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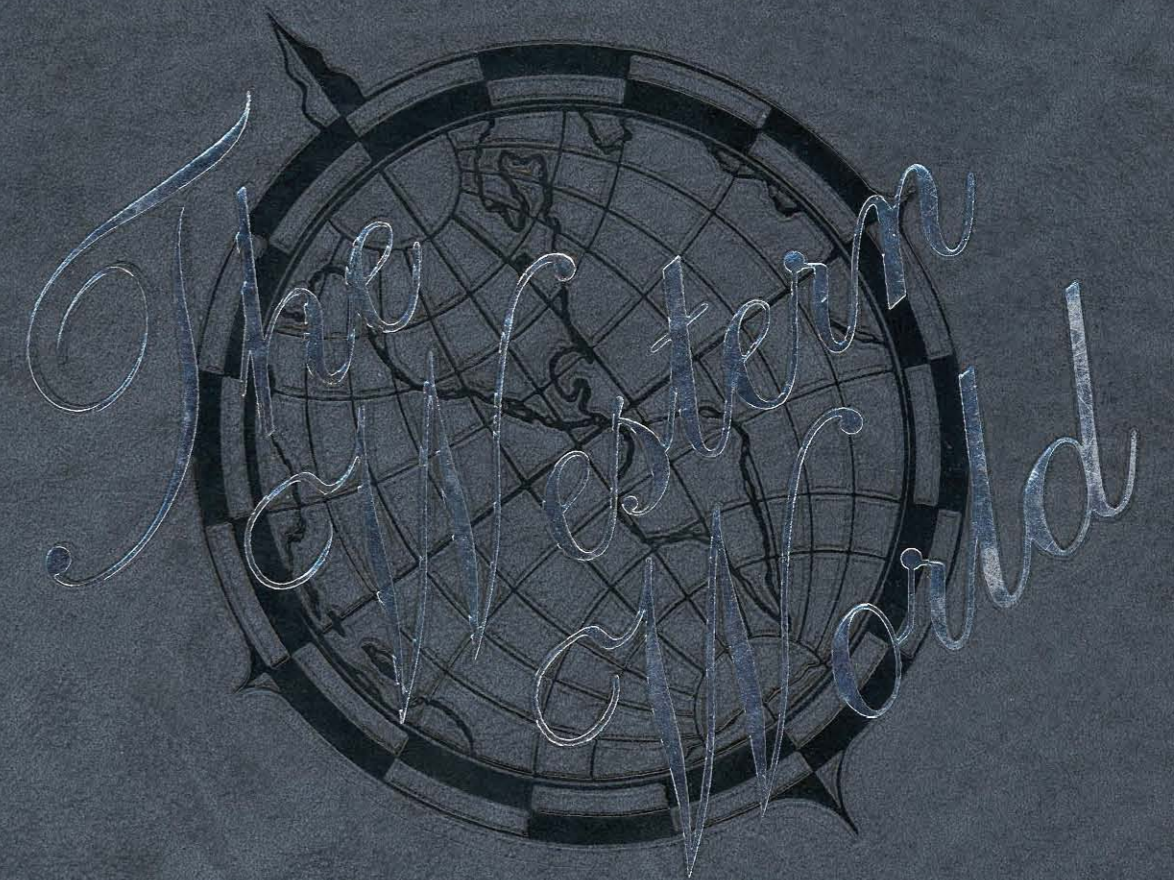
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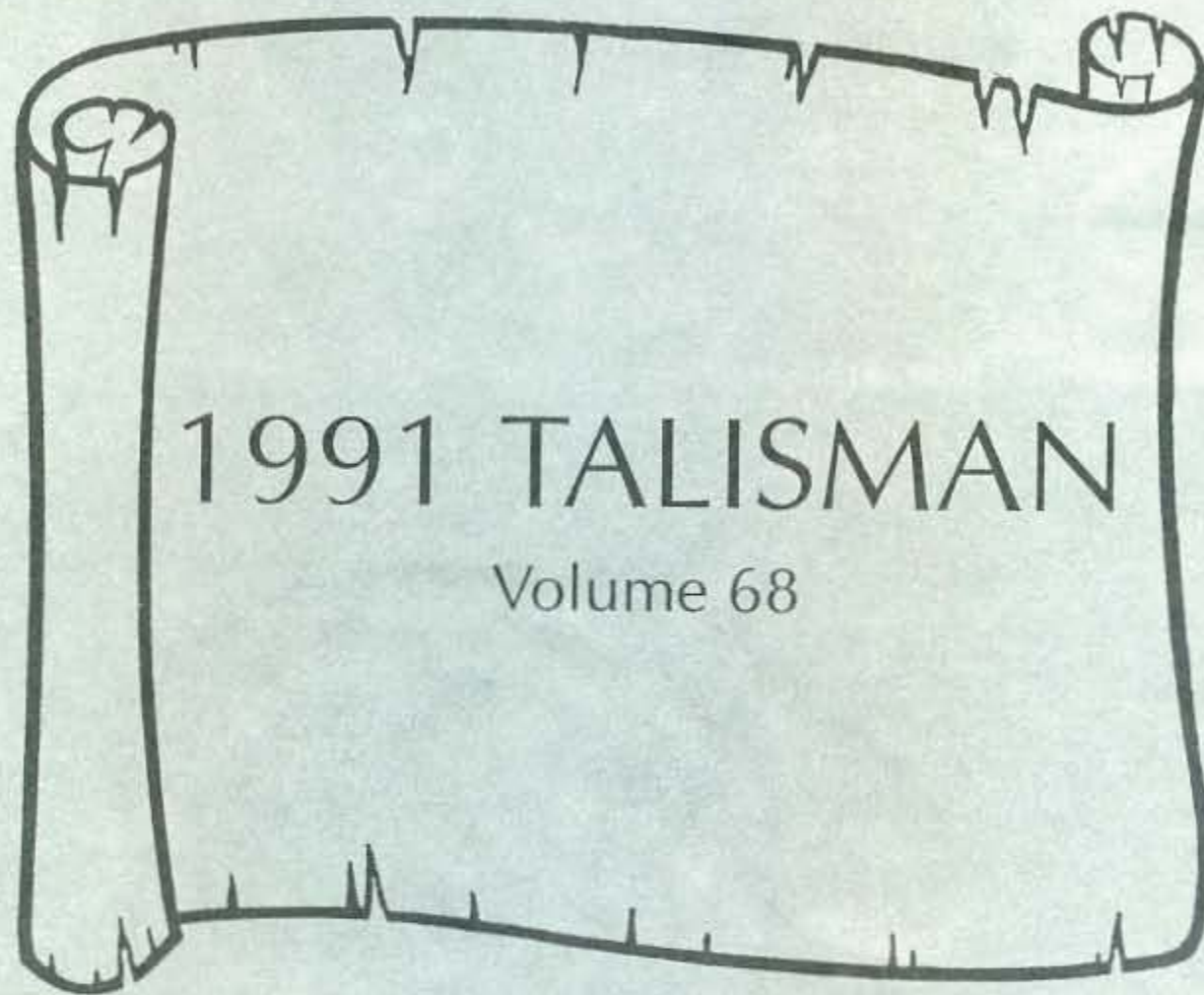
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TALISMAN





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*Western Kentucky University is like a microcosm—population 15,240. We have our own police force and post office, our own laws and traditions and our own monuments and heroes.*

*Ours is a world of ideals; a place to develop a blueprint for life, which bridges the gap from who we are to who we want to be. That common goal brings us together, meshing a society rich in diversity.*

*Each person brought certain beliefs, certain insights to the Hill. And many saw their new citizenship as a time to embrace certain ideas while casting others aside.*

*It was a time of understanding; a time for each of us to find our place in The Western World.*

# 1991 TALISMAN

Western Kentucky University



Steve Smart  
ON A WARM March evening, a student strolls by the colonnade of the amphitheater. Adjacent to the fine arts center, the structure, which used to be Western's football stadium, served as a place for students to lay out, do homework or just find a moment alone.

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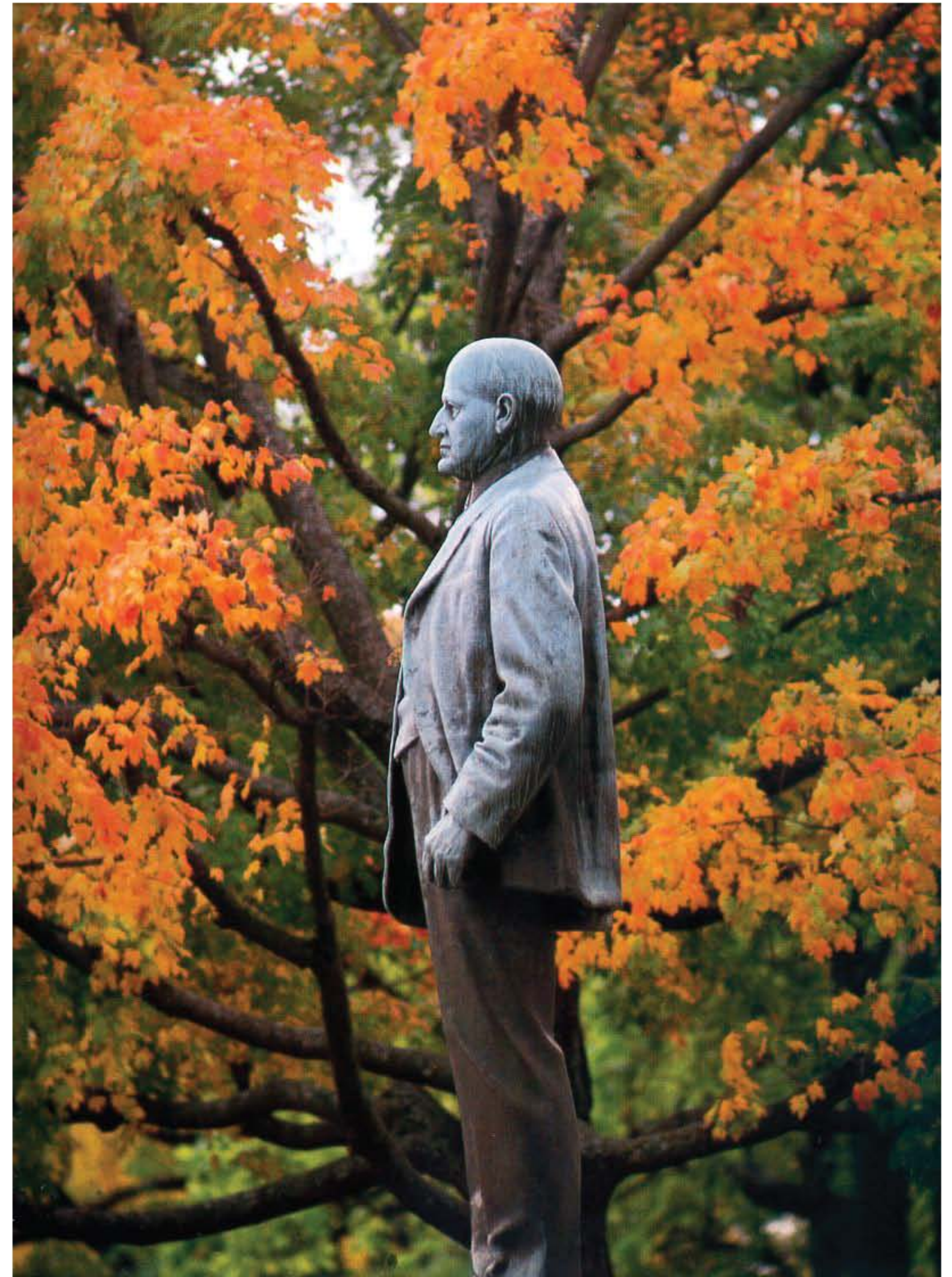
*Dr. Henry Hardin Cherry, Western's first president, had a vision for our world. He gave us the motto "The Spirit makes the master," essentially saying we are the masters of our own destinies—on the Hill and when we leave.*

*This year a senior government major began his first term in office as a state representative. And another student traveled to Guatemala to work with a U.S. medical team treating underprivileged children. Each, like so many others, took lessons learned in the Western World and touched the lives of many others.*

*We learned of our possibilities and actively sought to make them realities.*

ON A WARM afternoon, Henry Hardin Cherry's statue is contrasted against the autumn foliage in front of Cherry Hall. The statue was erected 54 years ago in commemoration of Western's first president. **David Stephenson**

AN ARRAY of colors grace the March sky in the form of a double rainbow. The rainbow signaled the end of several days of gloomy weather in the area. **Marshal Ray**





Marc Piscotty

WITH THEIR HATS over their hearts, the referees for the Homecoming game listen to the national anthem. WKU lost to Youngstown State 14-7.

TO DISPLAY his disappointment in the game with UofL, Big Red lays in the middle of the football field. Western lost 41-7.

Joseph A. Garcia

## The Western World

*The renewed national patriotism inspired by the war was evident by the flags proudly displayed on automobile antennas and residence hall doors. But like many years before, student election turn-out remained low, many seats in Diddle Arena remained empty, and Friday afternoon still brought a number of open parking places as students ventured home for the weekend.*

*But at Homecoming when alumni ventured back to the Hill, it became evident that many students do not come to cherish what they've been told are the best years of their lives, until they leave the Hill.*

*Ours was a time to recognize a landmark restaurant every student knows by name. A time for older students to return to college and learn for the sake of learning. A time to acknowledge what we hold dear—and even fight for it*





*Ours was a year of activism, perhaps unlike anything seen on the Hill since the early 1970s. Some marched to protest the war in the Gulf. Some participated in a sit-in at the president's office to protest a lack of minority scholarships. And some protested the Associated Student Government elections, calling them a "farce."*

*Still others met the predicted "Quake Day" of December 3 with a trip to the New Madrid faultline. And with warmer days, spring fever inspired many roadtrips to Nashville or Louisville or wherever our hard-driven automobiles would take us.*

*We cared yet we always remembered to not take ourselves too seriously.*

THE RAFT RACE at Barren River gives an opportunity to take a relaxing float downstream. The river was a popular site for students seeking a getaway from the college routine.

Joseph A. Garcia

KEYNOTE SPEAKER Dr. William Parker of Lexington discusses Martin Luther King Jr.'s dreams for racial equality. Parker was joined on the platform by Shelette Richardson, Thomas Meredith, Michael Colvin and Howard Bailey. John Lindsey



# STUDENT LIFE



IN A CROWDED hallway at a birthday celebration, partiers share laughs and helium filled balloons. Thursday was the most popular night for students to go out because many of them went home on the weekends. Kirk Wilson





ON BENT KNEES, football managers Mark Quisenberry, a sophomore from Louisville, and Brien Wissert from Williamsville, N.Y., anguish over a Homecoming defeat. Western failed to score on the final play of the game which would have given them the victory.

Steve Traynor

# A WELCOME HOME

The more things change,  
the more they stay the same

BY: Brian Wilkerson

Even Compton remembered Western as it was when he attended. "Dr. (Henry Hardin) Cherry was president then," he said. Rent for a student was \$5 a month—including electricity. The track where he lettered in 1933 and 1934 was where the fine arts center now stands. Farmland covered most of the area around the bottom of the Hill.

And he was quick to point out, it was during the worst years of the Depression. "I earned my sweater in '33 and '34," he said, but didn't receive "my sweater until 1941." The school was so poor that he and the other two size 11s on the track team had to wear the same pair of shoes. Yet it didn't seem to affect his performance.

"The best (race) I ever ran I came in fifth. I ran a 4:18 mile.

"I beat the University of Louisville one time with a five minute, 20 second mile," he said, laughing. "I could run backwards and beat those boys from Louisville."

Compton and other alumni and friends milled around the Festival of Friends on Downing University Center's south lawn before the football game against Youngstown State. It was, as the week's theme said, "Homecoming Excitement," the time to reminisce with friends, the time to remember Western as it once was.

"I couldn't have been more pleased with Homecoming," President Thomas Meredith said. "We've had nothing but positive responses to the new format." The carnival-like atmosphere gave everyone, "the alumni, the friends of Western and those who are here now, a chance to cross over and mingle ... to relive the past."

Compton, who stayed at Western off and on for six years in the early 1930s, never graduated from Western. He came mainly to renew his teacher's certificate each year so he could teach a one-room school house in Golden Pond in Trigg County.

Almost 80 years old, Compton has yet to fully retire. "I'm still running," he said as he pulled out a card for reelection to Trigg County's school board.

Rachael (Chadwick) Roll and her sister Jacqueline (Chadwick) Moss have made Homecoming a regular event since 1981. Roll, a 1960 graduate who now lives near Orlando, Fla., was a varsity cheerleader and health and physical education major. Her biggest surprise when she first came back in 1981 was that "most of my teachers were now buildings."

Moss, who lives in Paducah, graduated in 1957. She lived in West Hall (what is now Florence Schneider Hall) as well as the Rock House (the international student building) when both were exclusively girls' dorms. She was also impressed with how Western "has done a fantastic job of incorporating the new buildings with the old."

Moss and Roll, both community college teachers, said that they really enjoy coming back. "Everybody makes us feel real welcome," Roll said.

Frank Cole, a 1950 graduate who lives in Salem, Ind., said one thing has remained constant since his time at Western—the Hill. "It's still just as long and steep as

## WELCOME HOME CONTINUED

I remember."

Cole served in ROTC during the years he attended Western and in the Air Force during the years he fought in World War II and Korea. He flew B-25 airplanes in Korea for two and a half years after graduating.

Now a retired Air Force colonel and a former schoolteacher, Cole decided "it was a good time to come back" since it had been 40 years from the time he graduated. He received his master's degree in 1964.

Cole, who has three daughters who also graduated from Western, said the campus "changes every year I come." But even now "the campus still has that basic beauty I remember."

Another tradition at Western was that of electing a Homecoming queen. Jill Antle, a senior corporate communications major from Louisville sponsored by Chi Omega sorority and Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, was crowned from a court of 10 candidates during halftime. "I was very surprised," she said. "I really had no idea. ... I was excited, though."

First runner-up was Becky Toomey, a senior public relations/psychology major from Lexington sponsored by Alpha Delta Pi sorority and Kappa Alpha Order. Second runner-up was Robin Rosenzweig, a senior corporate communications major from Sebre, sponsored by Kappa Delta sorority and Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

A variety of events and activities occupied most of the students' time during the week. The Big Red's Roar Spirit Award, held on Friday before the game, was won by Alpha Gamma Delta sorority. McLean Hall won several of the events held for residence halls including the "Hanging of the Red," residence hall lawn decorations and the Residence Hall Spirit Award.

Kappa Delta sorority and Delta Tau Delta fraternity won the Greek Housing Decorations award. Both designed a football field on the front yard of the Kappa Delta's house complete with live sports fans and a scoreboard that read Western: 90, Visitors: 19.

Unfortunately, that wasn't the case. Western, playing higher-ranked Youngstown State, finished the first half with a 7-7 tie and led 14-7 midway through the third quarter. But a Youngstown field goal, with about three minutes left, iced the game at 17-14, despite a comeback by Western that left the Hilltoppers three yards from the goal line when time ran out.

As the 1990 Homecoming drew to a close on an unseasonably mild Oct. 6 night and the cleaning up began, it seemed the alumni were right in at least two respects: Western is always growing, always changing. And the spirit no one can quite explain remains as strong as ever.



Tom Leininger



Francis Gardler

**RALLYING AROUND** Head Coach Jack Harbaugh, the Hilltoppers gather for a pregame pep talk. The game ended in a 17-14 loss to Youngstown State.



Marc Piscotty

**CONFETTI AND BALLOONS** mix with the cheers of Alpha Delta Pi sorority during the Spirit Competition at Big Red's Roar in the fine arts center amphitheater. Alpha Gamma Delta captured the Spirit Award at the event the night before Homecoming.

**MOVING LIKE SHADOWS** across the football field, the Big Red marching band follows the direction of Franklin, Tenn., freshman Carrie Smiley. They performed during halftime in Smith Stadium.



Tamara Voninski

FROM BEHIND A DOOR in the Potter Hall Haunted House, Randall McCarty, a junior from Hardinsburg, playing Dracula, scares a thrill-seeker. The haunted house, sponsored by the Association of Resident Assistants, was open Oct. 29-30, with proceeds going to the Salvation Army.



Tamara Voninski

AT THE KAPPA SIGMA Halloween party, Oviedo, Fla., junior Beth Delach, in a Snow White costume, kisses her boyfriend, Don Costante, a junior from Essex Junction, Vt., who is dressed as a prince. Costume parties and haunted houses could be found on and around Western's campus during the week of Halloween.

THE HILLOWEEN BASH at DUC brings out such characters as the Bride of Frankenstein, portrayed by Kathleen Bell. Bell's husband, Craig, came as Frankenstein and together they won the scariest division of the costume contest.



Chuck Wing

# Spirited Gatherings...

## Halloween spawns creativity

BY: Cheryl A. Edwards

Road kills and hookers roamed the floors of Downing University Center at Hilloween, Western's annual Halloween party sponsored by the University Center Board.

Not all of the events celebrating this spirited season were reserved for Halloween night, however.

Potter Hall hosted a haunted house Oct. 29-30, which was sponsored by the Association of Resident Assistants. Admission was 50 cents or 25 cents with a canned good, and the proceeds went to the Salvation Army.

The tour of the haunted basement included a honeymoon suite at the Bates Motel where the bride and groom took turns killing one another. There was also a surgery room in which crazed medical students operated, a blood bath with a dead body soaking in it, a grave yard with real dirt and headstones and a torture chamber.

Since the haunted house took place during AIDS Awareness Week, the Grim Reaper passed out condoms with "Don't be caught dead without one" stamped on them.

Visitors could choose from either a condom or a piece of candy, Buddy Hoskinson, one of the ARA advisers, said.

Party goers were met by floating orange and black balloons at DUC during Hilloween. Spooky sounds came from "Black Widow," a Nashville band.

Witches, mummies, vampires and other evil spirits were crammed into every available space. Western students transformed themselves into Mozart, a stoplight, an Egyptian goddess, a nun, a Playboy bunny and a green M&M among other things.

"The costumes are definitely original," Lori England, a junior from Fountain Run said.

Lori Hall of Newburgh, Ind. and Tamara Gnyp of Hendersonville, Tenn. were dressed as road kills. The two WKU students wore black sweat suits with two white stripes running down the sides and a dotted yellow center line between them. Furry stuffed animals with "blood" matted in their fur were attached to the sweat suits.

"Every time we drive home, we see dead animals along the side of the road..." Hall and Gnyp said. "That was our inspiration."

**"Most people said it was gross but laughed anyway."**

**-Tamara Gnyp**

"Most people said it was gross but laughed anyway," Gnyp said.

Shannon Selig, a junior from Louisville, came to Hilloween as jelly beans. She had attached different colored balloons to a black jogging outfit.

"I had to be careful because there was a guy there dressed as Freddy Krueger who kept trying to pop the balloons," Selig said.

Five men came wearing white skin turtleneck sweaters, white shorts and white tails. Each had a black letter on his chest. Standing side by side, they spelled

"SPERM."

The five friends, Scott Drescher, David Pedley, John Brooks, John Diercks and Jay Glick were all members or former members of Western's swim team.

"They loved it," Drescher said. "People had a pretty positive attitude about it." He said there was not one negative remark about the costumes.

Winners of the University Center Board's costume contest included: Chris Donaldson, funniest, for his portrayal of a hooker; Craig and Kathleen Bell, scariest, who came as Frankenstein and the bride of Frankenstein; and Tammy Tongate and Rachelle Ridge, most original, who came as Bert and Ernie. Each won \$25.

Other activities at Hilloween included a haunted house sponsored by the recreation majors club, video buttons sponsored by the University Center Board, a pumpkin carving contest and a midnight mania movie showing of "The Exorcist."

Winners of the pumpkin carving contest were Michelle Laibson, scariest, and Anessa Maberly, funniest. Each won \$25 from UCB.

Students who attended Hilloween responded positively to the event.

"I love the music. Some of these costumes are just too wild," Shai Levya, a freshman from Elizabethtown, said.

Annette Rowe, an Owensboro senior, thought Hilloween would help cut down on vandalism on campus on Halloween night by keeping students busy in a positive way.

Hilloween was a great way to get students involved, Patrick Rowe, a senior from Beaver Dam, said.





THE MEDIA STAND alert and ready to cover any catastrophe that might occur in New Madrid, the expected epicenter of the next large earthquake in the U.S. Many people were attracted by the "chance to spit in the face of death."

AFTER TRAVELING almost 200 miles to New Madrid, Mo., to await the the earthquake predicted for Dec. 3, 1990, Matt Love, Belton Wall and Doug Miller relax in Tom's Diner. The earthquake never occurred.



# All Shook up Over Nothing

Faultfinders challenge prediction  
and camp on New Madrid

Story and Photos by Robin Buckson



Remember Dec. 3, 1990? Where were you? Most people in Bowling Green were glad to be almost 200 miles from New Madrid, Mo., the would-be epicenter of the earthquake predicted by climatologist Iben Browning. But that was not the case with Matt Love, Belton Wall and Doug Miller.

The three Western students decided they were not close enough to the predicted danger; so on the cold, wet Dec. 2 afternoon, they piled into Miller's '83 Escort and set off for New Madrid.

"It's our chance to spit in the face of death," Miller, a senior from Sacramento, said.

"And Iben Browning," Wall added.

The crew left Bowling Green loaded down with the staples of life — peanut butter and jelly, sleeping bags, apple pie, a two-person tent and lots of enthusiasm.

After about five hours of driving west on Highway 68/Highway 100, the travelers, who had planned to cross the Mississippi River at Hickman, were forced to change course. The ferry that usually took vehicles across the river was closed for the winter season. That meant an extra hour of driving in steady rain to reach a bridge in Tiptonville, Tenn.

"We can put man on the moon, but can't build another bridge over the Mississippi," Love, a junior from Greenburg, Tenn., said.

What they found upon reaching their destination was a small river town with only four pay phones and enough media vehicles to cause the first traffic jam ever to occur in the little community, according to a woman working at Texaco.

"I thought how much fun I would have with 25 satellite

trucks," Miller said, because he was more than ready to be interviewed about his trip.

The satellite trucks lined Main Street and gathered at the court house near the heart of town. More than 60 television stations were represented, not counting the print journalists buzzing around town that damp evening.

Disappointed that they were not mobbed by the media, the group decided to look for a camping spot. Miller said they wanted "the most dangerous spot we could get," so camp was made in the drizzling rain on the banks of the Mississippi, about 150 feet from the water's edge.

The three men set up a six-foot diameter pup tent and went to bed about 11 p.m. after swapping stories and jokes.

Miller said they awoke in a "watery hell" with strong winds ripping at their temporary abode.

"There was an inch of water puddled in the bottom of the tent. I slept in a sponge," Wall, an Elizabethton sophomore, said. Although the storm continued into the morning, the group did finally get some sleep.

Morning brought cool temperatures, sunshine and an interview. A reporter from Channel 3 of Memphis,

Tenn., spoke with the rovers from Western.

After telling the story of their journey, the hungry travelers ate at Tom's Diner and spent the rest of the morning wandering around the town.

The three went to Hap's Bar for a "quake" party, mailed postcards to friends and looked around the court house to retreat from the cold.

Because they did not take Browning's prediction seriously, the group was not disappointed when it did not come to pass. "I wasn't as prepared (for an earthquake) as I could have been, but I never really expected it would happen," Wall said.

The biggest reason for taking this road trip, Miller said, was just that — to take a road trip.

He said he carried 21 hours last semester and took seven good road trips to such places as Lexington, Louisville, Nashville, Chicago and Tampa. He put between 19,000 and 20,000 miles on his car.

"I'd like to climb the Matterhorn," he added, "but don't think my little, yellow car would make it."



A SMALL TENT set up along the banks of the Mississippi River serve as shelter for the adventurers through a cool and rainy weekend. The group toured New Madrid and attended a quake day party while there.



# They've Got You Covered

Health Services install condom machines in dorms

BY: Sam Black  
Artwork by Greg Neat

Condom machines. They stimulated little response from the student body.

The idea was simple. Students would run down to designated residence hall lobbies, slip discreetly into a bathroom, put a few quarters into a white box, and presto — a viable protection against pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases (STD's).

But few students used the new option of buying condoms from vending machines after Western administrators complied to their demands to have them installed in residence halls.

"Sales have been lousy from the start," purchasing director Larry Howard said. "They haven't even approached pay-back on the machines."

For 75 cents, the white-boxed vender would spit out one Lifestyles condom or a pack of three Prime condoms for \$1.50. But monthly sales from March 23 to April 29 totaled a meager \$103.35 from 14 vending locations. Barnes-Campbell and Douglas Keen residence halls held the sales record—\$21.00 each for one month. Other locations sold far less.

But many students, like Gus Cunningham, a Lexington senior, didn't even know the machines were in the lobby restrooms in 13 of Western's 17 residence halls.

Student Health Services mailed residence hall students a four-page pamphlet explaining the reasons condom machines were installed. The letter briefly stated that condom

machines were located in certain lobby restrooms.

That one sentence probably wasn't enough to attract the attention of students who continually sorted through junk-mail, said Duane Waninger, a Dale, Ind., junior.

"They told us which dorms, but I

*"I don't think it would be prudent to put a sign on the bathroom door 'condom machines here'."*

*-Larry Howard*

thought they would put one on each floor," Waninger said. "I think they need to post a notice on bulletin boards or something to make students more aware."

"I don't think it would be prudent to put a sign on the bathroom door 'condom machines here,'" Howard said. "I don't know if bulletin boards would help

either."

After being informed about vending locations, Cunningham said the installation of the machines showed that Western is interested in educating and encouraging students to practice safer sex. He said that was important because 75 to 80 percent of all college students were sexually active.

Scheri Phelps, a Madisonville junior, thought it was a good idea, too, but she didn't think many women felt comfortable buying condoms.

"There is a stigma toward women who buy condoms," Phelps said. "Females still depend on their boyfriends (for condoms), because guys still get the wrong impression."

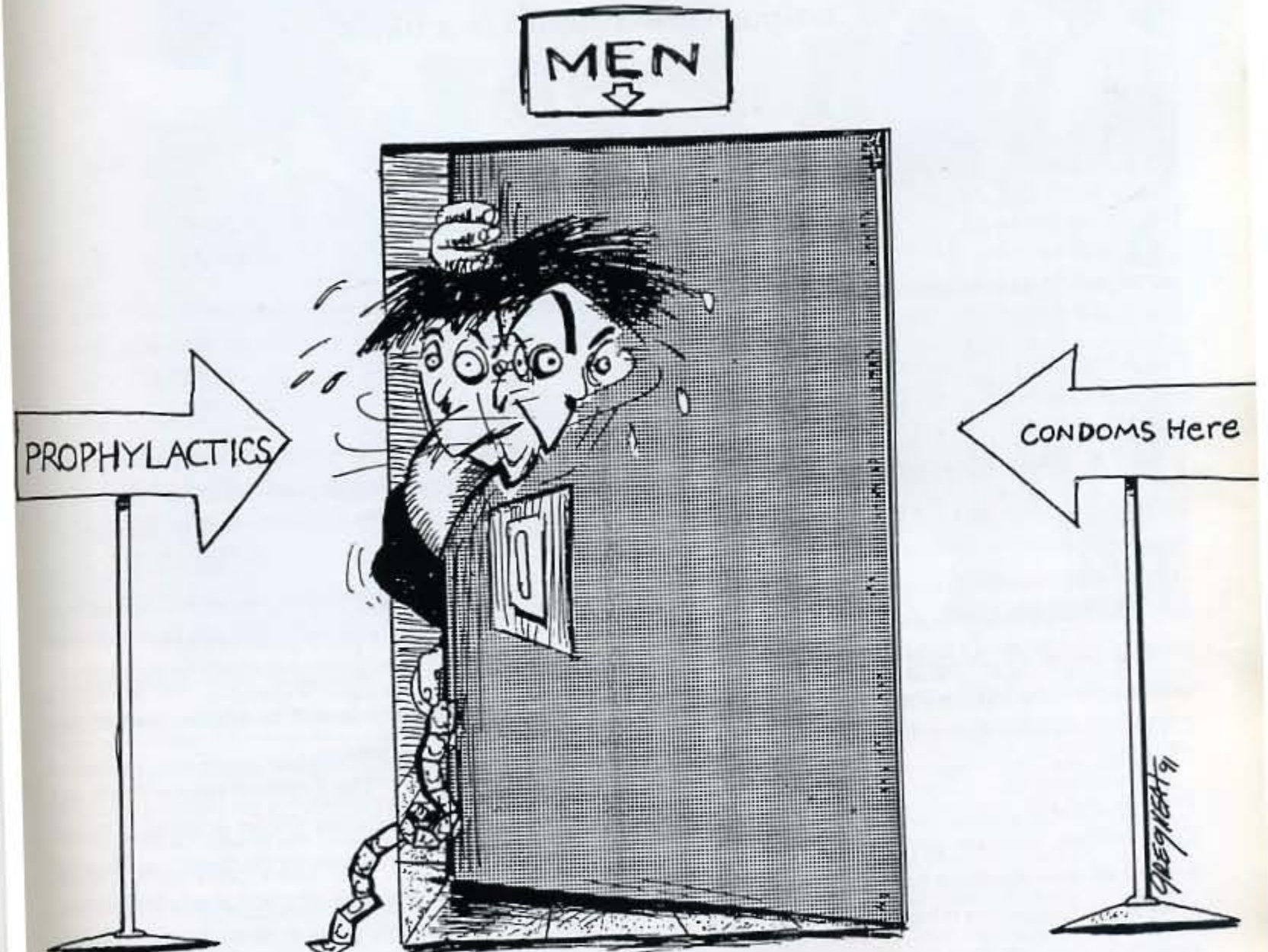
"I think guys take it better if you say you're on the pill than if you whip out four condoms," Phelps said. "A guy never asks, 'Do you have a condom?' They ask you if you're on the pill."

The pill isn't a guard against STD's, but Christine Durbin, a Newburgh, Ind., senior, said many Western students were more worried about unwanted pregnancy than STD's.

She said she learned in a health class that Bowling Green is fourth among Kentucky cities with high STD rates.

"Bowling Green is by no means one of the larger cities," Durbin said. "I think this campus is a major reason for the STD rate here."

STD prevention was the main reason the machines were installed, said Kevin Charles, the director of Health



Service. He said Western used programs like AIDS Awareness Week, residence hall meetings and academic classes to inform students of the dangers of STD's. He hoped to initiate a more comprehensive program using graduate students in the fall semester of 1991.

Charles hoped the vending machines would become a success because the road to getting them was tough. Western followed suit behind Eastern

Kentucky University and the universities of Louisville and Kentucky, which were vending condoms by 1988.

"It's overdue by several years," he said. "The Bible Belt region has a lot to do with it, but by the same token, students weren't clamoring for it until 1988."

"In 1988, it was a new issue," said Kelly Salmon, assistant director of

Bemis-Lawrence. "Universities are kind of hesitant to be the first on the block."

"I think we should educate them (students) and take on that role in any way we can," Salmon added. "The university isn't pushing anything on anyone, but they're making safe sex available."



# Raising the roof

Campus construction is a blast.

BY: Sam Black  
Photo by Joseph A. Garcia

A warning horn's blare followed by a dynamite blast and tremors that shook Hugh Poland Residence Hall rudely awakened Sharon Malone from a mid-morning nap several times during the year.

"You could feel the building shake from the aftershocks of the blast," said Malone, a Louisville junior.

But Malone wasn't the only student who missed the peace and quiet as Western began construction of two residence halls and a \$10 million health and activities center during the fall.

"All the dirt is the biggest problem. There is just dirt everywhere," said Kelly Salmon, assistant director for Bemis-Lawrence residence hall. "One of the most discouraging things for the students is they see them digging up our area, but they (students) haven't seen anything go up."

Western hoped the two new residence halls, at the bottom of the hill, would help the university meet the high demand for on-campus housing, according to housing director John Osborne. He said rising student enroll-

ment had overburdened housing facilities for several years.

As for dirt, occasional power failure and construction noise, Osborne said it was an unavoidable sacrifice for

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*"The Raymond Preston Health and Activities Center is going to be the trendsetter for the South."*

—Kemble Johnson

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Western's growth.

A 200-person capacity, co-ed residence hall was expected to be finished by January 1992 and a sorority residence hall for 186 women was to be

completed by the fall of 1992. The halls were expected to be more plush than the concrete walled, tile floored rooms Western's other dorms offered. Dry walled, carpeted and cable-ready suites made the new apartment-styled residence halls, costing Western about \$7.5 million, more attractive to students. The new suites were to be offered to upperclassmen with competitive grade-point averages.

Meanwhile, many students and faculty looked to Western's other new attraction.

"The Raymond Preston Health and Activities Center is going to be the trendsetter for the South," said Kemble Johnson, physical plant administrator. "It's going to be the best thing for the traditional student."

Johnson said the 2.588-acre center was expected to be finished by June 1992, and would house six gyms, separated by automated nets that would hang from the ceiling. Two of these courts were to have a synthetic surface for tennis. The building would also contain nine handball/raquetball courts,



TO CELEBRATE THE construction of the Raymond B. Preston Health and Activities Center, dignitaries participate in a ground breaking ceremony September 28, 1990. Standing left to right were Michael Colvin, ASG president; Joe Iracane, Chairman of the WKU Board of Regents; Hattie Preston and husband Raymond B. Preston; Thomas Meredith, president; and Denny Wedge, Board of Regents member.

an aerobic dance studio, weight room, swimming pool and support facilities.

"I'm all for it," said Bryon Martin, a Hendersonville, Tenn., senior. "We're really behind on recreational facilities for intramural sports."

Martin was an intramural referee and was assistant programmer for intramural sports during the '89-'90 year. He said Western's facilities were so crowded by classes and varsity sports that there was little time left for intramurals.

"The amount of people you see playing on outside courts during cold, cold

weather is sending us a message," executive vice president Paul Cook said.

"That message is saying we need (indoor facility) space real bad."

Raymond and Hattie Preston, both Western alumni, made an undisclosed financial contribution to the health and activity center's building fund in commemoration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The Prestons, from Henderson, met in a psychology class at Western.

Raymond graduated in 1940 with a bachelor's degree in chemistry, and went on to found PB & S Chemical

Company, for which he serves as chief executive officer and president.

The contribution will be used for relocation of utility costs and one-half of the first year's debt service, which must be paid before the awarding of state construction funds.





John Simpson

CLAD IN A PIN-STRIPED SUIT and a "power tie", Nashville sophomore Jeff Goff ponders his temporary job. Goff used his day as president to get students' concerns through to the administration.

## Double takes

Student takes office / President takes notes

BY: Billy Hardin

We all may have had dreams of being king or queen for a day, but Jeff Goff came as close as one can get in Western's world.

The Nashville sophomore, majoring in corporate communications and government, won a contest sponsored by Associated Student Government which allowed him to be president of the university for a day. ASG raffled tickets for a dollar each outside Downing University Center in early November.

"I asked what the proceeds were for," Goff said, "and they said 'recycling.' I thought it was a good cause."

The payoff came the morning of Nov. 15, when Goff, accompanied by ASG President Michael Colvin, stepped into the president's office. Goff, wearing a dark gray, pinstriped suit and a "power tie," stood silhouetted by the window of his first floor office in Wetherby Administration Building. He was waiting to meet with Dean of Student Life Howard Bailey.

Goff spent the morning in Grise Hall talking to students and listening to their concerns. The biggest concern of students

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BY: Kim Hadley

Heads turned as a slender 6' 5" man walked by the fine arts center fountain on his way to a 10:30 a.m., theater appreciation class.

He smiled.

"I love the double takes," he said.

Whether it was in class or around the Hill, the "student" got quite a few of those.

On Nov. 15, President Thomas Meredith exchanged his suit and briefcase for jeans and a duffel bag and took on sophomore Jeff Goff's schedule to become a student for a day.

"I had to find my jeans. They were back in the closet somewhere," he said, during his WKU shuttle bus ride to campus that morning.

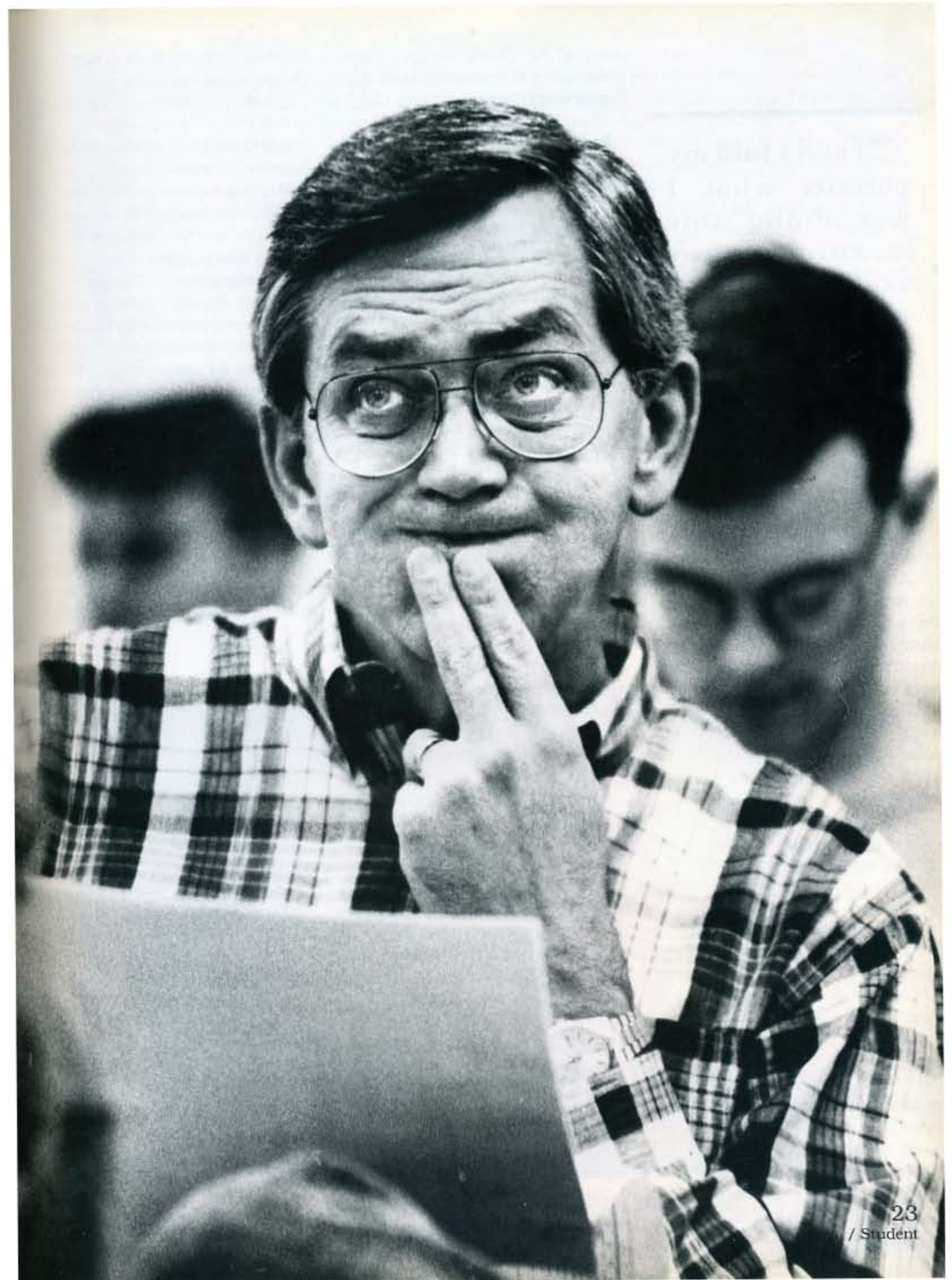
At 8:20, Meredith boarded #32 in the Kroger's parking lot on Nashville Road.

"Good morning fellow students," he said, hunching as he made his way down the aisle. Wandering to the third row from the back, Meredith took a right-hand seat and soon crossed his arms over the green seat cover as he talked to some students in front of him.

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ENGULFED IN HIS ROLE as a student, President Thomas Meredith listens to his instructor in a meteorology class. He assumed the schedule of Nashville sophomore Jeff Goff, who was acting as president for the day.

Andy Lyons



## “When I told my parents what I was doing this morning, they said, ‘What are you going to miss in class?’”

-Jeff Goff

### PRESIDENT CONTINUED

“I can’t believe the schedule he (Goff) has,” Meredith said, reaching into his pockets for a folded piece of paper. “He has three classes and a lab. This guy doesn’t even have time for lunch,” Meredith said, explaining he had counted on an “easy schedule,” so he could spend most of the day in the library.

“He said I didn’t have to go to the lab, but he did have some laundry that needed to be done. I told him to do all paperwork and return all phone calls,” Meredith said.

He smiled thoughtfully.

“I’m really looking forward to this.”

Stepping off the bus and onto the sidewalk across the street from the Environmental Science and Technology building, Meredith stuffed his checked shirt tail into his black, Sierra Ridge jeans.

“I think I should’ve worn a belt,” he said. “I haven’t done this in a while.”

Lifting his pant leg to display a diamond print argyle sock, Meredith said his 15-year-old son Mark brought them to him that morning, saying he couldn’t wear dark socks. “He said, ‘You’ve gotta be cool, Dad.’”

Arriving about 20 minutes early for his 9:15, geology class, Meredith read

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some of the College Heights Herald newspaper and visited the Agriculture Department Office.

“I oughta call over there (president’s office) and see what he’s doing,” Meredith said, asking to use a department phone.

“This is a student, Tom Meredith. Can I speak to the president?”

Meredith repeated himself and smiled.

“The president’s not in?” he gasped, his mouth dropping open. Well, “Tell him, speaking for the students, we would (like) for him to get to work when the rest of us have to go to class.

“Sucker’s sleeping in,” Meredith smiled, putting down the phone. “I think he has the right idea.”

Walking to class, Meredith seemed to go unnoticed. “Just another person in the hall,” he said. “That’s good.” It’s amazing what a suit and tie can do, he said.

Scanning the empty chairs, Meredith greeted the seven already in class. “Does anybody know Jeff Goff?” he asked. “Where does he sit?”

Meredith took “his” seat and asked to see the textbook of White House, Tenn., senior Sheri Escue, who sat to his left.

“He (Goff) didn’t give me any books,” Meredith said. “So, I’ll fake it.”

As he skimmed the pages and students drifted in, Meredith said it would be great to see if he could “just blend in.”

“Is that who he is?” asked freshman Laura Wilfong, who sat across the room from Meredith. “Oh God. I thought he was just some old guy.”

“I thought he was just somebody who misses class,” Bowling Green sophomore Matthew Reimer said.

Geology and geography professor Jack McGregor waited for the bell to ring so he could begin class.

“You can’t screw up,” Reimer said when McGregor passed his desk.

“If I didn’t, it wouldn’t be normal,” McGregor replied.

The bell rang.

“The first thing we want to discuss today is faculty salaries,” McGregor began. Meredith smiled.

Then after a review for the final, class

ended early. Meredith shook hands with McGregor and was on his way.

“I hope I didn’t mess up your class,” he told a student in leaving.

As Meredith walked down the hall, he looked at his schedule again.

“I took about three pages of notes,” he said. “I underlined and circled and tried to do it the way he (Goff) would.”

After theater appreciation, Meredith went to meteorology 121 in EST.

“I hope you don’t sleep as much as Jeff,” Russellville senior Buddy Crabtree said, as Meredith sat in Goff’s chair.

Waiting for class to begin, Meredith shook hands with students and asked them where they lived.

Geology and geography professor Willard Cockriel welcomed Meredith. “Let me say I’ve been teaching class 55 years, and I’ve never had a president come to my class,” he said. “I’m glad I lived long enough to see it.”

Afterwards, Meredith said he had “a whole notebook full of notes. Some say that’s more than he (Goff) ever takes.”



Stuffing his notebook into the duffel bag he carried over his shoulder, Meredith walked to Garrett Cafeteria. “Now I think I see why backpacks are so popular,” he said, getting a better grip on his bag. He said he tried to talk both his sons into giving him a backpack, but “neither would give in.”

After a lunch consisting of a grilled cheese sandwich, onion rings and a soft drink, Meredith was ready to go to the library – and then on to play football with some of Goff’s friends.

Meredith arrived about 3 p.m. below the football field and met cheers of the dozen or so men as he stepped onto the grass.

“We’re playing tackle now,” they joked.

Sean Chandler, a Harrodsburg senior, said he really didn’t expect Meredith to come. “It was a pleasant surprise,” he said.

Louisville senior David Elmore said, “He’s quicker than I expected. He was tough to guard.”

After about 30 minutes, Meredith left the field, saying goodbye with a sea of handshakes and high fives.

“I thought I had better quit before I get hurt,” Meredith said. “I caught two out of three passes, and I thought I should quit right at that.”

Meredith walked to Diddle Parking Lot and waited for the shuttle to take him to his car.

As he stood by the bus stop sign at a cross walk, he remembered when he had graduated from college in 1963.

“College campuses have changed,” he said. “There are more non-traditional students. When you see somebody in their 40s, you don’t look at them as much.

“As I sat in those classes today, I thought it would be great to come back and take some of those classes,” Meredith said. But he added that he does not “really end up with any spare time. There are so many requests for appointments that we try to struggle to get them in. You have to end up taking time (for things

you want to do) if you want it,” he said, “which is one of the frustrating things about being president.”

Meredith said his day as a student gave him better insight into students’ lives.

“Usually I just see them in their involvement,” he said. “I see them at this event and that event. ... You forget about the class side when you see them at a phonathon and so on.”

Meredith boarded the almost empty shuttle, sat toward the front of the bus and relaxed.

“Yeah, my car’s still there,” he said, as the bus pulled into the Kroger’s lot. Exiting, he said goodbye to bus driver Pam Ogelvie of Bowling Green and headed home.

Ogelvie was pleased with what the president had done.

“I think it says a lot for a president,” she said, “when he is willing to put himself in the place of a student.”



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AS PRESIDENT FOR A DAY, Goff brings student concerns to the attention of Western administrators Jerry Wilder and Paul Cook. Goff said the biggest concern of students seemed to be parking and parking tickets.

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**AFTER A DAY OF ROLE REVERSAL,** President Meredith and Jeff Goff discuss careers while eating at Pizza Hut. Goff said he would like to have a job similar to Meredith's someday.

## STUDENT CONTINUED

Goff responded by declaring his day in office as "ticket amnesty day," meaning all tickets given that day were void.

"Send the bill up here (the president's office) and Dr. Meredith will take care of it," Goff told Lt. Eugene Hooper, who was in charge of traffic violations at Public Safety.

"I'm going to use this opportunity to get your concerns through to the administration today," Goff told students in a computer information systems class.

Goff did exactly that through a crammed schedule of back-to-back meetings with Bailey; Edward Wilson, captain of police with Public Safety; Dr. Jerry Wilder, vice-president for student affairs; Paul Cook, vice-president for academic affairs; John Osborne, director of housing; and Ralph Willard,

men's head basketball coach.

"I feel that it's important that we get the lines of communication open . . . and that students get some input," Goff said in a phone conversation with Wilder earlier that morning.

The meetings raised discussions on parking, the image of Public Safety, the purchasing of new shuttle buses, racism on campus, the failure of the non-alcoholic bar, NiteClass, the installation of condom machines in dorms, 24-hour visitation in dorms, expanded use of the Supercard program, the new basketball ticket system, how to improve attendance at sports events, construction of new dorms, cable TV in dorms and many other subjects relevant to students.

"I think the most important thing I did was to draw to the attention of the administrators some of the students' concerns," Goff said. "I think I've established a link between the students and the administration."

"I was amazed at how cooperative the administration was

(by) taking time out to talk to a contest winner," Goff confessed later.

His parents were less impressed.

"When I told my parents what I was doing this morning, they said, 'What are you going to miss in class?'"

President Meredith went to Goff's classes and took notes for him.

Goff stopped by his 11:45 a.m., meteorology class to talk to students. When he asked for student comments, Meredith raised his hand and said, "I just want to let you know you're doing a fine job, Mr. President."

Meredith also played football with a few of Goff's friends after class.

"We figured he'd try but wouldn't show," Louisville senior David Elmore said. "He's Mr. PR; that's the only reason he came to play ball. I think it was a PR project for ASG."

"An important aspect of his job is PR because he is

representing the university," Goff said. "I learned his job entails much more than that. There are so many people his job influences that he can't please everyone."

After a long day, the two met at Pizza Hut.

"We talked about careers — where his has been, and where mine is hopefully going," Goff said. "He gave me a lot of advice since I'm going into politics."

And in the weeks that followed, Goff was able to return the favor.

"I've been approached by some of the administrators since that day," he said later. "We talk about different issues and how students feel. They ask my opinion and I tell them."

Goff said he might someday want the president's job.

"It's the type of job I'd like to have — an administrative position with lots of politics involved. . . .Someday," he said, "definitely not soon."





Joseph A. Garcia

AT THE END of the rape awareness vigil, Kira Carollo, a Winston-Salem, North Carolina junior gets a hug from Matt Greenwell, a Florence junior. The event was November 15. LIGHTING A CANDLE, Lisa Snell, an Owensboro senior, takes part in "Take Back the Night" at Fountain Square. The rally, dedicated to building awareness about violence against women, was the first event STAR participated in as a group. Steve Smart



# STAR Light

BY: Kim Hadley

About 9 a.m., August 29, Melissa Penn woke to a scream.

"Why today? Why today of all mornings?" Penn thought, turning over.

Another fight, she reasoned. Another screaming match between the young woman next door and her boyfriend.

Penn, a Louisville senior, was soon out the door of her State Street apartment and on her way to class. It promised to be a stressing day.

It was between classes that Penn's roommate informed her that their next-door neighbor had been raped.

"I started thinking, 'Why didn't I do something?'" Penn remembered. "It really shook me up because it was so close to our apartment. And it would've been just as easy for him to just have gone to my door instead of to her door."

Penn and several friends started talking about the rape and what they could do. Together they formed Students Together Against Rape (STAR).

"We drew little stars on everything," Penn said. "When you would see the stars you would think STAR and then you would think rape."

"Rape Awareness Week was the biggest thing we did," Penn said. It was Nov. 12-15.

The week began with a speaker from the Rape Crisis Center in Bowling Green.

"It was a really good discussion because everything went back and forth—which is very important," Penn said. "You can't talk at somebody about rape. You have to discuss rape with somebody before they'll understand."



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A PURPLE RIBBON is carried to one of the statues behind Snell Hall by Cincinnati, Ohio senior Amy Teaster as part of a vigil capping Rape Awareness Week. About a dozen people attended.

Overall, Penn said, "It was distressing when we really found out there was such an apathy toward the subject."

Greg Lundy, a Henderson senior and student escort, said, "Many people weren't even aware of it (the rape)." He said student escort enacted more "drive throughs of campus" and talked to people in an attempt to inform.

To further that effort, STAR also set up tables in Downing University Center and Garrett Conference Center.

"People would stand at a distance and look for a while," Penn said. "I think the guys were afraid if they got too close that would make everyone think they were a rapist, and all the girls thought that would make people think they had been raped."

While talking to people, Penn said they heard comments like, "Well, don't you think she deserved it? She was drinkin' and flirtin' around."

"Nobody deserves to get raped," Penn answered. "Nobody asks for it. I don't care what you're wearing, what you say, how you act, you're not asking to get raped. ...It's not about sex. It's about violence. It's about control."

In addition to the information tables, STAR also posted fliers around campus and encouraged usage of the student escort service and attendance of the free self-defense classes offered at the Newman Center. The week ended with a vigil in Snell Gardens.

"We wanted some place special," Penn said, "and since all the four statues out there are women ..., 'women all

around the world,' was the theme."

Purple ribbons were placed on each statue representing north, south, east and west. The color was chosen because it reminded STAR of purple heart. "Purple hearts mean wounded," Penn said. "It's a wounding experience."

"The most emotional part of the whole thing was when everybody stood in a circle; we all held hands and gave maybe a minute of silence for all the women who had, would be or were being raped. And then everybody spoke how they felt about it."

"I think a lot of people know somebody who has been raped even though they're not aware of it," Penn said. "It's still not something women like to admit to because they still think it's their fault."

"We just wanted to let people know that somebody on campus cared even if they didn't," Penn said. "It was important that people just thought about it at the time. Because when you think about something, it never goes completely out of your mind. It's always there. Really, that's all that we asked. If even just one more person was being a little safer, and one person admitted that rape happened—and it happens on this campus—it was worth it."

"I don't think STAR's gone forever," Penn said, noting that all members are seniors. "It's still there in our minds," she said. "We're still STAR. And we'll keep pushing and getting up in everybody's face until everybody starts to do something." ◆◆◆

# Can We Talk?

Counseling Center offers a way to cope

BY: Billy Hardin  
Artwork by Greg Neat

"Crazies don't walk in," said Director of Counseling Services Dr. Richard Greer, jokingly. "Crazies just work here."

But according to staff counselor Beverly Brown, who was at Western in a six month interim position, the counseling services staff take their jobs quite seriously. "There's such an air of seriousness surrounding the students and their problems here. I'm impressed with the professional attitude."

"Most are at least adjunct professors or assistant professors, as well as serving some other function in the department," said Brown.

The service was open to any WKU student, and according to Greer, the students who came in "pretty much

mirror the University, with a larger proportion of females."

The staff consisted of three licensed psychologists and three doctorate level counselors.

Upon entering the office tucked away in room 408 of Tate-Page Hall a student could pick up pamphlets on alcohol, drugs, AIDS, pregnancy, safe sex, rape and a variety of career interests and tests. If a student wished to speak to someone concerning a problem, they were asked to fill out a form with basic identification information and a reason for the visit. They then saw a counselor and usually set up an appointment for therapy.

"Anyone who needs psychological care we see here; if they have a medical

problem we send them elsewhere," said Greer.

One-on-one therapy wasn't the only service the center offered, however.

Tests for career interests, CLEP, GED, the College Aptitude Test, and personality testing were offered.

"I've heard English teachers can be awful," said Sandra Daye, a Hartford freshman who attempted to CLEP out of English Composition through the counseling center, "and I didn't want to end up writing a lot of papers."

There was a charge for some testing; but counseling was free.

There were support groups for co-dependency, communication development and gay and lesbian students, according to Brown. The office also

offered a 'red towel' AA group, date rape and child abuse counseling, according to Greer, as well as taking suicide hotline referrals from the Lifeskills center.

"They (students) say, 'Help me learn to develop the tools that I need to manage ... my life and my environment,'" said Greer.

The most common problem that students came to the counselors with was depression, according to Greer. "That can be from 'I'm feeling bad' to 'I want to end it all.'"

But depression wasn't the only problem that the center dealt with. When Dr. Stanley Brumfield, the first director of counseling services, was in office there were other problems.

"In 1968 you saw things like LSD, lots of drug usage you don't see now. The Vietnam war was a big issue at that time, and the trauma associated with it," he said.

Brown saw yet another set of problems in her clients. "Even though we reach non-traditional and traditional students, we see mostly developmental issues."

Such issues could range from adjusting to college, starting the job hunt, starting or ending a relationship, juggling homework and housework, going back to school or anything a student might perceive as a major change.

"They talk about things they'd like to work on," said Brown. "You decide on goals and agree that you will work toward that. All of the ones that I've worked with are definitely better than they were when they came in. You can't help someone who won't be helped."

But the counselors tried to help anyone who sought them out.

"If you need anything, just go to them," said Daye who learned of the services through her high school counselor. "They're helpful."

"They're (students) pretty much educated on the fact that the service is available," said Brown. "They hear from us in a variety of ways. We're hooked in with a lot of other offices and if students come to them with a problem, they redirect them to our office."

She said that students were informed of the services that the center

offered through residence life, during freshman orientation, mention of the services in the catalog, word of mouth and through the office's outreach program, which sent psychologists to dorms and classrooms to speak to students on different topics.

"Considering that we have over 15,000 students, we do a pretty good job," said Greer.

"The feedback I've received from my group (the gay and lesbian support group) has been extraordinary," said Brown. "Students would say 'Wow, this is really great; why didn't we have this two years ago?'"

"The response indicates that the group was needed," said Brown, indicating that eight to 15 people showed up at most of the sessions. "Groups usually consist of four to seven people."

"This population tends to be motivated, insightful and energetic," said Brown. "When you see kids so many months later doing so much better, it's reinforcing." ♦♦♦





ON THE STREETS of Guatemala, anesthesiologist Terri Parrot inspects a tumor on a boy's eye. His father refused to bring him in for treatment.



## *A Time to Heal*

Story and Photos by Robin White

**Editor's Note:** During the summer of 1990, Robin White, a photojournalism major and Caneyville sophomore, spent almost two weeks with a medical team in Guatemala. This is an edited version of the journal she kept.

When I met Judy Schwank, director of Children of America/World, she talked about how she went to stricken countries and invited any volunteers that wanted to go. I thought about it and decided to go.

The purpose of the organization is to bring back children who need immediate, complex medical and surgical treatment that can't be offered there. Hospitals and doctors in the States offer their time and talents to help save children's lives.

This is a rough document of my 12 days in Guatemala.

### **WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 5 p.m.**

I arrived at Judy's house 8 a.m., and after a five and a half hour delay, I wondered if we would ever leave Bowling Green. We are traveling in this van, packed like sardines. There are eight of us: Judy Schwank; Ryan, Judy's son; Jamie, a social worker; Anne Ellis, a student; two Guatemalans; a missionary we are dropping off in New Orleans; and me. We are driving to New Orleans to save money on our flight. I feel like we're a traveling circus.

### **THURSDAY, JULY 26, 12 noon**

We arrived in New Orleans around 3 a.m. Judy asked the desk for a wake-up call around 6 a.m. Why, I don't know, but I was up and ready at 7 a.m. I was the only one, too, but believe me, I got everybody up. I found out later that our plane didn't leave 'til 1:30 p.m. I thought I would lose it. We checked our luggage in at 9 a.m., and we sat for hours killing time when we could've been sleeping.

While we waited, Anne Ellis and I met an anesthesiologist (Terri Parrot) and a videographer (Larry Costner) who would fly out with us.

We met a nurse (Joan Hatley) and a Guatemalan child (George) this morning. They also would fly with us.

Joan was bringing George back to the country to see his mother, who hadn't seen him in a year after operations on his arm and leg muscles. When Judy found him, he had no strength in the muscles. But after several operations on his leg muscles, he is beginning to use them. After visiting his mother, George will return with us for more operations. ➡



A NINE-YEAR-OLD burn victim receives medical attention from Bowling Green plastic surgeon Tim Holsey and assistant Tom Hicks. About 115 patients were awaiting the medical team when they arrived at a Guatemalan hospital last summer.

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**9:30 p.m.**

I started having second thoughts while getting on the plane. I thought I was feeling sorry for myself, but really inside I was just doubtful and insecure. Was I ready for this?

When we arrived in Guatemala City's airport, people looked at us and dollar signs seemed to pop up in their eyes. Children begged for money, men wanted to help carry your luggage and women

tried to sell you something—anything. You could have everyone in a 30 mile radius begging if you started showing money.

I started to give a boy some gum. He spotted it, snagged it and was gone. Then, out of nowhere six kids wanting gum swarmed around me.

I'm skipping dinner tonight. At the airport, some old lady tried to sell me a chicken. It looked dead, but I was won-

dering if it was really chicken or not.

**FRIDAY, JULY 27, 10:30 a.m.**

The rest of the team showed up last night, and we separated supplies donated by American hospitals 'til about two this morning. Judy said she wanted us ready by nine.

**7:30 p.m.**

Antique is the city that we are in. It's a small city on a mountain with several

active volcanoes around it. We have a clinic at an orphanage and retirement home. Most parents and children had given up on us because we were late.

Our medical team was treating about 15 patients, and because there wasn't much I could do, I wandered down the halls. Some elderly people sat outside enjoying the weather. Others, their eyes fixed, stared into space.

That was when I saw this small boy standing behind a fence like he was in prison. I bent down and he reached through the fence and grabbed for my hair. Little sores covered his body. I just wanted to take him home with me.

He was brought to the clinic by his mother for medical treatment, but she left him and never returned. If a child is left at the clinic for a year and no one comes and gets him, he's put up for adoption. But the sad thing is that no one wants to adopt children here.

I found out that by the time a female (here) is 25, she will often already have eight children.

Before we left, George's mother had come to get him and take him home for a few days. When she saw him, she started crying and, of course, I cried, too. Then I realized I should be taking pictures.

We paired off and went to the market that afternoon. The town was packed with Guatemalans on the sidewalks and on the streets selling handmade clothes, jewelry and rugs. Anything and every-

thing. My first experience at a Guatemalan restaurant was a memorable one. The waitress spoke no English and we spoke some Spanish but not enough for her to understand. Rick Welch, a medical student, thought he ordered a chicken sandwich with cheese on it and got chicken salad with melted cheese on it.

**SATURDAY, JULY 28, 11:30 p.m.**

We headed to the hospital, but when we stopped for gas, a boy, trying to sell some fruit, approached us.

Terri noticed a tumor on his eye. They tried to convince his father to come to the

hospital and let them remove the tumor, but the father refused. Judy said later that the boy could lose his eyesight soon.

I realized the plan was to screen children and adults to see who would need surgery, but I didn't know there would be 115 patients waiting for us. The team went right to work, and none of us left until the last one was seen.

**SUNDAY, JULY 29, 8:48 p.m.**

Annetta (a volunteer) gave Pedro (a Guatemalan child) to his aunt and uncle this morning. Pedro's mother worked out in the field and was unable to get there to pick him up.

Annetta had a hard time, and I knew she was giving up more than Pedro for just a few days. Annetta would worry about Pedro's health and how he would look when she saw him again.

Pedro had come to the States about a year ago. He was being treated for cleft lip and palate by having several plastic surgeries done. Annetta and her family took him in as a foster child and they've become attached.

Annetta believes in her heart that if she thought Pedro would come back to a loving and caring family that she could take his leaving.

I went into surgery today.

I've always been the type who couldn't handle blood or needles. As a child, I remember many nurses hating to see me. They would have to tie me down to give me a shot. Now, I am going to surgery.

They sent Anne in with me just in case I got sick and passed out, but I really surprised myself and did fine after having to be in there for 20 minutes. I took some pictures, watched a while and later helped Terri.

**MONDAY, JULY 30, 9:23 p.m.**

Woke up this morning at 4 a.m. to an earthquake. Before I was fully awake and knew what was going on, it was over. Terri and I looked at each other and said, "Was that an earthquake?" We found out later that it rated 4.7 on the Richter scale. They believed it was because the vol-

cano was trying to erupt.

**11:30 p.m.**

The whole team got to talk with one another into the night, and we seem to enjoy each other's company. I've learned everyone seems to have had a personal reason for coming.

Dr. Holsey performed an operation on a young man who was (electrically shocked). The man had been in the hospital about a week before we got there.

He is a sight because they waited too long to do anything for him, and now, none of his limbs can be saved. The doctors don't believe he will live.

**TUESDAY, JULY 31, 11:45 p.m.**

I dealt with the phone services today. Channel operators don't understand my Spanish, and I can't understand them. They sound like they're talking in a barrel, and they talk too fast. When I finally got them to understand that I was trying to call the United States, they asked where in the United States. We would start all over again on who and where. When I finally got that much done and they put me through, the lines were busy. I ended up hanging the phone up and getting back in line. And the whole process started over again. Believe it or not, the operator and I were on a first name basis before I left.

At the hospital we took up a collection to buy some medicine for the young man who was (shocked). Doctors seem to think he might pull out of it if he had better medicine.

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 1, 2:10 p.m.**

Today I stayed in post-op with Annetta. We talked about Pedro and ourselves.

I enjoy talking with her. She reminds me of my mom. And she is a lot of comfort to me. I kept her laughing, and she gave me courage.

I walked around the hospital and noticed how bad the conditions were. The rooms have no doors, just (door) ways—except for the ICU room and surgery room. The paint on the yellow



NOTEBOOK IN HAND, Judy Schwank gives medical advice to the people of a small town in Guatemala. Schwank made the trip each year to bring children who required special treatment back to the United States.



AFTER BEING SEPARATED for a year, George, a Guatemalan boy traveling with the medical team, and his mother are reunited. George underwent surgery in the United States on his arm and leg muscles.

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and green walls is chipping off. Patients stay in one big room in iron-framed beds lined against the wall. The floor is missing tiles, and the tin roof is leaking in places.

The strangest thing to me is the open hallways. No walls; just open to the atmosphere.

**THURSDAY, AUG. 2, 1 p.m.**  
We left the hospital today.

**FRIDAY, AUG. 3, 12:30 a.m.**

We stopped at a small town outside of San Antio because of van problems. We will start out again in the morning. After checking into a hotel, we walked around downtown.

**12 noon**

Arrived in San Antio Suchitpequez. It was 104 degrees—the hottest day so far.

When we pulled up in the van, people swarmed us. We saw about 89 kids and adults. We set up in the mayor's office, out of his appreciation for us.

Annetta and Pedro were finally reunited. Pedro was a little sick, but he was glad to see Annetta.

Pedro's mother wants to give him up, and Annetta wants to keep him. According to the law, however, before a Guate-

malan child can be put up for adoption, the father has to sign the papers. And his father can't be found.

Sooner or later his visa will run out, and something will have to give.

**SATURDAY, AUG. 4, 2 a.m.**

Terri left today, and I'll be leaving tomorrow.

We went to a Pizza Hut today. It was a unique kind of pizza, but no one seemed to complain. I was just glad to know what I was eating for once.

**MONDAY, AUG. 6, 12 noon**

While leaving, I was reminded of when I first got on the plane to come to Guatemala and how I was doubting myself.

Now, I'm not so sure I want to go. I met wonderful people here, and every day was an adventure. It was a trip I don't think I can forget.

I think it all hit me when I was helping in surgery one day. I just needed to be needed.

Recently, a close friend I loved died, and I had a hard time coping. So perhaps by going to Guatemala, I made a change or gave someone some extra time on life to be with a loved one.

It helped me to help myself.



# NO-FRILLS CHARM

Hot food, mother-hen waitresses and bottomless cups of coffee lead all kinds to after hours diner

BY: Nora Frecska

Photo by Robin Buckson

As Thursday night passes into Friday morning, large neon letters reading "Restaurant" cast a green glow across 31-W Bypass. Bright light spills out of Murray's multiple windows, and the figures of diners can be seen plainly against the speckled country wallpaper. Inside, the conversations of various locals, more than two dozen college students and two state troopers mingle with country music from an ancient radio above the waitress' station. Three college students stand by the

cash register at the front of the restaurant waiting to pay Pam P'Poole.

"No way I ate that much," says one. "Right—and no way you sucked down a case of beer," laughs his friend who makes hog-calling noises on his way out the door.

P'Poole, who has managed the restaurant for five years, said Murray's attracts all sorts of people.

"It's all kinds of people from young to old," she said. "But, it's almost a fact that college students tip better than anyone."

Missy Fisher, a Carrollton senior, and John Rapp, a Walton sophomore, finish breakfast at a corner table in the back room. Fisher said she visits Murray's for the atmosphere. "It's fun to watch the different crowds who hang out here," she said, "Most of the people who come here seem pretty relaxed."

There is definitely something relaxing about Murray's. Maybe it's the fact that home-cooked liver and onions can be ordered at 3 a.m., and no one raises an eyebrow. Or perhaps it's the southern

charm of waitresses who call you "hon"—even if they know your name. Then there's the busboy/dishwasher who sports a hot-pink t-shirt that reads: "I'm not loafing, I work so fast I'm always finished."

Linda Duncan and Norman Martin, co-owners of Murray's, bought the restaurant five years ago. On Friday morning at 11, they sit at a table in the front of the restaurant chatting with staff and an occasional "regular."

"Years ago it was mostly white collars," Duncan said. "But we got from doctors to lawyers and down to ... well, all classes come here."

Nearby, a suited yuppie and a muddied farmer sit elbow to elbow at the breakfast counter. In the back room, two studious looking college types play a game of chess on a mini-board they brought with them.

Martin sits behind a plate of deep-fried catfish, french fries and cole slaw, a meal that customers can get for \$3.75.

"I feel that we have a good clientele," Martin said between bites of steaming fish. "Murray's is a landmark in Bowling Green. It's been here since 1947 or '48; it's in a good location, and the name hasn't changed."

Blue-grey paint and beige wallpaper featuring kitchen utensils grace the walls of Murray's. The green vinyl metal-backed chairs and formica tables look nearly as old as the restaurant, but like the blue plastic flowers and squeeze bottles of lemon juice on every table, they are part of Murray's no-frills charm. A charm that has earned the restaurant many repeat customers.

Brit Clopton has been coming to Murray's for more than 20 years.

"I remember coming here with my

A LATE NIGHT at Murray's provides an atmosphere conducive to both eating and studying. Seated left to right were Sacramento senior Doug Miller, Owensboro sophomore Elizabeth Dillingham, Glasgow junior Kevin Wilson and Elizabethtown junior Tom Springer.

parents when I was five or six years old," said Clopton, who sat with a friend finishing breakfast at 11:30 Tuesday night.

Clopton, an auto parts salesman who works on stock cars after hours, said he comes to Murray's two or three times a week.

"It's good food, and they've got good service ... I used to come here after many a drunk night," he added.

Sitting in a wheelchair next to Clopton

*"Murray's is a landmark in Bowling Green."*

*-Norman Martin*

is Doug Froedge, a sophomore marketing major from Bowling Green who has been visiting Murray's regularly for four years.

"It's cheap, it's good and it's close," commented Froedge over the remains of his biscuits and gravy.

On Sunday evening around 11, six students sit at one of the large round tables among empty plates, papers and books. Troy Burden, a senior business administration major from Hodgenville, said he and his friends visit Murray's two or three times a week.

"It's a good place to study and see your friends," Burden said. "We usually get here at about 10 p.m. and stay until we know we're getting something done or nothing at all."

By 1 a.m., college students with and without books occupy several tables. Some look at the blue, plastic-laminated menu which offers breakfast, lunch and dinner 24 hours a day. Bacon and two

eggs, it reads, "with hot homemade biscuits or toast and hot grits or gravy, butter and jelly," costs \$2.40. A four-ounce burger is \$1.60. And the more adventurous can savor a chicken liver dinner "served with choice of potato, tossed salad or coleslaw and hot bread," for \$3.95.

Friends sitting with Burden said they usually order breakfast during their late-night study sessions.

"If you don't eat breakfast, it's a sin," joked Paul Moore, a biology and chemistry major. All at the table agree that "the food is a little greasy, but good."

Those who haven't experienced Murray's can expect to be made right at home with 49 cent bottomless cups of coffee from waitresses who are adept at working around stacks of books and drunken states of mind. Two waitresses work each shift, but three cover the Thursday night crowd.

Duncan, a former Murray's waitress, said most of Murray's fall and spring business comes from college students.

"It's always dead on spring break around here. We really miss the kids," Duncan said.

Students more than make up for their absences during finals week. On Tuesday, just before midnight, students and books fill the majority of tables. As some students leave, their tables are quickly re-occupied. Others remain seated until well after 2 in the morning and begin to shield their cups to block the endless supply of coffee.

Duncan has gotten to know several students over the years. "A lot of the kids that graduate come back and see us," she said with a proud smile.

Katy Schearer returned to work at Murray's after leaving Bowling Green for two years.

"I love the people that come here, the older people and the students," Schearer said. "It's like home, and that's what we want people to feel like when they come here." ◆◆◆



# The Rise and Fall of Potter Hall

BY: Cathy Powell and Billy Hardin  
Photos by Joseph A. Garcia

**"I**t's like a monument," said Hermitage, Tenn., junior Melinda Sires. "(Potter Hall) is the oldest dorm on campus."

Tonya Stinson stood taking a picture of the dormitory that had been her 'home' on top of the hill for two years. "We found out from the Herald. I said 'what do you mean they're closing Potter,'" the Fairview, Tenn. sophomore recalled.

"It's a home. It doesn't even look like an administrative building," said Stinson.

It happened around Christmas according to Jackie Dant, a Louisville junior. "Everybody was really mad. All they did was send you a letter in the mail."

Potter Hall was closed in the summer of 1991, and renovation began to transform it into an office building to house student services.

"The purpose for Potter's renovation is to get everything in a central location," Howard Bailey, Dean of Student Life, said. "With the present system, students have to run all over campus from the Financial Aid Office to Registration to Housing and so on."

After the building is completely renovated, it will house student service offices, such as: Office of Administration, Financial Aid Office, Housing, Registration, Career Service, Black Student Retention and Counseling Center.

According to Rick Cotharp, University Architect, the building will remain essentially the same. The internal renovations will be significant, yet the outer renovations will consist of



AS SHE WAITS for her family to help her move out of Potter, Bowling Green junior Myra Fishburn rests from packing. Potter was convenient for students whose major classes were at the top of the hill.

another entrance area that will face the Wetherby Administration Building. "All renovations will complement the building," Cotharp said.

Total cost of renovation — including furniture — will be approximately 3.5 million dollars, he said.

Bailey said that the Wetherby Administration Building is entirely too crowded with the present system and some offices such as the Financial Aid Office need additional room for more computers.

"You need to talk to your Financial Aid Officer in private, not with the secretary pool that we have now," Bailey said.

The residents who had planned to stay in Potter, however, were faced with finding other places to live.

"I'm disappointed about the closing of Potter, but there is nothing I can

do about it," Deanna Phillips, a sophomore from Mt. Juliet, said. "I'm going to miss everybody. The closeness that we have, I don't think I can find that anywhere else."

Phillips had lived in Potter Hall since her first day at Western. "I really enjoy living here," she said. "I've made friends that will be around for a lifetime."

Potter Hall became a home away from home for many throughout the years. "I've gone to school with girls whose mothers (lived in) Potter," Jennifer Dutton, a Somerset junior said.

J. Whit Potter Hall was first occupied as a dorm in 1921. The building cost \$233,407.08 to build and equip. At that time three women were assigned to one room due to a shortage in housing facilities. The dorm rooms were furnished with beds that folded



WITH A BOX of belongings in her arms, Sylvia Fishburn helps her daughter, Myra, move from Potter. The dorm was to be renovated to house all student service offices.

(top) THE BARE WALLS of Potter convey a sense of emptiness as parents help a resident move out. Potter had been used as a dorm since its construction in 1921.

into the walls. Potter Hall boasted of its modern laundry facilities in the basement, its kitchen and dining area that was able to feed 800 residents per week. Potter Hall also bragged about its huge parlor especially devoted to entertaining.

At the time a senior was assigned to sit at the head of a table for approximately two weeks and attempt to correct the etiquette deficiencies in the

younger females.

Things weren't quite the same as they had been when the dorm opened, but the family atmosphere seemed to be a continuing tradition.

"It's small enough so you can get to know everybody here," said Bowling Green junior, Myra Fishburn, "and I don't know if you could have that feeling in some bigger dorms."

"It's like a big girl scout camp.

You can practical joke people in Potter," Dutton said, giving examples such as taping doors shut, putting baby powder under doors or placing condoms on doorknobs.

But as Potter's last residents packed to leave, there were mixed emotions.

"I think it's a shame, said Fishburn, "but I understand they want to put everything in one place."

"I think it sucks," said a teary-eyed Denise May, as she pulled ribbons off her door and collected trash. "I just don't understand," the Auburn sophomore added.

"I grew up with Potter. I started down to that end and moved to that end," said Sires, motioning from right to left.

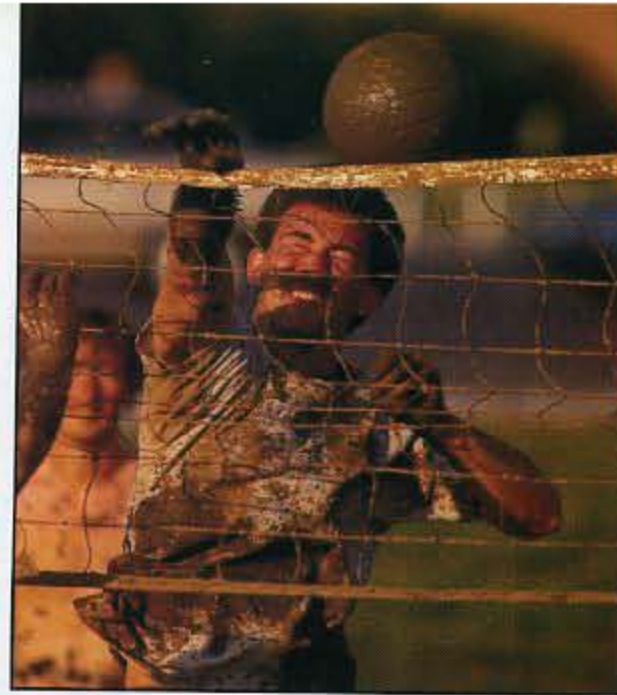
"I figure if I'm not living in Potter I might as well live off campus."

A bulletin board displaying the summer plans of residents proclaimed 'MiShawn is South Carolina bound March 31, 1991' — "the rest of my summer I'll be living off my memories of my trip to South Carolina ... and remembering the good people and good times at Potter Hall." ♦♦♦



IN THE FINAL round of oozeball, Bowling Green junior Mike McClure spikes the ball over the net. McClure was a member of the first place team, Brain Dead.

SILHOUETTED AGAINST THE sun, participants in mud volleyball rinse off after a day in the dirt. There were 30 teams that took part in the event.



# DIRTY FUN

Winning slingers and  
spikers prove to be  
Brain Dead

BY: Matt Williams  
Photos by Chuck Wing

As the Bowling Green Fire Department hosed down three volleyball courts, teams such as Brain Dead, Just a Bunch of Cool People and I Felt A Thigh awaited their chance to serve, set and spike (or just get the ball over the net).

The Student Alumni Association, in conjunction with Papa John's Pizza, sponsored the Third Annual Oozeball Tournament April 6 in the field behind Egypt parking lot. Local radio station D98 FM broadcast via live remote from the muddy grounds during the day.

According to oozeball committee chairman Craig Rough, a senior from Louisville, the tournament originated after SAA attended a regional convention where they got the idea from other colleges that had already held similar competitions.

Members of the 30 participating teams received a T-shirt and all the mud you could wear. For braving the ankle deep mud pits enough times to win first place, Brain Dead received a trophy. Lambda Chi Alpha was the first runner-up.



COVERED IN MUD, Fort Thomas senior Chris Cook shows off his "new tan" to friends. Cook was participating in the Student Alumni Association Oozeball Tournament.

# THE WILD SIDE

BY: Carrie Morrison  
Photos by David Stephenson

**N**ude men slid into mud, women danced topless and people urinated in a field. All of them gathered for a common cause.

No, it was not Woodstock, but the Banshee—possibly the wildest, roughest and bloodiest annual party in Bowling Green, one that attracted more than 2,500 people to Beech Bend Raceway Park April 20.

"I heard about (the Banshee) in high school," said freshman Mark Miller. "I didn't get to go then, but I knew I would whenever I got to Western."

The 18-year-old computer science major said friends told him it was "a huge party with a bunch of kegs and everybody got wild."

The party, which coincided with the Western Kentucky Rugby Club's largest home tournament, the Banshee Classic, was held outdoors because in 1989, a Murray State University student bruised a bone in her neck after the rafters she was dangling from fell.

This year, the Medical Center in Bowling Green treated and released

two party goers. Donald Haynes of Bowling Green was beaten, and Jeffrey Zibelin of Hendersonville, Tenn., was stabbed in the arm.

Zibelin was in attendance with Robert Horton, a senior from Hendersonville, Tenn. Horton had attended Banshee for the past three years. "The violence and trouble bothered me. A lot of people just go for the trouble," said Horton.

Many rugby players didn't want to be closely associated with the blowout.

"The party is really Bowling Green's party," said Jim Burdick, a rugby player and sophomore from Nashville, Tenn.

"... It gets known all over. When we went to New Orleans and St. ♦♦

**ENJOYING THEMSELVES**, Terri Sampson of Franklin and Brian Reid, a Middle Tennessee State University rugby player, dance at the Banshee. The party coincided with the Banshee Classic hosted by the Rugby Club.

**A CROWD GATHERS** at the annual Banshee party at Beech Bend Raceway Park. There were 20 security guards in the crowd to help keep the party under control.





### BANSHEE CONTINUED

Louis, they wanted to come up for Banshee."

Miller thought that Western had gotten most of its reputation as a party school because of the single party. He said he always thought that "Banshee was one of the top parties in the nation."

Miller said that he and his friends were warned not to go because of a supposed increase in security. "There was a notice on the board (at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house) not to go to the Banshee because police were going to be really strict."

The notice did not detain them, and Miller said he didn't think security was

increased at all. "Cops came maybe once because somebody got hurt and somebody called, but there wasn't any security there to make sure nobody got hurt in the first place," the Elizabethtown native said.

"Anybody could use the bathroom out in the grass if they wanted to. ... I don't think there was any security."

And Miller, who has at least three more years to attend the hedonistic festival, said he wouldn't want the Banshee to be tamed.

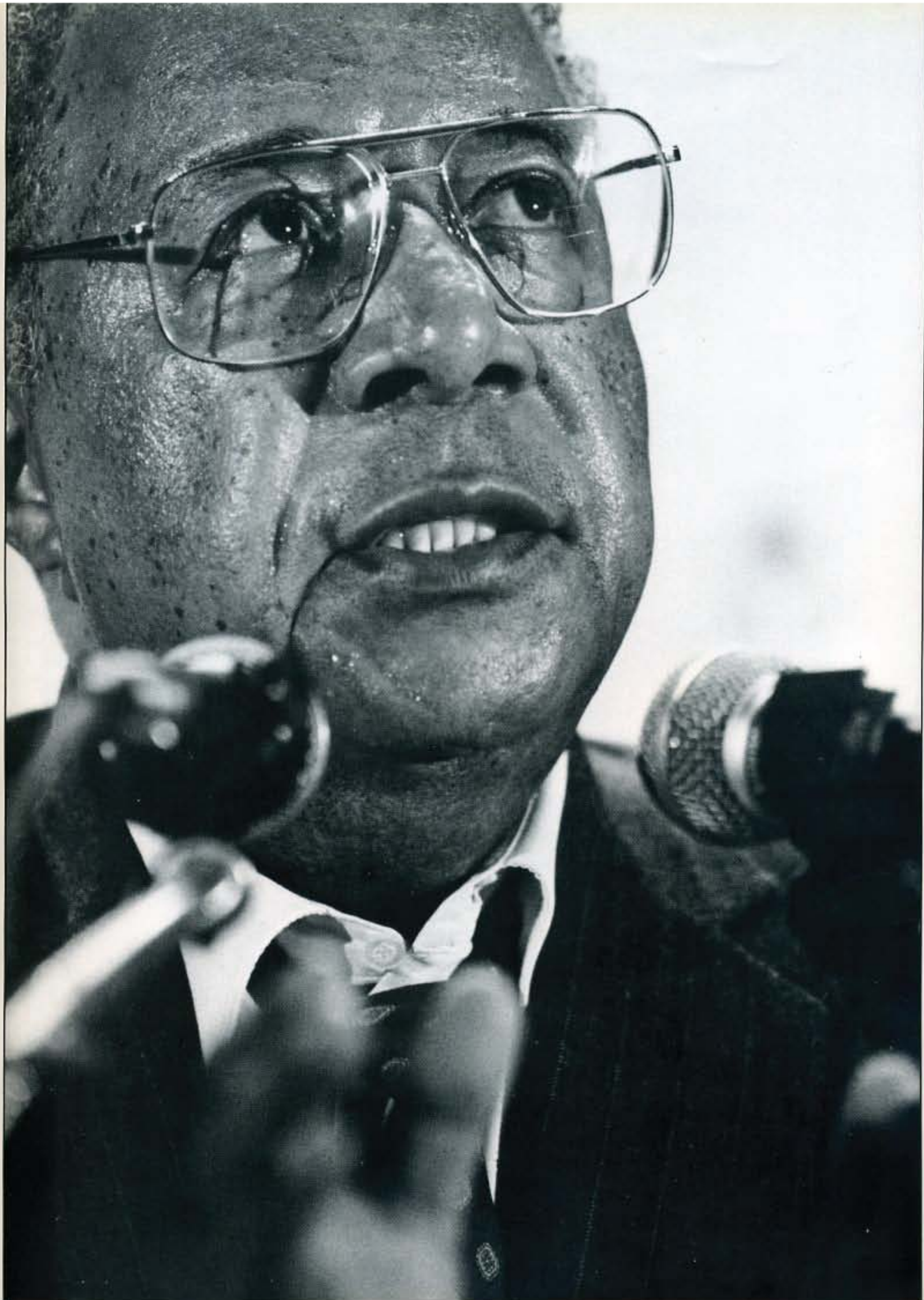
"I like it being so wild—it wouldn't stand out if it wasn't. It'd just be another party."



AFTER BEING STABBED, Jeffrey Zibelin of Hendersonville, Tenn., was escorted away by Robert Horton, a senior from Hendersonville, Tenn. This was the third year the party was held at Beech Bend.



A COUPLE TAKES a break from the crowds during the Banshee. An estimated 2,500 people attended the party.



## *All the World's a Stage*



David Stephenson

THE WATERGATE SCANDAL and his prison term are topics of discussion for G. Gordon Liddy on October 17 in Van Meter Auditorium. Liddy's speech, "To Survive or Prevail: The Choice is up to You," elicited applause and laughter from many of the 700 spectators.

AFTER A PANEL discussion on censorship, Robert Grant talks with a few students in Downing University Center Theater. The heated debate was sponsored by the University Center Board.

(far left) SCHOOL REFORM WEEK opens on April 8 with Pulitzer Prize winning author Alex Haley speaking to a crowd of 3,000 in Diddle Arena. His speech, "The Importance of Getting a Good Start," was sponsored by the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences.

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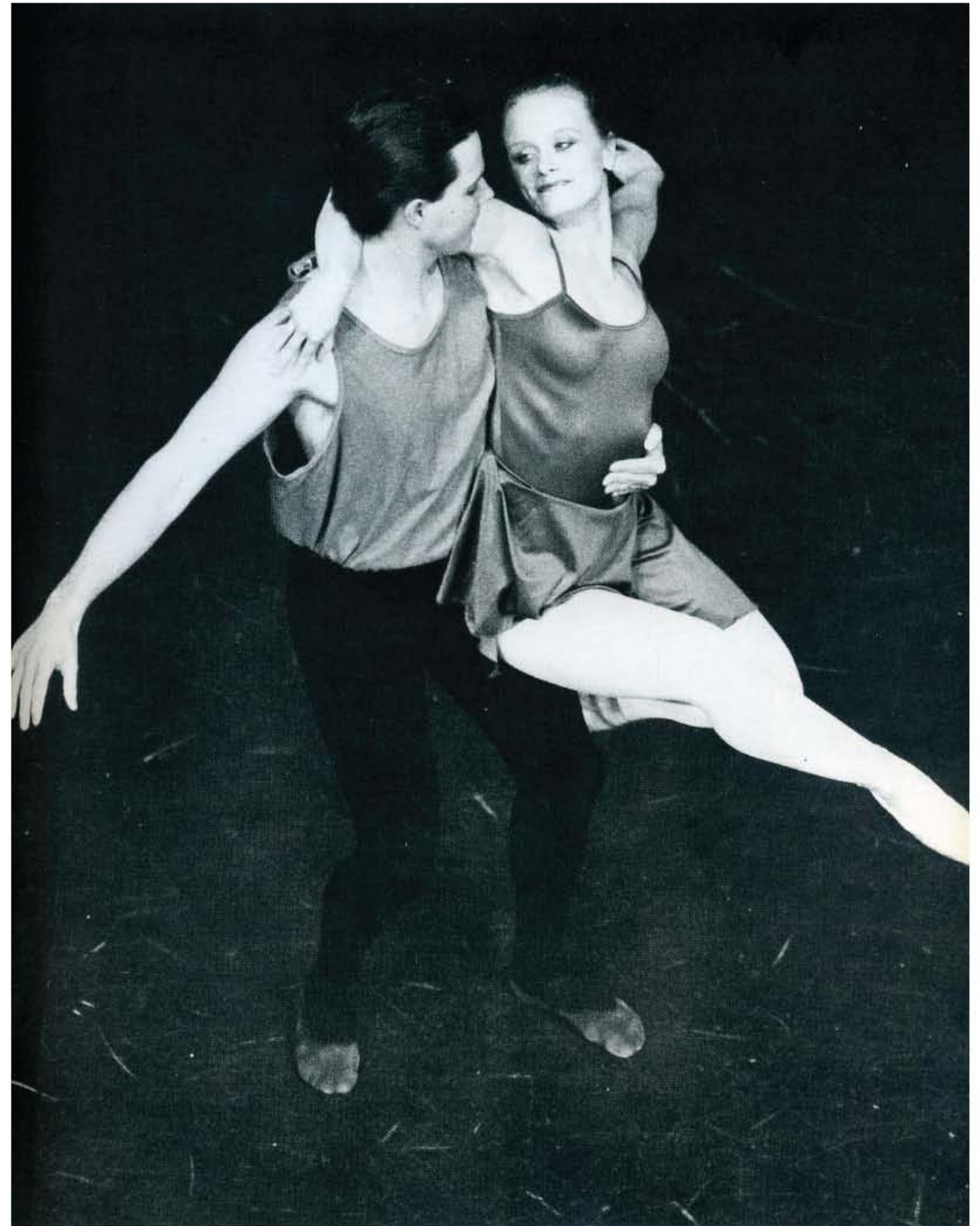
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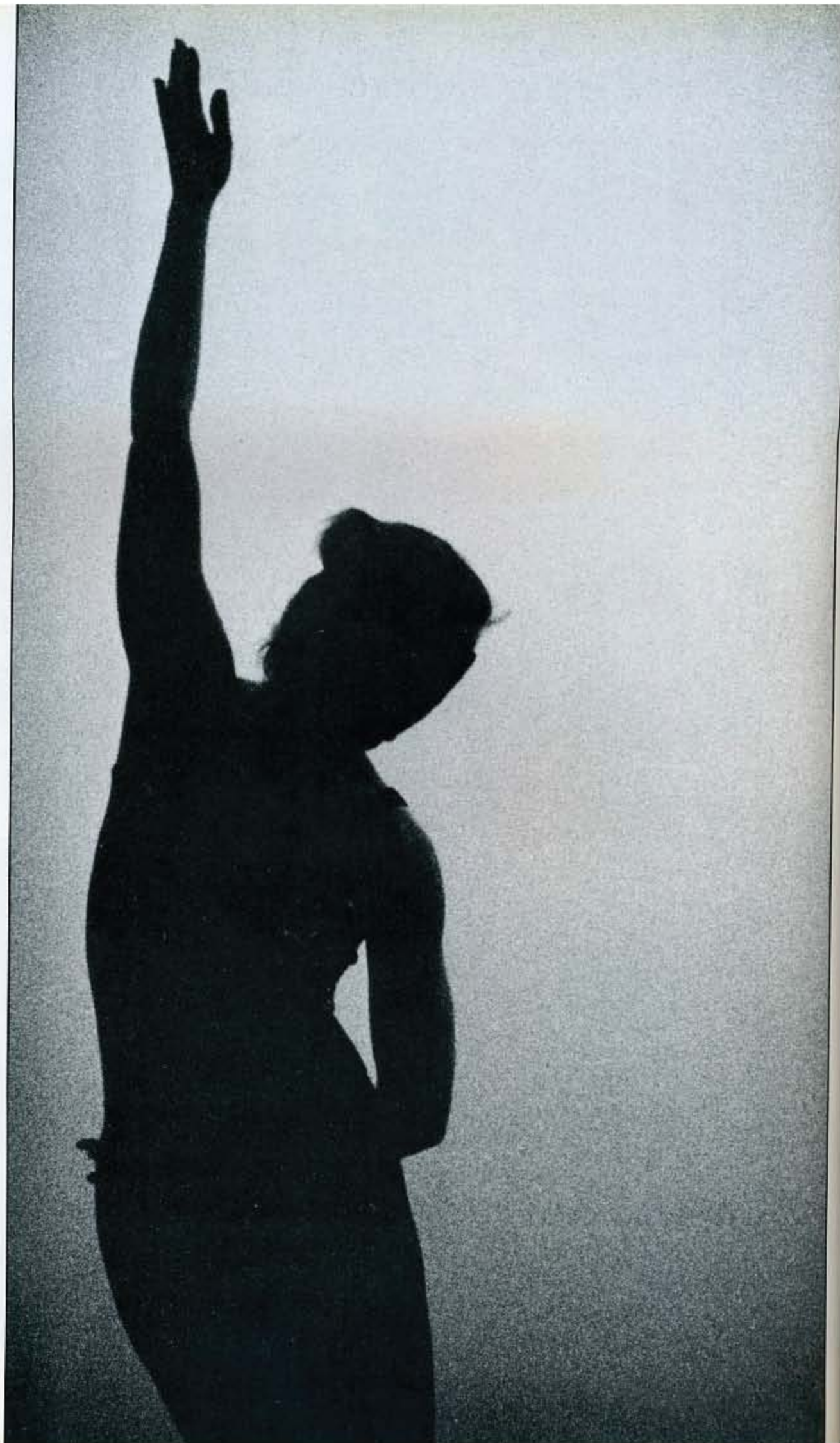


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**TRACING HER SCARS**, Marla Hanson speaks about victim's rights to an audience of 170 on April 15 in Downing University Center Theater. The ex-model's injuries, inflicted after a disagreement with her landlord, brought her a record-breaking settlement of \$78.5 million.

**DANCING** to "Spring and a Young Man's Fancy" are Jeffrey Lutz of Cox's Creek and Heather Johnson of Bardstown. The two were senior company members. Marc Piscotty





REHEARSING for "An Evening of Dance," Olmstead senior Kevin Jackson, and Nashville senior Erin Sullivant perform in "Godspell." The musical piece gave an opportunity for company members to show off their singing talents.

IN RUSSELL MILLER Theater, Bowling Green senior Victoria Harp dances and sings in "Godspell". The piece was part of "An Evening of Dance," which ran April 15-21.

(far left) SILHOUETTED AGAINST the backdrop, a dance department member performs in the "Le Club" dance piece. A part of "An Evening of Dance," the number was a musical comedy.

Photos by Marc Piscotty

# Welcome to the Real World

BY: Kim Hadley  
Photo by Marc Piscotty

Standing offcourt at Diddle Arena, they peeked around the pale blue curtain that partially hid them from the thousands who had gathered.

"Now, we've all got to be dignified," one of them murmured, while the line of gowned figures behind him whispered of the way it "used to be." The casual tone then changed when the University Chamber Band began to play. They straightened each other's robes and marched out to the familiar strains of "Pomp and Circumstance."

The faculty members took their seats on adjacent sides of the floor and waited like everyone else for the graduating class of 1991 to enter, thus beginning the 134th Commencement ceremony at 2:55 p.m., May 5, 1991.

"I'll never find them," a graduate student said, looking out into the bleachers lined with a crowd, all in their Sunday best. The line then began moving again as he and others filed into the middle of the Arena floor, meeting camera flashes across the gym.

"As soon as she walked out, I saw her," said Louisville sophomore Brian Knoop. "I was all the way up at the top (of the Arena)."

Knoop stood by the blue curtain, directly behind the graduating class, waiting to present a dozen roses to his girlfriend, Missy Hite, a biology major from Elizabethtown.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Snyder of Bowling Green patiently fanned themselves as they looked at the commencement program and then searched for their grandson, Todd Barnard, a government major.

"He said he was 19th in the row closest to us, so it was easy to find

him," Mrs. Snyder said.

Among those marching in was Nancy Brandenburg, who hobbled to her seat.

The Elizabethtown elementary education major had gotten several opportunities to move to the front of the line, but, sitting against a wall in the spiraling hallway that led to the arena floor, she shook her head each time as she touched her three-week-old cast.

"I want to go where I'm supposed to be. I want to wait like everybody else did," she said.

Dr. J. David Kivett of campus ministries began the opening prayer by giving thanks for parents "who've given encouragement—or better yet, a check in the mail."

President Thomas Meredith then asked family of the graduating class to stand and be recognized. He also asked in his opening remarks for all graduation candidates who were the first college graduates in their immediate families to stand.

Dr. Robert V. Haynes, vice president for academic affairs, then made the faculty award presentations. Finalists for the university-wide awards were health & safety professor Jimmi Price, winning an award for teaching; chemistry professor Wei-Ping Pan, winning an award for research/creativity; and education professor Julia Roberts, winning an award for public service.

Recognized as scholars of their college were Jo Ella Haynes Goad of Portland, Tenn.; Jahna A. Rearden of Whitesville; April Dorris of Orlinda, Tenn.; Julie Fleming of Huntsville, and Lydia J. Jagers and Sean T. Willgruber, both of Bowling Green. Winning the Ogden Achievement

Award for highest GPA in four years were Dorris, Rearden, Fleming and Jagers.

President Meredith gave the commencement remarks, following an address by student body president Michael Colvin of Louisville.

Then applause filled the arena as parents leaned forward, getting ready. The conferring of degrees would soon begin.

"Did you see her, Linda?" a woman asked her sister.

Linda Miller of Nashville, Tenn., sat on a top bleacher, 180 degrees from her daughter, Lisa Mays, an accounting major, who had just shook hands with Dr. J. Michael Brown, dean of the business college.

"She's worked three jobs all the way through school," Linda beamed, mentioning her daughter's cum laude standing. "She's a hardworking girl. I think she'll get what she goes after."

Another family watching the ceremony was that of general studies major Gayle Morris of Bowling Green.

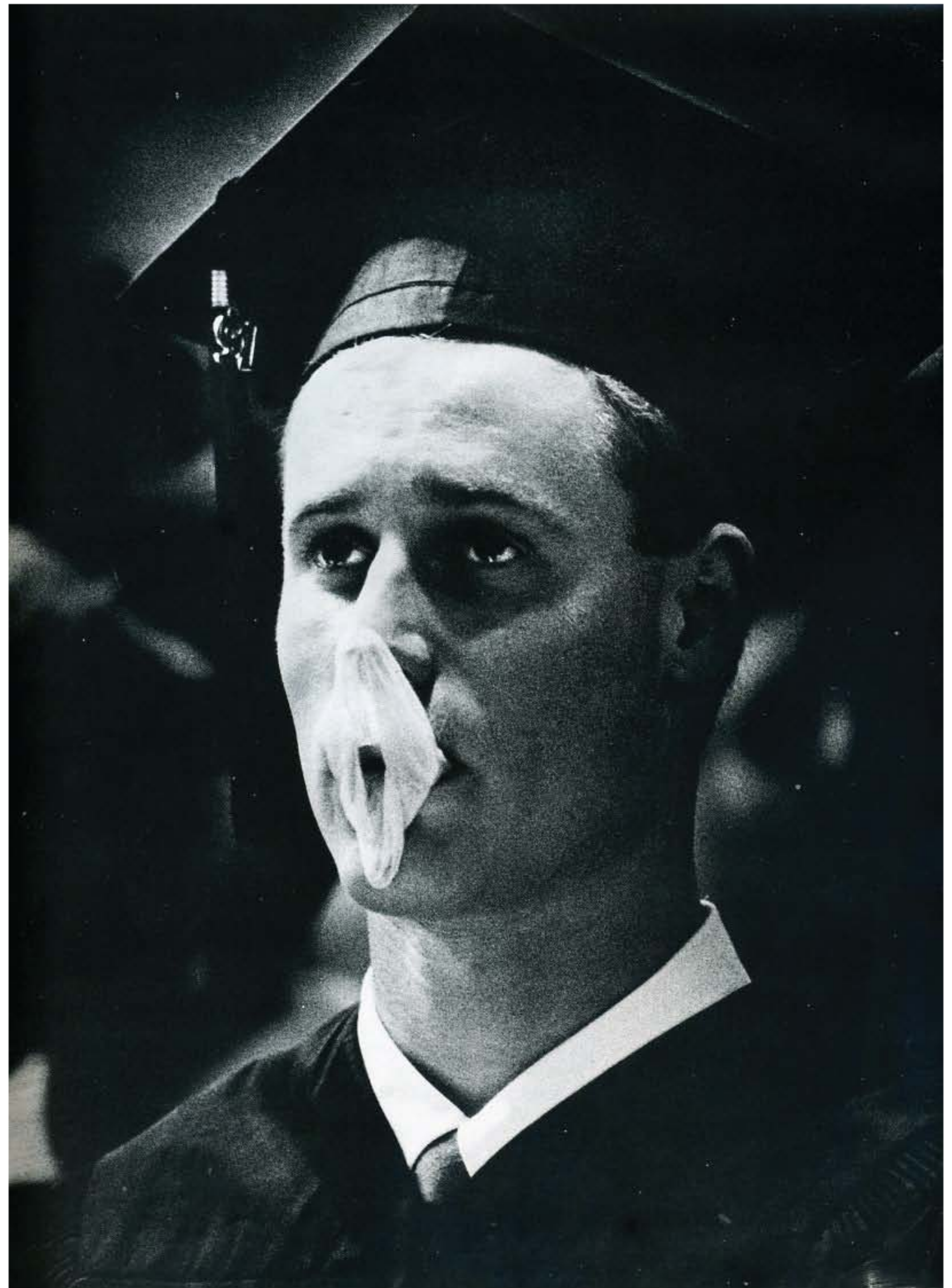
When Gayle sent a graduation invitation to her husband's work place, he thought it was a joke, she said.

"I started here in 1975," she said. "This is the first time I've ever got to be on my own. I've grown up a lot."

Many graduating seniors said they were going through the line for their family. Christa Reinersman, an elementary education major from Crescent Springs, agreed, but said she wished to accept a diploma in the annual ceremony "to finalize" her college career. "I don't think you can say you graduated until you've walked."



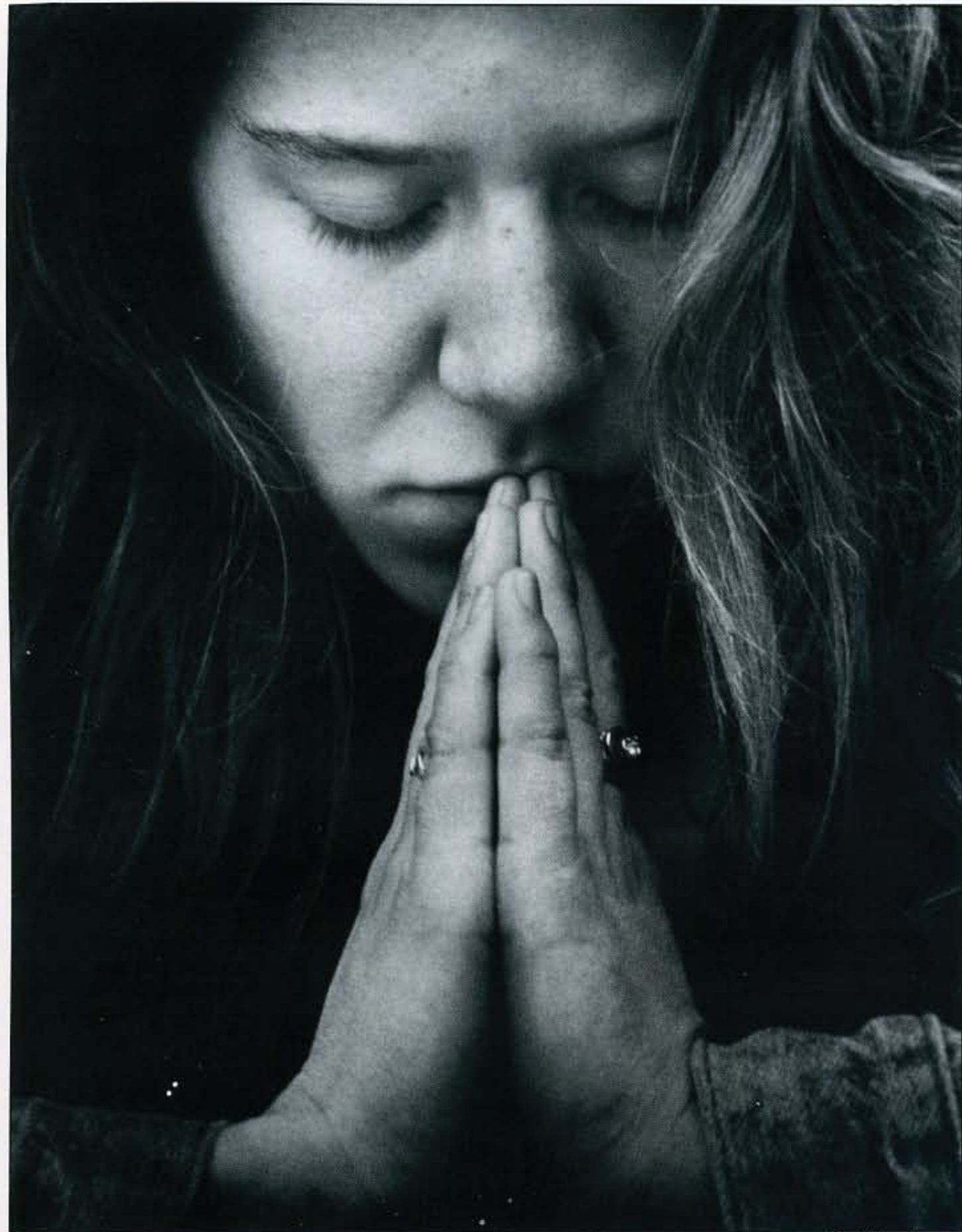
WHILE LOOKING FOR family and friends in the crowd, Todd Barnard blows bubbles. The Bowling Green senior received a bachelor's degree in government.



# ON THE WESTERN FRONT







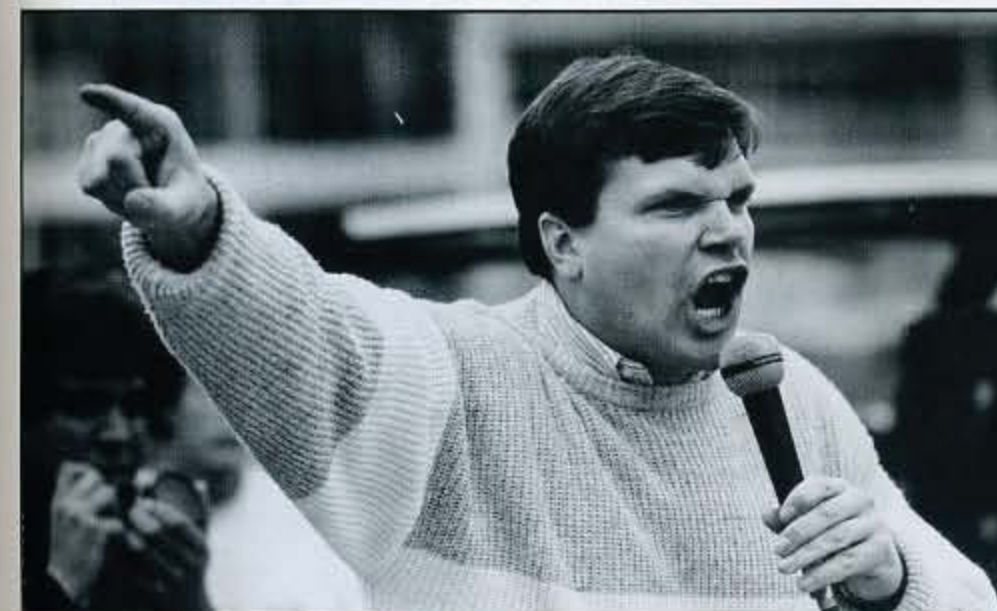
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## THE WAY WE WERE

Sending the American troops to the Middle East brought mixed emotions to the homefront. 'Is a life worth oil? Are we there for oil? What else can be done?' These and other questions were posed and discussed at numerous rallies and protests.

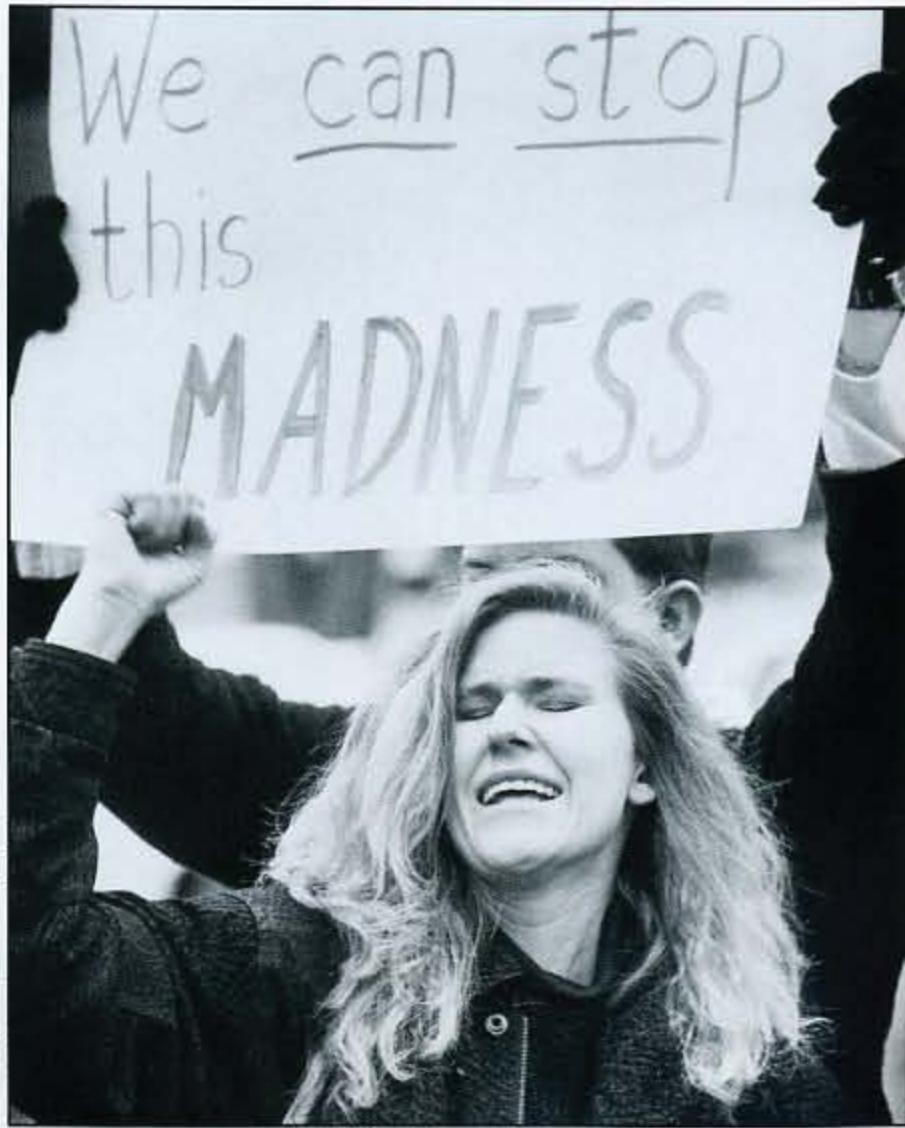


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(far left) AT THE GULF WAR protest, Minneapolis, Minn., graduate student Tamara Layman prays for peace. The protest was held Jan. 15.

AS SHE WAITS for the Gulf War protest to begin, Louisville sophomore Julie Browning expresses her opinion against Operation: Desert Shield. She felt that the price of oil was not worth "thousands of soldiers losing their lives."

AT THE OPEN-MIKE gathering outside Downing University Center, a student drives home his point. The event was sponsored by United Student Activists in an attempt to air all views.



OPINIONS WERE VOICED at the rallies and Russellville junior Erika Snyder takes part. Snyder shouted in disapproval of our involvement in the Gulf.

(far right) IN SUPPORT OF the troops, about 300 students march up College Street. The march was sponsored by the Inter-fraternity Council. David Stephenson

Joseph A. Garcia



Steve Smart



# 'IT HITS HOME'

When war broke out in mid-January, almost everyone was glued to the nearest television set. Some sat at home, in dorm lobbies, and in restaurants, watching intently, pausing occasionally to talk about what they were seeing. Everyone had an opinion ...

BY: Carrie Morrison

"Nuke 'em til they glow," Tom Sauchick, a member of the Air National Guard, said excitedly when he heard the news Jan. 16.

"I hate it that it came this far. ... I feel that Bush should have tried a peaceful settlement long before now," the 25-year-old Western student said. "But that didn't happen, so I support

him 100 percent.

The only thing that scares me is that this kind of warfare has never been waged before by mankind with the technology we have. ... We're probably gonna lose a lot of men."

Sauchick said he was ready and waiting to get the call to serve.

"I owe it to the people who have

spilled their blood for their country to keep defending it. ... These conscientious objectors piss me off. They join the military and then when they're called to fight, they say 'no, I don't want to go.' If they didn't want to go, they shouldn't have joined the goddamn military."

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WITH NERVOUS ANTICIPATION, Henderson Tenn., sophomore Angela Compton and Paducah senior Maribel Terres watch updates of the Iraqi invasion on CNN. They were at McLean Hall when the war broke out.



Craig Fritz

Many were supportive of the Allies decision to attack. But some, like Crestwood junior Jason Gillam, were apprehensive.

"I question the government's motives," he said. "I don't want us to fight." He said Saddam couldn't keep doing what he was doing, but "It bothers me that we can't get it straightened out."



David Stephenson

Freshman Eddie Groggans described what he saw when the fighting started: "All of a sudden, two reporters (on CNN) broke in and were talking on the phone. One kept saying over and over, 'I see fire; I hear explosions!'"

"I didn't expect it to happen so soon," Groggans said. His girlfriend's father faced the possibility of being called to serve. "It hits home," he said.

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Dresden Wall, an Elizabethtown senior, was in night class when the war broke out. "Somebody said we bombed Iraq," she said. "I'm sorry that we had to go to war, but I think every option had been explored and this is what we should do. ... I think Saddam should be murdered."

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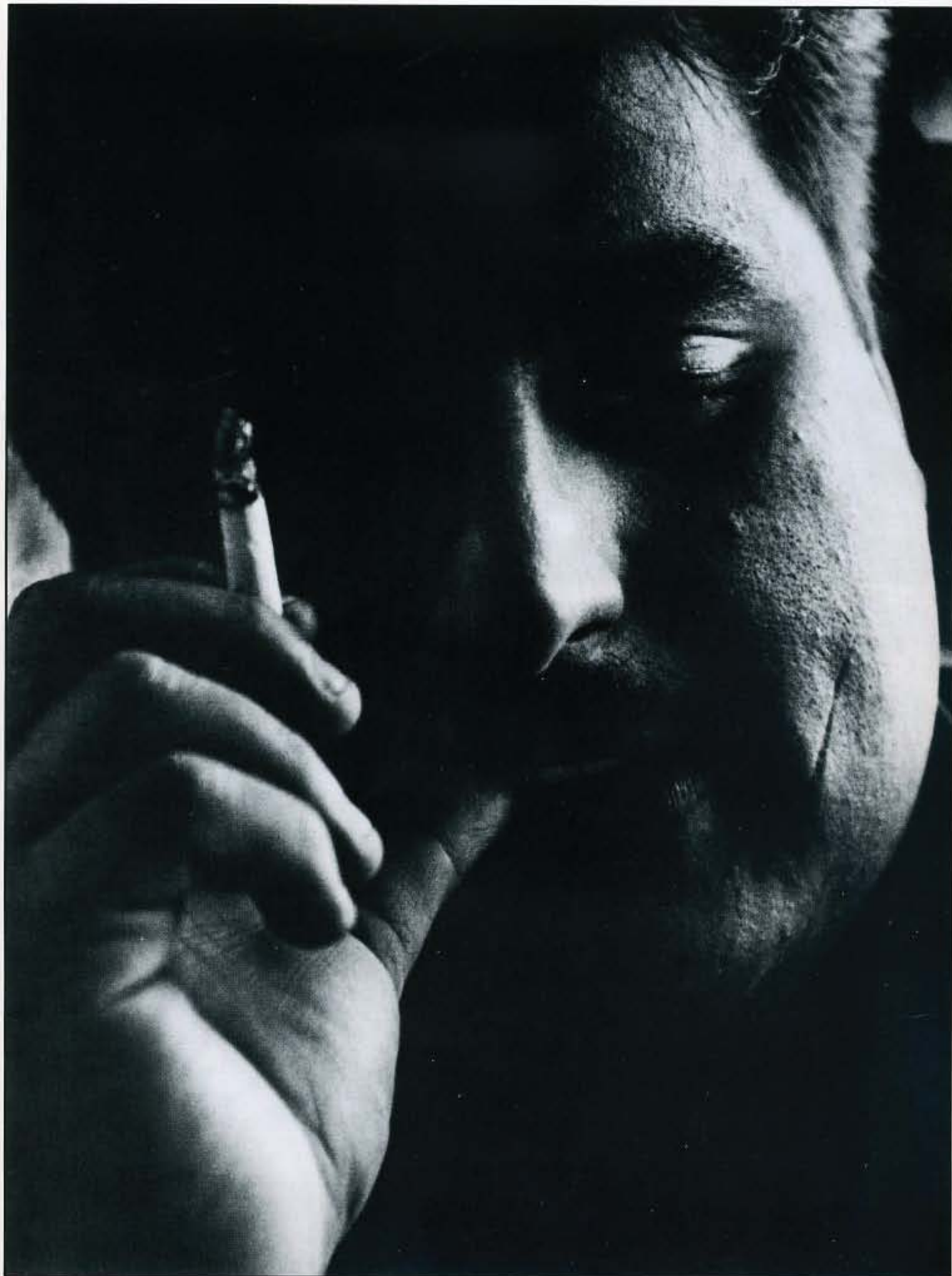


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STUDENTS FROM THE Military Science class watch a press conference concerning the crisis in the Gulf. Students began watching the news around the clock days before the Jan. 15 deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

STUDENTS KEEP VIGIL at the television at the Wesley Foundation the night Iraq invaded Kuwait, and await news about the war. Some of the students had family and friends involved in the war.

At one point, citizens from the United States, Swaziland and Ireland were found sitting silently in front of the television in Schneider Hall's lobby. They listened as President Bush addressed the nation. "This will not be another Vietnam. ... We will be successful in creating a new world order."



# WAITING FOR THE STORM

BY: Dwain Harris  
Photos by Craig Bell

"Kuwait is like a mother to me; I'm part of her. Kuwait goes through my blood, my veins."

Sitting at a small table in a corner of a busy Garrett Cafeteria, Saud Alzaid explained his love for his native Kuwait and the sense of betrayal he was feeling.

"You would never think a brother would rape a whole country," he said. "To prove what I'm saying, Kuwait didn't even have forces on the border (with Iraq)."

It had been a month and a half since Saddam Hussein's menacing tanks had rumbled into the tiny, oil-rich country of Kuwait. Within hours, Alzaid's homeland had become the domain of a man Alzaid and many Kuwaitis had once thought of as a "wise hero."

As Alzaid spoke, a thin, almost constant layer of smoke rose from his cigarette and partially obscured his face. But it did little to hide the animated Kuwaiti senior's emotions. His voice occasionally cracked as he told how his life had changed.

"My dream used to be to graduate and get a job ... have a big family," the 25-year-old computer science major would later say. "Now my dream is to see my dad and my mom, my sisters and my brothers, kiss every one of them and tell them that I love them."

He was confident that his immediate family was all right, but he could not help thinking about what could happen. He had already heard one horror story, involving his 18-year-old cousin.

"He was sitting in front of his house with his friends when the Iraqi soldiers picked (them) up," Alzaid explained. "They brought them back eight days later. But in a way I wish they didn't bring him back, because he is living but not knowing where he is."

The Iraqis had tortured him to the brink of death. "They did everything that you could think of," said Alzaid, the anger and disgust growing evident on his face.

"They burned his eyes, his nose; they beat him; they (electrically

shocked) him. ... He can't function anymore."

Ahmad Alhendi, another senior from Kuwait, was as surprised as Alzaid when he got word of the Aug. 2 invasion. "My friend told me that Iraq attacked Kuwait. ... I thought he must be joking. Three hours later, there was no Kuwait."

Alhendi tuned in to the news after hearing of Hussein's aggression. "It was like watching a play," the 25-year-old agriculture major said. It was "like a big, big dream to me."

The nightmare had just begun, and it would nearly bring time to a standstill for Alhendi. "I don't count them as months," he said two months after the invasion. "I count them as centuries."

Americans everywhere felt the sting of the Gulf War one way or another. For months, the world nervously awaited the moves of an unpredictable dictator and the responses of a primed multi-national armed force.

No one on Western's campus ♦♦



(far left) AS HE RELAXES at the airport, Saud Alzaid wonders what might happen when he arrives in Saudi Arabia. Alzaid was called by the embassy Jan. 22 to go to Washington D.C., then on to Saudi Arabia.

STUDENTS AT HENRY MOSS Middle School gather around Saud Alzaid and wait for their "Free Kuwait" T-shirts. Alzaid spoke to the class about the war in the Gulf and explained his position as a Kuwaiti.

## STORM CONTINUED

watched more anxiously than the 20 or so Kuwaiti students, who not only had to worry about their families, but also their homeland and their whole way of life back in Kuwait. In America, it was difficult for them to carry on with their day-to-day lives.

Their priorities were drastically changed. Classes and movies took a back seat to long-distance phone calls and CNN.

"I've tried (calling his family) almost every night," said Alhendi, who had gotten through to his mother only once. He began to dread the same recorded message he heard from the AT&T operator almost every time he called.

Alzaid had better luck with communication. He periodically talked to his 23-year-old brother, Waddah, who had gotten out of Kuwait and was living in Saudi Arabia.

Waddah kept him updated on the well-being of their family, who lived in the suburbs of Kuwait City. Although Waddah assured him they were safe, Saud was concerned that he wasn't getting the whole truth from his brother.

"When I talk to him," Saud said in October, "I feel there is a hidden thing behind his voice. He tries to cover it up..."

Bader Al Essa, a sophomore business major, found it hard to concentrate on his classwork, "no matter how much you try to study.

"Everything that happens around you reminds you of what's going on (in the Gulf)," he said.

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Impatience and anxiety reigned as the new year approached. The Kuwaiti students doubted sanctions or negotiations would get the Iraqi troops out of their country. "He's (Hussein) planning to stay there forever," Alhendi said.

Almost from the start, they favored taking military action if trade sanctions failed, and they were ready to take up arms themselves. Most volunteered to



MOMENTS BEFORE BOARDING the plane at Nashville International Airport to go to Saudi Arabia, Saud Alzaid says goodbye to his friend Abdullah Alabbad. Alzaid was a WKU student from Kuwait who volunteered for service during the Mideast crisis.

serve with the Coalition forces, and anxiously waited to be chosen.

The Gulf situation came to a head soon after Christmas break, as President Bush gave Hussein a Jan. 15 deadline to withdraw from Kuwait.

Alzaid was on edge as the pivotal hour approached. "This is going to be very hard for me to go to sleep tonight, but it's worth it," he said on the eve of the deadline. He worried about his family's safety during the inevitable hostilities. "I love them, but it's either get (the Iraqis) out or I won't see them ever."

The Coalition offensive finally began on Jan. 16. American and British fighter planes struck Baghdad and other parts of Iraq with surprising success, and President Bush began his address to the nation that night by saying: "The liberation of Kuwait has begun."

"When I heard 'liberation of Kuwait,' I felt a new life," said Alzaid, who repeatedly expressed hope that he would be called to service soon. He said he craved the smell of Kuwaiti sand. "I have two goals—to see my family and my country," he said.

"I had tears in my eyes," Alhendi

said. "Finally, I'm gonna see my family," he said hopefully, noting that all the while, he had been "on fire, waiting for my time to go to my country."

But Alzaid would be the first to leave. He got the call from the Kuwaiti Embassy in Washington Jan. 22. "We're going to push (Hussein) out," he said the day before he left. "We're gonna get him out of there."

Four other Kuwaiti students, including Alhendi and Al Essa, were called to serve Jan. 28.

"When I got the phone call, I was very happy," Al Essa said the day before his departure. "I was thanking God for this chance. ... It's an honor to help somebody that's helping me," referring to the multi-national coalition and particularly the Americans.

The Kuwaitis had repeatedly expressed their appreciation for the Americans who were helping to fight the Gulf War.

In fact, they had held a rally on campus Sept. 25 to say thanks to the Americans. The rally, which was attended by President Meredith and local government leaders, was held to

"show supporters how we feel and to show our appreciation," Mahmoud Al-mulla, a Kuwaiti senior, said.

Alhendi, who said he had several friends in the Marines, feared for the lives of Americans and others in the war. Two days before he left for the Gulf, he said, "I feel scared because anybody from the Allies who gets injured or killed is like part of my family."

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After an intensive, 21-hour-a-day, 10-day training course, Alzaid, who was one of five out of a regiment of 60 to be chosen to go with the Marines, was shipped to Saudi Arabia. He said his main job was to help with communication. He would use his knowledge of the area and the people to assist with the offensive.

After the second day of the ground

war, he was moved to Kuwait City near the front lines. "The special moment was ... when I crossed the border to go into Kuwait," he said. "All of a sudden, I found those two tears coming out of my eyes." He was not crying because of sadness, he said. His tears were ones of relief, of joy.

By the time Alzaid got to Kuwait City, however, the fighting had already stopped. But he would stay for a few weeks to help with civil affairs and coordination. He also got to see his family, who, as it turned out, was safe, just as his brother had told him. Alzaid described his encounter with his 12-year-old brother, who at first didn't recognize him.

As Saud approached his house, "My little brother looked at me ... (and first) thought I was American. He was chanting 'Bush! Bush!' Then he

recognized me ... and started shouting 'Saud! Saud!'" Alzaid's face lit up with a huge smile as he recalled the moment. "Then he jumped and was all over me, kissing me. ... He's not believing what he's seeing. Then I laid down and kissed the ground."

But the Iraqi invasion had taken its toll. "Time will not heal this wound for the people in Kuwait," he said, even though he believes the city could be rebuilt within a couple of years.

Although it had only been two years since he had seen his parents, they looked "10 years older," Alzaid said.

Within a few weeks, Alzaid was back at Western. On a cool March evening, he leaned back on his living room sofa and put the last nine months of his life in a nutshell. "Torture, torture ... then relief."

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AS REPORTS OF S.C.U.D. missile attacks in Israel air on CNN, Saud Alzaid prepares for his trip to Washington D.C., and the possibility of fighting in the Gulf. Alzaid was trained in Saudi Arabia as an interpreter for American troops.

# SANDS OF TIME

Information gathered from TIME and U.S. News and World Report

**August 2**

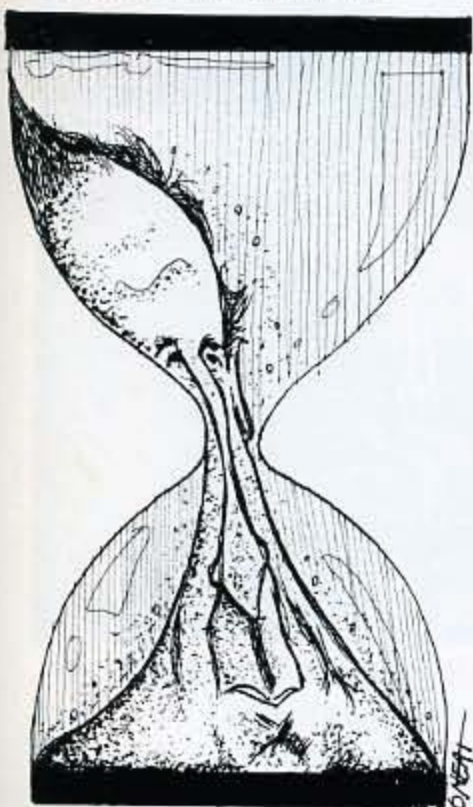
Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, and within 12 hours the tiny country was conquered. Hussein cited such grievances as Kuwait's overproduction of oil according to OPEC quotas and Kuwait's claim of the Rumaila oil field as just causes for the invasion. Hussein also wanted to be forgiven of half of a \$20 million debt his country owed Kuwait and claimed that Kuwait has belonged to Iraq since the dissolution of the Ottoman Empire.

**August 6**

President Bush called up the first of the American troops to go to Saudi Arabia, at its request, to protect the country from a possible Iraqi invasion. The United Nations' Security Council passed a resolution authorizing trade sanctions against Iraq.

**August 24**

The United Nations authorized, by a 13-0 vote, the use of force to back up the economic sanctions. Cuba and Yemen abstained from voting.



**November 29**

The U.N. Security Council set January 15, 1991, for Hussein's complete and unconditional withdrawal from Kuwait. If Iraq did not withdraw, the coalition would use force to oust the aggressor.

**January 15**

The day passed quietly without Hussein's withdrawal from Kuwait or President Bush's announcement of war.

**January 16**

The coalition began Operation Desert Storm with a massive air campaign against Iraqi military targets and the city of Baghdad.

**February 23**

Almost one-third of the United States casualties of the war occurred when debris from an Iraqi scud missile struck a military barracks near Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. The explosion killed 28 American soldiers and injured 90 more.

**February 24**

The ground action began. Within 12 hours, the 101st Airborne Division, stationed at Fort Campbell, had established a base for the refueling and resupplying of vehicles and troops about 75 miles inside Iraqi territory. By evening the First Marine Division had reached the al-Jaber airport, which marked the halfway point from the Saudi border to Kuwait City.

**February 27**

President Bush called a cease-fire to offensive actions.

During Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, 149 members of the Allied forces were killed while another 238 were wounded, according to U.S. News & World Report. Accounts estimated Iraqi deaths and injuries between 80,000 and 90,000. Approximately \$200 billion will be needed to rebuild Kuwait.

War? Who said anything about war? We just figured we would slap some wrists over in the Gulf and bring that ruthless leader back into reality.

I don't understand what really happened. Did Saddam actually think he could trade blows with the United States Ego? Regardless of when it started, why it started, or how it started, we found ourselves at war.

As college students, most of us have now experienced our first war. This was the first war that we could actually comprehend and participate in; a war to be proud of. We are no longer the war virgins that we were before. We are now full-fledged alumni of "The Association of Those Who Have Lived During Wartime."

As official Alumni we can say things like "Did you have a good war?" and "Has war been good to you?" or "Would you like to have another war?" These are just a few of the questions that we are throwing upon one another as "Post-war Justification Proposals."

Yes, we are the warring and proud. Proud to put in print and photographs a documented history of our war. At any newsstand across the United States we can pick up annuals containing a blow by blow summary of our war.

We can read articles on how our war was really a custody battle over oil, and we can read about the twisted savagery of our evil arch enemy, Saddam Hussein. We can look at photos of blazing oil wells, terrified

# DID YOU HAVE A GOOD WAR?

Commentary and artwork by Greg Neat

and homeless Kurds wandering in the desert and even of our fearless and beloved leader, George Bush, dressed in camouflage, prodding the boss to victory.

Even the television broadcasted extensive coverage of our war. Hell, how lucky can our generation get. We know who killed Laura Palmer and for several weeks we had a 24-hour war channel.

Some of the more intitutional alumni of war thought well enough in advance to stock up on videotapes so that they might record the war footage from CNN. Those lucky few may now reenact their war in their homes at their leisure. A favorite segment is the tracked and filmed path of a missile as it blows the doors off of a barn.

Yes, indeed we are now members of the elite, and it is hard to conceive how we ever got along without our status as war alumni. War wasn't hell, it was just a bitter pill that we're all going to have to swallow.... aren't we?



# KEEPING THE FAITH

BY: Kim Hadley  
Photos by John Simpson

A couple of blocks from the fourth gate into Fort Campbell, a long, dusty gravel road sprinkled with potholes ended at a white wooden house trimmed in green. Inside, the family was already awake. Rushing about. Getting ready. "Dad! Give me a cigarette!" Julie Combs, a Fort Campbell senior, screamed from the bathroom.

"You don't need a cigarette!" her Western roommate Lacey Estus, a Louisville senior, screamed back from the kitchen.

"Shut up!" Julie replied as she came in and sat at the kitchen table.

"I'm so excited," she said, smiling and stamping her feet on the linoleum as she took the hand of another roommate, Joyce Boarman, a Williamsburg, Va., senior.

Bobby and Carrie, Julie's parents, moved about the house, finishing some breakfast dishes and getting dressed - and always hounded by Julie's commands to "hurry up".

"If that man doesn't come in soon, I'm gonna kill her," Carrie said, leaning over the kitchen sink.

Six months, one week and four days. And Michael Wessels, Julie's fiance, was finally coming home from the Gulf. The wait had seemed like an eternity, a collection of jumbled events all leading to that one day, March 9. There had been so much pain, so many revelations—all about war and about life. And all very real to three daughters of war that finally learned its meaning.

Michael left Fort Campbell August 25. Matthew Zacher, Lacey's boyfriend, left in September. Each served with the 101st Airborne Division.

"They pull guard a lot. That's all we know," Lacey said. "And that's the hardest part—not knowing."

Lacey went to help Julie get ready, leaving Joyce and Bobby at the kitchen table. Joyce had talked to her dad the night before on the phone, telling him the 101st was returning—the same division he belonged to in Vietnam.

"He said it sure isn't anything like it was when he came back," Joyce said, sipping some coffee.

"Yeah," whispered Bobby, his thoughts suddenly distant as he traced on the linoleum with his shoe. He, too, served in Vietnam.

Carrie said Bobby was "over there in '67 and '70, and I still don't know about what all went on. When he watches the news about this, he's very silent."

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Little more than a week earlier Julie hugged a pillow on her bed as Lacey rushed about the bedroom of their Chestnut Street apartment getting ready for work. It was 6 p.m.

Solemnly, Julie said, "I wonder if he (Michael) ever had to kill anybody? I hope they'll want to talk about it."

"My dad's real good about talking about Vietnam," Lacey encouraged. "... I mean, (the Gulf war) is nothing like ..."

"Yeah," Julie finished.

"Just recently, since Mike's been gone, that's the first time I ever, ever asked dad about (Vietnam)," Julie said. "I don't think it was that he didn't want



to talk about it. It was just the questions were never asked."

"I tell you honestly," Lacey said, "we grew up and it was a taboo subject in our house for a long time, wasn't it? I mean, nobody ever talked about it because it was such a bad thing."

"We didn't study it at school," Lacey reasoned, saying until she saw "Platoon" it wasn't one of her "top priorities in life."

"I know when Mike gets back, I'm going to look back and it's going to seem like it never even happened," Julie said.

Then the phone rang with news that the 101st would be coming home in about two weeks.

"Two weeks?!" Julie screamed. "Are you sure? Oh God, that's great!"

And the conversation switched to plans of celebration. The waiting would soon be over. And with it would end the anxious feeling every time the phone rang, always wondering if it would be from him or about him. Always watching the news, hoping for his face to be brushed across the screen.

"I thought it would at least be another six months," Lacey said, as Julie started another phone conversation. She then left for work.



AS THE WAIT comes to an end, Julie cheers for Michael. The celebration of the troops return was a sharp contrast to the way in which the Vietnam soldiers were welcomed back, Julie's mother said.

WHILE SHE WAITS for her fiance, Fort Campbell senior Julie Combs looks around anxiously. Michael was on the second of three flights carrying returning soldiers to Ft. Campbell that day.

Julie soon hung up the phone and played a soundless video tape Michael sent.

"That's his friend, Aaron," Julie said, pointing to a tall, blond soldier to Michael's left. "Don't they look so young."

"There were times I would lay in bed and wonder if he was ever coming home," Julie said, staring at the screen. Taking a deep breath, she found courage and said, perhaps to herself, "You've got to think positive and keep the faith." She and Michael wrote that at the end of every letter: "Keep the faith."

"I just wish I knew what they were saying," she said, her thoughts returning to the silent figures on the screen. "Torture," she whispered.

Tears came to her eyes as she tried to read Michael's lips.

"Julie, uhm, I love you," her voice choked. "I can't wait to see ya." And then the screen went gray.

"I'm not saying goodbye to him ever again," she said.

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Soon the group piled into two automobiles and joined the parade of cars lined at gate four. Julie nervously played with the radio dial, wishing out loud she had "bought a new pack of cigarettes last night."

The base grounds seemed clean, almost antiseptic except for a roadside trail of cigarette butts measuring the length of the caravan of automobiles stagnated more than 10 cars long.

Nearing the parking lot where buses took friends and family to the airport, Julie excitedly clapped her hands.

"I don't see any buses," she said, sitting up in her seat. "They left!" She then saw about a dozen people standing by their cars, waiting.

After about a 30 minute wait, cheers rang out into the crisp air as those huddled for warmth looked up from their circles to see five pastel green and beige buses coming down the road.

Boarding, Bobby, Carrie and Joyce got seats. Julie and Lacey sat on the floor of the back of the bus.

Upon arriving they sat on the bleachers pointed toward the landing

strip, before moving into the hangar to wait. Children ran about, occasionally losing a balloon that floated to join the others dotting the warehouse-like ceiling. And a red-haired teenager handed out plastic flags.

"This is just so much better than 'Nam," Carrie said, smiling as she watched the children play.

"It was nothing like *this*," she whispered, shaking her head as tears filled her eyes.

"Bobby left in June of '67 and James (their youngest son) was nine months old," she said, letting her attention quickly return to the children, playing as their mothers waited. "This is super," she said smiling. "I love it. ... I'm just thrilled for these young men."

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About 1 p.m. many moved outside with the announcement that the 747 would land in five minutes.

"Is that it?" a woman's voice called out.

"That's a bird," another woman replied, as all looked to the horizon.

Then, over the airport tower, it ♦

## FAITH CONTINUED

appeared, gliding through the air that filled with screams of "USA" and "I want my daddy."

Julie took a deep breath. "It's okay, mom; I'm not crying yet," she said.

Then as the latest war's veterans stepped onto the tarmac at Fort Campbell, Julie, her parents, Lacey and Joyce all squinted, hoping for a glimpse of Michael. Waiting to welcome him home.

"That was his walk," Julie shouted. "But I don't know..."

Again the band played, but this time it was "The Star Spangled Banner." Teary-eyed, Julie mouthed the words as Bobby looked to the flag he waved and put his hand over his heart.

As the troops retired to the hangar, Julie rushed inside, taking a position at the top of some bleachers.

A soldier took his newborn son and just held him. Another wandered, looking—then smiled and rushed to take his wife and child in his arms.

"He's not in this one," she said, her eyes watery and her hand over her mouth.

"I'm sorry honey," Lacey said.

"Don't be sorry. There are two more planes," Julie said. "Don't pity me. I don't need pity. Somebody has to be the last one off the plane."

Bobby then brought coffee as everybody sat to wait—again.

"Somebody just found somebody," Julie said, after a piercing yell.

She then talked to soldiers who had climbed the bleachers to look for loved ones.

"We heard you screaming when we hit the ground," said Tom Mindar from Chicago, Ill. "It was great."

Some soldiers with nobody to greet them talked to each other or sat by families that were still waiting, asking for their soldiers' names by chance that they might know them.

Julie and Lacey went to ask the band to play again, while Joyce, Carrie and Bobby sat patiently.

"I put my arm around her, too, and



AS SHE LOOKS at Michael with bewilderment, Julie smells a carnation he gave to her. Her fiancé, Michael Wessels, had been in Saudi Arabia for over six months.

she pushed me away," Carrie said, looking after Julie.

Julie had become the strong one again—a role she had played throughout the ordeal. The next plane was in a couple of hours, so she talked about classes and parties—perhaps remembering a party in the fall.

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Six bottles of Boone's Strawberry Hill were placed in the refrigerator for friends, who didn't start arriving at the Sept. 22 party until about 10 p.m. Early on, a few gathered with Julie in her bedroom to listen to Michael's messages taped from the answering machine. Michael had called twice on Thursday with her missing him both times. She hadn't spoken to him since he had left.

Michael said he was fine and hoped he would be home soon; Julie crossed her fingers and smiled. "I love you, I love you, I love you," he said—and then silence.

A knock came at the bedroom door and Lacey peeked inside.

"Julie, we have guests out here," she said, telling her to stop listening to the tape.

Some sat on the living room carpet listening to music until a game of Pictionary began. And as the hours passed, many said goodbye. The few that remained played the Quarter Game with the object being to drop a quarter

so it would bounce into a shot glass; a failed attempt meant taking a drink of wine.

Michael called at 2:08 a.m.

Julie screamed, clutching the phone. "Michael, honey, if you have to go up on the line, will you have to fight?"

"Michael, honey, when you come home, you set the date and I'll be ready. I just wish we'd gotten married before you left.

"Have you lost a lot of weight?"

"Michael, I quit smoking.

"Michael, what can I send to you?"

"I can't send myself over there!"

Julie's voice choked with tears, so Valerie, the girlfriend of a friend, took her hand.

"... When you come home, we'll talk about it (marriage)."

Michael hung up at 2:22 a.m.

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Julie sat quietly, clutching the receiver in her hands, tears trickling down her face.

Valerie then took the receiver from Julie and gently set it on the hook as she cradled her, face in hands.

"Oh God, he sounded so good," Julie wept. "Oh God, I'm so happy, I'm so sad. ... I can't breathe.

"I'm acting like a little kid," Julie said, with a surprised laugh. "I've always been the strong one—always,



WITH HUGS and kisses from Julie and her mom Carrie, Michael is welcomed home. Michael came home on March 9.

but right now, I say 'fuck it.'"

The room was silent, except for her sobs—and the rhythmic thump of a quarter on the table as Joyce continued the game.

Everybody coped in their own ways.

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Julie's spirits lifted after looking at a listing that confirmed Michael was on the next plane. She then went outside to wait.

And once again a plane landed as the band played "Stars and Stripes Forever." Julie jumped up and down, leading cheers and screaming, "Let them go," as the soldiers filed out of the mouth of the plane, onto the tarmac and stood at attention.

Then as the troops moved toward the hangar, Julie moved to a roped-off area

by the bandstand to find him in the line of soldiers.

"Welcome home," she and Lacey called out.

And then she saw him.

"Mike," Julie screamed, motioning for him to come to her. He shook his head, mouthing "I can't," as he went inside.

Julie ran.

Inside, she sped through the crowd, dodging dozens of M60 machine guns, looking wildly for a glimpse of him among the sea of camouflage.

Then she saw him and threw her arms and legs around him.

"Michael, Mike," she cried. "You feel so good." And taking his hand, she kissed it.

Michael then handed her a white and

red carnation from his lapel.

"I found him," she said and winked, her arms around him.

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"This place is back in business," Julie squealed, as she left the base, looking back to see soldiers filling the telephone booths. "Incredible."

Cars were still coming in and out as she passed the dormitory-like homes decorated in red, white and blue.

Then Oleta Adams' song "Get Here" came on the radio as Julie neared the long gravel drive to her home.

"That sunset's beautiful, isn't it," she said, looking to the lavender and pinks that draped the house in the distance. "Ya'll this is so perfect.

"I've never felt this happy in my life," she said. "And I hope I never have to feel this way again."

Lacey still had a couple of weeks to wait before Zach would come home, but she said she had learned a couple of things over the last six months.

"One thing, for sure, that has changed my life is that if I really care about somebody or something or whatever, I'm gonna say how I feel, 'cause you never know. ... This thing, I guess it just shows how short life is.

"The other thing," she continued, "is like when you read in the history books about war, right, like World War II, I don't know how I imagined the people at home were. But I imagined people wouldn't go on with their normal lives. It was almost like you would think you would ...

"Stop," she and Julie both finished. "And it doesn't," Lacey said. "A lot of people ignore it. Life goes on. And they're over there, and you're not.

"When I was a kid, I thought it was neat," Lacey said. "I'll admit it, I thought it was kinda neat. I didn't know what war was. And now, like, it wasn't neat and you couldn't do anything about it and it wasn't fun and, I swear to God, I hope nobody has to go through it. ◆◆◆



# THE POWER OF LOVE

**Editor's Note:** Dave Hill, a Louisville sophomore, wrote to his fiancée Jenna Travers, a Nashville, Tenn., junior, during his tour of duty in Saudi Arabia. This is an edited version of those letters.

January 29, 1991

Jen,

Well, I am here in Saudi Arabia. So much has happened over the last 48 hours. We flew from Ft. Campbell to JFK Airport in New York. We then flew to Frankfurt, Germany and then on to Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. They showed five movies on the plane and we had some pretty good food also. We even saw a video made by an elementary school in Washington State. It was really special. I've got the school's address and I plan to write there soon. The stewardesses and the flight crew were very nice to all of us. I guess they wanted to give us one last taste of home food before we left.

As the plane touched down, I was hit with a dose of reality. I passed right by a battery of Patriot missiles and a row of Italian fighter planes being loaded with bombs. We got off the plane and waited for around two hours as F-15 fighters flew overhead. We were then driven to a holding area.

This holding area is a group of seven story apartment buildings. My platoon is living in an apartment on the seventh floor. There is no furniture or hot water and we are living with four to six people in a room. There are no working elevators either, which makes getting here really fun. We have a makeshift PX and chow hall that are set up in underground parking garages.

I went to sleep for a while, until around 6:00. I went back to sleep for around three hours and then I was awakened by a SCUD alarm. It turned out to be directed toward Tel Aviv rather than here. They have had 10 SCUDs come this way since the war started. The Patriots knocked out most of them. The other one only did minor damage. I feel pretty safe with the Patriots around. They've got a bunch of them about a mile from here.

I woke up this morning and went to breakfast. It was fantastic. It was made by the Saudis. They are pretty nice people and they seem glad we are here.

We will be here for a few more days and then we will move to our EPW site and begin our mission. I don't think it will be as bad here as everyone thinks. Except for these MREs. There are a new generation of them out and they are terrible. Maybe I've just eaten too many of them.

Everything is going OK here. Everyone is pulling together pretty well and are trying to make the best of it.

(January 30, 1991)

This is our third day here. Most of us got up around 2:30 this morning. We are having a hard time adjusting to this place. We sleep during the day and can't sleep at night. Drinking this water has made people sick. We didn't have a SCUD alarm last night. Intelligence says that there will be a major attack today and the compound is on a high state of alert.

I love you and I really miss you. I am having a hard time not being able to even talk to you. I don't know how you are doing or anything. It will be a long six months. Take care!

Love,

Dave

(Mizpah)

February 12, 1991

Jen,

Well, it's been a while since I've had time to write. We have been pretty busy out here in the desert. This is my 8th day here at the PW camp. I enjoy most of the work and it keeps my mind occupied. The actual holding area for the ERWs is about two miles from here. Most of them don't seem to mind their predicament. They get 3 hot meals a day, showers and shelter — even a salary. I guess that is better than being hit by B-52s.

So far, I am doing just fine with my situation. I would really like to be at home, but I am doing okay here. I have a chance to read the Bible and my devotional in the mornings. I attended a chapel service Sunday evenings. I also hold on to all my memories of home. I have pictures, tapes, and letters, but I still sometimes feel so distant. The thoughts of returning home help keep me going. I can hardly wait to get home and get married. I should have quite a bit of money by the time I return. We should be able to get off to a good start. I prayed for a way to get some money to get started with, but I never expected this! Please remember that I love you.

Take care of yourself. Mizpah,

Dave

February 18, 1991

Jen,

I am glad to hear that you are dealing with our situation okay. It is also good to hear that we have a lot of prayers and support in our favor. I can tell that the Lord is taking care of us. I mean, you don't like it, but you are not moping around all depressed. And I am not either. We both find ways to cope. I have been working a lot and that helps keep my mind off of things back home. Even when I do have time, I usually don't get depressed.

I love you a lot. I hang on to memories of 'us' real tight. I am glad to know that I will have you to return to. Thanks for everything. I love you with all my heart.

Faithfully yours in Saudi Arabia,

Dave

February 24, 1991

Jen,

I woke up this morning and heard the news — the ground war has finally begun. We have been expecting it to happen soon — especially after President Bush's deadline for Iraqi's withdrawal passed. I had wanted to call you last night, after my shift was over, but I was unable to.

Because the deadline passed, it was ruled that it was too dangerous to leave the compound during the hours of darkness. I was heartbroken. I had been looking forward to it (talking to you, that is) for a while now. I guess that it was for the best. There were reportedly shots fired in Al Sarrar last night. The phones are only around one mile from town. I am praying for a quick end to this ground war. It is most certainly the costliest phase of the operation. Our guys are saying that the war should only last for a few days; I sure hope that they are right. Once the fighting stops, I shouldn't be here too much longer — perhaps a few months.

Well, I love you sweetie! Tell everyone I said hi. Take good care of yourself. Mizpah.

Love,

Dave

April 14, 1991

Jen,

I am writing what is hopefully my last letter to you. As it stands, we are supposed to leave here in around two weeks (24 — 29 April). It looks like we are going to be the last ones to leave because we have more people than any of the other units here. So who knows? You may not even get this until after I get home. I know I have said that before, but this time it's pretty sure we are leaving. I was really getting discouraged about the way they kept moving our leave date back. They told us we would be off of active duty by April 15th. Then they extended it two weeks. Then another month. It was getting me down. So, I prayed about it. The Lord said, 'Hey wait! You came here thinking it may be a year — or six months at the earliest! So why are you upset about being here four months instead of three?' It's true. If I get home anytime before 4 July, I should consider myself blessed. I know that we will be reunited soon and I am excited.

With all my love and prayers now and forever,

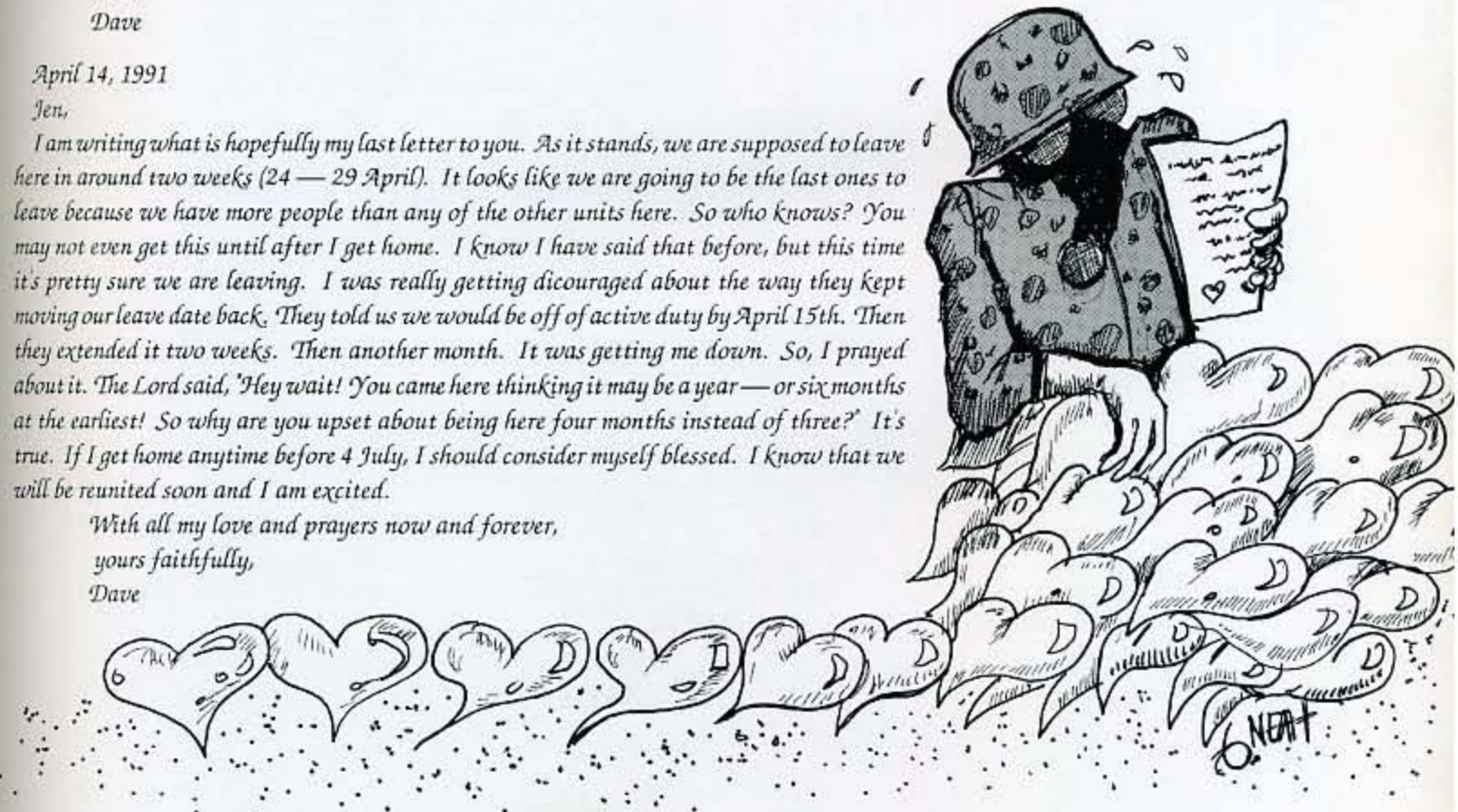
yours faithfully,

Dave

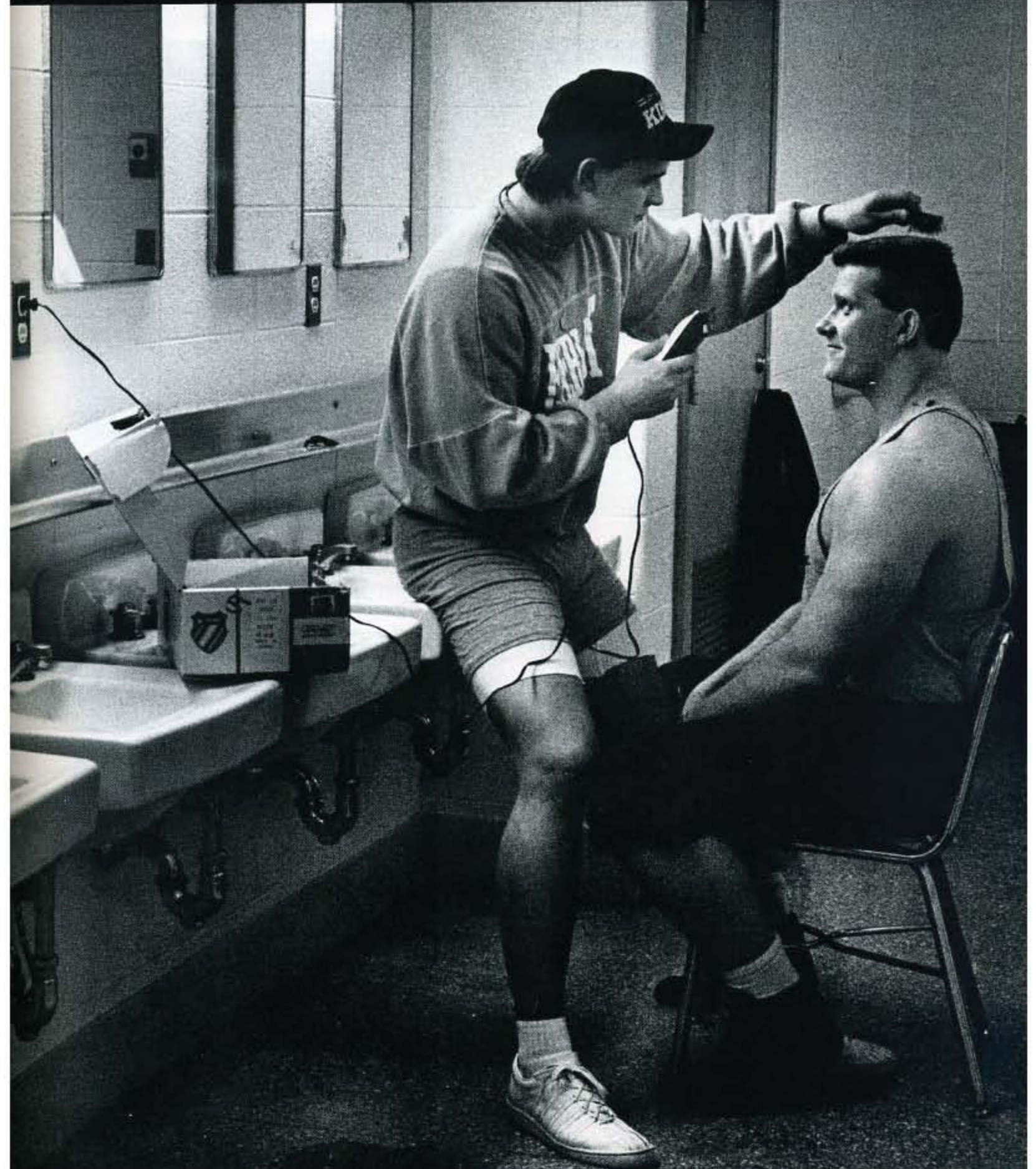
Commentary from Jenna

Dave was right. That was his last letter. On May 14th his plane landed. It was the end of a difficult time for us. It's amazing how a big blob of cold metal can bring such relief. Dave and I both learned so many things. I know that it is important for me to have a life beyond just us. He is very important, but so is my time to myself. Two trees can not grow in each others shadows. They need their distance to be strong but the roots are woven together. I can see the changes in Dave. He's more confident. He has a self-respect. Our confidence in the Lord has grown. I had so many fears when he left. The war forced me to deal with them and I have found a strength and level head I haven't needed. Most everyone says they are glad it's over, but we can say we are glad for what we faced. It wasn't a choice but it was a rich time.

Our wedding is tentatively set for July 20, 1991.



# CLASSES



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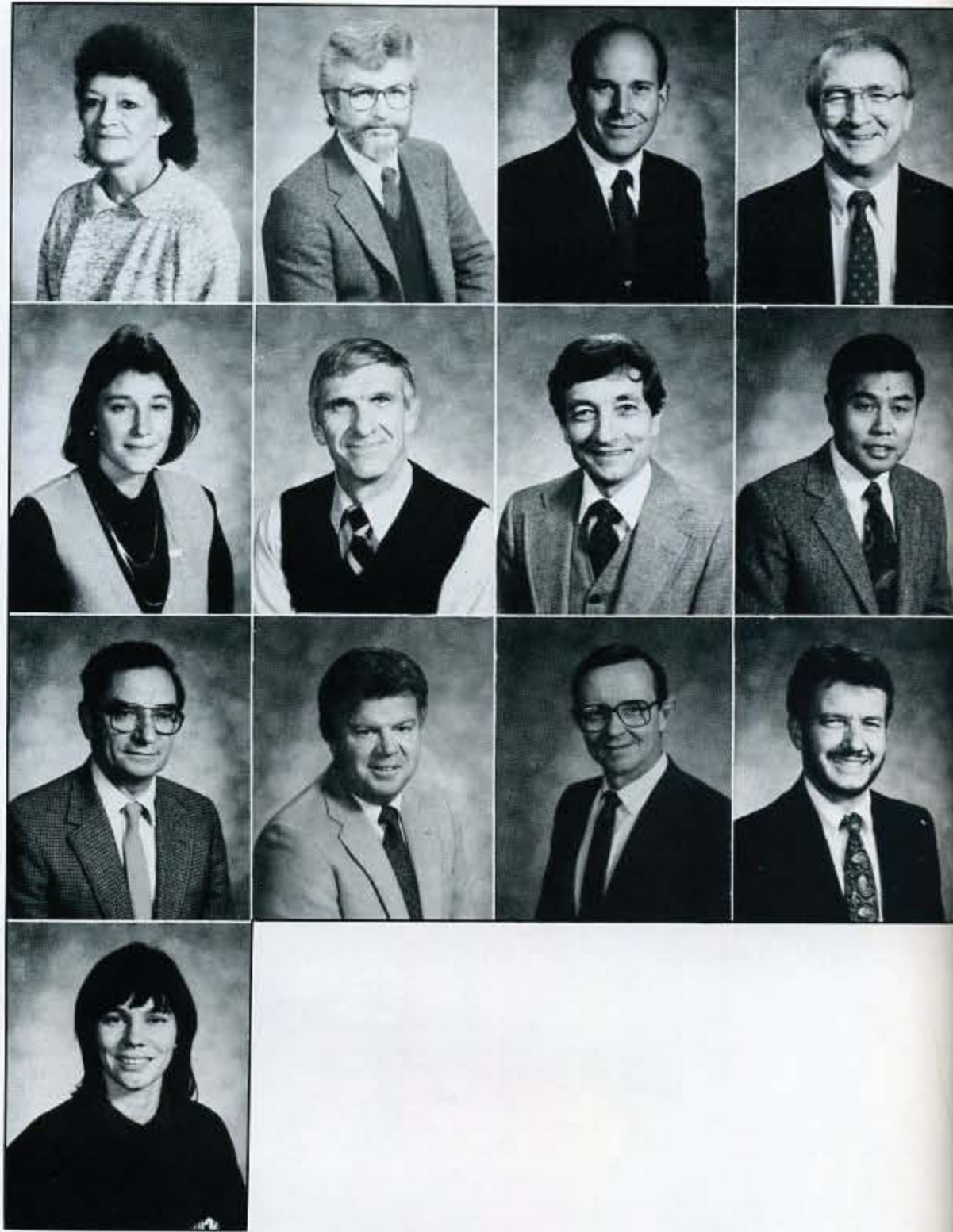
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# A Heartfelt Recovery

## Operation beats fears, leads to new life

BY: Brian Wilkerson  
Photo by Steve Smart

**K**athy Winkler sat back and thought of October 1989. "I was sitting in a FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) meeting and I suffered a mild heart attack. It was real mild, but they came and got me in an ambulance.

"When I went to the doctors in the emergency room, they said there was something wrong and they wanted me to see a heart specialist."

During the next 10 months, Winkler made several trips to Jewish Hospital in Louisville and was on regular medication. Her doctor in Louisville, Michael Springer, told her about an experimental operation that had never been attempted before in Kentucky. If it was successful, she would be cured within hours; if it wasn't, she faced the possibility of a pacemaker the rest of her life or, more than likely, another operation in an Oklahoma hospital.

Winkler, a 24-year-old Owensboro senior, had been born with a heart with two electrical pathways instead of one. "The second (pathway) was short-circuiting the other. ...When one person's heart would beat one time, mine would beat twice," Winkler said.

What she had, Springer said, was atrio ventricular (a.v.) nodal re-entry tachycardia.

"It would just do it at certain times," she said. "Sometimes...it

would make my heart beat so fast and so hard that I would then get the chest pains and dizzy spells." During the summer of 1990, Winkler had "three, maybe four, episodes where I blacked out; my heart was beating so fast. ..."

Winkler, a nursing major, agreed to the surgery even though her insurance company was initially against it because the device, a

*"I was scared to do anything, because I was afraid I would just die."*

radio-frequency generator, had not been approved by the Food and Drug Administration for the type of operation. It had been approved for other types of surgery.

"I knew more than most going in would have known," she said, adding that that wasn't always a blessing. But she didn't want to face the alternative.

Before the surgery she had to have someone with her all the time for precautionary reasons. "I was scared to do anything, because I was afraid I would just die."

Dr. Springer pointed out that this was not a typical surgery. "There was no knife involved, just a catheter," he said. He said that although

Winkler was the first in Kentucky to have this procedure, known as a.v. node modification, it had been done extensively during the past two or three years in several states, including Oklahoma, California and Michigan.

The procedure was conducted with radio waves and a camera designed to guide the surgeons through to her heart. The catheters were inserted just below her waist, one in each leg. "It's a wild procedure; you're awake for the whole thing," Winkler said. Winkler was kept awake to be alert to any damage being done to her heart.

"It would touch the side of your blood vessel and you could feel it; it didn't hurt, but you could feel it."

The procedure, Springer said, took several hours with most of the time spent winding the catheters through her body. Once in place, he said, "it took about 30 seconds" to burn the faulty channel.

Hours after the surgery, she was walking; she had entered the hospital on a Sunday night and was released the following Saturday.

Two days later, she was in class at Western.

It was during that difficult 1989 fall semester that Winkler met her fiancée. Michael Grant, a Bowling Green sophomore, was with her



through the summer and for the surgery during the first week of the 1990 fall semester.

Winkler and Grant plan to move to Richmond after they marry in June 1991. Winkler plans to work in a Lexington hospital while Grant attends classes at Eastern Kentucky University.

Though the 10 months following her heart attack were painful, she had many people supporting her. "I had a lot of support from my church," she said. "I'm a firm believer that the Lord is what got me through it."

Winkler's family and friends were also there to give her encour-

agement. Following the heart attack, a fund was started to help pay for the enormous medical bills.

Today, she's not taking any medication or on any special diet. Her doctor said there is only a trace of the pathway left, but that it's a trace small enough it won't be noticed.

For Winkler, the procedure has enabled her to lead a normal life. "I do whatever I want, whenever I want." ♦♦♦



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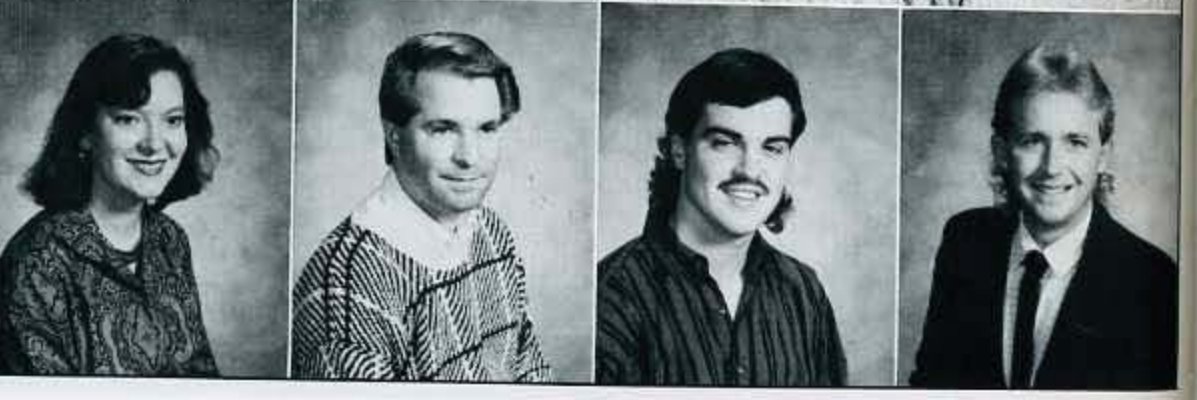
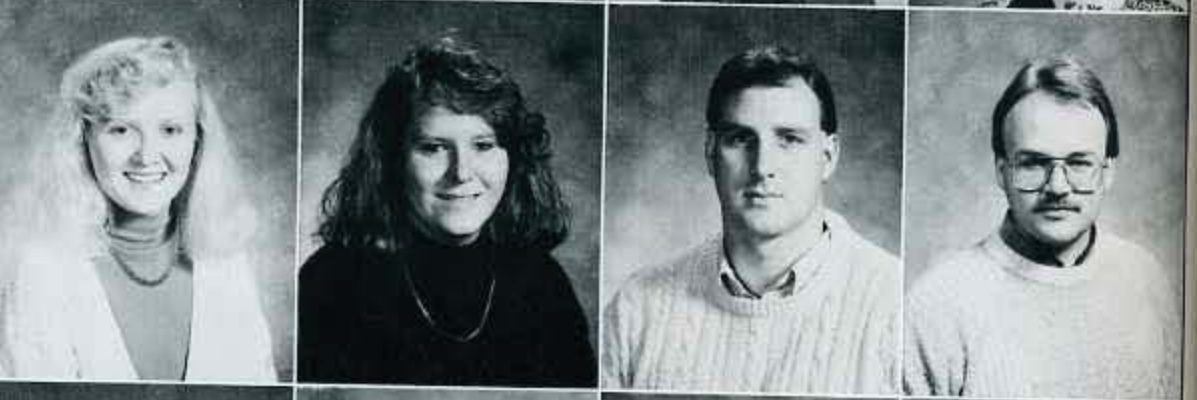
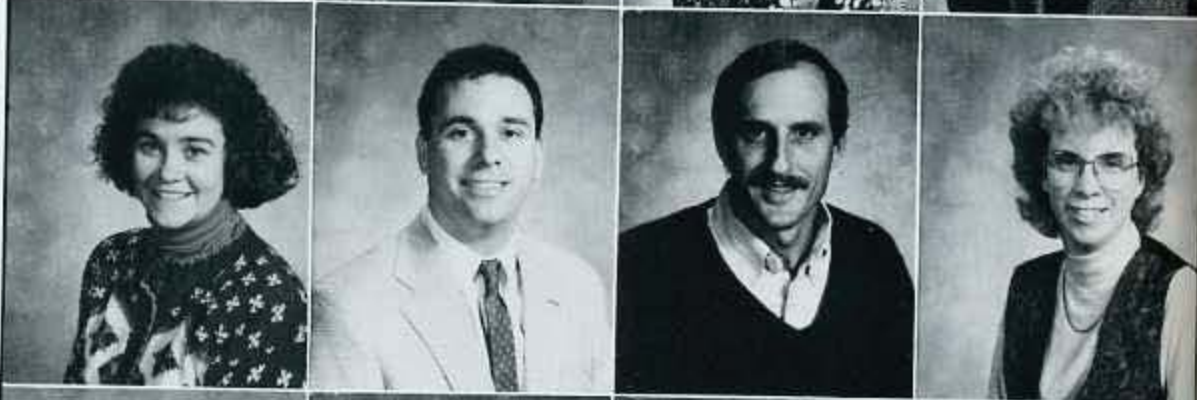
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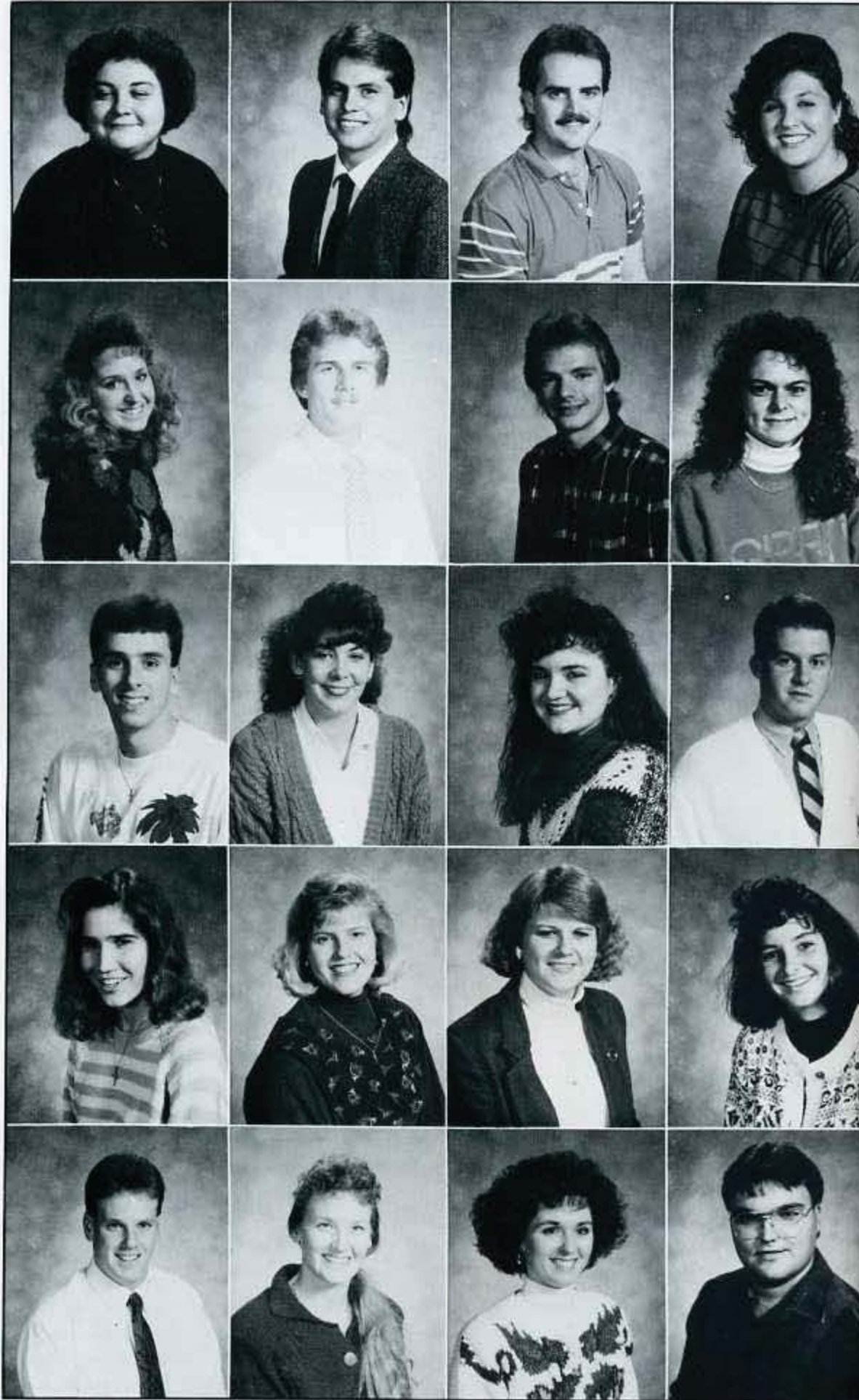
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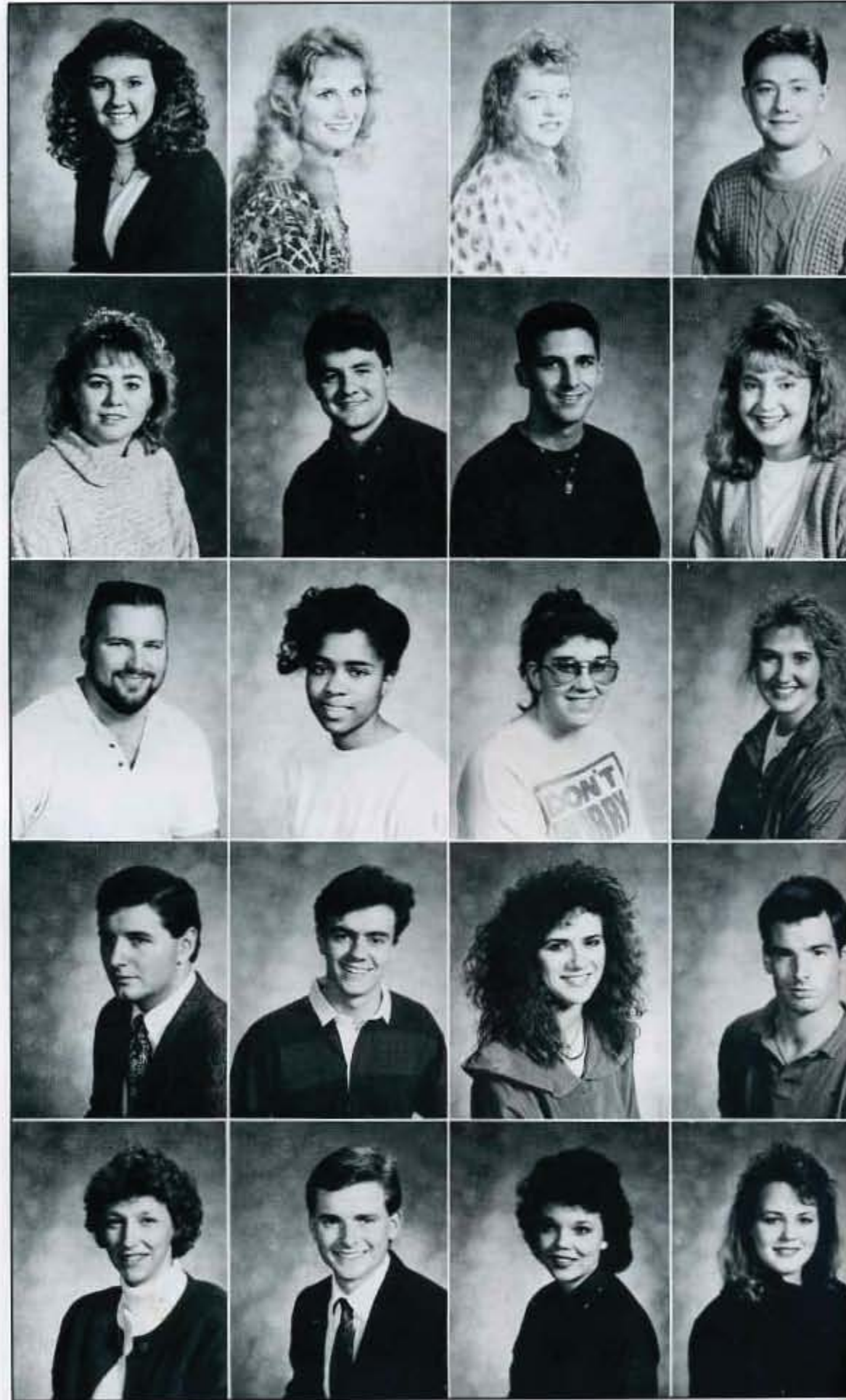
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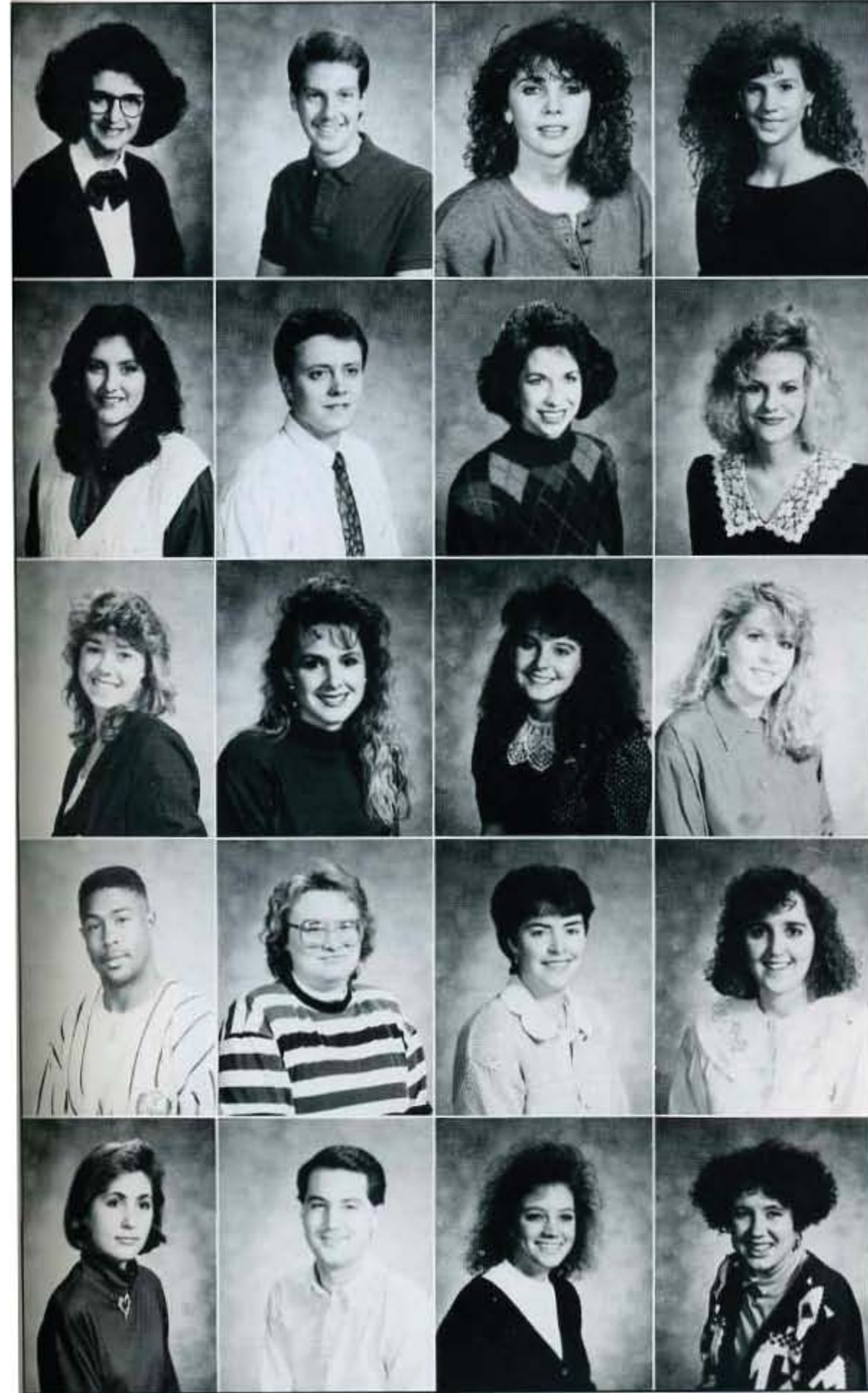
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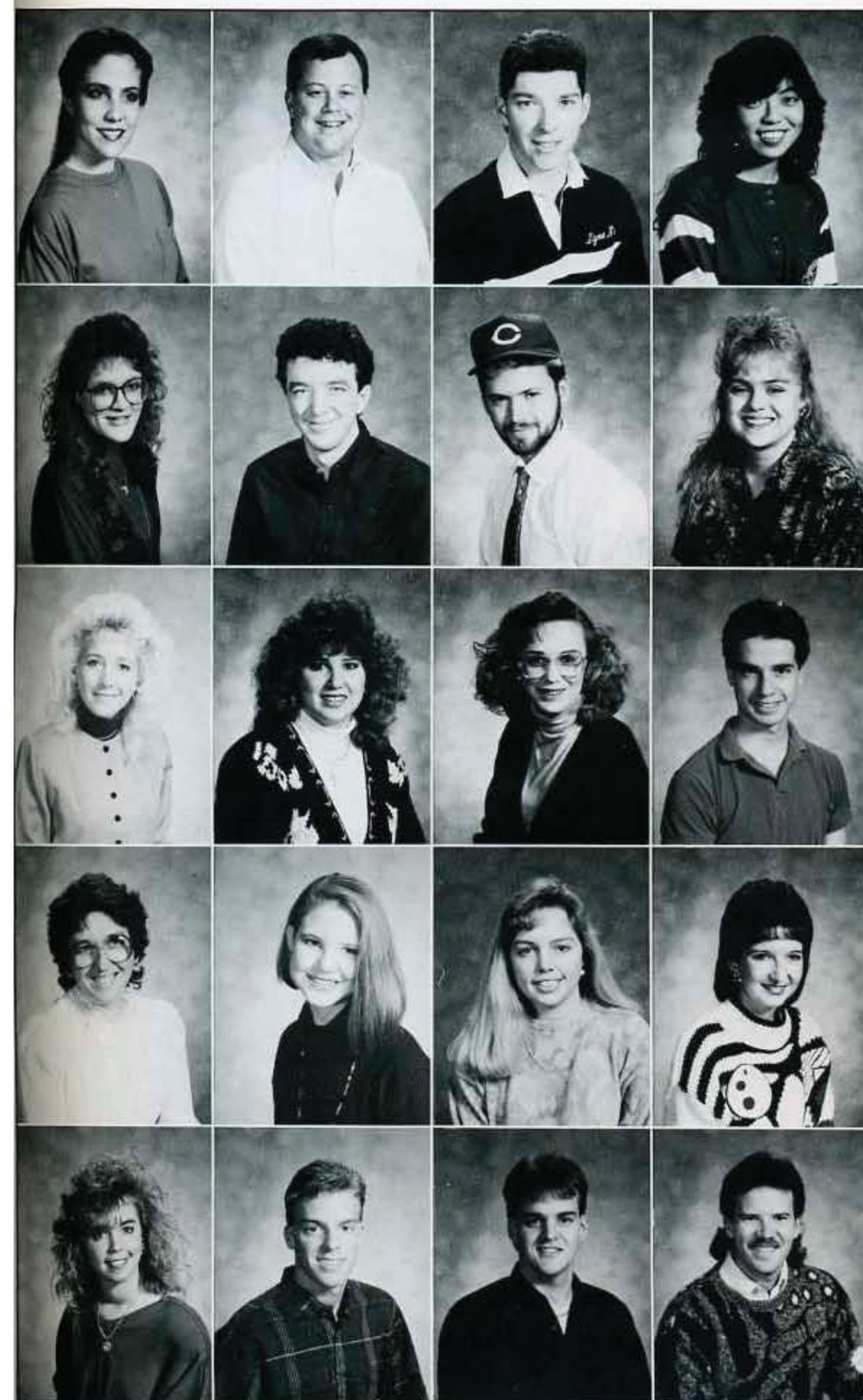
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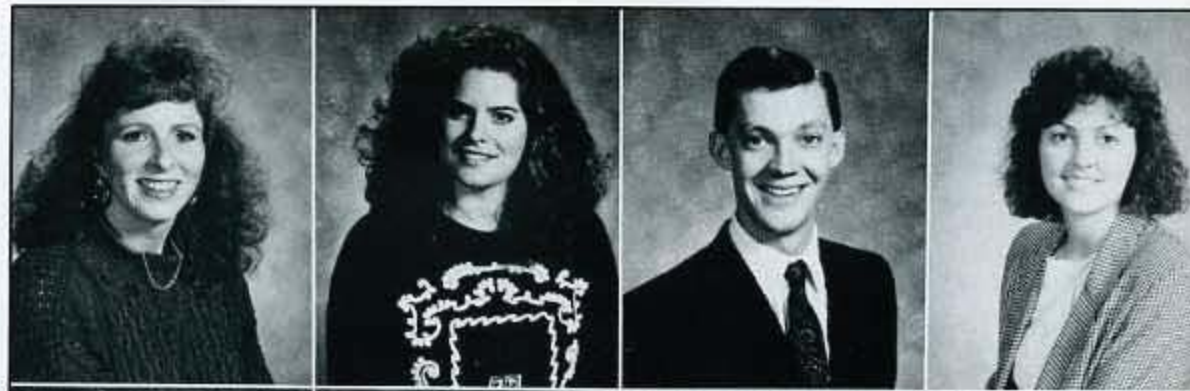
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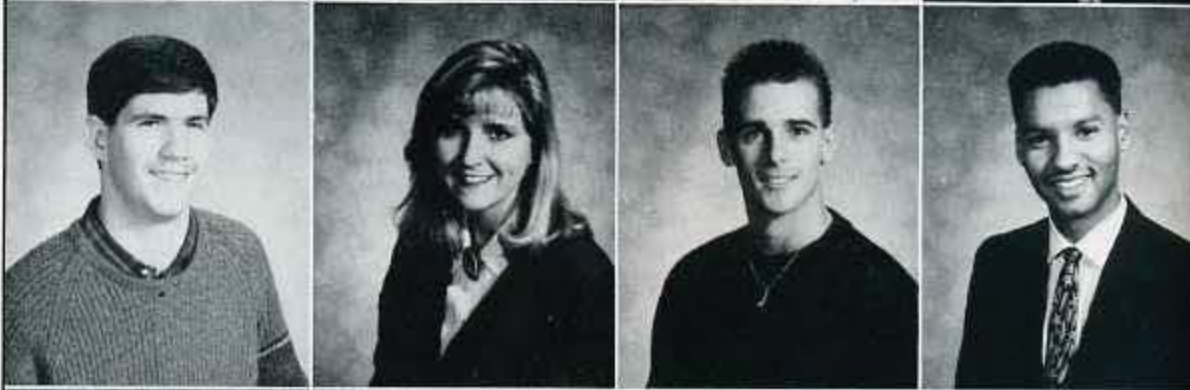
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# Breaking majority rules

## Civil rights crusader fights for awareness

BY: Nora Frecska  
Photo by Mark T. Osler

On a rainy afternoon in February, President Thomas Meredith found the lobby outside his office at Wetherby Administration Building filled with almost 100 black students who sat patiently on the floor awaiting his appearance.

Moments later, the students were ushered into the Regent's Room and were told they would be joined by the president shortly.

As she had found necessary many times before, Shannon Floyd challenged the voice of authority.

"These are not the terms we agreed on! He hasn't even come out to tell us himself. Everybody move back to the lobby!"

The group obeyed, and as the students filed back into the lobby, they began to chant: "The people, united, we'll never be defeated!"

Defeat is not part of Shannon Floyd's vocabulary. The senior sociology major and 10 other students had arranged the Feb. 13 meeting, the third in two years, to discuss the concerns of minority students with the president. As the group's leader, Floyd decided that this time they would rally the support of other black students to help get their point across.

Floyd and other students at the sit-in questioned President Meredith about the funding of minority scholarships at Western and about programs for the recruitment and retainment of black faculty. They also wanted to know why black history courses, which were listed

in the bulletins, were not taught at Western. Another aim of the meeting was to secure a promise from the president that a new budget would be set for the Office of Black Student Retention.

"We felt it was time to take action to get these concerns met," Floyd said before the march up the Hill. "We feel that President Meredith hasn't adequately met these needs."

And just days after the meeting, the university newspaper featured a series highlighting minority issues on campus,

*"All my life I've been involved in organizations that help people."*

the Council on Higher Education was scheduled to investigate minority policy at Western and, more importantly, Western students shared a new awareness of the issues.

Floyd began investigating minority policy at Western while interning at the Office of Black Student Retention. As she researched the A.I.M.S. (Activating Interest in Minority Students) program as part of her work, she began to question the use of the school's desegregation money.

"I got the impression that Western funded the A.I.M.S. program, but they don't," Floyd said. "I found that the head of Black Student Retention had to solicit

funds from corporations. To me, that didn't sound right."

"She doesn't take things at face value," Jeff Welch, one of Floyd's peers, said. And she certainly didn't in this case.

"I asked a lot of questions and made some phone calls," Floyd said. When the answers were slow in coming, she decided to take action and joined a group of students who held yearly meetings with the president.

Uniting her efforts with a concerned group is nothing new to Floyd. In grade school, she became a Red Cross volunteer, and throughout high school, she volunteered her time to Humana hospital in her hometown of Louisville.

"All my life I've been involved in organizations that help people," she said, crediting her mom for getting her started.

"My mother has always been a big influence," Floyd said, but says her greatest inspiration comes from God.

"God has carried me through everything," she said.

She called the unexpectedly large turnout at the rally a "personal gift from God."

Floyd said that in her four years at Western, she has "found a sense of Shannon Floyd."

"I wasn't sure about sociology because I was worried about the money, but now I know that doesn't matter," she said. After graduation, Floyd said she would like to become a counselor for



adolescents.

"They don't need someone in a suit and tie talking over their heads, but someone in jeans and a sweat shirt talking with them," she said.

"Even if I talk to a thousand people, and I help just one person ..., " a warm smile finishes her point.

Meanwhile, Floyd offers a sympathetic nature and a never-say-die determina-

tion to her fellow students.

"I just want students to realize that they make up W.K.U., and that W.K.U. does not make them," she said, eyebrows raised.

Floyd said she would like President Meredith "to realize that he has black students, and that we need to feel needed also. But," she adds, "we must be prepared to take responsibility if Presi-

dent Meredith gives us the things we ask for."

Floyd says her active stance will continue after she graduates. And she thinks the fight for minority rights at Western will continue when she's gone.

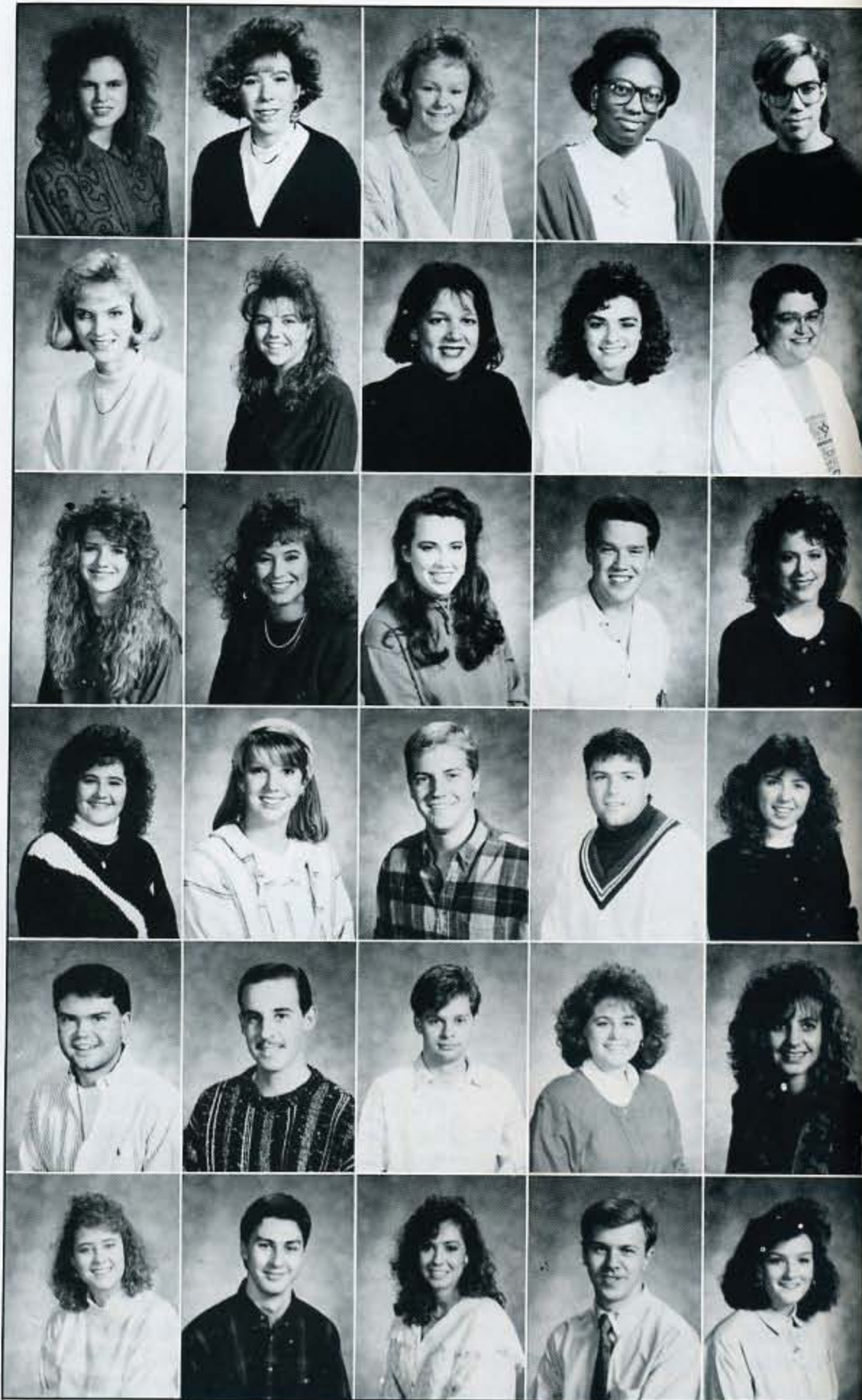
"Lack of knowledge causes students to be less active," Floyd said. "Students are aware now."





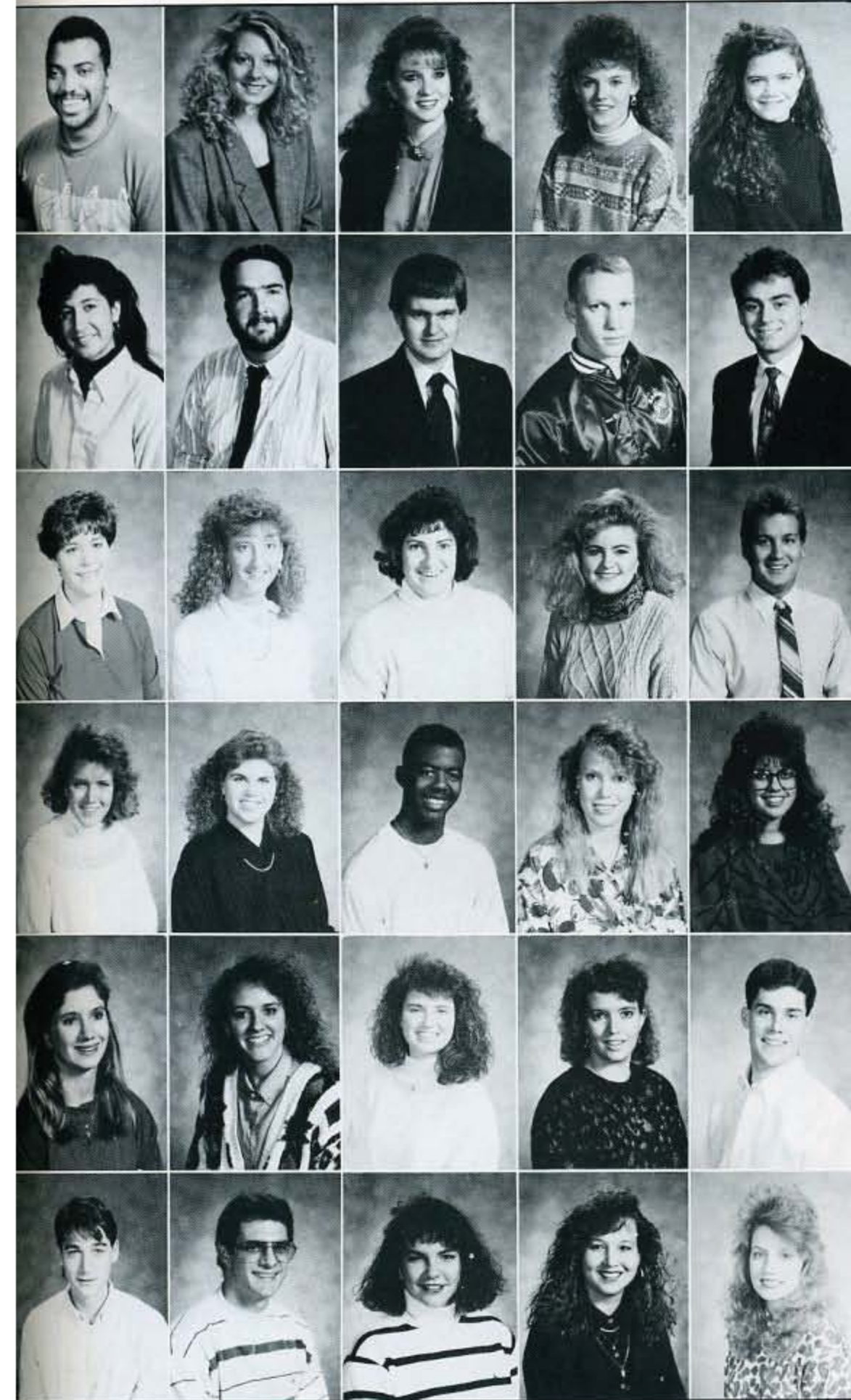
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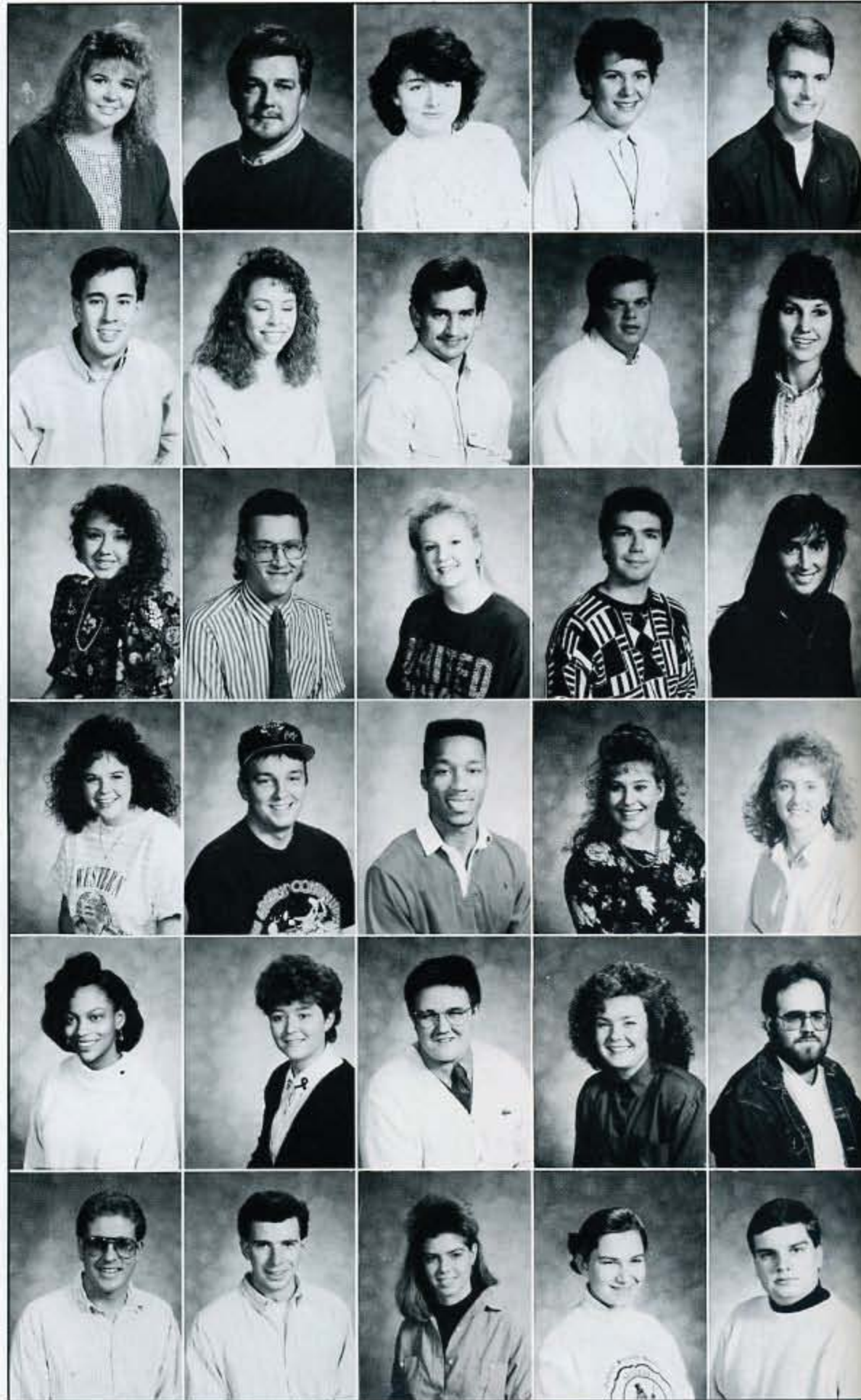
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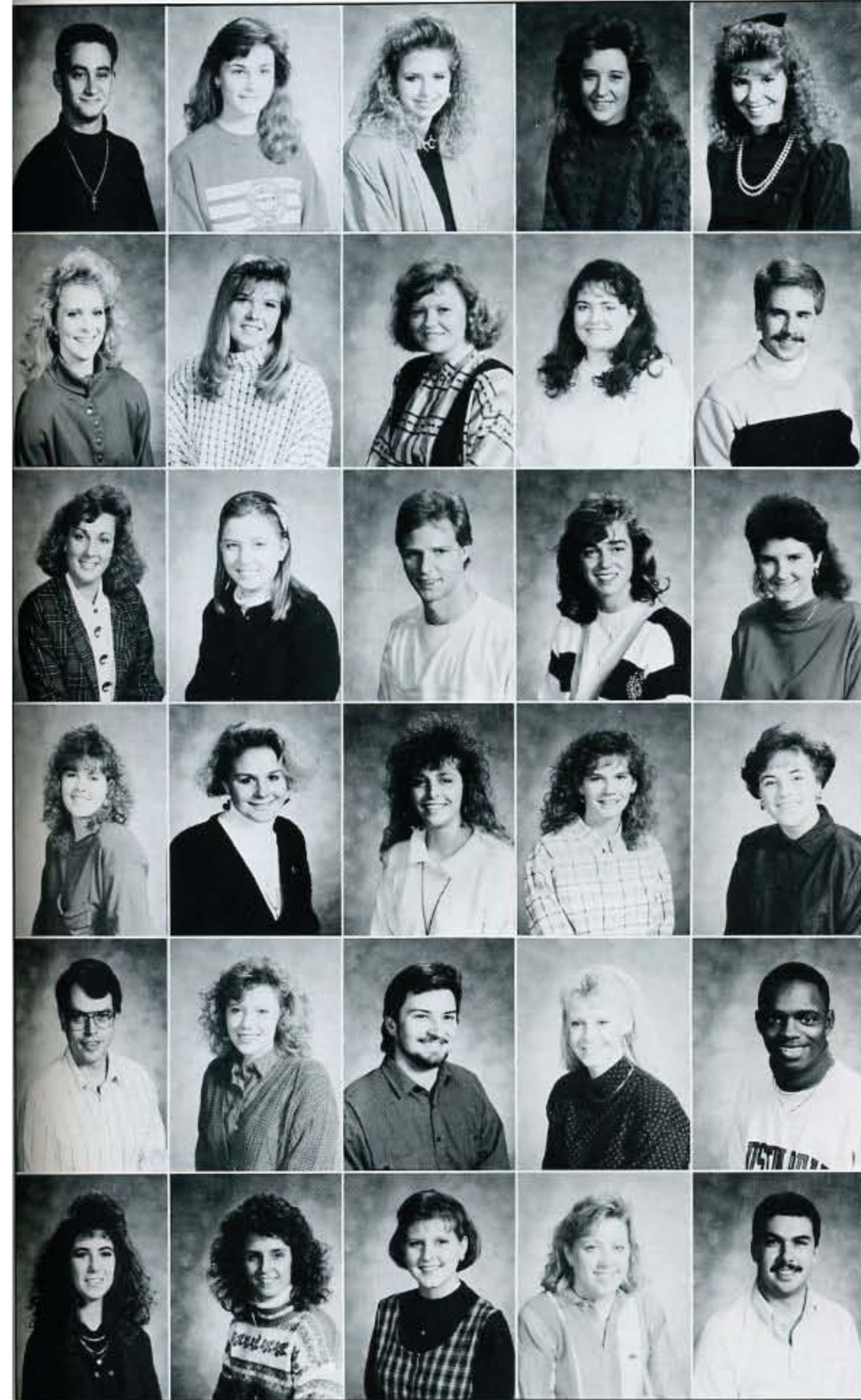
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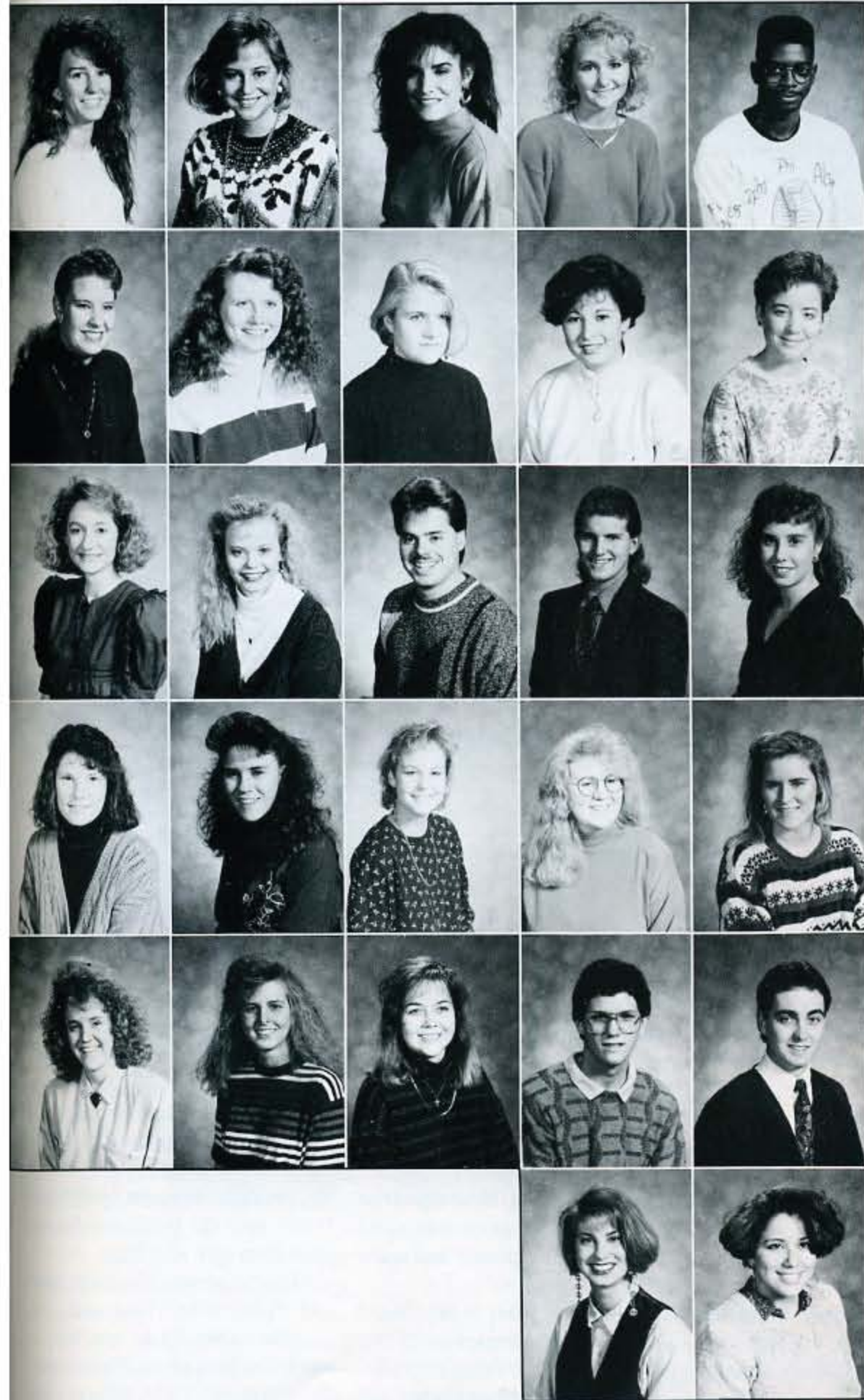
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# One of the King's Men

## Swaziland native adjusts to foreign rules

BY: Carrie Morrison  
Photo by Matt Stockman

He is a native of Swaziland, has more than 100 brothers and sisters, and is now a senior at Western Kentucky University because his father decided he would go to a small college in America.

"I am really not even a typical citizen of Swaziland," he said. "You see, my father was the King."

Hlangusemphi Dlamini, nicknamed "Semphi" by his American peers, is one of 10 siblings attending classes in the United States.

Semphi came to America to complete his education because in 1969, Dr. Issac Beckes, then the president of Vincennes University in Indiana, met Semphi's father, King Sobuza II, while visiting the South African country. It was decided that Semphi, then only five, would someday go to Vincennes to learn more about democracy in America.

Swaziland had just received its independence from Great Britain in 1968 and had become a democratic country. Semphi transferred to Western from Vincennes in 1989 because of Western's agri-business program. Although he will never be the leader of his country, he hopes to become an international commodities dealer for Swaziland when he graduates.

Few in Swaziland get a higher education because the country has only two universities and four colleges, and it is very difficult to get into them, he said.

English is considered the most

important aspect of a student's education in his homeland, Semphi said. Unfortunately, it is also a major barrier to getting into college for many of his countrymen.

"If you do not pass an English class at any time during high school, you cannot go on to a university," he said.

He believes American students have many more choices, not only in school, but also in their personal lives.

*"... you never know how they will accept you, because you don't know the culture."*

"In America it's so free; you can do anything, at anytime, anywhere," Semphi said. "If you're not serious, it is easy to be corrupted."

"In Swaziland, people can be good or bad. It is a conscious choice—in America, you can be both at once."

Something that shocked him about American students was that educated people could ask such "strange" questions.

Besides asking if Swaziland had wrist watches, someone once asked Semphi if "...his people had come out of the forest yet?"

In his five years in the United States, communication with his peers has been an obstacle for him.

"I do not know how to approach people sometimes, and they do not

know how to approach me. ... If the nickname I have been given helps, I'll take it."

The hardest part of adjusting to American culture, he said, has been to absorb its unspoken rules.

"Maybe sometimes, I would like to talk to someone or ask someone out for a date; I do not know the correct way of approaching or asking, so I find myself withdrawing from people," he said.

Semphi said when people ask him to repeat himself several times, he thinks that they are making fun of him, so he withdraws.

"I'm very reserved. I do like to talk to people, but I do keep things within myself even when I want to let it out."

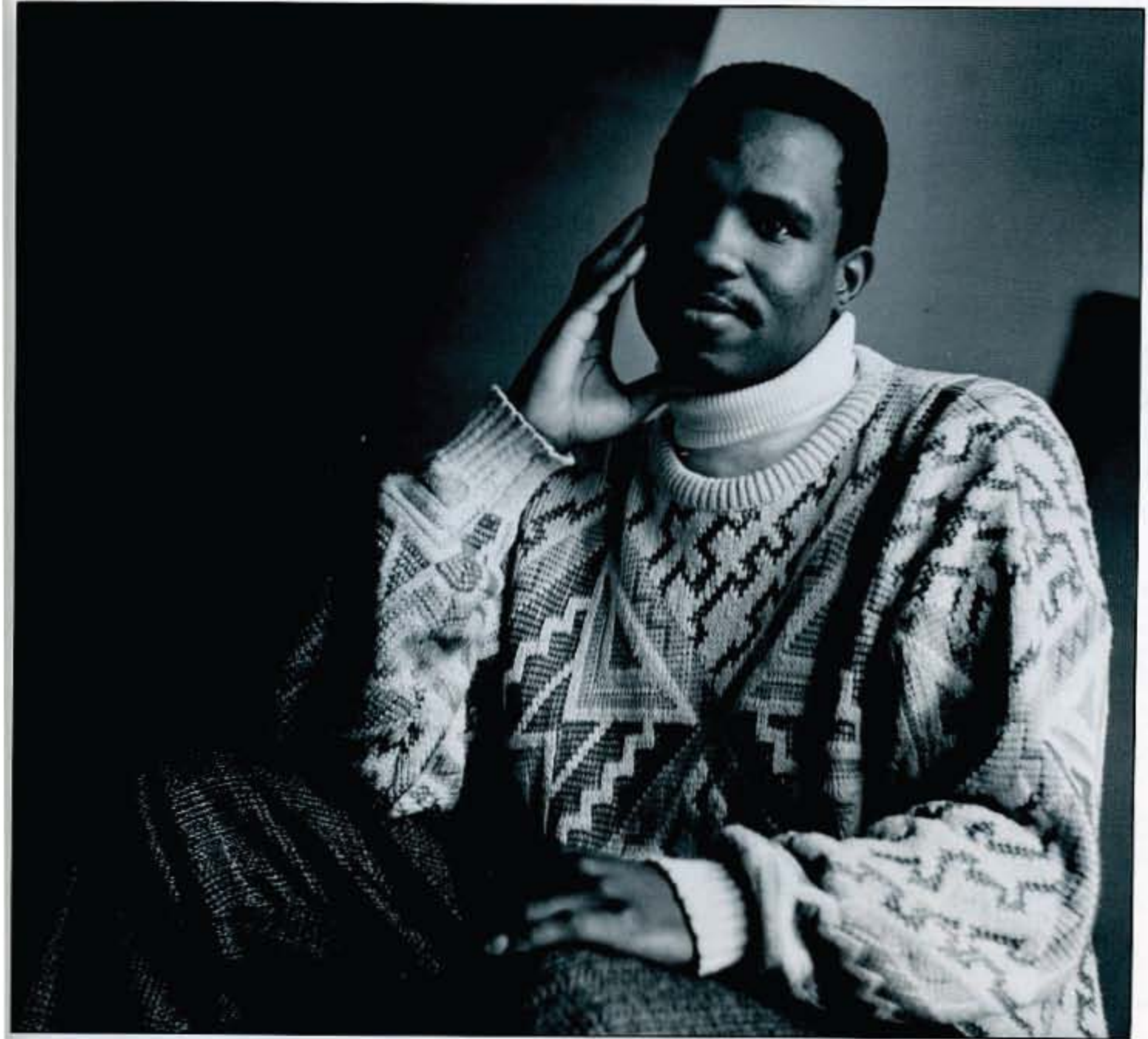
Someone buzzes by the table where he sits in his dorm lobby and yells, "Hey, Semphi!"

Semphi brightens up and greets the fleeing Florence Schneider Hall resident. "I get along with most everyone, but to ask more than that (casual conversation), you never know how they will accept you, because you don't know the culture."

Semphi may be too harsh in his assessment of his social life because his resident assistant, Stephanie Porter, said his loneliness did not stem from lack of friends.

He's "...a really friendly person" and "funny as hell," she said.

"He adds a lot to this floor ... more than just culture," Porter said. "You'd think he'd be different, but he isn't."



Porter said that because Semphi's roommate, Motoki Nakanaga, a student from Japan, cannot always speak or understand English clearly Semphi acts as a translator for him most of the time.

People are attracted to Semphi because of his generous nature and warm personality, she said.

His loneliness has to do more with homesickness than anything, Porter said.

Semphi said he did get homesick often and chose to sit quietly in his room and think of his homeland and loved ones for hours at a time.

He said he misses his mother and girlfriend the most, and that he only gets to call them three times a month because of the expense.

"He waits for letters to come from home. When they do, he's so happy," Porter said.

She said that Semphi drew a box around his name on the mail list.

"If I'm working (at the front desk), he'll point to his name and say, 'I want something to come for Semphi today!'"

May of 1988 was the last time Semphi was in Swaziland, and he

stayed for three months before returning to the United States.

He believed that some of the stress associated with being an international student has been lessened because "there are many nice Americans here that make me feel at home."

"My country is different and not so different from this country," he said, "but I will be happy to return to Swaziland hopefully in a year or so when I graduate."

When students around him say they will be going home for the weekend and ask him if he is, he said he always thinks, "Where is home?" ♦♦♦



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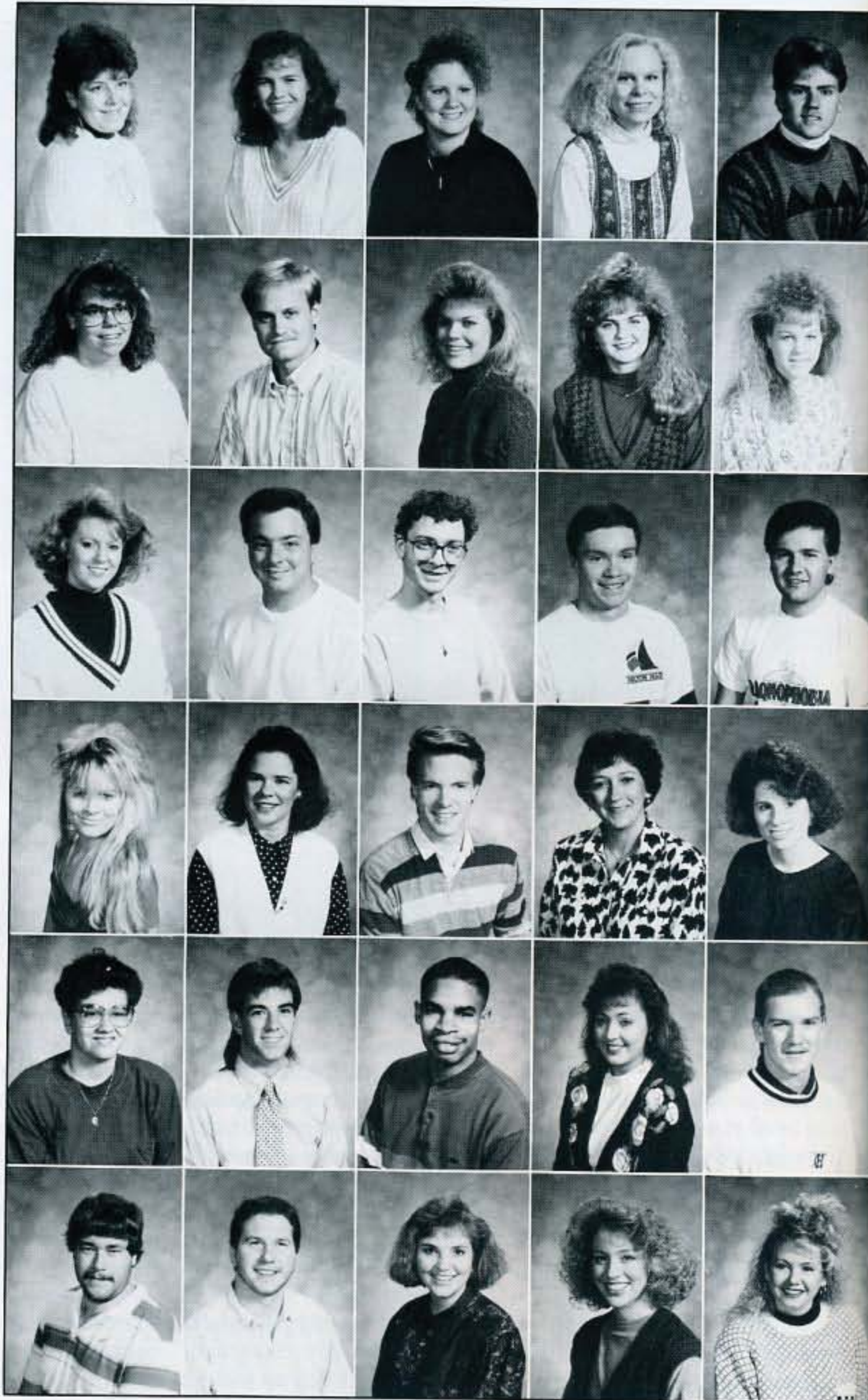
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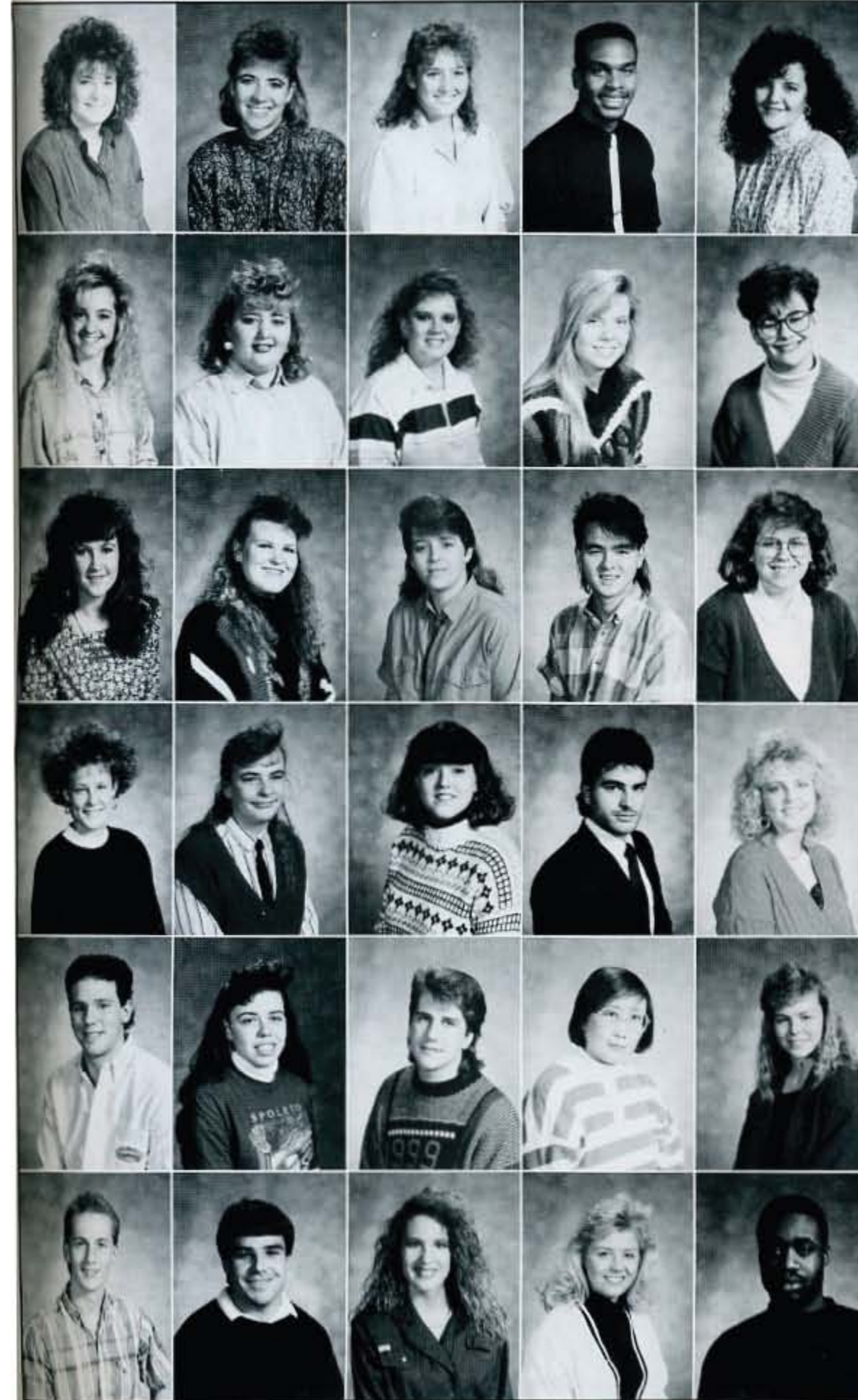
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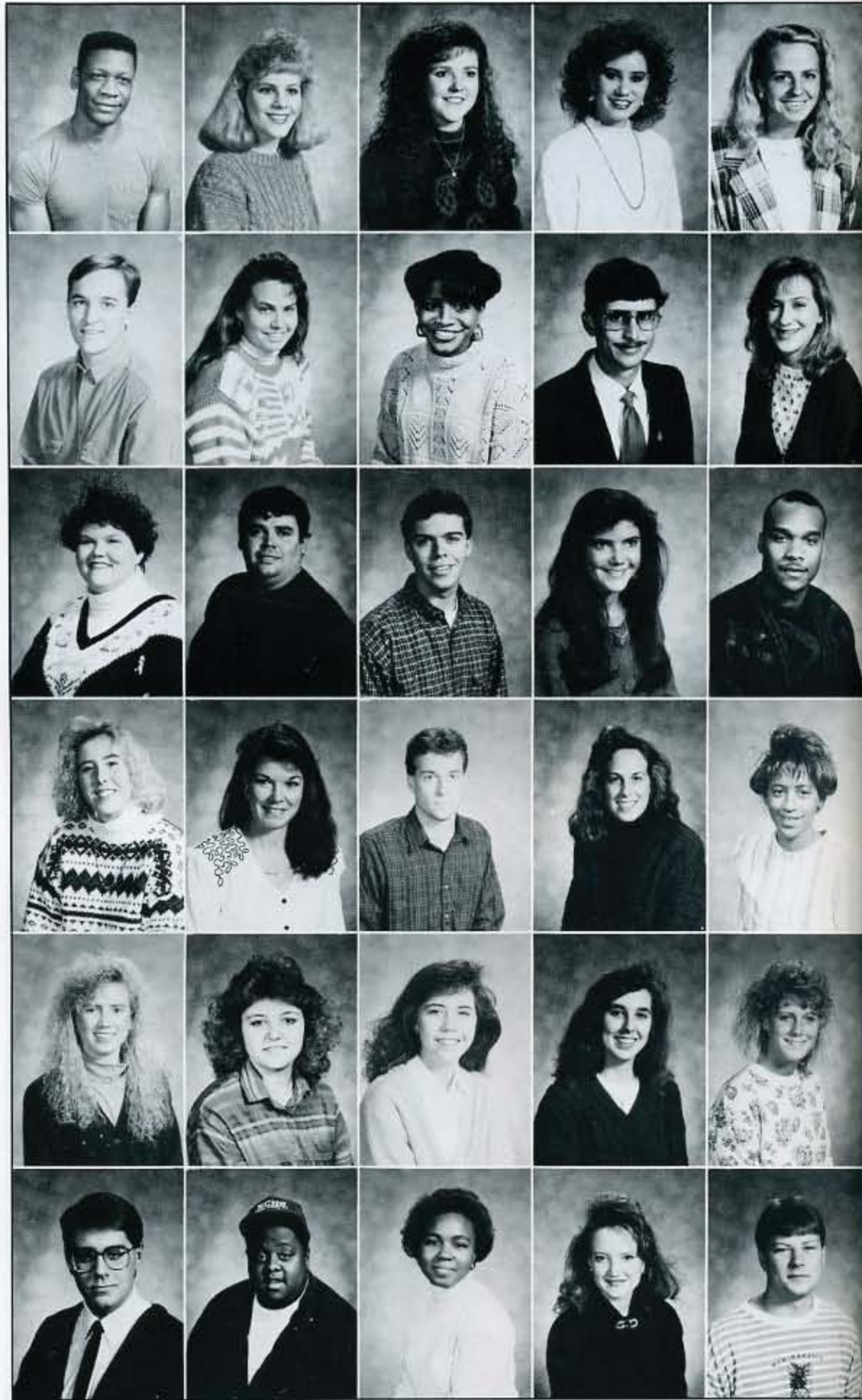
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# A Homemade Education

## Lessons outside of class inspire individuality

BY: Tanya Bricking  
Photo by Steve Smart

At her apartment a few blocks from campus, Shanti Thiel turned down the volume of her Dire Straits tape and sat on her bed, pushing away a Spanish textbook.

Across the room, white Christmas lights cast a faint shadow on the Venetian blinds and off-white wall just to the left of Monet's "Years at Giverny" print.

She toyed with her bottle of lemon mineral water and talked about how being taught at home and her unusual background have instilled a sense of individuality and pride in her family.

Unlike most children, Thiel didn't share a playground with her grade school peers at recess. She was educated at home.

While her father was going to school at Western in the spring of 1980, her parents went to court because they wanted the right to educate her at home because of their Manchu Buddhist lifestyle.

The court denied the Thiels' request, so during the semester she was in Bowling Green, Thiel, then nine, "spent a lot of time doing mental evaluations. It wasn't a normal school experience."

The Thiels later moved to St. Louis, where her mother's family lives. In 1983 they came back to Kentucky and built a house in Cumberland County.

And Thiel, 20, said she has adjusted well. The blue-eyed young woman with long blondish-brown

hair wears jeans and jewelry and makeup — just like most women her age.

She doesn't talk much about her past.

But the Thiels' story "was a big deal in Bowling Green" in 1980, journalism professor Jim Highland said.

Highland, who helped report the Thiel case for The Daily News, incorporated the case into his Public Affairs Reporting textbook several years ago.

*"Our whole lifestyle is inspired by religious beliefs."*

Thiel, a journalism major, was enrolled in Highland's class during the spring semester. The Kettle junior transferred to Western in the fall of 1989 after two-and-a-half years at Lindsey Wilson College in Columbia

Not long after she arrived at Western, Thiel learned that her case was in a textbook.

"A girl I was introduced to said, 'You're in my Public Affairs Reporting textbook,'" Thiel said.

"I told my parents about it, and they said, 'Oh, you're famous.' I said, 'Famous or infamous — one or the other.'"

She said Highland pointed her out to the class on the first day. "I was a little bit embarrassed."

Nancy, her mother, said she read

the case in the book and "thought it was funny."

She said her husband, Raymond, was a little upset that it said he was in the Army — because he wasn't — and he wasn't happy that Shanti's psychiatric record was published.

But Highland said the book contains information that was available through public records.

Shanti said few of her friends here know about the court case.

"I don't go tell my friends, 'Oh, I'm a Manchu Buddhist.' Not because I'm embarrassed — I just don't think they'd understand. The term 'Manchu Buddhist' is so confusing."

She said Manchu Buddhism is a media-generated religion.

"It's not like a specific religion. I feel like all religions are valid.

"I call myself a generic Christian," she said. "I don't totally subscribe to any one religion. I try to follow the teachings of Christ."

Columbia sophomore Stephanie Wingler said Shanti "is fun to be around, and she has a great sense of humor.

"She seems like she's kind of grown up strictly," said Wingler, who has known Shanti since the fall. "You can kind of tell by the way she talks.

"I think she'd do anything for anybody."

Nancy said she and her husband still "believe really strongly in keeping our children at home during



their formative years.

"We wanted to be their major influence in life."

Shanti said her parents have achieved that goal.

"My greatest influence was probably my mom," Shanti said, "because I grew up with her, and I admired her, and I'm a lot like her."

Shanti said it was a good way to be brought up. "I think it instills a sense of individuality."

Her mother agreed. "We all have a very strong feeling of family," Nancy said. "They (the children) have more self-confidence, I think, than most kids."

Shanti said, "It's always been an option for all of us to go to regular school." She went to a private school in St. Louis for one summer before the court case. She also went to

Green County High School for a year.

Shanti's brother, Rahman, 15, attends Cumberland County High School. Her brothers Bodhi, 12, and Satya, 3, and her sister Serena, 10, are home-schooled.

Shanti said they live "way out in the country" with lots of animals including a pony, ducks, geese, angora rabbits, doves, goldfish, cats and dogs.

"They have a big garden," she said. "They try to be as self-sufficient as possible."

The Thiels are vegetarians and environmentalists. Shanti is a United Student Activist. Her parents teach, and her father also is a respiratory therapist.

Shanti said her father teaches her brothers and sister things such as "geography and mathematics and

science. Mother will teach them writing and English and things like that."

"Our whole lifestyle is inspired by religious beliefs," Nancy said. "We're very home-centered. We try to live a simple lifestyle."

But she said they've made compromises over the years, such as getting electricity and public television.

"We have the same beliefs," she said. "But I guess we're not quite as strict."

Shanti, who goes home about twice a month, said if she has children "I would like to teach them at home when they're really young, too."

"I think the thing I was taught most was to just do what you think is right, no matter what other people are doing." ♦♦♦



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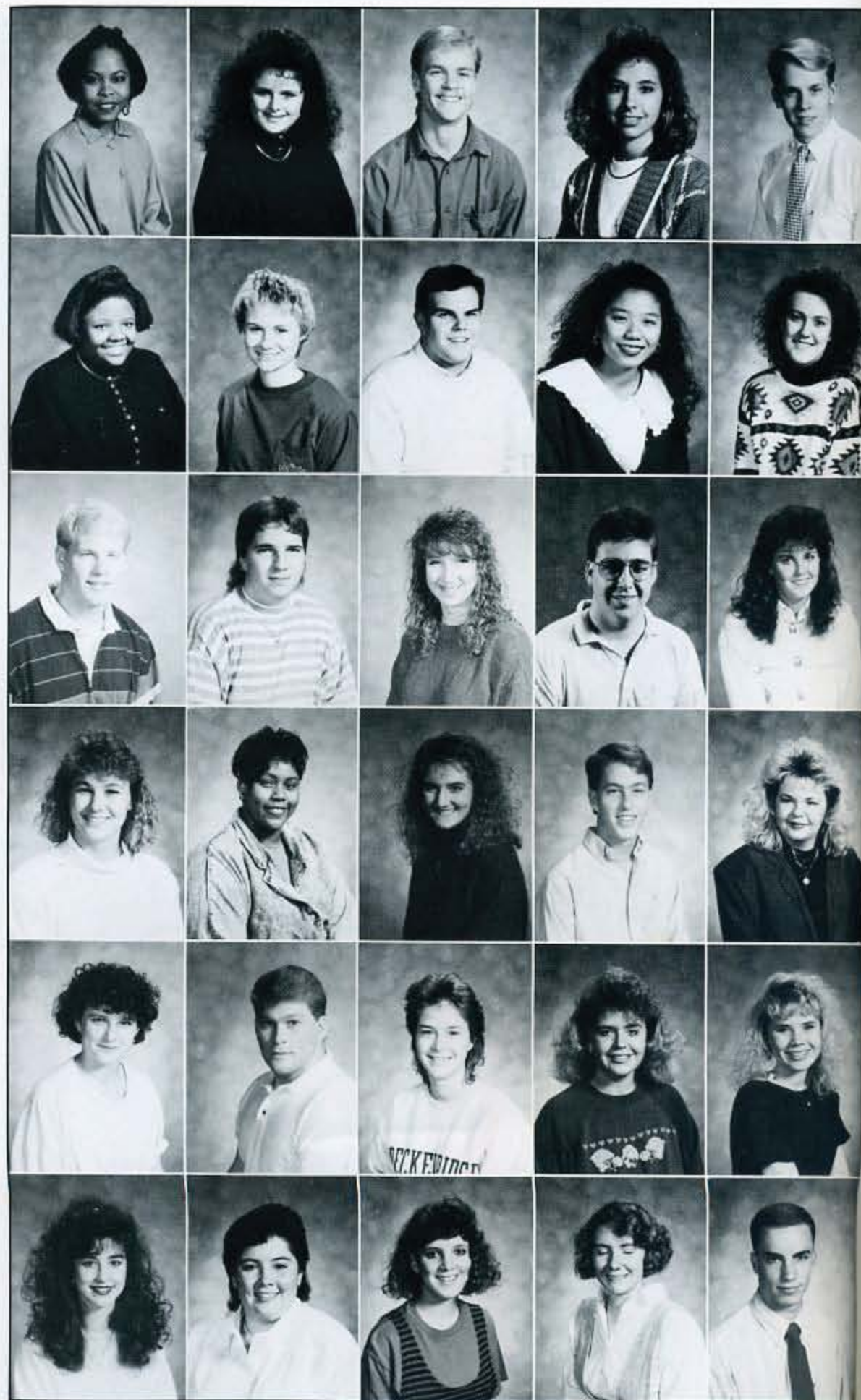
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# A Representative with Class

## Young statesman has politics down to a science

BY: Dwain Harris  
 Photo by Matt Stockman

When Brownsville senior Richie Sanders decided in January of 1990 he was going to run for 19th District state representative, some people didn't take him seriously.

"When I went to file," the government major, then just 26 years old, said, smiling, "the PVA (property valuation administrator) thought I was just filing (for office) for a class project."

Had it been a class project, Sanders probably would have earned an "A plus." This, however, was the real thing, and three months and several thousand handshakes later, Sanders had won the primary election.

Sanders, facing no opposition in the November general election, went on to become one of the youngest Kentucky legislators ever at 27 years old. He officially took office in January 1991.

"I've kind of been interested in politics all my life," Sanders said, adding that a trip to the Republican National Convention in Dallas in 1984 really spurred his enthusiasm for politics.

Sanders wasn't ready to jump into the political arena directly after high school, so he spent several years after his graduation from Edmonson County High juggling college, farming and business.

Sanders, who grew up on a farm,

said he bought 110 acres of his own land and farmed full-time for a couple of years before beginning classes at Western.

During college, he branched off into the business world by opening a restaurant with his brother Todd, now 23, a senior public relations major. Together they own the Little Dipper, a country restaurant in Chalybeate Springs in Edmonson County.

*"I went around to all the little stores in the community and bought an R.C. and a Moon Pie . . ."*

Near the end of 1989, Sanders noticed that the Republican incumbent representative, Ronnie Layman, had no opposition and began thinking seriously about running for the office.

Sanders, short on experience and funding, but long on energy and friends, began a grueling, three-month campaign in January against an incumbent who was well-funded, according to Sanders, and who had been in office 13 years.

Dr. John Parker, head of the government department, said he was surprised when Sanders told him of his plans to run for state

representative.

"I told him that was a pretty big step as a first step for an elective office and wished him well," Parker said.

Parker, who taught Sanders in a state government class, said Sanders was an exceptional student in many aspects.

"He was above average in his understanding of how the political process operated," Parker said. "He had a lot of insight into how things work (politically)."

Considering the circumstances and obstacles, Sanders said he knew he would simply have to outwork his opponent to win the election.

"I heard a lot of people say, '...he's too young... He don't stand a chance,'" Sanders said.

But family and friends like Grover Pierce, a regular at the Sanders' restaurant, didn't doubt Sanders' chances of winning.

"I knew he had a shot," Pierce said on the eve of Sanders' swearing-in. "I had a feeling he would be okay and told him just not to worry about it."

Pierce said Sanders had many attributes that made him a good candidate.

"You just won't find a better boy in the community," Pierce said. "When he promises you something, he'll stick with it." ♦





## Statesman continued

Sanders said he received \$100 in contributions from interest groups, so to raise money, he held several fund-raisers, including a barbecue at his restaurant that drew around 800 people. "I got help from everybody," Sanders said.

"I knew going in it would be hard to win," said Sanders, whose district includes Edmonson and Grayson counties, along with part of Hardin County.

Sanders said his campaign, which stressed change and growth with fresh leadership, involved distributing small packets of sunflower seeds with his photo on them and a slogan that read, "Grow with the Sanders campaign."

"I went to flea markets, stockyards, wherever there was a crowd" to ask for support, Sanders said, and he usually worked from daylight until dark.

Though he worked hard, Sanders said he enjoyed meeting people and that he tried to always have fun during his campaign, figuring he had "nothing to lose."

"I went around to all the little stores in the community and bought an R.C. and a Moon Pie," he joked, "and towards the end of the election, I had a whole stockpile of them."

He even employed a campaigning technique he learned in Parker's State Government class. Sanders

said Parker once told his class that rainy days are the best days to campaign, showing the voters that the candidate is working hard despite the weather. "I took his advice," Sanders said.

It must have helped because when the votes were finally tallied in May, Sanders upset the incumbent. With about 3,800 people voting, he won by 27 votes.

"To think people had that kind of confidence in me," he said, "and that only a few people ever get this opportunity — it's a good feeling."

Parker said he was surprised at his former student's victory, but admitted that Sanders "obviously knew what he was doing."

"He's going to have to prove himself to the older legislators," Parker said. "But I think his colleagues will learn very quickly that he's not some dumb kid. ... He has initiative, drive and energy."

Sanders said two of his main goals during his two-year term are to attract industry and develop tourism in his district.

He expects to graduate from Western in May 1991 and has no immediate aspirations of seeking a higher elective office.

"I just enjoy what I've accomplished so far." ♦♦♦

# ORGANIZATIONS



AT THE ANNUAL "Give Peace a Dance," Nashville, Tenn., senior Missy Patterson, Louisville senior Melissa Penn and Richmond junior Sasha Barny get into the music. The event was sponsored by United Student Activists and took place in Garrett Conference Center. Kristin Holsen





### DAIRY CLUB

**Front:** Mitchel L. Logsdon, Christal G. Smith, Jodie A. Pennington  
**Back:** David A. Stiles, D. Jay Garmon, Jerry R. Lubbehusen



### INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE CLUB

**Front:** Michael T. Smith, James E. O'Donoghue, Kevin D. Tays, Jim E. McGuire  
**Back:** Gary O. Smith, Michael C. Robinson, Shelby S. Emmick, Darren P. Taul



### AGRONOMY CLUB

**Front:** Barbara R. King, Audrea J. Jackson, Linda R. Brown  
**Back:** H. Boyd Morrison, Greg L. Willoughby, David W. Claycomb, Ray E. Johnson

## Planting a future

Alpha Zeta provided professional involvement in agriculture through scholarships, leadership opportunities, character development and group fellowship for its 40 members.

Western's chapter received its membership to the national fraternity of Alpha Zeta in the spring semester.

Dr. Linda Brown, Dr. Gordon Jones and Dr. Ray Johnson were faculty advisers. Officers included Bryan Jackson, chancellor; Laura Smith, censor; David Claycomb, scribe; Michael McFarlin, treasurer; and Jill Fudge, chronicler.

Members were required to have a 3.0 GPA, 45 credit hours and to be enrolled in an agriculture program.

Activities included recruiting agriculture majors and tutoring students in the agriculture department.

The annual initiation banquet was in January.

Members attended the National Biennial Conclave which was at Clearwater Beach, Fla.

The Agriculture Education Club for people with interests in teaching the youth about agriculture consisted of 12 members.

According to Greg Willoughby, the club promoted agricultural education nationwide and developed teaching and leadership roles to better prepare teachers and others for jobs. Willoughby served as the secretary/treasurer for the club.

Other officers were: Randall Beams, president; Paul Eastridge, vice president; and Marlae Baggett, reporter.

They initiated project "Good Neighbor," which involved going to other schools and speaking about agriculture and acting as judges at local contests.

Officers of the club participated in the Georgia Leadership conference which was a club officer training camp. Other activities included the National Future Farmers of America (FFA) / Collegiate Agricultural Teacher's Convention, a FFA field day for state FFA chapters to practice for state contests and FFA leadership instruction for area FFA freshmen.

The 15 members of the Dairy Science Club promoted and learned about the dairy industry.

Anyone with an interest in the dairy industry could join according to Jodie Pennington, faculty adviser for the club. Members held their annual dairy club sale on Oct. 13.

Officers were: Greg Walker, president; Jay Garmon, first vice president; Ke Briggs, second vice president; Jerry Lubbehusen, treasurer; Christal Smith, secretary; and John Barrow, reporter/historian.

Graduate member Mart Coley was awarded first place in the 1990 Dairy Shrine Stu-



Leah Hogsten

AS HE TESTS his luck at the Lone Star Rodeo in the Agriculture Exposition Center, Floyd Simmons is thrown from the back of an angry bull. The clown, Greek Ellick Jr., was there to distract the bulls if the cowboys fell.

dent Recognition Contest, a prestigious award representing outstanding university students nationwide in dairy science programs.

Coley was first among 14 and received \$1,000 and a lifetime membership in the Dairy Shrine.

Intercollegiate Horseman Association members worked hard this year raising funds to support the riding team.

The 40 members earned money working one of the concession stands at the Agricultural Exposition Center during agricultural events. They also raffled a ham and dinners to O'Charley's and Rafferty's during the Quarter horse auction.

Mike McFarlin, the club

president, said that the purpose and goal of the club was to provide educational experience and demonstrations about the different breeds of horses for its members and to aid in raising funds for the equestrian team's expenses.

Members had to be in good standing with the university and have a love for horses.

This year's club officers included Dawn Roman, vice president; Ron Redman, treasurer; Patti Patton, secretary; and Kelly Bowers, reporter.

The Horticulture Club was an organization for people with "green thumbs."

Members participated in a Green Thumb Volleyball tournament, held each spring, and taught flower arranging at

nursing homes. They held two or three sessions at nursing homes.

The Horticulture Club had 10 members and was made up of horticulture majors and others interested in horticulture.

Kevin Collard was president, Kyle Vandenbrink was vice president and treasurer and Mike Davis was secretary.

Members landscaped and decorated the lobby of EST at each holiday and sold poinsettias at Christmas, lilies at Easter and bedding plants during the spring.

Other activities of the club included trips to botanical gardens and seminars and classes about landscaping, plants, gardens and other topics members wanted to learn

about. Members of the club maintained the greenhouses behind EST and conducted tours for area elementary schools.

Anyone interested in agricultural economics could join the Agriculture Business Club which offered social and educational opportunities.

From Nov. 29 - Dec. 2, members of the club toured the Chicago Board of Trade, the Mercantile Exchange and other places of interest as part of their trip to Chicago.

There were 25 members, and officers included David Claycomb, president; Jeff Higgins, vice president; and Paula Benson, secretary. The club's faculty adviser was Al Bedel. ♦

## PLANTING CONTINUED

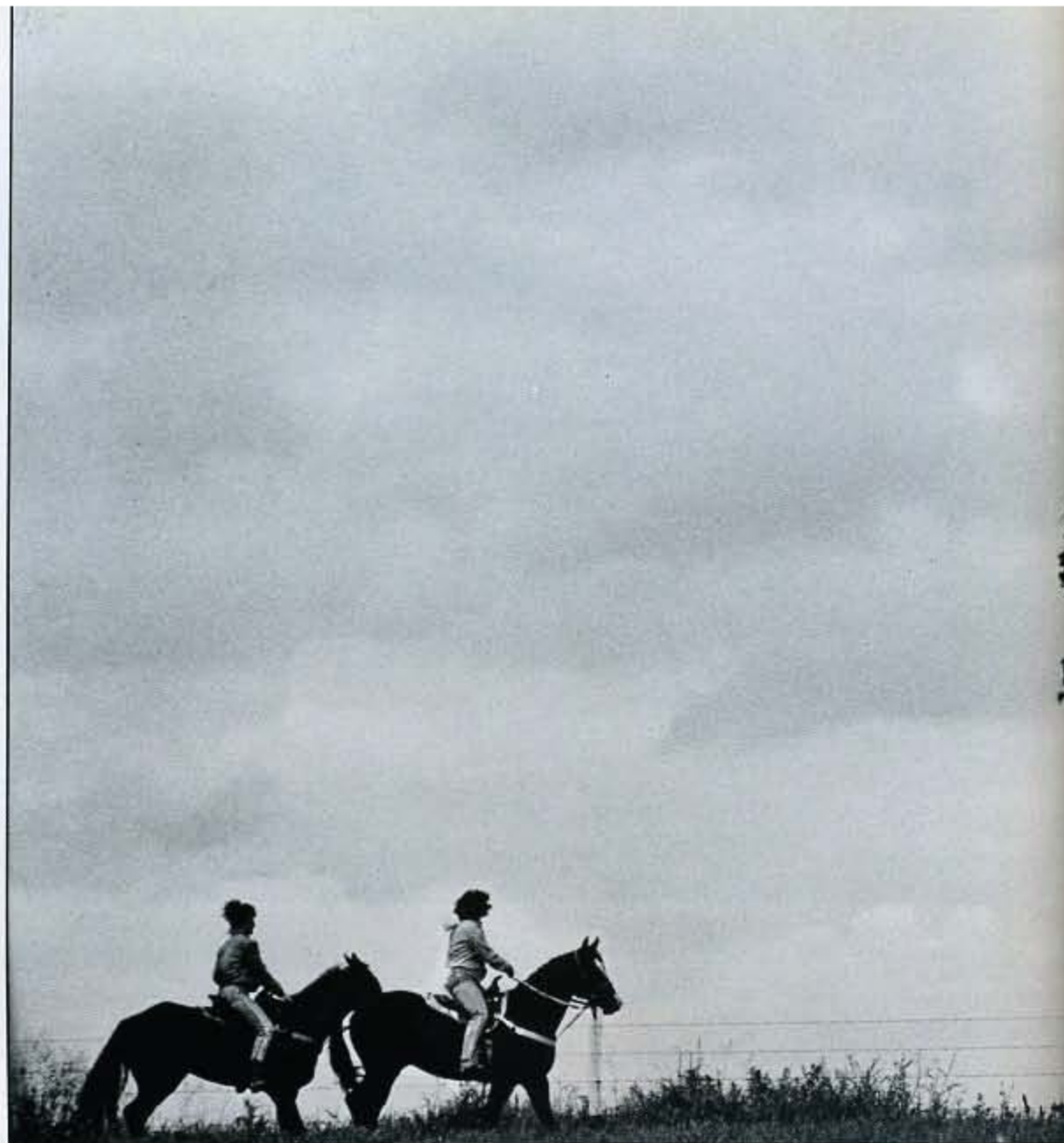
Goals for the club included expanding membership and involving more members in club trips each semester.

The **International Agriculture Club** offered a chance to get personally involved in such issues as world hunger and better international food exchange.

The club assisted in providing out-of-country agricultural experience, aided international students in agriculture, explored international job opportunities in agriculture and developed public awareness about food development, according to club adviser Jim McGuire. Members also corresponded with international agricultural alumni, sponsored an Agriculture Day and World Food Day, coordinated cultural activity participation and encouraged science and technology exchange.

During the school year, members took part in the WKU International Day, held each year in Downing University Center, worked the concession stands at the Agricultural Exposition Center to raise money for the club and promoted agricultural courses in international areas of "World Food Development."

According to McGuire, the club sought to build membership, publicize club and membership activities, develop international education



To WARM THE HORSES up before competing in the Barrel Racing event at the Open Games Class Horse Show, Tracie and Carol Reese of Lebanon, Tenn., walk their horses across the grounds surrounding the Agriculture Exposition Center. The competition took place Sept. 23, 1990, at the Ag. Expo. Center.

assistance and build a library of international agriculture job opportunities over the school year. The club also worked to encourage foreign students to enroll in Western's agricultural program.

Officers were: Kevin Tays, president; Terry Corder, vice president; Christal Smith, secretary; Kerry Igleheart, treasurer; and Nancy Shrew, reporter.

### Block and Bridle Club

President Michael McFarlin said the purpose of the organization was to encourage an "understanding of the animal science field and to increase fellowship among the members."

Events included serving meals and concessions at the Agricultural Exposition Center and attending the national convention in Houston and Little North America Livestock Exhibition.

The organization had 45

members. Other officers were: Mike Smith, vice president; Amy Corley, secretary; Scott Wells, treasurer; Jill Fudge, reporter; Jason Slayton, alumni secretary; Chris Bringers, marshal; and Mark Hughes, student councilman.

Soil management and the production of field crops were two main concerns for **Agronomy Club** members.

The six member club demonstrated no-till plots at the



Marc Piscotty

WKU farm with support from the Warren County Conservation District.

Other activities included sponsoring a speech contest and meeting with the agronomy club of Tennessee State University to tour Mammoth Cave. They also had an annual Christmas banquet and a recognition banquet.

Officers were Greg Willoughby, president; Laura Dyer, treasurer; and Robbie Bullington, secretary.

The club sought to promote fellowship and leadership development among students interested in agronomy as a profession and to provide educational opportunities that go beyond the limits of the classroom, according to Linda Brown, faculty adviser.



### AGRICULTURE EDUCATION

Jim W. McGuire, Gregory L. Willoughby, Timothy S. Williams, Randall K. Beams, Jason R. P'Pool



### AGRICULTURE BUSINESS

Front: Paula K. Benson, Kim R. Meacham  
Back: David W. Claycomb, Stephen R. Norris, E.H. Cardwell



### BLOCK AND BRIDLE

Front: Jason R. P'Pool, Gwendolynn S. Lucas, Becky O'Banion, Letitia Hughes, Bobby T. Bell  
Back: Grady D. Russell, Steve J. Sipes, Jeffrey A. Jones, Ken A. Lashley, C. Scott Blair, Michael D. McFarlin



### NATIONAL ASSOC. OF ACCOUNTANTS

**Front:** Kathy J. James, Lisa A. Mays, Sherry D. Parker, Ronda S. Holt  
**Back:** Russell E. Slinker, Kenneth R. Moore, Lana C. Dayberry, Wendy L. Belt, David F. Savage



### PHI BETA LAMBDA

**Front:** Mary C. Davis, Eileen M. Skiscim, Kathleen M. Winslade  
**Middle:** Leslie G. Singleton, B. Darlene Smith, Susan M. Cook, Devon L. Pinkston  
**Back:** Shawn C. Sparks, Mark Miller, Eric L. McWilliams, Donald Smith, Harold W. Phipps



### PHI BETA LAMBDA

**Front:** Maureen A. Kutsor, Jeana R. Johnson, Karen M. Dinsmore  
**Middle:** Karen L. Carver, Kenny S. May, Wesley A. Waddle, Deonna M. Perry  
**Back:** Sandy S. Schock, Kenneth R. Moore, Steve K. Boddeker, David T. Sparks, April D. Dorris

# Money Makers

The **Institutional Administration Society** was for students interested in hotel and restaurant management. The purpose of the organization was "to organize and perform services that relate to the hospitality field," Derek Olive, president of the IA Society, said. There were 28 members in this year's group.

Some events they participated in were taking a field trip to Cincinnati, Ohio, catering for a fund raiser, holding a wine tasting event and featuring speakers at meetings. IA Society also organized and served Inter-fraternity Council luncheons once a month. At the end of the year, there was an awards banquet which honored the president, the member of the year and an outstanding new member.

Other officers were Shannon Rich, vice president; Kriste Harness, secretary; Pat Snodgrass, treasurer; and Dr. Louis Ehrecke, adviser.

**Phi Beta Lambda** had 50 members, and President Karen Carver said the organization's purpose was to provide "career preparation for students interested in business. It also includes giving valuable communication, leadership and technical skills."

The group listened to speakers and attended workshops and work sessions to prepare members for competitive events or campaigns.

The group had regular meetings, monthly socials and

various fund raisers. Along with these events and projects, they tried to help various community groups. Projects included "In Praise of Age" which was designed to recognize and distinguish the importance of senior citizens.

Social activities included scavenger hunts, banquets and movie and game nights. "Social activities seem to help improve personal relationships between members and draw us closer together," Carver said.

"Our goal is for PBL to again be rewarded with Kentucky's Outstanding Phi Beta Lambda Chapter Award."

The **Pre-Law Club** had 15 members who held a meeting every two weeks. The club gave members the opportunity to hear various attorneys, judges and admission officials speak on various topics.

The club received money from various large law firms for bus trips to law firms and law schools.

"The Pre-Law Club provides such great information and contacts about law schools and law practices. Anyone interested in law can benefit from being a member of this club," President Rachel Hall said.

The **American Marketing Association** consisted of 60 members. Its purpose was to develop "camaraderie among marketing personnel and gain-

ing marketing knowledge in general. ..." adviser Louis Turley said.

Aside from receiving marketing tips, contacts and general marketing information from various speakers, the group had two plant tours. One tour was to the Corvette plant, and the other was to the Fruit of the Loom plant.

"Our goal for AMA is to see it grow to be the largest business organization at WKU," Turley said.

The **Society for Human Resource Management** consisted of 15 members. The main purpose of the organization was to acquire contacts in the business world.

The group went to Logan Aluminum in Russellville. "They are well-known for their management system," President Kathleen Winslade said. The club got management tips and ideas which were beneficial to all members who attended, she said.

The group heard speaker Elizabeth Noser, the human resource manager from Graves-Gilbert Clinic. She provided management tips for HRM.

"Society for Human Resource Management has provided a step further in the business world that the classrooms can't provide," Winslade said.

**Beta Alpha Psi** was a business fraternity for accounting

students and had 48 members. By being associated with six accounting firms from Louisville and Nashville, Tenn., the students had the opportunity to meet professionals and hear them speak.

"They (the speakers) talk to us about ethics in the business world, accounting-related problems and their firms," member Susan Phillips said. The fraternity worked toward raising money for their scholarship fund by participating in a Bowl-A-Thon.

"We are supported with pledges from alumni and generous community citizens," Phillips said. The 48-member fraternity also participated in various community service projects.

The **International Association of Business Communicators** drastically increased membership this year. "From having 27 members last year, IABC went well over our goal with 56 members this year," President David Price said.

The organization increased its numbers through bulletin board displays, teachers' announcements in specific classes and direct mailing to those with related majors.

A group of about 20 took a trip to the Nissan Plant in Smyrna, Tenn., to hear three communication professionals speak in a panel discussion about trends in the communication field.

The members of IABC ➡



### DATA PROCESSING MANAGEMENT ASSOC.

**Front:** Sara L. Oldham, Debra L. Nash  
**Back:** Ronald W. Ratliff, A. Scott Keown, Kimberley K. Tyler, Paul A. Kimbel



### AMERICAN MARKETING ASSOC.

**Front:** Tracy A. Laughlin, Kristin N. Fryrear, Tammy D. Crowder, Fred N. Smith  
**Middle:** Frank E. Field, Susann Estes, Stacey A. Mallory, Stephanie K. Stacy  
**Back:** Brian K. Mounts, Steven W. Wood, Shannon M. Coomes, Vernon D. Price, Bradley L. Paul



### INTERNATIONAL ASSOC. OF BUSINESS COMMUNICATORS

**Front:** Jennifer L. Ramage, Jennifer L. Tittle, Troy L. Corum  
**Back:** Todd A. Ballenger, Christy L. Gentry, David J. Price, Jill D. Carlton, Christi A. Miller



### BETA ALPHA PSI

**Front:** Tonya D. Henderson, Becky J. Lee, Delinia D. Smith, Kathy J. James.

**Middle:** Lana C. Dayberry, Suzanne B. Murrell, Alan D. Poenitske, Lara C. Myatt, Sara A. Johnson.

**Back:** Sherry D. Parker, Patrick M. Petty, Rick M. Smith, Kimberly J. Jernigan, Susan E. Barr



### BETA ALPHA PSI

**Front:** Beth M. Russell, Stephanie J. Hendon, Monique A. White

**Middle:** Russell E. Slinker, Jill D. Flowers, Lisa A. Mays, Ronda S. Holt, Lee Richardson

**Back:** C. Richard Aldridge, Brad G. Coffman, Angie M. Studenka, Doug R. Balyeat, Karen M. Brooks



### SOC. FOR HUMAN RESOURCE MGT.

Yvonne L. Lovering, Sara J. Middleton, Devon L. Pinkston, April D. Dorris, Kathleen M. Winslade



Illustration by Mark T. Osler

## MONEY CONTINUED

had bi-weekly meetings and in November, Marc Clark, the director of hospitality training at the Opryland Hotel, gave interviewing tips.

IABC also initiated "Mentor Day," held at various businesses in Nashville, Tenn. Members had the opportunity to spend a day working with mentors at different businesses. From this, members were able to gain experience into what tasks their future jobs may hold.

The organization had a Thanksgiving raffle that raised more than \$200. Other fund raisers included selling tickets to AMC movie night and a jewelry sale in Garrett Conference Center.

Price thought IABC's success was partly due to his opportunity to be on IABC's national board. "My being on the national board has given us a better connection with the national association," Price said. IABC's purpose was to provide experience, contacts and insight into the business world. ◆◆◆



### DELTA SIGMA PI

**Front:** Debra L. Nash, Debbie K. Bratcher, Shelia A. Cropper, Kimberly S. Davis, Glenda R. Cundiff

**Middle:** Kimberly K. Tyler, Marney E. Lenahan, Sara L. Oldham, Debbie S. Taflinger, Frank E. Field

**Back:** Ryan R. Niemeier, Shannon M. Coomes, Stephen S. Givens, Mark A. Handel, Rodney J. Kirk



### INSTITUTIONAL ADMIN. SOCIETY

**Front:** Becky S. Brashear, Anthony L. Guadagni, Kriste D. Harness, Kelly D. Helton, Becca H. Boyd

**Back:** Derek B. Olive, Sherry A. Kefauver, Kristen L. Bayley, Amy L. Thomas, Jeffrey Moore, John C. Ellison

AS HE SCANS his music, Ed Hauser, a freshman from Tell City, Ind., wipes sweat from his face during marching band practice. The sweltering heat had plagued the area for several days until cooler weather arrived with the threat of rain.



David Stephenson



### AMAZING TONES OF JOY

Front: Susan R. Reid, Jennifer A. Mattox, Meredith C. Petway, Sha-Rese Pegram, Monica R. Brent  
Back: Terrance D. Pollard, Voyce H. Bain, J. Eric Bell, Rashia Holmes, Shay Williams, Morris A. Goggins



### DEBATE TEAM

Front: Julie A. Davis, Eric D. Shoemaker, E. Lee Watts, Samantha E. Whitaker  
Back: Gregory A. Butler, J. Toby Atkins, C. Chris Herzog, Sandra M. Schneider, Travis L. Holtrey



### PHI MU ALPHA SINFONIA

Front: Kevin T. Ellis, G. Shannon Rice, Wesley H. Allen  
Middle: William F. Skaggs, J. Wes Madison, Marcus W. Brown, Michael R. Clark  
Back: Chris P. Barnett, W. Chris Baker, Damon L. Biddix, Bob E. Pate, Mark Johnson

## Taste of Culture

The **Russian Club** consisted of about 18 members, according to the group's sponsor, Mania Ritter. Ritter started the organization "as an extension of the class." The purpose, she said, was to acquaint students with information about the Soviet Union that they couldn't learn from a textbook. As sponsor, she stressed tolerance of other cultures because she believed it was the most important aspect of teaching a foreign language.

**Delta Omicron** was a professional group consisting of 25 members. Their purpose was to promote music and serve the music faculty. The organization was formed in 1961 and celebrated its 30th anniversary this year. The group raised money by delivering "Spring Valentines" and "Halloween Rap-O-Grams." Requirements for membership included being a music major or minor and having ability to sing. Delta Omicron had two recitals this year and offered \$100 scholarships to deserving individuals.

The **Western Players** were "trying to hold their own," President Tracy Simpson said. They were formerly a producing organization but became a social organization. The group consisted of 30 members, but people "were constantly in and out, trying to get in as many

shows and dance studios as they could," Simpson said.

Besides performing in plays, the Western Players met and discussed issues within the department.

They held a banquet at the end of the year to announce scholarships and to give out awards.

**Amazing Tones of Joy** was formed by students in 1971 to "spread the message of God through Christian music," President Susan Reid said.

This year, ATJ celebrated its 20th anniversary. The group had several concerts throughout the year in Glasgow, Louisville and Lexington.

The group also sponsored a talent show called "A Night at the Apollo."

A student had to be enrolled full time and have a 2.0 GPA in order to be in ATJ.

The goal of the organization was to "improve unity among students," Reid said.

The **Forensics Team**, which had about 18 members, gave students a chance to build friendships and grow intellectually. Team captains were Katy Blair and Travis Holtrey.

Requirements for membership included being a full time student and maintaining a 2.5 GPA or higher.

The Forensics Team belonged to the Cross ♦♦

IN 18TH CENTURY garb, Hendersonville junior Jerry Nunn poignantly portrays his part for the audience. He was "Armado" in the Theater Department's production of *Love Labor's Lost*.



## CULTURE CONTINUED

Examination Debate Association (CEDA), the American Forensic Association (AFA), the National Forensic Association (NFA) and the Kentucky Forensic Association (KFA).

The team also sponsors the National Tournament of Champions held each year in June on Western's campus, as well as the Kentucky High School Speech League Inc. championships in March.

The **Debate Team**, which consisted of eight people, involved members in doing research, using logic, analyzing current events, speaking publicly and using persuasion. Cross examination debate consisted of two-person teams debating the affirmative and negative of a given resolution. Policy debate consisted of one person debating the affirmative and negative cases of a given resolution.

The team grew from six members to 16.

The **WKU band** promoted spirit and enthusiasm at many sporting events throughout the year. The band was subdivided into the marching band, consisting of 120 members, the 80-member concert band and the basketball band, which had 40 members. Kent Campbell directed the band, and Joe Stites

was the associate director.

The purpose of **Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia**, a professional music fraternity for men, was to promote musical interest and improve community awareness of their organization. Although members were not required to be music majors, a GPA of 2.5 was required. The fraternity performed on March 5 at the American Composers Concert



Amethel Parel

in the Recital Hall in Ivan Wilson Fine Arts Center. To raise money, the group sponsored a "Rent-A-Sinfonia."

"Members sold three hours of their time to individuals to do odd jobs and menial work. Sort of like an auction," President David Simmons said. The group's goals were to "be more professional and more active musically," Simmons said.

**Pi Delta Phi** was an honor society for French majors. The purpose of the club was to promote "anything related to the French language or culture," adviser Dr. Nathan Love said.

Their activities included going to Louisville and Nashville and watching foreign films, providing French speaking studies for International Day at Downing University Center and holding an annual



## FORENSICS

**Front:** Jenifur W. Tisdale, J. Toby Atkins, Rosemary L. Cundiff, Ibbie K. Blair, Dianna L. Skinner  
**Middle:** Mindy A. Mason, Melony A. Jones, E. Lee Watts, C. Haydon Cherry, Samantha E. Whitaker  
**Back:** Eric D. Shoemaker, Julie A. Davis, John A. Preston, Mary E. Flanagan, Sandra M. Schneider, Travis L. Holtrey



## RUSSIAN CLUB

**Front:** Larry M. Caillouet, Georg R. Bluhm, Mania Ritter, R. Tom Sullivan  
**Back:** Timothy J. Gragg, Michael K. Hill, G. Corban Goble, Jennifer L. Johnson, Kari Allison Kelton

potluck dinner open to all students taking foreign language classes. Induction into Pi Delta Phi was held in April, and there were 12 members in the organization. A GPA of 3.0 in French was required to be in the club.





### RECREATION CLUB

R. Matthew Moore, Jeanette M. Orton, Leslie J. Rueger, Joseph R. Lombard, Elizabeth L. Kimmel, Jonathan E. Geilear

## Learning to Teach

The National Student Speech, Hearing and Language Association's 30 members consisted of students majoring in exceptional education. Members worked in a clinical setting to help individuals with communication deficiencies.

Barbara Davenport, the

organization's president, said the organization had several fund-raisers, including a car wash which raised \$60 and two bake sales which raised \$150 and \$160, respectively. Money went toward attending conferences.

"The purpose of the (WKU



David Stephenson

AFTER A STRIKE, Shawn Sattazahan, 9, Kenneth Dodson, 10, and Fort Campbell junior Julie Combs react with joy at the Special Olympics Bowling Tournament held at Downing University Center. Sattazahan and Dodson attended Stevenson Elementary School in Russellville.

Middle School Association) is to promote the professional development of middle school undergraduate students and to develop a support system among students to help each other now and when they become teachers," said Nancy Minix, the organization's faculty adviser.

MSA, which had 90 members, attended a conference in Fort Mitchell in October. The conference included lectures related to middle schools and exhibits by various publishers. Members who attended collected 80 curriculum guides written by public school districts and contributed them to WKU libraries.

The Distributive Education Club of America's 27 members consisted of future marketing and business teachers interested in gaining experience by working with high school students.

The organization sponsored a "Leadership Development Institute" at Downing University Center in October. The event included business and finance workshops. Nearly 800 students from 45 Kentucky high schools attended.

The Student National Education Association, organized for students majoring in Education, had 201 members.

The association held monthly meetings where they discussed various topics and issues concerning education. In addition, SNEA hosted a fall leadership conference

which featured various workshops in teaching, law and the Education Reform Act. Officers from each chapter across the state were invited, and 28 people attended.

SNEA members also tutored students at Bowling Green Junior High.

The Student Council for Exceptional Children was comprised of 30 students, most of whom were majoring in special education. According to Janice Ferguson, the group's faculty adviser, SCEC's goal was "to improve awareness of the potential of individuals with disabilities and to provide social, emotional, physical, intellectual and vocational growth."

SCEC's annual project, Quiz Bowl, was an academic competition held in conjunction with the Special Olympics. Ferguson said the quick recall competition was designed for disabled individuals who were ineligible for Special Olympics. Students from eight area high schools participated in the competition.

The organization held monthly meetings at the Golden Corral, where they heard speakers from local agencies for the disabled.

SCEC members attended the Office of Education of Exceptional Children state conference in the fall and the Kentucky SCEC conference in the spring. The group held bake sales to raise travel money to attend the conferences.



### WKU MIDDLE SCHOOL ASSOC.

Front: Christie A. Copas, Kellie M. Wood, Mary Lee Curtis, Candy M. Barnhill  
Back: Marcy K. Sullivan, Beth G. Hodges, Cynthia L. Calebs, B. Keith Davis, Jackie M. Muncy



### NATIONAL STUDENT SPEECH-LANGUAGE HEARING ASSOC.

Front: Andrea L. Moore, Heather K. Porter  
Back: Rachel L. Thomas, Anne E. Dossett, Dorene C. Thomas



### NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOC.

Front: Clarissa R. Caskey, Kimberly A. Shouse, Rhonda L. Thompson  
Back: Tammy L. Shavers, Janet L. McCay, Jeff A. Gentry, Lisa M. Lindsey



### KENTUCKY PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOC.

Rebecca C. Bell, Wendy K. Conley, Kerry L. Clark, Craig A. Patterson, Kasandra J. Wilds, Ray P. Biggerstaff



### STUDENT ASSOC. OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY

Front: James R. Clark, Shannon M. Cline  
Back: Frank R. Toman, Larry P. Elliott, M. Chris Dorley



### ACHESA

Front: Brian D. Dawson, Elizabeth R. Rountree, Charla R. McGuire, Kira R. Prewitt  
Middle: Stephanie L. Thompson, Michael R. Bessette, Nicole L. Gaddis, Greg D. Gerard, Lainie L. Collins  
Back: Gene D. Meyers, Stephanie L. Hagan, Mark A. Marsh, A. Nicole Infanti, W. Guy McClurkan

# Healthy Attitudes

The WKU chapter of the **Kentucky Public Health Association** consisted of 15 members who promoted general health, leadership and community service among students.

The members were responsible for hosting, planning and organizing the annual Community Health Conference in Louisville, according to Dr. Ray Biggerstaff, the faculty adviser. The conference was held in conjunction with the annual Kentucky Public Health Association. Students from various colleges were asked

to participate in the conference.

Another event the organization participated in was the Health Fair sponsored by the community health agencies in the Bowling Green area. The Health Fair involved participation in screening activities for measuring blood pressure, screening for diabetes, checking height and weight and nutritional counseling. The fair gave students the opportunity to use their skills to help others.

In conjunction with the KPHA convention, members participated in the annual KPHA alumni reception. The student chapter assisted the

Department of Health and Safety in hosting the reception.

KPHA also participated in the WKU Phon-A-Thon, which raised money from alumni for the various departments of WKU.

**The American Dental Hygienists** organization consisted of about 40 members. The purpose of the organization, according to adviser Lynn Alston, was to "educate members concerning the maintenance of health and the treatment of patients."

The organization was a liaison between the students and the national American Dental Hygienist organization. Their purpose was to give members

a better awareness of the national organization and to provide insight into what members may be doing in future careers as hygienists.

Along with regular meetings, the organization had a raffle to raise money to attend science seminars.

The health honor society, **Eta Sigma Gamma**, strove to promote health education among its members. Requirements for membership were a 2.7 GPA and a major in a health-related field.

This year, the major event was the Great American Smokeout at which Eta Sigma Gamma had various programs and passed out brochures on smoking, its effects and break-

ing the habit. The club also contributed to the underprivileged by decorating the Hospice Christmas tree during the holidays.

Frank Toman, adviser for the **Student Association of Medical Technology**, said, "We want to familiarize members with how to give a good job interview and prepare them for the medical technology field."

The club was made up of students either majoring in or having an interest in the field.

Events planned for the year included a potluck dinner in the fall and the annual Medical Careers Day. The organization also had speakers who discussed medical technology

programs and gave members tips on interviewing.

The Student Association of Medical Technology also participated in community service projects such as the Special Olympics.



WHILE THEY GIVE the "gift of life," Columbia senior Stacey Goodin and Hodgenville junior Dave Thomas exchange nervous smiles. The two donated blood to the Red Cross in the West Hall cellar.

Andy Lyons





**AMERICAN HOME ECONOMICS ASSOC.**

Brenda L. Black, Beverly M. Devine, Kim A. Evans, Sherri N. Perkins, Becky L. Hawks



**PHI Upsilon OMEGON**

Front: Nancy Y. Norris, Palma V. Milliman, Tracy A. Forshee  
Back: Sherri N. Perkins, Melissa D. Jenkins, Beverly M. Devine, John W. Garrison



**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERIOR DESIGN**

Front: Debbi J. Haynes, Susan C. Jaworski, Karen A. Roche  
Back: John W. Garrison, R. Thomas Brawner, Emily C. Layne, Michael A. Moore

# A Material World

Fashion, Inc. was an organization designed to bring together those interested in fashion and fashion careers or majoring in merchandising. In order to be a member of the organization, a student had to be a major or minor in textile and clothing or fashion. The organization provided professional programs in the area of fashion. They had speakers including a sales representative from a children's clothing line and an area supervisor from The Limited.

The organization planned field trips to various fashion merchandising industries throughout the year. In the spring, Fashion Inc. toured the Apparel Mart in Atlanta, Ga.

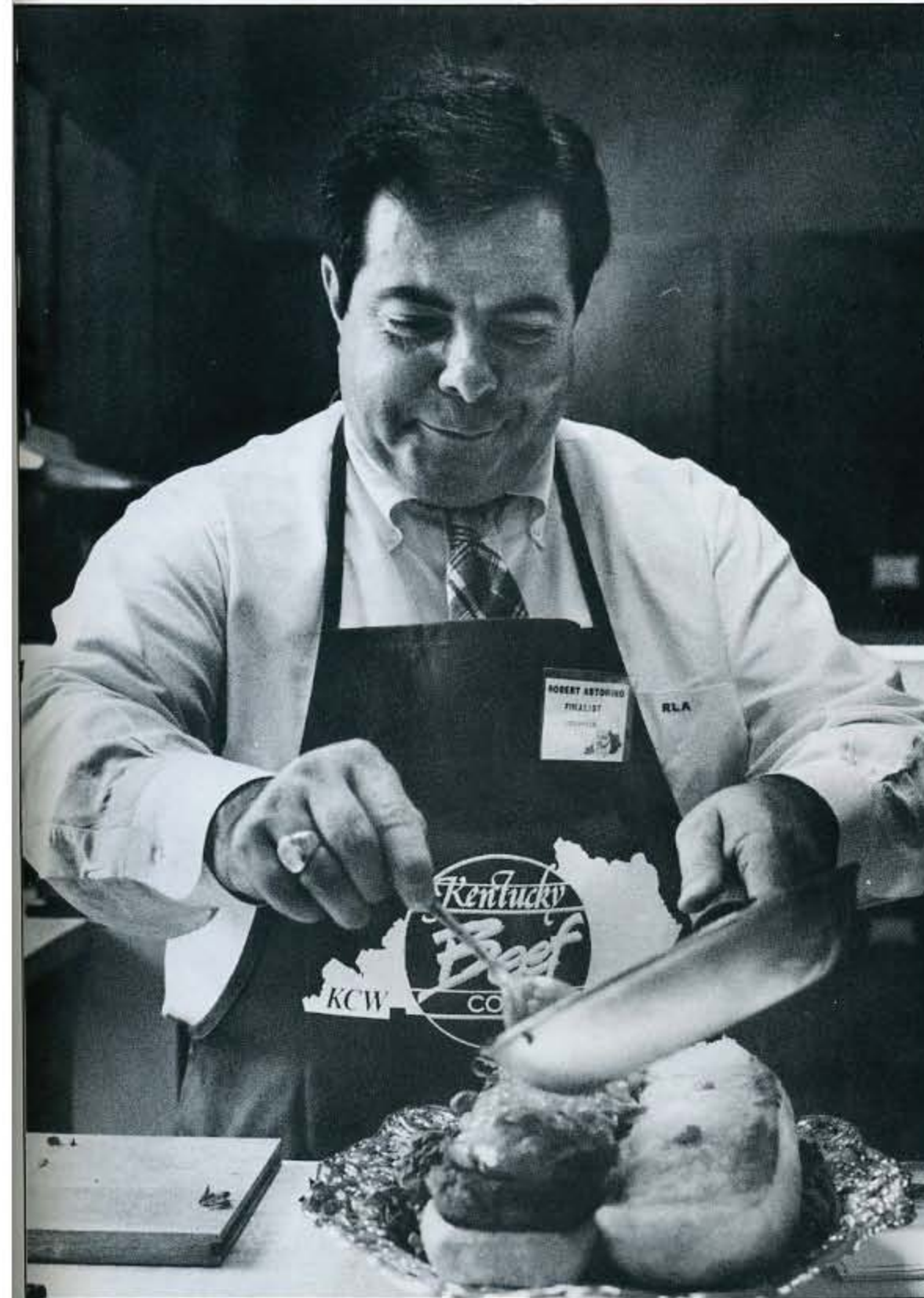
Fashion, Inc. sold soft drinks as a fund-raiser during International Day held in Downing University Center. They also produced a fashion show video tape that ran during the Health Fair sponsored by Phi Mu at DUC.

American Society of Interior Designers was designed to involve students in a professional society of interior designers. The ASID has

worked toward establishing standards for interior designers to meet before they would be eligible to work once out of college. The local chapter had seminars, guest speakers and field trips in order to involve students with the professional aspects of interior design.

Guest speakers included local designers, architects and furniture manufacturers. Many of the activities were coordinated with the Kentucky and Ohio state chapters of ASID including a Career Day held in Lexington and an office work space seminar held in Louisville.

During the fall, students attended the Rapids Rally in Grand Rapids, Mich. The Rapids Rally was an exhibit of the four largest office system manufacturers in the United States. While there, students had an opportunity to make contacts with several professional interior designers. In the spring, ASID went to the International Furniture Market at High Point, N.C. The Market was a convention of furniture manufacturers and is the largest show of its kind in the United States. ♦♦♦



Robin Buckson

WITH OBVIOUS ENJOYMENT, Robert Astorino prepares French Onion Beef Bistro Baquette. Astorino was a finalist in the Ky. Beef Cookout held April 27, 1990 in Tate Page Hall.

# Top of the Class

The local chapter of the **Nursing Honors Society**, Kappa Theta, was formed in 1988 and consisted of 143 members this year. Kappa Theta was committed to improving public health by advancing nursing science, said Barbara Strande, co-adviser of the local chapter.

Undergraduates had to have a 3.0 GPA and be in the upper one-third of their class in order to be admitted. Students also had to show pro-

fessional leadership potential and/or marked achievement in the field of nursing.

Kappa Theta was created to recognize superior achievement and to promote the development of leadership qualities.

Kappa Theta co-sponsored a research day in March with the Iota chapter at Vanderbilt University. They had an induction ceremony April 19 at the Graves-Gilbert Clinic in Bowling Green.

Strande and Deborah Williams were co-advisers serving with the following officers: Michele Salisbury of Bowling Green, president; Kay Carr of Franklin, president-elect; Ellen Kirtley of Bowling Green, vice president; Linda Clark of Bowling Green, secretary; and Donna Bussey of Bowling Green, treasurer. All the officers were faculty members due to the recent start of the organization.

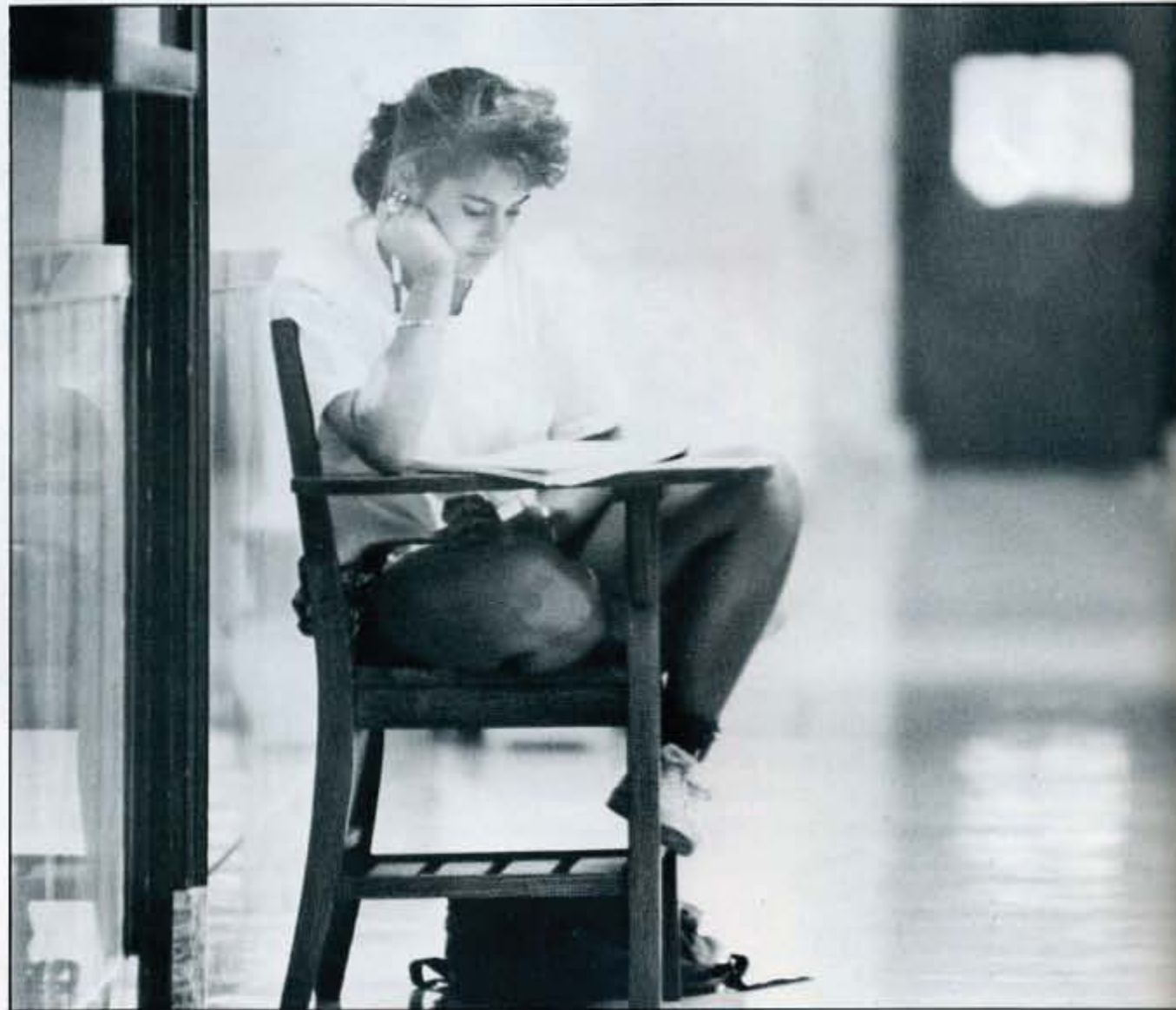
**Omicron Delta Kappa** was organized to recognize students who had maintained high scholastic achievement

while excelling in campus leadership.

In addition to exhibiting leadership qualities, students seeking admission to the organization needed a 3.4 GPA. Omicron Delta Kappa also considered any honors and awards the student had earned while at Western.

Omicron Delta Kappa had 24 members and inducted 18 new members at their banquet in January.

Anne Murray was adviser, while Chari Beth Rose, a senior from Winchester, served as president, and Brigitte Sparks, a senior from Nashville, Tenn., served as vice



WHILE SHE WAITS for her boyfriend, who is in a night class, Louisville junior Kelly McKiernan uses the time to read for her religious studies class. McKiernan was on the first floor of Cherry Hall.

president.

**Pi Mu Epsilon** was created to advance mathematics and promote scholarly activity in mathematics. Sophomores who were in the upper one-fourth of their class, and juniors with a 3.0 in all math classes who were in the upper one-third of their class could join.

Pi Mu Epsilon had one or two meetings per month with a guest speaker attending about once a month. They also had parties and picnics during the year, along with an initiation banquet in the spring.

The organization's co-advisers were Barry Brunson and Claus Ernst.

**Kappa Tau Alpha**, the journalism honors organization, had nine members this year. The requirements for joining included being a print, photojournalism, advertising or public relations major and having junior standing with a 3.5 GPA.

Brigitte Sparks, a senior from Nashville, Tenn., and the Kappa Tau Alpha president, said the organization "seeks to form a bond ... between students of unusual achievement in the leading schools and departments of journalism and mass communication."

The organization had an initiation banquet in the spring.

Paula Quinn was the adviser for Kappa Tau Alpha and student officers were Cindy Stevenson, a senior from Covington, as vice president, and Laura Howard, a senior from Bloomfield, as secretary/treasurer.

**Sigma Tau Delta**, the English honor society, inducted 12 new members at its annual banquet on Dec. 5 to give the organization 25 members.

The purpose of Sigma Tau Delta was to introduce honor students to each other, the English department's faculty and the discipline of English, according to Walker Rutledge, the group's adviser.

Dresden Wall, a senior from Elizabethtown, was president; Junior Graham, a senior from Brownsville, was vice president and Mark Crosslin, a senior from Portland, ♦



## PHI ETA SIGMA

**Front:** Talia M. McKinney, Rhonda D. Keller, Belton S. Wall, Kristie L. Clark, Debbie K. Bratcher  
**Back:** Jodie A. Pennington, Kristy L. Garrett, Christopher W. Pergrem, Susan S. Murray, Brian K. Mounts, Stacey N. Bell



## KAPPA TAU ALPHA

**Front:** Sandra S. Karr, Laura K. Howard, Brigitte L. Sparks, Krista G. Shartzler, Chris A. Adams  
**Back:** Cindy L. Stevenson, Christine M. Taylor, Carrie A. Morrison, Amy L. Taylor, Denise M. Page, Paula M. Quinn



## UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS

**Front:** Lori A. Burton, Michelle Y. Kirkham, E. Sue McGinnis  
**Middle:** Rodney W. Jones, David T. Sparks, Kelli N. Smith, Juanita K. Smith  
**Back:** M. Westfield Odom, Julie A. Davis, W. Todd Dykes, Jenni L. Ignash, Sam G. McFarland

Andy Lyons



### BETA GAMMA SIGMA

Ronald W. Ratliff, Wesley A. Waddle, Harold W. Phipps, April D. Dorris, Edgar T. Busch



### PHI ALPHA THETA

Front: Sheryl D. Reed, Barry T. Sanders, Melissa H. Hamby

Back: Jeffery L. Murray, Christopher D. Troutt, Kenneth R. Brittan, Robert J. Antony



### BETA BETA BETA

Front: Marian L. Upchurch, Patty G. Walchak, Kathryn L. O'Donnell, Rachael L. Allender

Back: Joe E. Winstead, Tim E. Shannon, Jonathan L. Harrell, Larry P. Elliott



ETHICAL ISSUES ARE topics of discussion during the honors program's sophomore colloquium. The class met once a week.

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Tenn., was secretary/treasurer. To join, students had to have a 3.0 GPA and be "inter-

ested in the enterprise of English," Rutledge said.

Pi Sigma Alpha was created to honor outstanding



Robin Buckson

government majors and minors. Students had to have a 3.0 GPA in overall course work and in their government classes for admittance.

Pi Sigma Alpha had 20 members.

The organization had a banquet April 24 in which new members were inducted and officers were announced. The outstanding government senior award was given to John Rittliff, a senior from Greensburg, adviser Ed Kearney said.

Phi Kappa Phi was created to honor people who excel academically. Juniors and seniors of any college at WKU were eligible for membership. Seniors needed a 3.85 GPA, and juniors needed a 3.90 GPA in order to join.

Phi Kappa Phi and the honors program co-sponsored a reception for the freshman scholarship recipients in the fall. Phi Kappa Phi also gave a scholarship to a member of senior standing. In the spring they had an initiation banquet.

Omicron Delta Epsilon, an economics honor society, had 10 members.

Students seeking admission to the organization needed a 3.0 GPA in both economics classes and cumulatively and must have taken at least 12 hours of economics.

Omicron Delta Epsilon had seminars on job searching, resumes and the economics of sports. They also had an induction later during the spring semester.

The club had been inactive for at least five previous years but was reactivated because of interest. Omicron Delta Epsilon accomplished its goal

by becoming "a viable organization," said Dan Myers, one of Omicron Delta Epsilon's co-advisers. The other adviser was Roy Howsen.

Omicron Delta Epsilon ended the year with 10 to 12 members, with Ted Vernon serving as president.

Kappa Delta Pi was an international educational honor society. The requirements for membership for undergraduates included nine hours of professional education courses, participation in the teacher education certification program, a 3.4 GPA and a recommendation from at least one faculty member. The requirements for graduate students included 21 hours of graduate work in education, a 3.75 GPA and a recommendation from at least one faculty member.

The purpose of Kappa Delta Pi was "to promote excellence and recognize outstanding contributions to education," according to Barbara Kacer, the organization's adviser. The society's goals were to assist others who were planning to enter the teaching profession and to promote life-long learning.

They planned workshops for student teachers and gave baskets of apples to the teacher education faculty during Education Week.

Scabbard and Blade was an honor society created for ROTC members of any military branch. The requirements for the organization included a GPA of 2.75 and a sopho-

more standing. The nine-member organization provided a social atmosphere for the ROTC members. They also had occasional activities for community service including monitoring admittance to the press box at Western's home games and volunteering at Bowling Green's 10K race. This year was a rebuilding period for the organization because of the graduation of members and a lack of qualified applicants, according to Craig Tackett, a senior from Lancaster who was the group's president.

A minimum of nine credit hours in psychology must have been completed before joining Psi Chi. The club was open to anyone meeting that requirement who was interested in psychology. The main purpose of Psi Chi was "to understand psychology as a science," adviser Dan Roenker said.

Some events the club participated in were a faculty-student volleyball picnic and a Halloween party. Along with the social events, the club attended lectures given by speakers from the University of Louisville and the University of Kentucky.

Although their membership enrollment was higher than their average, Psi Chi's goal was to continue increasing membership and to promote the club.

The Semper Fidelis Society, an engineering club, had six members this year. In order to be a member of

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the club, one must be an officer candidate for the marine corp.

The group's main purpose was to promote professional goals in the marine corp. In the spring, the candidates from western and eastern areas of Kentucky ran from Richmond and Frankfort to Louisville. In Louisville, candidates met and had a flag run. The flag run was an effort to enhance physical fitness and to emphasize patriotism.

In March, they had a

formal dinner in which all candidates from western and eastern Kentucky met again. By interacting in this way, all Kentucky marine corp candidates got better acquainted.

A goal The Semper Fidelis Society had was to have more candidates and to have reconstitution of the WKU division of the Marine Corp.

**Phi Alpha Theta**, WKU's chapter of The International History Honor Society, had approximately 25 members

this year. Students enrolled in Phi Alpha Theta must have completed 12 hours in history and have a 3.1 GPA in history and a 3.0 in two-thirds of remaining hours.

The organization had monthly meetings, guest speakers and social and academic events. One event included a College Bowl. The first round of the bowl during the fall semester consisted of graduate and undergraduate students. Both groups of students asked one another his-

tory questions. Those who answered the most questions correctly from each of the two teams competed in another round. The second round consisted of these graduate and undergraduate students against history faculty members. The second round was during the spring semester.



**SOCIETY OF PHYSICS STUDENTS**

Front: Chris A. Banbury, Dulchey G. Goodman, J. Curtis Kwasniewski, Matthew A. Raymer, T. April Wagoner  
Back: T. Mike Troutman, Kristy L. Belt, George Coker, Steve K. Boddeker, Shawn L. Wagoner



**ALPHA KAPPA DELTA**

Front: Kathy A. Kalab, Joan L. Krenzin, Michelle L. DeGeorge  
Back: San-Yi Li, David M. DuCoff, Sherry A. Roberts



**SIGMA TAU DELTA**

Front: Junior Graham, Stacie J. Apple  
Back: Cindy L. Stevenson, S. Dresden Wall, Jason W. Rutledge, J. Walker Rutledge



UNSEASONABLY WARM WEATHER prompted freshman Elaine Simmons of Louisville and Jennifer Murty of Chicago, Ill., to sit in windows of Cherry Hall. They were writing and grading essays during their English 100 class.



Craig Bell



**PHI MU EPSILON**

Front: Michelle L. Smith, Mary H. Russell  
Back: Talia M. McKinney, William J. Dechman, Claus D. Ernst, Marty L. Smith



**ETA SIGMA DELTA**

Sherry A. Kefauver, Sarah M. Peoples, Derek B. Olive, Amy L. Thomas, Kristen L. Bayley



**PUBLIC RELATIONS STUDENTS SOCIETY OF AMERICA**

**Front:** Beth A. Struck, Stephanie A. Alexander, Nina M. Kissinger, Janet L. Moorefield  
**Back:** Jennifer M. Reik, Carrie A. Morrison, Karl Miller, Jeff K. Polson, Michelle L. McIntire



**NATIONAL PRESS PHOTOGRAPHERS ASSOC.**

**Front:** Christina I. Paolucci, Robin R. Cornetet, Leah Hogsten, Catherine M. Calovich, Craig V. Fritz, J. David Stephenson, Julie M. Price  
**Middle:** Robin L. Buckson, Alex R. Chard, Tamara L. Voninski, Brian D. Bohannon, Craig J. Bell, John A. Russell  
**Back:** Steve J. Smart, Chris W. McKenney, Joseph A. Garcia, Mark T. Osler, Rick Loomis, Chuck D. Wing

**Getting an Angle**

Field trips, workshops and lectures were a few of the ways that the **Broadcasting Association** helped its members gain additional knowledge and experience outside the classroom.

The association also hosted day panel discussions on the radio.

The 30 members hoped to continue providing an opportunity for students to broaden their exposure to broadcasting.

Officers were Jeff Guirney, chairman; and Alan Florence, vice chairman. Terry Likes served as adviser for the association.

Photojournalism majors had the opportunity to gain insight into internships, portfolios and exposure to the professional world of photojournalism as members of the **National Press Photographers Association**.

The 30 members hosted educational and recreational activities throughout the year.

To raise money, the chapter sponsored a print auction held at the national conference in Atlanta, Ga., which

takes place each year.

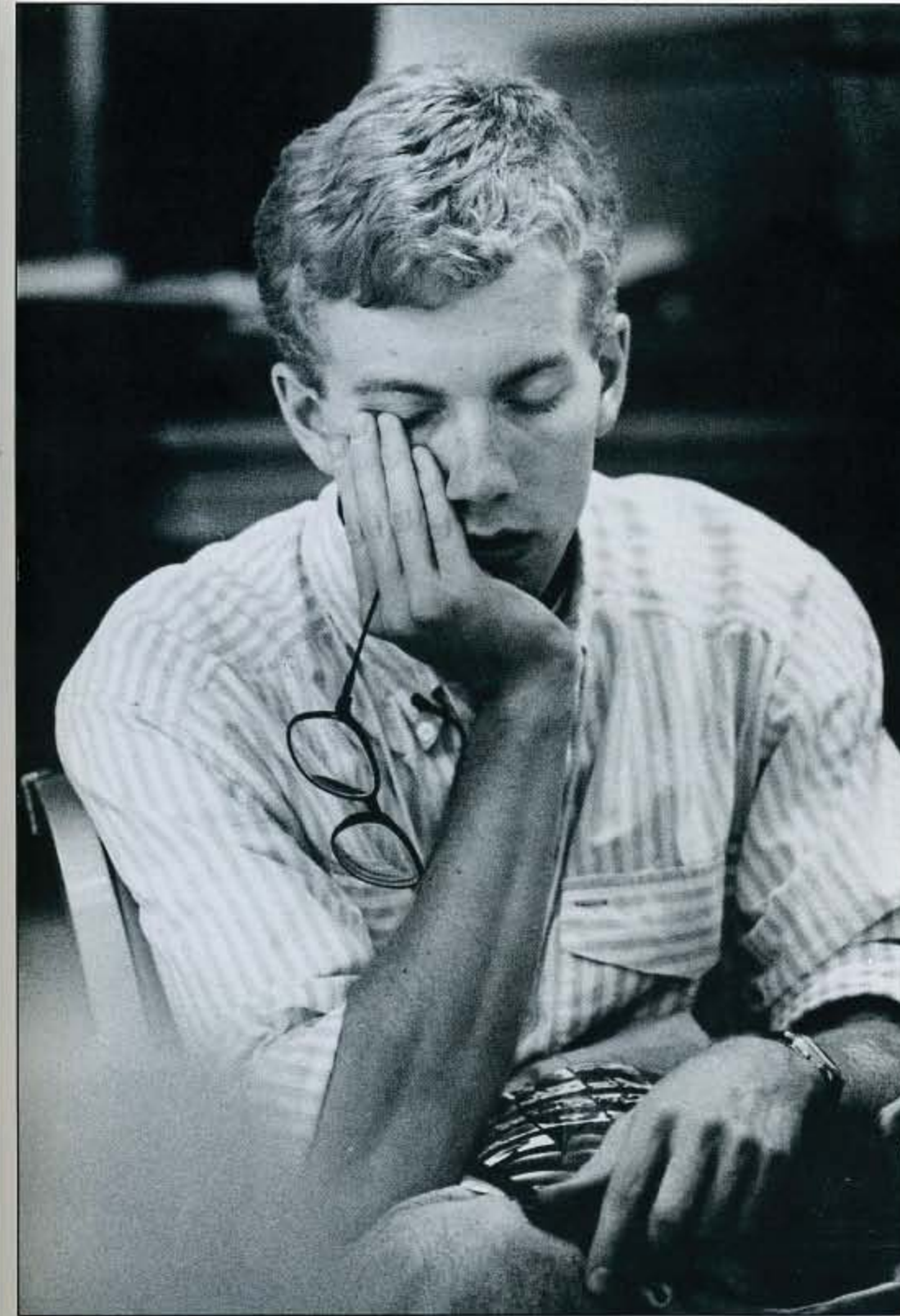
Officers were Steve Smart, president; Joseph A. Garcia, vice president; and Larry Powell, treasurer. Mike Morse served as adviser.

Image West, a student-run advertising agency, was one activity in which the **Advertising Club** took part in. They also worked on a national advertising competition that involved creating a campaign for American Airlines.

Members of the Advertising Club had chances throughout the year to meet professionals working in the advertising field. As a member of the American Advertising Federation, the Advertising Club also had opportunities to receive scholarships and internships.

With 51 active members, the Advertising Club hoped to continue growing.

Officers were Brigitte Sparks, president; Karen Fryrear, first vice president; Sean Ward, second vice president; Deni Donelson, corresponding secretary; Karen Wantland, recording secretary; and Cristal Meadows, treasurer. ♦



Chris McKenney

AT ONE OF the nightly meetings at the 1990 Mountain Peoples Workshop in Monticello, Louisville senior Steve Smart catches a quick nap. Students were put through a "boot camp" experience at the workshop.



### SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS

Anya L. Armes, Tanya M. Bricking, Jamie L. Lawson, Dixie L. Patrow, Laura K. Howard, John L. Lindsey

WHILE AT THE 1990 Mountain Peoples Workshop, Louisville junior Robin Buckson assists Jonathan Newton, a staff photographer from the *Atlanta Constitution-Journal*. The workshop was held in Monticello.



Chris McKenney

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The **Society of Professional Journalists** was made up of students committed to the journalism profession. They worked to promote service to journalism, freedom of information and access to government records. The officers of SPJ were Tanya Bricking, president; Travis Green, vice president; Jamie Lawson, treasurer; and Gary Houchens, secretary.

One of the major goals was to establish a sister and satellite chapter at the University of Moscow. Other events included hosting speakers and a high school mark of excellence competition.

Students who were part of the **WKU Minority Communicators** worked together to sensitize students to racism in the media and to offer support in dealing with such issues.

Members also strengthened ties among students who were interested in the media.

Requirements to join the club included being a journalism, photojournalism, public relations or communications major.

Members helped make Christmas baskets, put on a slide program for Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, hosted guest speakers and took part in the Memphis Job Fair.

The organization hoped to become more involved in the

Bowling Green community and to grow in membership numbers. There were 14 members.

Officers were Nikita Stewart, president; Anya Lockert, vice president; Amethel Parel, treasurer/secretary; and Dawn Rutledge, public relations director. Paula Quinn and Wilma King served as co-advisers.

The 30 **Public Relations Student Society of America** members found themselves without an adviser midway through the fall semester, but they were ready to meet the challenges.

Western's local chapter was selected out of 25 other national chapters to host the Public Relations East Central District Conference.

The organization helped public relations students gain contacts with professionals and assisted in internship opportunities.

Selected members took part in a year-long project that involved developing a public relations campaign for a new razor product created by the Schick Company.

Officers were Beth Struck, president; Jeff Polson, vice president; Karl Miller, treasurer; Michelle McIntire, secretary; Nina Kissinger, public relations director; Tina Howard, East Central District director, and Janet Moorefield national liaison officer.



### MINORITY COMMUNICATIONS

Front: K. Dawn Rutledge, Wilma R. King  
Back: Van C. Hodge, Paula M. Quinn, Anya E. Lockert



### ADVERTISING CLUB

Front: Scott A. Hazelrigg, Karen L. Wantland, Brigitte L. Sparks, Phil A. D'Aniello  
Back: Steven P. Miller, Greg H. Frasier, Tom F. Peterson, R. Scott Voland



Marc Piscotty

WHILE DUNKING THE ball, Louisville freshman Derrick Holt grimaces during the three-point slam dunk contest sponsored by Alpha Kappa Delta. Holt did not win, but the winner received \$15.

## Playing the Game

The **Karate Club** hoped to have an 8-10 member team to travel and compete at campuses such as Eastern Kentucky University. In the spring they met for practice on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Anyone with an interest in martial arts could become a member. There was no faculty adviser, but the club was coordinated by Jason Collins.

The **Fencing Club** taught basic skills and offered practice time for more experienced fencers. They had 5 to 6 regular members who were advised by faculty member Bob Reber and student adviser Daniel Faller. They met on Wednesday and Friday evenings.

Most of their competitions were with the United States Fencing Association Kentucky Division. The competitions included foil, saber and epee divisions for men and women.

A couples foil tournament took place on Oct. 20 in Bowling Green. In a tournament such as this, men and women form teams, fence their respective opponents and combine their scores. Karen Simpson and Faller took third place.

The Bourbon Open was on Nov. 17-18 in Louisville. Simpson took first place in epee and fourth place in foil.

The Valentine Open Meet was Feb. 9-10 in Louisville. Simpson took third place in epee and fourth place in foil. Chris Wright took third place

in novice foil.

The Bluegrass Open was March 16-17 in Louisville. Simpson took third place in foil. Wright took second in novice foil and semifinalist standing in foil.

The Botterall Open was April 7 in Cincinnati, Ohio. Simpson took third place in epee.

The fencing club competed in the Kentucky Division Championship in Louisville on April 13-14, the Sectional Championship April 26-27 in Columbus, Ohio, the three weapon championship May 18, in Louisville, the National Championship June 29-July 4 in St. Charles, Ill., the 30 and over mixed meet June 8 in Louisville and the D division and under foil and epee meet June 9 in Louisville.

The 14 members of the **Women's Soccer Club** met twice a week last year to compete against each other, according to club President Barb Petri, a junior from Newburgh, Ind.

They also tested their skills against the University of Evansville twice during the fall and planned to compete against other clubs throughout the year.

Cassie Holloran, a Nashville, Tenn., junior, said improved teamwork helped the club in their games. "We really work well together now," Holloran said in late November.

Holloran said she enjoyed being a member of the soccer

club for different reasons.

"I like the competition against other schools, and I also just like the camaraderie of playing against each other," she said. "We've really gotten to know each other."

The club's adviser was Don Carter.

Kentucky's gentle hills and mild climate don't exactly provide the perfect environment for snow skiing.

But that doesn't mean there weren't any snow skiers at Western. In fact, Western's

**Snow Ski Club** found plenty of ways to enjoy their hobby.

The members consisting of students, alumni and community members, headed for the mountains in January for several days of skiing in Steamboat, Colo., according to club President John Scott, a Louisville sophomore.

The club, which was advised by Dr. Thomas Noser, had about 15 members who weren't fully active until the spring semester when the club met periodically and went on a handful of weekend



### FENCING CLUB

Front: Andrew W. Herrmann, Christopher J. Wright, Karen K. Simpson,  
Back: Daniel B. Faller, John M. Potter, Scott T. Earle



### CHEERLEADERS

Front: Jill L. Wilcox, Susan E. Mitchell, Amy L. Monroe, Rayshawn M. Cunningham, Jennifer A. Sgro, Angie L. Vincent  
Back: Greg B. Parker, Stephen L. McCoy, Christian E. Cagle, Brian K. Ward, Jimmy W. Welch, Jeff W. Dunn

## GAME CONTINUED

skiing trips.

While Scott described most club members as "intermediate" in skill level, he said the club wanted to help beginners learn how to ski and pick up the hobby.

Scott said members also met once in a while to talk about their skiing experiences or to watch movies about skiing.

Tina Herlong, a Longmont, Colo., junior, said there's nothing competitive about the Ski Club—it merely

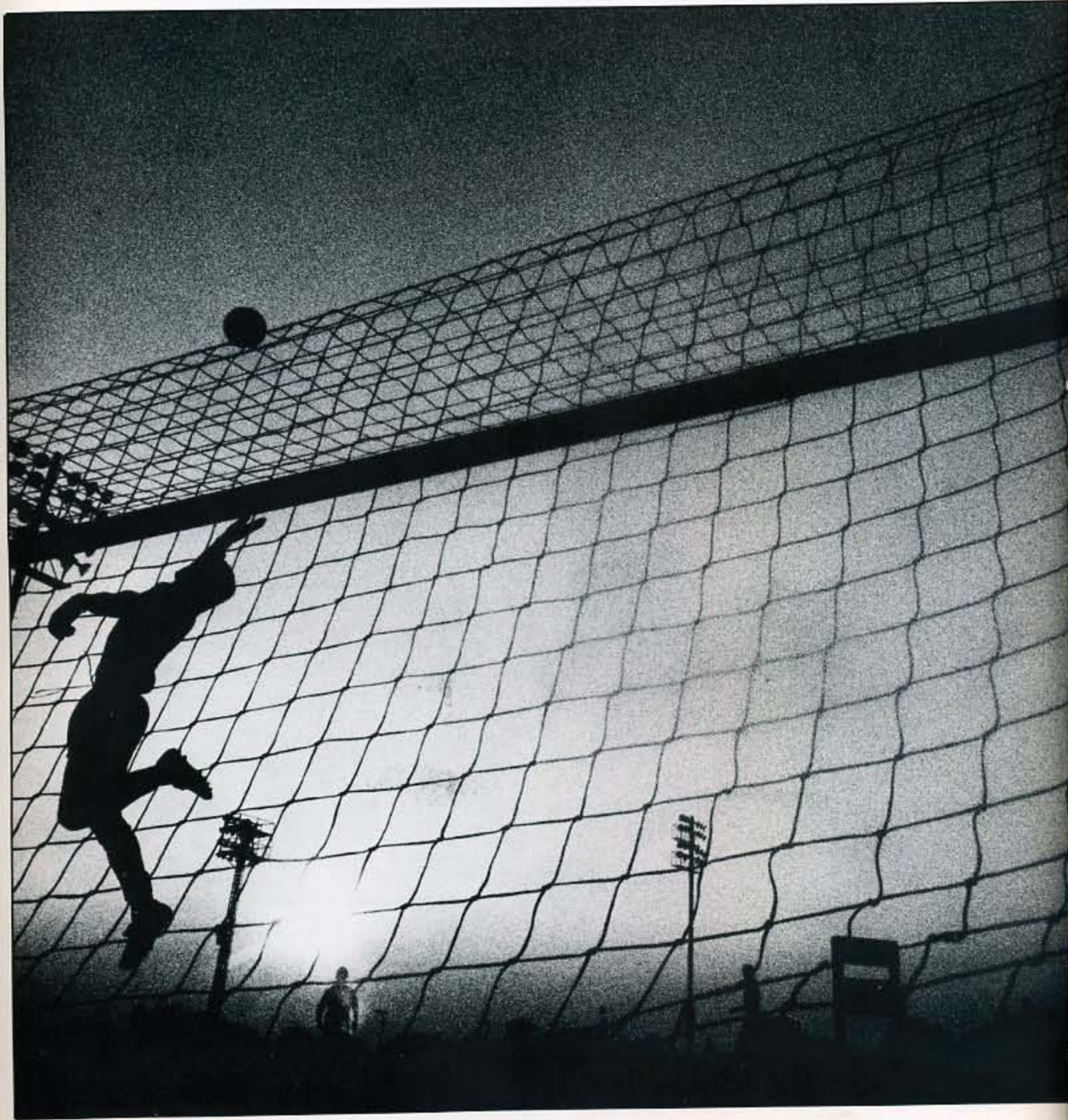
offered skiers a chance to enjoy their hobby with others.

"It's just fun," she said. "It's a way to get together with nice people and have a lot of fun skiing."

All Western varsity ath-

letes who earned letters in their respective sports became members of the "W" Club.

Mark Freer, president of the club and a senior soccer player from Owensboro, said the "W" Club was an asset to Western's student athletes.



"The main purpose of the club was to recognize student athletes for their contributions to the university," Freer said. "It also allowed the members of different teams to get together and support each other."

Freer said the club met

three or four times during the year and had a special function for the alumni letter winners.

The club had a picnic for all the athletes at the end of the year, where jackets were to be given to the letter winners. Freer said it would be

the second year that letter winners received jackets.

The "W" Club's adviser was William Meadors.

The thundering boom of a hard spike or the soft plop of a well-placed set could be heard in Diddle Arena almost any night of the week.

That's because **Western's Men's and Women's Volleyball Clubs** were usually practicing or playing there.

Both teams practiced once a week, and co-ed games were held twice per week, according to Jay Hines, a member of the men's club.

Between 40 and 50 members participated in the clubs, which was up about 20 to 25 more from last year. One reason for the increase was the formation of the women's

club.

In addition to playing one another, the clubs competed in United States Volleyball Association (USVBA) tournaments against clubs from other schools.

Hines said the clubs planned to play in five or 10 tournaments in places like Murfreesboro, Tenn., Nashville, Tenn., Lexington and Louisville. They also hosted tournaments here at Western.

To raise money, the clubs ushered and sold programs at basketball games to help fund their road trips, Hines said.

The club hoped to participate in the USVBA regionals and nationals. Hines said he thought the clubs had a good chance of making it to the nationals.



While warming up for a game during the Corvette Classic, goalkeeper Chris Poulos, a senior from Bowling Green, jumps back to knock a ball away from the goal. The Toppers won the Classic Championship, 2-0, against New Mexico. **Andy Lyons**





# Lending a Hand

The purpose of the Association of Student Social Workers (ASSW) was to perform community service and to educate social work majors and persons interested in social work, according to President Lori Magers-Coffman.

On Halloween, ASSW took needy children trick or treating and had a party for them afterwards.

In November, the group sponsored food baskets for needy families.

During the Christmas season, the group had a bake sale, and the proceeds went toward purchasing presents for needy children. They also decorated a nursing home.

Some of the goals they set were to have a career day and to "educate the sociology majors and enrich the community through projects directed toward helping with social problems."

Upsilon Pi Epsilon was an honor organization that recognized academic excellence at the graduate and undergraduate level. "The object is the promotion of scholarships and organized investigation in computer science," adviser Sylvia Pulliam said.

Requirements for undergraduates were completion of 64 undergraduate hours, 18 being in computer science, a 3.0 overall GPA and a 3.4 GPA in computer science.

The group coordinated a tutoring service to help students in computer science.

The main event for the group was the induction of new members in February with a reception that followed.

The members of Gamma Sigma Sigma strove to provide service to campus and the community and "to try to help each other out," according to President Deltres Moore.

"We used to be real well known in the community," she said. The group's main goal was to gain that recognition again.

As part of their community services, the group X-rayed candy at Greenview Hospital on Halloween night.

Non-traditional students entering or re-entering Western could find assistance from Women in Transition. The group referred people to the right department for help, provided information and support, according to President Kathy Hamilton.

Room 107 of Garrett Conference Center served as a base for the group and was open from 7a.m.-5p.m. weekdays.

The group charged \$5 dues this year instead of having fund-raisers.

Information and support seminars were some of the activities they sponsored.

In the spring, members ❖



## ALPHA PHI OMEGA

Front: Christina R. Rogers, Dominic A. Hunter, Sam D. Hollis, Jessica E. Blankenship, Laura J. Young

Middle: Jane A. Sundermeier, Carrie D. Johns, D. Stacy Rodenberg, Kimberly M. Walker, Mike J. Davis

Back: Kimberly R. Crain, David A. Gallagher, Patricia J. Taul, Mark R. Wyatt, Tracey L. Tungate, Dawn M. Blair

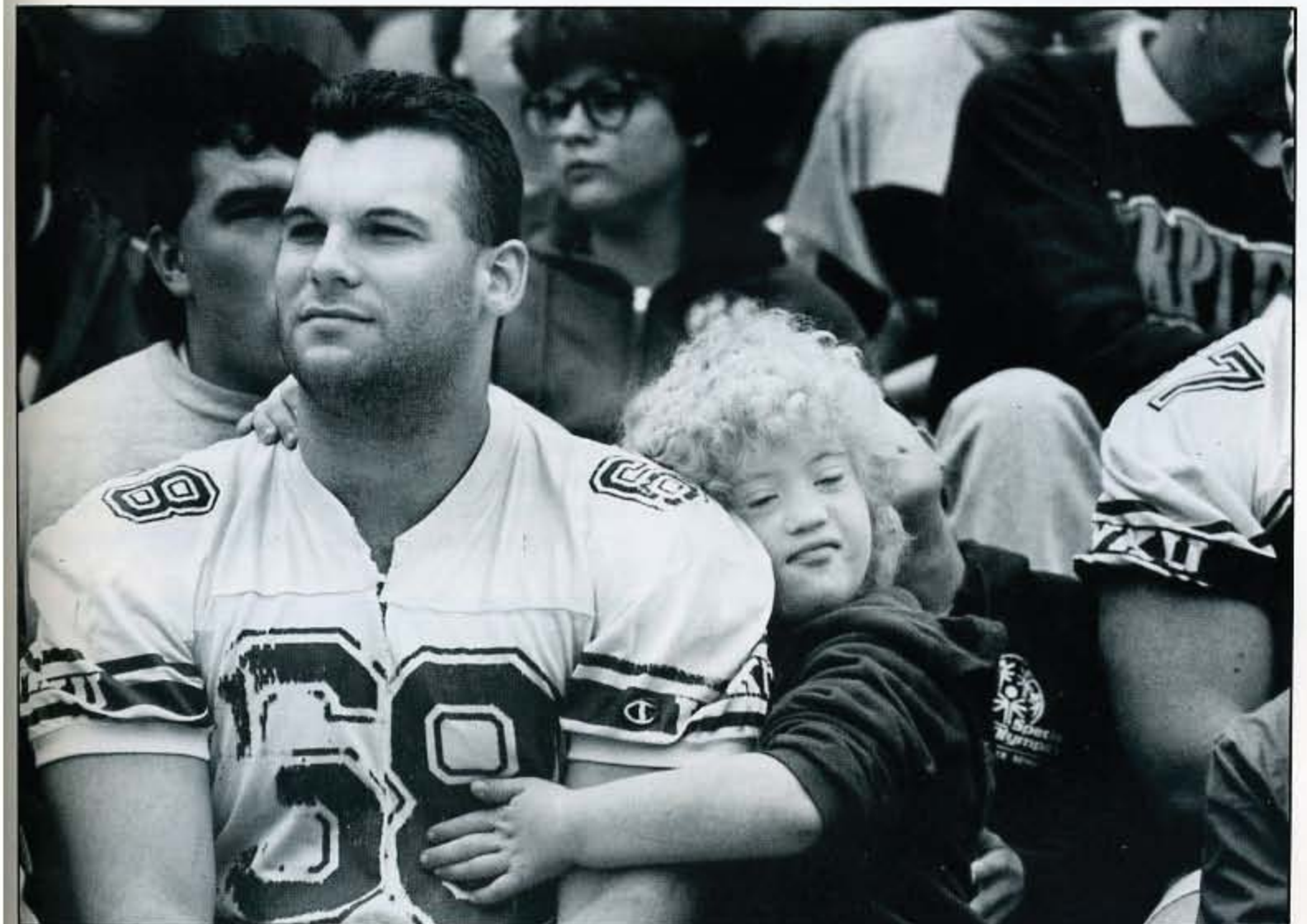


## ALPHA PHI OMEGA

Front: Heather L. Madriaga, Randi M. Flanary, Christy A. Dover, Kelley M. Moran

Middle: Leigh A. Carrico, Tracy J. Eckler, Anya L. Armes, Shannon D. Hurley

Back: Kenneth R. Brittan, Sam G. Sharbutt, Steven P. Miller, Robert A. Gowins



Brian Bohannon

DURING THE 1991 Special Olympics held on Western's campus, Hanna Morgan, 7, of Bowling Green hugs Guy Earle, a senior from Independence, Kan. Morgan competed in the 50-yard dash and softball toss.



## ALPHA PHI OMEGA

Front: Adrian B. Russell, Mary I. Lyons, David A. Serafini

Middle: Andrew W. Herrmann, Rebecca C. Bell, Sally A. Hanson, Kristina M. Krawchuk

Back: J. Todd Hines, A. Michael Caswell, Christopher J. Schneider, James D. Tanner

## HAND CONTINUED

of the group had a formal brunch to show their appreciation for faculty members.

Circle K was a college service organization sponsored by the Kiwanis Club. Its function was to promote service and develop leadership and fellowship for students.

They had a car wash in September, sponsored a blood

drive at the Lehman Avenue Church of Christ in October and attended a leadership conference in Knoxville, Tenn.

The group helped with the Special Olympics and Walk America in the spring. They also worked with the Adopt a Grandparent program. The members were paired with a resident of Fern Terrace Home for the elderly. "We see them once a week and take them shopping or something," Vice President Karin Koeplinger



### CIRCLE K

Front: Mark D. Higdon, Christine A. Royer, T. J. Jessie

Back: Kathy A. Hickerson, David M. Turner, W. Todd Downey, Todd Hash



### GAMMA SIGMA SIGMA

Front: Anita A. Payne, June E. Mayfield, A. Renee Sparks, Pamela R. Wells

Back: Martha J. Brinkley, Yolanda D. Shaw, Susan K. Pfanstiel, Deltresa A. Moore, Erika L. Collins



Pulled in many directions, Leigh Carrico, a Lexington sophomore, attracts the attention of three girls from the Bowling Green Girl's Club. The girls each wanted to play a different game when Carrico, a member of Alpha Phi Omega, visited the Girl's Club.

said.

The organization worked with Habitat for Humanity for the first time this year. "It's an ongoing thing we're helping out with. In late May or early June they're building a home (for the homeless)," Koeplinger said.

Alpha Phi Omega "was originally an outgrowth of people coming to college with Boy Scout experience," adviser James Sanders said.

Now it is a co-ed service organization open to persons of any color, sex, creed or from any major, with at least a 2.0 GPA. The primary goals of the organization, according to Sanders, were service, fellowship and development of leadership.

President Andy Gowins said he hoped to raise membership to at least 100, provide more services on campus and reach out to the community. ◆◆◆



Marc Piscotty



### UPSILON PI EPSILON

Front: Noel A. Hauser, Tammy R. Tongate, John A. Ternent

Back: Brian D. Dablow, Michael D. Rogers, Edward T. Farrar, Mark S. Husk, Sylvia C. Pulliam



### WOMEN IN TRANSITION

Front: Kathy L. Hamilton, R. Teresa Edmundson, Debbie M. Goodrum, LauraLee Wilson

Back: Patricia A. Chaisson, Catherine C. Ward, Leigha G. Cook, Sherice M. Spradlin, Debbie K. Bratcher



# Helping hands keep them in touch with others

BY: Brian Wilkerson  
Photos by Marc Piscotty

The birthday party for members of the Girl's Club had just started when some of the girls began telling what they wanted to be when they grew up.

"I want to be a teacher," one said, "and a cheerleader." Others jumped out of their chairs and chimed in with

cries of "doctor" and "teacher." Their eyes lit up as they temporarily forgot about their chocolate cake, party cups and candy.

The party, held once a month for the girls whose birthdays fell during that time, was just one of the many activities

Western's two main service organizations sponsored.

Alpha Phi Omega, the co-ed service fraternity, and Gamma Sigma Sigma, a service sorority, operate much like the social greek organizations.

"The only big difference between us and the social ones," said Kenneth Brittan, public relations officer for Alpha Phi Omega, was that "we go out every week and do something and not just once every month or once every semester."

"... we do a lot of community service. We work with the entire community, whoever needs us," said Mary Lyons, the fall 1991 president-elect of Alpha Phi Omega.

Activities for both included working with the Boy's and Girl's Clubs, helping with the Special Olympics, raising money for the March of Dimes and visiting area nursing homes.

"We try to do something with at least one of the nursing homes here in Bowling Green once a week," said Lyons, a Tompkinsville junior. ♦♦



WHILE TALKING at the Adult Day Care Center, Scottsville freshman Erin Blankenship and Pearl Miller, a resident of the center, share a laugh. Alpha Phi Omega visited the center twice a month, and sometimes once a week.

(far left) ALPHA PHI OMEGA member Leigh Carrico, a Lexington sophomore, sits with one of the girls from the Girl's Club. The two were watching a baseball game.



A PUPPY GETS a hug by Danville freshman Stephanie Ferrell as she prepares to leave. Ferrell was not yet a member of Alpha Phi Omega but planned to join the following fall semester.

BRITTHAVEN NURSING HOME resident Margaret Percy takes a nap while Scottsville freshman Erin Blankenship, Taylorsville senior Tracy Eckler and LaGrange sophomore Sally Hansen show Willie Law a puppy. The three Alpha Phi Omegas brought the puppy with them as part of their "Pet Therapy" program.

### HELPING CONTINUED

The members helped the residents through pet therapy, bringing in dogs from the Humane Society for the residents to play with. "The looks on their faces are enough to make you want to (bring the dogs) each time you get a chance," she said.

That chance to help others wasn't given to just anyone. Prospective members of the service organizations had to be ready to work. Like social organization pledges, prospective members were given bids and were required to participate in a number of activities.

Gamma Sigma Sigma held an informal meeting for potential members to familiarize them with the organization, and then had a more formal one for those who were serious about joining. "The people that come to that have really made up their minds that they want to pledge," said Erika Collins, president of Gamma Sigma Sigma. The sorority had 14 active members.

Pledges went through an eight-week period of study and project hours, Collins said. They also "have to come up with a personal project," such as tutoring or working at a day care or going to the Boy's or Girl's Club, she

said.

The 30 to 40 active members of Alpha Phi Omega had mixers at the beginning of the semester, handed out bids and approached pledgeship in the same manner that the other fraternities did.

Gamma Sigma Sigma's pledgeship dealt strictly with service projects and they didn't "do things every week" like Alpha Phi Omega, said Collins, a Louisville senior. The sorority didn't have a spring formal and only recently began having parties in West Hall Cellar in which the proceeds were usually donated to charity.

Brittian, a Glasgow junior, said he would like to really see more interaction between the service organizations and the social greeks. About the only tie between the service and social organizations was when Alpha Phi Omega brought people to the blood drive during Greek Week.

When Alpha Phi Omega was chartered in 1964, there weren't any national social fraternities on campus. In 1976, the fraternity achieved another first when its national organization voted to become a co-ed group.

Lyons said members weren't required to participate in a definite number of weekly activities. Each

individual could put "as much time as you want to put in it," she said. "We have stuff all week long." Members could choose to work exclusively with older or with younger people, or both.

Brittian joined Alpha Phi Omega instead of a social fraternity because he wanted to help others as well as meet different kinds of people. "What I really liked about it was the aspect of service," he said.

Lyons agreed. Although social sororities are a "great way to meet people," she said, "I feel like a social organization would confine me to that group of people. ... They seem to stay in their little group, and they limit themselves to that group of people; whereas, I'd like to meet all different kinds and get to know all different kinds."

That's why they are involved with members of the Girl's Club, who are determined to achieve that role of "teacher" or "doctor" or "cheerleader" when they grow up. That's why they serve.





### CHEMISTRY HONOR SOCIETY

**Front:** Talia M. McKinney, Patricia L. Settle, Valerie M. Grantham  
**Back:** Kelly E. Ponchot, Jennifer L. Thompson, Patty G. Walchak



### ALPHA EPSILON DELTA

**Front:** Patty G. Walchak, Jennifer A. Martin, Lori A. England  
**Back:** Hope L. Guenthner, Karen L. Daniels, Kristy L. Garrett



### GAMMA THETA UPSILON

**Front:** Christina M. Daub, Rodney W. Jones  
**Back:** Gregory L. Willoughby, Stephen P. Kellerman, William D. Peyton

## Labs of Learning

**Alpha Epsilon Delta (AED)** was an honors organization for those people majoring in pre-veterinary, pre-optometry, pre-dentistry and pre-medical programs. Those students with at least 45 hours and a GPA of 3.2 were admitted into the club. There were close to 40 members this year.

Kristy Garrett, adviser for AED, wanted to "increase awareness among other majors." AED also wanted to educate students about becoming physicians. The club raised money for the Kentucky Organ Donor Association, took trips to the hospital and donated to the underprivileged. AED also planned to attend the regional conference in the spring.

The **Society of Physics Students (SPS)** had an annual banquet, a picnic before finals in the spring and hosted various speakers throughout the year. The club also provided tutoring services for those underclassmen desiring help.

In addition, SPS took trips to local laboratories and wrote the lab manuals for freshman physics classes. The club had about 30 members and strove to "acquaint students in the field with each other," adviser Douglas Humphrey said.

**Sigma Pi Sigma**, also advised by Humphrey, was the honor society for physics students. During the year,

the club worked with SPS. Requirements for the 10 member organization were a 3.0 GPA overall and a 3.3 GPA in the major with at least six hours of physics classes at the 300 level.

Anyone interested in geology or geography could join the **Geo Club**. The Geo Club had approximately 35 members who took field trips to local caves and parks.

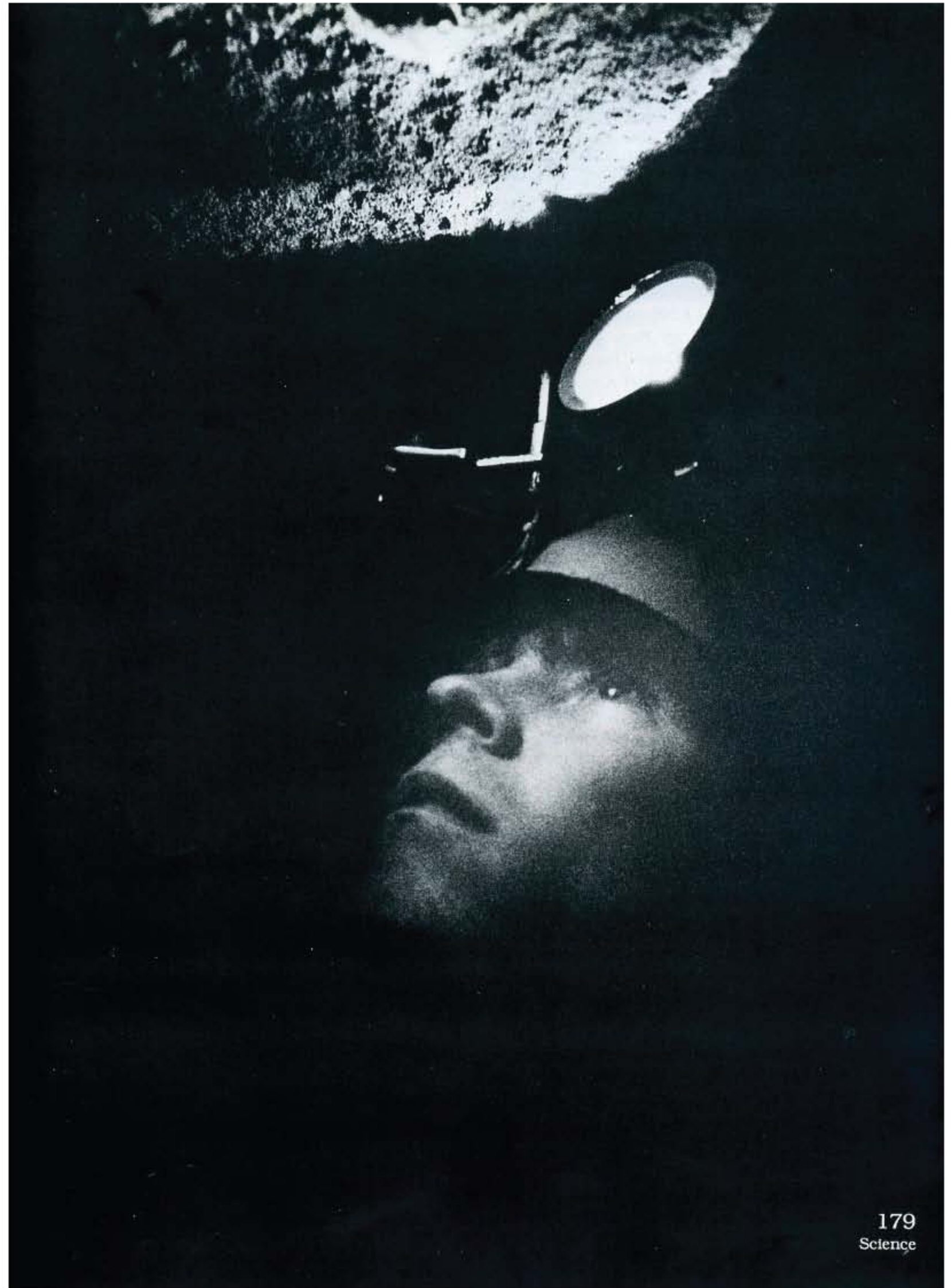
The club had a hog roast, or "Geo-feast," twice this year. Students, faculty and alumni were invited to the events which featured live bands.

Honoring high achievers in geography, **Gamma Theta Upsilon's** purpose was to "stimulate interest in geography as an intellectual pursuit," Jim Bingham, the faculty adviser, said. Members had to have completed 12 hours in geography with a 3.0 GPA and a minimum overall GPA of 2.75.

In addition to various programs at Geography Awareness Week and displays at International Days, the honorary club tried to promote geography as a science and increase awareness about the complexities of the earth.



**GEOGRAPHY GRADUATE STUDENT** Bill Howcroft from Adams, Mass., looks at a hibernating bat in Frint Ridge Cave. Howcroft was a member of the Green River Grotto Club. Kirk Wilson



# A Peaceful Goal

**United Student Activists'** 35 members worked "to provide a forum for students who wanted to become more involved with social and environmental issues," said President Christy Halbert, a Nashville, Tenn., junior.

USA sponsored numerous activities and events inviting participation of all students. A campus cleanup program dubbed "Trash Bash" was held in October and another coincided with April "Earth Week" activities. USA also hosted speakers at an environmental "Teach-in," where speakers answered students' questions about environmental concerns. In addition, during an Earth Week "Trash Tote," USA members each carried a garbage bag with them throughout the day. "The event had two purposes," Halbert said, "to help us understand just how much we consume and throw away and to help explain environ-

mental issues to students when they ask us about the bags."

In November, USA co-sponsored a "Unity Dance" with the Black Student Alliance in hopes of improving racial harmony. More than 200 people attended. Then, on Nov. 8, "Give Peace a Dance" featured the music of the Park Avenue Dregs, Blind Pilots and Three Quarters. Low turnout, however, caused funds to go back into covering the costs of the event instead of being contributed to environmental organizations as planned.

USA also sponsored a "Free Film Series," at Garrett Conference Center. Movies such as "The Bear," "Dead Poet's Society," and "Cry Freedom" were shown.

The group held a "Stop War Toys" demonstration in December to protest the sale and purchase of military toys. In January, an "Open Mike" session encouraged students

to speak out about the Gulf Crisis. The two and one-half hour event outside Downing University Center attracted almost 300 students.

USA also sponsored a "Silent March" from Cherry Hall to DUC in January. The march ended with a moment of silence for the troops. In addition, a "Teach-in For Peace" brought 80 people to GCC to listen to five panelists and voice their opinions about alternatives to war.

Twelve USA members participated in the National Student Environmental Conference at the University of Illinois in October. More than 7,000 students from across

the nation attended the conference which featured workshops concerning civil disobedience, campus leadership and various other topics. Speakers at the conference included Jesse Jackson and Ralph Nader.

The **Criminology Club's** first vice president, Brent Wasson, wanted to inform members on what jobs are available in the field. The organization, in its first active year, had about 20 members. Any student with an interest in criminology or the judicial system could be a member.

The organization featured speakers from the Federal

Bureau of Investigation and Central Intelligence Agency and watched various films at their meetings.

Other officers were Peter Stickel, president, and David Valla, second vice president.

Members of the **Air Force ROTC** received training for a career in the United States Air Force. Upon completion of the program, a member could graduate with the rank of second lieutenant.

There were about 15 members who took various field trips including one to Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio, where they toured a museum.

Members also participated

in physical training challenges such as a three mile walk.

The purpose of **Black Student Alliance** was "to unite the blacks on campus and to give them an avenue for cultural and educational development that was often overlooked on a predominantly white campus," said Sedrik Newbern, the organization's president.

The group had a party with USA, a Thanksgiving potluck with Black Student Fellowship (and about 15 children from Big Brothers/Big Sisters) and organized a march for Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday.



## UNITED STUDENT ACTIVISTS

**Front:** Allison E. Smith, M. Elizabeth Fauver, Joseph F. St. Cyr, Tanyia B. Dean  
**Middle:** Belinda K. Setters, Christina I. Paolucci, Erica M. Card, Jennifer R. Dutton  
**Back:** Erika G. Snyder, Kimby M. Taylor, Gary W. Houchens, Christy L. Halbert, Scott S. Butler



## AIR FORCE ROTC

Nelson L. Reynolds, Larry W. Austin, Danny J. Davis, Chris L. Alford



## CRIMINOLOGY CLUB

**Front:** Amy C. Hoover, Kelli N. Smith, Melinda L. Sires  
**Middle:** Brent A. Wasson, William L. Marshall, David L. Valla, Darryl L. Bridges  
**Back:** d'Artagnan Lykins, Edward W. Bohlander, Jared C. Rickard, Peter J. Stickel, Ron P. Crawford



## BLACK STUDENT ALLIANCE

**Front:** Melissa K. Baggaly, Latinya W. Alexander, Pamela R. Wells, Kimberly B. Summers, Alteata S. Fox  
**Back:** Sedrik R. Newbern, Rita M. Roberts, A. Renee Sparks, Maya A. Petties, Morris A. Goggins



WITH SPEED AND determination, ROTC Cadet Brian Gray attempts to set a rope bridge. The Ranger Challenge Team placed seventh out of nine teams at the 2nd ROTC Region Ranger Challenge Competition held Nov. 2-4, 1990.



Kim Evans



### ASSOC. FOR COMPUTER MACHINERY

Mark A. Mayes, Christopher S. Diaz, David A. Kirby, Debra L. Nash, Tom K. Maples



### AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS

Front: B. Patricia Villalobos, Jenny L. Paull, Jill M. Gary  
Back: David C. Lingle, Mike A. Tabor, Mark D. Higdon



### INSTITUTE FOR ELECTRONIC, ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

Front: David S. Shutt, M. Todd Phillips  
Back: Todd J. Boyles, Tony G. Simone, Greg R. Edinger

# Getting Technical

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers held regular meetings which sometimes featured speakers and took trips to area plants.

The club, mainly for mechanical engineering and technology majors, also had various fund-raisers throughout the year such as t-shirt sales.

Officers included Bruce Keen, president/treasurer and Glenn Johnson, vice president. Kaveh Khatir served as the society's adviser.

The main purpose for the organization was to recruit new students and let students in the same field get to know each other.

The Institute for Electrical and Electronic Engineers hosted professional activities on career development and job search information from files by graduates and potential employers. John B. Carr Jr., the club's adviser, wanted to "promote technological and professional goals" this year.

The officers included Harold McKee, president; Brian Hopper, vice president; Brian Thompson, treasurer; and Phil Rector, secretary, who presided over the meetings. Speakers came to several of their meetings. Other activities included a pool tournament and a picnic before spring finals.

The group, which had about 30 members, tried to enhance personal growth by

holding technical, professional and social activities.

For the first year, the American Society of Civil Engineers Student Club became part of the national society. President David Lingle hoped to "get people in civil engineering acquainted, develop personal relationships between students and professors, let members meet engineers in the field and help students get good jobs upon graduation."

Activities during the year included observing the construction of the new activities center. Members also planned a trip to the Glen Lily Landfill and organized a concrete canoe race.

The club had 20 members majoring in civil engineering.

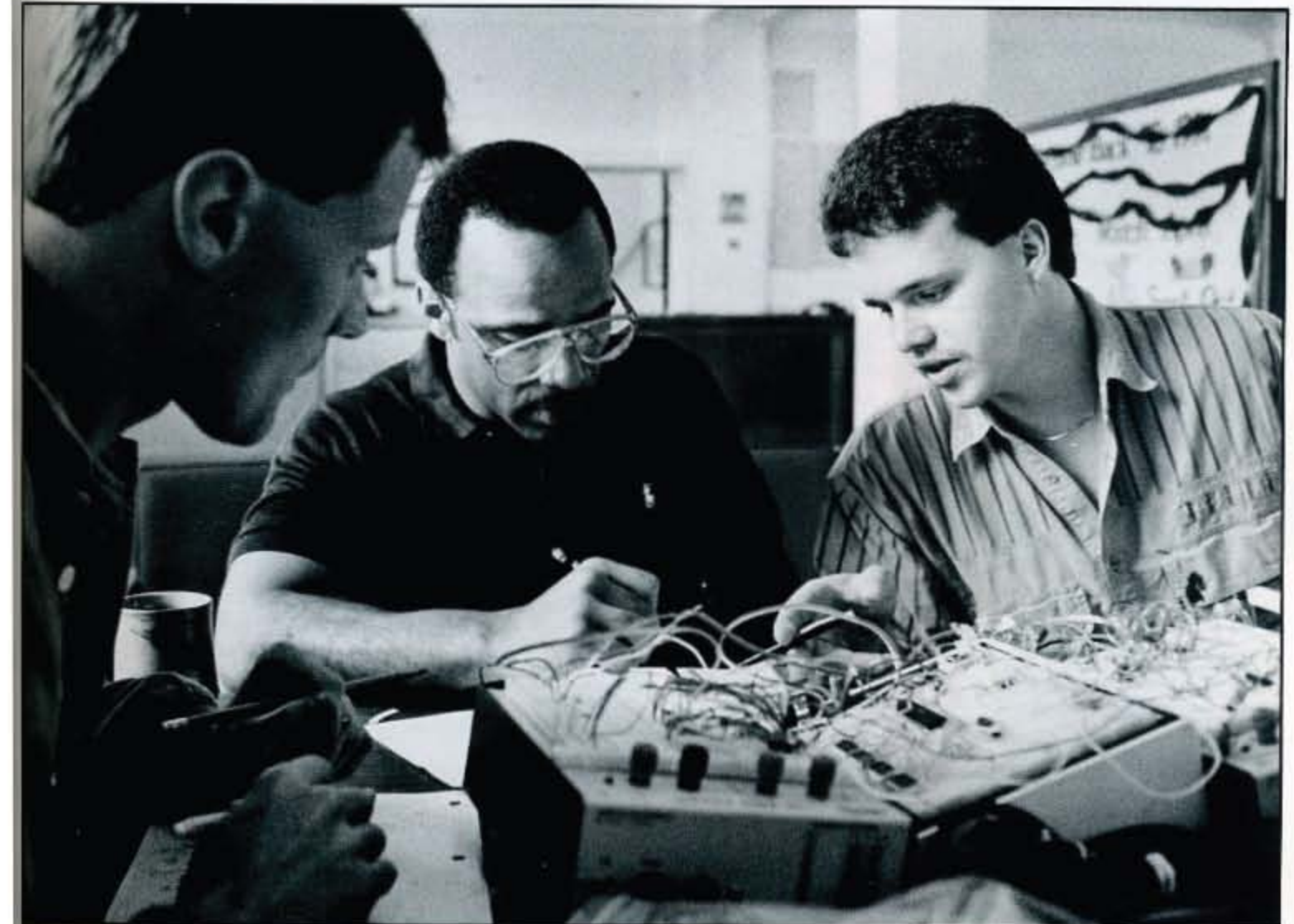
For students majoring or minoring in engineering or industrial technology, the Society of Manufacturing Engineers provided many activities and friendships. Among the activities were a Christmas dinner, monthly meetings, speakers, videos and plant tours.

The organization, which had 24 members, worked together to promote interest in the engineering and industrial fields. Officers for the club were Andy Wright, chairman; Jodie Babb, first vice chairman; Johnell Coulombe, treasurer; and Rhonda Kugler, secretary.



### SOCIETY OF MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING

Front: Shelley F. Young, Andrew L. Wright, Johnell Coulombe  
Back: Preston A. Withers, Joe A. Meyer, Anthony R. Holland, Stephanie D. Mink



Craig Bell

FOR AN ELECTRICAL engineering and technology class, Daryl Willis of New Castle, Jerry Smith from Louisville and Johnny Saylor from Scottsville work on their project in the lobby of Schneider Hall. They were recording the time and duration of power.



### UNIVERSITY CENTER BOARD

Front: Natalie J. Maier, R. Angelique Bell, Pamela R. Wells  
 Middle: Mary Susan Bunce, Jill D. Carlton, Allison N. Ade, Rachel L. Hibbs  
 Back: Trevor D. Whathen, Jennifer L. Mize, Jonathan L. Harrell, Eric D. Griggs, Mark Miller



### STUDENT ALUMNI ASSOC.

Front: Sharon M. Lee, Mary Susan Bunce, Deanna L. Mills, Carla J. Forston, Tim N. Adcox  
 Back: R. Scott Volland, Craig K. Rough, Byron R. Settles, Gary B. Couch, Kristy L. Couch, Mark Miller



### ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Front: Martha C. Ferreira, Kathleen L. Young, Jill L. Harris, Pamela R. Wells  
 Back: Gretchen S. Ploch, Heather E. Falmlen, Michael S. Colvin, Nancy L. Rascoe, Juliane Carter

# Taking the Lead

The purpose of **Young Democrats** was to "call attention to the Democratic Party and policies" said Gary Griggs, the president of the organization. "We try to give students the opportunity to gain political experience on the local, state and national levels."

The group also worked to show students how the government works, recruit new

members, further the interest of the Democratic Party and help Democratic candidates.

The Young Democrats spent the fall semester working on Harvey Sloane's campaign for senator. Griggs said it hurt the morale of the club when Sloane lost. Many members had invested a great deal of time in promoting

Sloane's campaign, and some students spent time traveling with the candidate.

The club hosted several speakers including the lieutenant governor, the attorney general and Bob Babbage, the state auditor, who was running for secretary of state.

To help overcome the apathy that was campus wide, the

Young Democrats had a table set up to encourage voter registration. They wanted to inform students about candidates and get them to vote.

**Association of Resident Assistants** was an organization for all resident assistants, community advisers, night clerks and desk clerks. There

were 150 members.

"The purpose of ARA is to keep its members informed of what is happening in the other dorms," President David McCrady said.

ARA sponsored a haunted house in the basement of Potter Hall on Oct. 29-30. Proceeds went to the Potter Children's Home. Canned goods, gathered as optional admission at the haunted house, went to the Salvation Army.

They raised money for the

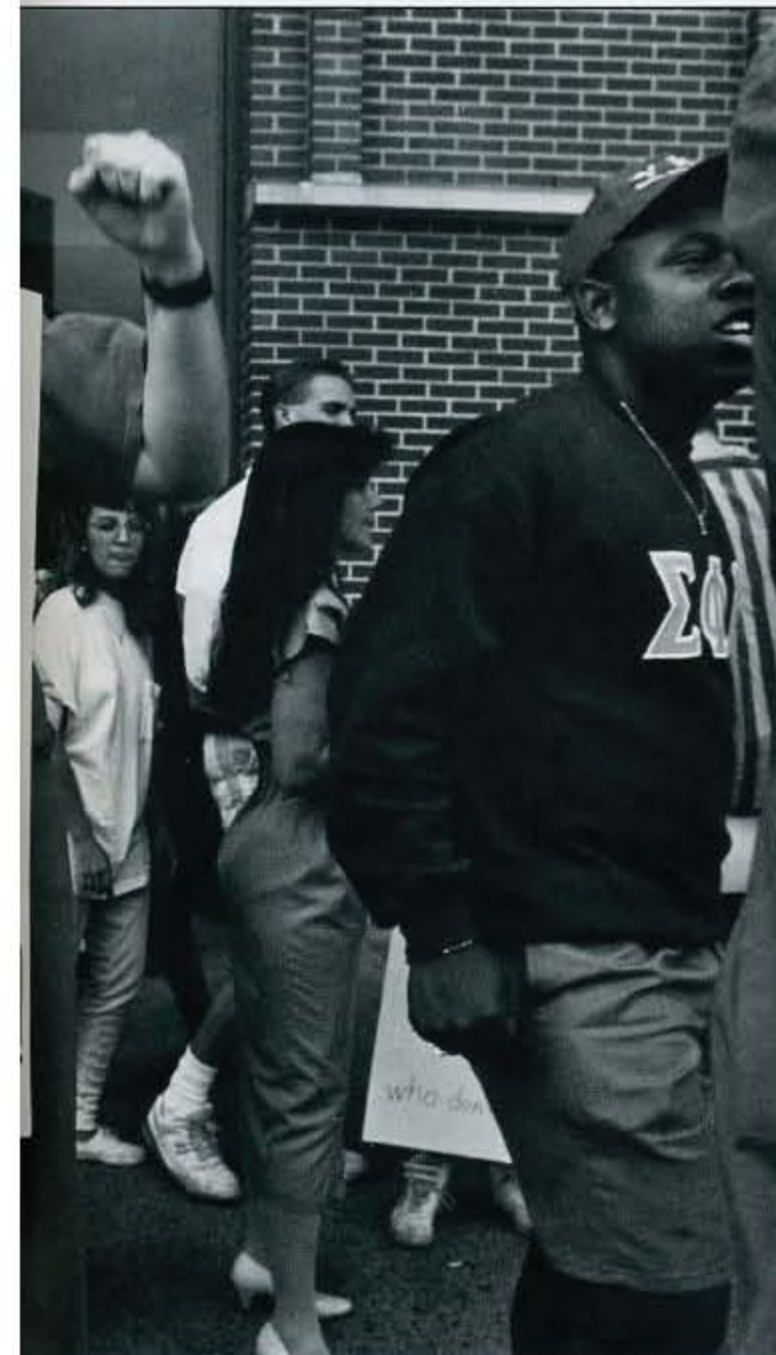
Muscular Dystrophy Association by sponsoring a "get leid in the snow" dance with a Hawaiian and Alaskan theme and a bowl-a-thon.

The group held an awards ceremony at the end of each semester, where they honored a "Super RA," a "Super Newcomer" and a "Super Programmer."

In August, ARA also worked in conjunction with the Residence Hall Association to develop "VIP" cards offering parents special

AS STUDENTS FILE OUT of Downing University Center, Nashville, Tenn., senior Jim Gaines protests Associated Student Government elections. Heather Falmlen won the election by 135 votes, becoming ASG president.

Matt Stockman



### ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Front: Emily G. Morgan, Maryann D'Aniello, Staci J. Kitchens, K. Ashley Means, Deanna L. Mills  
 Back: Allison N. Ade, Mary Susan Bunce, Gregory L. Willoughby, Donald Smith, Mark Miller



### INTER-ORGANIZATIONAL COUNCIL

Front: Kira R. Prewitt, Maryann D'Aniello, S. Allison Hulse, Allison E. Smith  
 Back: Pamela R. Wells, Troy L. Corum, Paul T. Sagun, Erica M. Card





### SPIRIT MASTERS

Front: Juliane Carter, Sharon J. Price  
Back: Michael B. Scheetz, Kyna D. Stinson, Paul T. Sagun



### COLLEGE REPUBLICANS

Front: Tracy L. Breakfield, Tim W. Janes, Andi R. Baldwin,  
Middle: B. Keith Davis, Mary Tracy Moore, Myron L. Kreilein, Rachel Y. Hall  
Back: Robert A. Gowins, Eric A. Elliott, Steven P. Miller, John R. Rattliff, Steven D. Mason



### RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

Front: Penny L. Syree, Laura E. Lindsey, Leeann M. Monin, Amy L. Carter  
Middle: Anna M. Williams, Patty E. Gustafson, Van C. Hodge, Patrick G. McBrian  
Back: L. Dow Rasdall, Mark A. Osborne, Jerry W. Moore, Darren T. Greenwalt, R. Steven Sherrill

## lead continued

rates at local hotels and restaurants in Bowling Green, to visit students.

The College Republicans worked to elect Republican candidates on the national, state and local level. They spent the fall semester working on Mitch McConnell's campaign for senator.

They started the semester with a kick-off rally at Downing University Center which was attended by about 50 students. The organization accompanied campaign members to the Russellville Tobacco Festival and parade. The organization passed out stickers and information about Sen. McConnell at the events.

The organization sponsored a voters' registration drive and succeeded in registering around 100 voters.

The College Republicans hosted several speakers throughout the year including Martin Tori, who was running for congress from the second district, and Larry Forgy and Larry Hopkins, both of whom were gubernatorial candidates in Kentucky.

The group also coordinated sending a Valentine's Day card to the troops in the 101 Air Borne Division out of Fort Campbell. More than 150 students signed the card that was sent to Saudi Arabia.

The Spirit Masters are "Western's ambassadors to all that visit this campus," Louisville junior Dan

Knowles said. The Spirit Masters were a group of students that volunteered their time and energy to promote Western.

They attended seminars and training sessions on the principles and ideals of Western. Their responsibilities included conducting Western's orientation and advanced registration for new students, recruitment trips and hosting special events sponsored by Western's administration.

The Spirit Masters hosted the ground breaking ceremonies for the Preston Athletic Complex.

On Sept. 11-14, they organized and oversaw the Bowling Green 10K Classic. They picked up runners, enlisted volunteers and organized dinners and ceremonies. Four Spirit Masters attended a banquet Dec. 24 in Louisville at the Galt House Flag Ship.

In the spring, the group held a banquet to announce the Spirit Master of the year and to elect new officers.

Dr. Carl Kell, the group's adviser, stated that the Spirit Masters were "the most prestigious group on campus—there's no better job."

The Student Alumni Association was a 42 member organization that strove to instill a strong sense of loyalty and responsibility in students to Western prior to their graduation.

SAA sponsored the Phon-A-Thon, one of Western's largest fund raisers. They



Barry Williams

THESE WOULD-BE DATES — Missy Williams, a sophomore from Edmonton; Carol Maupin, a senior from Beaver Dam; Kit Gividen, a senior from Louisville; and Tuesdae Wells, a Rockport, Ind., junior — are amused during The Dating Game at Poland Hall in February. Winners and their dates received free dinners at local restaurants.

organized and found the volunteers to work during the event. The Phon-A-Thon raised more than \$126,000 for Western. SAA also attended the district student alumni and student ambassador's conference. Another major event for SAA was the annual oozeball tournament on April 6. Thirty teams participated in the day-long competition co-sponsored by Papa John's Pizza. "Brain Dead," an independent team, won the tournament.

In April, SAA sponsored a senior send-off banquet for all the graduating seniors. The send-off was considered the first reunion of the graduating class.

Resident Hall Association was an organization made up of hall presidents. The group conducted weekly meetings and planned campus activities for residents. On Feb. 22-24, RHA attended the conference of the Kentucky Residence Hall Associations at Murray State University.

RHA sponsored a mini-carnival from 3-6 p.m. on April 16 on the south end of campus. During the first-time event halls operated booths, while RHA provided food. The group's secretary, Glasgow sophomore Patty Gustafson, said the event was an attempt to "promote residence life."

In addition to building such awareness, RHA also worked with legislation.

"In the fall (1991), we're going to try to get 24 hour visitation," Gustafson said, noting that the dorms may be specified. If that failed, Gustafson said the aim would be toward extending weekend hours.



# A Matter of Faith

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes, which was composed of 150 members, was organized "to present to athletes and coaches and all whom they influence, the

challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving him in their relationship and in the fellowship of the church," according to Tammy Taylor, a

Bowling Green sophomore and treasurer of the group.

Other officers included Hartsville, Tenn., senior David Carr as president; Franklin junior Ian Brown as vice president; Dunnville junior Yalanda Brock as secretary; and Bowling Green sophomore Mike Avella as activities di-

rector.

Coach Ray Rose served as FCA's advisor.

The group performed various skits at their meetings, which were held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday nights in West Hall's cellar.

The organization had a fall retreat Oct. 26-28 at Camp

Kumbaya at Kentucky Lake throughout the year including a parent's night, an alumni night, a banquet for its members and a dance before spring finals.

Taylor said a major goal for FCA this year was to "train people to be leaders," so that the people holding office po-

sitions could be effective.

Steve Stovall, the campus minister for Christian Student Fellowship, said, "CSF exists at Western to introduce students to Jesus Christ as Lord, to teach them biblical principles for walking intimately, daily with him, to ♦♦



## FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

**Front:** Leslie D. Barkley, Andi R. Baldwin, Alison Hackley, Stephanie M. Mashburn, Christopher A. Manion

**Middle:** J. Martie Cobb, M. Jennifer Givens, Kelly J. Mason, Michael P. Avella, Trampas D. Moore

**Back:** Tammy G. Taylor, Brian K. Mounts, Keith D. Graham, Ian R. Brown, Yalanda E. Brock, Anne E. Dossett



## FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

**Front:** Jeanette M. Krebs, Elizabeth A. Dillingham, Nancy D. Jackson, Laura B. Lyle

**Middle:** Leeann M. Monin, Rhonda D. Keller, John P. Thompson, Tricia K. Carter, Pam D. Glass

**Back:** David L. Carr, J. Matt Love, Kyle D. Vandenbrink, Arthur W. Penn, Christi A. Hauskins

With the sun directly above them, freshmen Tena Ralph and Sondra Mosier, both from Goodlettsville, Tenn., and Dunnville junior Yalanda Brock carry the cross around the track at Smith Stadium. The annual 100 hour Jog-A-Thon was a fund-raiser. **Andy Kaufman**



## FAITH CONTINUED

challenge each student to take the 'next step of obedience' in areas of their lives and to counsel students in the godly ways to resolve conflicts."

The 60 to 65 active members participated in Gatlinburg '91, a weekend of special worship, workshops, a concert and fellowship in Gatlinburg, Tenn., for all Christian Student Fellowship chapters in the southern United States.

The group also had a week of evangelism April 2-10 which consisted of a refocusing on God and an outreach to the campus which involved contacting more than 200 students who had come previously to CSF to try and get them to be active members again.

On April 11, the fellowship had a praise gathering "where people got up and led worship," according to sophomore Michael Grant, president of CSF. The gathering was for members and groups all over campus. Grant said members also organized outreach teams that went out to talk to people around campus.

Elizabeth Dillingham, an Owensboro sophomore, was CSF's vice president, Jenna Travers, a Nashville, Tenn., junior, was the follow-up chairman, Laura Robbins, a Seymour, Ind., senior, was prayer chairman and Keith Graham, a Harrodsburg sophomore, was the body life chairman.

Weekly gatherings for the fellowship included "CSF

Focus," a service for both men and women on Tuesdays, which included Bible study. There were also Bible studies every Monday for men called "Godly Men" and a service on Thursdays called "Be Mature" for women.

The Newman Club was organized to provide fellowship for students and was open to anyone who came to the meetings at 7 p.m. every Wednesday in the Newman Center.

Kim Hood, a Sellersburg, Ind., senior and a member of the organization, said, "Although we don't require that you be Catholic, we do work within the church."

The Newman Club's officers were Theresa Lubke, a Bowling Green senior, as president; Lena May, an Elizabethtown senior, as vice president; and Tom Lovett, an Owensboro senior, as secretary/treasurer. Rev. Ray Goetz was the organization's chaplain.

On Sept. 15, the Newman Club had Mass on the south lawn of Downing University Center for everybody at the Newman Center. "We hope to make this an annual Mass," Goetz said.

The group hosted several other events during the year, including a Halloween party for underprivileged children, a hunger awareness banquet on Nov. 15 which raised \$103 for the St. Vincent De P. Society and the fourth annual Fast for World Hunger.

The 24-hour fast, which raised money through donations and pledges for each



### BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Front: Randy L. Caudill, Adrienne R. Lockaby, Melissa C. Scott, Rachel C. Tharpe  
Middle: Lori D. Thomas, Gwyn D. Shull, Duane H. Berry, KT Jett, Mike S. Slinker  
Back: Jeff S. Maxey, Jason D. Watson, Jason R. Gillam, Todd Wood, David L. Gossett, Jeff D. Tudor



### BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

Front: Rev. Clay Mulford, Jamie D. Rees, Elissa A. Rees, Julie A. Fentress  
Middle: Kathy B. Ballard, Savonna L. Warren, Stephanie M. Mashburn, Tammy L. Dantic, Sheila A. Wells  
Back: Chad W. Peck, Tim A. Sweatman, Lyle A. Edwards, Robert L. West, Tracy L. Hull



John A. Russell

AS THEY PRAY for peace in the Persian Gulf, Owensboro junior Mary Beth Bell and Mayfield junior Jeff Carlisle hold hands. They were two of about 120 students who gathered in the Downing University Theater for the Prayer for Peace Vigil.

hour that participants did not eat, helped both Father Bill Allard's mission in Guatemala and Oxfam America, a nondenominational world hunger relief program. Allard was pastor of the Newman Center for 22 years.

Other aspects of the fast included speakers and games to increase world hunger

awareness.

The Newman Club also held a chili supper in November for a fund-raiser and sponsored a foster family program where members of the church volunteered to be foster families for the students at Western.

"We have tried to focus more on service this year," Hood said, adding that, ♦



### EPISCOPAL STUDENT FELLOWSHIP

Front: Sarah M. Peoples, Melissa A. Maggard, Krista A. Dietterich  
Back: Mary B. Moore, Benjamin W. Loving, Christopher J. Schneider



Mark T. Osler

THE GRAIN DRAIN game is just one of the awareness-building activities at the Newman Center's 24-hour Fast for World Hunger. Rick and Kari Osborne of Bowling Green collected pledges for each hour they fasted.



### CHI ALPHA

**Front:** Michelle A. Harris, Roxana E. Crowe, Patricia A. Sanchez, Sheryl D. Reed, Tom H. Springer

**Middle:** Gwen L. Boles, Kimberly A. Shouse, Lorraine D. Fawcett, Michelle A. Alexander, Belton S. Wall, Janet L. McCay

**Back:** Brian W. Daugherty, Justin O. Cook, Tommy N. Shaw, Richard A. Rutherford, Joe R. Bradford, Keith D. Martin

### FAITH CONTINUED

"This is the first year we didn't have dues."

Thomas Weakly, the campus adviser for **Campus Crusade for Christ**, said the group's "primary focus or purpose is to present the claims of Christ on campus (so that people can know Christ in a personal way) in a small or large group presentation of the gospel."

He said the organization's goal was to provide an environment for spiritual growth

for anyone interested, through one on one and small group discipleship.

"Once a person has been disciplined in their faith, we send them out to tell other people," Weakly said.

The group of about 125 members had no requirements other than to attend "Prime Time," the weekly meeting held at 8 p.m. every Tuesday.

The members had a fall retreat in Lexington, a Christmas conference in Atlanta, Ga., and featured Christian

illusionist Andre Kole in a special performance Jan. 17 in Van Meter Auditorium.

Over Spring Break, the Crusaders participated in "Operation Sunshine," in Daytona, Fla., where they joined more than 1000 other students from all over the country to witness on the beach.

Weakly said, "Our purpose is to glorify God by winning, building and sending people out that have heard the claims of Christ."

The **Episcopal Student Fellowship**, a newly founded organization of about 11 members, will probably change its name to Canterbury next year, according to Melissa Maggard, a member, because that is the chosen name of Episcopal organizations at other universities.

"The Episcopal Student Fellowship is a fellowship of students who get together to get away from university life and relax," Maggard said.

Rev. Frank Huber was the fellowship's adviser, and the group met every other Monday night.

They attended a conference in April at the St. Mary's Conference Center in Seawanee, Tenn.

"This year was mainly dedicated to getting the group founded," Maggard said.

Chi Alpha's purpose was "to promote the teachings of Jesus Christ in a culturally relevant manner," said Joe

Bradford, a group member.

The 40-member club, which is associated with the Assembly of God Church, had a fall retreat in October, went to a national convention in Indianapolis, Ind., in December, took a trip to Miami, Fla., for Spring Break and had a spring retreat in April.

The trip to Miami was mainly an outreach trip in which the group hoped to plant a new chapter of Chi Alpha at Florida International University, Bradford said.

A major change for Chi Alpha this year was that it was entirely student led. Officers were Belton Wall, president; Janet McCray, secretary; and Tonya Phillips, treasurer.

The **Black Student Fellowship** was funded by the Warren Association, which is associated with Baptist churches, and was organized in accordance with the Baptist Student Union, according to Tamiko Black, who was president of BSF.

Its purpose was "to provide religious and spiritual fulfillment on campus for blacks of all denominations," Black said.

Some events the group participated in were a "Welcome Week" for new students in the fall and a Christian nightclub in Nightclass, with a devotion, prayer and testimony as well as performances by choirs and soloists.

The group is advised ➡



### CHRISTIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP

**Front:** Jeanette M. Krebs, Leslie D. Barkley, Randi M. Flanary, Elizabeth A. Dillingham, Belinda K. Setters

**Middle:** Rhonda D. Keller, Jenna H. Travers, John P. Thompson, Tricia K. Carter, Leeann M. Monin, Stephen P. Stovall

**Back:** Michael D. Stewart, Arthur W. Penn, Keith D. Graham, Ian R. Brown, Tom H. Springer, Michael D. Grant



### BLACK STUDENT FELLOWSHIP

**Front:** Rev. Clay L. Mulford, Micah D. Mulford, Meredith C. Petway, Jennifer A. Mattox, Susan R. Reid

**Back:** Chris D. Curry, Anya E. Lockert, J. Eric Bell, Terrance D. Pollard, Morris A. Goggins

MAGIC WITH A message is the aim of illusionist Andre' Kole. Sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ, Kole performed before a crowd of about 500 in Van Meter Auditorium.



**CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST**

**Front:** Thomas W. Weakley, David E. Osborne, Joanna L. Madison, Sally A. Hanson  
**Back:** Clayton A. England, John D. Boyd, Michael A. Lockett, Erwin Threatt, Daryl L. Pepper, Kevin L. Cooper



Marc Piscotty

**FAITH CONTINUED**

A new building was built this year to accommodate the growing member size. The Southern Baptist Convention sponsored the funding for the new center located on Normal Drive across from East Hall. Two students will live there as innkeepers in future semesters.

The **Baptist Student Union** was supported by local churches and had approximately 80 members this year.

The purpose of BSU was to provide a place on campus for Christians to go for fellowship. The group sent missionaries out in Kentucky, as well as other states and countries.



**CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST**

**Front:** Teresa A. Miller, Jennifer L. Anzur, Andrea L. Moore, Rhonda J. Hale, Amanda R. Embry  
**Middle:** Kristy L. Belt, Debbie Cox, Shani L. Anderson, Tommie K. Gatlin, Donald J. Cyganiewicz  
**Back:** Susan R. Lupy, Adam B. Castle, Resa R. Baxter, Jeff E. Miller, Sarah Burgdorf, Tad Farris



**CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST**

**Front:** Debbie I. Gowins, Alison M. Pollock, Kimberly A. Shouse, Christi A. Miller, Heather R. Meenach  
**Middle:** John E. Walsh, Frank A. Self, Heather L. ShROUT, Amy E. McCloud, Sean K. Rogers, Laura A. Howlett  
**Back:** Christina L. Burden, Martin G. Crume, Jason D. Watson, John Cole, Melissa L. Tullis

# Crusaders shed light on sun worshippers

BY: Brian Wilkerson  
Photos by Joseph A. Garcia

*And there was much rejoicing in that city. Acts 8:8*

"Well, I don't even know if there is a God."

The words came out quickly and hung loosely in the ocean air, a statement of defiance. The woman who had spoken stared at Andrea Moore and waited for a response.

For Moore, the statement was not so much a surprise as it was a disappointment. She, along with 27 other Western students, had come to Daytona Beach, Fla., during Spring Break to spread the word of Christianity. She had come to visit a place where thousands converge each year to be among the first to pay homage to the sun god. She had come to talk to people about another God.

Moore, a Hopkinsville senior, looked toward the Atlantic. "Well, you know," she began, "I've met a lot of people that have that way of thinking ... but I can't look at that ocean and think of all creation" and not wonder how it was made. "There has to be a God."

The mid-day sun beat heavily upon the thousands who crowded the beach as planes buzzed lazily overhead carrying nightclub banners. The woman, not much younger than 22-year-old Moore, relented somewhat.

"Well, I know there's a higher being, but I can't necessarily call him God because that's what you call him." Trying to fortify her position, she repeated herself. "I know there is a higher being because there are things I can't explain."

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For Moore and many of Western's Campus Crusade for Christ members,

March 18-22 was a time to participate in "Operation Sunshine," a month-long activity in Daytona Beach that has existed since 1967.

The operation, split into four weekly sessions, is designed to teach members and provide an outlet for witnessing on the beach. Organizations from around

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*"She was so glad to hear someone explain all the things she believed. And she ended up praying to receive Christ into her life..."*

*- Andrea Moore*

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the United States met during their Spring Breaks.

During Western's week, 45 universities sent almost 1,000 student members, according to Erwin Threath, the group coordinator for Western. Each morning, they would meet to listen to speakers and spend most afternoons on the beach talking to people about Christ.

"This conference is looked upon as a momentum builder for our group movement" back on campus, Threath said. "It's a training time; it's a time for actual hands-on experience ... in sharing your faith. The goal is to reach people down here because they need to know there's

more to life than partying."

The ultimate reason in coming down, he said, "is to help a person grow closer in their relationship with God." Threath believed spiritual success depended upon "how the person has grown individually" in that relationship.

The students used a 15-page booklet titled "Have You Heard of the Four Spiritual Laws?" as their main tool, which described how a person can have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Another booklet titled, "Have You Made the Wonderful Discovery of the Spirit-filled Life?" was also used, mainly for those who were already Christians.

Adam Castle, a Hopkinsville junior, recommended the booklet "because it starts out with a positive statement" about the love of God. "Another reason we use the booklet is because you can leave it with them and also because it puts (Christianity's message) in a four-point outline ..."

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The break began with a weekend of rain. By Monday, though, the skies had cleared, leaving a powerful surf and a beach packed with spring breakers from everywhere.

By mid-week, Spring Break was at its hedonistic height. Women wearing next-to-nothing bathing suits, oblivious to the stares and cameras, strolled the beach, while others rocked to the bass blaring from auto sound systems worth more than the cars. ♦♦

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STAYING CLOSE to the word of God, Rhonda Hale, a sophomore from Auburn, seeks strength through prayer. Hale spent Spring Break in Florida with members of Campus Crusade for Christ.



## CRUSADERS CONTINUED

Partiers hastily hid containers of alcohol as police cruised by; those not quick enough were given a \$100 ticket and had their alcohol poured out.

It was a daunting scene for some of the Crusaders who had never witnessed away from campus before. Even with encouragement, the idea of initiating a conversation and asking a stranger about his or her spiritual life was intimidating.

A variety of events were performed on the beach to attract crowds for the Crusaders. Some were slo-mo football, slam-dunk competitions, three-on-three basketball and Flashback, a 1960s-70s-type band.

After the activity, the Crusaders would talk with the people who had gathered. A problem for some of the Crusaders was that by mid-week, many they spoke with had already been approached.

Time spent witnessing could take only 10 minutes if the person was willing to listen or as long as two to three hours. Castle, who spoke to more than 30 people during the week, said "a good half of them were visibly interested."

"Some will say flat out, 'No,' they don't want to hear it, but more often than not, if they don't want to hear it, they'll make up an excuse."

Moore, who has attended five such conferences, said, "A lot of people get defensive. When you get defensive, you don't go anywhere. The conversation just dies."

She believed having an open mind was vital.

"People are willing to talk about things like that as long as you're willing to listen to their side," she said.

The outreach was more than just students witnessing to students. Many Crusaders spoke to people from around the world, young and old. Before Moore found the woman who was unsure of a God, she had spoken with a woman in her mid-thirties from Montreal, Canada, who was unsure of what she believed.

"I used to go to church, but I don't



practice what I believe in," the woman said. "When I went to school, they just said you had to believe this, and you have to memorize this passage (of scripture) or whatever, but they didn't explain why you had to believe it, why it was the way it was."

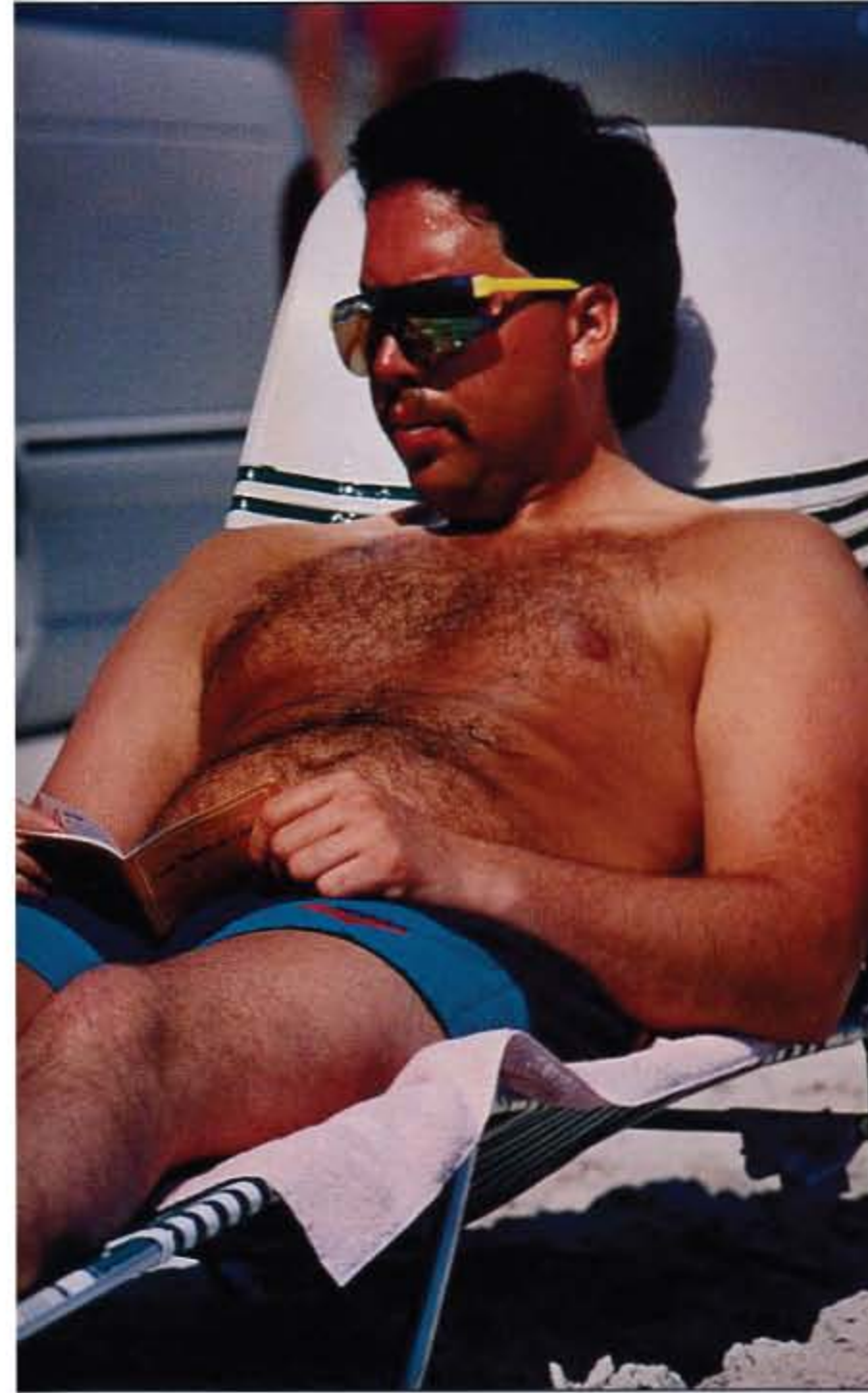
Moore began to explain it. "I started talking to her a little bit about Christ and who he was, and how God loves you and offers a wonderful plan for your life. I just kind of led into the Four Laws," she said.

"She was so glad to hear someone

explain all the things she believed. And she ended up praying to receive Christ into her life ..."

The Western Crusaders said 18 people they had witnessed to had accepted Christ during the week, and the seed was planted in many more. At the final meeting, the conference members reported witnessing to 3,791 people during the week and that 396 had prayed to be saved.

Western's chapter of Campus Crusade for Christ, an inter-denominational organization of about 100 members, has been on campus since 1969. The group



annually attends several conferences to train their members in outreach, on campus and beyond.

They found out during the Spring Break mission, though, that they weren't the only people in Daytona Beach trying to spread the Christian faith.

Sarah Burgdorf, a Mount Vernon, Ind., sophomore, remembered one night when a small group she was walking with was topped by a Domino's Pizza deliveryman.

"His name was Tell," she said, and he was selling a pizza for half-price because

no one had claimed it.

The eight chipped in a dollar apiece for it and asked the man about his unusual name.

"My parents named me this," he said, "so I could tell people about about Jesus."

Meeting him was encouraging, Burgdorf said. It was important "to know we aren't the only ones; that there are other people out there, too."

"It motivated us."



WHILE RELAXING ON Daytona Beach, Adam Castle, a junior from Hopkinsville, discusses the four spiritual laws with a vacationer. Castle witnessed on the Florida beach during Spring Break.

BEFORE GOING TO the beach to witness, Amy McCloud, a junior from Hendersonville, Tenn.; Sarah Burgdorf, a Mt. Vernon, Ind., sophomore; Sandra Conder, a senior from Elizabethtown and Rhonda Hale, an Auburn sophomore, have a prayer session. The group attended seminars during the morning before their afternoon crusades.

AS A PART OF their crowd-gathering activities, Crusaders, who came from colleges nationwide, played slo-mo football. Members of Western's Campus Crusade for Christ participated.



# GREEKS



MEMBERS OF KAPPA DELTA sorority rush to congratulate Gulf Breeze, Fla., senior Scott Campbell, their contestant for Hunk of the Hill. Campbell won the contest which was sponsored by Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Tamara Voninski





### INTER-FRATERNITY COUNCIL

Front: Christiaan L. Volkert, David M. Pittman, J. Duncan Gibson.

Back: Jason C. Mallory, M. Todd Mansfield, Darren P. Taul, Haynes L. Haddock, R. Hagan Rose



### PANHELLENIC

Front: Marcie D. Willett, Caroline W. Boone, Maria I. Gray

Back: Ashlea C. Ladd, Marla J. Mitchell, Kyna D. Stinson

## Guiding Light

Inter-fraternity Council and Panhellenic Council provided a networking system for members of the greek system.

Inter-fraternity Council was the governing body of all fraternities on campus.

In November, IFC voted against a proposal that would prohibit fraternities from serving alcohol at their functions. Nine "yes" votes were needed to pass the proposal, and only six voted "yes."

IFC co-sponsored several events with the Panhellenic Council, including a march in support of the troops in Saudi Arabia, a greek symposium leadership workshop and Mocktails, a program about the effects of alcohol. Bowling Green lawyer Robert Carrico discussed the legalities of alcohol use at the Mocktails event.

IFC also acted as a support group to Sigma Phi Epsilon during its recolonization.

IFC officers included Haynes Haddock, president; Duncan Gibson, vice president; Todd Mansfield, secretary; Hagan Rose, treasurer; and Amos Gott, adviser.

The 11 members of Panhellenic Council promoted friendliness among all sororities.

"It's to unite us all together, so we can all work together for one common thing," Second Vice President Jennifer Arthur said.

Panhellenic sponsored a family at Christmas through the Salvation Army. Arthur said they delivered toys and food to the family.

"It was incredible to see their faces light up," she said.

Panhellenic also sponsored their annual Panhellenic Week and a series of day-long workshops on topics such as greek public relations, rush and membership intake programs.



MEMBERS OF THE Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity huddle after the greek sponsored march in support of the troops. They were on 15th Street in front of Cherry Hall. John Simpson



Tradition combined with new cleanup project,  
sportsmanship and blood drive make Greek Week ...

# More than competition

BY: Deanna Mills  
Photos by Wales Hunter

"The Week that Zeus Broke Loose" brought surprises ranging from the Sigma Phi Epsilon tug of war victory to the serious volleyball competition; however, Kappa Delta sorority and Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity proved that some things never change, both collecting their sixth consecutive Greek Week titles.

KD president Janie Price said her sorority didn't expect to win. "We went into it with a good attitude," the Louisville junior said. "We wanted to have fun and get along with everyone in the true spirit of Greek Week."

Although activities did not take place until April 8-12, co-chairs Dwight Adkins and Kim Burns started meeting in February with the individual events chairpersons every other week to perfect the week's details.

"We decide how the week goes; this year, we wanted it to be less competitive and more fun," Adkins said.

A major change in alleviating the competitiveness of Greek Week was renaming the spirit award to the

sportsmanship award.

Adkins described Greek Week as "a time to unite Greeks, not divide," and he believed the sportsmanship award would help them achieve that goal. Sig Eps and Alpha Xi Delta won the award.

While the AZDs made signs wishing all greeks good luck and hung them at several of the events, the Sig Eps could be heard cheering for other teams.

AZD member Sloan Smith said all their hard work had paid off. She said the sportsmanship award was a "big award for us to win."

Two other changes in Greek Week dealt with the events themselves. One change was the implementation of "Don't Mess with Western," a cleanup project in which 60 percent of each chapter's membership could be found at various locations on campus picking up garbage. The second change was the dividing of the Spring Sing performances into two nights instead of one.

Lambda Chi Alpha and Alpha Gamma Delta took first place honors in Spring Sing. And while it was the Alpha Gam's first Spring Sing victory, winning the event had become a tradition for the Lambda Chis.

According to senior member Bryon Martin, the Lambda Chis have won Spring Sing for at least ♦♦

**DURING A DOWNPOUR**, Taylor McDougal, a Bowling Green junior and Sigma Kappa tug team coach, helps tie off the rope for members of the sorority's tug team in preparation for the final match against Alpha Delta Pi. ADPi won the match.



**ADPi TUG TEAM COACH**, Franklin, Tenn., senior Joe Warpool, receives congratulatory hugs from Kappa Delta King Roger Walker, a Nashville, Tenn., senior, and ADPi member Becky Toomey, a Lexington senior, after the ADPi's won first place in the sorority division of tug of war. Toomey was the front person on the ADPi tug team.

**ON THE SIDELINES** at the tug competition, Lynn Alexander, an Owensboro sophomore, and Robin Rosenzweig, a Sebree senior, cheer Kappa Delta. The sorority captured its sixth consecutive title at the event.



USING HER SHIRT as an umbrella, Bowling Green freshman Heather Meisel, an Alpha Omicron Pi member, watches her sorority's volleyball team play at Lampkin Park during the final day of Greek Week activities. The AOPi's won all but their last match which was against Alpha Gamma Delta.

DRESSED IN PLASTIC bag "raincoats," members of Delta Tau Delta fraternity stood in the rain to watch the tug of war event at the WKU agricultural farm during Greek Week. The Delts did not place in the event.



SORORITY MEMBERS JENNY Meisel, a Bowling Green junior, Jo Anne Wimpelberg, an Evansville, Ind., sophomore; and Heather Meisel, a Bowling Green freshman, take part in the Alpha Omicron Pi skit during Spring Sing. The sorority did a tribute to Motown for their performance.



#### COMPETITION CONTINUED

22 of the last 26 years. "It's a tradition; we keep it on our priority list, and we always have fun with it," Martin said.

The fraternity prescribed dance to the audience in "A Cure for Your Ills," which highlighted musicals, including "42nd Street." The Alpha Gams performed the old Scottish musical "Brigadoon," and, clad in their homemade kilts, performed an authentic Scottish dance while someone played the bagpipes.

Sorority member Erica Jabotte said they started practicing three times a week at the end of February, and at two weeks before the performance, increased practices to twice a day.

Jabotte said that all their hard work paid off, especially when they received a standing ovation.

"To be acknowledged by your greeks like that is really special—even more than any trophy or award."

On Friday of the week was the tug of war competition. Even though the rain made tug a "messy event," the weather did not hinder the event's attendance, said the event co-chair Kristin Stuedle. Tug of war was one of the most watched events of the week.

Alpha Delta Pi and the Sig Eps won tug of war, which was definitely the upset of the week, Stuedle said.

"Everyone knew something was there when they won in

the first round against the AGRs," Stuedle said of the Sig Eps, who incorporated a new technique used by their brothers at another university which consisted of wrapping the rope around the forearm and using only one hand to tug instead of the usual two handed method. "They have really come out in full force," she said of the recolonized fraternity.

The blood drive was another highlight of the week, and it was won by the KDs and the AGRs. KDs donated 135 percent, while the AGRs more than doubled their membership participation with their 238 percent blood donation. According to the American Red Cross, the greek community raised about 851 pints of blood.

KDs and AGRs also dominated the penny toss and the banner contests, while the Alpha Gams and Kappa Alpha Order took the volleyball event.

At Sunday's awards convocation, Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity was named the winner of the Reed Morgan Award for chapter excellence.

ADPi's received the Most Improved Chapter Award. Gene Crume, of Pi Kappa Alpha, and Debra Kolemba, of Phi Mu, were the Advisers of the Year.

Greek Man and Woman of the Year honorees were also announced at the convocation. Applicants had to be seniors with at least a 2.7 GPA, be an active member in a greek organization and had to submit an essay. Leadership in one's own organization as well as involvement in other non-greek organizations also played an important role. Adkins, an SAE member and Stuedle, an AZD, were the Greek Man and Woman of the Year.

In the final results of Greek Week, Delta Tau Delta finished second, and the Sig Eps and the Pikes tied for third in the fraternity division while the Alpha Gams and Sigma Kappa rounded out the top spots in the sorority division.

Jabotte said the Alpha Gams were extremely proud of their finish for the week.

"We were happy, especially with it being our second year on campus. Continually, we keep proving to ourselves that we can do anything we put our minds to—and win."





### PI KAPPA ALPHA

**Front:** Rob E. Mitchell, J. Kevin Porter, Douglas R. Balyeat, William J. Miller, William F. Gutsche, G. Charles Patton  
**Back:** Chris D. Eaton, Gregory L. Cothron, Brian R. Shaw, Frank C. Black, Brad D. McAtee, Ty Martin



### SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

**Front:** Kenny S. May, Mitchell E. Canup, Steven D. Mason, Adam M. Wedeking  
**Back:** Mark Miller, Donald Smith, Justin L. Gabbard, Zack J. Stroble, Kevin D. Keller



### SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON

**Front:** Steve A. Lagermann, Kenny D. VanStone, Jason S. Embry, T. Scott VanHouten  
**Back:** Keith D. Honaker, Gregory D. Duvall, Joey W. Baribeau, Brian D. Wallace, Thomas L. Dotson

# A Silver Year

Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity ended 1990 by celebrating its achievement in the areas of academics, community service and campus involvement, while the Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Nu fraternities ended the year celebrating their 25th anniversaries.

Pi Kappa Alpha won the Reed Morgan award last fall, which was based on GPA, community service, etc., according to Vice President Brent Hale.

The fraternity had 71 active members during the 1990 school year.

The group's main social function was Paddy Murphy Week which was during November.

Community service efforts by the Pikes included raising \$400 for the Boy's Club through a dodgeball tournament and raising \$9,000 for Western through the annual Phon-A-Thon. The

Pikes also served as hosts of the Phon-A-Thon's hospitality room throughout the entire fund-raising event.

They also raised more than \$4,000 for Bowling Green area schools by saving receipts from Kroger food stores.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon celebrated its 25th anniversary with a dinner on the south lawn of Downing University Center. The national president attended the event, which was scheduled before the football game with Eastern.

It was a "great event; nice to see so many alumni come back and support the active chapter," President Dwight Adkins said.

Other social functions of the fraternity included a faculty tea in March, Parents' Day in April and a road trip to New Orleans, La., for Mardi Gras. During Paddy Murphy Week, they sponsored a 1920s beauty pageant, which was won by Glendale freshman Cecilia Key. The ceremonies



surrounding the event included visitation, the funeral and the Wine and Roses dance.

They won the Shenanigans contest sponsored by the KDs and raised the most money of any fraternity, \$9,160, for the WKU Phon-A-Thon.

The fraternity sponsored a dodgeball tournament with the proceeds going to the Boy's Club and helped with the Bowling Green 10K Classic.

They also built on a deck and renovated the basement of their house which was located on College Street.

The Sigma Nu fraternity was very active with its philanthropy, the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program.

They raised \$700 for the program by sponsoring a party at the armory. Proceeds from the fraternity's powder puff football tournament went to the philanthropy as well. Sigma Nus also coordinated a Christmas party for Big Brothers/Big Sisters and

participated in their Bowl-A-Thon during the spring.

Community service activities performed by the organization included participation in blood drives, the Phon-A-Thon and the "Adopt a Highway" cleanup project.

The fraternity placed third in Shenanigans and won several greek basketball tournaments, including their own three-on-three basketball tournament. Sigma Nu won the title in basketball intramurals and placed second in football intramurals.

Fraternity social chairman Dan Page said one of their goals next year was to become more visible on campus by having a good representation on the Inter-fraternity Council and participating in all university functions.

Page said the group also wanted to raise their collective GPA and increase their brotherhood.



DURING SIGMA ALPHA Epsilon's mock funeral, Paris senior Brian Thornton plays the "deceased" Paddy Murphy. The funeral kicked off the fraternity's Wine and Roses weekend.

Jeanie Adams



### SIGMA NU

**Front:** R. Rob Horton, Doug D. McElroy, M. Todd Mansfield  
**Middle:** Darren M. Shipley, Brian G. Lynn, M. Keith Butler, Nelson L. Reynolds  
**Back:** Tim D. Smith, Dave D. Flippo, Tony Crawford, William H. Fuqua, Bradley Scott Cross



### SIGMA NU

**Front:** Wilson S. Covington, Adam T. Kilmer, Brooks H. Perkins, Eddie R. Alvey  
**Middle:** J. Eric Bell, Scott E. Kerley, Craig Tackett, Dan K. Jones.  
**Back:** E. Pen Waggener, Matt W. Fields, Greg B. Brown, Jason E. Slaughter, Paul R. Bettersworth



### ALPHA OMICRON PI

**Front:** Emily A. Willis, Anne L. Crafton, Rachel C. Tharpe, Paula K. Benson, Amy J. Douglas

**Middle:** Aimee L. Crawford, Christee L. Wilson, Beth E. Rochelle, Amy R. Wood, Denise R. Fenimore

**Back:** Shelley L. Cobb, Crystal R. Smith, Kelly J. Elliott, Jennifer L. Mize, Cari M. Crew, Diane L. Johnson



### ALPHA OMICRON PI

**Front:** Amy M. Allgood, Sally Cragon, S. Carrie Jaworski, Lori R. Qualls, Krissie M. Rivers

**Back:** Janet C. Clayton, Ronna S. Lunn, Susan A. Stoltz, Jami L. Todd, Shannon L. Roberts

## Reaching Out

Alpha Omicron Pi, Kappa Delta and Delta Sigma Theta sororities demonstrated a strong commitment to their philanthropies through public service. For Kappa Sigma fraternity, service was a part of remembrance.

Alpha Omicron Pi's 140 members worked together to raise more than \$1,300 for the Arthritis Foundation, the sorority's philanthropy. Fund-raisers included a "Mixer on Wheels" and a movie night which raised \$650 and \$750, respectively.

Members volunteered their time by making weekly visits to the Girl's Club where they assisted in art projects and helped prepare lunches.

"Everybody likes it; the little girls adore us," Burkesville junior Amy Douglas said.

AOPi joined forces with other greeks in preparing information packets and road blocks for the Bowling Green 10K Classic. They also participated in the Phon-A-Thon and sold spirit towels at basketball games.

Several members, dressed in towels and shower caps, chanted their way to first place during Midnight Mania's spirit contest. AOPi also won the spirit contest at the Eastern vs. Western football game.

Member Stephanie Thompson, a junior from Hendersonville, Tenn., received the award of "Greek Junior Woman" for the highest GPA.

Western's Kappa Delta chapter was one of the top KD chapters in the nation, and President Janie Price said sustaining their national reputation had been a goal for the sorority.

The group raised \$2,500 for the Bowling Green Child Protection Agency through their annual variety show, Shenanigans. KD raised an additional \$2,500 through their Shamrock project and split the funds between the Child Protection Agency and the National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse.

KD also contributed to several other greek philanthropies, including Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi and Pi Kappa Alpha. In the community, the sorority donated to the Bowling Green Police Department, the March of Dimes and the American Heart Association.

KDs wrote letters to the troops in Saudi Arabia.

"In the month of March alone, we wrote 110 letters," sophomore member Amy Feazel said.

Kappa Sigma fraternity definitely had something to be fired up about when they discovered their famous cannon missing.

The Kappa Sigs fired the cannon at football games to signal when WKU made touchdowns.

Fraternity President Dave Hakanson said the cannon was

stolen only as a friendly prank, and he was glad it had been returned because it meant a lot to the fraternity and to the fans.

The Kappa Sigs participated in KD Shenanigans, Pike's Peak Week and won the Alpha Gamma Delta mud volleyball tournament.

The fraternity's service activities included a five-on-five basketball tournament to raise money for the Boy's Club, and they adopted a needy family for the holidays. Kappa Sigs were recognized as having contributed the most service hours by a fraternity in the Phon-A-Thon. They also worked at the 10K Classic.

Kappa Sigs sponsored the Volley Bash to help a member and a golf tournament in remembrance of one. The Volley Bash proceeds went to

Cary White, who was paralyzed in a diving accident, and the golf tournament was held during Homecoming with all proceeds going to the Scott Willet scholarship. Willet was a WKU graduate and past Kappa Sigma president who died last December.

The chapter also sponsored their annual Calendar Girl contest, a softball tournament and attended their regional conference, the Mid-South Conclave, held in Memphis, Tenn.

Delta Sigma Theta was proud of its many service activities.

"I'm very pleased with the amount of public service we've done for the community," President Francynne Crawford said. ♦



### ALPHA OMICRON PI

**Front:** Jennifer L. Junier, Angela C. Millay, Michelle L. McCarty

**Middle:** Bernice M. Ackermann, A. Meghan Kelly, Jennifer J. Sine, Amy L. Newberry

**Back:** Mandy G. Heltsley, Julie E. Truitt, Joanne Wimpelberg, Breck A. Thomas

AT MIDNIGHT MADNESS, Louisville senior Shannon Doyle, Russellville junior Rachel Tharpe and Gallatin, Tenn., sophomore Shelby Lee cheer at the Spirit Competition. The AOPi's won the Spirit Award for showing the most enthusiasm during the competition.



Marc Piscotty



### KAPPA DELTA

**Front:** Melissa J. McCubbin, Beth A. Delach, Tammie L. Stenger, Nicole L. Gibson

**Middle:** Rebecca J. Proctor, Tonya B. Gipson, Becca H. Boyd, Laura K. Stockton, Julie B. Hatfield

**Back:** Kyna D. Stinson, Angie F. Mason, Nancy L. Rascoe, Karen L. Wantland, Joy D. Sutton



### KAPPA SIGMA

**Front:** Brad R. Schlagenhauf, Michael E. Martinez, Steve C. Jones.

**Middle:** David C. Galuin, Harry Miyake, Brick J. Stidam, W. Todd Dykes

**Back:** Patrick B. Howell, Robert B. Brooks, Michael L. Yarger, K. Scott Harris, Monte D. Shouse

### REACHING CONTINUED

"We've been able to make an impact on the community, and that makes me feel good. Next year, I hope Delta Sigma Theta can do even more projects."

Deltas had a lock-in for Project AIMS (Activating Interest in Minority Students) participants, held canned food drives and adopted a needy child for the Christmas holidays.

The sorority also sponsored a display table on sexually transmitted diseases and a free blood pressure screening at Downing University Center.

Deltas created a Black History Month Display of prominent members of the sorority as well as other important black history makers and volunteered for the Special Olympics.



AS SHE RELAXES, Nicholasville senior Victoria Graves hugs a beach ball at the Delta Sigma Theta pool party. Graves was a member of the sorority.



Kirk Wilson

Fourth annual KD Shenanigans raises more than \$2,000 for Child Protection Agency and proves ...

# Fairy Tales Can Come True

BY: Deanna Mills

**H**umpty Dumpty sat on a wall. Humpty Dumpty had a great fall. Yet no one knows what he said after he fell.

"I've fallen - and I can't get up!"

Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity performed only one of the many fairy tale parodies at Kappa Delta Shenanigans.

Shenanigans was the annual greek variety show that the KDs sponsored to benefit their local philanthropy, the Bowling Green Child Protection Agency. The theme was "Once Upon a Time," and Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and Alpha Delta Pi sorority lived happily ever after, capturing first place in their respective divisions.

The SAEs performed "The Wizard of Oz," and SAE pledge Gene Wheeler donned a wig, dress, pantyhose and even a pair of ruby red pumps to portray Dorothy.

"They volunteered me because I was the shortest one," the Hardinsburg freshman said. "It wasn't the most enjoyable thing, but somebody had to do it."

Although Shenanigans started in 1987, the concept had been in existence for several years.

According to KD historian Tammie Stenger, the variety show once was known as Washboard Jamboree, which began in 1969.

Stenger said the name change from Washboard to Shenanigans made the event more fun and allowed for more creativity.

"Craziness is the meaning behind it," Stenger said.

And crazy it was.



David Stephenson

JUST BEFORE he is to go on stage, Scott Schemmel sneaks a peek at another performance. The Owensboro senior was a member of Phi Delta Theta.



The ADPi production of "Peter Pan" dazzled the audience when sophomore pledge Terra Bitter appeared to be flying across the stage.

One group carried a cloud of cotton filament while another group carried Bitter behind the cloud to create the illusion.

Scottsville sophomore and ADPi pledge Hope Gibbs said the cloud started to fall apart before they went on stage.

"Everyone who was chewing bubble gum took it out of their mouths and used it to stick the cloud back together."

Sigma Kappa was second in the sorority division and Chi Omega was third. In the fraternity competition Sigma Phi Epsilon was second and Sigma Nu third.

The KDs raised \$2,500 for the Child Protection Agency. Of 111 KD chapters nationwide, Western's chapter was among the top in raising money for their philanthropy.

"Philanthropy is one of the biggest aspects we focus on, and that gave us a really good feeling to know that's how other chapters remember us," Louisville senior and KD member Janie Price said.



Andy Lyons



David Stephenson

AS THE KDs PERFORMED the opening skit for their annual KD Shenanigans, Brentwood, Tenn., sophomore Lia Sheucraft and Owensboro freshman Angie Mason give each other a hug. The show raised \$2,500 which was given to the Child Protection Agency.



David Stephenson

BOUNDLESS ENTHUSIASM is apparent on the faces of Nashville, Tenn., freshman Christee Wilson, Bowling Green junior Jenni Meisel, Bowling Green freshman Heather Meisel and Nashville, Tenn., junior Kimberly Sammons. In this skit, the AOPi's performed a scene from the "Muppet Show."

(top) WITH OBVIOUS INCREDULITY, Hermitage, Tenn., senior Eddie Meador, Henderson, Tenn., freshman Dan Yates and Madisonville freshman Claude Bacon admire Louisville freshman Raymond Herrick's "new look." The Sigma Chi pledges were participating in Kappa Delta Shenanigans.



### DELTA TAU DELTA

**Front:** S. Todd Geon, Jeffrey S. Morris, Christopher J. Cook, Daniel D. Tiedt, Daniel E. Roos

**Back:** J. Arnold Campbell, David F. Dotson, Bradley D. Rawls, Michael S. Colvin, Tom Williams, Eric A. Elliott



### CHI OMEGA

**Front:** Karen D. Bell, Molly M. Moore, Marcie D. Willett, Natalie J. Maier, Valerie M. Grantham

**Middle:** Penny J. Houchens, Christy B. McCalister, Gina M. Figured, Joellen Glisson, Julie L. Wittwer

**Back:** Leigh A. Mattingly, Elsie L. Gream, Carlotta E. Kustes, Kimberly E. Clark, Jennifer L. Beller, Marla J. Mitchell

# Being Involved

Members of Chi Omega sorority and Delta Tau Delta fraternity tried to become more well-rounded by participating in organizations other than the sorority or fraternity.

The 130 members of **Chi Omega** were active in University Center Board, Associated Student Government, International Association of Business Communicators and several departmental organizations.

The Chi Os worked extensively with their local philanthropy, the Girl's Club. One project was the "Magic Me" program in which the sorority tutored elementary-age students as well as Girl's Club members.

Another project, the annual Chi O Golf Tournament, raised almost \$3,000 for the philanthropy. ♦♦

**BACKSTAGE IN THE** dressing room for the Sigma Chi Derby Darlin' Pageant, Indianapolis, Ind., senior Stacia Harlan holds a mirror for Louisville sophomore Candi Windhorst. Harlan and Windhorst belonged to Chi Omega sorority.



John Simpson





### CHI OMEGA

**Front:** Lori M. Radford, Rachel L. White, Jill T. Cecil, Kimberly D. Mann, Angela L. Spence  
**Middle:** Amy B. Chapman, Jennifer L. Titsworth, Denise G. Couvillion, Melissa M. Sheets, Lisa N. Rosa  
**Back:** Kirsten L. Kopp, Christi E. Cooper, Allison E. Drago, Stephanie L. Davis, Denise A. Shelton, Beshka A. Moore



### CHI OMEGA

**Front:** Shannon R. Dupree, Kristi C. Saladino, Sharon L. Grace, Karen S. Booten  
**Middle:** Edith A. Walters, Laura A. Burnside, Amy L. LaLance, Anne M. Young, E. Leanne Gilligan.  
**Back:** Jill L. Antle, M. Susan Block, Patsy K. Mahler, Kathryn T. Hudson, Julie M. Cecil

### INVOLVED CONTINUED

Chi Os supported other greek philanthropy efforts by participating in Shenanigans, in which they placed second, Paddy Murphy Week and Sigma Chi Derby.

The Chi Os also won the spirit award and placed first in the Sigma Nu Powder Puff tournament.

In October, members decorated the campus with balloons for its annual "Happy Day," which was designed to promote spirit and enthusiasm on campus.

Other activities they had throughout the year were movie nights, a Founder's Day picnic and sisterhood nights with their sister sororities.

The week before spring finals was dedicated to appreciating senior chapter members.

Delta Tau Delta fraternity participated in the Kappa Delta Shenanigans, Pike's Peak Week and placed second in

raising money for the Phon-A-Thon.

During Homecoming, the Delts placed second in house decorating. Their queen candidate, Kappa Delta member Robin Rosenzweig, was second runner-up. The Delts were active in the community as well. They worked with the Boy's Club, visited nursing homes and provided tutorial services.

They also participated in the "Adopt a Highway" cleanup project, coached area children in soccer and sent \$300 to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

As well as community services, the Delts participated in campus organizations such as Associated Student Government, University Center Board and various honor societies.

Recording secretary Mike Grimm said the Delts had grown stronger, redefined their goals and had become better as a group.



### CHI OMEGA

**Front:** Jana R. Wilson, Stephanie L. Slate, Dedra L. Duvall, Andrea D. Hernandez, Leslie C. Reed, Mahalie S. Hoots  
**Middle:** Caroline W. Boone, Krista A. Tanner, Maria I. Gray, K. Ashley Means, Elaine L. Fields  
**Back:** Janet S. Liles, Amy L. Haskins, Amanda J. Wimsatt, Stacey M. Berryman, Lisa D. Settle, Donna G. Marsh



### CHI OMEGA

**Front:** Karen E. Ball, Christi A. Miller, Stacey A. Speier, Jessica A. Ross, Julie L. Sampson, Kristen L. Karem  
**Back:** Leslie A. Carby, Tricia L. Burton, Amy B. Hale, Erin M. Reagan, L. Heather Smith, LeAnn Pearson

# Sisterhood knows no color

BY: Deanna Mills  
Photos by Amethel Parel

When Jessie Mack accepted her Kappa Delta sorority bid in 1989, not only did she take on the challenges and new friendships sororities offer, but she also made history.

Mack was the first black female to pledge a predominately white sorority at Western.

According to the Panhellenic Office, Mack was the only minority of 470 rushees. Again in 1990, only one minority went through rush, but she dropped from the process before she could receive a bid.

"If there were a lot more (black females) who went through rush, we'd probably have more black members," Beth Button, graduate adviser for sorority affairs, said.

Mack decided to go through rush because she was bored with her routine of "only going to classes and studying." She was also influenced by her friends, several of whom were KDs she had become acquainted with while she "hung out" at the Delta Tau Delta house.

Even though she was nervous about going through rush, Mack said pledging was not her main priority, and if she didn't get a bid, she "just didn't get one."

Making new friends was not a new concept for Mack, whose family often moved because of her father's service in the Marine Corps.

"I always lived in a military base before Kentucky," the Virginia native said. "It was weird when I actually moved into a neighborhood." Mack's sisters said she is a great person to be around, and sorority President Robin Rosenzweig described Mack as having "personality plus."

"She's helpful, naturally uplifting and always willing to listen to you, not just talk about herself," the Sebree senior said. "Jessie has so many different facets; just when you think you've seen them all, she throws you another loop."

In spring 1991, Mack's friendship with the Delts turned into another bid for her—this time as the fraternity's sweetheart.

Mack said she had no specific role as the fraternity's sweetheart except just being a friend.

"I talk to the guys, go to football games and just be



myself," she said. "If you've supported them before, you shouldn't have to do anything special."

While black females have shown a minimal interest in pledging predominately white sororities, Mack said that if any black women were interested, they should not be afraid.

"It's a scary feeling," she said, "but if that's what you want to do, don't be intimidated by what others may say or think."

In Mack's case, it wasn't until she accepted her bid that she began to experience the pressures of her decision.

In the September 14, 1989 issue of the *College Heights Herald*, the United Black Greeks (UBG) responded to statements Mack made in the newspaper's August 22 issue.

Mack was quoted as saying that she rushed a black sorority her freshman year but was not able to pledge because her GPA was too low. She was also attributed to having a preference for white sororities because they offered more community service projects and social activities.

The UBG editorial said the organization was offended because she "downgraded the black sororities and the black students as a whole." The editorial also said that Delta Sigma Theta and Alpha Kappa Alpha sororities had no record of Mack attending either of their rush functions.

Mack said she had been misquoted in the article.

"I didn't say it—I know I didn't," she said. Mack also said she knew she could not pledge a UBG sorority because she didn't have an established GPA.

Unlike other Inter-fraternity Council or Panhellenic Council greeks, prospective rushees of any UBG organization must have an established GPA at the university and must wait until the second semester of their freshman year or until they have accumulated a number of credit hours, usually between 20 and 25, before they may begin rush.



AT THE TUG-OF-WAR contest during Greek Week, Jessie Mack cheers her Kappa Delta sisters. The KDs lost in the first round.

AT THE EVENTS Day at Lampkin Park, Mack takes a break to dance. This year Events Day emphasized fun instead of competition.



Mack didn't bother to publicly defend herself, yet while she stuck with the decision to let the matter fade away, the glances, stares, pointing fingers and quiet murmuring of "that's the girl who joined that white sorority" persisted. And from time to time, Mack said people still point and whisper whenever she walks by, but it doesn't bother her because "before it was all the time."

Mack said liking the people in a sorority wasn't something that could be faked; she said she couldn't have joined merely tolerating the people in it.

Joining should be something "you think about later in life and be happy of the times you had."

Junior member Susan Mitchell said Mack's race made no difference to her sorority.

"It makes no difference to us whether she's black or white; it's what's inside that makes us love her—unconditionally." ♦♦♦



### SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**Front:** Alan N. Thomason, Sean B. Taylor, Troy W. Thomas, Darren T. Greenwalt, T. Ryan James  
**Back:** Bentley D. Ponder, Robert E. Wagner, Kyle T. Jackey, Christopher S. Louder, August K. Nienaber, Chris Clark



### SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**Front:** Raymond S. Johnson, Donald R. Wen, Bradden G. Kimes, Jamie I. Huff  
**Middle:** John J. Murphy, Gary B. Watson, William L. Marshall, Van C. Hodge, T. Chris Gamblin  
**Back:** Eric W. Wright, L. Dow Rasdall, Matt M. DeNunzio, Matthew J. Held, S. Scott Arthur, Patrick M. Lynch

# New Lifeblood

Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and Phi Mu sorority both recolonized last year. And although Alpha Xi Delta sorority did not recolonize, it has become more visible. All three organizations have begun to get more attention.

Recolonization is a process in which an organization re-evaluates itself and resets its goals. With the new goals in mind, the respective organization's national headquarters intervenes to help the goals become realities.

In the Oct. 30, 1990, College Heights Herald, **Sigma Phi Epsilon** announced its recolonization and gave readers a final warning: "Watch out for the NEW Sigma Phi Epsilon."

Louisville sophomore Eric Wright said their goal was to create the ideal fraternity.

"We set high goals; we had our minds set to be one of the top chapters on campus."

The fraternity recolonized, according to an article in the Oct. 18 Herald, because of poor group dynamics and low pledge membership. Two days before the article was printed, Wright said the fraternity's old charter was removed and current members were given the option to either repledge or assume alumni status.

"There was resentment at

first from the old ones who repledged, but they understood that it was time to make a change. They have more enthusiasm now than they've ever had since they've been in the fraternity," Wright said.

Sig Eps participated in the Phon-A-Thon and "Adopt-A-Spot" campus cleanup.

For philanthropies, the fraternity, which was the sixth largest money raiser for ADPi "Hunk of the Hill," raised money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association and co-sponsored a coat drive with Alpha Phi Omega.

The fraternity received several awards and honors this year, including a second place finish at Shenanigans and the Excelsiors Award for Manpower awarded by Sigma Phi Epsilon's National Regional Leadership Academy. In January, the Sig Eps were named Interfraternity Council Chapter of the Month.

But it wasn't until Greek Week when the Sig Eps won the tug of war and third place overall that people started to take notice.

"Everywhere I go, I hear about us, and people congratulate us and tell us we're doing great," Wright said. "As a new chapter, it really helped our image."

Wright said the fraternity's

goals for next year included improving their philanthropy and winning both the Reed Morgan Award and Greek Week.

**Phi Mu** sorority also went through the recolonization process this year. At the beginning of the fall semester, the sorority had 11 members, and now it has 22 members.

Sorority President Jane Cuttrell said previous members could either assume alumna status or repledge. The organization's officers returned to member status so everyone would be "at one level."

Cuttrell said Panhellenic was very helpful during their recolonization.

"We got great support from different sororities who were all willing to wear our buttons. It was great to see them have that confidence in us."

Phi Mu participated in Derby Week, Paddy Murphy Week, SAE Dodgeball and placed second in AGR Slamfest. They also helped the Kappa Deltas monitor the door and sell tickets at Shenanigans.

For philanthropies and community service, the sorority sold balloons for the Children's Miracle Network, sold ribbons in honor of soldiers, walked the animals at the Bowling Green Humane Society and had a Halloween Serenade with the Big Brothers and Big Sisters organizations.

Cuttrell said the sorority will work on rush parties to become

more visible on campus and fostering good relations with everybody next year.

"We're working better with nationals and alumnae and also working harder to complete goals. Recolonization was a good thing. We were definitely ready for it."

**Alpha Xi Delta** sorority membership chairperson Lisa Thompson said one of her organization's goals was to become more visible.

AZDs participated in Shenanigans, played in Sigma Nu Powderpuff and won the Spirit Award for Sigma Chi Derby. The sorority sponsored Louisville freshman Claire Harpring as its Homecoming queen candidate and participated in Greek Week. The sorority felt supporting Panhellenic events was just as important as other greek functions.

For service activities, AZDs were involved in the "Adopt a Highway" cleanup program and Western's Phon-A-Thon; however, the sorority spends most of its time working with the Student Escort Service.

Thompson said the sorority's spirit has improved this year, and they are starting to become more noticed on campus.

"We have great sisterhood. We really do communicate well with each other," she said.



### PHI MU

**Front:** Barbara C. Barnes, Kimberly L. Yates, Patti J. Jeannette, Kara-Lynn Cantrell  
**Middle:** Candice L. Rice, Kelley M. Thornton, Melissa M. Addison, Sasha Barny, Melony A. Jones.  
**Back:** Amy E. Wade, Beth Johnson, Juanita K. Smith, Marie D. Crews, Becky A. Chambers, DeAnna R. Rogers



### ALPHA XI DELTA

**Front:** Lorraine N. Cohen, Andreae M. Miles, Stephanie M. Milkels, Laura E. Pullen  
**Middle:** Karen L. Daniels, Suzanne D. Romaine, Catherine S. Smith, Patty M. Sewell  
**Back:** Christi J. McGown, Catherine M. Bartling, Melanie A. Moore, Kelly L. Noland, Amy S. Wilkins



### LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

**Front:** Zachery S. Blandford, Bruce A. White, B.C. Cummings

**Middle:** Byron L. Schiesz, Don A. Dobernic, Scott P. Hawes, Bryon R. Martin, Gregory H. Frasier

**Back:** Lanny Brittain, Anthony W. Dickerson, Stephen B. Kelley, Al Barman, R. Scott Walz

## Making Grades

Stereotypes often portray greeks as those who party full time and study part time; however, Lambda Chi Alpha, Alpha Gamma Rho and Sigma Chi were three greek organizations that excelled in academics.

The Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity participated in Pike's Peak Week, Shenanigans and won the Phi Delt flag football tournament. Lambda Chis were also active in intramurals and finished first academically among all fraternities.

When the fraternity created a Simpson family stand-up skit in their front yard for Homecoming, they had no idea they would be using it again.

But a woman who lives near the Lambda Chi house called and asked if they would sing "Happy Birthday" to her son Bart.

"When Bart came home from school with his friends, there were the Simpsons in the yard," fraternity member Bryon Martin said. "It was a lot of fun."

Lambda Chi raised several thousand dollars worth of canned goods for the Salvation Army during their annual kidnapping of a local celebrity. WBKO sports personality Gene Birk was the kidnap victim. The fraternity passed out paper bags in neighborhoods and collected the ransom bags filled with canned goods for two weekends.

The Lambda Chis also ushered for the Capitol Arts Center and set up for the center's fund-raising gala.

Alpha Gamma Rho qualified for the Mayor's Award which required organizations to earn at least 1,000 hours of community service by participating in a variety of activities including "Adopt a Highway," elderly assistance and Western's Phon-A-Thon.

They also donated to their philanthropy, the American Cancer Society, by sponsoring a three-on-three slamfest.

Working with high school

students, AGR helped with the regional Future Farmers of America field day.

The agricultural fraternity was very active on campus as well. They had teams involved in all intramural activities and also participated in Pike's Peak Week, SAE Dodgeball and Sigma Chis four-on-four basketball tournament.

The AGRs participated in Greek Week, which was April 8-12. "We won our sixth Greek Week in a row, and that's the first time anybody's done that," said John Ogle, the activities chairman.

They had the second highest overall GPA among fraternities for the fall semester.

Sigma Chis 62 members emphasized academics, athletics and all-around excellence, according to President Kevin Cowles.

They raised funds for the Cleo Wallace Village for Children, a program for handicapped children, through Derby Days and movie nights.

The social aspects of the fraternity included a luau in September, a spring formal at the Peachtree in Atlanta, Ga., and a Homecoming party.



### ALPHA GAMMA RHO

**Front:** Ryan J. Dillingham, Jay B. Tolle, Joseph K. Sowder, Michael T. Smith, Karl S. Jenkins

**Middle:** Bob E. Moorman, Daniel L. Swinney, J. Todd Nichols, Shelby S. Emmick, Cheyenne T. Davis

**Back:** Michael C. Robinson, Darren P. Taul, Gary M. Davis, James R. Forshee, Corey G. Givens, David W. Sholar



### ALPHA GAMMA RHO

**Front:** John K. Ogle, Johnny A. Knuckles, Kevin D. Tays

**Back:** James E. O'Donoghue, Jason K. Slaton, Daniel C. Newton, Gary O. Smith, J. Taylor Barrow

# Separate but Social

BY: Deanna Mills  
Artwork by Greg Neat

**T**hey made up 60 percent of the volunteers at the annual student Phon-A-thon.

Their donations to the American Red Cross made up 35 percent of the Bowling Green area's projected goal.

Composed of 20 percent of the 10,000 traditional student body, Western's greeks continued to prove with their campus and community involvement that they were anything but the minority.

Yet, while such stereotypes as being excessive partiers still persisted, greeks paid prices that were often far beyond any monetary amount.

Delta Sigma Theta sorority member Brunessa Beckles, who described herself as a reserved person, said becoming greek "threw her into the limelight.

"Being greek made me more popular unintentionally," the Panama City, Panama junior said, "and often I've been approached by people who are not genuine."

A member of the same sorority, Nicholasville junior Ann Grey said that even though her learning experiences within the organization were comparable to those in the classroom, Grey said that being greek sometimes meant that her life wasn't always her own.

"Everything you do reflects upon your letters, so you have to be aware that you're part of a larger organization. People don't look at you as 'Ann,' they look at you as 'Ann, the Delta.'"

In some cases, greeks were accused of distancing themselves from the independent population, a belief that Grey said sometimes worked in reverse.

"People think you'll change and forget about them, and sometimes I find that others distance themselves from me," she said.

Elizabethtown freshman Mark Miller also agreed that the "greeks-placing-themselves-upon-pedestals" myth was somewhat of a rarity.

"It does hurt when someone decides they are greek and with greek is all they want to associate, but most of them aren't that way," the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity pledge said.

But what about the good works greeks did?

According to student activities and organizations director Scot Taylor, in 1990, greeks performed nearly 38,000 hours of service to such organizations as Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boy's and Girl's Club, and the Salvation Army, raising over \$330,000 in donations.

"In (terms of) community service and scholarship, we've far surpassed the negative images," Kappa Delta sorority member and Louisville senior Janie Price said.

KDs volunteered in the child care center of the Child Protection Agency every Tuesday and Wednesday night, which Price said was the most rewarding activity for her sorority.

"By visiting them every week, we can see the progress in the children, and they can have something stable and realize that we are there for them and we're not going to let them down."

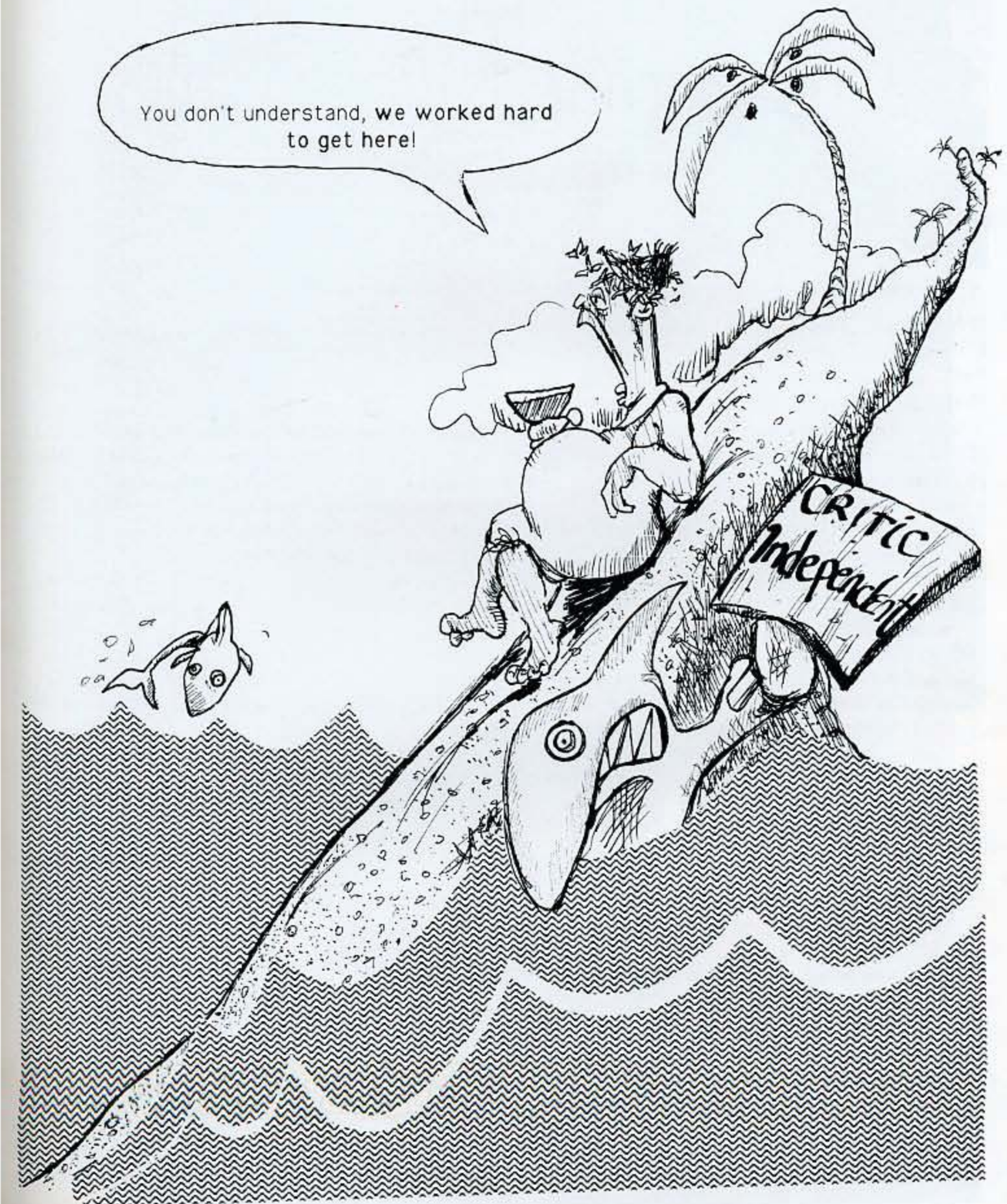
Scholarship also played an important factor among greek organizations, and Miller said his fraternity motivated him to excel in the classroom.

"I set goals and pushed myself to make good grades, got the highest grades in my pledge class, and saved myself the \$200 initiation fee."

Kappa Alpha Psi member Dion Jones wasn't as lucky. Jones, who knew in high school he wanted to pledge Kappa, worked at Shoe Carnival for over a year in order to save money for pledge fees.

"It wouldn't have mattered if I'd paid for it or if my parents had," the Harrodsburg junior said.

"It's something very valuable to me."



**greek island**



### ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA

**Front:** Meredith C. Petway, D. Michelle Lydian, Rhonda F. Cobble, Melody A. Samuels  
**Back:** Donna N. Starks, Katrina R. Hutchison, Monique E. Taylor, Sharon E. Dennis, Lisa D. Greenfield, Nicole E. Orr



### ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

**Front:** Jennifer L. Long, Kelly M. Mobley, Kelly L. Boyd, Glynis C. Thompson, Barbie G. Kelley  
**Middle:** Tammie L. Hobbs, Tonya S. Witham, Julie E. Eirk, Allyson E. Hall, Susan A. Sallee  
**Back:** S. Ashley Rose, M. Beth Robinson, Candy M. Barnhill, Christi L. Millsaps, Kelly M. Smith, Serena A. Hill



### ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

**Front:** Heather L. Smith, Heather K. Cooper, Lee Ann Basham, Glenna J. Higgs  
**Back:** Missy M. Steckler, Noelle A. Phillips, Lisa C. Chandler, Angie M. Mercer

## True Friends

Spirit, sisterhood, brotherhood and friendship were among the key components of success for Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alpha Gamma Delta and Sigma Kappa sororities and Alpha Phi Alpha and Phi Delta Theta fraternities.

Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority increased its membership to 16 this year.

"We're able to participate in more activities as a group and also experience a bigger level of sisterhood," junior member Sharon Dennis said.

AKAs adopted a Head Start family, made food baskets during the holidays for the needy, worked with the Phon-A-Thon and helped the Girl's Club.

During Black History Month, they sponsored a forum called "My African Brother Speaks" featuring Semphi Dlamini from Swaziland. During AKA Week in April, the sorority sponsored a dunk contest, an ice cream social and a graffiti party.

The AKAs, who sponsor the Miss Black Western Pageant, changed the pageant format "to give it more class," senior member Lucretia Patrick said. The pageant was renamed the Miss Black Western Gala.

During the fall semester, the AKAs won first place in a step show at the River City Classic in Louisville.

Alpha Gamma Delta enjoyed many successes last year as a new colony, and, at one year old, the sorority continued to set high goals.

"We want to raise our overall GPA and have a big philanthropy project," sophomore Meredith Howe said. "We want to set traditions. It's hard finding things to do every year that people will look forward to."

Alpha Gams participated in Shenanigans, Pike's Peak Week, Paddy Murphy Week, Volleybash, SAE Dodgeball and Sigma Nu Powderpuff. The sorority won Sigma Chi Derby, the spirit award at Big Red's Roar and the Lady Topper spirit competition for the Greek organization with the most attendance and enthusiasm.

Sigma Kappa was active in the numerous greek activities held this year. The sorority placed second in Shenanigans. They also participated in the Sigma Nu Powderpuff, SAE Dodgeball, Derby Week and the Delt's Foot Fetish Soccer Tournament.

The sorority also took part in the Phi Delt Football tournament, Sigma Nu three-on-three, AGR Slamfest and sponsored a candidate in the ADPi "Hunk of the Hill."

During their annual "Week of Giving," or Founders Week, they concentrated on community service and ♦♦

BACKSTAGE BEFORE THE Miss Black and Gold Pageant, Elizabethtown freshman Theresa Shipp rehearses her recitation of James Weldon Johnson's sermon "The Creation." The event was sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha in December.

John McLemore





### SIGMA KAPPA

**Front:** Nancy K. Allen, Leslie G. Singleton, Lisa B. Gritton, April P. Combs, Amy C. Watson

**Middle:** Jennifer L. Arthur, Melissa M. Fondren, Melissa J. Kremer, Anne T. Ewbank, Wendy T. Stanley

**Back:** Stephanie J. Hudson, Shelia C. White, A. Done' Riddle, Kelly A. Brunson, LeeAnn R. Pund, Anna B. Simpson



### SIGMA KAPPA

**Front:** Evelyn L. Bell, Ronda A. Smith, Leslie A. McKinney, M. Beth Shaver, Lisa A. Cloud

**Middle:** Karen L. Jarboe, Tamara L. Voninski, Jamie S. Street, Kimberly D. Goetz, Abbe S. Kastner

**Back:** Catherine A. Steitz, Michelle L. Roberts, Rebecca S. Smitley, Christina R. Garrett, Missy M. Taylor, Rhonda G. Stewart

### TRUE CONTINUED

raising money for their philanthropies, one of which was the Maine Seacoast Mission.

Sigma Kappa also sold balloons for Valentine's Day, held a movie night and placed second in fund raising at the student Phon-A-Thon.

"It's been full of spirit, development of friends and we've all shown a lot of sisterhood," sorority President Missy Taylor said.

**Phi Delta Theta** was "based on friendship, sound learning and more rectitude," according to President Phil Barnhouse. There were 50 active members.

They raised approximately \$1,000 for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Bowling Green through Greek Bowl and participated in their Bowl-A-Thon in February.

They also participated in the "Adopt a Highway" program, where they picked up trash along a section of Scottsville Road.

The fifth annual "hairy buffalo" party was sponsored by Phi Delta Theta this year.

For their spring formal on April 5, 45 members went to Panama City, Fla. This was

the second year that the formal was held there.

The nine members of **Alpha Phi Alpha** fraternity recruited for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program, held a Halloween party at Panorama and coordinated a cookout and a Valentine's party with the local Girl's Club. Other service activities the fraternity participated in included a voters' registration drive and a free blood pressure check.

The Alphas made donations to several organizations and charities, including the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the State Street Baptist Church Choir and the National Education Foundation.

The Alphas also hosted the Miss Black and Gold Pageant, with Elizabethtown freshman Theresa Shipp capturing the crown. Shipp represented the chapter at the state convention held in Louisville and was named second runner-up.

During the spring, the fraternity held its annual Alpha Week. Activities highlighting the week of festivities included a membership drive for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored

IN A VOLLEYBALL match against AOPI, the sisters of Sigma Kappa cheer as their team rallies from behind. The volleyball match was a part of Greek Week activities.



### ALPHA PHI ALPHA

**Front:** Marshall L. Gray, Jeffery D. Wilford

**Back:** Terry A. Moss, Mark A. Scott, Glen E. Townsend, Darren L. Griggs.



Steve Smart



**PHI DELTA THETA**

Front: Chet M. Cunningham, William R. Long, W. Kevin Mason, Dave C. Berkemeier, Chad D. Holman

Middle: Phil O. Gollar, Greg G. Bush, Tony Harris, Craig W. White, J. Chris Crenshaw

Back: Jeff B. Ligon, Scott F. Campbell, A. Kelly Wood, Harvey L. Sloniker, Brian A. Browning, Trevor A. Collins



**PHI DELTA THETA**

Front: Richard P. Jones, David W. Ferrell, Steve G. Nixon

Middle: Bo Atkins, Fred A. Garvin, Terry B. Blackburn, Scott Schemmel

Back: Greg S. Gerald, Mark W. Bradshaw, Tony R. Niemeier, Phillip W. Barnhouse

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People, the Alpha Classic basketball tournament and the MLK Awards ceremony, named for honorary fraternity member Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., to recognize undergraduate students with the highest GPA in each of WKU's colleges.

The Alphas walked away from their state convention

with the Chapter of the Year award for their participation in various activities.

President Glen Townsend attributed the fraternity's success to their ability to work together. "It's a lot of work for eight or nine people, but that's where the brotherhood comes in. Now, there's nothing we wouldn't do for each other."



AS HE FLEXES his muscles, Radcliff senior Brent Jones dances to the delight of screaming admirers. The "Chip-N-Dales" show was a rush function of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Steve Smart



**PHI DELTA THETA**

Front: Chris A. Bush, A. Blake Sloan, D. Jason Brewer, Chuck R. Knight

Back: Timothy L. Hazlett, Scott L. Crutcher, John M. Heady, Robert P. Birdsong







### KAPPA ALPHA PSI

Front: Sedrik R. Newbern, Jeff N. Thompson  
 Middle: Kevin D. Brown, Robert M. Jackson, Andre DuLaney  
 Back: Steve Douglas, Jeffery C. Nixon, Craig A. Myers



### KAPPA ALPHA ORDER

Front: Tom P. Schwarber, Douglas B. Keil, Brett A. Wesnofske  
 Middle: Thaddeus M. Fine, D. Jason Brewer, W. Robey Harris, Haynes L. Haddock, A. Kip Smith  
 Back: Allen W. Rich, M. Shane Hall, Michael R. Hancock, K. Lee Kramer, Patrick T. Dierig

# Moving Day

Greek housing offered a central meeting place and a place to relax for its members. Kappa Alpha Psi and Alpha Delta Pi were experiencing these benefits for the first time, while Kappa Alpha Order was moving into its second house.

"It's brought a lot of us together—it's a tightening of the brotherhood," Kappa Alpha Psi member Jeff Nixon said about their new house.

Last year, the fraternity renovated the former Pi Kappa Alpha house on Kentucky Street, making the Kappas the only black greek organization at Western with a house.

"It's a home away from home rather than a party house. Our on-campus members feel they have a place they can come to and feel comfortable," said Nixon, a Nashville, Tenn., junior.

The fraternity's activities this year focused on children in the community and on health awareness. The Kappas worked with Project AIMS (Activating Interest in Minority Students), participated with the Big Brothers program and provided tutorial services at Trinity Baptist Church. They also held a Halloween party for area children.

During Black History Month, the fraternity had information tables concerning alcohol awareness, sexually transmitted diseases, a free blood pressure screening and a membership drive for the National Association for the

Advancement of Colored People. The Kappas also sponsored their second Black History Month Quiz Bowl in which area high school students tested their knowledge of black history.

For their annual Kappa Week in April, the fraternity decided to change the format and dedicated each day's activities to certain groups or ideas, such as brotherhood, service and contributions to society by women.

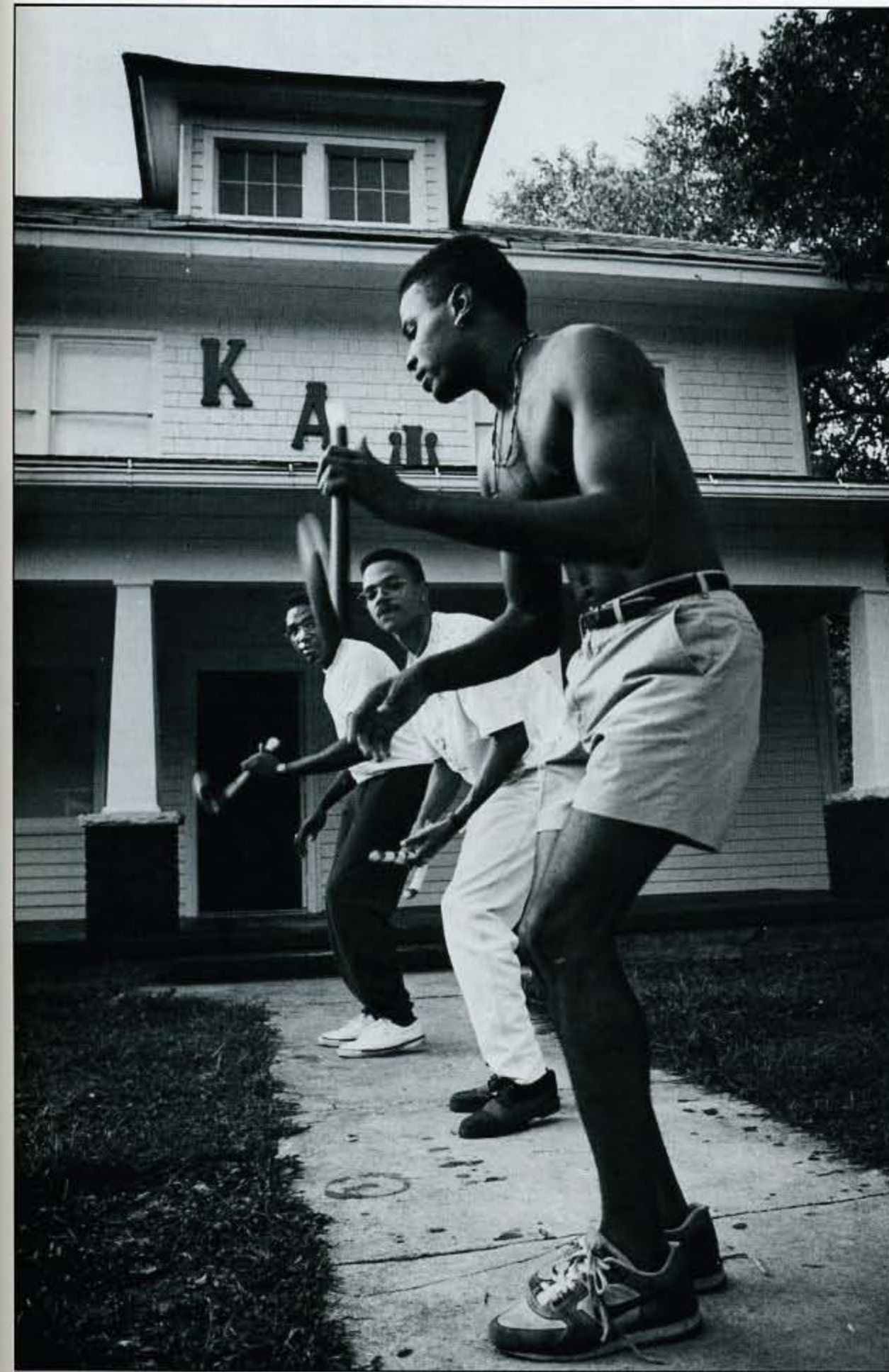
"Our theme for the week is 'Creating Service and Activities in the Public's Interest,'" Nixon said. "We wanted to have a meaning to our week instead of throwing parties. It's not just making money; it's giving something back."

Alpha Delta Pi member Shannon Plautz said the sorority had always been looking for a house, but this year "we really pursued it."

The ADPi house, located on Normal Drive, holds the sorority's 12 executive officers.

"The location is great. It's definitely given us a central meeting place. We can practice for Spring Sing or whatever in our backyard," the Hendersonville, Tenn., senior said.

Plautz said the sorority's celebration of its 25th anniversary definitely made a difference when they started looking for a house. ♦♦



AS THEY PERFECT their step routine, junior Greg Clark of Louisville, sophomore Sedrik Newbern and junior Jeffrey Nixon both of Nashville, Tenn., practice a routine. The three members of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity were preparing for the step show at Homecoming.

David Stephenson



### ALPHA DELTA PI

Front: Jenny L. Mahle, Ashlea C. Ladd, Emily G. Morgan

Middle: Tammy M. Johnson, Tina A. Adams, Elizabeth T. Gillespie, Janet M. Sparks

Back: Jeannie C. Black, Tracey A. Hunt, Heather E. Falmlen, Staci J. Kitchens



### ALPHA DELTA PI

Front: Tammy L. Taylor, Stephanie A. Austin

Back: Laura F. Rice, Heather N. Hall, Carrie J. Hughes, Sherry A. Hudiburg

### MOVING CONTINUED

"We got to meet a lot of alumnae when we had our anniversary activities, and we got advisers, a house incorporation and just lots of support from our alumnae."

This year, ADPI's won Shenanigans and participated in the Phon-A-Thon and other greek-related activities.

For their philanthropy, the Ronald McDonald House, ADPI raised more than \$4,000 by sponsoring "Teeter-totter-a-thons" and the "Hunk of the Hill" contest. The ADPI's sponsored a "Duck Derby" and joined efforts with Sigma Alpha Epsilon to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

The ADPI's also tutored for the Girl's Club, visited nursing homes and provided a taxi service for any organization after mixers.

Plautz, who served as pledge educator, said the sorority will be initiating a new pledge program next year. The program, called Total Membership Education, will last eight to nine weeks instead of an entire semester.

"Total Membership Education will focus on academics," Plautz said, "and pledges don't have to fulfill some of the activities that

pledges before have had to do."

**Kappa Alpha Order** President Pat Leach said his fraternity experienced several conflicts while trying to get their new house, which is located on College Street.

Leach said they had been trying to buy the house for two years and had slowed their efforts when talk of building a fraternity row arose.

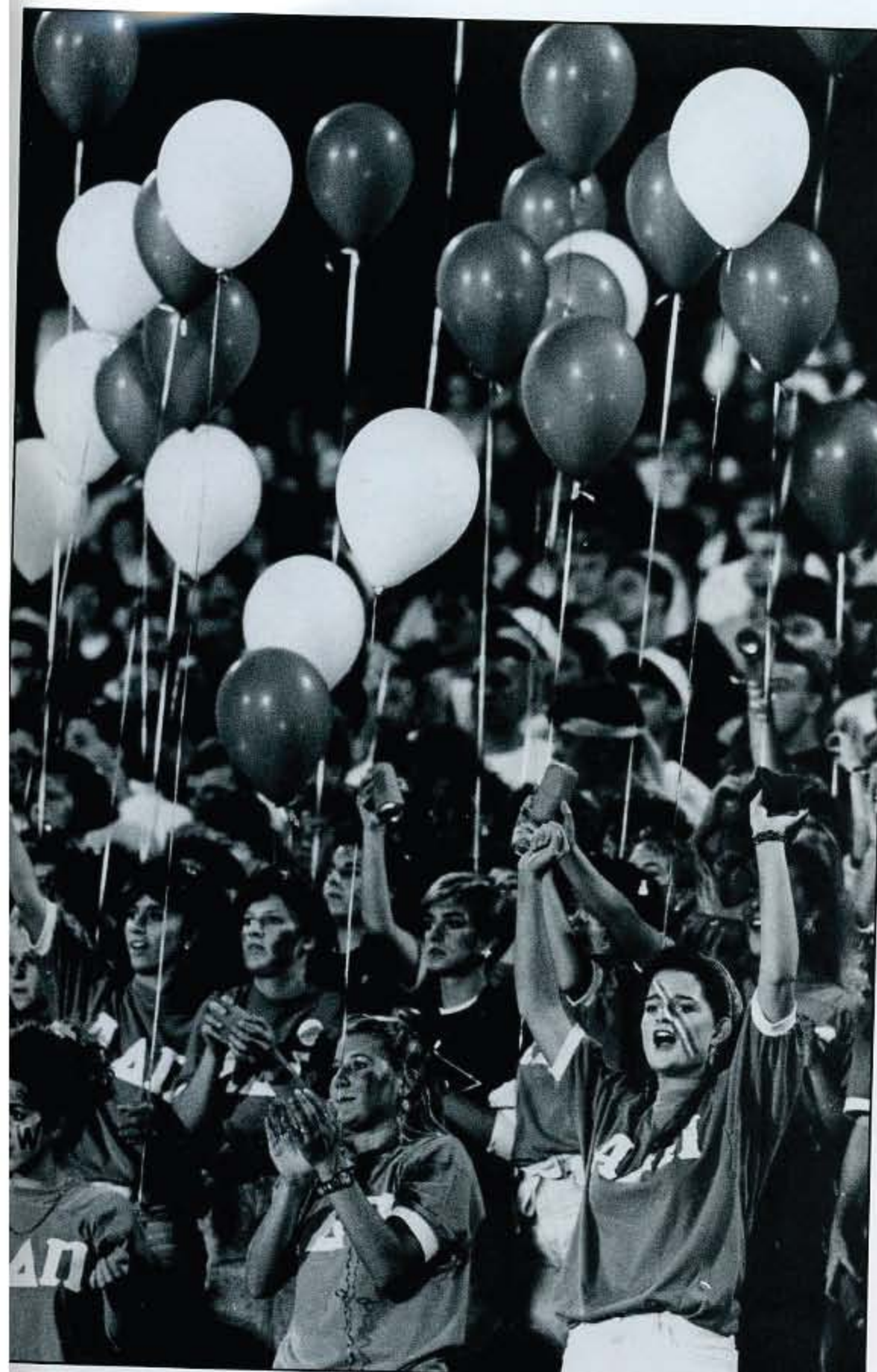
The new house holds 20 members, which is twice as many as the old house on East 12th Street.

"The old house was pretty run down. A month after we moved out, the house was condemned," Leach said.

This year, the KAs participated in several activities, including Shenanigans, Pike's Peak Week and Greek Week. During Homecoming, the fraternity placed third in house decorations and tied for first in intramural flag football. The KAs raised \$1,200 for the Muscular Dystrophy Association during the fall and sponsored a softball tournament for the charity in the spring.

The fraternity also boasted the largest fall pledge class with 29 members. ◆◆◆

THE ALPHA DELTA PI's show their spirit during Big Red's Roar. The event included a comedian and the annual competition for the spirit stick.



Marc Piscotty



WHILE STUDYING, Bowling Green graduate student Lydia Reid shares a moment with seven-year-old Harper Lee, the daughter of David Lee, associate dean of Potter College. Reid lived in an apartment that the Lee family rented.



Andy Lyons

# ACADEMICS





## A window into another world

BY: Jennifer Tittle  
Photo by Steve Smart

"I was scared to death." That's how Soviet teacher Marina Abalakina said she felt about teaching in America for the first time.

In September of 1989, Abalakina was doing psychology research at the Moscow State Medical School laboratory. Little did she know that a year later, she would be more than 50,000 miles away teaching at Western's Tate Page Hall. An acquaintance with a Western professor made the jump from far Eastern researcher to Western educator possible.

During the spring semester of 1989, Sam McFarland, a WKU psychology professor went to the Soviet Union. It was there that McFarland met Abalakina, and together they studied the aspects of the authoritarian personality in an effort to write a chapter in a research book. McFarland returned to America in June of 1989.

In June 1990, Abalakina came to America to see McFarland and to continue their research. With her English fluency, she spoke to groups of students attending summer school classes.

Abalakina had taught social psychology in Russia. With this experience, she was able to speak to the students about the Russian psychological perspective and the culture in general.

"She seemed enthusiastic and was interesting to listen to," department head John O'Conner said. O'Conner asked Abalakina to fill a one year vacancy as a social psychology teacher. "Marina thought about the idea for

about 30 seconds, and said, 'Yes, I'll teach here,'" McFarland said.

Among the cultural differences she encountered, Abalakina said she noticed the friendliness in American personalities. She was not used to people smiling at her in passing. "This is not customary in Russia," she said.

Although she enjoyed living in America, she admitted she had to make some adjustments, such as getting a checking account, insurance and obtaining a social security number.

In the winter, she had to adjust to a milder, somewhat warmer climate and the differences in the celebration of Christmas and the New Year.

"In Russia, the New Year is celebrated six days before January 1. Christmas is not celebrated as much as the New Year is," she said.

Abalakina also had to adjust her teaching style to the various responses of students at Western. "I had taught social psychology in Russia; however, (the situation) was still different in America. Some classes (at Western) participated more than others," she said. During both semesters, she taught two morning classes and one evening class.

A student from Abalakina's social psychology honors class found her easy to talk to. "She was open to talk to us about the Russian cultural view," sophomore LauraLee Wilson said. "She was a window into what Russia is all about."

"She was very concerned about our knowledge of Russia. Her discussions gave me somewhat of a new perspective on psychology. She

made the class interesting," said junior Chuck Patton, a child psychology major.

Abalakina told her students that human behavior in the USSR was influenced by communist ideology. "Our Russian system of beliefs, that all people are equal and that we should have the same items and opportunities seems to influence the way we behave," she said.

She may continue to teach here for the 1991-92 academic year, but if she decides to return to Russia, her friend and colleague Betsy Shoenfelt believes Marina will probably miss shopping at malls, going out to eat at American fast food restaurants such as Rally's and enjoying her newest hobby, sailing. Abalakina, Shoenfelt, O'Conner, and some other psychology department colleagues took up sailing together at Barren River as a pastime.

Abalakina admitted she had her ups and downs throughout the year; however, she used the word "challenging" to summarize it. "Although this year was challenging and a bit stressful, I had many new experiences, discovered the differences in Russian and American cultures and met many nice people," she said.

Abalakina hoped she had given her students a better understanding of the Russian way of life and helped to disprove any negative stereotypes they had about Russians. She also hoped that she would, in turn, take back a better understanding of the Western culture.



# More than a number

BY: John Martin

Page one of Western's Affirmative Action Plan, established in 1974 and revised in 1981, states the school "believes in and will follow the practice of affirmative action and equal employment opportunity by compliance with the intent and spirit of state laws and regulations."

Ten years after the revision of that 65-page document, however, questions were raised by students, administrators and state officials concerning the seriousness of Western's commitment.

Past university goals for increasing numbers of black students, faculty and staff are falling short of being realized.

The most recent goals for improving demographics were set in 1990, according to Howard Bailey, dean of Student Life. By 1995, administrators hope black undergraduate enrollment improves to 8.1 percent, and by 1994, blacks comprise 5.2 percent of executive and administrative positions and 2.8 percent of the faculty.

But in the '90-'91 school year, un-

dergraduate enrollment was about 6 percent black. Just two percent of school administrators were black, and though a few more black faculty were hired, overall faculty numbers have increased, keeping the black percentage at roughly 1.9.

Members of the Council on Equal Opportunity, an arm of the Kentucky Council on Higher Education, visited Western and other state schools in May 1990 to discuss affirmative action issues. Wendell Thomas, CEO chairman, said Western "is not much out of

his opinion the school has developed a negative reputation among potential black students.

"There is an attitude out there among the African-American students that Western is not such a friendly place," Thomas said.

Much of the bad publicity, Thomas said, comes from "simple little things" that happen to black students while they're at Western which they can tell their friends about when they return home.

"Western had a reputation as being a university where students out of Louisville could come and find an environment that was conducive to their learning process. But something has happened.

"It's a word of mouth thing that is hurting" Western, Thomas said.

But Bailey argued that the problems are more a result of a lack of overall commitment from the university. He noted

that in the early '80s Western's black student enrollment was around 10 percent, and because of that success the

school got less desegregation money from the state in future years.

And Bailey added, "some schools used more of their own money and sought more private funds" for affirmative action programs.

A student march up the Hill Feb. 13 also aroused interest in minority issues at Western. The march, which ended in President Thomas Meredith's office, was attended by about 100. Most of the two-hour meeting was devoted to questions concerning how Western spends the state money it is allotted for affirmative action programs.

The march "was about how we felt Black Student Retention should decide how minority funds were used," said Kerseclia Terry, a junior from Evansville, Ind. "We also wanted to know why classes (covering minority history and issues) were listed, but no one was taking them."

Paul Cook, Executive Vice President for Administrative Affairs, said Western now receives \$190,000 from the state each year to deal with affirmative action issues. Much of that money is used for new minority faculty and staff positions, while lesser amounts go to minority scholarships and graduate assistantships, he said.

Asked if he thought \$190,000 was a sufficient amount of money for those purposes, Cook replied, "You never have a sufficient amount for things like that. It would be helpful if we had more."

Cook added that the proposed budget for the '91-'92 academic year includes more money for programs designed to help black students, including the Black Student Retention office.

Competition with the universities of Kentucky and Louisville also hurt Western in its recruitment of black

students. In addition to being located in cities with larger black populations than Bowling Green, Thomas said UK and U of L "have really come to the forefront in providing scholarships" for minority students.

And "the attitude among teachers and administrators (at those schools) is that that student is going to graduate. They do everything they can to make those students feel welcome."

Terry said the day-to-day difficul-

*"There is an attitude out there among the African-American students that Western is not such a friendly place."*

— Wendell Thomas

ties faced by black students are mostly a result of poor relations with faculty members.

"There is an instructor who has been here for quite a while who discreetly suggests that minorities drop her classes. ... Some are really good, but some are really awful. They're there just to get that tenure, that paycheck."

Journalism Department head JoAnn Huff Albers suggested more money for advertising might be helpful in the black faculty recruitment area.

"I think we could improve our demographics in the journalism department if we were allowed to advertise more," she said. She said the university

paid for advertising in "a few places," such as the Chronicle of Higher Education, but added most junior professors don't get that publication.

Mike Dale, interim affirmative actions officer, said Western "should strive to have a diverse faculty and staff."

"Department heads and deans need to be more pro-active and take an extra step" to be more successful in recruiting more minority faculty and staff."

Thomas said he hoped the meetings his group had with university officials would help the university do better in both minority faculty and student recruitment.

"Anytime we come to a meeting and share concerns, someone is going to be affected by it," he said. "Knowing they have to deal with the publicity of it, they'll think about it and will make some steps."

If Western's demographics don't improve, Thomas said the school would be less likely to get support for certain programs from the CHE in the future.

Bailey said despite the apparent lack of progress in the '90-'91 school year, Western's goals for the future remain the same.

Bailey hoped a revitalized effort came out of those meetings, and a broader understanding that the whole institution has got to work" on these issues.

Student protest will likely continue into the '91-'92 school year, Terry said. "We're going to keep it up. We're not going to get anywhere if we don't keep it up."



## WKU MINORITY RETENTION

FALL SEMESTER	BLACK STUDENT ENROLLMENT
1979	1,019
1980	954
1981	897
1982	807
1983	804
1984	818
1985	812
1986	787
1987	823
1988	818
1989	796
1990	771

line" with other state schools regarding affirmative action.

However, he went on to say that in

# Driving the Point Home

BY: Billy Hardin  
Artwork by Greg Neat

“All the statistics say that we are becoming a ‘colored nation,’” said government professor Dr. Saundra Ardrey, “and in order to survive in the 21st century, people have to appreciate that diversity.”

“The goal of a liberal arts education is to be exposed to broad diversity. You just don’t get that in regular classes.”

One way that students could learn to appreciate a part of that diversity was by declaring an African-American Studies minor.

But according to David Lee, Associate Dean of Potter College, a lack of instructors qualified to teach the required courses had kept the university from offering them in the past several years.

“The minor exists,” said Ardrey, who served as director of the minor. “What we’re trying to do is revive and revise it. We’re trying to touch on all the experiences blacks have been involved in.”

The required courses for the minor were an African American history course, a literature course, African American Experiences and a course called the African Diaspora (from or to) the 17th Century.

After taking those courses a student could devise a ‘tailor-made’ program which had to be approved by the

director of the minor.

Ardrey cited an art student taking a course on African-American art, or a psychology student taking a course on the psychology of the peoples of the world as examples of classes that would be considered as possible electives.

Some misconceptions Ardrey felt people had about the class was that it was easy, it was just for blacks or that it was a wasted minor.

But Ardrey said that the minor was for any student and she was determined that it would not become a “soft minor. We have to see that the courses are academically sound, the students are good students, and do the needed publicity with advisers,” said Ardrey.

According to Lee, no student had graduated with the minor since the fall of 1986, and “fewer than a dozen through the 80s. We need to make more students aware of the African American experience and how African American history relates to the diverse culture in which they find themselves,” he said.

Students graduating with the minor were better prepared to enter management, personnel, government and public relations jobs. “It’s wonderful backing for ... people who want to teach,” said Ardrey. “One of the mandates of the Kentucky Education Reform was to understand diversity, with

a big emphasis on multicultural students. The multicultural thing is hot in Kentucky.”

Ardrey pointed out that whatever field a black student chose to enter, it would most likely be predominantly white.

“It’s my belief that in order to be successful, for a black person, you must have a sense of self. You must have an understanding of your history and appreciate that.”

Ardrey felt that she and her husband had accomplished many of their goals because they had that instilled within them.

Ardrey said the response from the students in the classes that she had taught was “almost amazement. ‘I didn’t know blacks did that,’” many said.

“I’ve heard people respond very positively to some of the classes,” said Lee. “They were very enthusiastic.”

“There’s a sense of pride (in the black students),” Ardrey said. “When I teach the past, they better understand the present. We’re looking at a generation of students that have grown up in an integrated society and haven’t been exposed to information about their race. They are unaware of the lessons to be learned from our history. We’ve got to teach these students what it means to be black.” ♦♦♦



G. Neat

# WESTERN XXI

## a matter

BY: Noelle Phillips  
Graphics by Jerry Busser

**XXI** Twenty public relations students sat in the Garrett Auditorium, awards from the past 15 years resting in their laps. When it came their turn to plead the case for their program, they were ready.

This scene took place during the first open forum held a week after the release of the Western XXI report.

The Western XXI report ranked university programs in importance to the university as it enters the 21st Century. Programs at the top would be given highest priority in the budget.

The public relations program was ranked tertiary maintain, which was the second lowest rating. "We were considerably upset,"

said Robert Blann, a PR associate professor, because the department didn't believe the ranking was fair.

Western's public relations program is one of 32 in the nation, yet it was ranked behind 34 Western programs. Blann believed the committee looked at so many programs, they weren't fully aware of all the distinctions the individual programs had earned.

Jim Flynn, an English professor, was chairman of the 13-member steering committee. "It was a daunting process," Flynn said. "And the amount of work that went into the process is staggering."

The model of the plan was based on one designed by Bob Shirley, president of the University of South Colorado. In November 1989,

President Thomas Meredith put together a steering committee to start ranking the programs. The report was released Sept. 24, 1990. No department was left untouched.

The programs on top believed they deserved to be there, but those on the bottom, such as the PR program, didn't agree with their placement. The PR faculty and students called on alumni to write letters supporting the program.

The original report placed all programs in primary, secondary or tertiary. Primary was the top spot, which meant they would get the most money. Enhance, strengthen and maintain were the subheads.

Teacher education and biology wound up on top.

**XXI** After the hearings, the report was forwarded to the Board of Regents for approval. The board and the steering committee agreed on an extension of the deadline. The goal was to have the plan in place in time for its priorities to be reflected in the 1991-92 budget.

After the steering committee rewrote the document, the report was passed on to the Administrative Council, which is made up of department heads and vice presidents.

After passing it back and forth, the third version was created. "They made crucial changes," Flynn said. "They still came out at the end with a report that lays out a broad blueprint of how the

*of priority*

university should pursue its future."

The new version had a few changes in program ranking and some word changes.

One of the wording changes was the title. At first it was "Western XXI Vision Statement," then "Western XXI Strategic Directions," and finally, "Western Kentucky University's Spirit of Excellence, Values and Directions for the Twenty-First Century."

The categories ended up as primary, secondary and maintain, while the final subheads were prominent, essential, desirable and nonessential.

**XXI** PR was moved to prominent. The final product left teacher education on top, but only the recombinant genetics program from the biology department was there.

The Board of Regents finally approved the report

at the Dec. 12 meeting. After their approval, the first stage of the planning process was finished.

"The key thing is it's still being worked on," Flynn said.

The second step was for the department heads to work out goals for how they would adjust their department to the new changes brought about by Western XXI.

Those on top asked for things they've never had, while those on the bottom

hoped to get by with what they had.

As the year waned on, campus leaders gathered to discuss which departments would get what they wanted when July, the new fiscal year, rolled around.

"We're only just beginning to see the consequences," Flynn said. "The main thing is in the budgeting process that's a blueprint of what will be followed."



### WESTERN XXI IN A NUT SHELL

The Board of Regents approved the final Western XXI draft Dec. 12, 1990. Among the changes made were names of the categories under which all degree programs were classified. Under the initial draft, all degree programs were classified as Primary, Secondary, or Tertiary and then further defined as Enhance, Strengthen, Maintain, and De-emphasize. After the Dec. 12 Board of Regents meeting, degree programs were filed under four new categories: Prominent, Essential, Desirable, and Nonessential. Here is how the undergraduate degree programs fared:

#### PROMINENT

Accounting  
Economics  
Elementary Ed.  
History  
Middle School Ed.  
Photojournalism  
Print Journalism  
Psychology  
Recombinant Genetics  
Secondary Ed.  
Advertising

#### ESSENTIAL

Agriculture  
Art  
Biology

Broadcasting  
Chemistry  
Computer Science  
Corporate and Organizational Communication  
Engineering Technology  
English  
Exceptional Children  
Finance  
General Studies  
Geography  
Geology  
Government  
Health Care Admin.  
Industrial Technology  
Management  
Management Information Systems  
Marketing

Mass Communication  
Mathematics  
Medical Technology  
Modern Languages  
Music  
Nursing  
Philosophy  
Physical Education  
Physics  
Public Relations  
Religious Studies  
Sociology  
Speech

#### DESIRABLE

Theatre and Dance  
Anthropology  
Business Ed.  
Communication Disorders

Community Health  
Dental Hygiene  
Dietetics  
Health Education  
Home Economics Ed.  
Industrial Arts Ed.  
Institutional Admin.  
Interior Design  
Library Media Ed.  
Recreation  
Social Work  
Textiles and Clothing  
Vocational-Industrial and Technical Teacher Ed.

#### NONESSENTIAL

Production Operation  
Management  
Psychobiology

# Learning Limit Exceeds 65

BY: Billy Hardin  
Photos by John Russell

Edward Dibella said that in the 10 years he had been taking classes at Western, his only problem was that his hearing wasn't as good as it used to be.

But that's not unusual for a man 85 years old.

Dibella was one of 55 students at Western in the fall of 1990 over the age of 65, according to John Foe, director of institutional research at Western.

Since a state law was passed in 1976, people 65 and older can take as many classes as they want at a state university at no cost, Rose Oniewski, supervisor of the government services library, said. They must be Kentucky residents and must sign up before classes start, according to chief cashier James Clark.

But not having to pay didn't seem to be a major consideration in the decision of students over 65 to take classes.

"I probably would have done it anyway," Mary Mason, 66, of Bowling Green, said. "It's for my personal gratification. This is the first time since we've retired and settled down that we have the time to do something like this." She and her husband, Richard Mason, 68, have both taken classes at Western.

"There are so many subjects that interest me that I've been unable to pursue during my career," said Dibella, who retired in June of 1975 after teaching social work at Western for 12 years. "Now I have that opportunity."

He had taken classes in electricity, astronomy, micro-economics, Portugese, Russian, Italian and more.

"It was a chance to do it at an institution where I knew the caliber and quality of the instructors," he added.

"I was just taking them for the fun of it," said Dr. Keith Coverdale, 65, of Bowling Green. "I don't have a baccalaureate degree. I went straight to medical school without one." He only needed 12 hours to complete his degree and said he was working toward that.

"I've enjoyed every class, and I've taken every one with a purpose in mind. It would be nice to make a good grade," he said, "but that's not why I'm doing it; I'm there for what I get out of it."

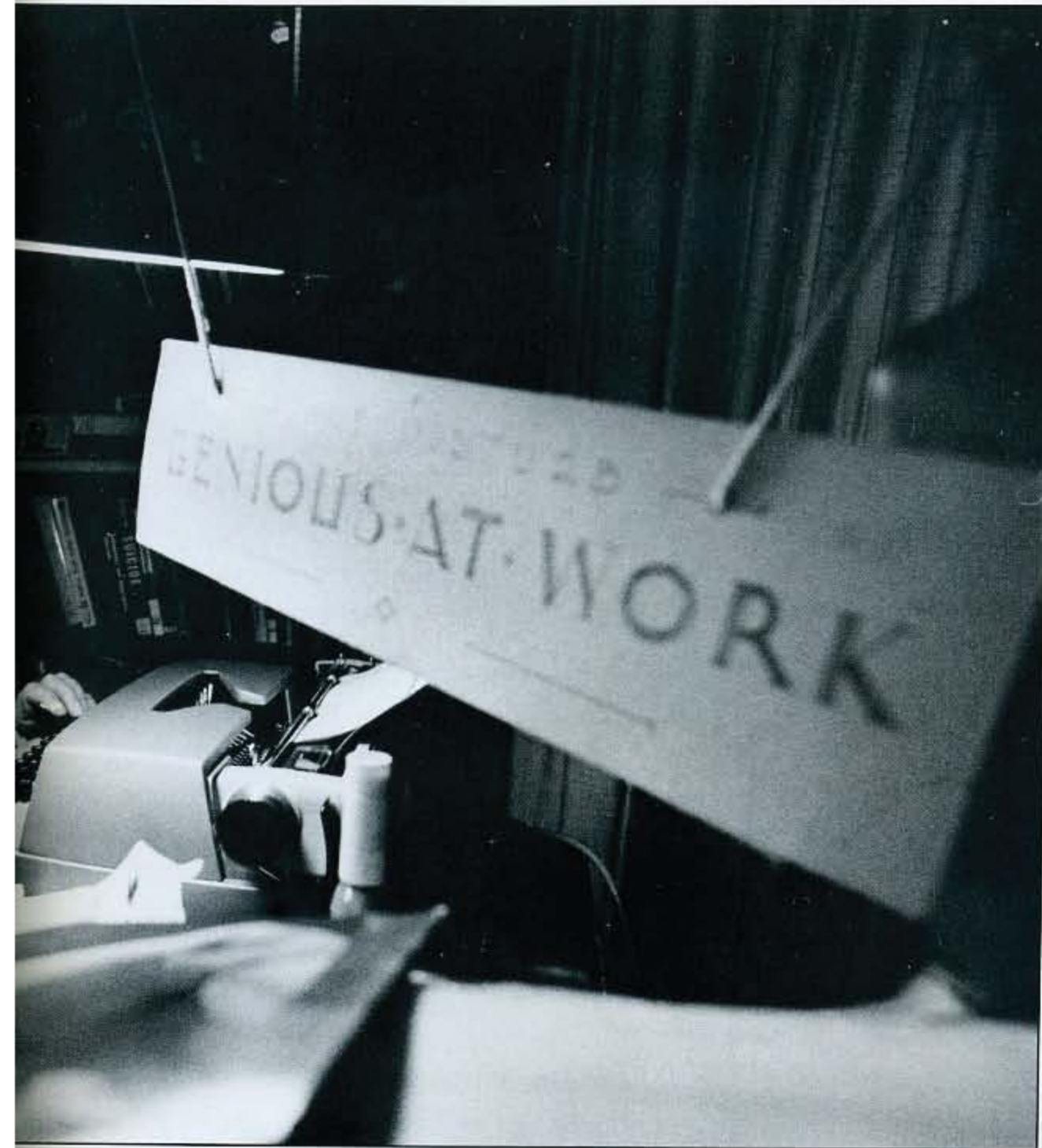


AT HOME in his study, Dibella uses spare time to write letters to family and friends who live far away. Most non-traditional students over the age of 65 took classes for personal gratification.

Coverdale had taken classes in meteorology, astronomy, Spanish, government and religious studies and needed to take Western Civilization, music appreciation and art appreciation to receive his degree.

Kyle Wallace, director of the center for evening programs and non-traditional students, said there had been an increase of non-traditional students in recent years.

The institutional research department reported that in the fall of 1990, 4,628 or 30.4 percent of all students at Western were non-traditional students. ♦



ON THE BUSY fourth floor of Grise Hall, Dibella keeps pace with other students on his way to economics class. He was one of 55 students at Western over the age of 65 during the fall of 1990.



AMID THE CLUTTER of his office, Dibella devotes several hours per week to his studies. Since 1976, any Kentuckian over the age of 65 has been eligible to take free classes at state universities.



## LEARNING CONTINUED

A non-traditional student was defined as an undergraduate student 25 years or older, according to registrar Freida Eggleton.

Using that definition, it was not unusual to encounter non-traditional students. Most were trying to readjust to school, but for those over 65, it could be quite different.

"It's been about 50 years," Mrs. Mason said. "I'd never been to college, and I'd never been in that lecture situation before ... that type of testing was new to me."

Other non-traditional students had similar problems.

"Some professors have a tendency to talk to the chalkboard and not to students," Dibella said. "That annoys me."

But there didn't seem to be much of a problem with age.

"In fact we're enjoying being around the younger students," Mrs. Mason said. "It's stimulating and challenging."

"It (taking classes) has allowed me to maintain contact with the vibrant student body," Dibella said. "Students accept me; faculty accept me; there are no advantages or disadvantages in that respect."

"I haven't had many classes where I was the only older student," Coverdale said. "As far as I'm concerned, I'm just one of the regular guys in the class having fun."

And that's the way students said they viewed Dibella.

"He fits in well," said Robert Cornbleet, a Henderson



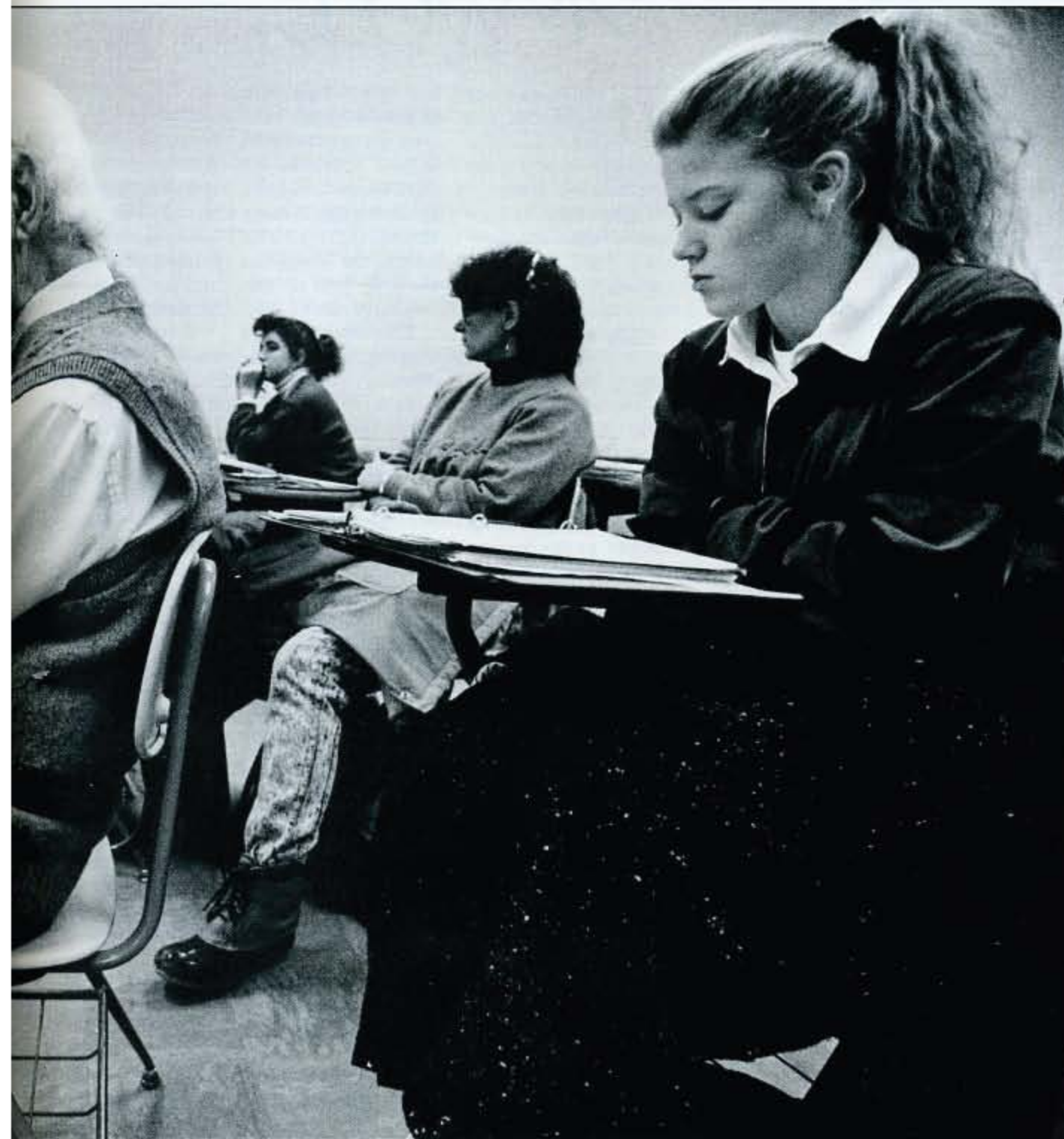
freshman who was in Dibella's micro-economics class.

"I thought it was kind of strange," said Tom Zoretic, a Bowling Green senior who was in Dibella's astronomy class. "I've had classes with other non-traditional students, but never with someone his age."

Dibella said he wondered why retirees in the community didn't take advantage of the opportunities in higher education.

"Maybe they find themselves busier than they expected, too busy for classes.

"I'm sure Western would welcome them."



WHILE TAKING NOTES during his economics class, Dibella pauses to rest his eyes. Although he had some unique problems, he said he was perceived as any other student.

CURIOUS ABOUT the Big Bang Theory, Dibella questions astronomy professor, Thomas Bohuski Jr. Some non-traditional students had not been in a classroom setting for 50 years.

# A W O L

It happened early in the fall and late in the spring when the weather was good.

Sometimes it happened when the party had just ended or when it was continuing into the next day.

There were sound reasons for it and flimsy excuses.

Skipping classes was as old as the institution of higher education. And the rationale for doing it was as creative or as bogus as the person who skipped.

"When the weather is warm like in the fall or spring, the golf gods call and tell you it is time to go play golf. If you have a class, you just have to skip it," said Rett Dallas, a senior from Nashville, Tenn.

"For every two classes you go to, you should be able to skip one. It should be a school rule," Dallas said

Michael Lovell, a sophomore from Nashville, Tenn., said there's an art to skipping. "You can do it and get away with it.

"Most teachers are pretty understanding, especially if you call ahead of time."

Kari Kelton, a Prospect sophomore,

said it was important to keep on top of the class if you planned to skip. "Teachers are more likely to cut you some breaks if they know that you're doing the work ... even if you're not coming to class."

Skipping was often a spontaneous decision.

Jay Djuren, a senior from Ramtein, Germany, said, "We have skipped a couple of times to go to Florida. ... We just pack our bags and go."

DeJane Gaietto, a sophomore from Tiffin, Ohio, said she skipped a history class last year to go eat at Downing University Center. "All of my friends were going, and I wanted to do something with my friends instead of going to class."

Lori Foe, a Madisonville sophomore, said she and her roommate, Lisa Woods, a Louisville senior, skip to go shopping in Nashville.

Lovell said there were some days when skipping was the only answer. "You wake up in the morning and there's still a six-pack left, and you say 'I can miss this class,' and the party continues into the next

day." Psychology instructor Patti Randolph said the worst excuse she had heard was when a student said she missed class because she had to blow dry her hair.

Some students' reasons for skipping were a little more creative.

"My roommate used to skip to have sex all the time," Kimby Taylor, a junior from Rosine, said.

Kelton said she

skipped once when she and some friends "went to Louisville and got a job modeling for Baccardi Breezers. We got to bring back as many samples of the non-alcoholic (drink) as we wanted."

Biology professor Thomas Youngbluth had one student bring in an excuse "written on the doctor's legal pad. The excuse read 'Please excuse ... he was incompetent to attend.'"

Psychology professor John Bruni had a student tell him that he "just couldn't miss Mardi

BY: Cheryl Edwards and Billy Hardin  
Artwork by Greg Neat

Gras." He also had a student tell him that his grandmother had died. When he reminded the student that his grandmother had died earlier that year, the student replied, "Oh, it must have been my grandfather."

As much as it was done, however, skipping classes could be harmful to one's academic health.

In 21 years, Joe Stokes, a mathematics professor, said he had only five students with seven or more absences to make A's.

Professors used different methods to prevent students from skipping their classes.

"I do give quizzes every Friday," English professor Nancy Davis said.

Psychology professor Retta Poe told her students the class was not a correspondence course, and if they wanted to take that kind of class, they should

check with the correspondence course office.

"If they miss more than 25 percent of scheduled classes before mid-term, they should drop; if it's after mid-term, I tell them they'll be given an automatic F," Poe said.

Some professors were less concerned.

"My view is that students want to be treated as adults, so I treat them as such," Bruni said. "I tell them that if they miss material, they'll pay for it on the exam. I don't want to get into the role of attendance police."

Davis said missing class doesn't make sense. "One of the most interesting ironies in students skipping class is that an education is the one thing students pay rather dearly for and yet don't want enough to take advantage of the opportunity."

Jerry

Wilder, the vice president for student affairs, said the instructor was the key to good attendance. "If he is stimulating and demanding, the students will be there."

Boredom seemed to be the chief reason students skipped class, he said.

P.J. Taul, a freshman from Hardinsburg, agreed with Wilder. "I skipped the class because it was boring, and the teacher was boring."

History professor Drew Harrington said he didn't understand why students cut class excessively because their grades tended to be lower than the grades of students who attended regularly.

Some students who cut class disagreed with him though.

"I'm

pretty notorious; there've been plenty of times I'd skip to go to Nashville to party," said Kelton, who carried a 4.0 GPA, while majoring in government and math with a minor in Russian.

"I had this one class," Lovell said. "I missed the first month and a half of the semester. The professor said that we could make up any test we missed on the day of the final. I had to take six tests and the final on exam day." He got a C in that class.

It all boiled down to whether or not the student wanted to learn, said Robert Haynes, vice president for academic affairs.

"I really

wish more students thought about going to college as having a job," Poe said.

Western implemented a policy to be effective in the fall of 1991 whereby students who missed the first two meetings of a class were automatically dropped from that course, but enforcement of an attendance policy during the semester is left up to individual professors.

And although there were students who did not skip, the lack of remorse most students had about skipping indicates that it is likely to remain an integral part of college life.

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# Touching a Generation

BY: Laura Howard  
Photos by Rick Loomis

**T**hey sit in a circle, singing the gospel songs they have known since childhood. Their deeply lined faces change shape as their mouths let loose uneven and off-key notes.

As they sing, Emma, their "director," bobs her arm as though she were directing a church choir instead of 10 clients at the Adult Day Care Center.

Their age-weakened voices soon are

joined by that of Bowling Green graduate student John Grant, who had worked at the center on Scottsville Road since August of 1990.

"Emma, what are you thankful for?" Grant asks at the end of the fourth song. "Tell us what has made you happy."

"I'm thankful that I can come here and be with my friends," says Emma, 75. "I'm so glad that there's nothing

wrong with me, so I can get out and go and be with the people I love."

"Well, George, what about you?" Grant says to the man on his left.

"I'm thankful for your smile, John, and your laugh. That's what gets me going in the morning."

Grant, a recreation major, began working at the center as part of a graduate assistanceship in ♦♦

AS HE STANDS from his wheelchair, Tom Holder, a resident of the Adult Day Care Center, pitches a horseshoe. John Grant, a graduate student majoring in recreation, had worked at the center since August 1990 helping residents to become more active.

AFTER A LONG day, Grant says goodbye to sleepy residents, Golden Adkins, Beulah Heater, Flossie Townsell and Isabelle Williams. The center was located on Scottsville Road and was home to 10 residents.





### TOUCHING CONTINUED

therapeutic recreation. His job was to plan activities to keep clients active and strong.

He led them in songs, took them on outings with other center workers and taught them exercises to keep their muscles working.

"It bothers me to have them sitting around being couch potatoes. I want them up and moving."

Grant developed tests to check their levels of strength and flexibility that let him monitor the effects of the activities

and how they can be used to help other older people.

The center is designed to provide care, meals, supervision and mental stimulation to its 24 clients, according to Executive Director Lois Layne, a Western psychology professor. It also gives clients' family members and caregivers a break to do things, such as work or shop.

"The people really love it," Grant said, helping George to the bathroom before a game of bowling. "To them, it's like a club more than anything else."

While an Alzheimer's disease support group meets in one half of the center's main room, Grant entertains four clients in the other. The images of soap opera stars flit across the television screen as he sets up the plastic pins for a bowling match between George and Tom.

"OK, let's go, Tom," he said. "Knock 'em all down in one try."

As Tom tosses the plastic ball and hits eight pins, Grant's eyes light up, and he flashes a ready smile. "Great shot. Now get the other two."

Grant said he loved seeing the clients



WHILE GRANT READS a story, resident Dean Cox listens intently. Grant said working at the center helped him understand what it was like to be older.

AS SHE MAKES smores, Flossie Townsell looks up at Grant with admiration. Western took over the center so gerontology students could obtain experience helping the elderly.



succeed. When they participated in the regional senior games in May, they loved getting medals and awards for their physical achievements. The games are a yearly highlight for the center's clients, he said.

Western took over the center in September to help students studying gerontology to gain experience in working with the elderly, Layne said.

Though Grant said he probably won't continue to work with the elderly, the job taught him about what it's like to be older.

"We talk about everything here," ♦♦

## TOUCHING CONTINUED

he said. "They're mature and not afraid to speak their minds."

One of the biggest rewards from the job was the affection he received from clients, he said. "These people really give you a lot."

Working at the center made him part of their family, he said. "I call them my line of grandparents. Some, I call 'mama.'"

"He's wonderful," said Pearl, a long-time client. "I don't know what we'd all do if it wasn't for John."

Grant said he enjoyed helping the clients. Day care centers keep many of them from being institutionalized and give them a place to be with friends in the dusk of life.

"I hope that I have a place like this to go to when I am older," he said. "This really means a lot to them. And me."

Emma often led the group in their devotional, which was made up of singing, giving thanks and remembering the good things they have in their lives.

She also read from the Bible to inspire the group and to help get its members through the day:

"For in time of trouble, he shall hide me in his pavillion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me: he shall set me upon a rock.

"When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up."



ON AN OUTING at Three Springs Park, Grant fixes the rigging on Ken Johnson's fishing pole. The day care center kept many of the residents from being institutionalized and allowed them to be with friends.

WITH THE DEVOTION of a grandson, Grant helps Golden Adkins to the van after the group's outing. They went to Three Springs Park where they fished and had a picnic.





On February 13 students filled the lobby outside President Meredith's office. They came to present their views and to listen for answers. Although some were not satisfied, most felt positively about ...

## *Sitting in and speaking up*



Joseph A. Garcia

REVEREND Elliot Joiner, President of the Bowling Green/Warren County chapter of NAACP leads the group in prayer. The group prepared themselves for the sit-in by meeting in DUC to discuss their proposal.

(far left) STUDENTS HUG during the sit-in. During the march up to Wetherby the students chanted "The people, united, will never fall."

Francis Gardler

CONCERNED STUDENTS look on as President Thomas Meredith addresses the issues brought to light during a minority sit-in at Wetherby Administration Building in February. Over 100 students attended the two hour demonstration.

Francis Gardler

(far left) STUDENTS HUG during the sit-in. During the march up to Weatherby the students chanted "The people, united, will never fall."

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**SURROUNDED** by her peers, Louisville Senior Shannon Floyd watches Meredith. Floyd had scheduled meetings with the President for the past two years to discuss minority concerns, but this year decided to gather more support. **Francis Gardler**

**WITH SOMBER** expressions, Washington D.C. freshman Mica Arline and Louisville senior Rodessa Moore ponder minority concerns. One of the topics discussed during the sit-in was the allocation of desegregation money given to the university by the state. **Francis Gardler**

**IN AN ATTEMPT** to force change from the administration, Henderson senior Phyllis Johnson tries to get her point across to President Meredith. The students presented a six point proposal to Meredith addressing issues such as black student retention, African-American Studies courses, black faculty pay, and minority scholarships. **Francis Gardler**

In every organization or community there are individuals who make a significant impact. They may be center stage or behind the scenes. They can make change or maintain policy. Whatever their role, here are the people from 1991 who were ...

# LEADERS of the WESTERN WORLD

## Darla Carter Herald Editor, Fall 1990

BY: Kim Hadley  
Photo by Steve Smart

"I think most people think I'm a lot tougher than I really am," said Darla Carter. But the fall 1990 College Heights Herald editor in chief admitted to "brood(ing) a lot more than a lot of people realized.

"There were times during that semester that I just wanted to say 'forget it. I don't know why I thought I could do this,'" she said. But she added, "I guess it was rewarding to see the first couple of papers come out without it looking like Charlie Brown and Lineas had designed it.

"I'm not an editor," the 21-year-old Louisville senior said. "I am a writer. I don't like being the person who answers the phone call, who has the meetings. I want to be the person who's writing the stuff."

Carter said being editor "just seemed like the place to go at the time," after reporting "just about everything" for the paper.

She became interested in journalism by working with publications in high school and attending the Urban Journalism Workshop for Minority Students, held at Western every summer. She decided to work for the Herald because "that's where the opportunity is to show your stuff." Carter became the first black editor in chief of the publication.

During the fall, the Herald had the largest papers in the school's history, averaging about 30 pages per issue. "The ad staff was just selling like crazy," she said, causing her to "always be yelling (to the managing editor), 'Chris, do you have a 12 inch something or the other for page 17?'" "It got to be a bit rough on everybody," she said, noting that they also had to combat inexperience by starting with practically a new staff, not counting editors.

But Carter said her semester as editor taught her that putting together the paper was a "group effort." Before, she said she thought the editors were the people that were important, that they kept everything running. But she said she learned "the first semester reporter is just as important as the editor."

Carter said the Herald was "the voice of the student body. It's telling them what they need to know as well as what they want to know," she said. "If we just spark students' interest in something, then it is worthwhile," she said. "We pass the ball to you and it's up to you to do

something about it, to make a change happen.

"It's interesting to see the different reactions you provoke in people," she said. "When the general public calls with a complaint, they want to talk to the editor. Then Tony calls from the plant and wants to know how large the paper's going to be and if we're going to be using color." Then the ad manager comes in, followed by other editors, she said. "You've got a million people pulling you in a million different directions."

One direction Carter said she had not anticipated to be pulled was into the controversy over the front page photo of a female agriculture student milking with her backside to the camera.

"We weren't trying to make (her) seem undignified," Carter said. "That was the best picture. The picture had a lot of character. The picture had a lot of content."

Carter said she thought it said, "When most students are still in bed, (she) is out there milking a cow. It was almost a day in the life of the university farm," Carter said.

Carter said she thought the Herald handled the controversy well by running columns expressing both sides. "I think we were very fair," she said. "And we talked to oohgogs of people. I don't think we ever intentionally try to hurt anybody."

And though, as editor, Carter said she often "got stuck in the office doing the mundane things that keep the paper going, she said she felt it her responsibility to serve as "a bridge between the campus and the rest of the Herald staff.

"I'm not sure people understand how student-run it (the Herald) is," Carter said. "Or that there are people up there at the office two to three in the morning—all the time."

That time commitment was Carter's least favorite aspect of working for Student Publications, but she said "It's nice when things come full circle, when you see you're appreciated."

Carter said she would like future Herald staffs to look back and perhaps say, "Look how they did that. They provided a service. They did something worthwhile."

And as for herself, she said she wanted to "give something back to a staff that taught me to do the best I could do."





# Chris Poore

## Herald Editor, Spring 1991

BY: Kim Hadley  
Photo by Steve Smart

"I don't think we should be 'student leaders,'" Chris Poore said, speaking of the position of College Heights Herald editor in chief. "I think we should be viewed as separate. To be a student leader would imply the position was too close to the university," he said.

"I don't think students know how long and how hard we work," the 22-year-old Erlanger senior said. "Because we're stuck in this building (Garrett Conference Center),

we may seem calice when we make decisions. But everytime we have a decision to make and know there's a chance readers might be offended, we spend a lot of time talking about it.

"I wonder sometimes if they realize it's students making the decisions," Poore said. The Herald is the "product of student's decisions. Not teachers, not administration. It's us."

Poore said it was the paper's role "to report as much of what's going on on Western's campus as possible. Students pay for this," he said. "It's their right to know.

"It (Western's campus) is like a small town, really. There are so many interesting people here. It would be a crime not to have a good newspaper."

Poore had covered a variety of beats on the newspaper, ranging from police to sports, before serving as editor during the spring 1991 semester. But he admitted that before he took the position he didn't really know what it took to put out a paper. "I never answered as many phone calls as I did this semester," he said, noting that that was an important aspect of the job.

"I think I learned despite how much skill you have, dealing with people is probably the most important," he said. "I have a lot of room for improvement at dealing with people.

Speaking of staff relations, Poore said, "You never yell at people. Really, if you treat people nicely and fairly, you will always be treated nicely and fairly. People will work with you."

And as for the rest of campus, he said, "While I am editor you won't see any nasty editor's notes. Why should we be able to say what we want without giving students the same right?"

Poore said perhaps the most rewarding aspect of being editor was "seeing the staff pull together to cover the war as it affected Western," and, as a student, realizing how much the campus cared about what was going on in the Persian Gulf.

"We're small, but we care," he said, adding "maybe we should just care more about the small things."

After class on Mondays and Wednesdays, Poore said he would "really get going" about 11:30 a.m. and work until about 2 a.m. Then there was a meeting Tuesday and Sunday, in addition to "work(ing) a little Thursday and Friday. "The Herald never sleeps," he said.

Poore said he got into print journalism because "I guess it's an excuse to ask questions about everything around me." And he said he would like to continue to work in state because "Kentucky's really important to me. Some of the most interesting people in the country live right around here. I would like to write a book about Kentucky," he said.

Poore said he would like future Herald staffers to look back at the papers of the spring semester and say "That they (the Herald staff) really got a sense for how their friends and classmates dealt with the war. And how Western dealt with the war."

As for his own future, Poore smiled and said, "I want to be a reporter when I grow up." ◆◆◆



# Saundra Ardrey

## Government Professor

BY: Billy Hardin  
Photo by Tamara Voninski

"I'm letting people know there are other opinions out there," said government professor Dr. Saundra Ardrey. "I don't want to change views, I want to challenge them."

Ardrey had been challenging views for quite some time and continued to do so in her role as a professor of public opinion, women in politics, and minority politics and as president of the Bowling Green chapter of the National Organization of Women (NOW).

"I think it's been worthwhile," she said of her endeavors. "It's a challenge."

And Ardrey took the challenge whenever she could.

In a letter to the editor in the Feb. 28 Herald, six students questioned the recognition of Martin Luther King's birthday as a University holiday. A week later in the Herald she said blacks should not have to make excuses for the celebration of King's birthday.

Ardrey said she recalled when King went through her hometown of Rally, NC. She was in the second or third grade. He slept in her church on the way to Washington, she said.

She later added, "It's as if we have to justify our existence on campus and justify having one holiday honoring a black hero. In 1991 we seem to be answering the same questions as in the 1950s."

Ardrey was also answering other questions. As president of the Bowling Green chapter of NOW, she and her organization served as "a clearinghouse for information" on women's rights

issues, and a network for women." The group also served as a way for the media to "define women's issues," she said. The group sponsored Take Back the Night, a "stand against violence against women" at Fountain Square each year.

Bowling Green "is a very patriarchal community," she said. "It seems to be stuck in the 50s. For a college town, it's not as progressive as you would expect."

"I've tried to take an active role," she said of her stay at Western. That was something she learned early in life.

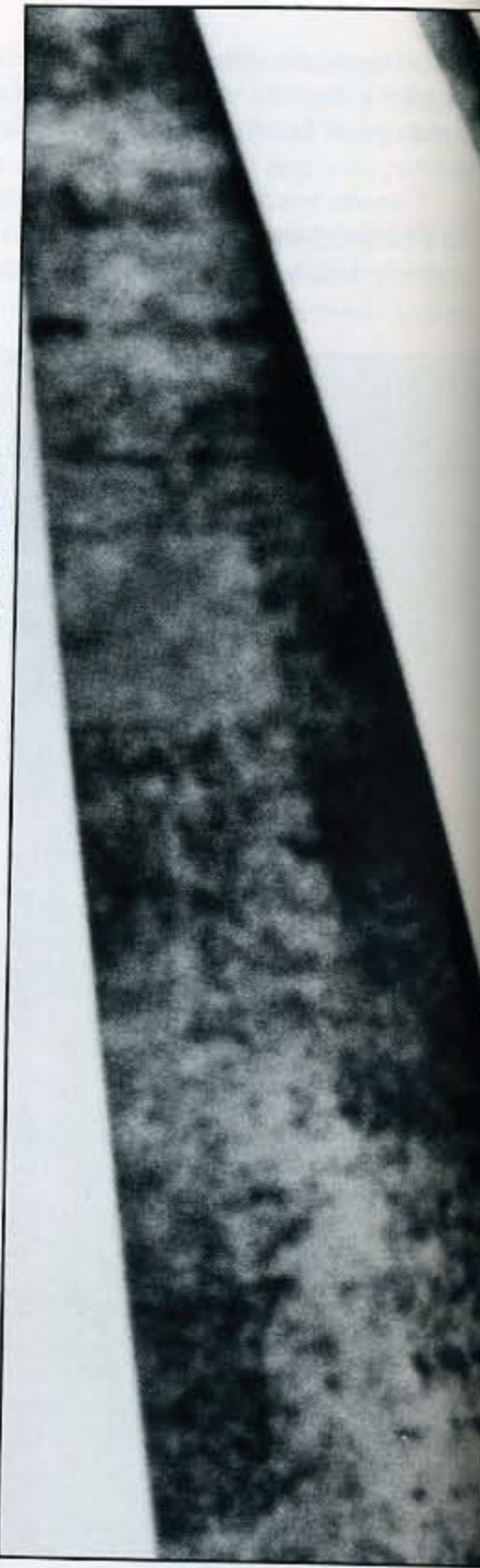
"My dad was really involved in the civil rights movement in the 1960s," she said. "On weekends that's what we did, went to rallies and sit-ins and protests."

"Lots of students see me as a radical feminist and fail to see that I also have a family; I'm a mother, and I have the same concerns they do."

Her first encounter with prejudice came at age six or seven while her family was traveling, Ardrey recalled. "I wanted to go to the bathroom, so we stopped and I went into one and momma jerked me back and said I couldn't go in that one; I had to go to the other one. I didn't understand why. Later I realized it was a white's-only bathroom."

Ardrey cited Alice Walker, author of *The Color Purple*, and Shirley Chisholm, the first black woman to run for President, and the professors at the predominately black colleges she attended as major influences in her life.

She said that her father, who was head of physical education and recreation at St. Augustine, a predominately black college in North Carolina, and the professors at Winston Salem State University in North Carolina served as a model to her that blacks could hold



professional positions.

"A lot of students have never seen a black in a professional capacity," she said. "I think I'm serving as a role model for both black and white students. I think there's a unique opportunity to expose both students and fac-

ulty at Western to new ideas.

"I'm letting students think," she said. "That's what education is all about." ◆◆◆

# Michael Colvin

## Associated Student Government President

BY: Kim Hadley  
Photo by Matt Stockman

"I've always thought the best way to attain something was through the system," said Associated Student Government President Michael Colvin. "Dreaming is fine," he continued, "but if you don't have a goal, it really doesn't mean anything."

The Louisville senior said his goal as president was "to get students involved. You get bogged down in other things," he said. But "if you can organize 15,000 students to try to make a difference, it'll make so much more of a difference than any one person ever could."

"You can't do it all yourself," he said. "And that's the first thing you learn."

"I don't think students really realize the impact they could have," Colvin said. He said he often told students, "Hey, you can handle this as well as I can. All you have to do is write a letter."

And though he admitted to also learning that change isn't fast, Colvin said he came to realize that most administrators cared but weren't aware of student concerns. And attempting to make them aware was a responsibility that Colvin said he had not completely grasped until he took office.

"Whatever happens to the student body and any student, it's me," he said. "I guess it's like having a child."

"... When you get to be president, you're sort of by yourself," Colvin said. "You get lots of advice, but you end up taking very little of it. You have to decide by yourself."

"Fear is not a good feeling," he

said, "but everytime you make a decision, you pray, 'God, I hope that was right.' And you go with it. And you learn about control."

Colvin said he learned making decisions could be very stressful—especially when he didn't whole-heartedly support an issue he felt he should support. An example was when Colvin was criticized for seemingly changing his pro stance on a bill to make all finals comprehensive.

"It was a nightmare," Colvin said, explaining that he supported comprehensive finals, but that he disagreed with certain aspects of the bill. "It was hard to uphold academic development and then uphold students' views," he said. "On one hand we can't compete, but on the other hand, some teachers might have a comprehensive test a week before (finals) and then a comprehensive final; Colvin said he fought against the latter."

"People come up to you and say, 'Why'd you do that?' except they never said it that nice," he said. "Defending yourself is not a fun thing to do, especially when you feel you're doing something right. ...But it's my job to explain my position to them, and I accept that."

After the controversy, Colvin said he considered not returning as president for the spring semester. He asked himself, "What are you really accomplishing? What are you really trying to do?" Colvin, however, in three words describes himself as being determined, determined, determined—a person that doesn't like "giving up on anything."

So he stayed.

"Being in the spotlight is not that fun," Colvin said, relating that even campaigning was uncomfortable for him. "It's like acting a lot of times; well, it's not, but a lot of people think you're acting," he said.

"One thing that will stick in my mind forever," he said, "was when I walked into a party and everybody looked at me and whispered, 'That's the guy running for president.' Then they said something bad about me."

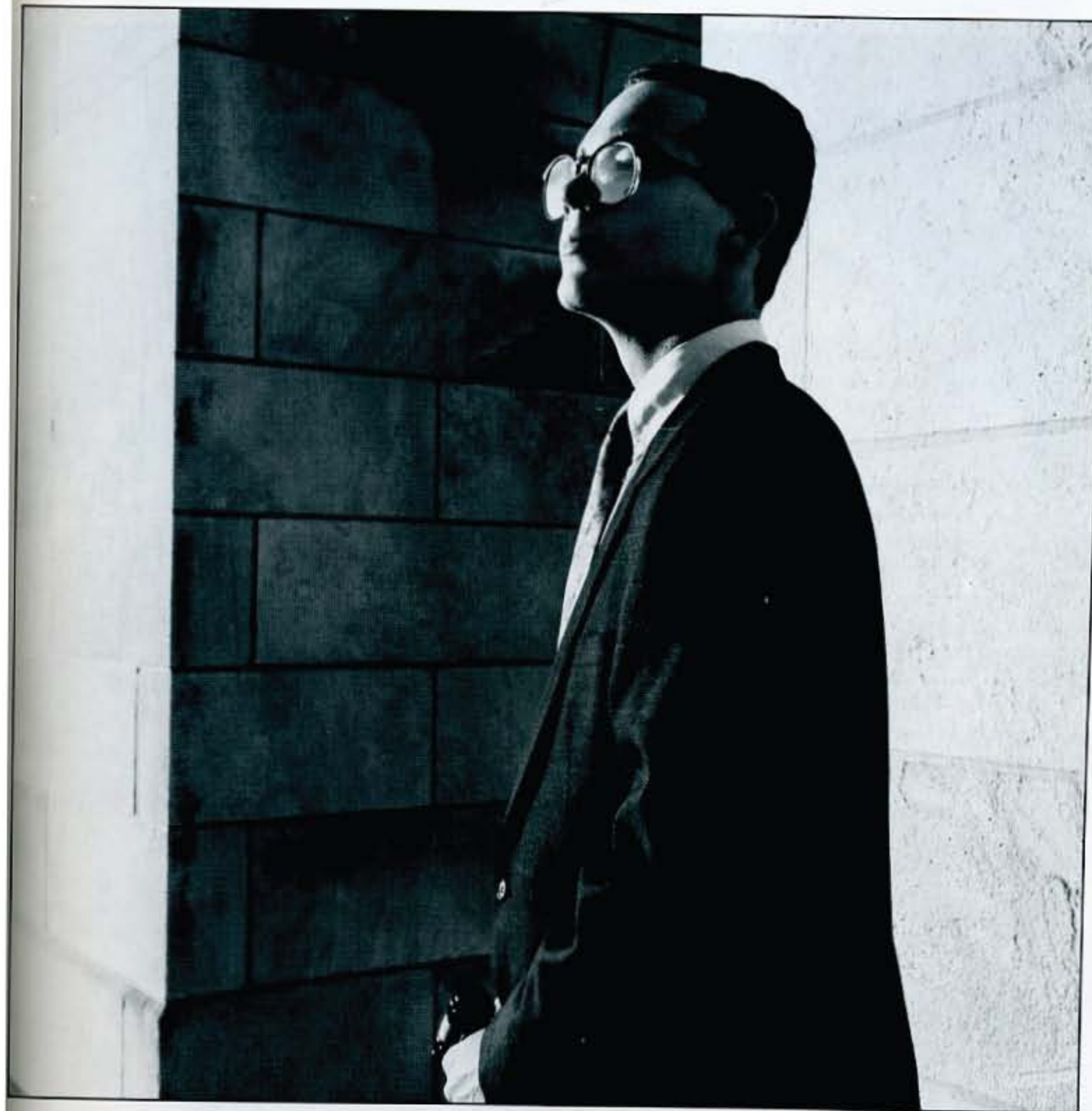
"That's the worst feeling," Colvin said. "Somebody can hate you, but it's still your responsibility to represent them. ...And you take it personally—unless you're very, very secure about yourself. And that's very hard to be."

During his first two weeks as president, Colvin said he went through all the files in his office and saw what hadn't been finished. "There was just so many things I didn't know about," he said. "I was like 'Gosh, I'm never going to be able to handle this. ...It's just you and an empty office and a bunch of files.'"

And along with the job came all of the meetings and social events.

"The university sponsored more social functions than anybody I knew," he said, but he felt he must attend to help promote things "the university really needs." Therefore, he said he academically had a lot of all-nighters. "For help in attending meetings, there were a lot of people I could count on," he said. "Academically, you can't do that."

During his year as president,



Colvin's GPA dropped from a 4.0 to a 3.5. He said he was still pleased with his GPA, however, "it made an impact on me, because I've always had the ambition that academics should come first. That's why I went to college."

But then he said he would say to himself, "Gosh, I learned so much being president, though, I think it was worth it."

With that in mind, Colvin said he

encouraged students to vote in ASG elections and get involved. "If you think it's a farce, get inside and change it," he said. "We don't claim to be experts. We're just trying to do the best we can. ...We do it because we want to do it; we want to make a change."

"I guess in my heart I would like students to know that whatever I did I did in the best interest of the students," Colvin said. "I know that sounds

cliche-ish, but it's true." He added that "it's hard to realistically accomplish everything you want to accomplish, but I'm glad there's a lot of work we got started on." Such goals, like getting more parking, having printed teacher evaluations and obtaining more student control, are posted on his wall, he said, noting that "they are feasible, they're just not immediately applicable." ◆◆◆

# Pam Ogelvie

## WKU Shuttle Bus Driver

BY: Billy Hardin  
Photo by Tamara Voninski

"I'm either brave enough or dumb enough to say what's on my mind," said Pam Ogelvie, a WKU shuttle bus driver, of her efforts to establish a faculty/staff senate body at Western. "I haven't said anything that people before me haven't said."

Ogelvie who had worked at Western for about three years, attended the first public meeting concerning Western XXI and voiced the need for some means of bringing faculty and staff concerns to the attention of the administration. Currently there is a faculty senate but no university worker representation.

According to Ogelvie, the first draft of Western XXI stated that although the physical plant was somewhat understaffed, that the university wished to make efficient use of the employees that were already there.

"My comments were to the point that in factories when (the managers) take an interest in what employees are thinking that you're going to get more productivity," she said. "I think that Western is a business as well as a learning facility."

She felt that there was as much of a need for a faculty/staff senate as there was for a student government, if not more, because "you have more of the

type of people who don't know how to get things changed."

But that could not be said of Ogelvie.

"You don't lose till you quit trying," she said. "I just keep on; I do it respectfully and tactfully. They finally listen to you just to get you out of their hair."

Ogelvie submitted a suggestion for dropping the Diddle lot stop from the shuttle bus route to the president's office on Jan. 17, and the idea was implemented on March 25. She said on May 16 that she had not received the money or award which are supposed to be given to any employee whose suggestions are used.

She said that she had received a call from David Sloss, personnel services coordinator, telling her that the president wished to present the award to her. Later she received a letter of congratulations from the president's office, but still no money or an appointment to present the award.

"She will be hearing from us," said Sloss, "in an effort to combine more than one (award recipient) they are reviewing other suggestions. Some are implemented; some are dropped." He indicated that Ogelvie and several other employees would receive their

awards at the same time.

But Ogelvie was not disheartened by the lack of response, although she did concede that the most frustrating thing about working at Western was "seeing the need to make something better, voicing the idea, and nothing being done."

"Even if you lose, you win knowledge," she said. "I get attention now when I have a problem or an idea."

But Ogelvie admitted that she was not totally dissatisfied with her job. She considered the most rewarding aspect of her job the "continuing opportunity to meet and mix with people who are trying to better themselves."

"I like the work that I do; as with any job there are things that are frustrating and dissatisfying," said Ogelvie, who was also a substitute bus driver for the Warren County school system, coached a co-ed baseball team, was assistant coach for her daughter's softball team, and served as vice president of her other daughter's band boosters program.

"I don't have great expectations of changing anything during my stay," Ogelvie said, "but I think by the time I leave they will have known I was here."



# Christy Halbert

## United Student Activists President

BY: Nora Frecska  
Photo by Steve Smart

"This has been a very demanding semester for me. At times it gets crazy, but if I had to do it over again, I would," said Christy Halbert of a semester filled with numerous activities, including her role as United Student Activists president.

A USA member for two years, Halbert began her involvement by organizing events like the Stop War Toys demonstration.

"We used to have two co-coordinators instead of officers and after one dropped out, I took over. The following year we decided to have officers because we thought it would be easier to organize. There was a core group that absorbed the roles of officers and I became president," Halbert said.

"I'm real interested in politics," said Halbert, "I think my involvement in USA comes from my desire to make a change for the better."

One such change Halbert wanted to emphasize was altering students' perceptions of USA.

"In the past the student body wasn't receptive to USA because we had a reputation of being an 'alternative' crowd," Halbert recalled. "This year we showed everybody that we are people from a lot of backgrounds that have a common interest. We were able to show the campus and community that our group covers a wide variety of environmental and social issues."

And among the issues with which the group had to contend were the environment, civil rights and perhaps

the biggest issue of all, the Gulf War.

"The goals of our events surrounding the war were to make campus more aware. We sponsored an 'Open Mike' to try to get campus to talk openly about what was going on."

Halbert believed many students did not attend the USA functions because they misunderstood USA's motives.

"I think some people were scared to come to the functions because, unfortunately, they didn't think we supported the soldiers. But we're very much in support of the soldiers, just not the policy that sent them to war," Halbert said.

At the same time, Halbert saw a positive effect on USA members.

"I think (the war) brought our group together because we were such a minority. We thought long and hard about (the war) and we were still in opposition against the majority."

When Halbert wasn't battling the issues, she was found battling the competition on the volleyball courts and track field. Halbert, who has held a volleyball scholarship for three years, considers volleyball "a job because it takes so much time and hard work."

Time and work were also put into throwing the javelin and discus for Western's track team.

She didn't stop there. Halbert also became an active member of the Black Student Caucus, a group whose concern for students' rights prompted a sit-in at the office of President Meredith.

"I joined because BSC fights for



the concerns of all students, not just minorities," she said.

How did Halbert handle it all?

"I'm a pretty good organizer of my time. ... I carry around a pocket calendar at all times," she said.

Of course, Halbert felt overwhelmed on occasion. At these times, Halbert said she tried to "keep things in perspective," and said "being surrounded by friends" was first on her



list.

"Sometimes I would get down, or frustrated, and the USA meetings on Sunday night would energize me. Everybody respects each other so much because we're all actively trying to do something."

"Doing something" is what the mass communications/sociology double major considers most important.

"It's our world and we kind of need

to build it for ourselves," said Halbert, who plans to attend grad school to study the sociology of gender and the sociology of sport.

"It really doesn't matter which side of the fence you're on as long as you've at least thought about it."



# Luther Hughes

## Agriculture Department Head

BY: Kim Hadley  
Photo by Steve Smart

"I grew up on a dairy and tobacco farm," said Dr. Luther Hughes, the Agriculture Department Head.

Hughes said he had a faculty member at Western that literally took him "under his wing" when he was seeking his bachelor's degree. "I was on the verge of dropping out," he explained.

The professor helped him get a job in the soils laboratory. "I became his assistant," Hughes said. "I didn't have a lot of money to go to school."

A graduate of Purdue University, the professor also encouraged Hughes to go to graduate school there, which he did.

The professor, Dr. Randolph Richards, currently serves as the Allen County Agriculture Extension Agent, Hughes said fondly, adding that "because he helped me, and several others, I really hope I remember the role I can play in students' lives today. And I hope I can even be as particularly influential as this person has been to me."

At Western since 1983, the Cadiz native said he believes professors have a "responsibility in molding people's lives. By our own actions, we provide qualities to be emulated," he said. "I think we have a job bigger than just academics."

"I really am happy when I am working with students," Hughes said, noting that his faculty sometimes accused him of spending too much time with students.

"If I close my door to students, I could probably go home at five instead of six, but that's not the way my personality happens to be."

Hughes said there is scarcely ever a

night he doesn't receive phone calls related to agriculture in Kentucky. "It might be a local farmer with a problem ... wanting me to diagnose why a plant isn't growing properly or a national agricultural magazine," he said. And most nights "may involve a quick run out to the university farm to check for problems."

"We have a tremendous role," Hughes said of the agriculture department, citing it as the "most visible department outside the athletic department. Because agriculture is so important in Kentucky as a whole, our whole department is involved with thousands of people in Kentucky," he said.

The department had to maintain a high level of productivity at the university farm and maintain the Agriculture Exposition Center, which had more than 150 events annually with over 100,000 attending—most of which Hughes said dictated that he "must make an appearance."

"I travel all over the state," Hughes said. "I seldom ever turn a request down."

Hughes also had chaired many local and national agriculture committees, in addition to being selected in 1989 as the first agriculture professor to be named Kentucky Professor of the Year. Hughes was also named Kentucky's 1991 Environmentalist of the Year for his leaf recycling program, which is saving Bowling Green over \$200,000 annually; the leaves are taken to the university farm, instead of the landfill, and turned into mulch, which is sold back to the public.

In his twentieth year of university

teaching, Hughes said he annually attended at least 100 different meetings with high school students. At such meetings he and other university officials talk to parents and "assure them we're going to take good care of their son or daughter."

"I take a lot of pride getting to know all the students (majoring in agriculture) personally," Hughes said. "I think my students know I really love them."

Hughes said he believed his department put a greater emphasis on teaching and community service than



most Kentucky universities, where research was a focus.

"Research is being emphasized significantly more than it was," Hughes said. "And I'm not particularly happy about that. I think if we're not careful we will lose the niche where our strength is—and that's in teaching. I'm not opposed to conducting research," Hughes said, adding that his department had been successful in obtaining grants. "I'm opposed to putting it as a top priority."

Hughes said one of the most rewarding aspects of his job was seeing

students "come in directly from high school and maturing personally, academically and socially." He said he tried to see them the whole way through college and keep in contact with alumni.

Hughes said only about 15 percent of "our students" went into farming. The other 85 percent went into the "larger world of agribusiness. Twenty-two percent of all jobs in the U.S. are agriculture-related," Hughes said.

"Farming is one of those industries that shall never die. Educated, informed farmers will survive. ... And we have a role in seeing that they are

informed.

Hughes said he would like to continue in that role, adding "I really do enjoy being the chief agricultural spokesman of this part of Kentucky. My crystal ball shows clearly that if I'm here at Western Kentucky University in agriculture, I'll be satisfied."

"I would hope my legacy would be that 'he really did care about his students,'" Hughes said. "That's what I think is really important. And I'm doing my best to make that my legacy."



# Scott Taylor

## Student Activities and Organizations Director

BY: Kim Hadley  
Photo by Tamara Voninski

"Sometimes when you're trying to be an educator, they (students) view you as an old fogey. A lot of people who don't know me don't understand why we do some of the things we do."

Scott Taylor, Student Activities and Organizations Director, said he had to "wear a lot of hats." Educator, counselor, adviser, programmer and administrator: all were necessary for his job, with the basic purpose being to "serve students."

As an educator, however, the Pineville native said he felt it necessary to continue to direct a lot of the university's lectures and special events toward alcohol issues, etc.

"They are real life issues they've been protected from 'til they get to college," Taylor said, mentioning that another aspect of his job is to "help them fulfill their potential in terms of development."

Taylor studied history, government and education at Western before doing his graduate work in higher education administration at the University of Kentucky.

"I had no intent of coming back and I've been here 13 years," Taylor said. He worked in the Student Life Department, with the last five years spent in his present position.

As director of student organizations, Taylor worked with coordinating registration of student groups, and helping fraternities and sororities.

Working closely with Associated Student Government and the University Center Board informed him of what students wanted, Taylor said. For those groups and others he said he tried to serve as an adviser or counselor.

"Students recommend programs," Taylor said, and he would tell them how they could go about accomplishing those goals.

One of the more popular requests of students was to get more big-name concerts at Western, Taylor said. However, "Nationwide, college campuses have been getting out of the concert business," he said. Taylor also said that the university's budget is "the second smallest in the state for programming, with \$76,000 spent annually for operational expenses, scholarships for UCB officers, etc. "That's about \$2.50 for each of our 15,000 students," Taylor said, so "we try to stretch those dollars as far as we can."

"It's frustrating not having the resources to do the things you want to do," Taylor said, adding that he would like to have funds for "a couple of major concerts so it wouldn't be the absolute financial risk it is."

Taylor also said he would like to see an accredited leadership program at Western, a student organization resource center where each group could have an office with a phone, scholarships for such groups as the Spirit Masters and the Cheerleaders and more programming for non-traditional students. "It's a wish list," he said.

"We try to help in some regard," Taylor said, hoping that certain concessions could be made, such as "providing the captains of the cheerleaders a scholarship if we can't get it to them all."

Taylor said he thought the greatest weakness of university programs was that most are geared toward traditional students. "Now we have a third of our

students that are non-traditional students," he said, so more noontime programs are in the planning.

As far as the type of programming, Taylor said he thought surveys and evaluations showed it was representative of what the students wanted. "I think our student body is generally conservative being from South Central Kentucky."

Taylor said he felt he was open with students. "I just try to be a real person with them," he said.

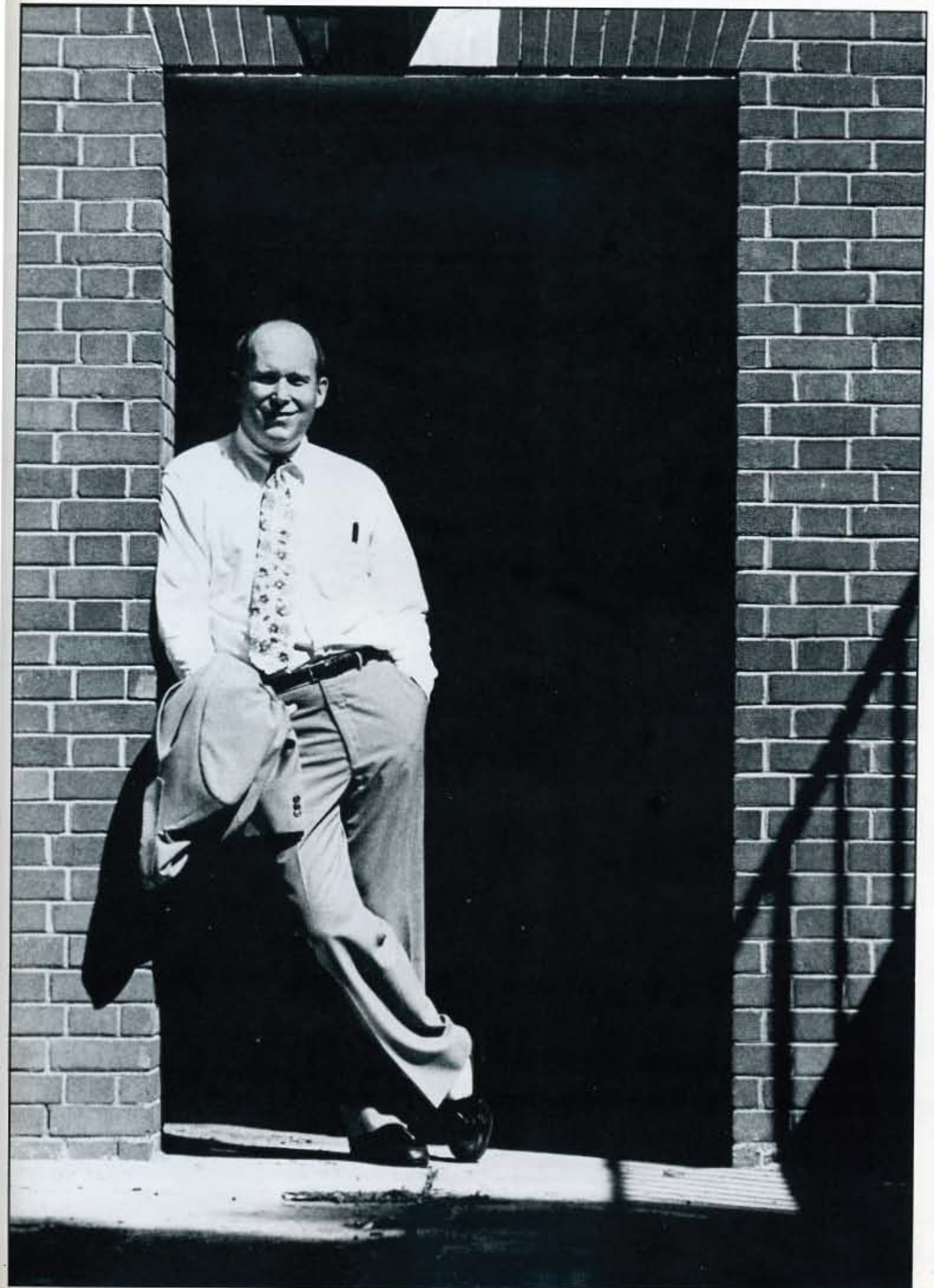
In addition to having a Thanksgiving dinner for ASG officers, at least once a month a student group was at his house. "This isn't just a job," Taylor said, "it's a part of my life."

Taylor said, however, his family comes first. He admitted that he hasn't always been good at saying no to work, but he has attempted to make his involvement in the activities of his 7-year-old daughter, Casey, a priority.

He coached her soccer team on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons and attended her games on Saturday. "She's the only girl on the team," he said proudly. "And I think she does a real good job. I'm very proud of her."

And when asked where he sees himself in 10 years, Taylor said, first of all, at Casey's high school graduation. And careerwise, he said he saw himself "on the downside of this career and probably on the upside of another career ..., but involved with the university in some capacity."

"My ambitions are more in line with being a good father, being content," Taylor said. "Not complacent, but content." ♦♦♦



# Paul Cook

## Vice President of Administrative Affairs

BY: Billy Hardin  
Photo by Tamara Voninski

"Back when I first came (to Western) the university wasn't like it is today. Like so many people, I came here not expecting to stay very long," said Paul Cook, vice president of administrative affairs.

But he decided to stay, and for 31 years Cook has served the university in some capacity, including president interim following the departure of President Zacharias in 1985.

"I think that as Western continues to grow, we need to retain some of the values that have been important to us in the past," said Cook.

In his role as vice president of administrative affairs, Cook is in charge of the physical plant, purchasing, accounts and budgetary control, budget planning, personnel and "student technology," which included all 'computing systems,' radio, television and phone service.

"I do a good deal of work with the Council on Higher Education and the Frankfort scene," Cook said. "I'm frequently the university person who works with the legislators when legislature is in session. I help coordinate a number of reports in special areas such as budgetary requests."

He also included advising and supporting the president to the list of duties.

With involvement in so many areas of campus, Cook often had a handle on any decision that was made in administration. He cited fee changes as one

way in which he directly affected the lives of many students.

"If (a decision) deals with people, I try to stress fairness. I try to treat people the way I'd like to be treated."

Cook said he had learned this and other important principles from his teachers, especially his high school principal.

"I was always impressed with his fairness and trying to treat everyone the same. He was basketball coach and principal at the same time once," Cook said, "but he put emphasis on all aspects of life, including academics.

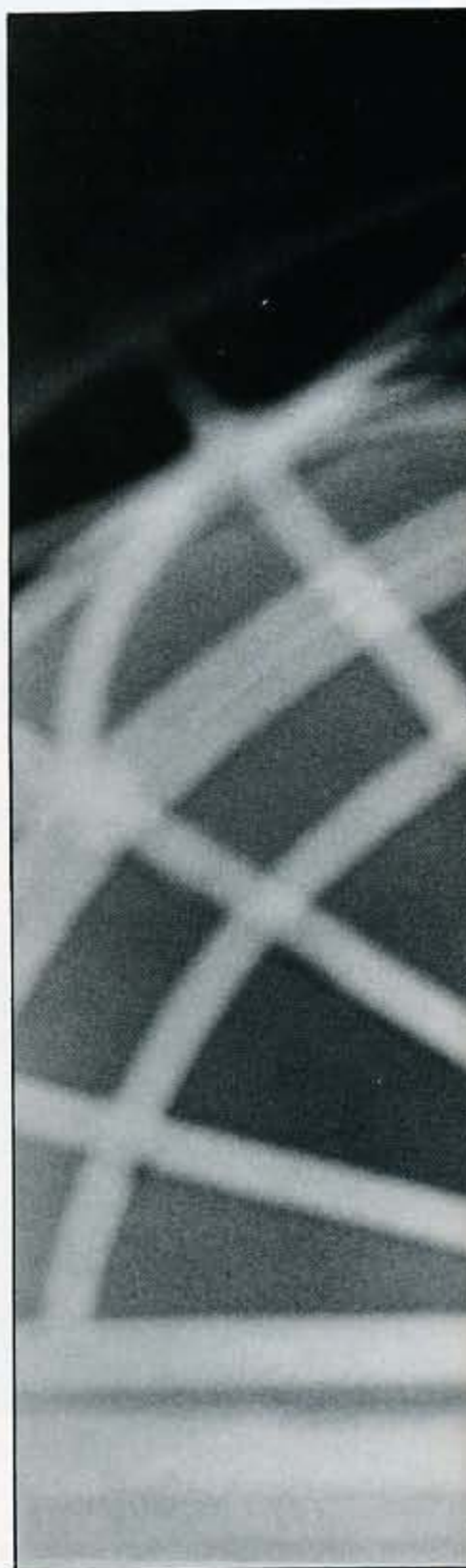
"I think with the position I've been assigned that if I'm not a leader at Western then I wouldn't be doing my job," he said.

"There are always more things that need to be done than you have time to do," he said.

But Cook didn't seem too overburdened with the responsibilities of his job. "I don't feel a lot of stress. My life is divided into three realms: work, church-related activities and family.

"I'm just appreciative for the opportunity to work at all the positions that I have," said Cook. "I'd always like to be able to do more than I've been able to.

"I think there are lots of opportunities here for students as well as faculty, and I hope we would always continue to work for what's best for everybody."





# Thomas Meredith

## President of Western Kentucky University

BY: Kim Hadley  
Photo by Steve Smart

"He was a good president, and he's always positive. He strives to find the good in everything—and feeds off of that positive side.

"And I believe in that way of doing things."

President Thomas Meredith spoke of his mentor, Dr. Paul Sharpe, a former president of the University of Oklahoma and former chancellor at Chapel Hill. But he could just as well have been speaking of himself.

Often dubbed the "PR President," Meredith said although public relations were a major part of his position, he didn't feel he had "the luxury of making it the total job. There is a requirement for major hands-on involvement on a daily basis at an institution like Western Kentucky University," he said. "I guess my motivation on a daily basis is to try to do the right thing. I wish everyone could understand my rationale for every decision, but that would be impossible."

Meredith said one misconception he thought people had of him was that he was not as concerned about "the academic side. I've had it hinted a couple of times," he said, quick to add, "Of course that's not true." The Owensboro native said, however, he planned to spend more time during the '91-'92 year in "individual academic departments to demonstrate my genuine concern and interest.

"I'm a workaholic," Meredith said. "I've always suspected that. My wife now says it's confirmed.

"I stay frustrated a lot because I can't accomplish what I want to ac-

complish as fast as I want to."

Meredith said he would like to see Western reach "an enhanced national reputation as an institution that is doing quality research and service activities. Outstanding, limited graduate programs and an unsurpassed reputation for our undergraduate programs," would also fit that order. "I would want us to have an incredible reputation for teaching."

Meredith said his views on teaching arose from his own desire to teach.

After graduating from Kentucky Wesleyan College in Owensboro, where he attended on a basketball and baseball scholarship, Meredith taught at Owensboro High School alongside instructors that had taught him.

"I coached some and worked with student councils," Meredith said. "I taught all seniors."

Meredith got his masters in education at Western in 1969 and then turned his sights toward a doctorate. But he wasn't sure whether he wished to continue in education or attend law school, although he had already been accepted at the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville to study law.

"I wrestled with the decision for a year," Meredith said. "But education kept pulling on my heart. In the final analysis, that was my love, that was what I wanted." So Meredith went to the University of Mississippi, where he later served as vice chancellor for executive affairs.

Then when an opportunity came to apply for the position of Western's

president, Meredith took it. And after a four-month search and 102 applicants reviewed, Thomas Meredith was announced as Western's eighth president on August 8, 1988.

"It was an opportunity for me to come back to my home state and make a difference," Meredith said. "I grew up about 70 miles from here."

Describing himself as "driven, committed and caring," the president said, "I try to make sure I learn something everyday so I can do this job better. You read and listen," he said.

One way Meredith tried to keep in touch with campus was by "sneaking out of the office" when he didn't have an official luncheon and eating at a university cafeteria.

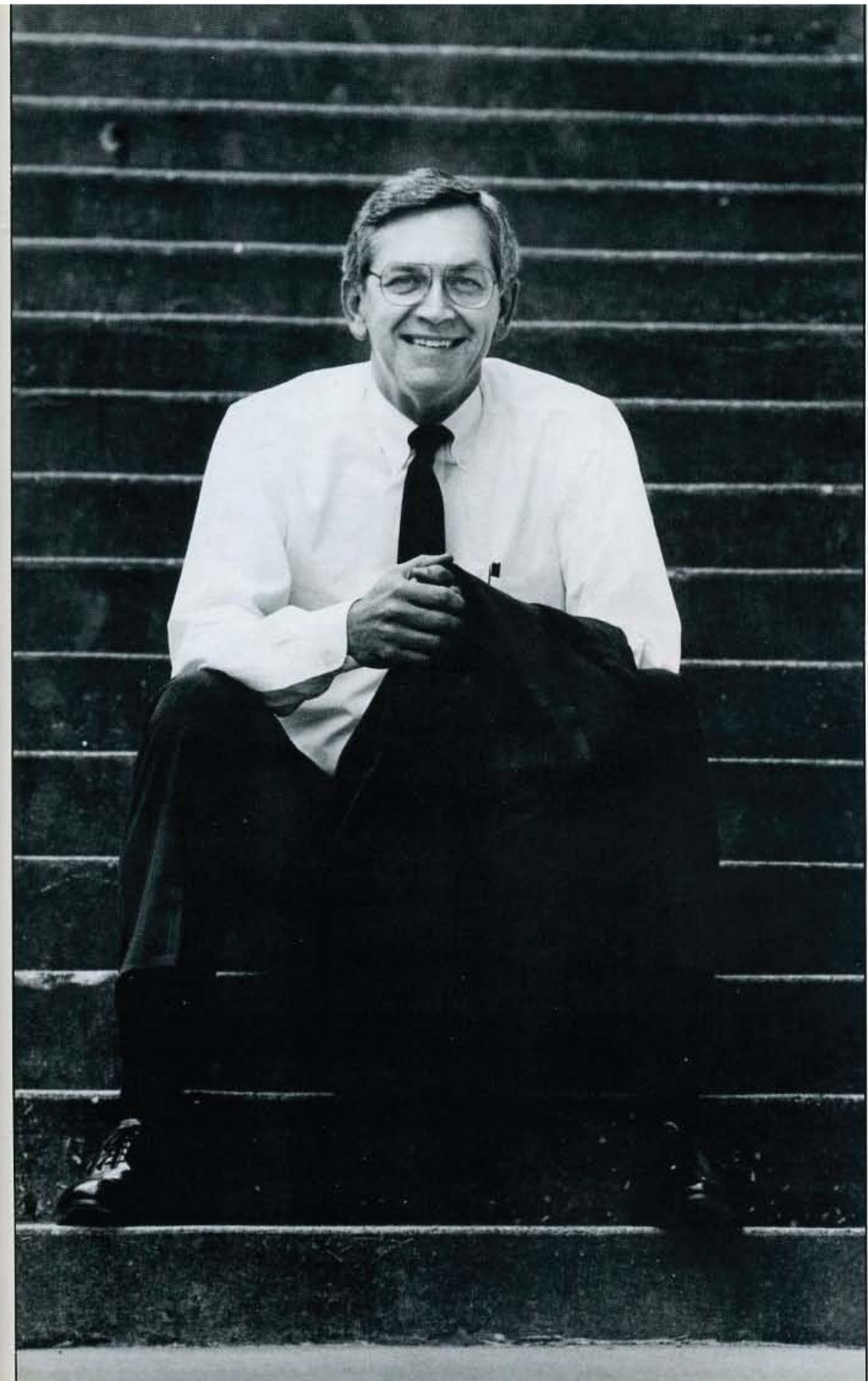
"I always come away much more knowledgeable about this institution," he said.

Another of Meredith's goals for Western was to establish "a reputation that would say 'you really have to work for your degree at Western, but they care about you and they will help you succeed.'"

As for his own goals, Meredith said he always knew he "wanted to be a president.

"I was always the president of this or the president of that. I liked being up in front."

Meredith admitted to no particular aspirations beyond being president, saying, "I always concentrate totally on my current job; I never put a time table on it. The future, I have found, usually takes care of itself."





ALONE ON THE BENCH, Huntsville, Ala., senior Lee Upchurch cheers for her teammates as they battle the University of Evansville in Diddle Arena. Western won the match, 3-0.



Steve Smart

## SPORTS





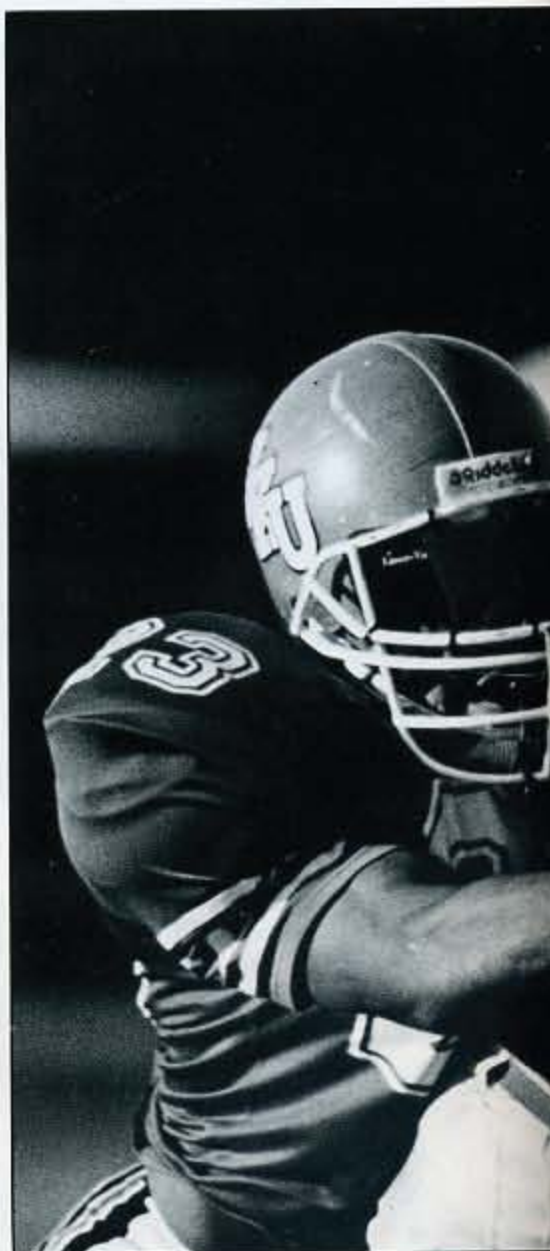
John Russell

IN A 24-0 SHUTOUT against Morehead State University, defensive back Melvin Johnson bats down a pass intended for Anthony White. Western began the season with this victory but held on to only one other win.

After winning their first two games, Western appeared to have a grip on success. But as the losses mounted, chances for a winning season just kept ...

# SLIPPING AWAY

BY: Donnie Swiney



Going into the season, second-year coach Jack Harbaugh was optimistic about his team's chances of returning to the playoffs for the first time since 1988.

After winning its first two games and moving into the Top 20, Western entered the heart of one of the toughest schedules in Division I-AA.

In consecutive weeks, Western faced Middle Tennessee, Eastern Kentucky and Youngstown State, all of which advanced to the I-AA playoffs. A few weeks later, the Toppers played Division I-A Louisville, who would later thrash Alabama in the Fiesta Bowl.

In the end, the first two wins were



Marc Piscotty

IN AN EFFORT TO STEM Indiana State's offensive tide, Melvin Johnson, a sophomore from Daytona Beach, Fla., and Anthony Cooper, a junior from Miami, Fla., gang tackle Derrick Franklin. "... We let it slip away," Coach Jack Harbaugh said of the 29-27 loss.

the only ones for Western. Eight straight times, the opponents emerged victorious, much to Harbaugh's surprise.

"Before the year started, we set some high goals, and then we went into that stretch where we played Middle, Eastern and Youngstown State right in a row," Harbaugh said. "And we weren't successful. ... I think that sort of took the wind out of our sails. Looking back, I probably should have been more realistic."

Western's defense, which allowed only nine points in its first two games, gave up 225 points over the last eight games—an average of 28.1 per game.

The season was Western's worst

since it finished 2-9 in 1984. The eight straight losses set a single-season school record and are one shy of the school mark of nine over the 1983 and 1984 seasons.

After Western lost to Indiana State 29-27 for its seventh straight loss on Nov. 10, Harbaugh expressed disgust.

"We had our opportunities to take control of the game, but we let it slip away," he said. "We have no one to blame but ourselves. We just self-destructed, that's all you can say."

Western had several opportunities throughout the season, but they slipped away, too.

The Toppers were leading 12-7

against Eastern Kentucky Sept. 29, on the strength of four field goals by Steve Donisi. But late in the third quarter the Colonels broke loose.

Eastern scored 28 unanswered points in the last 18 minutes to win 35-12. It was the Colonels' first win at Smith Stadium since 1982.

"I knew we were the best team," Eastern Head Coach Roy Kidd said after the game. "I just didn't know when we were going to prove it."

At Homecoming the next week, the Toppers led Youngstown State for nearly 57 minutes. At this point, winning meant going to the playoffs. Losing meant waiting again until next year. Late in the fourth quarter, ➤

**“Looking back, I probably should have been more realistic.”**

**– Coach Jack Harbaugh**

	WKU	OPP.
Morehead St.	24	0
Illinois St.	19	9
Middle Tenn.	7	20
Eastern Ky.	12	35
Youngstown St.	14	17
Tennessee Tech.	22	33
Louisville	7	41
Eastern Illinois	6	28
Indiana St.	2	29
UT - Chattanooga	21	22



Joseph A. Garcia

## SLIPPING AWAY CONTINUED

Youngstown took a 17-14 lead.

With 3:16 left in the game, Western got the ball 90 yards from the Penguins' end zone. Quarterback Scott Campbell, a senior from Gulf Breeze, Fla., led the Toppers 86 yards to the Penguins' 4-yard line.

But an untimely illegal procedure penalty pushed the Toppers back to the nine with just 10 seconds left.

On the last play of the game, Campbell, who completed six of seven passes on the drive, dumped a

screen pass to tailback Herb Davis, a junior from Louisville. But Youngstown's defense stopped him at the three as time ran out.

Western could have tied the game by kicking a field goal, but Harbaugh elected to go for the win.

"We didn't come to tie the game," Harbaugh said afterwards. "A tie wouldn't have done us any good. We just had to go for the win and try to prove that we could play against good teams."

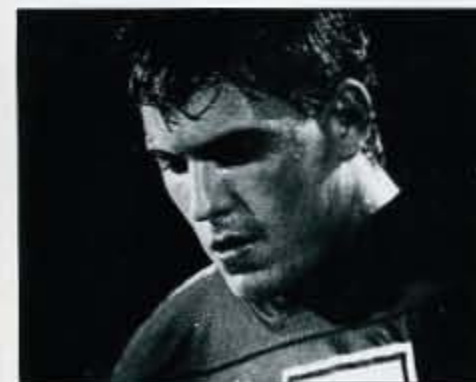
Campbell thought the Toppers would rebound from that devastating loss.

"We'll bounce back because we care about each other," he said in a somber locker room after the game. "We don't quite understand what it takes to put people away. But we're getting there."

But the Toppers never did bounce back.



Chris McKenney



Robin R. Cornet

TAKING A HIT from Tennessee Tech University's Felix Parham, tailback Terry Brady, a junior from Ft. Myers, Fla., lunges to recover his fumble. Western lost 33-22 for their fourth defeat of the season.

A FUMBLE RESULTS in a Western turnover, and the expression on the face of quarterback Scott Campbell, a senior from Gulf Breeze, Fla., tells the story of the season. Western lost the game to Eastern 35-12 and finished the season with a 2-8 record.

(far left) AFTER A HEARTBREAKING loss to Youngstown State, offensive tackle Guy Earle, a junior from Independence, Kan., looks on in disappointment Western gambled for the last-minute touchdown, but fell short, losing 17-14.

A new coach, a fresh attitude and a roster full of veteran players were enough to give the volleyball team ...

# IMMEDIATE SUCCESS

BY: Marsha Burton

**F**or Western volleyball, the best description for the 1990 season was a year of firsts, starting with first-year coach Jeff Hulsmeyer, who was named Sun Belt Conference Coach of the Year.

"I really think it's a great honor for me," Hulsmeyer said. "It was a reflection on the program. The girls and their winning record were a major contributor to getting the award."

Hulsmeyer was able to take a team that finished 10-25 last year to a 32-9 finish, Western's best record ever.

Hulsmeyer, who was named head coach after Coach Charlie Daniel resigned, took the team back to the basics and stressed fundamentals.

"The big difference (this year) was the new coach," Rachael Allender, a senior from Alexandria, said. "He had a different coaching philosophy. He made us more competitive and he made us want to win more."

"They kept a real positive attitude," Hulsmeyer said. "We kept reminding ourselves, win or lose, we need to learn something from each match."

The key to the success for Western was the return of all the players from the 1989 season, which included four seniors. With senior experience and leadership, the Lady Toppers established what Hulsmeyer called a "winning attitude."

"Once we started winning, we didn't think about losing," Allender said. "You always remember your last year. For the seniors, it was a great year."

Hulsmeyer said the seniors played a big role. "They did a lot of good things to help the team."

Complementing the experience were setter Cindy Bradley, a sophomore from Evansville, Ind., and middle blocker/hitter Michelle Mingus, a junior from Louisville.

"Michelle Mingus is an anchor for our team," Hulsmeyer said. "She is very consistent, and the team looks to her when we're down."

Bradley's ability to learn the hitters quickly and work with Hulsmeyer was a major impact on the team, he said.

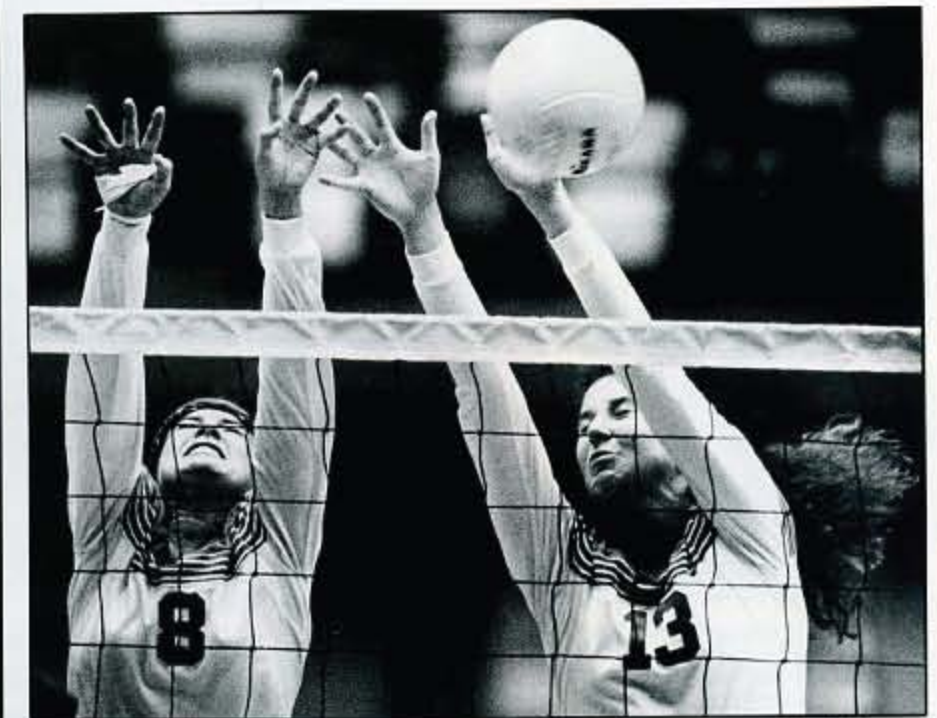
Other firsts this year included defeating Alabama-Birmingham, South Florida and the University of Kentucky, which was ranked 20th at the time.

"Western had never beaten UK," Hulsmeyer said. "Going up there and beating them on their home floor was great. It was a huge win for our program."

After 21 tries, the Lady Tops finally were able to defeat conference foe Alabama-Birmingham. The win came in the Sun Belt Conference Championship Tournament semifinal game—the score was 15-3, 10-15, 14-16, 17-15 and 15-7. ♦♦



Andy Kaufman



Andy Lyons

IN WESTERN'S 3-1 WIN over Southern Indiana University, Becky Davis, a junior from Bessemer, Ala., cheers her teammates on to their victory. Davis led the Hilltoppers in kills with 383 for the season.

IN A MATCH AGAINST TENNESSEE State University, Meghan Kelly (8), a Louisville senior, and Anne Donovan (13), an Erlanger sophomore, both stretch and try to block a kill. Western won the home match 3-0.

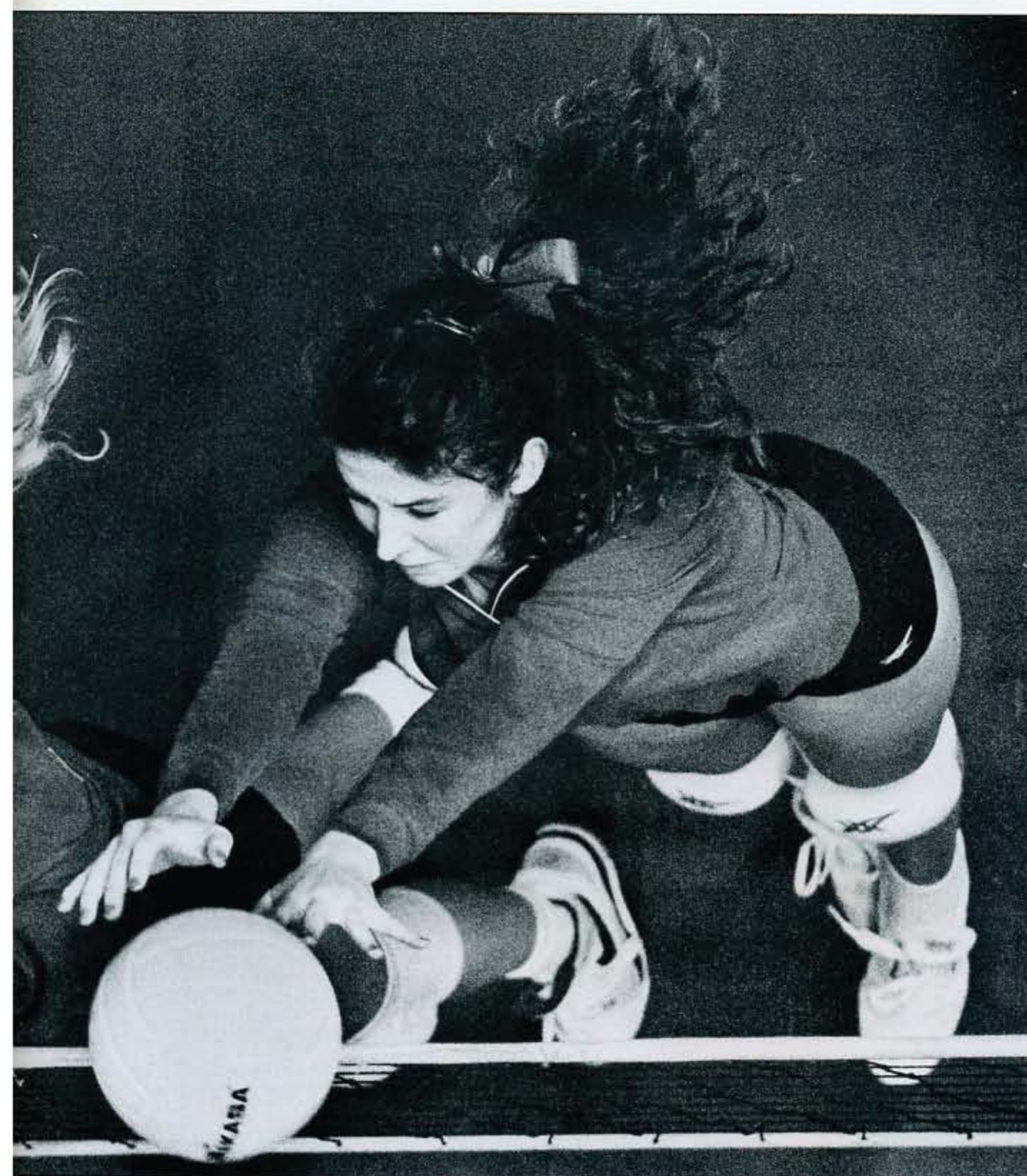
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Tennessee State	3 - 0	Tennessee State 3 - 0
East Tenn. State	3 - 0	Austin Peay 3 - 1
Memphis State	0 - 3	Florida Intl. 3 - 0
Evansville	3 - 0	Stetson 3 - 0
South Alabama	3 - 0	DePaul 3 - 2
Stephen F. Austin	3 - 0	Barry College 3 - 1
Alabama at Birmingham	0 - 3	Cincinnati 3 - 1
Southern Indiana	3 - 1	Arkansas State 0 - 3
Middle Tennessee	3 - 0	Murray State 3 - 2
Tennessee State	3 - 1	Jacksonville 3 - 0
Austin Peay	3 - 0	South Florida 1 - 3
Xavier	3 - 0	Virginia Commonwealth 3 - 1
Tennessee Tech	2 - 3	South Alabama 3 - 0
Alabama at Birmingham	1 - 3	South Florida 3 - 2
Jacksonville	3 - 0	Alabama at Birmingham 3 - 2
UNC-Charlotte	3 - 0	Alabama at Birmingham 2 - 3
South Alabama	3 - 0	



Andy Lyons

AFTER A MISCUE in the win against Tennessee State University, Rachael Allender (12), an Alexandria senior, and Anne Donovan (13), encourage setter Lee Upchurch (11), a Huntsville, Ala., senior. Upchurch had 276 assists during the season.

A DUAL EFFORT is put forth by Mary Layman (left), a junior from Evansville, Ind., and Anne Donovan, a sophomore from Erlanger, during a 3-0 win against Austin Peay. Donovan led her team with 25 blocks for the season.



Marc Piscotty

## SUCCESS CONTINUED

One of the goals Hulsmeyer and the team had set at the beginning of the season was to advance to the conference championship.

Since the tournament was double elimination, the Lady Tops had to play the Lady Blazers again, but lost. Even though they lost in the finals, the second-place

finish was Western's best ever.

"It really wasn't that much of a disappointment," Hulsmeyer said. "I was very proud of the girls."

Bradley, Mingus and middle blocker Becky Davis, a junior from Bessemer, Ala., were named to the all-tournament team.

Bradley and Mingus were named to the All-Sun Belt first team, while Davis, Allender and Meghan Kelly, a senior from Louisville, were named All-Sun Belt second team.

"I thought we would have some immediate success," Hulsmeyer said, "but not this much." ♦♦♦



Statistically, Western did not set the soccer world on fire, but to understand what the team achieved against a rugged schedule required looking ...

## BEYOND THE NUMBERS

BY: L.B. Kistler

**E**vansville 2, Western 1. That was the 1990 soccer season in a nutshell.

Playing the No. 1 team in the country to a 2-1 double overtime game, Western showed fans it could compete with the best.

"It was the most exciting game I've ever been in," said senior goalkeeper Chris Poulos, who blocked two straight shots in overtime. "When you're making those saves ... and the fans are goin' crazy, it just gives you chills."

Western scored first when Evansville goalkeeper Trey Harrington moved to the top of the penalty box to block a shot by Andy Deimling, who crossed to midfielder Mike Devaney. Devaney's shot hit the back of the net uncontested.

"It was not one of my sweetest goals," Devaney said. "I'd give it up for a win."

The Purple Aces tied the score and the teams battled into overtime.

With five minutes left in overtime, the Tops lost the ball and Evansville defender Scott Cannon's shot off the corner kick slipped through a bevy of Western defenders to give the Aces the 2-1 win.

"It was depressing to give it away so late in the game," Rory Lithgow said. "You want to beat them so bad because they're number one in the nation. Everyone that plays them does."

After the Evansville game, the Tops spent the rest of the season on a roller

coaster, finishing with a 10-6-3 record.

As the season began, experienced veterans and talented recruits gave Coach David Holmes high expectations.

Western had finished the 1989 season

Brother Squad." Kevin Hall, Jason Poulos, Jonathon Newton and Matt Grecco are all younger brothers of current or former Toppers.

The regular season started in Western's annual Kick-Off Tournament Sept. 1-2. The Toppers got off to a bad start, losing a 3-1 decision to Centenary and tying Cal-Fullerton 3-3 in the consolation game.

After defeating Vanderbilt Alabama-Birmingham Xavier, Louisville and Kentucky Wesleyan, Western faced off against Sun Belt rival North Carolina-Charlotte in the first round of the 1990 Corvette Classic.

North Carolina-Charlotte was favored to win, but the Tops bucked the odds and the mud-covered field to defeat the 49ers 1-0. Forward Brian

Omar Tatum



AFTER A WESTERN GOAL, defender David McMullen, a senior from Hendersonville, Tenn., shouts in triumph. Western went on to win that game against Cincinnati in overtime, 3-2.

with a 13-5-1 record, the best in the school's history. Returnees included junior forward Chris Hutchinson, last season's Most Improved Player and leading scorer; junior midfielder Brian Hall, 1989's Most Valuable Player; and Lithgow, a sophomore sweeper.

Also providing leadership were tri-captains Poulos, junior midfielder Paul Newton and junior goalkeeper Mark Freer.

Matt Henry of Sugarland, Texas, and Michael Henderson, from Andover, England, were two of the new strong forwards. They were joined by four talented freshmen known as the "Kid

Lewis's shot bounced off the head of a 49er and into the net for the goal.

Then Western beat New Mexico 2-0 to clinch the Classic championship. Henderson, Paul Newton, Tony McCracken and Deimling were named to the All-Tournament team. Chris Poulos was named Most Valuable Player.

After winning 6-0 at Morehead and losing to Evansville, Western hit the road. The Tops lost 1-0 to Old Dominion and tied Virginia Commonwealth 0-0.

Next, Wright State handed Western a 3-2 loss at Smith Stadium, but two days later Western downed visiting Cincinnati 3-2. ♦♦

WESTERN'S FORWARD BRIAN LEWIS, a sophomore from Spring, Texas, fights Xavier's defender for the ball. Lewis was the second highest scorer of the Toppers with 10 goals, 2 assists and 22 points.

Marc Piscotty



Jason Hallmark



Marc Piscotty

AFTER A WIN in the first round of the Corvette Classic, Mike Dickenson, David McMullen and Rory Lithgow embrace goalie Chris Poulos in a rain-soaked celebration. Poulos shut out UNC-Charlotte as Western escaped with a 1-0 victory.

EDGING OUT A NEW MEXICO defender, Western midfielder and tri-captain Paul Newton, a junior from Amanzimtoti, South Africa, skies for a headball in the finals of the Corvette Classic. Western won the classic and finished the season with an 11-6-3 record.

IN THE CORVETTE CLASSIC championship game, offensive leader Chris Hutchinson, a junior from Nashville, Tenn., battles a New Mexico player for the ball. Hutchinson was named to the All-Sun Belt Conference first team and led the Hilltoppers in scoring for the second straight year with 14 goals, 3 assists and 31 points.



Chris McKenney

## NUMBERS CONTINUED

Western's hopes for a senior night victory were dashed by South Alabama. The Jaguars defeated the Tops 4-1 as Western dropped to 0-2-1 in the Sun Belt.

The final road trip of the season produced a 3-1 loss at South Florida, a 4-3 win at Jacksonville and a 1-1 tie against Florida International.

Chris Poulos finished his collegiate career with 187 saves, 48 goals allowed, 1.52 goals against average and 10.5 shutouts. For his "superior dedication" he was the recipient of the Coach's

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Award.

McCracken, a senior defender, received Most Improved Player. Kevin Hall, the only freshman to start all 19 games, was voted Freshman of the Year.

Hutchinson, who led the Tops with 14 goals and three assists for 31 points, was the Most Valuable Player. He was voted to the 1990 All-Sun Belt Conference team as well as the All-Mideast Region second team.

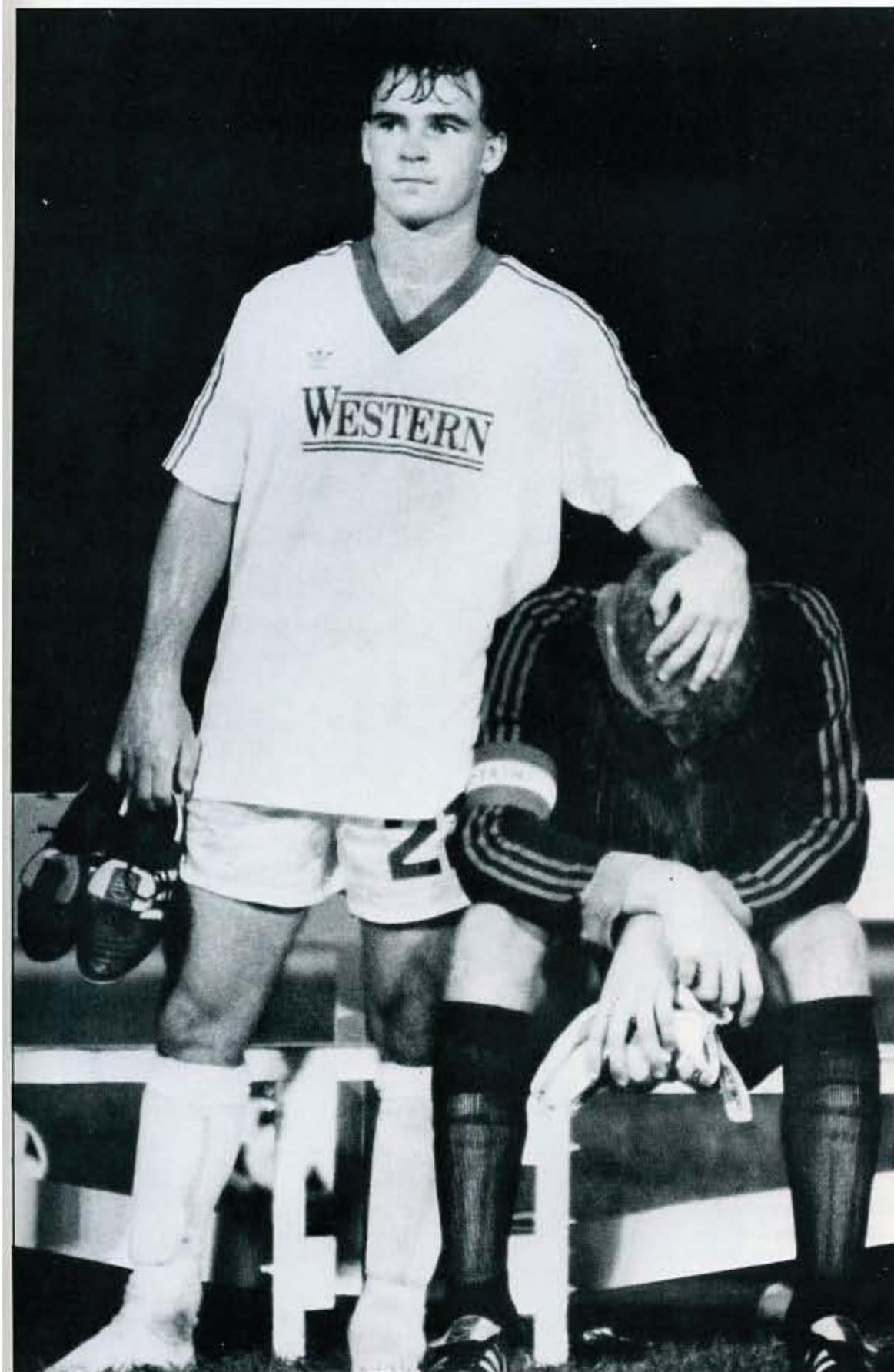
Other scoring leaders for the Tops were Lewis (22 points), Devaney (10 points) and Henderson (10 points).

As a team, Western set two records. The Tops' eight-game winning streak is the longest in the school's history, and they reached fifth in the Great Lakes Region, the highest ranking ever for any Western soccer team.

At season's end, Holmes was pleased with the results.

"Maybe this season was not as impressive number-wise, but this was a challenging season," Holmes said.

"We played a tough schedule and proved we can play against the top teams."



Andy Lyons

AFTER A TOUGH double overtime loss to highly-ranked University of Evansville, Andy Deimling, a junior from Cincinnati, Ohio, consoles goalie Chris Poulos, a senior from Bowling Green. Western lost the game 1-2.

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Kentucky	4 - 0
Centenary	1 - 3
Cal St. Fullerton	3 - 3
Vanderbilt	4 - 2
Alabama at Birmingham	3 - 0
Xavier	4 - 0
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Louisville	4 - 1
Kentucky Wesleyan	4 - 1
UNC - Charlotte	1 - 0
New Mexico	2 - 0
Morehead State	6 - 0
Evansville	1 - 2
Old Dominion	0 - 1
Virginia Commonwealth	0 - 0
Wright State	2 - 3
Cincinnati	3 - 2
South Alabama	1 - 4
South Florida	1 - 3
Jacksonville	4 - 3
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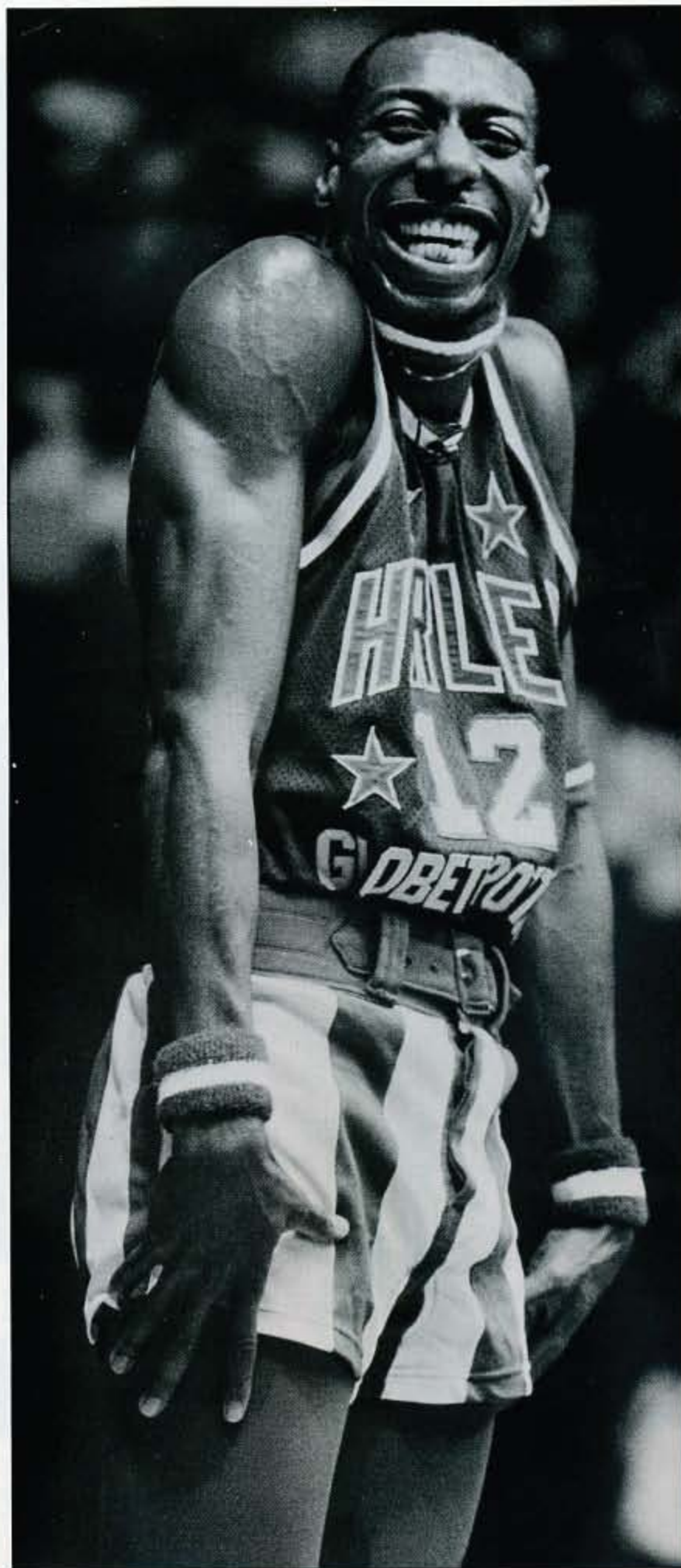




Marc Piscotty

WITH ALL EYES ON THEM, Harlem Globetrotter Curley Johnson and eight-year-old Laci Tooley spin the basketball. The Globetrotters invited several spectators to join the antics on the court.

LAUGHTER BECOMES CONTAGIOUS when Globetrotter Billy Ray Hobley jokes with the crowd. Hobley, from Kenner, La., and Michael "Memphis" Douglas, from Memphis, Tenn., kept the crowd grinning throughout the show.



Catherine Calovich

# AMBASSADORS OF FUN

BY: Dwain Harris

"Coach! This lady's loaded, man," Michael "Memphis" Douglas shouted as he investigated a pocketbook he had stolen from an unsuspecting woman at courtside.

After coaxing the reluctant woman out to the half-court circle to retrieve her purse, Memphis grabbed her hand and began to dance as upbeat music started to blare through the arena.

The near-sellout crowd of about 7,000 erupted in laughter as they had throughout the afternoon. The only sound more common than the fans' enthusiastic reactions to the Globetrotters' exploits was the familiar and almost constant tones of "Sweet Georgia Brown."

The purse-snatching routine was one of many age-old crowd pleasers performed by "America's Basketball Ambassadors to the World," the Harlem Globetrotters, when they visited Diddle Arena on Jan. 19 as part of their 65th Anniversary Season tour.

"I was just very entertained by the whole thing," Dr. Don Carter, a health and safety professor, said as he waited for his son who was seeking autographs from the Globetrotters after the game.

"It brings back a lot of good childhood memories," Carter said, explaining that he first saw the Globetrotters in person when he was 13, and now his 13-year-old son, Ples, was seeing them for the first time.

"I thought it was pretty cool," Ples said, smiling, "because you recognized them from TV. It

was neat ... and interesting."

From the opening introductions and the traditional warm-up routine of the "magic circle," until the final seconds of the game when Memphis nailed a halfcourt granny shot that prompted a standing ovation, the Globetrotters' blend of basketball and entertainment seemed to score big with the crowd.

The Globetrotters' opponents, the hapless Washington Generals, stood no chance against the talented and mischievous favorites. If the Globetrotters weren't fooling their opponents with trick plays, they were harassing the referees or wandering into the crowd to get a fan involved in the action.

At the end of the two-hour performance, the Globetrotters had won the game 89-72 and had seemingly won the hearts of a gym full of young basketball fans. A zealous mob of autograph seekers surrounded the Globetrotters until their departure.

"It's pure, wholesome, all-American fun," Chris Steward, a Park City resident and a graduate of Western, said. "It's still (like) Walt Disney entertainment. ... The kids really enjoy it." Steward had brought his three children to the game.

"The Globetrotters are good family entertainment. We're delighted to have them," President Thomas Meredith said. "Everybody saw them as a kid. Now they get to see them as adults."



Robin R. Cornett

FANS HURRY TO GET the attention of Harlem Globetrotter Derick Polk after their show in Diddle Arena. A sea of spectators waited 20 minutes for the Globetrotters to return from the locker room to autograph programs, scraps of paper and basketballs.

# All About Spirit

## Passionate fans never die, they just lose control

BY: Dwain Harris

One minute, they were basketball analysts.

"Everything (Western's shots) is short. Our guards have not shot well," Alan Francis said as Western struggled against

Tennessee Tech in a February home game.

The next minute, they were coaches.

"One shot! *One shot!*" Francis screamed as time ran down in Western's eventual overtime victory over Tech.

Soon, they became referees.

"Walk? She did not," Tom Taylor knowledgeably pointed out to the officials after a questionable call. "She *pivoted.*"

Suddenly, they proved they could shift from referees to the referees' worst nightmare.

"Give her the 'T' (technical foul)!" Taylor shouted vehemently to the officials after a Tech player protested a call.

"He can't spell 'T!'" Francis reminded Taylor.

Francis said that they aren't biased. "You'll notice we give them credit for good calls, too," he said seriously, noting

**DISTRAUGHT** OVER A call, Tom Taylor of Bowling Green lets the referees and anyone else within earshot know how he feels. Taylor had been a devout Lady Topper fan for about seven years.

(far right) **RIDING AN EMOTIONAL** roller coaster, Jean-Marie Lawson, 13, and her mother, Beverly, of Glasgow, cheer the Lady Toppers on to a victory over Tennessee Tech during a February home game. Beverly and her husband, Sam, are both graduates of Western.

Photos by Mark Osler



that they only gave the referees flak "when they deserve it."

As Western battled to overcome a poor shooting night and a talented, stubborn opponent, Taylor and Francis, both of Bowling Green, were down in the trenches with the Lady Toppers. They did whatever necessary to aid the Toppers—shout, lead cheers or assume a range of identities.

The word "fan" may have many meanings. Some fans attend a few games every season; others one game every few seasons. There is also that special breed of fans; the ones who would sooner skip meals than home games; ones who can't sleep after a tough loss; ones who address the referees by their *first* names; and ones who know the most trivial statistics on the most paringly used player. Those are the "diehard" fans.

Francis and Taylor have been two of the most avid and con-

spicuous Lady Topper fans for years. They missed only a handful of games all season, usually only when work interfered. They always travel together on road games along with "whoever else we can get to go," Francis said.

Taylor, a burly, bearded man, almost constantly waved a red towel and was usually clad in a red T-shirt and a cap that read "Taylor, #24, WKU," designed for his namesake on Western's team, senior forward Mary Taylor, to whom he is not related.

Francis and Taylor are always just above the Red Towel seats at midcourt in Diddle Arena. Francis, with a WKU mug in one hand and a scorebook in the other, nervously chomped gum and seemed to observe each shot like the Championship hinged on it.

Taylor, a 1977 WKU graduate who has been closely





Mark T. Osler

AS TIME WINDS down in a nip-and-tuck affair between Western and Tenn. Tech, Lady Topper fan Beverly Lawson glances at the scoreboard. "I don't think I've ever enjoyed basketball as much as I do now," Lawson had said just before tipoff.

## SPIRIT CONTINUED

following the Lady Toppers for about seven years, even flew to Hawaii with the team to the Wahine Invitational in December. He said he tried to schedule his work as a cook at Cracker Barrel around the Lady Toppers' games and planned to attend all of the post-season action.

"I'm going to every game from here on out," Taylor said at halftime of Western's last regular season game. "My boss is cryin', but I'm goin'."

Francis said he's been a devout Lady Topper fan since the early '70s, back when "you didn't even know they played" because of a lack of publicity.

Though not quite as conspicuous as Taylor and Francis, another serious fan, Carolyn Dearing, a local bookkeeper, watches the Lady Toppers' every move.

Dearing had followed the Lady Toppers since the very early days, she said, when there was no admission charge and only about 50 people attended the games.

When former Western men's basketball coach Clem Haskins and his family moved across the street from her in 1977, she gained neighbors that she could share her love of basketball with. She even played pick-up games with Clemette Haskins, an all-American who played for Western from 1983 until 1987.

"I followed Clemette every game," Dearing said, noting that she was best friends with Clemette's mother. "I always tried to be there for Clemette."

Dearing had thought she wouldn't love Lady Topper basketball as much when Clemette graduated, but when she met the recruits for the 1987-1988 season, she was sold on them and got to know the whole team more closely.

"They're very nice girls," Dearing said of the Lady Topper team. "And there's not a one of them I wouldn't have in my home."

Dearing, who is self-employed, said she can swing her working hours around so that she can follow the team. She

hasn't missed a home game in two years.

The Lady Toppers have given fans good reason to attend over the last several years by being consistently one of the top teams in the nation. But Dearing said Topper victories weren't her main concern.

"I'm not a bandwagon-type person," she said, noting that she would follow the Tops whether they were 32-4 or 12-15. "I don't like losing, but I can take a loss, and the most important thing is that these ladies have fun on the court and the fans enjoy it."

Dearing said she consoles the team when they do lose.

"I go and pat each girl on the back and say 'keep your head up.' I'll mull the game over the next day or so and then put it behind me."

Sam and Beverly Lawson and their 13-year-old daughter, Jean-Marie, have somewhat of a long-distance relationship with the Lady Toppers. But the 35-mile drive from their hometown of Glasgow to Western's campus doesn't hinder their attendance.

"I don't think I've ever enjoyed basketball as much as I do now," Beverly Lawson said as she and her family awaited the tip-off of a Lady Topper home game.

The Lawsons, who both graduated from Western in 1971, weren't "real devout fans" while they were in college, but began faithfully attending Lady Toppers games when they bought a trip to a Western-Vandy game in Nashville, Tenn., at a Hilltopper Athletic Foundation auction a few years ago.

Since then, Beverly said they attend all the road games they can and have rarely missed a home game. They have also gotten to know the coaching staff and each Lady Topper. "We're usually the last ones out of the gym at night," Beverly said.

"The coaching staff really makes you feel you're part of the family," Beverly said, adding that it had been "... a tremendous opportunity for us as fans to be involved."

One reason they became so involved, Beverly said, was because the players were good role models for Jean-Marie.

"The main thing is the quality of the girls," Sam said, "not just the quality of play. They're people you sure wouldn't mind your daughter being like."

"It's been a tremendous learning experience for her (Jean-Marie)," Beverly said. Jean-Marie, who played basketball for Glasgow Middle School and was on the Glasgow High golf team, talked with the Lady Toppers after games and said she has learned a lot from the Lady Toppers' attitudes on the court.

"If they (play) bad, they just come right back up," she said. "They never give up."

Whether she will be able to play sports at Western or not, she is "definitely going to Western" when it comes time to choose a college.

"I bleed red," she said, smiling.



John A. Russell

A VICTORIOUS Lady Toppers squad receives a standing ovation from a large contingent of spirited fans. Western had just defeated UAB for the Sun Belt Tournament title.



All year, Western's young, injury-riddled swim team waded through...

# HIGH WATER

BY: L. B. Kistler  
Photos by Andy Lyons

When Western's swim team dove into the 1990-91 season, they did so with two strikes against them.

The biggest, and most evident problem, was their experience—or lack of it.

Of the 27 team members, only four were upperclassmen. Captain Marty Spees was the only senior on the team.

But it soon became obvious that the squad's youth was only part of its problems as the injury bug bit the Toppers.

After losing a couple of divers because of academic ineligibility, Western's other two divers fell victim to injuries. Since they had no one to

compete in diving, Coach Bill Powell's team went into each meet 32 points behind.

Then Richard Rutherford's shoulder problems caused him to be redshirted. Rutherford, a junior from Hatfield, Ind., had recorded Western's best times in the 200-, 500- and 1,000-yard freestyle in 1989-90.

While their record may not have been as impressive as in years past, the Toppers managed to compile a 7-4 dual meet record.

The Tops started out with easy wins over Eastern Illinois (64-50) and Northeastern Illinois (52-24).

Rival Ball State proved to be a different story. The Tops had hoped to avenge last season's 141-91 defeat but came up short again as the Cardinals swam away with a 144-92 victory in Diddle Pool.

The Kentucky Invitational became a "coming out" party for Ashland freshman Chan Ferguson. Ferguson, touted as one of the top breaststrokers in the nation, proved he had the mettle to back up his reputation, setting school records in the 100-yard (:58.05) and 200-yard (2:07.59) breaststroke.

After a grueling nine-day practice period during Christmas vacation, Western beat Georgia State 53-44 but lost a close 57-56 decision to Georgia Tech. The Tops then dropped meets to Wright State and Wabash College.

After finishing fourth out of five teams at the Southern Illinois Saluki Invitational, Western won its last two regular season meets.

The Tops hoped the upward trend would continue as they traveled to Cleveland, Ohio, for the Eastern Intercollegiate Championships.

Although Western placed ninth in the 10-team field, many of the year's best times and individual efforts were posted at the meet.

John "B.D." Diercks, a junior from Indianapolis, Ind., was one swimmer

IN AN ATTEMPT to win in the Red-White Intrasquad meet, East Brunswick, N.J., freshman Arthur McPhadden swims to the finish. The Toppers ended the season with a 7-4 record.



To COOL OFF from the heat, Ft. Thomas freshman Pat Dierig swims in the gutter on Center Street. The team had just finished practice in Diddle.

in particular who impressed Powell. "B.D. was kind of the talk of the meet," Powell said. "Everyone wanted to see him do well."

Diercks took 16th in the 100-yard backstroke (:54.51) and 13th in the 100-yard butterfly (:51.84)—the eighth fastest time in the school's history. He was also a member of the 400-yard medley relay, the 400-yard freestyle relay and the 200-yard freestyle relay teams, all of which placed eighth.

"It all came together," Diercks said. "I was pretty surprised."

Diercks's efforts earned him both the Rosencrans (Most Dedicated) and the Most Improved Awards. He and Jay Hansen, a junior from Ludington, Mich., were named co-captains for the 1991-92 season.

Ferguson broke his own school record in the 200-yard breaststroke with

a time of 2:05.90. He placed seventh in the 100-yard breaststroke (:58.29), 15th in the 200-yard individual medley (1:56.72) and was a member of the

	WKU	OPP.
Eastern Illinois	64	50
Northeastern Illinois	52	24
Ball St.	92	144
Kentucky Invitational	6th	place
Missouri - St. Louis	107	80
Georgia Tech	56	57
Georgia St.	53	44
Wright St.	88	126
Wabash College	129	166
S. Illinois Invitational	4th	place
Evansville	143	127
Union College	65	46
E. Intercollegiate Champ.	9th	place

400-yard medley relay team.

Ferguson's efforts helped him clinch the team's Most Valuable Player award, making him the second freshman ever to win the award.

Sophomore Brian Nash moved to the No. 2 spot in Western's record books in the 100-yard breaststroke with his eighth-place finish (:58.52). He also placed 16th in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:10.43).

Rodney Kirk, Jay Glick and Hansen also had season's best times in the season finale.

Powell said he was pleased by his team's performances at the Intercollegiate Championships and throughout the season. "You can have a lot of (personal) success, even if you don't win the meet," he said.

"We were successful."



With notable individual success, Western's track team boasted a few...

# FRONT RUNNERS

BY: Brian Daugherty  
Photos by Steve Smart

Western's track teams entered the 1990-91 season with the same goal they've had since Western joined the track-less Sun Belt Conference in 1982: individual success in the track and field events.

And as Western's team entered its last season as an independent before competing next season in the merged Sun Belt/American South conference, two Toppers performed far above expectations.

Sean Dollman finished 13th in the 10,000 meters in the Mount Sac Relays at Ontario, Calif., on April 20 with a time of 28:39.1, qualifying him for the NCAA Championships in Eugene, Ore.

"I was happy with my finish," said Dollman, a Johannesburg, South Africa junior. "I wasn't as concerned about my finish. It was a bonus. It was by far the toughest track race I've ever run in the States depth-wise."

Dollman also qualified for the 5,000 meters in the NCAA after running 13:47.7 at the National Invitational in Indianapolis May 11.

"We decided during the indoor season to prepare (Dollman) for the outdoor season," Coach Curtiss Long said. "Right now he is so full of confidence."

Breeda Dennehy made the provisional qualifying time for the women's 3,000 meters in the NCAA with a time of 9:19.5 in the Mount Sac Relays. She also set a school record in the 3,000.

Dennehy, a junior from Cork, Ireland, made the NCAA field in the

**BATON IN HAND**, Russellville freshman Mike Woodward runs in a spring relay at MTSU. Western lost the race to MTSU.



women's indoor 3,000 by running 9:22.58 in the Notre Dame Invitational Feb. 23.

But Dennehy's dream of being an All-American quickly turned into a nightmare when she tripped during a preliminary heat in the NCAA Championships March 2 in Indianapolis. She finished 15th in 9:41.99.

"I tripped on the inside of the track," Dennehy said. "It's unlikely that something like that could happen, but it did."

She heated up as the outdoor season started, running a 4:23.74 in the 1,500 meters in the Florida State Relays and 9:30.7 in the 3,000 in the Dogwood Relays April 11.

Long felt this track season had been Dennehy's best overall at Western. "Most of (her improvement) has been in the confidence area," he said. "Going into races, she is believing she can win. She analyzes races better. She's better in all competitive situations."

But the Toppers weren't just the "Dollman and Dennehy" show. Michelle Murphy, a Cork, Ireland, sophomore ran 9:52.94 in the National Invitational 3,000 meters, the third fastest time in Western history.

"This is only her second sea-



**BECAUSE OF COLD** weather, Munfordville senior Todd Johnston warms up inside the MTSU stadium before a track meet. Johnston placed second in the 800-meter run.

son," Long said. "She keeps getting better and better."

Long was also impressed with Evansville, Ind., freshman Nicole Gordon and Brentwood, Tenn., junior Christy Halbert. Both threw the discus, javelin and shot put.

"They're not particularly strong," Long said. "They get by more with quickness. (Both) have an opportunity next year to score in the conference meet."

While Murphy, Halbert and Gordon all had solid seasons, some of their teammates didn't. Christy Tackett, a Eubank sophomore, and Kathleen

Clark, a Louisville junior, were bothered by illnesses throughout the year and never fully recovered.

But Williamstown senior Kelli Phillippi came back from an illness which sidelined her for most of the fall to run a personal best in the 800 meters in the Southern Illinois Invitational April 27.

The men also had some good performers during the season. Munfordville freshman Todd Johnston and Fort Campbell freshman twins James and Jeff Scott ran every race from the 800 to the 5,000 meters.

"They seem to grow before your

eyes," Long said. Even though the trio didn't record too many victories, he said "their work and experience will pay off" down the road.

The Toppers' scorer in the outdoor and indoor seasons was James Price, a sophomore from East Bernstadt, who had personal bests in the triple jump and long jump.

Most of the runners from both men's and women's teams will return next season, and they're looking forward to competing for a conference title for the first time since Western left the Ohio Valley Conference nine years ago.





Rick Loomis

For a while, it looked as if Western's wheels would never start turning, but after adjusting to a new style of play, the Toppers knew they were...

## ON THE MOVE

BY: Bart Summar

Sportswriters and Sun Belt coaches looked at Coach Ralph Willard's team and made a unanimous prediction for the 1990-91 basketball season—last in the conference.

And by the time practice started on Oct. 15, it looked as if they would be right.

The Toppers lost their leading returning scorer and rebounder when Jerry Anderson was injured in a car accident in September.

And when Willard examined his schedule to see what his young, small team had to look forward to, he saw only four home dates in the first 14 games.

Still, the first-year coach remained optimistic and enthusiastic.

He promised to put excitement into Western's program with hard work and "94 feet of in-your-face basketball; nobody will leave that building knowing that we didn't do everything we could do to win that game."

Early in the season, it appeared that hard work would not be enough to enable the Toppers, starting

their smallest lineup in 23 years, to compete against larger, more skilled opponents.

In the second game of the season, Georgia handed the Toppers a 59-point loss, the worst in Western history.

Western's already thin roster dwindled even more during Christmas break. Scott Boley, a 6-foot-7 junior

forward from Hodgenville, had to undergo surgery to repair a broken bone in his foot, ending his season. Then three-point gunner Rich Burns, a sophomore from Cleveland, Tenn., left the team, citing a lack of playing time.

Western's season hit rock bottom on Jan. 14 in Jacksonville, Fla., when a loss to the Dolphins dropped

**AFTER A CLOSE** victory over Old Dominion, Karl Brown, a sophomore from Cincinnati, Ohio, celebrates. Western's 4-10 start took a turn for the better with the 77-74 win and began the second half of the 14-14 season.

**IN THE BATTLE** under the boards, Joe Lightfoot, a senior from Kankakee, Ill., attempts to steal a rebound from a UNC Charlotte player. Despite facing taller opponents in almost every game, Western was only out rebounded by 2.9 boards per game.

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the Toppers' record to 4-10 and 0-3 in the Sun Belt.

But Willard had not given up hope. "They really believe in themselves and know that sooner or later things will turn around," he said.

And they did. The Toppers went 10-4 through the rest of the season, good for a third place tie in the Sun Belt.

"People didn't expect us to do much," said senior co-captain Joe Lightfoot. "And we ended up in the regular season with a winning record and .500 overall — which isn't bad for the smallest team in Division I basketball."

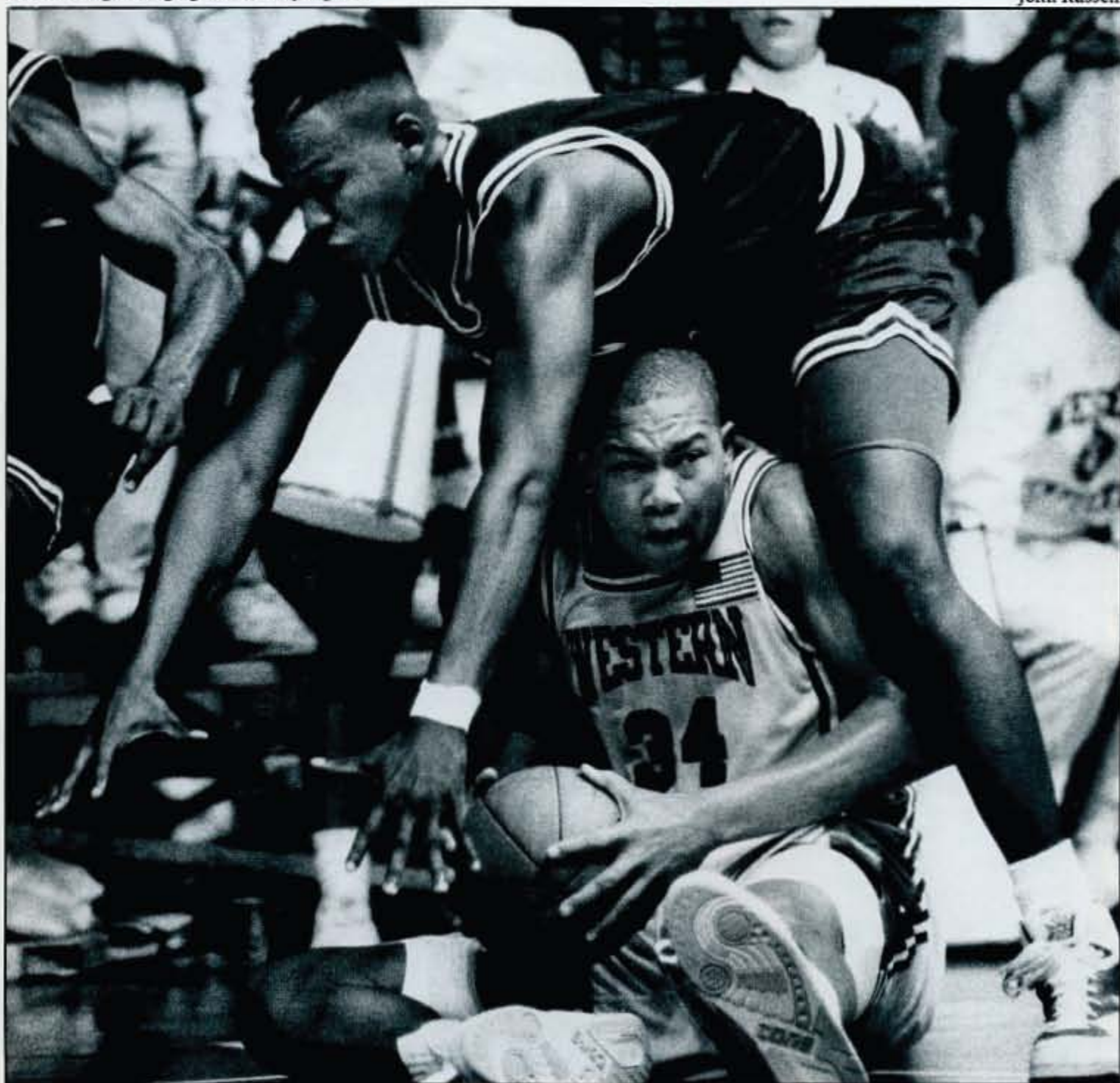
Although the Tops lost in the first round of the conference tournament to Virginia Commonwealth, the strong season finish caught the eye of teams around the league.

Virginia Commonwealth coach Sonny Smith said Willard was his choice for the Sun Belt Coach of the Year even though South Alabama's Ronnie Arrow won the award.

Willard achieved his goal of making Diddle Arena a difficult place for opponents to play. Western lost only one conference game at home, to Sun Belt champ South Alabama.

But for Lightfoot, it was a road game

In a 104-97 win over UNC Charlotte, Marly Dottin plays close defense on forward Jack Jennings, a Covington junior. Jennings led the Toppers in rebounding, averaging 8.5 boards per game. John Russell



that was most memorable.

On Jan. 26, the Toppers, who had not won on an opponent's home court, were clinging to a two-point lead after Virginia Commonwealth made a late run.

"There was a dead ball," Lightfoot said. "I called everybody into a huddle, and we put our hands together and vowed that we were going to get this first road victory."

Western converted on key plays in the game's final minutes and won 83-75.

The Toppers rewrote the record books, shattering both school and conference marks for three-pointers attempted in a season.

Sophomore Darnell Mee set a school record with 65 steals during the season.

Co-captain point guard Anthony Palm, a junior college transfer, captured marks for both steals (110) and assists (308) in a two-year career.

Junior forward Jack Jennings, a 6-foot-5 transfer from Sullivan Junior College, led the team in scoring and rebounding, averaging 16.1 points and 8.5 rebounds a game.

As the Toppers improved, crowds grew in both number and spirit.

Willard, who had been appreciative



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AFTER THE SEASON-ENDING win over Virginia Commonwealth, Joe Lightfoot hugs Gary, Ind., senior Anthony Palm. However, Western fell to Virginia Commonwealth in the Sun Belt Tournament.

ers, I also expect more from the crowd.

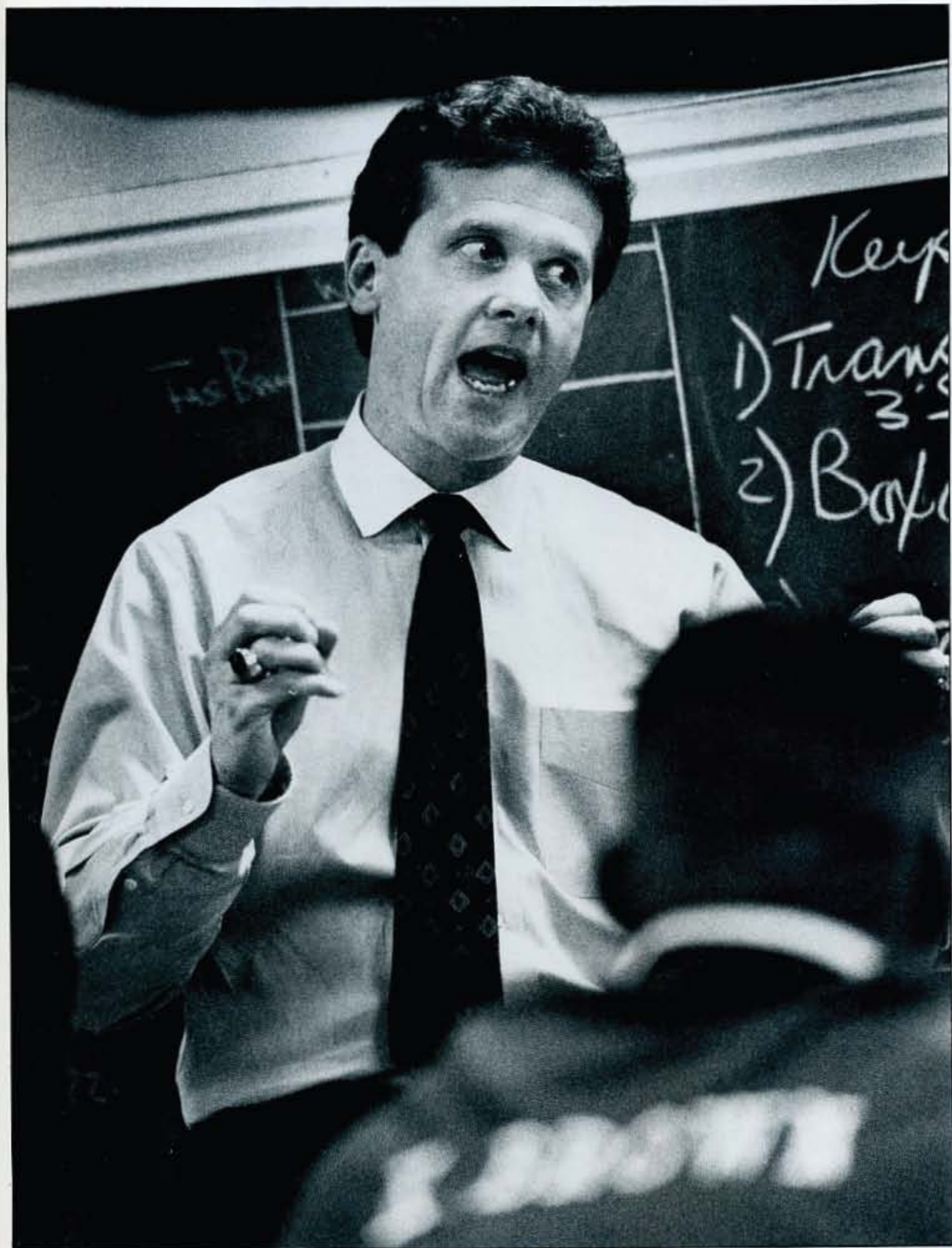
and at times critical of the fans during the season, was complimentary but still not satisfied.

"I'm very pleased with the way the crowds have grown," Willard said. "But in the same way that I always expect more from myself and from my play-

"Instead of seeing Louisville Cardinal and Kentucky sweat shirts on this campus, I want to see Western Kentucky sweat shirts.

"I want to make the students, faculty and the Bowling Green community proud of Western Kentucky basketball." ◆◆◆

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S. Illinois	80	- 98	Kentucky	70	- 84	Old Dominion	77	- 74	Tennessee St.	74	- 56
Georgia	65	- 124	Tennessee Tech	103	- 94	Ala at Birmingham	96	- 85	UNC Charlotte	77	- 91
Murray St.	91	- 97	Texas Christian	80	- 86	Virginia Commonwealth	83	- 75	Old Dominion	75	- 66
Bowling Green St.	90	- 77	Ala. at Birmingham	83	- 92	S. Alabama	78	- 82	S. Florida	72	- 71
Army	88	- 64	Missouri-Kansas City	91	- 75	E. Kentucky	83	- 74	S. Alabama	91	- 100
Austin Peay	87	- 95	S. Florida	86	- 87	Jacksonville	82	- 81	Virginia Commonwealth	97	- 80
Louisville	79	- 86	Jacksonville	87	- 91	UNC Charlotte	104	- 97	Virginia Commonwealth	89	- 100



# 'Let's get to the point'

-Ralph Willard

Fast-breaking coach puts fun back into basketball

BY: Dwain Harris  
Photos by Marc Piscotty

Ralph Willard believes positive thinking, combined with hard work, will get the job done. He also believes in attacking.

Just as his basketball teams use full court presses to attack opponents and three-point bombs to attack the basket, so does Willard use positive thinking to attack challenges.

The 6-foot-2-inch, slightly-framed man with a hometown name and a big city accent undertook a major challenge in the spring of 1990 when he said goodbye to his associate head coaching position at the University of Kentucky to accept the job as the men's head

basketball coach at Western.

When Willard, who was accustomed to spirited crowds and faithful followings at big-time basketball programs, first noticed the acute apathy gnawing away at the Western Kentucky basketball tradition, he knew he was faced with a difficult challenge. Though surprised, Willard said he was not disillusioned when he realized Western's attendance problems. He saw Diddle Arena as half full, not half empty.

He viewed the task ahead of him as a challenge, but recognized the possibilities.

"The potential of the job really intrigued me," Willard, 45, said, citing Western's tradition and central location for recruiting as major factors in his taking the job.

But Western's basketball team hadn't had a successful season since the likes of Tellis Frank and Kannard Johnson roamed Diddle in the 1980s. Western fans like to remember Clem Haskins' 1987 Western team that advanced to the second round of the NCAA tournament, before losing to eventual runner-up Syracuse.

That happened to be one of Western's first encounters with Willard, who was then an assistant at Syracuse. Little did anyone know that four years later, Willard would be a Bowling Green citizen, trudging the Hill, trying to restore Western as a collegiate power.

Basketball provided a common denominator for Willard, who doesn't make a big deal out of the differences between life in New York and rural Kentucky. He does appreciate, however, the opportunity he's had to experience different environments.

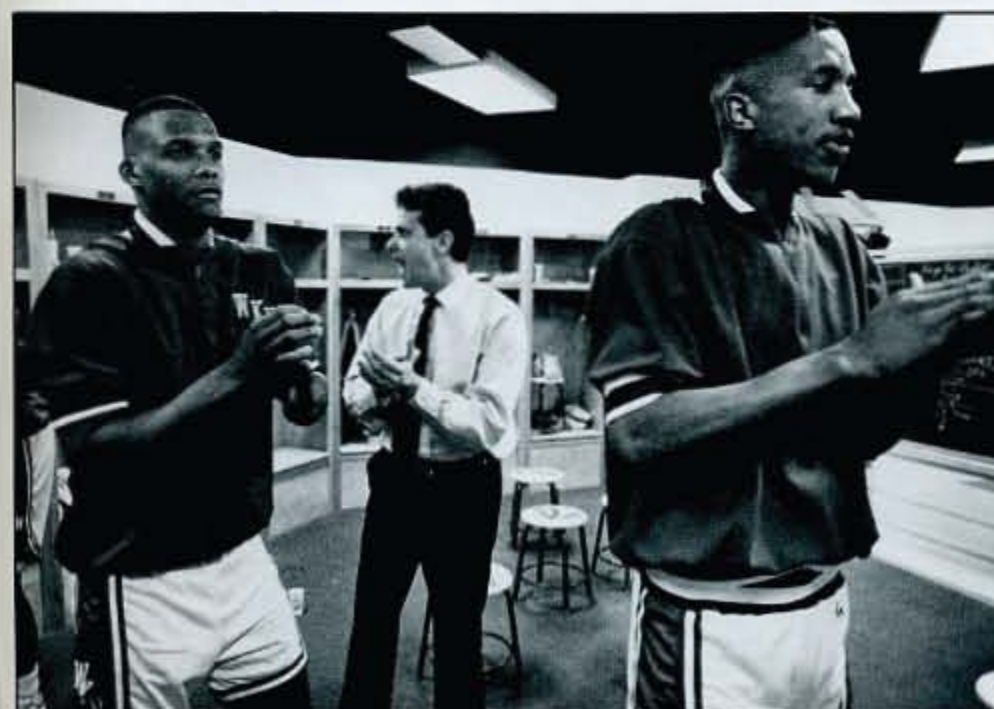
"This is a beautiful area," he said. "There's a quality of life here that (many) don't appreciate. People are friendly; people care about one another. And that's something that doesn't exist in a hustle-bustle environment."

He said the only two things he misses about New York are the nearby ocean and the diversity of restaurants.

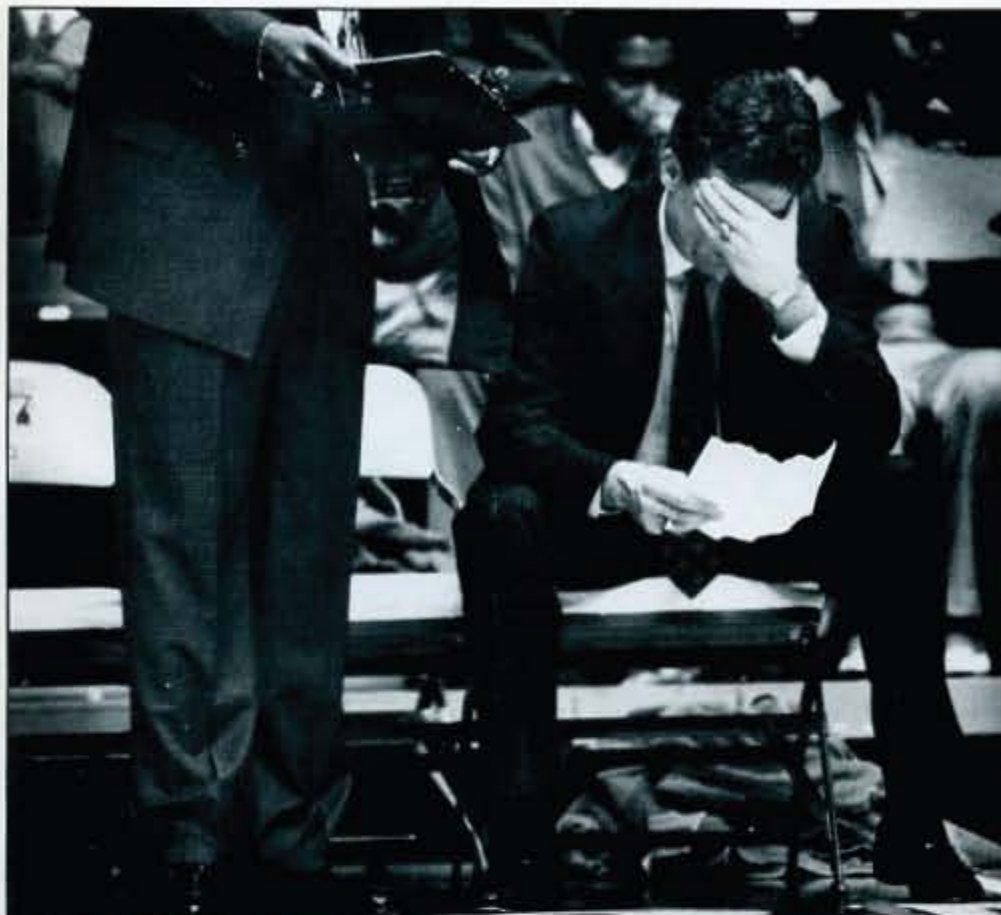
"This is an all-consuming job ... so I don't have time to be bored," said ♣

WITH DETERMINATION AND expertise, Coach Willard makes a point before a game. The season was Willard's first as coach of the Toppers.

IN THE LOCKER ROOM before a game, Coach Willard peps up his players. A motivator and a positive thinker, Willard always made sure the team was mentally prepared for the game.







WITH DISAPPOINTMENT, Coach Willard looks at his notes during a game. It was a season filled with ups and downs, but improvement in the latter half of the season gave Willard a starting point for next year.

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Willard. He couldn't remember the last time he took a day off totally away from his job.

Willard's decision to leave UK and long-time friend Rick Pitino was not an easy one. He had been an assistant when Pitino was head coach of the NBA's New York Knicks. When Pitino moved to UK, Willard made the move with him and became associate head coach.

Willard's original plan was to stay with Pitino for at least three years as UK rebuilt its program. But when Western came knocking, Willard decided to take the job, his first as a collegiate head coach.

And once he landed in Bowling Green, he left no doubt as to what the Hilltoppers would be doing under his guidance. Under the theme, "Running

in the '90s," Willard set out to teach the Toppers a style that some Western fans had forgotten—pressure defense, fast breaks and three point shots.

"We're certainly never gonna be dull," Willard said.

Willard wasn't trying to mimick Pitino's style or catch on to a run-and-gun trend that was becoming more prevalent in college basketball. He had developed his philosophy long before, back in his high school coaching days in New York.

In college, Willard said, he played for a coach who stressed ball-control and set offenses. "It (the deliberate style) wasn't fun ... and playing the game has got to be fun," Willard said.

So when Willard began coaching, he made sure his teams had fun playing the game. In his 13 years as head coach at St. Dominic High, his teams averaged

over 80 points a game (that was before the three-point line) and won numerous championships. He was named Nassau-Suffolk County High School Athletic Association Coach of the Year five times.

Willard's style helped make him popular with his players, who liked the freedom his system gave them.

"Coach Willard was the best coach I ever played for," Western senior Joe Lightfoot said. "He let every individual use (his) talent."

Willard allowed his team to "play with a free conscience and react off instinct, and if that didn't work, you'd run your offense," Lightfoot said. "I wish I had three more years under him."

Willard said he's heard the argument that his style of play isn't really "purist" basketball, but he thinks it's as "pure as you can get. It gives people the opportunity to play the game the way it was meant to be played."

Willard said that since the object of the game is to get the ball in the basket, "Why do I have to throw nine passes to make that happen? Let's get to the point."

That attitude, Willard argues, is best for the team, and it is unquestionably best for the fans.

And, Willard said, "The fans, to me, are what it's all about.

"This program exists for the fans," he said. "(Western basketball) should be a tremendous social function to this university and this community. It should be a source of pride, a rallying point ..., something the students look forward to going to. It should be a fun evening for them, and we want to make it fun.

"We want to make this an event, not just a basketball game."

But the first half of Willard's debut season was uneventful as Western dropped 10 of its first 14 games. The tough early-season schedule, inexperience, a lack of size and an even

greater lack of depth left Willard's Toppers, who were picked to finish last in the conference, searching for answers.

But as the players adjusted to Willard's system, the tide began to turn. Defensive pressure started to wear opponents down, fast breaks began to uncoil, players began to believe and the team began to overachieve.

Western went 10-4 in the second half of the season and finished with a tie for third place in the conference.

Willard attributed the turnaround to his players' individual improvement and increased confidence, which came

about with hard work. "I'm a firm believer that you can overcome any adversity through hard work," he said.

Assistant coach Charles Cunningham said the team took on Willard's personality in that "they never gave up," and they were "always positive."

Willard was particularly satisfied by the increased attendance and enthusiasm shown by the fans toward the end of the year. "It signified a recognition on their part that we were gonna do everything possible to represent them in a way they could be proud of."



THE INTENSITY of the closing minutes of the first round Sun Belt Conference Tournament shows on Willard's face. Western's season ended with the loss to V.C.U.

AFTER A TWO hour practice, Coach Willard talks with Anthony Palm. Palm was co-captain and point guard for the team.



# Topper Teamworkers

BY: Robin Buckson  
Photos by Tamara Voninski

## CHRIS HUTCHINSON

Actions usually speak louder than words, but in the case of Chris Hutchinson, they shout loud and clear.

Coach David Holmes said the soccer team's leading scorer is a quiet leader. "He leads by example. He's very quiet, determined and he works in his own quiet way to improve."

It seemed little could be improved after an outstanding sophomore season, but the Nashville, Tenn., junior still found a way to elevate his game, Holmes said.

Along with matching his 14 goals of last season, Hutchinson had three assists, giving him 31 total points (one more than last season).

His improvement was a result of dedication in the summer, before the

season ever started. "It's hard to motivate yourself to go out in the summer and do things to help you to get in shape for the season," Hutchinson said. "I play with amateur and semi-professional teams in the summer and play in a lot of tournaments."

The hard work paid off for Hutchinson, who was named to the All-Mideast Soccer third team for the second straight year.

Being among the leading scorers in records: the 800 meters, mile and 3,000 meters indoors and 1,500 and 3,000 meters outdoors.

It was sometimes hard for the Cork, Ireland, junior. "When (I) don't run so good ... it's so disappointing. People expect you to run good all the time."

Dennehy gave people reason to expect



the Mideast and Sun Belt placed him on the All-Sun Belt Conference first team. He was also named to the All-Academic Sun Belt team for maintaining a GPA of at least 3.0.

Hutchinson was named most valuable player for the 1990 season. ◆◆◆

good things from her. In the cross country season, she won the WKU Hall of Fame Invitational, Florida State Invitational and Sun Belt Championships. She narrowly missed qualifying for the cross country nationals.

She didn't allow that to stop her from qualifying for the indoor NCAA track championships. She ran 9:22.5, two seconds under the qualifying time.

"I just thought it was a far-off dream," Dennehy said. "I didn't think I could do it."

"She's blessed with speed and flexibility," Long said. "Her personality—that makes the difference. She hasn't gotten carried away with the fact that she can run fast. She keeps it all in perspective." ◆◆◆



## BREEDA DENNEHY

Disappointment isn't something that Breeda Dennehy is used to dealing with. But the few times this season she has had to deal with it, she's done it with courage.

"I tripped (in the indoor track nationals)," Dennehy recalled. "I got up as quick as I could, and the pack was gone. When I finished, I was bawling." But after some reassuring words from Coach Curtiss Long, Dennehy realized that she had nothing to be ashamed of.

"All season, everything's been going great. I've been setting school records or personal best records." Dennehy broke five WKU

## MARY TAYLOR

Some people say that a tough situation for college athletes is juggling academics and athletics. But Mary Taylor offers another opinion.

"The biggest problem I had was for other people to distinguish who I am besides an athlete," Taylor, a Benton senior, said. "... Dividing (myself) from being an athlete and a normal person or having other people see (me) as a normal person."

She had no problem distinguishing herself as an athlete. Taylor, an accounting major got big returns on the basketball floor. She averaged 11.9 points a game and helped lead the Tops to a Sun Belt Conference tournament title.

"... The thing that makes (her) so unique is that she's never met a stranger," Coach Paul Sanderford said. "She's a lady and an outstanding athlete. If I had a daughter, I would want her to



pattern herself after Mary.

"When she goes on the floor, she's all business. She's almost a Dr. Jekyll/Mr. Hyde character ..., almost mean on the court. That's something I like about her."

That aggressive play helped the 6-foot-1 forward earn a spot on numerous all-tournament teams, including the

Wahine Invitational, Bowling Green Bank Invitational, Illini Classic and Sun Belt Conference Tournament. She was named the most valuable player in the Illini and Sun Belt tournaments.

A sprained ankle slowed her start for about a month, and Taylor said she "never really played well again until the playoffs." But she played well enough to be named Sun Belt Senior of the Year. She was also named to the All Sun Belt Conference second team and won the WKU Coach's Award. ◆◆◆

## JOE LIGHTFOOT

Basketball means more than simply statistics to Joe Lightfoot.

To Lightfoot, a senior from Kankakee, Ill., people are important. He recalled the home game against South Alabama: "The crowd, for the introduction, stood up and cheered. The entire student section stood for the first half. If it weren't for the students, we couldn't have done it."

Western might not have survived that game without the students, but the Toppers would have been in trouble all season without Lightfoot.

His 15.1-points average was second on the team, and he was the high scorer in 10 of Western's games. But it was

leadership and a determination to improve that were Lightfoot's most valuable attributes.

"Joe brings a leadership quality to the court," Coach Ralph Willard said. "He really worked hard this year to



improve every part of his game. He averaged five points per game his junior year and 15 points his senior year."

Many of those points came three at a time. The versatile, 6-foot-4 forward-gave opponents fits with a deadly long-range shooting touch. Lightfoot finished the season with 73 three-pointers, two shy of the school season record. He also dished out 53 assists on the season and averaged three rebounds a game.

Rewriting almost all of his personal bests, Lightfoot had a career high score of 30 points against Tennessee Tech in December and connected on seven three-pointers against South Alabama near the end of the season.

"My lifelong dream is to keep playing ball," Lightfoot said. "If I ever think about coaching, it would be on a high school level. I want them to have fun... I kids to excel and get into college." ◆◆◆

# Long Distances

South African runner finds All-American home at Western

BY: Scott Lajoie  
Photos by Andy Lyons

Growing up in the sun-drenched fields of Durbin, South Africa, a skinny Sean Dollman was too small to play the physical sports his friends were competing in.

But nine years ago, after not making his school's rugby team, Sean Dollman started running as a hobby with his family. He soon took to running competitively. And competitive running soon took him to the United States, where he found his niche as an athlete.

"It was a dream, an almost unreal dream, to come here (America)," Dollman said. He had been recommended by a coach in South Africa to WKU graduate assistant, Philip Ryan, also from South Africa, who relayed the advice to Western. Topper track coach Long took the advice and offered Dollman a four-year scholarship to Western.

Unfortunately, the cold January weather of Kentucky didn't welcome Dollman very nicely. He contracted

anemia and was forced to sit out his first season. "I'm sure Coach was a little concerned that I wasn't much of an athlete when I first arrived," he said. But they found the problem."

His first enemy wasn't the clock or his opponents—"it was the flu, which caused internal bleeding and eventually led to anemia.

The following fall, over his illness, Dollman exploded onto the Sun Belt cross country scene, winning All-American honors his first season of

FORMER ALL-AMERICAN and training partner Ashley Johnson practices with Dollman at Keriakis Park. Dollman won All-American distinctions three times during his collegiate career.



competition. "I didn't know what to expect at the NCAA champs when I went in '89, and qualifying was a great experience," he said. "But I didn't realize what I'd done, so of course there was a tremendous amount of pressure just to qualify to become a double All-American last year."

But one doesn't come over 8,300 miles and overcome a trying first year, only to allow pressure to stop him. He shocked almost everybody with his performance at the 1990 cross country championships, but no one more so than himself. "Coming in sixth was an enormous surprise to me. I hadn't expected to finish up that high."

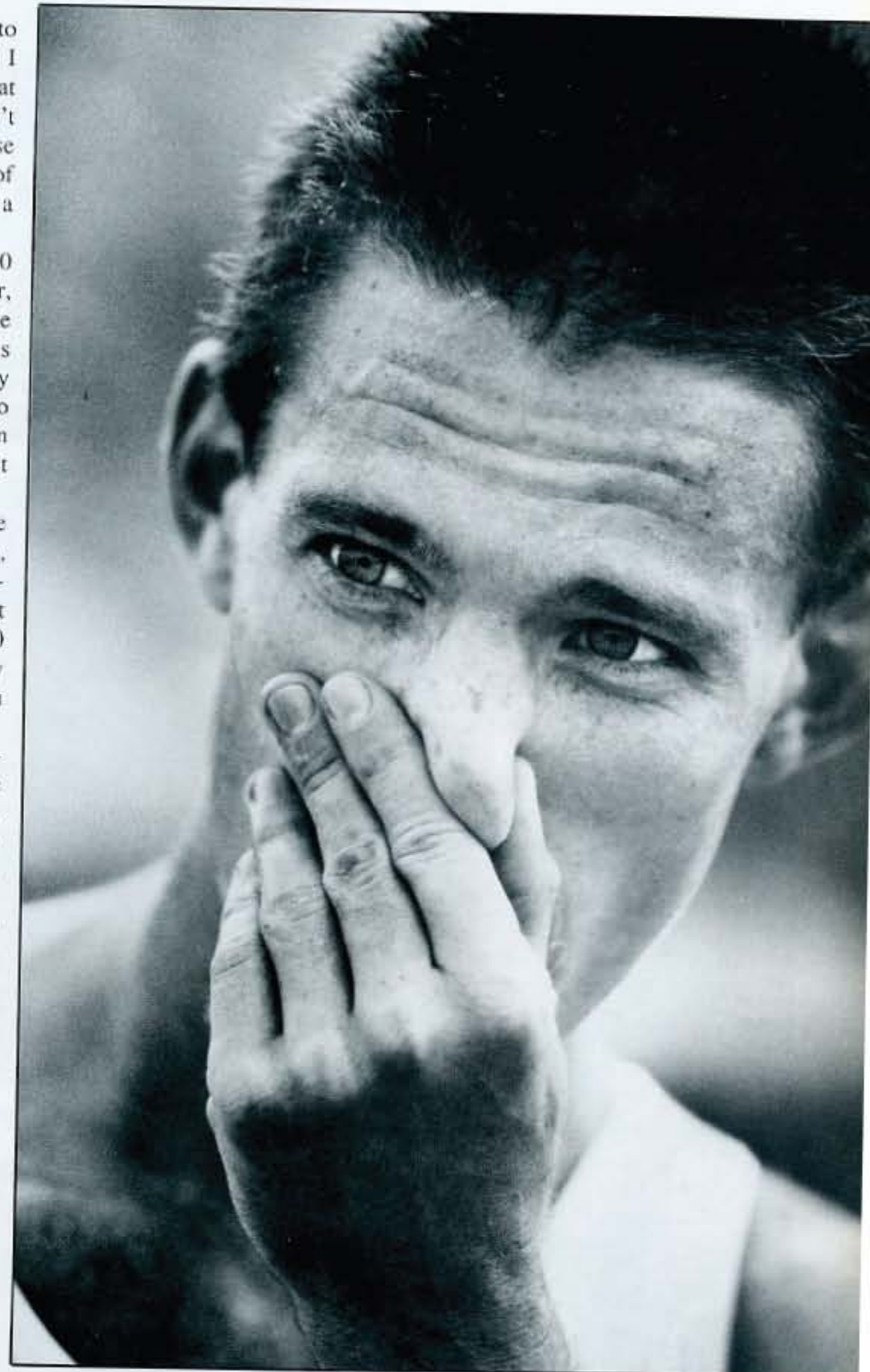
And then he set his sights on the 1991 track championships in Eugene, Oregon, May 28 through June 1. Considering he had the second fastest qualifying time in the nation in 10,000 meters, a third All-American trophy looked soon to join the ranks on Dollman's mantle.

His time of 28:39.1 didn't, however, guarantee him the title and he knew the race would be a tough one. "It'll be a dogfight out there. I'd say the top ten are all previous All-Americans," he said before the championships. "It's gonna be a helluva fight!"

It was a fight that Dollman was just 13 seconds shy of winning. He finished fourth with a time of 28:39.27, earning him yet another All-American honor. Terry Thornton of LSU won the race with a time of 28:26.

As if American sports weren't enough, Dollman also succeeded, to some degree, in the international professional running world. With his mother being Irish, he was allowed to run with the Irish national team. South Africa has been banned from the Olympics because of their Apartheid policy.

"Even though I am in America, I am not an American citizen, so I can't compete on the American national team at the Olympics," he said. "So that's why I go to Ireland to race; because I'm



making myself known to the Irish."

He ran for the Irish national team in January of 1990 in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Although he ran well in each race, Dollman is

realistic about competing in the 1992 Games in Barcelona.

"My chances of running in the '92 Olympics are very slim, because the qualifying time is about 30 seconds ♦♦

(below) AT A HOTEL in Knoxville, Tenn., Dollman writes his mother in Johannesburg, South Africa. Dollman was awarded a four year scholarship to Western and graduated with a 3.4 GPA. FIVE MILES INTO the NCAA cross-country championship Dollman keeps pace with his competitors. He qualified for all-American honors from his performance at the meet.

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faster than what I'm running now." However, the 1996 Games are a strong possibility, he said, as he will only be 27 at the time. (The ideal age for the 10,000 and the marathon is between 27 and 32 years old).

In addition to running, Dollman has applied his speed to academics. He graduated this May with a 3.4 double major of history and government. And now he plans to use the remaining year and a half on his scholarship to get his Masters in political administration.

"We mingle the two. You've got to balance it. You can't be a total academic or a total athlete. It just doesn't work," he said. "You have to compromise and give and take a little."



AT A PARTY thrown by the team, Dollman kisses teammate and girlfriend Breedha Dennehy, a Carrigadrohid, Ireland junior. The two had a lot in common as Dennehy was a key runner for Western's women's track team.

DOLLMAN COLLAPSES FOLLOWING an NCAA race. He advanced to the NCAA Track and Field Championship and placed fourth in the 10,000 meter race.



For a full three months, no one could touch the Lady Toppers. And despite losing in the third round of the NCAA tournament, their 29 - 3 season went...

# ABOVE EXPECTATIONS



Omar Tatum

BY: Brian Daugherty

Lady Topper head coach Paul Sanderford was expecting improvement after his 1989-90 squad finished 17-12 with a sixth straight appearance in the NCAA tournament.

"It wasn't (a good season) by my standards," Sanderford said. It was his first season at Western with fewer than 20 wins, and a loss at DePaul marked the fourth straight year the Lady Tops had lost in their first NCAA game.

Everyone expected better things, but few could have foreseen a 1990-91 season in which Western went three months without a loss and rose as high as No. 7 in the national polls.

The Lady Toppers finished 29-3, Sanderford's best regular season record at Western.

"This team exceeded our expectations in what they got accomplished," Sanderford said. "We had a real opportunity to make a run in the NCAA Tournament, and we came up a little short.

"I was pleased with the progress we made," he said, despite an injury-riddled season. Junior Trina Wilson sat out the entire year with a knee injury, and several key players, including Mary Taylor, Kim Norman and Liesa Lang, suffered injuries during the season.

ON THE VERGE of the Sun Belt Conference tournament championship, Debbie Houk, a Greensburg freshman, and LaTonia Bland, a Louisville freshman, cheer their teammates. Western defeated Alabama-Birmingham 81-73 for the title.

"Hopefully we built a good foundation with this basketball team that we can continue to build on next year," Sanderford added. "To go 29-3, you have to be very lucky, and we were."

Western started its quest for redemption with a Thanksgiving holiday trip to Hawaii for the Wahine Invitational in Honolulu, where they advanced to the finals before losing to then seventh-ranked North Carolina State 100-74 in the championship.

But the Lady Tops would not lose another game until late February. They won the Illini Invitational in Champaign, Ill., then beat Indiana State at home.

Sophomore guard Renee Westmoreland's desperation 30-foot basket at the buzzer gave Western a 63-62 win at West Virginia.

A 99-77 win over Ohio could be remembered as the night senior guard Kelly Smith "shot the lights out" in Diddle Arena. Smith hit a short jumper from the baseline 1:16 into the game, and the lights went out shortly after that because of a power failure.

Tenth-ranked Long Beach State came to town Dec. 16 to take on the Lady Tops, who made a furious comeback late in the game to send it into overtime. Clutch free throws and key production from Taylor, Norman and junior Kim Pehlke gave Western an 83-79 upset win.

It gave Sanderford his 200th career victory and put the Lady Toppers into the Associated Press and *USA Today* polls with a No. 25 ranking.

"That game was the game that got us over the hump," he said. "That was a very big confidence booster for us."

The Lady Tops romped



Rick Loomis

GOING AFTER A loose ball, Louisville junior Kim Pehlke (top) hustles to beat out a UAB player for possession. The 5-foot-8 guard led the Lady Toppers in scoring, averaging 13.6 points per game.

over Western Carolina and nipped Stephen F. Austin 88-85, to win their fifth straight Bowling Green Bank Invitational tournament.

Western began the new year with a 115-33 thrashing of St. Louis, the largest margin of victory in school history.

The Lady Toppers then easily beat Murray State and South Florida on the road before edging a tough Vanderbilt team 80-78 in Nashville, Tenn.

Western returned to Bowling Green to sweep a five-game homestand and went on the road to defeat Dayton, catapulting them to seventh in the *USA Today* poll with a 20-1 record.

Western continued until Alabama-Birmingham stormed into town on Feb. 24, with the Sun Belt Conference regular season title going to the winner. Western had led 48-37, but UAB came back for a 76-68 win, ending Western's school record winning streak at 21 games.

"Life goes on," Taylor, a Benton senior, said, "and the season's not over just because that's the last home ballgame. We're gonna learn from our mistakes and go forward."

And forward the Lady Toppers went, winning ♦♦

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Utah	79	- 77	Alabama St.	113	- 69
Hawaii	75	- 72	Eastern Illinois	82	- 58
N. Carolina St.	74	- 100	Southern Illinois	66	- 58
Miami of Ohio	55	- 46	UNC Charlotte	82	- 70
Illinois	87	- 76	Dayton	87	- 80
Indiana St.	86	- 71	Eastern Kentucky	84	- 57
W. Virginia	63	- 62	Morehead St.	93	- 73
Ohio Univ.	99	- 77	Tennessee Tech	95	- 88
Long Beach St.	83	- 79	Ala.-Birmingham	76	- 68
Western Carolina	126	- 48	Old Dominion	73	- 63
Stephen F. Austin	88	- 85	Virginia Commonwealth	102	- 84
St. Louis	115	- 33	S. Florida	91	- 69
Murray St.	77	- 60	UNC Charlotte	75	- 61
S. Florida	76	- 52	Ala.-Birmingham	81	- 73
Vanderbilt	80	- 78	Florida St.	72	- 69
S. Alabama	80	- 62	Tennessee	68	- 61

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their last two regular season games at Old Dominion and Virginia Commonwealth to finish at 25-2 and place second in the Sun Belt.

The team went to the Sun Belt tournament in Birmingham on a mission, disposing of South Florida 91-69 in the first round and UNC Charlotte 75-61 in the semifinals.

"I was not concerned about UAB," said Sanderford, who was named Sun Belt Coach of the Year before the tournament. He thought his players, with the disheartening home loss to UAB fresh in their minds, would be emotionally prepared to face the Lady Blazers this time.

Western led only by six at halftime, but Kansas City, Mo., sophomore Paulette Monroe said, "We went to the locker room, had a little pep talk, and our minds were set. You could see the spark in our eyes in the second half."

Taylor scored 21 of her career-high 25 points in the second half, as Western went on to win 81-73. She was named the tournament's most valuable player, and was joined by Pehlke and Monroe on the all-tournament team.

As the country's no. 10-ranked team, the Lady Tops received a first-round bye and a home game in round two.

Western's second round NCAA tournament victory over Florida State on March 16 created a "good news, bad news" situation for the Lady Tops. The good news was their advancement into the third round in Knoxville, Tenn. The bad news was that they would be playing highly-ranked Tennessee on the Lady Vols' home floor.

Only the diehard Lady Topper fans gave Western a chance to win.

In a seesaw battle, Western trailed

64-61 with under a minute left, but Tennessee held on to be victorious.

Three players—Smith, Norman and Taylor—graduated from the 1990-91 team. Taylor and Pehlke both passed the 1,000-plateau in career point totals.

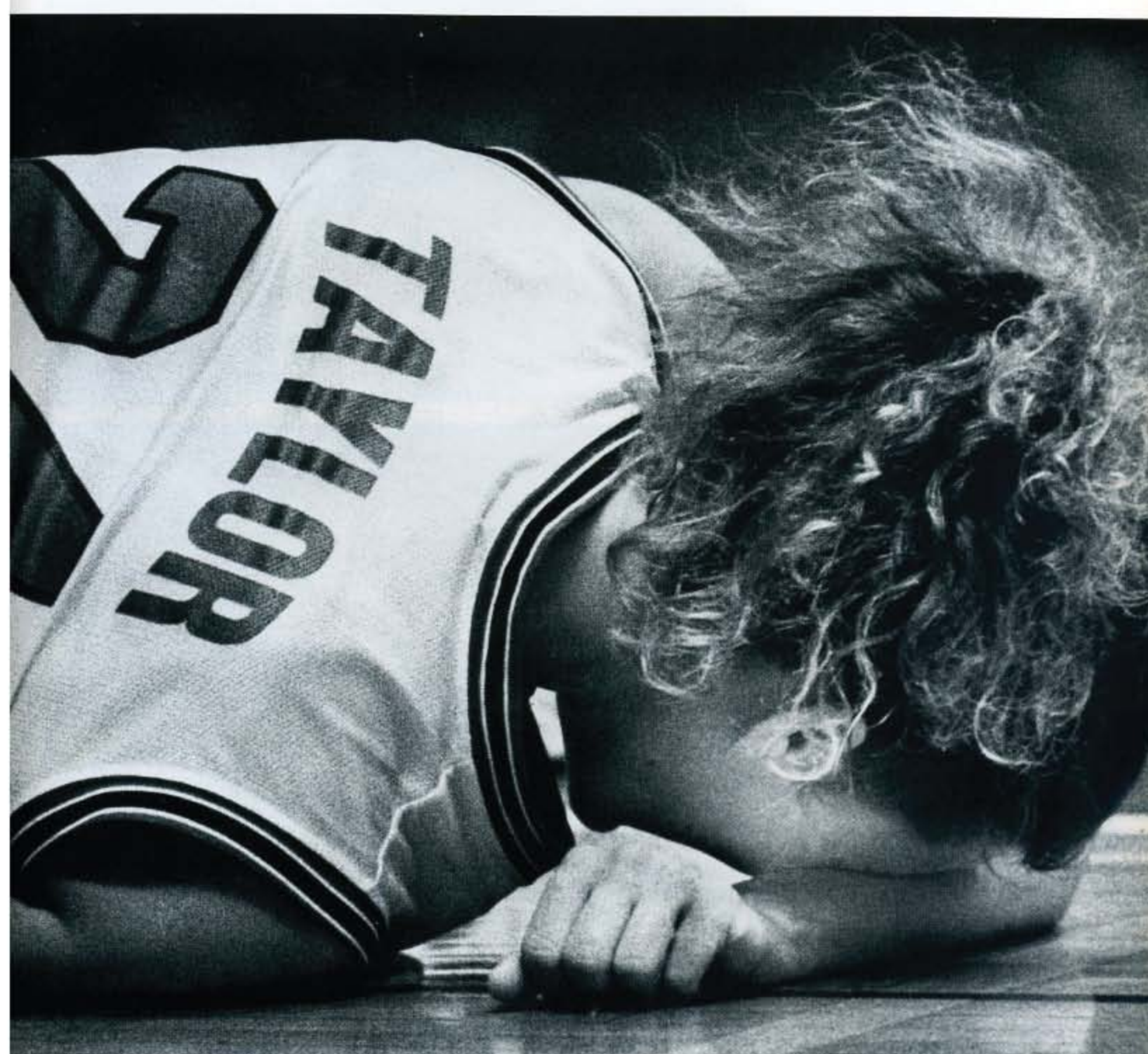
When Sanderford withdrew as a finalist for athletics director after the season, he said he still wanted to pursue a national championship for the Lady Toppers. Their 1991-92 opponents probably got the message.◆◆◆



Omar Tatum

**BATTLING FOR THE BALL.** Western's Liesa Lang, a Wilson, N.C., junior, gets tangled with Nana Robinson of the Canadian National team. Western lost the exhibition to the Canadians.

**AFTER TWISTING HER ANKLE,** Western's Mary Taylor, a Benton senior, lies in pain in the second half of a regular-season game against Alabama-Birmingham. The 76-68 loss to UAB was one of only three Western defeats all season. Rick Loomis



# All in the Family

Lady Toppers pull together to win the Sun Belt tournament and advance to the Sweet 16

BY: Mark T. Osler

There are as many secrets behind the success of winning teams as there are winning teams.

For the 1990-91 Lady Toppers, the biggest key to their 29-3 record hardly seemed to be a secret at all.

Considering that the players spent almost 24 hours a day with each other for eight months, close relationships became significant.

"I think the biggest reason for our

success is that we're like one big family and we respect and help each other," said starting guard Kim Pehlke, a Louisville junior.

Whether you asked a player, coach or manager, the secret always came down to one word—family.

To the casual observer, the full impact of that family spirit among the players may not have been noticed.

"Sometimes it feels like we

understand each other so well that you don't even wonder what the other person is thinking, you just know," said team co-captain Mary Taylor, a senior forward from Benton.

The Lady Toppers won the Sun Belt tournament championship and advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA tournament before losing to eventual national champion Tennessee.



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(far left) **WORKING ON THEIR** basketball-handling skills, Rene Westmoreland, Kim Pehlke, and Kim Warfield prepare for post-season play. The team considered their family-like relationship as a key to success.

**BOUND FOR THE** Sun Belt tournament in Birmingham, Ala., the Lady Toppers board their bus. The team spent many hours together during tournament season.

**KIM PEHLKE** and Coach Paul Sanderford make the front page of the Courier-Journal Sports section. Advancing to the final 16 of the NCAA tournament made Western a hot story for local newspapers.



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**HAND IN HAND**, Lea Robinson, Mary Taylor and Latonia Bland watch nervously from the bench as the Toppers try to capture the Sun Belt tournament championship. They won the tournament and advanced to play in Sweet 16.

**LISTENING INTENTLY**, the Toppers get instructions from Coach Paul Sanderford during a Sun Belt Conference tournament game in Birmingham, Ala. The team had benefited from Sanderford's leadership for nearly a decade.

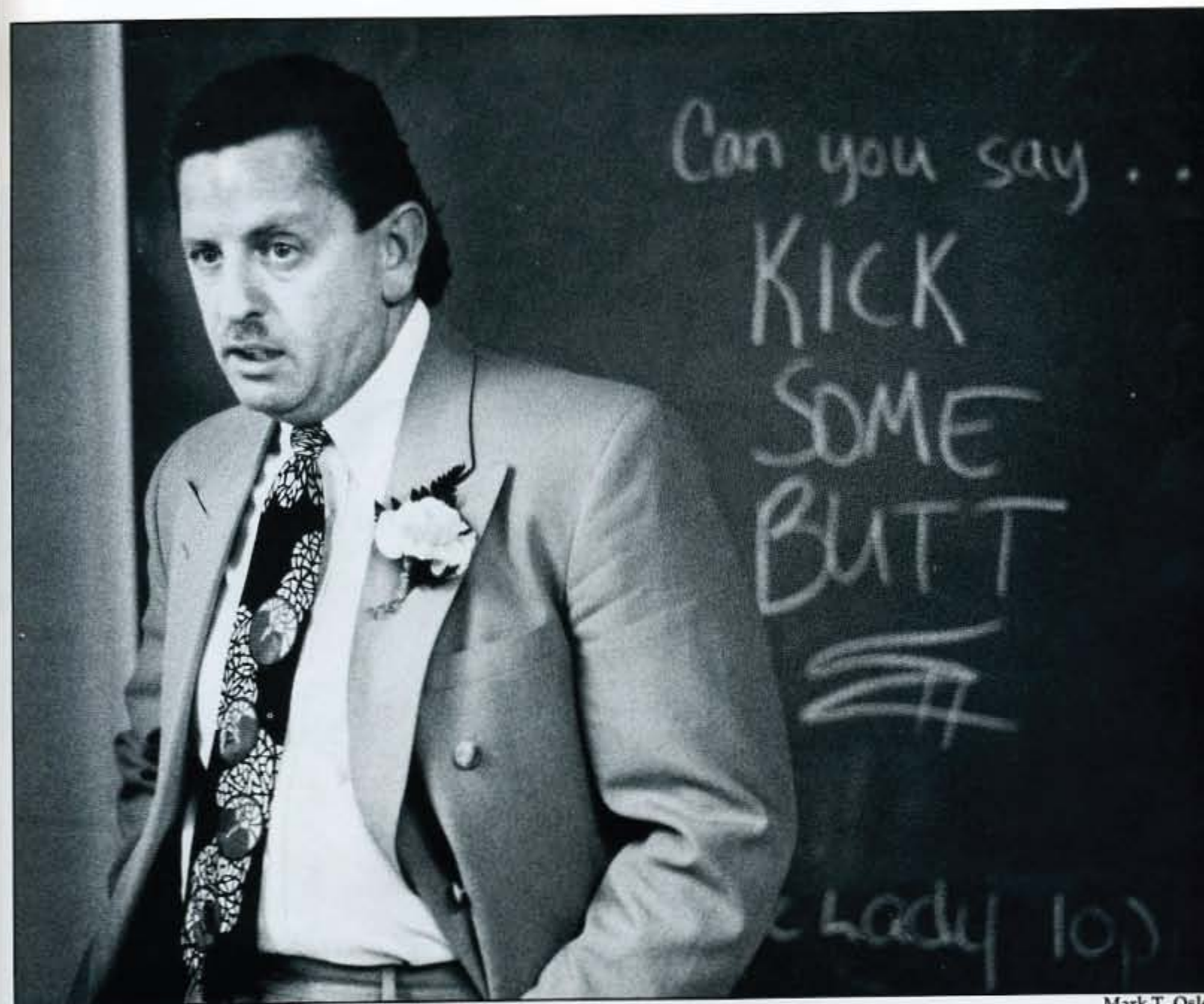
(far right) **THE CHALKBOARD TELLS** the story as Assistant Coach Steve Small scans Western's pre-game locker room. Their aggressive style led to a 29-3 season.



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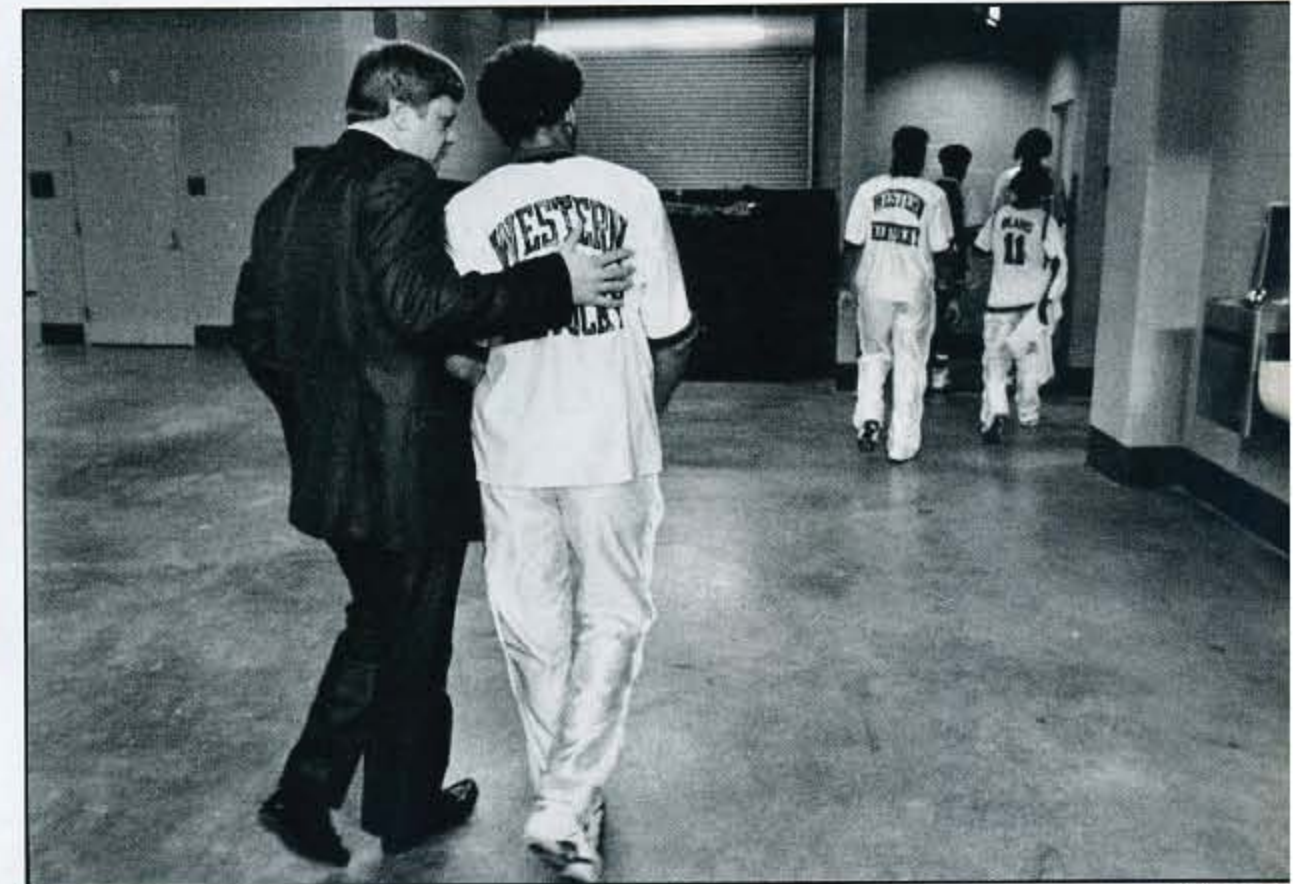
(far left) CELEBRATING THEIR SUN Belt tournament championship, Lady Topper Assistant Coach Steve Small embraces Rene Westmoreland and Kim Pehlke. Small was in his seventh season with the Lady Toppers.

WESTERN'S SUN BELT championship trophy and net close at hand, Westmoreland and Pehlke savor the moment. Both were former Miss Basketball honorees.

AFTER A HEARTBREAKING loss to Tennessee in the NCAA tournament, Coach Paul Sanderford consoles senior Kim Norman. Sanderford had won more games than the previous 10 Lady Topper coaches combined.

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# The whole nine yards

Sports veteran retires after 40 years on the Hill

BY: Dwain Harris  
Photo by Steve Smart

When Jimmy Feix was scouting football players, he had a pretty simple philosophy of recruiting.

"I'm one who believed that you win with talent," Feix said bluntly as he recalled his days as head coach of Western's football team from 1968 until 1983.

"I know we (coaches) give a lot of lip service to character and attitude ... and that is all important, obviously. But you can't win unless you've got good players. I looked for talent, and I looked for that first."

When he decided to retire from his athletics director position last year after over 40 years of affiliation with Western, Feix had a pretty simple philosophy of retirement.

"My wife and I are just gonna hang out," he said, smiling.

As if he were analyzing an offensive set or tallying yardage on a crucial third-down play, Feix, 59, offered a very matter of fact view of his future. "I oughtta live another 10 or 15 years, realistically. And I'm gonna enjoy that time," he said with a note of eagerness.

Whatever the Henderson native does, it will probably be on or around the Hill. He began his illustrious sports career at Western as a player, eventually became an assistant coach, then a head coach, and finally the athletics director.

He has grown with Western, and Western has grown on him.

"I really couldn't tear myself away from the place," he said, when asked if he had ever considered leaving Western to coach elsewhere. "I had just been here so long and had (become) such a

part of it."

As a star quarterback, Feix led the Toppers to a tie for the Ohio Valley Conference championship his senior year in 1952. That team went on to defeat Arkansas State in Western's first-ever bowl appearance. He was the first Topper football player ever to earn All-American honors.

He said collegiate athletics were much simpler then, and he recalled his playing days with fondness.

"I had no idea about a career. I just went to school to play football. We lived more in 'the good ole days' by the day," he said, smiling.

"I think that today's athletes—as are all young people of today—are more



aware of life and world conditions and the economy ..." he said. "They are more oriented toward making a living and careers."

With any luck, Feix might have made a career playing football. He was drafted by the New York Giants of the National Football League, but suffered a face injury during his tryout and was never able to play professionally. So his immediate occupation after college was the armed forces. Feix, who had been in the ROTC program while at Western, went into the Air Force as a pilot and coach after his failed attempt at pro sports.

At that point in his life, he said he had no idea he would one day return to Western as a coach. Ironically, Feix was on a baseball field in basketball

country, when he realized that he wanted to make a living coaching football.

Coaching in a youth baseball league in North Carolina, Feix, who was nearing the end of his three-year stay in

**"It has really been great. Western has been good to me, and I just hope I've been as good to Western."**

— Jimmy Feix

the Air Force, said he was on the pitcher's mound one day instructing a 14-year-old when a C-119 fighter jet roared overhead.

"I stopped and looked up ... and I thought, 'there's two guys up there—a pilot and a co-pilot ... with their flight suits ... and they're sweatin' ... checking all the controls ...'"

He contrasted the pilot's tough work environment with his pleasant surroundings on the baseball field and came to a quick conclusion.

"I went home that night and I told Frankie (his wife) ... we're gonna have to get out of the Air Force because I think I've got to be a coach," he said. "That was the first time I ever thought about coaching as a career."

As fate would have it, two weeks later Feix received a call from Western President Kelly Thompson, who wanted him to come back and join Western's football team as an assistant coach. Feix didn't have to be coaxed.

"I said, 'Yes sir!' When do I have to be there?" Feix said, laughing.

He was appointed full-time assistant coach in 1958 and took over the head coaching position in 1967.

By the end of his coaching career in 1983, he had amassed 106 victories, far more than any other Western football coach, and 56 losses. Feix also won numerous OVC championships and

several Coach-of-the-Year honors, and he led the Toppers to the finals of the NCAA Division II playoffs twice.

Western came painfully close to winning the national championship in 1975, falling 16-14 to Northern Michigan. A Topper field goal attempt in the closing seconds just missed, forcing Feix to swallow one of the toughest losses of his career.

"We learned a lot from it though," he said. "You don't win all the time, and you gotta take it like it comes, and if the boss man says it ain't so, it ain't so."

Feix, a devout Christian, believes that everything, including tough losses, happens for a good reason.

Feix said he "did the best he could" to keep his faith during his career. He said that following Christ is "sort of like deciding to go out for the team," he said. "It's a hard enough decision to make, but to do all the things you're supposed to do to stay on the team is even harder."

After stepping down from coaching in 1983, he worked in alumni affairs before taking the job of athletics director in 1985, a position he said involved much more work than he had expected. The hours were long, "but it doesn't seem like work," Feix said in his last months as A.D. But as 1990 approached, he began to tire of the late nights and long distances.

"I began thinking, 'what am I doing out here on I-24, coming back from Chattanooga at two in the morning with this football team at my age?'"

Now he plans to teach part time, be with his family and take in the Hill. "My wife and I are gonna enjoy this campus," he said, adding that they were going to attend plays, concerts and other functions held at Western.

"I think he's gonna thoroughly enjoy his retirement," Frankie said. "He's been so busy for so many years."

"It has really been great," he said. "Western has been good to me, and I just hope I've been as good to Western."



# In the News...

BY: Brian Daugherty



Dr. Louis Marciani  
Athletics Director

## Marciani takes over as athletics director

A "new era" in Hilltopper sports began April 8 when Louis Marciani was named new athletics director, replacing the retiring Jimmy Feix.

Marciani, associate director of athletics at the University of Southern Mississippi for the past two years, will bring Western "up to the next level," Feix said. "We're very fortunate to cross our needs and challenges with his expertise."

Marciani, a 46-year-old native of New York City, developed and coordinated fund-raising, marketing and promotion for Southern Mississippi's athletic department. Along with modernizing Western's athletic department, Marciani said he will concentrate on business affairs and marketing.

"We're going to review the infrastructure of the department," he said. "We'll begin to look at the expenditures and identify the needs (in the department)."

One factor that attracted Marciani to the job, he said, was the caliber of the university academically and athletically. "There's also a long tradition here, and we have a spirit here at Western that's up."

He said he wants to develop a "21st Century athletic program" at Western, but it must be done one step at a time, starting with meeting the needs of men's and women's basketball. He took over for Feix on June 1. ◆◆◆

## Sun Belt, American South merge; Western's football joins Gateway

The merged American South/Sun Belt conference still didn't have a name by early June, but most everything else had been settled.

The seven American South schools and the four remaining Sun Belt universities officially merged May 22 at a meeting in Birmingham, Ala. They also named The American South's Craig Thompson as the new league's commissioner and kept its headquarters in New Orleans.

The merger was brought about as a result of the American South's efforts at expansion and five schools leaving the Sun Belt.

"There is a strong feeling that this will be a better conference" than the old Sun Belt, Athletics Director Jimmy Feix said. Men's basketball coach Ralph Willard feels it's the best solution for Western now. "Whether or not it's the best solution in the long run we'll find out pretty quickly," he said. "I was very disappointed when the Sun Belt dissolved. It had some

good talent and was on the upswing."

Men's and women's basketball will play a 16-game schedule in one division. But baseball and some other sports will split into two divisions.

"The biggest thing the merger provides both sides is security and stability with 11 teams," former Sun Belt assistant commissioner John Iamarino said. "You don't have to worry about one or two defections meaning the end of the conference."

No one foresaw gloom and doom when Old Dominion announced last year it would join the Colonial Athletic Association after the 1990-91 season, and the Sun Belt replaced ODU with Arkansas-Little Rock.

But when Alabama-Birmingham became a charter member of the Great Midwest Conference in October and South Florida, UNC-Charlotte and Virginia Commonwealth joined the Metro Conference in April, the Sun Belt was down to four schools.

Both coaches and officials agree that

the new league will be strong in men's and women's basketball. The American South was the 11th strongest men's conference last season. "The positives outweigh the negatives," women's basketball coach Paul Sanderford said. "I think you're looking at a league that can send three teams to the NCAA every year in women's basketball."

The American South/Sun Belt will be strong in baseball, officials say, and it will present Western's track and field programs their first opportunity to compete for a conference championship since 1982.

Hilltopper football will not be left without a conference like it was when Western left the Ohio Valley Conference in 1982 to join the Sun Belt.

Western officially joined the Gateway Conference May 15, ending 10 years as a football independent in Division I-AA. The Toppers will be eligible to compete for the conference title and

## NCAA reforms get approval

Amidst a storm of controversy, delegates to the NCAA Convention in January approved a series of reforms which are supposed to cut costs in athletics and put more emphasis on the "student" in the student-athlete.

At the convention Jan. 8-9 in Nashville, Tenn., delegates voted to reduce recruiting periods and official visits by recruits in all sports, eliminate athletic dorms by August 1996 and reduce the number of coaches and scholarships in all sports (basketball will be limited to three full-time coaches and one part-time coach by 1992 and 13 scholarships by the 1993-94 season.)

Athletes are limited to 20 hours a week for games and practice and must get one day off a week. Also, a school must sponsor seven men's and seven women's sports and commit at least \$250,000 to its athletic programs to remain in Division I.

"The thrust of the reforms was to reduce the costs of athletics," retiring athletics director Jimmy Feix said. "I think (the changes) will be positive."

But what kind of changes will they bring to Western sports?

Men's basketball coach Ralph Willard said he won't let the reforms have a negative affect on his program. "Everybody else is in the same boat," he said. "Your major programs like Kentucky, Louisville, Indiana, it won't affect them as much."

The one day off a week provision will hurt more than it'll help, he said, in that he won't be able to see his players at all or hold practice on that day.

Another change Willard doesn't like is that coaches will no longer be able to talk to high school prospects until the summer after their junior seasons. "You won't be able to establish a rapport with the recruits (until their senior year)," he said. Willard predicted that more players will transfer because they made a hasty college choice based on less information. "You're going to have a mess." ◆◆◆

automatic bid to the NCAA playoffs in 1992.

"It gives us a home and an identity," Feix said. "You will have something to play for," including a league championship and all-conference honors for individual players.

"I think it's an excellent, excellent football conference," football coach Jack Harbaugh said. "We're going to

have to be very, very good at maintaining a quality program to be competitive in that league."

Feix said being in the Gateway will ease scheduling problems. "We were at the point that we would have had to go to Texas, California and New York to find teams to play (as an independent)," he said.

By joining the Gateway, Western

will play in a conference which placed two teams in the 16-team I-AA playoffs the past two seasons.

"The Gateway is probably from top to bottom the top (I-AA football) conference in the country," Feix said. Western has a record of 14-10-1 against Gateway Conference opponents. ◆◆◆

### Sun Belt/American South



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|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1) Central Florida      | 7) Lamar                   |
| 2) Jacksonville         | 8) Louisiana Tech          |
| 3) Western Kentucky     | 9) New Orleans             |
| 4) South Alabama        | 10) Southwestern Louisiana |
| 5) Arkansas-Little Rock | 11) Arkansas State         |
| 6) Texas-Pan American   |                            |

### Gateway Conference



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|-----------------------------|
| 1) Eastern Illinois         |
| 2) Illinois State           |
| 3) Northern Iowa            |
| 4) Southern Illinois        |
| 5) Southwest Missouri State |
| 6) Western Illinois         |
| 7) Western Kentucky         |
| 8) Indiana State            |

Western's golf teams fared well in the fall, but a rough spring blew them...

# OFF COURSE

BY: Dan English  
Photo by John Russell

After gaining some confidence-building experience through summer tournaments, Western's men's golfers were ready for the fall season, Coach Lee Robertson said.

And if their first match was any indication, they were indeed prepared. Anchored by Terre Haute, Ind., junior Ron Poore's third-place finish, Western blazed to a second-place finish in the 11-team Murray State Intercollegiate.

Western's score of 909 fell just six strokes shy of host Murray State.

After a strong third-place finish among 20 teams at the Johnny Bench Intercollegiate in Cincinnati, Ohio, and a fourth-place finish in the Northern Intercollegiate in West Lafayette, Ind., Western returned to the Bluegrass for its final two matches.

Louisville senior Eric Hogge paced the Toppers and helped pace the field at the Colonel Classic in Richmond. Hogge's score of 216 put him in a three-way tie for first place and boosted Western to a fourth-place finish out of 19 teams.

Finishing the fall season with a respectable second-place finish in a six-team field at the Kentucky Intercollegiate in Nicholasville, Robertson had reason to believe his squad's solid play would carry on into the spring season.

It didn't happen.

The Toppers got off to a cold start at the UK Johnny Owens Invitational in Lexington March 28-30, finishing 10th out of 25 teams when snow canceled

the tournament after two rounds.

The snow eventually stopped, but the Toppers' chilly play continued.

Western's sixth-place finish at the Oak Meadow Invitational in Evansville,

Ind., April 5-6 had Glasgow sophomore Bryan Baysinger concerned.

"We need to do something miraculous because the next fields are going to be better," Baysinger said. He



added that the team was disappointed at their Oak Meadow performance because everybody had bad rounds.

Western's score of 932 gave the Toppers a sixth-place finish in the Sun Belt Conference tournament and killed their chances of making the NCAA tournament.

"All of us were disappointed when we didn't reach our expectations," Robertson said. "I hope we will learn from our mistakes and do better next fall. ... We should be competitive."

The Lady Toppers had a rough year on the links, but Coach Kathy Teichert said she knew the it would be a rebuilding year. She was impressed by the young team's improvement.



Men's		Women's	
Murray St. Intercol.	2nd of 11	Lady Irish Inv.	8th of 25
Johnny Bench Intercol.	3rd of 20	Illinois St. Inv.	8th of 18
Northern Intercol.	4th of 22	Tenn. Tech-Vandy Inv.	3rd of 5
Colonel Classic	4th of 19	Memphis St. Inv.	13th of 15
Kentucky Intercol.	2nd of 6	Lady Kat Inv.	12th of 15
UK-Johnny Owens Inv.	10th of 25	Sun Belt Conf. Champ	4th of 6
Oak Meadow Inv.	6th of 13	McDonald's Rotary Classic	19th of 24
Marshall Inv.	11th of 18	Indiana Inv.	17th of 17
Sun Belt Conf. Tour.	6th of 8	Lady Jaguar Inv.	18th of 18
Kepler Inter.	18th of 23		

"The team was very young and inexperienced," Teichert said. "They showed progress by learning to play in college tournaments and on difficult courses."

The phrase "young team" is often used loosely in sports, but the Lady Toppers truly were dominated by youth, as one freshman or another led Western in almost every tournament.

Led by Alma, Mich., freshman Jenni Moore's 162, Western began the season with an eighth-place finish in the 25-team field at the Lady Irish Invitational in South Bend, Ind.

Another freshman, Chanda McCleese, from Stuart, Fla., paced Western in the Illinois State Invitational. The Toppers finished eighth out of 18 teams.

Pietersburg, South Africa, freshman Liesl Diedericks recorded Western's

AT GOLF PRACTICE, Russellville sophomore Allyson Hartley chips her ball out of the sand. The practice was held at Indian Hills Country Club.

low score (249) in the Memphis State Invitational. The Toppers finished 13th out of 15 teams, but Teichert was not discouraged.

"At Memphis, they got better each day," Teichert said. "They showed they could get better each time out."

Like the men's team, the Lady Toppers' season went downhill in the spring, as they failed to finish above 17th in their three tournaments.

"We could never get all four players to play together and play a good round," Bowling Green senior Leslie Gary said.

Teichert said the nucleus of young players was the key to the season. "When they played well, we all played well."

Gary was also impressed with the young talent. "They will blossom into a good group of golfers," she said.





IN THE LINE OUT against Memphis State, Stan Hodges, a Glasgow sophomore, reaches for the ball. Line outs were like a kickoff in football.

Some like it...

# ROUGH

BY: Dwain Harris and Robin Buckson  
Photos by David Stephenson



"It's not a bunch of crazy, drunk people beating the hell out of each other," Dan Whaley, a senior from Cincinnati, Ohio, said. "There's more to it than that."

Some people think of rugby as a bloody form of soccer. Some refer to it as a primitive, insane form of football. Still others think of it as just another one of those foreign sports, with rules that practically nobody knows.

"You kinda have to do some research to understand the rules and plays,"

Whaley said.

"Otherwise it looks like 'kill the man'

**"It's a gentleman's sport played by ruffians"**

— Dom Hunter

with the ball."

Western Kentucky Rugby Club

members have their own opinions about a sport that many students have heard about, but few have witnessed.

"It's a gentleman's sport played by ruffians," said Dom Hunter, a Hendersonville, Tenn., junior. "To the referees, it's 'yes sir, no sir.' It's kinda done gracefully."

But for the most part, when people think of rugby players, they don't think of manners or grace. They think of roughhouse play and reckless attitudes on the field, and avid partying off the field.

"I like the party reputation. It singles us out at Western," said Jim Burdick, a Nashville, Tenn., sophomore. "That's one of the main reasons we play."

But not all of Western's "ruffians" like the party image. "I'm kinda conservative," Hunter said. "I just play because I like the sport."

To be sure, rugby is a sport, ♦♦



(above) IN THE BANSHIE Classic David Bernardo, a junior from Nashville, Tenn., Greg Razmus, a sophomore from Muncie, Ind., and Bill Sammons, a Western alumni from Bowling Green, play on Creason Field. Sammons returned to be one of the "WKU Old Boys."

## ROUGH CONTINUED

and the Western Kentucky Rugby Club, composed mainly of WKU students, held their own on the field with a 16-14-1 season. In three tournaments during the fall, they went 10-4-1, with their most successful play occurring in November in the Jacque Strappe tournament at Memphis, Tenn. There they took second place out of 18 other club teams.

They finished third in a 10-team field at the Mid-South tournament in September.

The club did not fare quite so well in the spring, losing 10 of 16 matches. After failing to place in a Lexington tournament and finishing third among six teams in Atlanta, they were ready for the season climax, the renowned Banshee Classic, held in Bowling Green in late April.

The Western Kentucky club finished third in the Banshee tourney, but as usual, the party afterwards made more headlines than the team. Some 2,500 people, many of whom were unaware of the morning's sporting event, attended the infamous bash that evening.

The annual party, where violence and drunkenness usually run rampant, has helped create a rocky relationship between the club and the university and has fostered much of the stereotype attached to the



rugby club.

Partying and stereotyping aside, rugby players say they take their sport very seriously and take pride in the unique dedication that the English-rooted sport requires.

"You cannot have fear when you play," Burdick said. "You gotta go out and sacrifice your body. If you're hesitant, you get nailed."

Whaley said the players learn to play with pain, noting that substitutions are allowed only when a player can literally no longer continue.

"I broke my nose last year and played the rest of the game." He said it seemed like his bleeding nose got hit all the time.

"My mom wonders why I play the sport," Whaley said. "She thought when I was done with football that I'd be done limping around on Sunday morning with cuts and bruises."

"There's a camaraderie that you don't have with other sports," he continued. "The same guys you hit hard in a game, you sit and have a beer and laugh about it afterwards."



IN A GAME with Paducah, Western tries to capture the ball. The play is called a scrum. (for left) AFTER A GAME, Greg Razmus and Steve Weakley take off their uniforms. Western placed third in the Banshee Classic.



Andy Lyons

LUNGING TO make the defensive play, Nashville, Tenn., freshman Karin Dahlinger of the Kappa Delta Sorority, tries to grab the flag of Paducah junior Amy Chapman of the Chi-Omega's. The Chi-O's won in sudden-death overtime to take the Sigma Nu Powder Puff championship.

HUDDLING UP, (from bottom left) The Warriors' Thomas Brown, Kyle Hatterick, Ashley Willoughby, Patrick Satterfield and quarterback David Dennis discuss strategy. The intramural football team was playing five on five in a practice scrimmage at Smith Stadium.



John Russell

# For the sake of the game

BY: Robin Buckson and Dwain Harris

Jennifer Blaine had already made one great catch in overtime of the final game of the womens' intramural flag football championship Oct. 24.

It was a touchdown reception from quarterback Shelly Duncan with little time left that tied the game 18-18. Blaine's team, Obsession, was battling Attitudes for first place.

But the Duncan-to-Blaine combination wasn't through yet. On the final play of the game, Duncan again found Blaine for the winning extra-point conversion. Blaine's acrobatic catch had everyone talking.

"J.B. (Blaine) made a great catch," Obsession coach Ron Hennig said as he described Blaine's winning reception. "It was a heckuva catch."

"She jumped up, tipped it with one hand and cradled it, keeping her feet in bounds," Hennig said. The dramatic catch gave Obsession the 19-18 overtime victory and championship.

"I even had guys from Money (a men's flag football team) coming up to me and asking me where I found her," he said.

With the first-place trophy came bragging rights until next season and a trip to the national flag football tournament in New Orleans.

The games may not be played in



Matt Stockman  
AFTER A sudden-death overtime victory in the womens' flag football intramural championships, Obsession's Kim Jacobs, a Frankfort junior, signals No. 1 amidst a celebration. Obsession beat Attitudes for the title and a trip to the nationals in New Orleans.

front of packed stands, and the athletes may not be big-time college stars, but as the finals of the women's flag football championships indicated, intramural sports lacked nothing in competitiveness.

More than 4,500 students and more than 500 faculty participated

in the intramural program at Western during the 1990-91 year. Intramurals gave non-varsity students as well as faculty and staff a chance to compete against one another in a variety of sports.

Basketball and football grabbed the headlines, but many other sports, from tennis to billiards to horseshoe pitching also attracted competitors.

As usual, flag football dominated the fall scene. Obsession wasn't the only team that earned a trip to New Orleans. For the men, it was Cutters, coached by Roy McMillen, which captured first place and represented Western at New Orleans. Cutters defeated previously unbeaten Point Blank 34-6 in the championship game.

Attitudes, coached by Lyndon Dunning, defeated Excess to take the women's basketball crown, while Just Once, coached by football teammates Milton Biggins and Morris Green, beat Don't Take It Personal 68-49 for the men's roundball title.

In softball, Attitudes once again finished near the top of the heap, taking second place behind the Kentucky Tomboys, coached by Gordon Turner. For the men, Sigma Chi fraternity edged Prop 48's 7-6 for the title. ♦♦♦

Western's new tennis coaches were looking for good serves and...

# SOLID RETURNS

BY: Brian Daugherty

A coaching change can either work out to be good or bad for a team. When Western's men's and women's tennis programs got new coaches, the changes weren't a problem in either case.

Jody Bingham took over for Scott Vowels Feb. 1 as the men's head coach, leading the Toppers to a 10-10 record, while Laura Hudspeth replaced Ray Rose as the women's coach last fall. The Lady Toppers responded with a 12-10 record and their highest ever finish - fifth in the Sun Belt Tournament.

Vowels left Western to take a job as an instructor at Dennis VanderMeer's tennis camp in Hilton Head, S.C. "It was an unreal tennis opportunity," Bingham said. VanderMeer has coached such legends as Arthur Ashe and Billie Jean King.

Bingham said his transition from Vowels' assistant to head coach was smooth. He also said the season went well, considering that four of the team's top seven players were freshmen and that the Toppers tackled a tough schedule, which included Top 20 program Kentucky and Division II champ Tennessee-Martin.

There was little experience on the squad, with co-captain Jason Harmon, an Elizabethtown senior, having only one year of college experience and the top seven players a combined four years.

But a lack of experience did not equal a lack of talent. Harmon's losing record as a No. 1 singles player "was

not indicative of the talent the kid has," Bingham said. "He has played some of the best players in the country.

"What he gave the team is invaluable. He was a good role model, especially for the younger players. He exemplified what a tennis player should be."

Another player who impressed Bingham was Pine Grove sophomore Bernie Howard. "He has an intimidating forehand," Bingham said. "He hits the ball harder than anyone I've seen in my ten years at Western."

Indicative of Howard's game was when he played against Kentucky, and had his opponent, who was ranked 27th in the country in college tennis, to match point twice before losing in the third set.

"His game is on the national level, and he's got two years left to go," Bingham said.



David Stephenson

WITH SWEAT AND determination, Vine Grove sophomore Bernie Howard returns a ball during tennis practice. The men's tennis team ended the season with a 10 - 10 record.

AS SHE PLAYS a doubles match against Kentucky Wesleyan College, Amy LaLance ponders her last move. They won the match 6-1, 6-3. **Robin Buckson**

Other top players for the men included co-captain Jay Graff, a junior from Brentwood, Tenn; Elizabethtown freshman Bob Brandenburg; Nashville sophomore Kevin Brown; and Paducah freshman Peyton Jones, who graduated from high school a year early.

"I think their potential is unlimited," Bingham said. "I don't think some of the players know their potential."

The Lady Tops were fifth in the Sun Belt tourney in Tampa, Fla., just six points behind third-place Virginia Commonwealth. "I had managed to get some players seeded, and that's why we finished so high," Hudspeth said.

Sisters Kelly Wretlund, a senior from Paducah, and Amy Haskins, a freshman from Paducah, both were seeded in the top four in their respective brackets.

Wretlund finished fourth in No. 2 singles, losing to Rachel Gale of Virginia Commonwealth 6-1, 6-3. Haskins finished third in the No. 3 singles bracket, beating North Carolina-

Charlotte's Kristi Boggs 6-3, 6-4.

Hudspeth said she was pleased with her team's efforts. "They worked really hard," she said. "We didn't think we had a shot at the Sun Belt, but we got seeded and ended up with a better shot than we thought we would have.

"I had talked to Coach Rose, and he said this is one of the strongest teams" in Western history, she said. Five seniors were on the women's roster, including No. 1 singles player Amy LaLance, from Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Wretlund.

"We won some matches because of (senior) experience," Hudspeth said. "At crunch time, they wouldn't give up, but they'd hang in there."

One of Hudspeth's projects during the season was to improve her team's doubles play, and she had two strong duos in Murray junior Ellen Hogancamp and Mandeville, La., junior Wendy Gunter, and LaLance and Haskins.

Haskins was probably "the best player on the team," Hudspeth said, and her 23-5 record did nothing to dispel that notion. LaLance went 10-18, Wretlund 11-14, and Hogancamp 16-8 in singles play. Olney, Ill., senior Julie Bowen started at No. 1, but she dropped to No. 5 because of foot injuries. However, she ended her career on a high note, posting a 20-8 record in singles play.



Men	WKU	OPP.	WKU	OPP.	WKU	OPP.
North Alabama	6 - 3	Ausitn Peay	3 - 6	Louisville	3 - 5	
Belmont College	1 - 8	Bellarmine	7 - 2	Transylvania	5 - 4	
Kentucky	0 - 6	Louisville	0 - 9	Ball St.	2 - 7	
Trevecca Nazarene	6 - 0	Tennessee St.	9 - 0	Morehead	8 - 1	
Thomas More	9 - 0	Hanover	5 - 4	Eastern	5 - 4	
Louisville	1 - 8	Evansville	6 - 0	Austin Peay	5 - 4	
Embry Ridge	7 - 2			Middle Tennessee	1 - 6	
Rutgers	1 - 8			UT-Martin	5 - 4	
Jacksonville	1 - 5	Eastern Ill.	9 - 0	SIU Carbondale	1 - 5	
Concordia	4 - 5	St. Ambrose	4 - 5	Memphis St.	4 - 5	
Bowling Green St.	2 - 7	Western Ill.	7 - 2	Murray St.	4 - 5	
UT-Martin	3 - 5	Evansville	8 - 1	Arkansas St.	4 - 5	
Trevecca Nazarene	6 - 0	Kentucky Wesleyan	9 - 0	Austin Peay	5 - 4	
Belmont College	6 - 0	Middle Tennessee	4 - 5	Louisville	2 - 5	
Sun Belt Conf. Tour.	8th of 8	Murray St.	6 - 3	Sun Belt Conf. Tour.	5th of 8	



Fighting injuries and illness, a young cross country team tried to...

# KEEP UP THE PACE

By: Brian Daugherty

The men's and women's cross country teams had several things in common going into the season.

Both teams were young. The men had one senior, 1989 Sun Belt Conference champion Stephen Gibbons. The women had only two seniors, Kelli Phillipi and Candy Reid.

Both teams boasted the top returning runners in the Sun Belt: Mary Dwyer for the women, Gibbons for the men. But both teams were short on depth.

Injuries and illnesses took a toll on both teams, particularly the women. Dwyer sat out much of the season with a sinus infection, while Kathleen Clark had a back injury.

However, there was one bright spot in a season filled with disappointments. Sean Dollman, a sophomore from Johannesburg, South Africa, earned All-American honors for the second time in two years by finishing sixth in the NCAA National Championships in Knoxville, Tenn. Dollman also won the Sun Belt Conference championship, the Florida State Invitational and the WKU Hall of Fame Invitational.

Edward O'Carroll, a sophomore from Tivoli, Ireland, came on late in the season, winning the Vanderbilt Invitational and finishing sixth in the Sun Belt meet.

The Lady Toppers were paced by Breeda Dennehy, a junior from Cork,

Ireland, who won the Sun Belt Conference title and finished 20th in the NCAA District III meet.

Western opened the season Sept. 1 at the Southern Indiana Classic in Evansville. Led by Michelle Murphy, a Cork, Ireland, sophomore, who placed first, Western had five runners finish in the top seven.

Western's men finished second to USI. Jeremiah Twomey, a sophomore from Charleville, Ireland, and Fort

Campbell freshman James Scott tied for sixth place.

Two weeks later in Western's only home meet of the season, Dollman made his season debut by winning the WKU Hall of Fame Invitational. His time of 24:40 was a Kereiakes Park course record.

The men won their fifth straight Hall of Fame meet, placing three runners among the top six finishers. The women placed third behind



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champion Georgia and runner-up Louisville. Dennehy was the individual winner in the Alabama Invitational Sept. 22. The men, led by Dollman's runner-up finish, placed fourth overall. The women were sixth.

Gibbons, who finished sixth in the meet, aggravated a hamstring injury after the race when a picket fence he was leaning against gave way.

The injury put the senior from Cork, Ireland, on the sidelines for the rest of the season. But because Gibbons had run only in the Alabama Invitational, he was allowed to redshirt, which means he will get an extra year to compete.

Dollman took over the leadership reins.

"If the team is going to be good, he's got to motivate them," Gibbons said. "I think he's more than apt for that job."

Coach Curtiss Long said before the Florida State Classic that the meet was "a definite challenge, and it's one in which we better be ready to meet, or the seasons might get mighty long."

When the women were third and the men finished fifth, Long said he was pleased. "It's October; we really

need to start putting it together and we've taken that first step."

Dollman won the men's race. In the women's meet, Dennehy was first with Murphy close behind in third.

In a pre-NCAA meet Oct. 15 in Knoxville, Tenn., the men finished sixth, with Dollman placing second, just three seconds behind first place Todd Williams of Tennessee. The women were 11th; the highest Lady Topper finisher was Dennehy, who was 22nd.

Several runners skipped the Vanderbilt Invitational to rest for the conference championships. O'Carroll won the men's race in a course record of 20:25, while Dwyer was the Lady Tops' top finisher (11th).

In the Sun Belt championships, Dollman broke away from South Florida's Chris Payne in the last half-mile to win the title, but the Toppers finished third overall. O'Carroll was sixth in the personal best of 24:56.

The women finished fourth, paced by individual champion Dennehy.

In the District III meet in Greenville, S.C., Dollman's third-place finish in 30:04 assured him of a spot in the nationals. The team

finished 16th.

Dennehy narrowly missed qualifying for the nationals by finishing 20th. Murphy, the only other Lady Topper in the meet, was 72nd.

In the NCAA Championships, Dollman finished sixth in 29:33, the highest Topper finish since Nick Rose won the 1974 nationals and was runner-up in 1973 and 1975.

"I was very excited and very happy," Dollman said. "It was worth the hard work that I put in. Hopefully, this will inspire our team to get here next year."



MEN	WOMEN	
Southern Indiana Classic	2nd	1st
WKU Hall of Fame Invitational	1st	3rd
Crimson Classic Invitational	4th	6th
Florida State Invitational	5th	3rd
National Invitational	6th	12th
Vanderbilt Invitational	11th	
Sun Belt Championships	3rd	4th
NCAA District III Championships		16th



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TIGHTLY PACKED, RUNNERS jockey for position at the start of the Vanderbilt Invitational Cross Country meet. Edward O'Carroll, a sophomore from Tivoli, Ireland, finished first with a time of 20:25.

WITH DETERMINATION EVIDENT on her face, Candy Reid, a senior from Ft. Campbell, finishes the women's division of the WKU Hall of Fame Invitational and has an asthma attack. Breeda Dennehy, a junior from Cork, Ireland, won the race with a time of 17:38.

After a two-year absence from the Sun Belt tournament, the Toppers posted a solid record and found themselves...

# Back in the Action

BY: L.B. Kistler

For the past two years, Western's baseball team had stayed home during the Sun Belt Conference Tournament. So, when the 1991 season rolled around, the Tops had only one thing on their minds—returning to the tournament.

And this looked like the year to do it.

To reach that goal, Coach Joel Murrie had a powerful combination of experienced veterans and talented newcomers at his disposal in his 12th season at the helm for Western.

One of the most heralded returning players was Bowling Green senior Chris Turner. Despite a disappointing junior year in which Turner hit only

.212, Murrie expected the pre-season Sun Belt Player of the Year pick and former All-American to be a force.

Though the Topper pitching staff lost ace hurler Ken Edenfield to graduation, seniors Heath Haynes, Jeff Ledogar and Neil Corley and junior Steve Marr were ready to take up the slack.

Murrie looked for power at the plate from returning players Paul Jackson, Tommy Burrough, Mario Baker and 1990 All-Sun Belt shortstop Brad Worley, along with solid contributions from newcomers Andy McDonald, Clay Wiedenbein and Chris Phillips.

The Hilltoppers' quest for the Sun

Belt tournament started successfully as they traveled to Tampa, Fla., to face the nationally-ranked South Florida Bulls in their first conference game. Western lost the first game 5-2, but came blistering back to take the last two games of the series 2-1 and 11-5.

But after dropping three straight at Alabama-Birmingham and losing four of six at South Alabama, Western dropped to 4-8 and third place in the Sun Belt West Division. Their last shot at the tournament came down to a three-game series against South Florida at Denes Field.

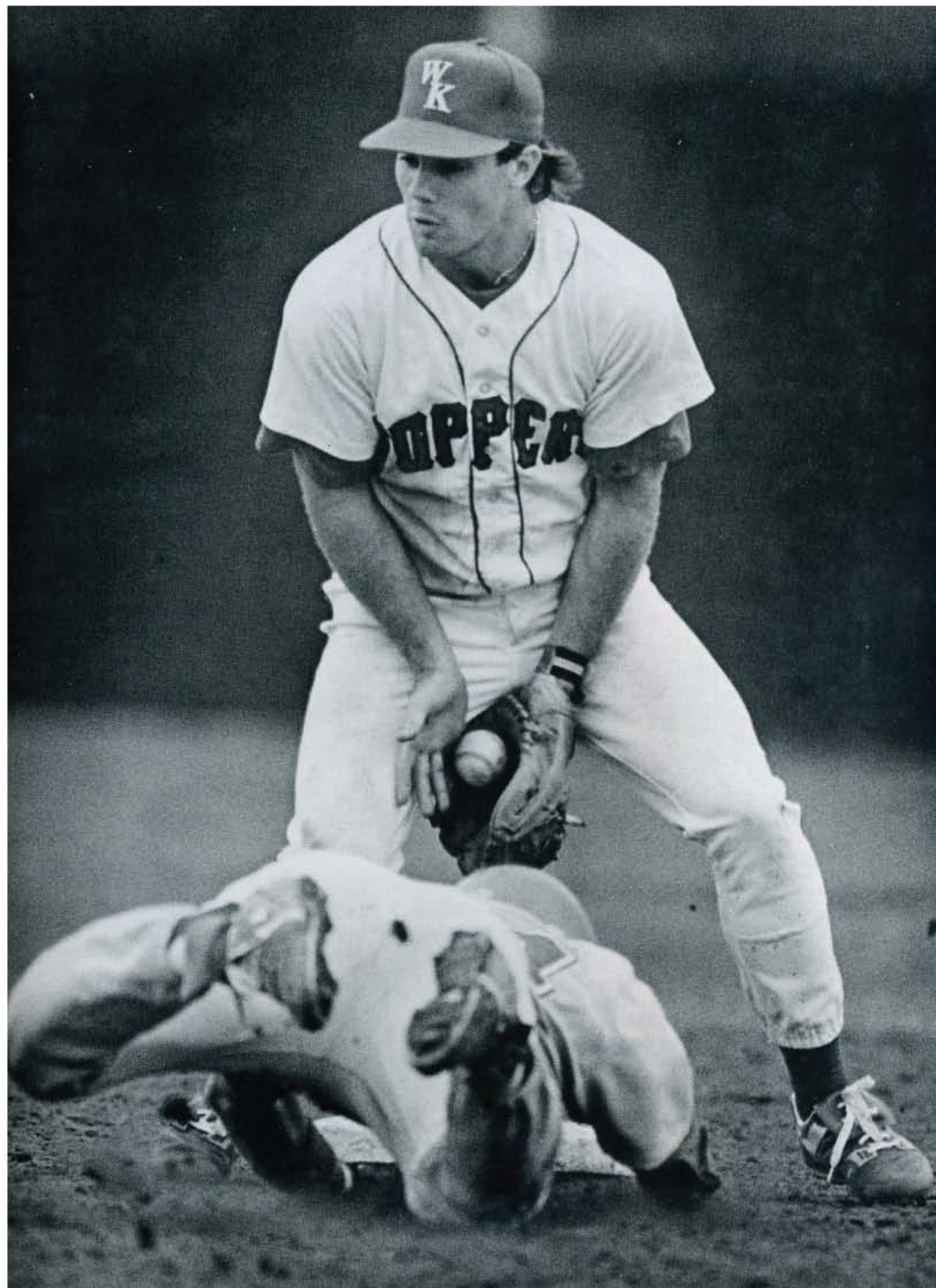
Behind solid pitching and hot hitting from Burrough, Jackson and



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THE BASEBALL TEAM waits in the dugout for the rain to stop at Denes Field. The game was called off soon afterwards.

IN THE TENTH inning of a game, Sarasota Fla., junior Andy McDonald attempts to hold onto a throw as South Alabama's Scott Bosarge slides safely into second base. Western won three of the seven games played against South Alabama. Chris McKenney





Chuck Wing

AS SARASOTA, FLA., junior Andy McDonald catches the ball, LaGrange sophomore Paul Jackson and Thomasville, Ala., senior Mario Baker dance and fall around him. The game was against Xavier University.

## ACTION CONTINUED

Phillips, the Tops swept the series 9-5, 4-0 and 6-5. By winning all three games, Western knocked South Florida out of the playoffs and insured themselves of a bid in the tournament.

The Tops, 7-8 in the West, had a shot at second place if they could sweep Alabama-Birmingham. Western won the first game, but forfeited the second game after UAB coach Pete Rancont told the officials Haynes' name was left off the roster he received; Marr's name had been listed twice. Haynes was declared ineligible, and Western forfeited.

After losing the third game 7-6, Western finished 8-10 and third in the division. The Tops had reached their goal. But they decided they wanted more than a trip to Jacksonville. "Once we got there we wanted to win it all," Phillips, a Louisville freshman, said. "We moved up the goal."

Western faced the host Dolphins in the tournament opener, but despite good hitting by the Toppers, Jacksonville

jumped out to an early lead and sealed a 5-2 decision.

"They got a few more key hits than we did," Marr, a Franklin junior, said. "We hit the ball right at them a few times."

Western next faced West Division champ South Alabama. The underdog Toppers took a quick 3-0 lead and managed to hold off a Jaguar rally to win 3-2. Ledogar improved to 10-3 while Corley got his sixth save of the season.

The Tops weren't so fortunate in their next outing. Western took an early 3-0 lead on Old Dominion, but left several runners stranded in scoring position. Their dream of a championship title went up in smoke.

The Monarchs capitalized by taking a 5-3 lead. Although Western rallied in the eighth inning, it was too little, too late as the Monarchs won 9-6. Marr (7-5) took the loss.

"We hit the ball real good," Phillips said, "(but) their guys were in the right spots."

Phillips, Worley, Weidenbein,

Robbie Samson and Baker all hit consistently during the tournament and provided the bulk of Western's offensive attack.

"We had the capabilities of winning the tournament," Murrie said.

The loss to Old Dominion left Western at 35-25-1 for the season. But it was a record that some felt did not tell the season's story accurately.

"We didn't win as many games as we thought we would, but the team came around real well at the end of the season," Marr said. "It was a very positive year — our record didn't reflect the quality of the team."

The 1991 season was one of milestones for the Toppers. Western won its 1,000th game with a 7-2 victory over South Alabama in late April, while Murrie bagged his 400th collegiate win with a 5-2 victory over Evansville at Denes Field.

Turner fulfilled everyone's expectations and was voted Sun Belt Player of the Year. He left the Hill leading in career runs with 215 (fourth all-time in the Sun Belt), hits with 271 (tied for

fourth in the Sun Belt) and doubles with 68 (second in Sun Belt).

Turner was also named to the all-Sun Belt and the All-South Region first teams as an outfielder and was selected by the California Angels in the seventh round of the major league draft.

In addition to playing left and right field, Turner also pitched and saw time at catcher, first base and third base. "Wherever the team needed me, that's where they put me," he said. "I thought it was kind of fun, actually!"

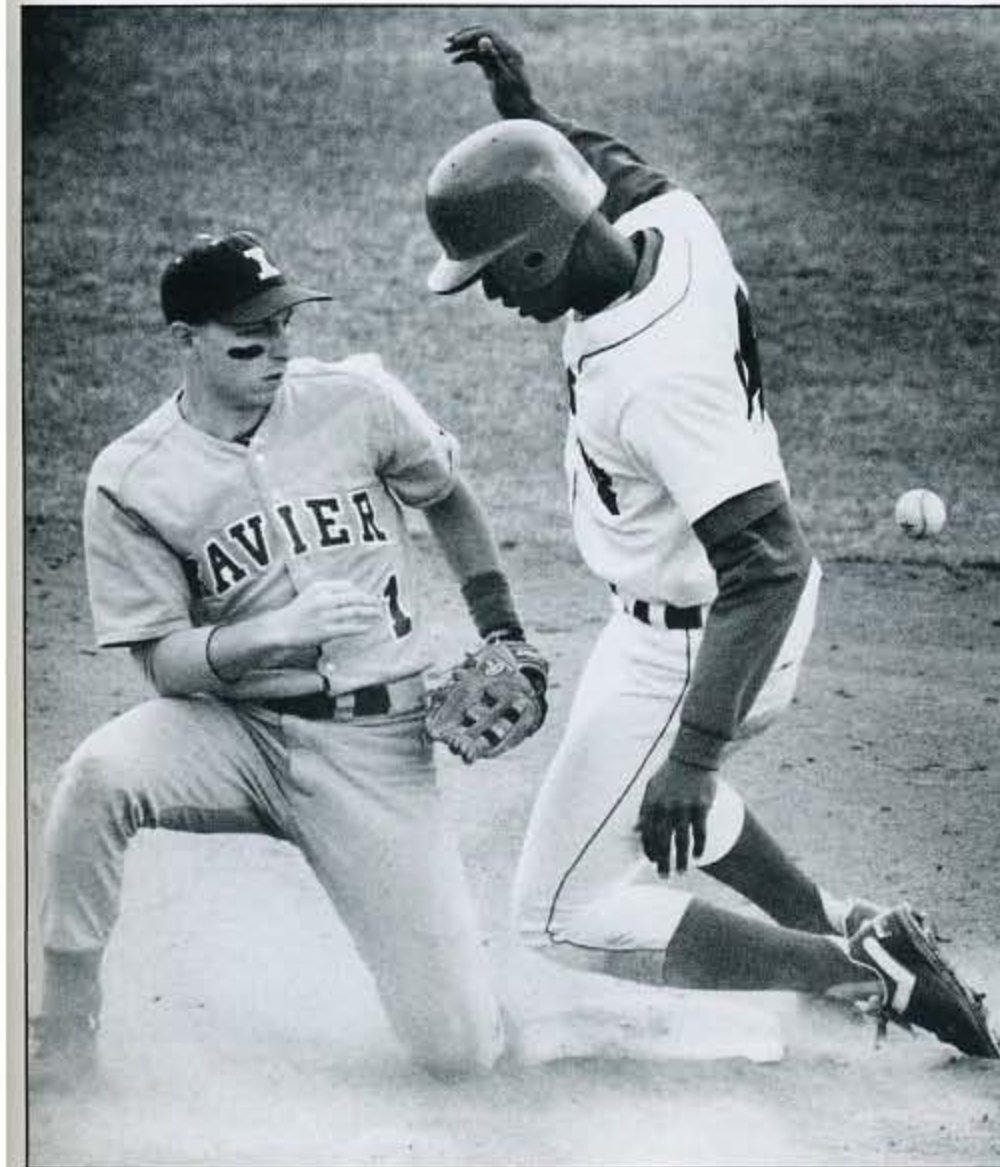
Murrie was not surprised to see Turner bounce back from a disappointing junior season. "What he did over the duration of the season was outstanding," Murrie said. "The fact that he came back from a sub-par year did not surprise me. Knowing Chris the

way I do, it would have surprised me more if he hadn't."

Haynes was first team All-Sun Belt and became the first Topper to earn 10 wins during the regular season. Two other Toppers — Bowling Green senior Ledogar, who finished his career with 20 wins and 166 strikeouts, and second baseman McDonald, who led Western with nine home runs — were named to the All-Sun Belt second team.

Even though the Toppers fell short in the tournament, Murrie couldn't fault his team's effort.

"The pitching staff as a whole was the most outstanding staff we've ever had as far as consistency goes," Murrie said. "I was very pleased with the team's consistency as a whole. There were never any low points." ♦♦♦



Chuck Wing

## A ballpark figure

Topper player Chris Turner garnered some major honors for himself after the season. He was named to the Converse/American Baseball Coaches Association All-South Region First Team as an outfielder May 29, and was selected by the California Angels in the seventh round of the major league baseball draft June 3.

Turner hit .394 last season and led the Toppers with 48 runs batted in, 24 doubles, 25 stolen bases, 40 walks, 74 hits and a .538 on-base percentage. He also struck out only nine times in 188 at-bats.

He did all this after a nightmarish junior year in which he hit only .212 with two home runs, but Turner said it was the best thing that ever happened to him. "It taught me that my talent won't carry me," he said. "It's better that it happened when it did instead of later on (in the pros) where it could ruin my career."

And after hard work in the offseason, Turner had his finest year on the Hill. "I was happy with my season," he said. "If you work hard, good things will happen — your goals will be reached."

He is the fourth player in Western baseball history to be named to the All-South team. Catcher Ralph Antone (1981-83), third baseman Rob Tomberlin (1985) and first baseman Mike Williams (1981) also were All-South.

XAVIER UNIVERSITY'S second baseman Mike Lassandro attempts to catch a poorly thrown ball as Western's Marion Baker, a Thomasville, Ala., senior, slides safely into base. Western won all three games against Xavier this year.

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At a **QUAKE** Day Party, Louisville sophomore Howard Shoaf, PeeWee Valley sophomore Chris Chmielewski and Louisville senior Andy Lyons dance as they await the falsely predicted earthquake. The party was sponsored by Louisville seniors Steve Deckel and Tim Lally.

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*Thirty years ago, if a student violated campus rules s(he) could not receive any visitors and s(he) had to sign in hourly during the evening. S(he) could also be restricted to his/her floor or room.*

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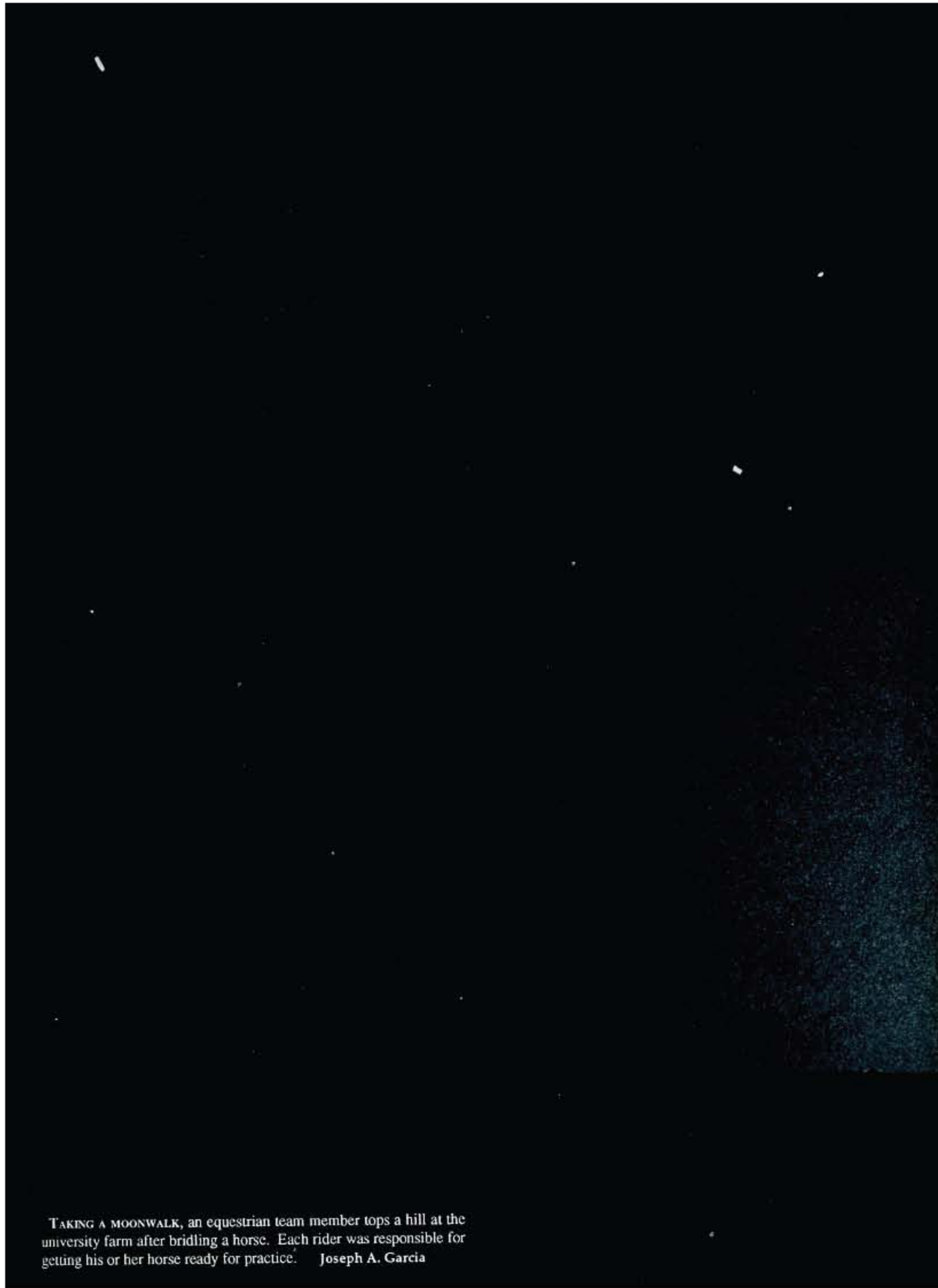
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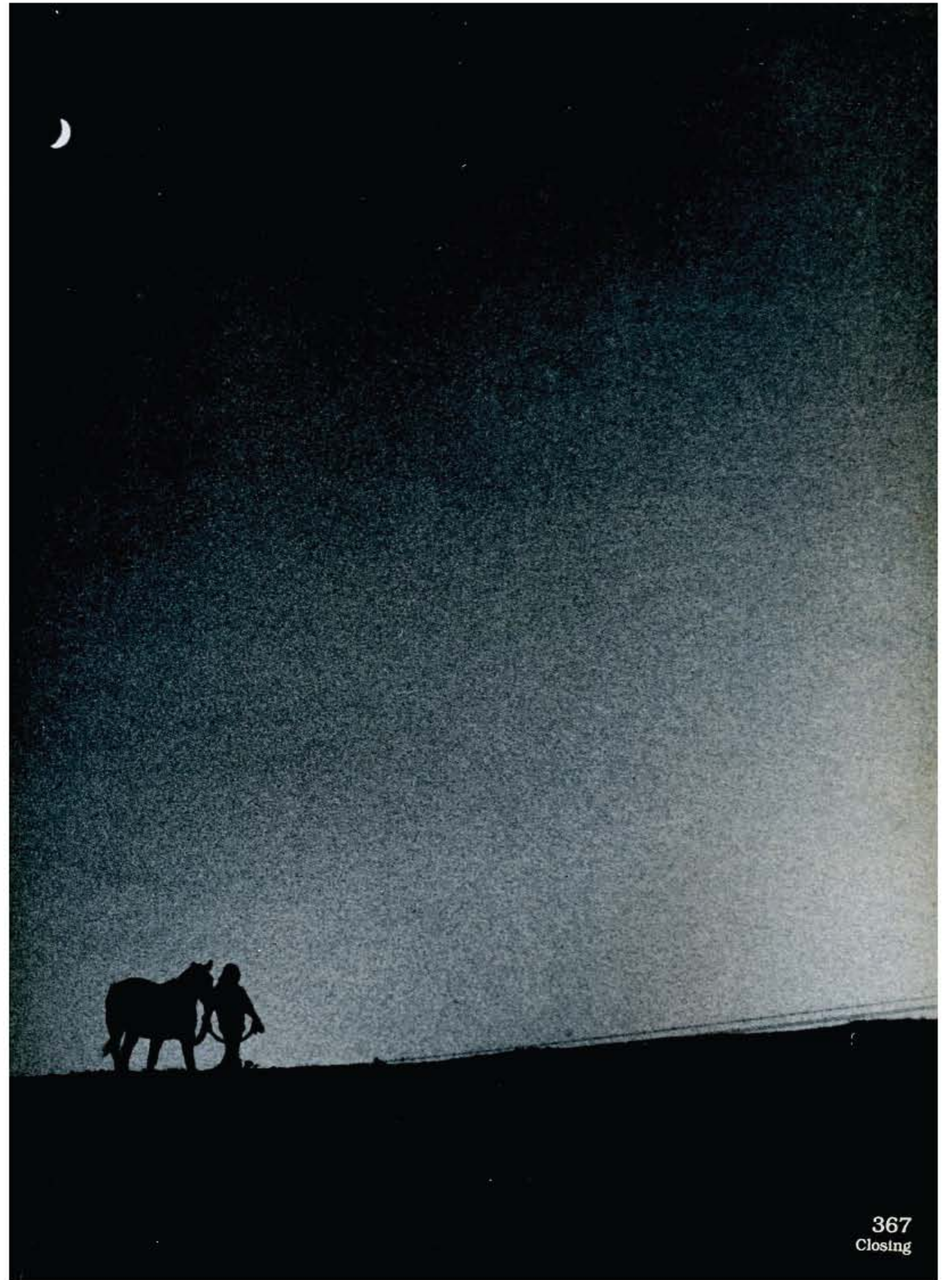
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Barry Williams  
SOON-TO-BE-GRADUATES line the ramps of Diddle Arena while waiting to make their entrance. Each graduate was recognized by name.



TAKING A MOONWALK, an equestrian team member tops a hill at the university farm after bridling a horse. Each rider was responsible for getting his or her horse ready for practice. Joseph A. Garcia





*While the rest of the world was in the process of establishing a new world order, we were in the process of establishing our own.*

*The face of campus began to change with the beginning of construction of two residence halls and a health and activity center at the bottom of the Hill. And the working and reworking of Western XXI, a policy designed to prioritize departmental budgets, promised to shuffle our very foundations.*

*So as a society, our campus questioned our priorities and prejudices and actively sought to make a change in our world, perhaps for the first time realizing that such power was within each of us.*

*And, thereby, we took a part of that world with us when we left the Hill, because each of us had given a part of ourselves. Each of us made up a year in the life of The Western World.*

**AFTER THE GLOBETROTTERS** game in Diddle Arena, Jim Zoll of Lexington waits while his grandchildren try to get autographs. Zoll said it was his fifth Globetrotter game. Steve Smart



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