Taking the Classroom Across the Commonwealth

Associated Press
LEXINGTON, Ky.—Kentucky plans to take a big step into the world of online education this fall to take the classroom to more people.

The state's Commonwealth Virtual University, an $18 million undertaking that involves half the state's public and private colleges, is on a fast track to opening for business.

Online education is a largely untested world that barely existed five years ago. Its main goal is delivering a college education to people whose work and lifestyles keep them from enrolling at a traditional campus.

State officials are banking on the virtual university as a big part of having a more educated population.

"It is clear that too many Kentuckians have too little education beyond high school," said Gordon Davies, president of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education.

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Vi· r· tu· al re· al· i· ty n Computer Sci. A computer simulation of a real or imaginary system that enables a user to perform operations on the simulated system and shows the effect in real time.

Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary

This fall, the CVU will offer a limited number of classes from the state's public and private colleges and universities, using the Internet and interactive television. In some cases, students will not even have to go to a college campus to obtain a degree.

"The virtual university begins to make education accessible to all who want it," Davies said.

The CVU was part of Gov. Paul Patton's 1997 higher-education-reform act, which restructured the state's system of post-secondary education. Lost in the debate of removing the state's community college system from the University of Kentucky, the idea of a virtual university drew little comment or criticism.

For the last year and a half, the council has been moving at breakneck speed to get the CVU off the ground.

Mary Beth Susman recently was hired as the CVU chief executive. She was president of the Colorado Electronic Community College in Denver, which offers all the required classes for associate degrees electronically.

And in December, the council approved the first CVU budget—nearly $18 million for the next two years.

The budget includes money for support staff to help students, for technology upgrades and for the training of professors who redesign classes to work with the technology.

The first CVU programs include a firefighting-certificate program, courses for future librarians, and master's programs in special education and speech pathology.

Education officials tout the CVU as an example of how higher education should work in Kentucky.

"There is a remarkable level of collaboration and cooperation among the state's colleges and universities, both public and private," said Lexington businessman Lee Todd, a council member who has guided the CVU's early stages.

Nearly half of the state's more than 50 public and private colleges are contributing to at least one of nine pilot programs.

"I don't think we have ever seen colleges working so well together," Todd said.

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WKU President Gary Ransdell serves as a member of the Distance Learning Advisory Committee of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

A report to the WKU Board of Regents from Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Barbara Burch said, "At the first system-wide Faculty Development Conference in Lexington, Ky., in November, Western had more faculty invited to present than any other university in the state (nine out of 35 participants), and these faculty received many accolades.

"It is obvious that the CVU and the potential of distance learning has profound implications for Western," she said.
Board of Regents Meeting: Sprinklers a High Priority

The Western Kentucky University Board of Regents at its quarterly meeting Jan. 29 approved a plan to install sprinklers in several high-priority residence halls over the next seven years. Under the plan, the University would fund the installation of sprinklers in nine halls, along with bonds to fund a $3.5 million renovation of another hall, with an $85 per semester increase in residence hall fees beginning in the fall 1999 semester. The five halls that remain without sprinklers will be replaced or renovated, WKU President Gary Ransdell said.

Dr. Ransdell said it was necessary to increase the fees because the construction and operation of residence halls depends on the income they generate. Even with the increase, he said he expected Western to retain the second-lowest residence hall fee rate among Kentucky's public universities.

In other business, the board:
- Administered the oath of office to new faculty regent Mary Ellen Miller.
- Approved a $15 increase in mandatory student fees for full-time students, including a $10 increase for student centers.
- Approved a post-tenure review policy that calls for a comprehensive review of tenured faculty every five years.
- Approved associate and baccalaureate degree programs in interdisciplinary early childhood education. The programs will be submitted to the Council on Postsecondary Education.
- Approved the purchase of 30 acres adjacent to Barren County High School in Glasgow to become the site of the South Regional Postsecondary Education Center. The land, appraised at $300,000, will be purchased for $130,000. The project, approved by the 1998 Kentucky General Assembly, will house the WKU-Glasgow campus and will be a joint venture between WKU and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System.

A Message from Your Staff Regent

The following is the first of regular columns to appear in OnCampus, written by the WKU faculty and staff representatives on the university Board of Regents.

I'd like to thank OnCampus for giving me this opportunity to touch base with the campus community on a regular basis. I want to be sure that everyone knows how to reach me if you are so inclined. I am no longer working for Facilities Management. Since the end of May I have been a technician in WKU's Environmental Health and Safety Department. Our office is located in the Parking Structure next to the WKU Police Annex. We just recently got a new phone number, 745-795. I share this line with the other technicians and we do have voice mail. Please feel free to call me at the office, at home in Allen County at (502) 622-0856, or e-mail me at joy.gromling@wku.edu. Let me hear from you.

I have learned a lot and continue to learn as I serve in my fifth year on the Board of Regents. This year I have been assigned to the Finance and Budget Committee. At the full Board meeting Jan. 29 we looked at the 1999-2000 institutional budget priorities that are being followed to build the next budget. They are:
- to implement the Strategic Plan,
- to recruit and retain quality faculty and staff,
- to improve our physical resources, and
- to identify permanent funding for needs which have been met routinely by non-recurring allocations such as fund balances.

It is my intention to work toward keeping faculty and staff salaries a high priority in future budget cycles. After all, the faculty and staff are the lifeblood of this institution.

Another issue that came before the Board at that meeting was an inflationary increase in student fees along with an increase for the student centers. My no vote was cast in part because we have many students who come from lower income families and we need to remember that. One way to make education accessible is to keep it affordable. Other actions were:
- the swearing in of a new faculty regent: Mary Ellen Miller of the English Department,
- passage of a post-tenure review policy, approval of two new programs in interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education, and
- approval of an increase of $85.00 to the Housing fee to help pay for sprinkling the residence halls and the renovation of McLean Hall.

As you probably know, I am a non-voting member of the Staff Council and attend most meetings. I have been trying to develop a closer working relationship with the Council and improve communication by giving a report on our quarterly Board meet­ ings. Recently the Council worked together with the Faculty Senate leadership to request that the auditing of classes be reinstated to the Faculty/Staff scholarship policy. I hope that these two groups can work together in the future on other issues. Some of the Council has taken up an issue of prorating benefits of part-time employees, employee service awards and electing new members in the spring. I can tell you that the Council members work hard to represent the staff well and that the Council has come a long way from where it first began as a small advisory committee to the President. I also continue to meet with another committee of staff members from all over campus. If anyone out there is interested in giving your lunch hour to meet with us every three months, let me know. I'd like to thank those who have done so over the years; your counsel has been invaluable. The governor holds an annual conference of members of university governing boards from across the state in the fall. This is usually the only time I get to meet with other staff regents. One issue that we talked about this year was the fact that there is not a staff representative on the Council on Postsecondary Education (although there are faculty and student representatives). Through the miracles of e-mail and fax machines we drafted a letter asking the CPE to support our efforts to get a staff representative on the CPE. Some of us have been talking to legislators to ask for their support in the next legislative session. We hope we can schedule a meeting of the Regents next fall (either before or after the Conference on Trusteeship) to discuss other common issues. This year the University of Kentucky added the first staff representative to the Board of Trustees. UK had been exempted until legislation was passed last year to add a staff representative. I have been watching with interest as a committee ponders the fate of the Student Health Service. Privatization has been mentioned as a possible outcome. I find it hard to believe that we can in­ vite a private corporation to come to our campus, build a new building, pro­ vide more services, stay open longer hours, still make a profit and not be anything but expensive for our students. I am in favor of improving ser­ vices. Many businesses succeed through continuous improvement of their goods and services. But why can't we look at improving our "in house" operations? Our in house operations create a home away from home, a family atmosphere that makes Western unique and contribute to an environment that is conducive to learning. We are in the business of educating students, helping them grow as human beings and encouraging them to reach their full potential. No one can do that better than a loyal, dedicated work force that is here for the students—not for profit. I do not intend to vote for privatization of any services at Western. A most important task that the Board will be undertaking in the next month or so is the evaluation of the President. Dr. Ransdell has brought many strengths with him. He seems to have the best interests of the institution at heart. I have enjoyed working with Dr. Ransdell and will continue to meet with him from time to time to discuss ongoing issues. I wish him nothing but success as he leads our university into the 21st century.
A $500,000 gift from an anonymous donor will be matched with state funds to create a music professorship at Western Kentucky University.

The gift is the largest the WKU Music Department has received from a single donor. It will be matched with funds from Kentucky's Regional University Excellence Trust Fund to create a $1 million endowed professorship and will be used to attract and support a quality faculty member to work with students in Western's music program.

The professor will primarily serve as the music director and conductor of the Bowling Green-Western Symphony Orchestra, which is celebrating its 90th season. The professor will also recruit and teach string students on campus while coordinating with community and public and private schools to help continue development of an area strings program.

"This marvelous gift will have a monumental impact on the quality of cultural life at Western and throughout the Bowling Green community," said WKU President Gary Ransdell. "The new professorship will be the cornerstone of our music program and a central figure in the Bowling Green-Western Symphony. Everyone who appreciates classical music shares our gratitude for this gift."

Dr. Ransdell said Western "has one of the strongest university orchestral programs in the Commonwealth, offering participating students professional involvement by both Western faculty and members of the Louisville and Nashville orchestras."

David Lee, Dean of the Pottier College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, said the gift will have a dramatic impact on Western's music program.

The department now provides string instruction to 10 music students - the highest number since the mid-1980s. "With the further success of this orchestra and the leadership this professorship will bring, this number is expected to increase," Dr. Lee said.

"This gift will enrich the experiences of our students, and it will open new opportunities for us to work beyond the campus with young musicians in elementary and secondary schools," he said. "The educational and cultural life of our community will be richer because of the donor's generosity."

John A. Duff, head of Western's Music Department, said the gift is "very exciting for Western's music faculty and students, the members of the Bowling Green-Western Symphony Orchestra and the BGWSO Board of Directors. It will ensure the development of strings at the university level as well as in the community, and will further strengthen an already outstanding music department on Western's campus."

Tom Hiles, Western's vice president for Development and Alumni Relations, said the gift is important to more than just the music program.

"This gift is a marvelous example of how the generosity of one individual can impact an entire community and will be a major boost to our entire development program," Hiles said.

"This gift will support excellence in our music program for generations to come. We are so grateful to our benefactor who has once again stepped forward to support Western and the arts community," Hiles added.
After 13 years, Miller's back as Faculty Regent

"Every day I get two or three phone calls from faculty, or two or three items in the mail or e-mailed, with information and concerns. And updates from the President's office are always so helpful," she said, referring to an update on enrollment she just received that includes comparisons with last year. "I like to be informed," she says. "I like to know what's going on, and I like to have some influence on what's going on."

And that's why the faculty elected her. Mary Ellen — and you'll just have to forgive me — Professor Miller or Regent Miller just doesn't work in my context. I'm writing about a woman who once found a spot for me at a two-day writing workshop over at Rough River State Park because I was grieving over my dog; I'd just lost, and she thought I needed to get away and get my head working again to help the pain.

It worked. It was a great workshop, and I was grateful for her concern.

If that kind of concern that expands into her workplace and is the impetus behind her running again for the board and succeeding in getting the job. Plain and simple, she'll work at it. "I still have that old feeling," she says with a laugh.

Looking at the early eighties, Mary Ellen says, "Maybe 50 percent of the faculty today were here then. I'm not sure of that, but I think that's a pretty reasonable estimate. Most people remember when I served as regent; I hope they remember me kindly, and as someone who worked very hard, but I also know there are a lot of younger, newer people here who don't much understand what the Board of Regents does."

I had a student ask me, after the election, "Just what is a regent?" and I find that some faculty don't know either that the regents are the governing body of the University, and that they pretty much have the final say-so on what happens on campus.

And if the particular board at any time has a popular president, then they're going to be sympathetic, most of the time, with most of the items proposed. But if the president is unpopular, they're going to question just about everything. "I've seen it both ways. The board hires the president and monitors the president's job, and they involve themselves in all kinds of issues that affect everyone on this campus."

It really behooves everyone to know the function of the board, and I think as many as possible should go to board meetings. Several faculty who came to my swearing-in said, 'So this is where the board meets! I didn't know what they did!" So I hope, in this term, also to acquaint faculty with the role of the board of regents, and not just the faculty regent's role as well.

What's changed since she was on the board 16 years ago?

"I see fewer changes than you might think. Things are still pretty much the same, they're just on a different level. I was writing about a woman who was a widow now, alone for the first time since I was in college, and that has been a major adjustment for me," she says. "My work life is pretty stable, but that has helped to hold on, she says, adding another stable force in her life is her own poetry writing.

She meets monthly with a long-time intimate group of fellow poets who support each other's writings "and nag each other about sending things out," she says. Most of her writing lately, she says, "have been about Jim." She's also quite involved as Coordinator of the Robert Penn Warren Center, having been a founder of the Center along with national Robert Penn Warren Scholars, including Kentucky Poet Laureate Joy Bale Boone, who served as chair for several years.

If you want to know someone, find out what he/she reads. Mary Ellen Miller's favorite authors definitely are reflective of her dignified, sagacious, yet..."
celebrating their relocation to 1532 University’s lord and co-leagues gathered to present her with adding: And my mother, a red head, covered the hills for George McGovern, telling everyone he wasn’t a Communist, but about his courage, and his absolute conviction that life can be sublime if you go at it the right way. I really believe that. I hate most pop psychology, those thousand and one watered-down versions of what these three greats were talking about. Most of the self-help books you see out there are silly, shallow. I just want to say to people who buy those, “Why don’t you go read somebody really real, who could really think and write, and who is saying we ought to examine our lives and know ourselves, as Emerson says is the real purpose of life?” “Thoreau and Emerson were as close to mentors as I could name, she said, adding: And my mother.” Mary Ellen was presented with the Catherine Coogan Ward Feminist Action Award in 1997 for service to improving conditions for women. When she received the award, she attributed much of her successes to her mother, Carrie Yates, who “was a feminist before that was even a word,” she said. She describes her mother as “politically minded,” a characteristic not seen a great deal in women in Grayson, the county seat of Carter County, Ky. “My mother was a very liberal democrat and my father was a very staunch republican.” “I can remember when George McGovern ran for president my mother covered the hills for George McGovern, telling everyone he wasn’t a Commu­nist. She was a very spunky lady.” The same could be said for Carrie’s daughter who could have long ago retired her letters, so to speak. But not Mary Ellen Miller. The day of the faculty regent election, Jan. 21, was her birthday, and friends and colleagues gathered to present her with roses and a cake at an Open House at the Women’s Studies Center which has relocated to 1532 State St. Another present came later when President Gary Ransdell called her to tell her she’d won the election. This is who Mary Ellen Miller is, and faculty who don’t know her will discover very soon what she is about. A yellowed copy of words of Thoreau on my fridge could almost describe Mary Ellen’s mission, which is why the great American writer is so universal: “I went to the woods because I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and to see if I could learn what it had to teach, and not, when I came to die, discover that I had not lived...”

Note: Watch for Regent Miller’s regular column featuring information for faculty in future issues of On Campus.

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**Professional Activities**

**EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP**

Drs. Christopher Wagner and Aaron W. Hughey were featured speakers at the 1999 annual conference of the Kentucky Association of Professional Surveyors (KAPS), Feb. 3-6 in Bowling Green. Dr. Wagner’s topic was Leadership Secrets; Dr. Hughey spoke on Implementing Total Quality Management.

**ENGLISH**

Dr. Karen Schneider has a book review forthcoming in Albion, a British history journal, a review of Women’s Fiction between the Wars: Mothers, Daughters and Writing; by Heather Inglman, and British Women Writers of World War II Battlegrounds of Their Own, by Phyllis Lassner. Forthcoming in The Journal of Popular Film and Television, With Violence if Necessary: Reconstructing the Traditional Family in the Contemporary Action-Thriller.

**MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS**


**PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION**

Dr. Cassandra Pinnick has been invited to speak to the faculty and students of Morehead State University March 25 on Science and Religion: Not Yet on All-Peurs. She will discuss and criticize current efforts to argue that the evidence for scientific beliefs and for religious beliefs is of equal weight, and thus provides no reason to prefer a scientific explanation to a religious one for the same phenomenon. Dr. Pinnick considers what she describes as flawed public policy recommendations (such as in education or in science, she says) that may follow from a failure to carefully consider these arguments. A panel discussion will follow her lecture. Dr. Pinnick’s paper, What’s Wrong with the Strong Programme’s Case Study of the “Holmes-Boyle Dispute?”, originally published in A House Built on Sand: Dissecting Postmodernist Accounts of Science, 1996. Oxford University Press, N. Koertge, editor, is to be the subject of a peer review symposium in the April 1999 issue of the Journal of Social Studies of Science.

**WKU POLICE**

The WKU Police department was re-accredited by the Executive Board of the Kentucky Association of Chiefs of Police (KACP) in January. More than 200 standards are reviewed during the assessment, which has the purpose of enhancing departments’ operational effectiveness and efficiency. WKU Police was accredited in 1993 and was the fourth police department in Kentucky to do so. Currently there are 37 police departments meeting accreditation standards.
Grants and Contracts


Barnaby, Jerry. Educational Television and Public Radio Services. $12,085 from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for Television Interconnection Grant.

Binder, Michael. Library. $1,013 from Warren County Bar Association for Warren County Bar Association Library Books.

Boulware, Beverly. Teacher Education. $126,000 from the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education for Collaborative Center for Literacy Development.

Dunn, David. Public Health. $2,515 from the Kentucky Cancer Program for Kentucky Cancer Program Graduate Assistants.

Handy, Rod. ET. $2,980 from DESA International, Inc. for Industrial Hygiene Assessment.

Jones, Susan. Nursing. $21,000 from the Center for Disease Control for Agricultural Research, Education and Disease & Injury Prevention.

Priest, Nancy. Center for Training and Development. $3,314 from Bluegrass State Skills Corporation for Barton Brands Ltd. Supervisory Training.

Priest, Nancy. Center for Training and Development. $15,698 from Bluegrass State Skills Corporation for Techno Trim Computer Training.

Priest, Nancy. Center for Training and Development. $70,764 from Bluegrass State Skills Corporation for Dollar General Corporation In-house Training.

Priest, Nancy. Center for Training and Development. $2,996 from the City of Bowling Green for City of Bowling Green Cash 11.

Rice, Paul. Center for Training and Development. $17,284 from Bluegrass State Skills Corporation for Logan Aluminum 3 Supervisory Training.


Update on New System for Student Information

Dr. Cheryl Chambliss, Banner 2000 Project Director

Dear Colleagues:

You may have heard that the University has purchased new computer software for processing student information. This is an exciting development which will affect virtually everyone at the University—students, faculty and staff. Since our current student information system is not year 2000 compliant, this is an opportune time to move to new software operating in a client/server environment which offers numerous functional advantages.

Client/server technology is an alternative to the large mainframe system to which we are accustomed and allows more flexibility in collecting and sharing information. In addition to the student information system, we have acquired Web for Students and Web for Faculty. Faculty and staff will be able to access and query the database through the Web interface using the same hardware they presently use to access the Web. When Web for Students is fully implemented, students will be able to check their financial aid status, search for open sections, register for classes and view their billing account.

An added bonus of the implementation process is the opportunity to question current practices. Software vendors typically create software to perform tasks in the most logical and efficient way to obtain valued results for the customer. This is referred to as "best business practices." Throughout the implementation process the work teams will be comparing current practices to the best practices upon which the software is modeled.

A Web site has been created to inform the University community about the Banner 2000 software and about the implementation project. As the project progresses additional information will be added to the Web site:

http://www.wku.edu/Banner2000

The Financial Aid component of Banner will be in place for the fall of 1999. Other facets of the software will be activated beginning in early 2000 for the fall 2000 term. Everyone who uses the student information system will be trained to use Banner; however, training will not commence until nearer the time Banner will be accessible across campus.

Any project of this magnitude is not without some inconveniences. Over the next 18 months, members of the Steering Committee and Administrative Computing staff will be temporarily less accessible for other projects.

The Web site includes a listing of the members of the Banner work teams and an e-mail link to which you may direct questions. Your ideas, patience and support for this project will be appreciated.

For further information, contact Dr. Chambliss, Executive Management Database Administrator, at (502)745-5440.

SOUTHERN KENTUCKY FESTIVAL OF BOOKS

"BOOKS AND AUTHORS AND FAMILY FUN"
Bowling Green / Warren County Convention Center
9 am -5 pm -Saturday, April 17
Noon -5 p.m. -Sunday, April 18
Organized by:
Western Kentucky University Libraries
Bowling Green Public Library
Barnes & Noble Bookstores

Fred Lucas, a Western Kentucky University senior from London, Ky., recently placed seventh in the editorial/columns of opinion writing competition of the William Randolph Hearst Journalism Awards Program.

Lucas will receive $500 for himself and the WKU Journalism Department will receive a matching $500.

He is in Washington, D.C., this semester for the Politics and Journalism Semester.

Calendar of Events

MARCH

4 2:30-6:00, Helm 108, Discipline-Specific Electronic Research Workshop "History" (502)745-6118.

11 5:30-6:30, Helm 5, Discipline-Specific Electronic Research Workshop, "Government Information on the Internet" (502) 745-6115.

23 Tp.m., South Campus. Ball South Community Internet Workshop, "Nutrition and Weight Control on the Web" (502) 745-6115.

The Kentucky Museum

For more information, call (502) 745-5260.
March

1 Spring '99 Graduation Fair 10 a.m.-3 p.m. daily through March 5 Jill Blythe or Alumni Affairs, (502) 745-6555

2 Hardin Planetarium presents Tour of the Solar System Sundays 2:30 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Show runs through March 11. Hardin Planetarium, (502) 745-4044

WKU Concert Band 7:30 p.m. DUC Auditorium The concert band is made up of students throughout the community. Works will include Sousa, Verdi, Copland and more.

3 Women's Alliance Spring Workshop Women's Health in the New Millennium 11:45 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

4 Initiation of Life Gender Images Film Series 7 p.m., Garrett Auditorium Women's Studies, (502) 745-6477

Bowling Green Western Symphony Orchestra 7:30 p.m. Capitol Arts Theatre Department of Music, (502) 745-3751

5 Second Bi-Term Begins Sharon Dyrsen, (502) 745-4242

6 University Choir Concert 7 p.m. First Baptist Church Department of Music, (502) 745-3751

ROTC Military Ball TBA Garrett Conference Center Ballroom Scott Kiefer, (502) 745-6045

SKPTA Team Penning; tomorrow also L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center (502) 843-3542

8 Summer Registration Begins Sharon Dyrsen, (502) 745-4242

9 Sale Spring Break; tomorrow also Student Health Services, (502) 745-5641

Wind Ensemble Concert 7:30 p.m., Downing University Center Department of Music, (502) 745-3751

10 FFA Regional Contests

11 American Theatre, Anne Frank Jeff Younglove, (502) 745-2497

12 Jr. High Speech Tournament TBA; tomorrow also Van Meter Auditorium/Garrett Conf. Center David Almand (502) 745-6340

13 Bluegrass Reining Horse Show L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center, tomorrow also L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center (502) 843-3542

15 Spring Break Through March 19. No classes, Offices are open, Sharon Dyrsen (502) 745-4242

17 American Theatre, Anne Frank Jeff Younglove, (502) 745-2497

24 WKU Baseball vs. Vanderbilt 5 p.m. Bowling Green KY Sports Information (502) 745-4298

25 Women's Lecture History Month Lecture featuring Rosemary Radford Ruether Can a Male Savior Save Women? 7:30 p.m. Women's Studies, (502) 745-6477

Choir & Middle School Band Festival All Day; through March 27 Van Meter Hall, Garrett Conference Center, Fine Arts Joe Stites, (502) 745-4388

27 KY Derby Beefmaster Sale L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center L.D. Brown Ag Expo Center (502) 843-3542

28 Voice Faculty Recital 3 p.m. Recital Hall, Ivan Wilson Center for Fine Arts Department of Music, (502) 745-3751

29 OAR-Scholars Luncheon All Day Various Campus Locations Greg Purpus, (502) 745-4242

30 WKU Baseball vs. Murray State 5:00 p.m. Bowling Green KY Sports Information (502) 745-4298

31 Arts Education Showcase 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (all day) Downing University Center Laura McDonald, (502) 782-2787
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