m. Child Protection and the Law. Institute for Economic Development. For more information contact Martha Loveless, 745-4137.

8 a.m. New Employee Orientation. Garrett Conference Center Ballroom. For more information contact Martha Loveless, 745-5303.

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8 a.m. Community College Program. Downing University Center, room 305. For more information contact Alicia Davis, 745-5372.

2 p.m. South Central Kentucky Basketball meeting. Downing University Center, room 305. For more information contact Mike Cobb, 842-0099.

3 p.m. WKU Men's Basketball vs. Lafayette Hustlers (AAU)-exhibition. E. A. Diddle Arena 745-4298.

3 p.m. Chamber Band Concert. Van Meter Auditorium. For more information contact Joe Stites, 745-3751.

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Lewis B. Mills will direct athletics development

Lewis B. Mills has been appointed Director of Development for University Athletics at WKU.

Mills, Vice President of Network Facilities for TDI Services Corporation in Richmond, Va., served as Director of Athletics at Virginia Commonwealth University from 1974-86. He also served as a consultant for Intercollegiate Athletics for Creative Sports Marketing from 1986-87 and Director of Development for the Virginia Sports Hall of Fame from 1989-90.

"We are pleased to have Lewis Mills join our institutional advancement staff at Western Kentucky University," said President Thomas C. Meredith. "His extensive experience in athletic fund raising will serve this institution well."

Mills served as Head Basketball Coach and Head Golf Coach at the University of Richmond from 1963-74 after serving one season as an Assistant Basketball Coach and Golf Coach. He was Athletic Director and Football and Basketball Coach at Roanoke (Va.) Catholic High School in 1961-62. He received the Southern Conference Coach-of-the-Year award in 1966-67 and 1972-73 while at the University of Richmond and was inducted into the Virginia Tech Sports Hall of Fame in 1991.

Mills earned his bachelor's degree in business education from Virginia Tech in 1960. He was captain of Virginia Tech's 1960 Southern Conference champions, earned All-Southern Conference honors as a guard, and was named to the All-Time Sugar Bowl team.

He previously has served as a member of the finance committee of the Sun Belt Conference, chairman of the SBC All-Sports Committee and chairman of the SBC athletic directors.

Next On Campus

Wednesday, Dec. 8
Deadline for Dated Material: Monday, Nov. 29
Send to: Sheila Eison, Editor, Office of University Relations
NOVEMBER 22, 1963:

When JFK was shot, I was...

By Laura McCauley, a student assistant in the Kentucky Museum’s Office of Special Events

"I was in Mr. Birta’s U.S. History class at Central High in Omaha, Nebraska. The announcement came over the loud speaker that President Kennedy had been shot. We laid our hands on our desks and you could hear sobbing, I was 16 years old."

On November 22, 1963, the world seemed to come to a standstill as news hit that President John Fitzgerald Kennedy had been assassinated in Dallas, Tex. Shock waves resounded throughout a nation that had once felt safe and untouchable.

As a remembrance of the 30th anniversary of the President’s death, Western Kentucky University’s Kentucky Museum is featuring a display of Kennedy memorabilia from his campaign and administration, as well as reflective articles written about his family life.

But the exhibit also pays a living tribute to the 35th President by giving citizens a chance to contribute to history by recounting what they were doing on the day President Kennedy was shot. Behind the display case is a wall with half-sheets of white paper taped in rows. On these papers are written the recollections of those who remember that day in 1963.

So far, those who have recorded their memories range in age from 8 to 35 years old at the time of the assassination. Some accounts are only a sentence or two long, such as that of one man who was 8 at the time and wrote, "I was in school in the third grade."

Most are filled with great detail of time and place, such as one man who wrote that he was 9 years old and sitting in the "second row, second desk from the left in penmanship class" at a Catholic school in Wisconsin. His principal led the school in a prayer over the intercom.

Many recall the emotions they felt on that day, such as one woman who recalls a girl sitting next to her lamenting that Lyndon Johnson would be President as a result of the assassination. The writer, 19 at the time, remembers that “even in my shock and pain, that struck me as one of the most insensitive things I ever heard from anyone.”

Each memory provides a different perspective, but they all share a common tragedy: the death of a leader. The wall shows that such a violent loss at that time in history crossed lines of gender, race and partisanship.

The wall also gives those who were not alive in 1963 a chance to learn something about the assassination that could never come from a newspaper or magazine article. The personal recollections may help you understand the impact of Kennedy’s death felt by relatives, their communities and the nation.

The Kentucky Museum invites those who want to pass on their memories of Nov. 22, 1963, to the young and the old to come by and write them down. The Kentucky Museum is open 8:30-8:30 Monday; 8:30-4:30 Tuesday-Friday; and 9:30-4 Saturday.

The letters of Harry L. Jackson

By Nikole Williamson, a public relations intern in the Kentucky Museum’s Office of Special Events

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Dear Sallie:

I have not heard from you in a long time, but I know it is not because you have not written. There is not much to tell you—We are still fighting.

So begins one man’s version of one of the most famous times in our nation’s history—World War II. In this letter written from somewhere in Holland, Harry Jackson describes some of his day-to-day activities as an army officer to his sister back home in Kentucky. On a page of this letter, Jackson also sketched a detailed picture of one of the many magnificent cathedrals he visited while serving in Europe. On other letters he drew pictures of whatever he saw: his trench, a German vehicle, and elaborate buildings.

Born near Drakes Creek in Warren County, Ky. in 1907, Jackson spent much of his early life studying art. He worked as an art critic in New York until the war, and as his letters show, even while in the army his mind was often on the beauty which surrounded him rather than the destruction.

Jackson donated his collection of letters and other items to Western Kentucky University’s Department of Library Special Collections in 1984. A number of these letters and sketches by Jackson are currently displayed on the second floor of the Kentucky Building and can be seen between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays.

Who is Princess Shirinsky?

By Nikole Williamson

Sometimes the staff of WKU’s Department of Library and Special Collections just don’t know how good they’ve got it. Other times they’re not sure what they’ve got at all!

One such mystery revolves around a collection of hand-painted greeting cards currently on display in the Kentucky Museum. The cards, which picture beautiful Russian scenery, are signed Princess Shirinsky, but no one seems to know who she is or if she’s a real person.

The cards were donated to the Manuscripts Area by Harry L. Jackson, a Bowling Green, Ky. native, who was a great patron of the arts. In addition to the cards, Jackson donated numerous items to the Department of Library Special Collections which includes the Kentucky Museum, the Kentucky Library and Manuscripts/Folklore Archives. A museum gallery was named in honor of Jackson for his generous support, both personally and financially, of the Kentucky Building’s programs.

The greeting cards can be seen between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the second floor of the Kentucky Building. In the meantime, staff members will be working to solve the Princess Shirinsky mystery.