Applied Science & Tech WKU's first 'Program of Distinction'

By Bob Napper, Director of News Relations

Western Kentucky University has been known for involving under­graduate students in research. Now, thanks to $2.9 million from the Kentucky Incentive Trust Fund, the Applied Research and Technology Program will pull those research centers together into a program that will benefit faculty, students and industry.

The program will involve faculty, faculty-student and student-student interaction, said Dr. Martin Houston, dean of the Ogden College of Science, Technology and Health. "There's only one other program in the country that comes close, and that's James Madison University," he said.

Under the leadership of a director, the program will combine four prominent centers that have already earned national recognitions (Materials Characterization Laboratory, Kentucky Climate Center, Cave and Karst Studies and Agriculture Research and Education Complex) with five growth centers that are approaching national stature (Biodiversity Center, Biotechnology Applied Research and Education Center, Applied Technology Transfer Center, Environmental Health and Safety Resource Laboratory and Technical Assistance Center for Water Quality).

"The objective is to take the classical type of teaching and concentrate on taking what a student learns and working with another student mentor or faculty member and actually applying that in critical thinking and problem solving out in industry or the schools," Dr. Houston said.

A unique feature of the program is that centers from across 10 departments in the college are cooperating to make it work, said Dr. Ed Houston, program director and assistant to the dean.

"Very few projects, whether grant projects from industry or governmental agencies, require only one discipline," he said. "This program allows us to develop teaming efforts with chemists, biologists, engineers, industrial hygienists, physicians, across the board ... to bear on a particular problem."

Dr. Blaine Ferrell, head of the Biology Department, said the cooperation between the centers has existed, but the program "will bring greater focus to it and allow it to grow."

Ed Houston said the program also takes students from the classroom experience all the way through practical application so that they are ready to get a job in the area that they want when they graduate. "In most cases, (college graduates) are not ready to take a concept, put a research plan together, and execute that research plan," he said. "This program will allow a young person to enter industry, or enter graduate school, and be able to think on his or her feet to put together a plan to solve a problem and execute that plan."

Dr. Ferrell said the Western program is consistent with the state's developing Science and Technology Plan because it will provide a workforce that is attractive to business and industry. "In industry and graduate schools are already requesting more students "because they come into the lab ready to go, fully prepared to take charge," he said.

The funding from the Incentive Trust Fund includes $1.2 million for 1997-98; $1 million for 1998-99 and $500,000 for 1999-2000, all of which must be matched by the University through a combination of external and internal funds, said Dr. Barbara Burch, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs.

"It is anticipated that the University will be submitting additional proposals for Incentive Trust Fund support in the future," she said.

Western originally advanced four programs to the Council on Postsecondary Education for consideration as programs of distinction. The CPE, however, requested that all universities limit themselves to one program submission during the initial year. Other programs that may be submitted later include Journalism and Communications, Children First: Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education, and Folk Studies.

Dr. Burch said the Applied Research and Technology Program was advanced first because of its ability to raise the required matching funds.

If you wish more information, contact Dr. Martin Houston at (502) 745-4448. More WKU news is available on the World Wide Web at <www.wku.edu>, click on News and Announcements.

WKU Regents elect Cornelius Martin chair; Kristen Bale vice-chair; welcome three

The Western Kentucky University Board of Regents elected Cornelius Martin of Bowling Green as chair and Kristen Bale of Glasgow as vice chair for 1998-99 at its quarterly meeting July 31.

Martin has served as vice chair.

The board:
- Approved the Strategic Plan to guide the University through 2003. The Strategic Plan includes five broad goals and a series of objectives and performance indicators in support of those goals.
- Accepted a review of the University's athletics programs from Dr. Fred Obee that includes 30 recommendations.
- Approved an associate degree in paramedicine. The program, which must be approved by the Council on Postsecondary Education, would count emergency medical technician certification as 40 of the necessary 65 hours for the degree.
- Approved continued development of a self-insured health insurance program for University employees.
- Approved the purchase of properties at 1441, 1445 and 1447 Kentucky Street and 1426 Adams St., appraised at $195,500, for $33,000. The sale is part of a gift agreement with a donor. Regents also agreed to place property at 1536 Normal Dr. for sale and deed 3.4 acres on Campbell Lane to Miller's Bottled Gas of Bowling Greens.
- Met with officials from Owensboro Community College and Kentucky Tech to discuss a plan for a joint building project on the OCC campus. The cooperative project will be one of Western's top legislative priorities for the 2000 General Assembly, Dr. Ransdell said.

"Swores in three new regents: Stephanie Cosby of Greenville as the new student regent, Ronald G. Sheffer of Louisville, and James B. Tennill Jr. of Louisville. Cosby will serve a one-year term. Sheffer and Tennill will serve six-year terms."
Meet WKU's 1998 Distinguished Professors

Dr. Richard Salisbury, 1998 Distinguished Professor of History

Oddly enough, it was his ability to play sports, and time spent in the Peace Corps that influenced Richard Salisbury's future. He spent two years in Venezuela teaching English. Spending time in Venezuela inspired him to focus on Latin American history. He became a Latin America specialist, and since has studied, traveled and lectured widely in the region.

Salisbury comes from a family of educators. Both parents and three other brothers are in some way giving the gift of teaching. Salisbury says he was very enthusiastic about what his parents did.

He began teaching in 1969 at State University of New York-Geneva, and came to Western in 1976 to teach history.

"I enjoy teaching and doing research," Salisbury said. His main focus of research is early 20th century foreign influence on Central America.

Aside from the 1998 Distinguished Professor Award, Salisbury has also received the 1985 Potter College Excellence Award, and in 1989 he was presented with the Potter College and University Research Award. He has also had more than 25 articles published about research he has collected.

Salisbury has been consistently recognized by his students as an exceptionally effective teacher by using visual aids from his travels, giving students a break from the regular classroom lecture. He is a key contributor to the university's efforts to internationalize its programs and curriculum.

The award was a very nice honor and I feel it reflects my professional activity, not to mention the excellent department I represent," Salisbury said.

This past summer, Salisbury expanded on his professional development by visiting the United States Archives in Washington and Philadelphia studying the British influence on Central America.

Salisbury is not giving up anytime soon, he plans on continuing to conduct research about the British influence on Central America. He also makes various talks when needed about history. He said there's not a great demand for speaking on subjects of what he studies, but he enjoys speaking when asked.

Dr. Julia Roberts

Julia Roberts seems to balance two loads being a professor in the School of Integrative Studies in Teacher Education, and directing the Center for Gifted Studies program.

In the summer, Roberts is busy putting together summer placement camps for beginning AP teachers and gifted students.

These camps are designed to give teachers and students a chance to interact with others who have the same ability as they do.

During her academic career, she has built a record of solid achievement in teaching, scholarship, and service, and has been widely recognized in her accomplishments. She has almost singlehandedly developed the Center for Gifted Studies Program at Western, and through it has gained state and national recognition for herself and for the university.

Roberts received her undergraduate education from the University of Missouri-Columbia and her master's and doctoral degrees from Oklahoma State University. Before coming to Western in 1974, Roberts worked as a junior high school teacher and was on the faculties of both Indiana University and the University of Houston.

"The Center for Gifted Studies Program is currently 15th in the nation, and my goal for the future is to reach the top five," Roberts said.

The Center for Gifted Studies was named by Western's Board of Regents in 1990, and for Roberts this was very significant because it took all their isolated activities and gave them a sort of credibility.

Roberts has not only earned the rank of University Distinguished Professor, but has received other honors as well. In 1991, she received WKU award for Public Service and the Kentucky Association for Gifted Education Distinguished Service award.

Being a leader is not hard for Julia Roberts. She has assumed leadership roles with The College Board, The Duke Talent Identification Program, The National Association for Gifted Children and many other state and national associations associated with gifted education.
Professor with a cause: Corporate Advocacy

by Sheila Conway Donn

If the subject comes up, Judith Hoover will insist her James Dean Rebel Without a Cause poster that dominates her tiny office means nothing more than the fact that she loves James Dean.

It was a mother’s day present from her husband and her son, to we’ve discovered Judith Hoover who reportedly scoured the planet being labeled a rebel. We’ll just say Rebel Without a Cause Contribution to Women for many
gent, presented the award to her A lliance Award for Outstanding
time, Judith Hoo ver means busi­
nic business won this ye ar's Women's
former
colleague who became her friend when they served together as char­
women in the workplace.

ter members of the Women's Alliance’s Advisory Committee to
faculty, Gramling, representing the past year to a projed that has
achieve their goals, what ever

Her specialty is teamwork, fo­

mentoring of others, as another predominant theme.

"That was surprising to me. A very pleasant surprise, I might say," Dr. Hoover said.

"I guess I've come to a place in my career where what I need to be doing is helping people achieve their goals, what ever they are, whether it's tenure, or publication. Those are the areas that I have tried to help my colleagues with."

Judith Hoover has taught since 1963, has edited a book, is currently working on a textbook and serves on the World Communication Journal's editorial board reviewing manuscripts.

As one of her nominators put it: "She contributes to a working environment which is conducive to women succeeding in their professional endeavors....Very little of Dr. Hoover’s contribution to the area of mentoring receives recognition as 'service.' Her mentoring is performed strictly for the benefit of those whom she helps."

Her edited book, Corporate Advocacy, was published by Greenwood Press, and includes a synthesis of work to date on the topic of corporate advocacy.

For the lay audience that means the concept of teamwork. But it's not to be confused with the concept of total quality management that had its origins in the social class were historicall y

If you know anything about Warren Bennis and transformational leadership, (which most of us don’t), "It's a variation," Hoover says. "If you distribute leadership and rotate leadership among the whole group, and don’t have a des­

That notion comes from her past, actually, "growing up in a working-class family" — "my choice of words" she inserts — "in the coal mines of West Virginia, a family that struggled," she says.

"My fokus is on the treatment of the human being."
- Judith Hoover

Hoover lived with her grand­

parents and recalled her grandfa­

ter went to the mines to work ev­

day since he was eight years old. He was unable to read or to write.

"Understanding how people in this social class were historically treated caused me to say, 'There must be a better way to treat hu­

man beings who work for an hourly wage, and when I began to read about this new team concept, it seemed to me to be a way that people like that could be treated with respect, and valued for something other than manual labor."

That is the thing that has just really captured my attention."

The mind’s eye goes to the James Dean poster on the wall. Hoover’s textbook in progress is based on visits she made to seven sites during a recent sabbati­

Says another nominator about Judith Hoover and teamwork: "I have witnessed Judith’s con­tinuous efforts to create a con­
sciousness among those in the uni­
iversity community concerning the fairness and equality for not only women, but others as well. She conveys a sincere sensitivity, un­
derstanding and empathy toward those who are in disadvantaged positions, whether it be troubled students, untenured faculty mem­bers, low-paid part-time instruc­tors, or oppressed workers at a lo­cal manufacturing facility."

That same nominator said of Hoover’s work as chair of the task force that studied the status of women:

Despite her already over­
whelming workload at the univer­sity, she agreed to carry out this task because it was something she truly believed would be meaning­ful to the women at Western."

The last issue of the school year of The College Heights Herald tells that story, and includes Hoover’s last-word analysis of the process in letter-to-the-editor form.

"A copy of the report is avail­
able in Helm Library."
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Dr. Livingston Alexander, former vice president for Academic Affairs at WKU, has been appointed provost/vice president for academic affairs at Kean University in Union, New Jersey.

Dr. Mel Borland and Dr. Roy Howsen, Economics and marketing, have had A Note on Student Performance in Rural vs. Urban Areas accepted for future publication by the American Journal of Economics and Sociology.

Dr. Jan Colbert, Accounting, has had Internal Auditors and Assurance Services published in Internal Auditing, July/August, 1998.

Edward Counts, Library Media Education, has produced an animated film with support from Kentucky Educational Television, Zoetrobes. The score was written by Stephen Webber, a WKU alumnus and teacher at the Berklee College of Music in Boston.

The film's images run, jump, flip and dance to a pace and beat reminiscent of a zoetrope. In June, Zoetrobes was screened at the Watkins-Belcourt Theater in Nashville as part of the Nashvillian Independent Film Festival. In July, it was screened in Louisville at the Baxter Theater.

Nicholas Crawford, Geography and Geology, received the 1998 Outstanding Geologist Award given by the Kentucky Chapter of the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG).

Dr. Crawford leads many organizations at WKU and is the director and founder of the Center for Cave and Karst Studies and the Karst Field Studies Program which is offered each summer at Mammoth Cave National Park. His research deals primarily with groundwater contamination of carbonate aquifers, sinkhole flooding and sinkhole collapse. He has been the recipient of 25 grants for karst hydrologic research.

Dr. Aaron W. Hughey, Educational leadership, and Dr. Kenneth J. Musasing, Industrial Technology, have had Out of the Ivory Tower and Into the Real World: Advice for Academics Who Want to Be Corporate Trainers accepted for publication in Industry and Higher Education, December 1998 issue.

Dr. Hughey has been appointed to the editorial board of Research for Educational Reform, published by Grambling State University.

Michael Johnson, Coordinator, Student Support Services, has completed the U.S. Army War College, Department of Distance Learning, Defense Strategy Course.

Dr. Michael Kallstrom, Department of Music, performed his Electric Opera, GHOSTS!! At Centre College for the Governor's Scholars program, and gave a lecture/demonstration on composition for the music majors earlier in the day.

Dr. Kallstrom also will be a Specialist Reviewer in Music for the Senior Fulbright Awards for the coming year.

In May, two of his compositions, EASTERN BRILLIANCE and AROUND THE CLOCK, were performed on the California Polytechnic University Techno Music Series.

Deborah Logan, English, presented Madame, and Megalithic: V Victorians in Breaking the Wines at the 20th Century Literature Conference in Louisville.

Logan, Jane Olmsted and Karen Schneider, also of English, served on a film panel at the conference.

Recent publications by Logan include: Harlem Life, Weel and East in Women's Studies Fall 1997; An 'outstretched hand to the fallen' in Victorian Periodicals Review, Winter 1997;

Go, and sin no more in Victorian Periodicals Review, Summer 1998 and


Matthew Lucas has been named director of development for University Athletics. The 34-year-old native of Columbus, Ohio, was associate director for athletics development at Virginia Tech before accepting the WKU job. He replaces Mike Simpson, who resigned about a year ago.

Dr. Tod Kerstetter, Music, performed at the annual convention of the International Clarinet Association at Ohio State University in July. He gave a lecture/recital with Dr. Jeffrey Olson of Valdosta State University on the clarinet duets of the 19th century Finnish-born composer, Bernhard Crusell.

Dr. Kerstetter and Donald Speer, pianist, and member of the music faculty, recorded Break Out! By University of Georgia composer Lewis Nielsen for a CD of Nielsen's compositions which will be released later this year. The composition was commissioned by Dr. Kerstetter, who gave its premiere performance last November along with Dr. Speer.


Elizabeth Oakes, English, has had an article, The Duchess of Malfi as a Tragedy of Identity, accepted by Studies in Philology, and two poems, Needlework and Sewing, a kind of work which you may call needlework, accepted by Women's Studies: An Interdisciplinary Journal.

Dr. Oakes will be reading a paper, Shakespeare and the Tripartite Brain at the Society for Literature and Science conference in Gainesville, Fla. in November.

Jane Olmsted, English, presented "He's smokin' Smoke Writes Family and Masculinity" at the 20th Century Literature Conference in Louisville.

More professional activities on the next page.
Professional Activities

Continued

She also led a roundtable discussion on graduate certificates at the National Women's Studies Association conference in Oswego, NY.

Dr. Jacqueline Pope-Tarrence, assistant professor of psychology, has been appointed to replace John McCracken on the Bowling Green school board. McCracken moved out of the school district. Dr. Pope-Tarrence will serve on the board until a full-term replacement is elected in November.

Jeane Robertson, executive director of the Western Kentucky University Active Day Center, has been elected to chair the Legislative Research Commission's Health and Welfare Committee.

Karen Schneider, English, presented With Violence If Necessary: Re-contracting the Traditional Fam­ily in the Contemporary Action-Thriller at the 20th Century Literature Conference at the University of Louisville.

Dr. Schneider has the lead essay, Gloria Naylor's Poetics of Eman­cipation: (Emerging) (In) possibilities in Bailey's Café, in an anthology. Everything Got Four Sides: Gloria Naylor's Early Novels, ed. Margot Ann Kelley, forthcoming from the University Press of Florida.


His monographic bibliography on reptile and amphibian distribution sources (HERFAUN) is available on the Internet (by the University of Heidelberg, Germany) at: http://www.embl-heidelberg.de/~vdbinfo/HERFAUN.html.

Dr. Louis Turley, Economics and Marketing, received a Special Recognition for Teaching Excellence award from the American Market­ing Association at the Summer Marketing Educators conference in Boston, Mass.


He's 'Dr. Historian' to his colleagues

By Alex Yabrough senior Public Relations major from Mason, Ky.

Dr. Vernon Sheeley is known as 'Dr. Historian' to numerous professionals in the counseling movement across the nation for research he has provided. He has put together the largest private depository of information about the writings of the leaders in the counseling profession, an archives located here at Western.

The professor of Educational Leadership has re­ceived the University Lib­rarians Faculty Award at the Western Authors Re­ception.

The award, given annu­ally to a WKU faculty mem­ber "who has contributed consistently and notably to the use and development of University Libraries," was presented by Michael Binder, dean of libraries and the Kentucky Museum.

A 20-year tenure as a departmental library repre­sentative is just one reason Sheeley was chosen for the award. Nominators said Sheeley has worked closely with many library faculty and staff, an association which has strengthened his support for library facilities, personnel and programs.

"Libraries represent one of the most important services a college or univer­sity provides students and faculty. To be chosen by several library faculty and staff for the 1997 Western Kentucky University Fac­ulty Library Award is indeed a surprise," Sheeley said.

Sheeley's career as a counselor began in a Los Ange­les high school when he was asked to help with the counsel­ing of 11th graders. Since then he has devoted his time and ef­forts to the profession. He says he began research­ing his profession while in school but he soon found out there wasn't anything on the history of the counseling profes­sion, so he asked his adviser if he could do an independent study on the history. He typed 123 pages single-spaced, and his adviser was so impressed, he asked Sheeley what he could do for the profession. This is when he decided to devote his time and efforts to the history of counselor education and its leaders, and use the theme for his dissertation.

"I wanted to help advance the profession," Dr. Sheeley said.

Extensive increased visibility has been reaped upon the university in Sheeley's case by numerous publications. Since 1966 when he started, he has more than 135 publications, and 100 items which relate to his dissertation.

Sheeley believes teaching and counseling go hand in hand. "There's more to people than just trying to teach them something, you must first learn to relate with them."

Being the former president of at least five state and national professional organizations, Sheeley believes his profes­sional activities relate directly to what happens in his classroom, how he is viewed by graduate students and whether he is alive intellectually within or outside his academic field.

A faculty member since 1966, Sheeley has received the American College Personnel Association's 1993 Presidential Service Award for writing the organization's history, and four WKU Faculty Excellence Awards, two for research and creativity (1998 and 1990) and two for public service (1994 and 1997).

Announcing this year's 'Productivity Awards'

Fifteen departments/units on campus have received Unit Recognition and Productivity Awards this year for 'their exceptional performance relative to priority goals of the University,' said Dr. Barbara Burch, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs.

Last year 13 awards were given totaling $56,000. Awards are based on criteria established by the Council of Aca­demic Deans, and funds may be used for any purpose other than salary dollars. This year's winners are:

The Department of Music
Dr. John Duff, Head
The Department of Library Education and Recreation
Dr. Burch Ogleby, Head
University Libraries
Dr. Michael B. Binder, Dean
The Department of Chemistry
Dr. Lowell Shank, Head
The Department of Physics and Astronomy
Dr. Charles McCruider, Head
The Department of History
Dr. Richard Weigel, Head
The Department of Geography and Geology
Dr. Wayne Hoffman, Head
The Department of Psychology
Dr. John O'Connor, Head
The Department of Mathematics
Dr. James Porter, Head

The Department of English
Dr. Joseph Millichap, Interim Head
The Bowling Green College of Business Administration, Dr. Robert W. Jefferson, Dean
The Department of Modern Languages and Intercultural Studies
School of Integrative Studies in Teacher Education, Dr. Vicki Stayton, Assistant Director
The Department of Biology
Dr. Blaine Ferrell, Head
Dept. of Management & Information Systems
Dr. Robert Reber and Linda Johnson, Coor­dinators.

The Department of English
The Personnel File

The following promotions and other personnel changes were approved by the Board of Regents at the May and July meetings. Information is provided by the Office of Human Resources.

Faculty Appointments
David F. Aaland, Mathematics/Coordinator, Ky. High School Speech League Darlene Applegate, Visiting Assistant Professor, Modern Languages/Intercultural Studies
Laura Jackson, Assistant Professor, Modern Languages and Intercultural Studies
Lois Jarciano, Assistant Professor, Educational Leadership
Rachel A. Kinder, Instructor, Nursing
John Kindy, Instructor, Teacher Education
Minoo Laika, Visiting Assistant Professor, Physics and Astronomy
Ning Lu, Instructor, Mathematics
Margaret G. Maxwell, Instructor, Computer Science
Robin W. McCubbin, Instructor, Computer Science
Lisa W. Moore, Instructor, Nursing
Marlyn. Mount, Instructor, Consumer and Family Sciences
Ronald D. Olive, Assistant Professor, Music
Michael K. Rush, Instructor, Public Health
Doris Ann Sikora, Assistant Professor, Consumer and Family Sciences
Douglas C. Smith, Assistant Professor, Sociology
Jean C. Snively, Assistant Professor, Accounting
Paige L. Tompkins, Assistant Professor, Educational Leadership
Rong Yang, Instructor, Computer Science
David A. Young, Instructor, Theatre and Dance

Faculty early retirees with special tenured status
Feudi Baali, Sociology

Robert Panchyshyn, Teacher Education
Frank M. Pfitman, Industrial Technology
Donald E. Ritter, Teacher Education
Richard L. Troutman, History
Carroll G. Wells, Mathematics

Faculty Promotions in rank
Dr. James A. Bunch, Professor, Mathematics
Mary Catherine Cary, Assistant Professor, Economics and Marketing
Patricia Truitt-Coolish, Professor, Art
Lloyd Davis, Associate Professor, English
L. Ernest Doolin, Associate Professor, Communications
Margaret Godby, Associate Professor, English
Jim Hamm, Associate Professor, Health

Dennis George, Engineering Technology
Catherin Green, Associate Professor, English
Christopher Groves, Associate Professor, Geography and Geology
Robert Holman, Professor, Chemistry
David Keeving, Associate Professor, Geography and Geology
David Kelby, Professor, Music
Kathleen Matthew, Associate Professor, Teacher Education
Susan P. Minor, Associate Professor, Public Health
Donald Norris, Associate Professor, Educational Leadership
Cassandra Pinnick, Associate Professor, Philosophy and Religion
Jacqueline Pope-Tarrance, Associate Professor, Psychology
Shala Ramsey, Associate Professor, Psychology
Michael Seidjer, Professor, Philosophy and Religion
Sally Ann Stricker, Professor, Library Public Services
Melissa Stewart, Modern Languages/Intercultural Studies, Associate Professor
Lou Taylor, Professor, Economics and Marketing
Karen Westbrooks, Associate Professor

Golds and Contracts
Binder, Michael. Library. $957 from the Warren County Bar Association for "Warren County Bar Association: Library Funds"
Binder, Michael. Library. $482 from the Warren County Bar Association for "Warren County Bar Association: Library Books"

Hagaman, John. English. $14,000 from the United States Department of Education for "Western Kentucky University Writing Project FY99". $765 from local school districts for the "Western Kentucky University Writing Project FY99"

Hass, Matthew. Chemistry. $38,985 from the National Science Foundation (NSF) for "Modernization of Nuclear Magnetic Resonance"

Kumm, Jack. Biology. $175 from the Kentucky Biodiversity Council for "Index Kentucky Database Project for the WKU Herbarium"

Lanham, Paul. Cooperative Extension and Development. $261 from the Medical Center for "The Medical Center—Cash"

Lauderdale, Richard. Chemistry. $767 from the City of Bowling Green for "City of Bowling Green—Cash"

Merritt, Linda. Coordinator, Women's Student Recruitment. $851 from Quebec for "Quebec"

Rutledge, Walker. English. $800 from the Junior League Endowment for the Humanities for "Eleventh Annual Robert Penn Warren Symposium"

Stayton, Vicki. Teacher Education. $104,317 from the United States Department of Education for "Program PPPE, FY99"

Vourosoupolous, George. Physics/Astronomy. $706,735 from the Office of National Drug Control Policy for "Transportable Neutron-Based Contraband Detection Probe"

Wilson, Terry. Teacher Education. $25,669 from the United States National Aeronautics and Space Administration for "Making Connections between Math, Science and Technology"

Bryant, Sue. Teacher Education. $10,600 from the United States Department of Education for "Professional Nurse Traiining FY99"

Carini, Michael. Physics/Astronomy. $1,497 from the United States National Aeronautics and Space Administration for "Computing Gamma Ray Observatory Target"

Crawford, Kim. Biology. $10,000 from the United States Department of Education for "Understanding of Na Pumps in the Cerebral Endothelium"

Dillingham, Mary. English. $240 from the University of Kentucky for "Writing Project Outreach"

Dyrensen, Kent. Student Support Services. $194,502 from the United States Department of Education for "Student Support Services FY99"

Gray, Elmer. Graduate Studies and Research. $12,100 from the Friends of Lost River, Inc. for "Promotions of Assistants Assigned to Friends of Lost River, Inc."

Hackney, Richard. Physics/Astronomy. $125,125 from the United States National Aeronautics and Space Administration for "Kentucky Space Grant Consortium for "Kentucky Space Grant Consortium—Year 7"

Hagaman, John. English. $43,200 from the National Science Foundation for "Western Kentucky University Writing Project FY99". $500 from the Kentucky Environmental Education Resource for "Summer Institutes". $6000 from the United States Department of Transportation for "Incorporating Environmental Values in Construction". $8,000 from the United States Department of Transportation for "Incorporating Environmental Values in Construction"


Jackson, Terry. Teacher Education. $17,883 from Kentucky Agriculture and Environment in the Classroom for "Agriculture and the Environment in the Classroom"

Johnson, Michael. Physics/Astronomy. $2,000 from the United States Department of Energy for "Materials Characterization Experiments in Undergraduate and Graduate Research Projects"

Kerlin, Bill. Economics and Marketing. $44,702 from the United States Department of Education for "Western Kentucky University Business and International Education Program"

Kerlin, Terry. Teacher Education. $17,883 from Kentucky Agriculture and Environment in the Classroom for "Agriculture and the Environment in the Classroom"

McKeage, M. Faye. Office Assistant, Women's Student Recruitment. $851 from Quebec for "Quebec"

Melton, Glen. Chemistry. $50,410 from the Perl-Kim-Leimer Corporation for "Materials Characterization Experiments in Undergraduate and Graduate Research Projects"

Menning, M. Faye. Office Assistant, Women's Student Recruitment. $851 from Quebec for "Quebec"

Petersen, Bill. Economics and Marketing. $44,702 from the United States Department of Education for "Western Kentucky University Business and International Education Program"

Petersen, Terry. Teacher Education. $17,883 from Kentucky Agriculture and Environment in the Classroom for "Agriculture and the Environment in the Classroom"

Promotions
Richard D. Weigel, Department Head, History

Faculty Granted Tenure
Brent Askins, Teacher Education
Matthew Barger, Economics and Marketing
Lloyd Davies, English
Randall Deere, Physical Education and Recreation
Matthew Dettman, Engineering Technology
Carolyn Green, English
Lee D. Emanuel, Community College
Denise George, Engineering Technology
Nancy Goff, Geography and Geology
Jon Gundlach, Philosophy and Religion
Laura Hudspeth, Instructor, Mathematics
Cassandra Pinnick, Philosophy and Religion
Michele Stewart, Modern Languages/Intercultural Studies
Stacey Tefft, Public Health
Richard Patterson, Consumer and Family Sciences
Shula Ramsey, Psychology
Randall Swift, Mathematician
Lester Pusterfield, Chemistry
Jacqueline Pope-Tarrance, Psychology
Jack Rudolph, Agricultulture
Christopher Wagner, Educational Leadership

Retirements
Herschel Gouvoir, Senior Cashier
Donna Hensley, Assistant Professor, Women's Studies
Carolyn A. Hunt, Office Assistant, Educational Leadership
Gary italia, Area Coordinator, Women's Studies
Shirey Port, Coordinator, Student Services and Graduate Studies
Daniel L. Ortski, Office Assistant, Career Services
Susan Sanborn, Associate Director, Network Communications
Lisa B. Murrell, Coordinator, Student Services and Graduate Studies
Denis L. Ortski, Office Assistant, Career Services
Susan Sanborn, Associate Director, Network Communications
Julie D. Sheltet, Student Recruiter, Physics and Astronomy
Jere L. Shippman, Assistant Farm Manager
Barney Smith, Coordinator, Sponsored Programs Development

Promotions
Richard D. Weigel, Department Head, History

In Residence Life
Steve Briggs, Area Coordinator
Amy Craig, Hall Director
Denise Davis, Complex Director
Melody Gravil, Program Coordinator, Women's Student Recruitment
Peggy Haas, Complex Director
Ashley Moore, Complex Director
Kelly Ogle, Office Associate, Modern Languages/Intercultural Studies
Mike Robertson, Complex Director
Laura Soud, Hall Director
Kerry Watson, Hall Director
Cherretan Young, Hall Director
Connie Woods Jr., Director, Minority Student Services
### Coming Up

**September**

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Hilltopper Football vs. Tennessee

Marlin, 7 p.m. L.T. Smith Stadium. Call Sports Information at (502) 745-4298.

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KGBA Futurity 8 a.m. L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center. Call Cathy Huber at (606) 204-6313.

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Labor Day — Classes dismissed. Offices closed.

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First search WW2 Workshop. 2:30-4 p.m. Helm Library. Call Helm Library at (502) 745-6115.


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Brown Ag Expo 12 (502)

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University Center.

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Hilltopper Volleyball vs. Eastern Kentucky. 7 p.m. E.A. Diddle Arena. Call Sports Information at (502) 745-4298.

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"Friends of Kent" and the International Geological Correlation Program. TBA. Institute for Economic Development. Call Chris Groves at (502) 745-5974.

25-26  
Golden Anniversary Club Reunion Activities. TBA. Various Campus Locations. Call Alumni Affairs at (502) 745-5295.

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HAF Family Day Bar-B-Q. 5 p.m. Downing University Center South Lawn. Debbie Gregory at (502) 745-6004. West KY Flat Show Horse Show, 10 a.m. L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center. Call Steve Bulle at (502) 678-5370.


Van Meter Hall. Call Kim Thomas at (502) 745-7612.

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Children's Classic. 2 p.m. L.T. Smith Stadium. Call Special Events at (502) 745-5497.

Symphonic Band Concert. TBA. Van Meter Auditorium. Call John Carmichael at (502) 745-5495.

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Military Science Dept. Static Aviation Display. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Downing University Center South Lawn. Call Doug McKinney at (502) 745-6053.

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### Private giving up at Western

Private giving at Western topped the $4 million mark during 1997-98.

Total was $4.27 million for 1997-98, compared to $3.045 million for 1996-97, according to Tom Hiles, vice president for Development and Alumni Relations.

"We're very encouraged by the trendline of these numbers," Hiles said. "This is a fairly significant increase from last year. We're even more optimistic for the future because of some individuals who have stepped forward and provided six- and seven-figure support even before we have finalized our strategic plan and gone public with some of those initiatives."

Hiles said some of those major commitments will be paid over time and are not reflected in the current totals.

"We're also optimistic because we have a president who has been out in the community and out among our friends and constituents talking about his vision for Western's future," Hiles said. "So we will be able to build on that conversation and be able to articulate some of the interests and needs of the University."

Hiles said there will continue to be a push in the University's development effort. The five-year plan calls for increasing the University's endowment to $50 million from its current $20 million; increasing annual giving from $4 million to $10 million; increasing the number of endowed professorships from two to 25 or more and increasing alumni giving from 16 percent to 20 percent.

"We are currently taking the University's strategic plan and beginning to translate that into a document that would be able to present through our constituents, talk with them about Western wants to be into the next century," Hiles said. "So I'm very excited about building a financial base of support that will ensure quality programs and curriculum into the next century."
Another school year begins