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VOTER GUIDE

The Herald invited election candidates in local races to respond to questions about their platform and what makes them qualified for the position for which they are running. Information was provided by each candidate/campaign via email unless otherwise noted. Responses in print have been edited for brevity. The full, unedited response from each candidate of each local race is available on wkuherald.com.



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State Representative for 20th District



PATTI MINTER
AGE: 54
PARTY: DEMOCRAT
OCCUPATION: WKU PROFESSOR OF HISTORY

Relevant experience:

Minter is a mom, history professor and longtime community advocate. As an educator for the past 25 years, Minter said she has stood up for her students, and as the faculty regent on the WKU Board of Regents for seven years, for public education.

"As a strong advocate for civil rights in our community, I've stood up for our LGBTQ community. I'm the only candidate in my race with experience voting on multi-million-dollar budgets and policies that affect thousands of people across Kentucky, and I'll never back down from what is right."

What is your platform?

Minter said she is committed to fighting for everyday Kentuckians as the next state representative, whether that means investing in schools, raising the minimum wage, guarding animal welfare, protecting health care or increasing affordable housing. Minter said many of Kentucky's problems can be tackled by fully funding public education, including public universities, which, among other things, will allow lower tuition and make college more affordable for students and their families.

"I'm also committed to being a voice for equality as your next state representative by strengthening Kentucky's civil rights laws, cleaning up a culture of sexual harass-

ment in Frankfort, and expanding voting rights," she said.

If elected, what would be your top priorities?

Minter's top three priorities are supporting public education, protecting pensions for state workers, and bringing good-paying jobs to Bowling Green. She said budget cuts need to stop, and lost funding needs to be restored. She said she will also fight to keep pension promises made to public employees and to bring good-paying jobs to Bowling Green.

"If you have to work multiple jobs just to make ends meet, you're not being paid a living wage, and we can and should do better," she said.



BENJAMIN LAWSON
AGE: 28
PARTY: REPUBLICAN
OCCUPATION: INSURANCE AGENT WITH VAN METER INSURANCE GROUP

Relevant experience:

Lawson said his career in business, experience in community leadership and growing up in Bowling Green will contribute to his ability to effectively represent the community.

He has been the youth chair for the Warren County GOP since 2012, and he chartered the Southern Kentucky Young Republicans chapter of the National Young Republicans in Bowling Green the year after. He was the co-vice chair for the 2016 Presidential caucus for Warren County and worked with local organizations in town. He both attended and worked for the Bowling Green City School System and has volunteered with HOTEL INC, Room in the Inn, the Foundry, the United Way. He is currently the administrative chair at State Street United Methodist. He is a member of the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce

and a Bowling Green Young Professional. He was named a WNKY Emerging leader in 2018.

"These organizations showed me that we can affect change if we focus on getting things done and working together," he said.

What is your platform?

Lawson's platform is "to challenge the status quo and to fight for a new kind of politics. I want to be a candidate that is for something, not just running against things."

Lawson said he wants to give a voice to those people who feel they have lost it in "this extreme partisan age."

He has identified three points to create a "F.I.T. government," a government that is fiscally responsible and sustainable; invests in the future, the people and infrastructure; and is transparent and

efficient in how it spends the tax payer dollar.

If elected, what would be your top priorities?

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Construction for 'first-year village' slated to begin

BY EMILY DELETTTER

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The Board of Regents reviewed a plan for a new first-year village for students that will eventually take the place of the current Bemis Lawrence and Barnes-Campbell residence halls in an effort to increase retention as part of WKU's strategic plan.

Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs Mike Reagle presented the housing plan to the Board during its committee meeting Friday.

Reagle said the plan for a first-year village has been set "for a number of years" and is consistent to what WKU has been called to do in the strategic plan to give each WKU freshman the "opportunity to reside in living/learning communities (LLC) in the proposed first-year village."

Reagle said WKU should follow a "Disney-style philosophy" when it comes to looking at housing on campus. That means offering different costs and amenities at those costs while still providing the students in residence halls a WKU experience.

In a presentation to the Board of Regents, Reagle said WKU provides the second lowest university enrollment cost across the state of Kentucky.

"That can be interpreted as good,

or that can be interpreted as a little bit of a challenge for us," he said. "As you look at those costs, you can interpret that it's less expensive, but there are folks that can interpret that it's cheap or less quality. We've got to make sure we are providing quality as well as an affordable experience for students."

The first-year village will encompass two new residence halls which will be wrapped around a quad-style green space in the middle. The current parking lot in that space, the Pearce-Ford Tower lot, will be removed and relocated to across the street where the current commuter parking lot is located. The commuter lot will be moved to a new lot at the top of the hill.



Mike Reagle

Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs

The buildings' interiors will consist of three pods per floor which will be independent communities that will allow students to be engaged with faculty and staff members and participate in more community learning.

A more traditional style layout of the residence hall with a shared community bathroom will exist in the building as well as a few hotel-style rooms on each floor, similar to newly constructed Hilltopper Hall. A common space lounge area will exist on each floor for students to use.

"This plan allows us to have a 25-to-one ratio with an RA [resident Advisor]," Reagle said. "As we talk about engagement and we talk about

trying to get students connected to the university, we've got to have smaller numbers."

The cost to live in the new buildings will be an increased price compared

"As we talk about engagement and we talk about trying to get students connected to the university."

Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs
MIKE REAGLE

to other residence halls on campus, Reagle said. He compared the price as similar to Hilltopper Hall, which costs \$2,807 per year.

Bemis Lawrence Hall is estimated to be demolished during summer 2019. The following fall will complete the construction of the first new building as well as the demolition of Barnes-Campbell Hall.

Concerning the shifting of resident and commuter parking, Vice President for Student Affairs Brian Kuster presented a new plan to the Board of Regents in a specially called meeting. Designed by the WKU Student Life Foundation, the 1400 block of Park and High streets will

be used to "offset the parking that would be lost in the PFT parking lot... the commuter student parking would then be on the Park and High Street lot," according to a statement in a document provided at the meeting.

"One of the things that this parking swap will do is allow commuter students who really want to park closer to the top of the hill be more proximate to their classes and at the same time create an opportunity for a green space, and student parking will essentially move across the street from where it is today," President Timothy Caboni said. "It is a win-win situation in addition to a property transfer."

Kuster proposed the Student Life Foundation would pay for all construction of the parking lots as well as improvements needed on Cabell Drive, which could include a sidewalk widening. Construction is predicted to begin in the next few months.

Parking and Transportation would also provide a shuttle bus to the location.

"It really is just a block from campus, actually less walking distance than the Chestnut Street lot," Kuster said. "It is actually a little closer for our commuter students."

The Board unanimously approved the property transfer.

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Will local voters 'make Warren County wet'?

BY EMMA AUSTIN

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After checking boxes next to their preferred candidates' names, Warren County voters will choose next Tuesday whether or not to legalize the sale of alcoholic beverages across the county.

A 1960 election legalized alcohol sales in the city of Bowling Green, but the rest of the county remains dry after a 1957 vote made it so, according to Bowling Green Daily News archives.

As of August 2018, 48 counties in Kentucky were wet. A county may be moist if one or more cities within it has voted to become wet.

For the vote to appear on the ballot, a petition had to be signed by a number of Warren County voters equal to 25 percent of votes cast in the last general election. The campaign "Make Warren County Wet" got 14,000 signatures on the petition that needed at least 12,300 to get the vote on the ballot.

Angie Mosley, owner of Highland Stables event venue located just outside of Bowling Green, started the petition to get the vote on the Warren County ballot with a few other venue owners after they found out they couldn't bring in third party sellers to their venues.

"When we all opened our venues, we knew that we couldn't sell alcohol, and none of us wanted to, to be quite

honest," Mosley said. "But if the bride and groom want to drink champagne at their wedding, I want them to be able to do that."

Mosley said she went to a lot of mom and pop shops around the county outside Bowling Green city limits while campaigning to get signatures on the petition, and quite a few of them were struggling and believed being able to sell drinks could be a game changer.

"There's just a need," Mosley said. "I think the small businesses in the county should have the same rights as the big businesses [in the city]."

The results of the election become effective 60 days after the election is certified. If the measure passes, Warren County will need to start the ordinance process immediately after the election so local licenses and fees are in place before the county becomes wet.

Destin, Florida, junior Austin McPherson said he didn't think staying dry would be a good idea for Warren County after what he's heard



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A vote on whether or not to make Warren County wet will be on the Nov. 6 ballot. If voters elect to make the county wet, alcohol sales will be legal county-wide.

from his dad, who lived in a dry county for a long time.

"Booze was still sold, there were a lot of people not being safe," McPherson said. "Being able to tax and help the city, to know and control when people buy it, it's better."

Freshman Kenzie Crowe is registered to vote in Allen County but said if she were voting in Warren County, she would vote wet.

"I don't think there's any reason why it shouldn't be wet," Crowe said. "I think there's opportunities for jobs, and people could get some liquor, which is nice. But that's about it."

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Fraternity member brings firearm to float site

BY EMMA AUSTIN
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WKU Police received reports on Thursday night of a student taking out a firearm at the Delta Tau Delta and Chi Omega float site during Homecoming preparations.

According to the reports, a student made Chi Omega sorority members nervous while they were working on their float for the parade by making comments concerning firearms. He then took out a firearm and laid it on a work table at the float location, according to the police report.

The student did not make direct threats, "but the sorority was concerned and wanted the incident re-

ported to WKU Police," the report stated. He has not been charged.

Delta Tau Delta's chapter at WKU began its recolonization this semester after it was suspended in 2014 because of poor operations.

Director of chapter services for Delta Tau Delta Doug Russell said in an email that members of WKU's Delta Tau Delta colony contacted the national office "to express concern about an issue that took place during its homecoming preparation."

"In addition to reaching out to the Fraternity's Central Office, colony leadership contacted its local advisory team and the university," Russell said. "The Fraternity and the local advisory team are working with the colony to look into the incident."

Russell declined to comment

whether the student is still a member of the organization. He said a

"The Fraternity and the local advisory team are working with the colony to look into the incident."

Director of Chapter Services
DOUG RUSSELL

tral office traveled to Bowling Green last weekend, and an additional staff member is on campus now as part of an already scheduled visit.

"We look forward to continuing to support the colony as it re-establishes the Epsilon Xi Chapter," Russell said.

WKU Director of Student Activities Charley Pride said the incident is being handled by the Office of Student Conduct, which declined to comment.

Crime reporter Spencer Harsh contributed reporting.

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Kentucky Museum hosts celebration of WKU professors

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When long-time poet and WKU English professor Mary Ellen Miller died in June, her colleagues in the English department decided there must be a way to honor her contributions to poetry, and the contributions to southern literature made by her husband, Jim Wayne Miller.

The English Department decided to rename Miller's creation, the Celebration of Writing, to the Mary Ellen and Jim Wayne Miller Celebration of Writing. The event was held at the Kentucky Museum on Sunday.

The event was presented by university historian David Lee, who said he knew Mary Ellen and Jim Wayne Miller for many years.

"Mary Ellen and Jim Wayne were linked not only by their love of good writing, but also by their commitment to helping fledgling writers develop their craft," Lee said.

English department head Rob Hale also spoke about his experiences with Miller.

"I was only fortunate to know Mary Ellen for about five years but, in the time I knew her, she had the tendency to put Jim Wayne's work front and

"So many words come to mind when I think of her but chiefly, I think of intelligence, strength and determination."

Assistant Professor of English
JESS FOLK

center," Hale said. "She was always putting others first."

The event consisted of readings of original poetry by former students of Miller and also included a reading of some of her writing by those who worked with her.

Among the students who spoke at the event was Michaela Miller, a former student of Professor Miller's, and a poet. Michaela Miller's poem, Portrait of a Bowl of Beans, won third place in the 2017 Celebration of Writing poetry contest.

"She encouraged me not only to write poetry, but to read it in front of people, submit to literary journals and embrace my writing," Miller said.

Past presenters of the Celebration of Writing were mentioned and submitted remarks to be read aloud in their absence. Assistant professor of English Jess Folk spoke on behalf of bestselling author Silas House.

"Mary Ellen Miller was one of my favorite people," Folk said for House. "So many words come to

mind when I think of her but chiefly, I think of intelligence, strength and determination."

Professor Miller's son Fred was in attendance with his wife Lynne and daughter Marietta. Fred Miller came to the Celebration of Writing with his family each year.

"It feels like being with her again," Fred Miller said. "It's a really important day for our family and for a lot of people."

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WKU to host annual International Education Week

BY EMILY DELETTER
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In a weeklong celebration of WKU's history and connections with international education and global learning, the Office of International Programs will be hosting its annual International Education Week Nov. 3-9.

The Office of Study Abroad and Global Learning, the English as a Second Language International program and the Office of Scholar Development as well as classroom-based programs will feature a variety of international learning inspired programs. From a story slam to several dialogue series, students have the opportunity to discover more about international education at WKU.

"In big picture terms, it's so important to have students training to work in a competitive global workforce," Office of International Programs Coordinator Lauren Reyes said. "[International Education Week] enriches their academia experience and enhances disciplines across the board."

This is the second year the Office of International Programs has

focused more specifically on the various classroom dialogues that will be taking place along the other scheduled programs during the week. Reyes said these dialogues are more meaningful for students when they pertain to topics that apply to majors or disciplines.

"Anything that fosters dialogue and gets students talking and researching information that pertains to international topics can open so many doors," Reyes said.

The Office of Study Abroad and Global Learning will host the kickoff event Saturday with StorySLAM: Serendipity at Spencer's Coffee. Any student who has studied abroad is invited to share a story "about their most serendipitous moments, whether big or small," the website stated. Audience members will be able to vote for their favorite story, and the winner will receive a prize.

WKU's English as a Second Language International program participates annually in International Education Week. This year they will be coordinating a few events in conjunction with the week in which students can visit different parts of campus to learn about a specific country or culture. Game nights, movie nights and discussions about different cultures will also take place

during the week. ESLI Assistant Director Valerie Phelps said this is the first year ESLI

important part of their academic studies," Phelps said she believes

"Anything that fosters dialogue and gets students talking and researching information that pertains to international topics can open so many doors."

Office of International Programs Coordinator
LAUREN REYES

will host an International Education Conference which will take place Monday at Tate Page Hall. Phelps said it chose a conference to focus on the academic side of international studies.

Conference attendees will visit poster sessions, round table discussions, presentations and information tables showcasing a wide range of topics. There is no charge to attend the conference.

"We wanted to showcase research and information done by international students and the research done about international studies," Phelps said. "This will also give students the opportunity to be a part of a conference, which is an

International Education Week is important for the international students she works with because it gives them an opportunity to learn more about the U.S. and the world around them.

"IEW [International Education Week] gives them a chance to go out and learn about this diverse America and add their diversity to it," she said. "It is important for WKU students because going to this university means expanding your mind and your world, and IEW accomplishes this."

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Kentucky Museum to establish youth scholarship

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The Kentucky Museum is in the process of fundraising for a new scholarship for elementary school-aged children to attend its annual art camps under WKU's Fall 2018 SpiritFunder campaign.

Through this scholarship, kids from low-income families in Bowling Green will be able to attend one of the Kentucky Museum's week-long art camps, which usually costs \$150, cost free.

"When we looked at our funding needs, we realized that one-in-five families in Bowling Green are low-income families," Kentucky Museum Fundraising Coordinator Tiffany Isselhardt said. "With the continued cuts to art education in public schools we're seeing, a scholarship fund seemed like the best answer."

Isselhardt said the museum is hoping to pilot the program beginning next year, eventually establishing an endowment. Its goal this year is to raise at least \$1,500, which would completely cover the camp costs for 10 children.

"This is a huge opportunity for WKU to realize that what major students have ties back to arts and culture," she said. "They are a fundamental part of our lives, and the Kentucky Museum is a wonderful place to begin to engage with arts, culture and different ideas."

Isselhardt said the museum is currently looking for corporate sponsors and grants as well as raising money from the general public. The

WKU foundation is further supporting by promoting the fundraiser through social media and helping to identify businesses and individuals in the community interested in donating.

WKU's artist in residence Lynne Ferguson said the camps have been running for the last 15 years. These week-long camps are mainly art-focused, which can vary from painting and drawing to pottery and weaving. Ferguson, who typically helps

run the camps, said a scholarship would be a good way to reach out to children who were normally not as exposed to that kind of experience.

"It's a wonderful way to help families who don't often have the funds to do extra things for their children, like send them to art camps," Ferguson said. "Our goal



Tiffany Isselhardt
Kentucky Museum Fundraising Coordinator



The Kentucky Museum is starting a fundraising SpiritFunder campaign for a new scholarship aimed at elementary school students to attend the museum's annual art camp.

is always to hope that the kids feel accomplished or like they've created something important."

Through the scholarships and art camps, the Kentucky Museum's goal is to provide art education and involvement with the museum.

"Art education is vital," Isselhardt said. "It's what makes somebody a good citizen. For little kids, we're not

just giving them these artistic skills but a way to express themselves and help deal with whatever they encounter in their lives."

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Organizations provide resources to victims of Domestic violence

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Throughout the month of October, there have been events on campus to raise awareness of domestic violence and the resources available to victims. On campus and in the Bowling Green community, there are several resources directly focused on helping victims of domestic violence.

Pam Hurt, assistant director of the Barren River Area Safe Space, has worked at the organization for the past 20 years. She said it is the only shelter for domestic violence victims in Glasgow, Bowling Green and surrounding counties.

She said BRASS has received over 5,200 calls this past year and held 28 non-resident individuals at the shelter.

"We do our best when it comes to our clients to keep them safe," Hurt said. "At the end of the day, you have to have the mindset that you have done all you can with helping them."

Hurt said once someone calls the crisis line the organization does all it can to resolve the issue. If somebody calls and needs help with filing an order, criminal justice cases or relocating and finding somewhere to stay, she said BRASS is able to help.

Additionally, there are protective law orders in place for victims seeking shelter at BRASS. A victim can press charges once a referral is in place if a defendant on-site comes

to the shelter trying to harass them. The referral will be put on file, and they may proceed with further action depending on what the case is about.

Another off-campus resource is Hope Harbor, located in Bowling Green. The non-profit organization serves 10 surrounding counties and provides free and confidential services to anyone impacted by sexual violence, according to its website.

"We are committed to our community to affect social change to eliminate all forms of sexual violence, advocate for the rights of survivors of sexual assault and abuse, and provide specialized treatment interventions," according to the website.

Melanie Evans, the coordinator of WKU Student Conduct, provides services for students who are victims of sexual assault. She has been the coordinator since July 2014. The WKU Office of Student Conduct is located at Potter Hall. Evans said she encourages students in a domestic violence case to schedule an appointment with the office and file

a complaint with a full description of the incident.

Another resource available to students is the WKU Counseling and Testing Center, located in Potter Hall. Students can schedule an appointment between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Elizabeth Madariaga, the sexual assault services coordinator, aids students dealing with domestic violence. She said the center is a substantial support system for students dealing with domestic violence cases.

Additionally, Madariaga said the counselors and office are also required to keep things confidential between the students and their counselors. Star, the counseling center's animal-assisted therapy dog, is also available at the counseling center for comfort during therapy sessions.

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Melanie Evans
WKU Student Council coordinator

"We are committed to our community to affect social change to eliminate all forms of sexual violence."

WKU Student Council coordinator
MELANIE EVANS

Bowling Green City Commissioners

SUE PARRIGIN
AGE: NO RESPONSE
OCCUPATION: NO RESPONSE

Relevant experience:

Parrigin serves as city commissioner and is seeking her third term. She is a board member for the Inter-modal

Transportation Authority and the Downtown Tax Incremental Finance Committee, as well as an active member of the Bowling Green Area Chamber of Commerce.

What is your platform?

Improving community growth and financial responsibility by focusing on job development and reducing city debt without raising taxes. "We are enhancing the quality of life throughout the community by implementing our Parks Master

Plan and sidewalk/overlay programs throughout the City," she said. "We are also enhancing some roads for better traffic flow like our Smallhouse Road project and many more across the community set for this year with no new debt! Bowling Green's growth has allowed increased income, and decrease in unemployment and poverty rates."

VICTORIA GOLDEN-THOMPSON
AGE: 37
OCCUPATION: MILITARY FAMILY LIFE COUNSELOR

Relevant experience:

Golden-Thompson has lived in Bowling Green for most of her life and graduated from Warren Central and WKU. She has an undergraduate

degree in mass communications and a master's in sociology and counseling. She has taken coursework in post-secondary education administration, passed the comprehensive exams, but did not finish her dissertation. "Having worked with people from all walks of life in our community, I have gained knowledge and experience that have helped me identify areas of strength and areas of improvement in

Bowling Green."

What is your platform?

Term limits for commissioners, fairness ordinance, universal tenant rights, education assistance, no new taxes, transparency, stop rezoning of agricultural lands to build apartments, businesses, etc. She supports the Fairness Ordinance,

as well as the Universal Tenant Rights to standardize lease agreements and not contain waivers that leave the tenant at a disadvantage. She is against any new taxes and wants the Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship to be expanded to universities. She also wants to stop rezoning agriculture and other land to build more apartments and housing developments.

W. PAUL CARTER
AGE: 39
OCCUPATION: RETAIL

Relevant experience:

A lifetime of political activism. Carter came out as queer in 1996, created and distributed pro equality educational materials at Allen County Scottsville High, and participated in protesting against "Hell House," an

ultra right-wing haunted house that depicted violence against women and gay men.

In college, Carter became involved in the anti-war movement of the early 2000's, protesting the invasions of Iraq and Afghanistan as well as the passage of the USA Patriot Act. He's worked with Food Not Bombs to feed unhoused people and Greenpeace to save the whales. As a lifetime follower of politics and public policy, Carter

said he is well situated to bring innovative solutions to the problems that face our growing city.

What is your platform?

Carter's platform is focused on economic justice and bringing jobs to our city that pay a minimum of \$15 an hour. "Investing in infrastructure in our poorer neighborhoods while imposing

strong rent control measures that keep current residents from being priced out," he said.

Carter is also committed to passing URLTA and the Fairness Ordinance, as well as taking Utah's "Housing First" approach to homelessness. "I believe that our city is well positioned to lead Kentucky in Green Energy initiatives and as City Commissioner I will keep my eye fixed on a sustainable future," he said.

RICHARD C. THORNTON
AGE: 72
OCCUPATION: RETIRED EDUCATOR

Relevant experience:

Thornton was national president of the National School Public Relations Association which is an elected

position and was twice Kentucky President of the Kentucky School Public Relations Association. "Unlike many on the commission my service will be full time as I am a retiree, and I can devote all of my time to the business of serving the citizens of Bowling Green," he said.

What is your platform?

Thornton said he would primarily like to see a more open and transparent government. Currently, the commission meets at 4:30 p.m. which may be inconvenient for many people to attend the meeting, and

the actual discussion of items is held at a separate time, which Thornton said is also inconvenient for people to attend and hear the debate about what is going on in city government. He supports having a transparent government and passing the Fairness Ordinance.

CARLOS D. BAILEY
AGE: 42
OCCUPATION: LAWYER

Relevant experience:

Bailey grew up in poverty to a single parent while living in Bowling Green. "I know what it's like to work hard, achieve a law degree and become a

small business owner," he said. "I'm an advocate and often speak spoke for those who have no voice. And I want better for my children, family, friends and every single person living in our community."

What is your platform?

Bailey's platform is building sensible

economic growth and jobs, fixing city transportation and infrastructure, developing economic opportunities and youth programs, pursuing affordable housing and neighborhood revitalization, building an entertainment and food district to attract new talent and keep local talent in our community, working with homeless outreach groups and experts to establish

innovative solutions and create work to earn programs and transitional housing program, establishing areas of community gardens in food dessert zones, establishing goals to hire local contractors and local workforce for city projects, and ensuring every person living in Bowling Green Kentucky has the same opportunity to work and live.



JENNIFER ANN MORLAN
(ANSWERED QUESTIONS OVER PHONE)
AGE: 42
OCCUPATION: BUSINESS OWNER

Relevant experience:

Morlan said she has experience running a business. "I'm standing up to the mayor of this

town by myself, and what I'm doing is I want to help people," she said. "I don't have any education to qualify, but I am standing up to the mayor. I am standing up to everybody in this town."

What is your platform?

Better transportation, standing up for

people's rights, helping the homeless at the homeless shelter, establishing small businesses. Morlan said she the commission needs to focus on grants to get money for projects and would propose that each committee have a grant writer.



BRIAN "SLIM" NASH
AGE: 48
OCCUPATION: DIRECTOR OF WESTERN KENTUCKY COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR USPIRITUS, INC.

Relevant experience:

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tive government; to provide supreme governmental services at the lowest appropriate cost; to ensure that our city can compete effectively in an ever expanding local, state, national & international economy; and to improve the quality of life for all who call Bowling Green home.

JOE W. DENNING

AGE: 72
PARTY: BOWLING GREEN CITY COMMISSIONER

Relevant experience:

He served for 24 years as a commissioner.

What is your platform?

Jobs for the citizens of Bowling Green

DON LANGLEY
AGE: 70
OCCUPATION: REAL ESTATE

Relevant experience:

30 plus years small businessman (real estate), graduate of WKU 1975 in Parks & Recreation

What is your platform?

Langley supports racial and economic equality and fairness. He said Bowling Green needs more low income apartment housing and low income residential houses, which he said can be paid for by taking a certain percentage of new construction projects and applying to a low income housing

fund. He said he will work on getting Bowling Green's debt of \$85 million paid off in five years instead of 30 years. "I think we need new blood, new ideas on the Bowling Green City Commission to move Bowling Green forward in the coming years," he said.



DANA BEASLEY-BROWN
AGE: 36
OCCUPATION: ASSISTANT COORDINATOR, YOUTH SERVICES CENTER, BOWLING GREEN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Relevant experience:

2004 WKU graduate, mother of two kids and a pastor's wife. Along with her work in schools, Beasley-Brown has led numerous non-profit boards to improve quality of life in our city.

What is your platform?

"I cherish our city because this is my home," she said. "I work in our schools and community to empower families so every child can dream big -right here in Bowling Green." Beasley-Brown said it is vital to grow "with a vision of the city we want to be-

come." She said investing in bike trails, sidewalks and green spaces will help people live, work and play to the fullest in Bowling Green.

She said the economic development plan must be forward-thinking and we must modernize infrastructure and policies to ensure the brightest workforce in the world.

RICK WILLIAMS
AGE: 64
OCCUPATION: GENERAL MANAGER, FOREVER COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Relevant experience:

Williams has served on the Bowling Green City Commission for

three terms and is currently seeking re-election for a fourth term. He has a business management and marketing background.

What is your platform?

Williams said he considers myself more of a public servant than a politician.

"I'm honored that the citizens of this community have put their faith in me to represent them and do whatever I can to make everything as good as possible for them," he said. "If I see something that I think needs doing, I try to tackle it rather than saying 'that's not my job.'" Williams said he has "no particular axe to grind and no pet projects or

specific agendas to try to force upon my fellow community members." "My goal is and has always been to leave things in better shape than when I first encountered them," he said. "I've enjoyed working hard to serve the citizens of this community and look forward to the opportunity to continue doing so."

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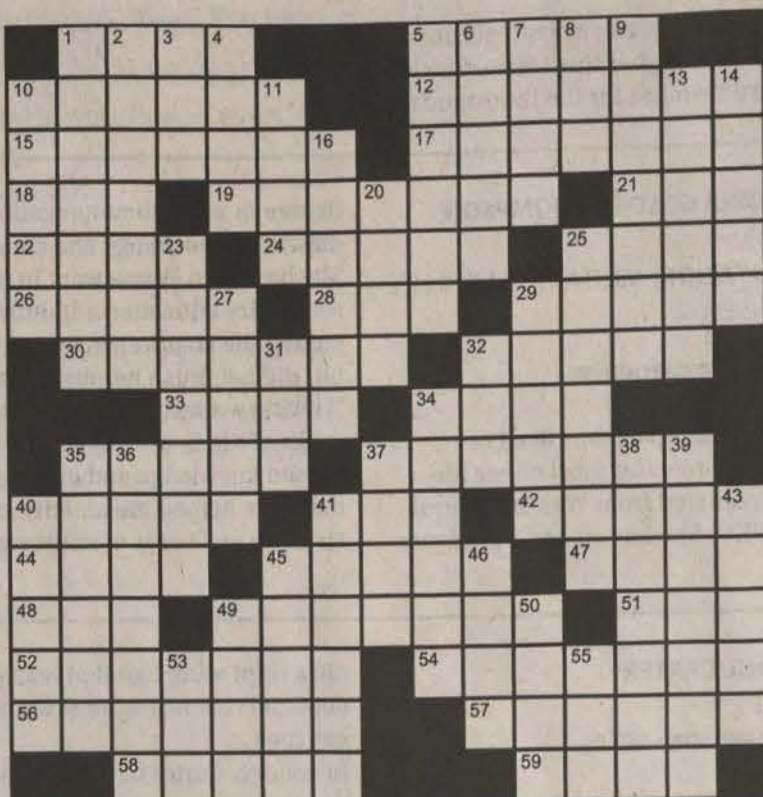
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(a) 1924 (b) 1936 (c) 1952
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(a) Lake Tahoe (b) Squaw Valley (c) Lake Placid
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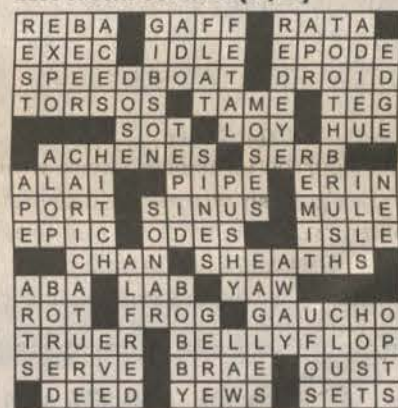
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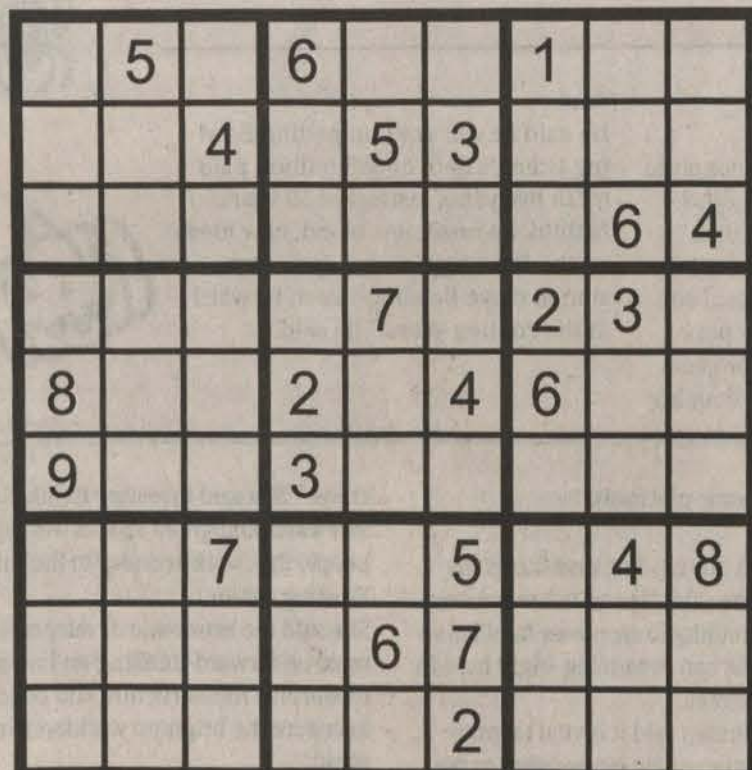
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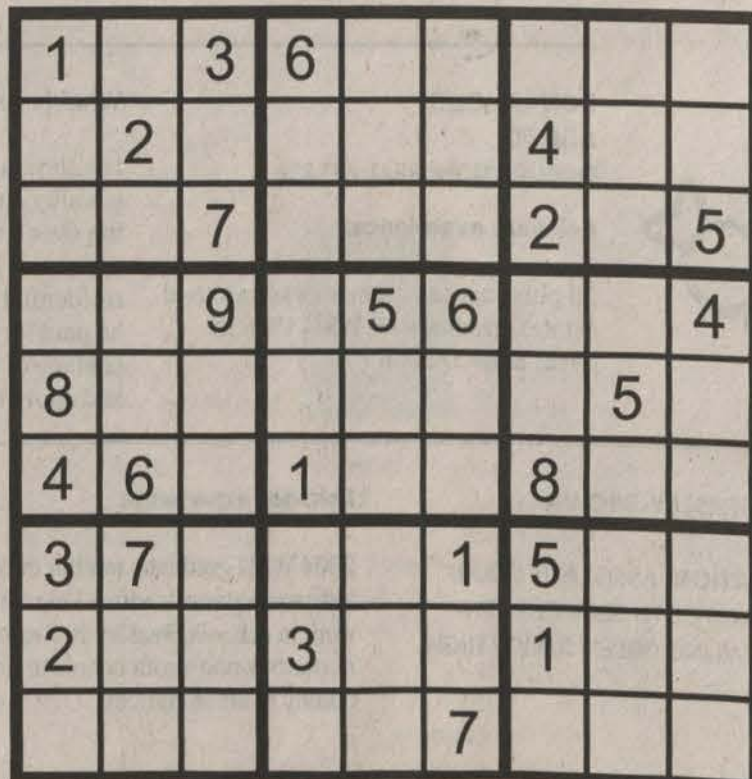
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LIGHTS, CAMERON, ACTION!

'So bad they're good' horror movies on Netflix

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While "Halloween" is in theaters scaring audiences with the return of Michael Myers, those who want to save money on a ticket or have already seen it may need something else to watch on Halloween night.

Netflix has an abundance of horror movies to stream, from classics like "The Shining" to modern hits like "The Conjuring." Among these scary movies are those that shoot for comedy as well, and also ones that cause laughter for all the wrong reasons. Here are four of the best "so bad they're good" horror movies on Netflix.

"The Babysitter": A young boy learns his babysitter and her friends are part of a satanic cult after he stays up past his bedtime to spy on them in this horror/comedy. The film is a purposefully outrageous tribute to 80s horror films with ridiculous kills, gallons of squirting blood and enough self-awareness to bring some laughs.

"Doom": Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson and Karl Urban play space marines who must exterminate genetically engineered monsters whose sole purpose is to kill humans in this sci-fi/horror movie loosely based on the 1993 video game. The film offers enough gore for horror fans, and Johnson and Urban's charisma makes the silliness enjoyable.

"Satanic": Four college-aged friends traveling to Coachella stop along the way at different occult locations, but their self-proclaimed "satanic tourism" eventually backfires as they summon something that ruins their entire trip. The poor performances, weak writing and outlandish plot all make for unintentional comedy.

"Tusk": A cocky podcaster with a show about the strangest stories he can find is lured into an elderly man's mansion only to find out he's made the worst mistake of his life. Once there, the elderly man begins surgically transforming the podcaster into a walrus, and after it begins, it's far too bizarre to look away from.

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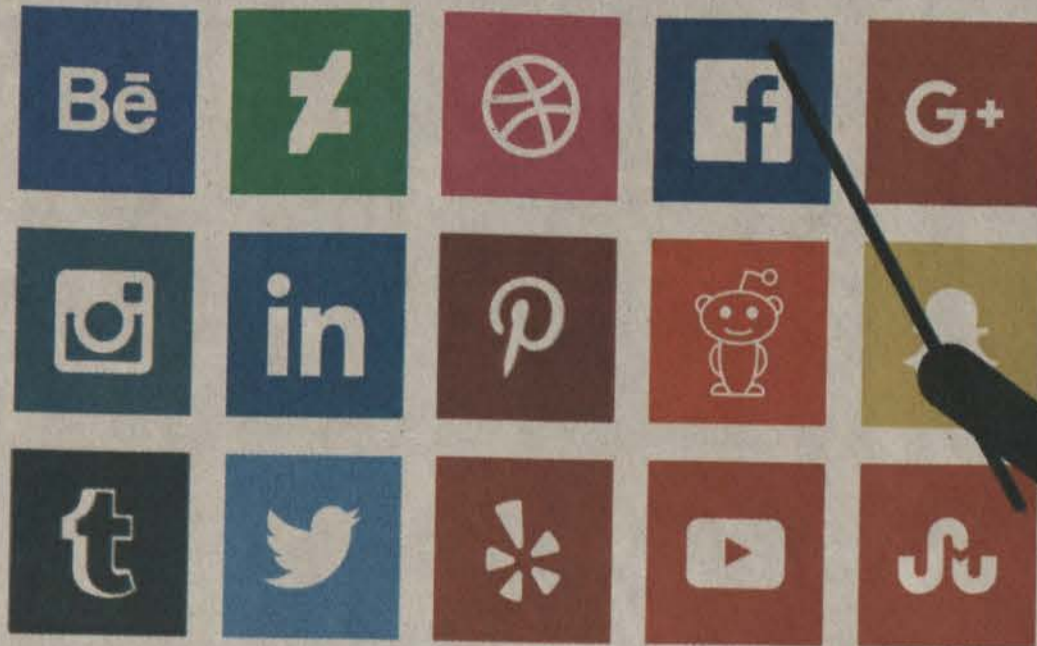


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TIME TO GET SOCIAL

School of journalism and broadcasting falls short in social media

BY EDITORIAL BOARD

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The Issue: Young journalists often begin working at publications for its digital and social media teams, but there is only one 100-level course offered in the School of Journalism and Broadcasting dedicated to social media literacy.

Our Stance: A larger emphasis on online content management with a focus in social media presence would greatly benefit journalists entering the increasingly digital sphere of reporting.

The social shift from print to digital has forced publications to follow suit or miss out on its biggest opportunity for readership: internet viewers.

We've heard for years the landscape of news is changing more rapidly than most publications can afford to keep up with. It is virtually impossible to survive in the digital age without taking up some of that digital space, and news outlets are no exception.

What better way to get easy access to information in a way that is immediately gratifying to readers' curiosity than social media? At any given moment, major publications like Time, The Washington Post and People are updating news coverage on multiple media feeds.

For example, on Twitter, the Associated Press has specified feeds such as AP

Courtside Seat, Associated Press LA, AP NFL and AP Lifestyles. WKU's aspiring journalists should be well-prepared to meet such a high demand for fast content creation for social media feeds.

A focused education on social media content creation and management would be vastly beneficial to our journalism students. The school attempted to counter its deficit in social media education with the implementation of a course called New Media Literacy: Explorations in Participatory Culture. It is a 100-level course intended to establish "a framework to access, analyze, evaluate, create and interact with messages in a variety of digital forms, including social media."

The SJB prepares its students for a variety of writing, from short news reports to narrative feature writing and generally provides resources that cultivate well-rounded reporters and media creators; but it can't afford to fall behind the media wave at the expense of its journalists' future preparation.

An entry-level course will not satisfy the multitude of responsibilities the digital age has placed on the shoulders of young reporters. A change in curriculum that matches the ebb and flow of the times would put our students ahead, and it would prevent them from playing catch-up while on the job.

Northwestern University, one of the top ranked journalism schools in the country, has taken this initiative. The university's Medill School of Journalism, Media, and Integrated Marketing Communications offers Multimedia Storytell-

ing, which is similar to courses at WKU. Where its curriculum outshines WKU's in terms of social media literacy is in its selection of electives such as The Googlization of America, which discusses how Google and social media competitors alter journalism landscapes, and Journalism in a Networked World, which helps students "learn the principles that explain the groundbreaking science of networks and gain practical skills in areas such as website analytics, search engine optimization and social media strategy."

It also offers broader education on the research and analysis of online content and aims to answer questions like "Is Facebook saving or destroying the news industry?" with Research Methods: Collecting and Analyzing Audience Data in the Digital News Age.

WKU should add additional higher level courses on the topic of social media covering topics from creation and management to data analysis and its social impact in order to optimize students' capacity to function as a professional in the increasingly digital age.



Marijuana can help reduce opioid epidemic in Kentucky

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Canada's recent legalization of marijuana has many Americans asking for the same in our country. Although some may just want to legally get high or profit off the fast-growing industry, research shows marijuana could save lives by helping to reduce the current opioid epidemic.

Kentucky has the third highest rate of drug overdose in the nation with over 1,500 deaths last year. Opioids are frequently prescribed for treating pain, but what about safer alternatives? Marijuana's effectiveness in treating chronic pain means it could help reduce the amount of opioid-related deaths.

First, marijuana is a plant. It is composed of many chemicals known as cannabinoids, with THC and CBD being the two most common. Marijuana is listed by the DEA as a schedule I drug, along with heroin and others, which means the government classifies it as having no medical benefits. This makes it difficult for universities and researchers to clinically test its effects without facing legal issues. However, a 2016 neuroscience summit provides up-to-date evidence of marijuana's ability to repress pain, along with other benefits and risks.

On the other hand, opiates provide little relief in treating chronic pain, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends doctors to prescribe them only in rare cases. But in 2015, Kentucky providers wrote opioid prescriptions for, according to The National

Institute on Drug Abuse 97 people out of every 100—that's about 4.5 million prescriptions.

Multiple studies show that when people currently taking opioids for chronic pain were given cannabis, they preferred the cannabis. They also reduced their use of the opioids by 40-60 percent.

Another study finds that the non-psychoactive ingredient of cannabis, CBD, directly reduces heroin-seeking behavior.

States with medical marijuana dispensaries experienced reductions in opioid-related overdoses. These studies imply medical marijuana can be substituted for opioids, but it might not be that simple. The many components in cannabis interact differently among patients. Some experience increased anxiety, nausea, paranoia and other negative

effects. THC, the cannabinoid responsible for feelings of euphoria or being high, can cause a dependence in users.

Overall, medical marijuana's ability to curb the opioid epidemic is a complex topic with some competing research, but the fact Kentucky deaths continue to rise from this atrocious epidemic means alternatives need to be explored. Join the growing list of doctors, athletes and others to pressure your government to remove marijuana from the schedule I drug list so researchers can catch up to the laws states have enacted on marijuana.



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SILAS WALKER • HERALD

Laura Groff, 44, waits with Oscar and Mia Groff for their school bus outside of Mt. Sterling on Thursday, October 25. Laura and Brian Groff raise their two 5-year-old children, Oscar and Mia. Laura works a yarn and craft store and Brian owns a mine consulting company.

MT. STERLING

Here are some of the photo staff's favorite images from students of the photo staff who participated in WKU's Mountain Workshops. The Mountain Workshops take place each year in a different county of Kentucky to document daily life. Each photographer is given a story to follow throughout the week. This was WKU's 43rd annual Mountain Workshops.



CHRIS KOHLEY • HERALD

Keaton McCarty (front), and Eric Davis remove a clog from the soybean harvester at Hidden Springs Farm in Mt. Sterling, Ky so his brother Christian can resume work. "It blows my mind that two brothers can get along that well," Davis said. The farm is owned by the McCarty family, and occasionally receives volunteer help from friends.



MHARI SHAW • HERALD

Bob Smith, 64, works in his shed on property he rents on the Bigstaff Farm in Mt. Sterling. This is where he works on his commissioned pieces and passion projects. He spends most of the day working while taking breaks to catch up on the news throughout the day.



SILAS WALKER • HERALD

Laura Groff and her husband Brian tried to have children when they got married but went through six miscarriages. Eventually Laura was able to become pregnant and have a boy who they named Oscar. At the same time they were approved to adopt a baby girl, Mia. Now the kids come to Laura's shop, Native Twist, after school. Laura found knitting helped her get through the miscarriages and later opened a shop in downtown Mt. Sterling.



LYDIA SCHWARTZ • HERALD

Pet owners cradle their dogs in the waiting room of Mt. Sterling Veterinary Clinic. Brenda Platt, owner of Lillie also known as "Goo-Goo" said "I never put her down. She's a big baby."



SILAS WALKER • HERALD

Junkyard the dog watches over his owner's house on the top of the roof in Mt. Sterling.



IVY CABELLO • HERALD

Savannah Willis, (left) and Danette Idlett, (center), co-founder of Life's Better Together, listen to Jenny Lowe, Willis' transition and student support counselor. Idlett was able to gift Willis a car through her organization, with the help of St. Vincent de Paul. Willis, a recent high school graduate, received the donation due to financial restraints caused by her mother's ovarian cancer.

Students with disabilities share their stories

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For students with disabilities, college can be especially challenging. October is National Disability Awareness Month, a time of year that, according to the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts website, aims to bring to light the "indispensable contributions people with disabilities have made and will continue to make" in our society and economy as well as to remove obstacles often faced by disabled people.

"I think Disability Awareness Month is a really crucial time for everyone to

"I think Disability Awareness Month is a really crucial time for everyone to educate themselves more about disabilities."

Senior
ALEXANDRIA KNIPP

educate themselves more about disabilities," Olive Hill senior Alexandria Knipp said. "Even if someone doesn't look sick physically, they may not feel well, so it's always better to give people you know the same respect you would to others."

Knipp, who has three invisible disabilities, said one of the most difficult parts of her conditions is their inconspicuousness.

"I suffer from what doctors refer to as 'invisible disabilities,' so when you look at me, you can't see immediately, you know, what is wrong with me," Knipp said. "It means that others need to confront their own perceptions about what disabilities look like."

Knipp said invisible disabilities can be especially hard to cope with because of a lack of acknowledgment from others who might see people with such disabilities using accommodations and assume they're taking advantage of the system.

"People around you may verbally question your disability in a way that is difficult," Knipp said.

"It makes you question, 'Am I really sick? Do I really deserve to receive accommodations for what's going on?'"

Knipp said another aspect of her disabilities is the severity of her symptoms varies from day to day. During college, she pointed out a full social calendar is often the norm, but it can be hard for someone with an invisible disability to attend every event.

"Your friends always invite you to go out, and a lot of times, you have to say no because you don't feel well," Knipp said.

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CHANGING LIVES

Non-profit founder supports those in need

BY MARK WEBSTER JR.
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From selling insurance full-time to starting a nonprofit, Danette Idlett's mission has always been close to her heart.

Idlett, along with groups of family and friends, formed the organization in 2015 with her husband Matt. Its goal is to work together to provide direct financial assistance to families—parents and children—battling ongoing illnesses.

Idlett said a series of life events put her on her journey to Life's Better Together.

Idlett's first husband, Aaron, received a rare diagnosis of Cutaneous T-cell Lymphoma cancer when their son was only 2 years old. Idlett said upon learning of Aaron's condition, they were told it could be a very non-invasive case. She said they were told he could live a long and healthy life with only minor complications along the way.

After a year of severe infections and embarking on lengthy radiation and chemotherapy plans, Idlett said they made the decision to move closer to family to get help with their young son.

A few years after receiving the diagnosis and going through invasive chemotherapy, full-body radiation and treatments, Idlett said they were told to call Hospice care and that her husband wouldn't survive. He died in 2012.

"It was tough at the time, but I knew I had to be strong for my child," Idlett said.

Idlett said that during the turmoil, she felt lucky to be surrounded by a

supportive family who could help with doctor's appointments, treatments and babysitting while they spent lengthy days in the hospital.

"It wasn't about how we would manage to get money for our son, we just knew it would all work its way out," Idlett said.

In 2012, Idlett and her second husband, Matt, found themselves at a fundraiser an hour south of their hometown. They said they thought it was for a local arts program, but it actually was a large group of families who had

decision my wife made because I was dedicated to have her back."

Since starting Life's Better Together in 2015, Idlett said the relationship she built with a volunteer brought tears to her eyes. Shonda Tibbs, a single mother of four, benefitted from the organization.

Tibbs put herself through college to become a licensed social worker. It was her dream career until she was diagnosed with triple negative breast cancer which is considered to be the worst kind.

"Every event we do, we try to make sure it has importance to what our overall cause is."

Founder of Life's Better Together
DANETTE IDLETT

come together each Christmas for the past decade to watch the movie "It's a Wonderful Life."

Idlett said the group pooled their money together and found local families they could donate to so they could assist in their financial stresses while their child was busy battling an ongoing illness.

"Every event we do, we try to make sure it has importance to what our overall cause is," Idlett said.

No matter what the situation is, Matt is by his wife's side.

"I believe in giving back to a bigger cause," Matt said. "I supported the

She said the chemo she had to endure for treatment had terrible side effects, and she had a heart condition prior to the treatments. The doctor planned on giving her a total of eight treatments.

Tibbs said she truly felt there was no other way to survive other than quitting chemo treatment.

"I couldn't be sick, work, pay bills, run kids and continue to regimen," Tibbs said.

Idlett said she knew this wasn't the path Tibbs should take.

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Boba Lounge brings Bowling Green a taste of Taiwan

BY KELLEY HOLLAND



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Across the porch at the front door to the Boba Lounge, the sound of blenders can be heard as baristas are hard at work making drinks.

Offering a variety of drinks from shaken iced teas to milk teas and Vietnamese iced coffee, the Boba Lounge, located on Old Morgantown Road, gives customers a chance to delve into a unique experience. All menu items are handwritten on the wall, showcasing 23 drink flavors.

Boba, or bubble tea, is a popular Taiwanese drink consisting of tea with milk or flavoring. Toppings can also be added. The Boba Lounge offers chewy tapioca pearls, popping boba, jellies and puddings to add to the drinks. Also available are blended drinks such as the Frappioca, which can be compared to a Starbucks frappuccino but with



TYGER WILLIAMS • HERALD

The Boba Lounge is a favorite of WKU students and is located on Old Morgantown Road. The shop features 23 flavors.



boba pearls at the bottom of the cup.

In addition to drinks, rolled ice cream and waffles are also on the menu.

Jarod Caliso, an employee at the Boba Lounge, said he hopes customers will enjoy exploring the menu and the different combinations of drinks and toppings it has to offer.

"Not yet have I had every single one," he said.

The cafe has a shelf of board games patrons are welcome to play while waiting for their drinks. The lounge has a cup of markers at the counter so customers can sign the wall toward the back of the room. Since the business has been open for a little over a year now, signatures are covering the wall, leaving lasting memories of customers who have enjoyed their experience.

Rob Sparkman, owner, and Von Syhalath, a co-owner, have always wanted to open up a boba cafe.

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IVY CABELLO • HERALD

Melissa and Savannah Willis listen to Danette Idlett in their living room in Bowling Green on Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2018. Savannah, 17, has been her mother's rock, Melissa said, as the 56-year-old battled stage three ovarian cancer. Idlett told the recent high school grad that with the help of Life's Better Together she will be gifted a car and driving lessons.



IVY CABELLO • HERALD

Danette Idlett hugs her son Evan Neel, 10, after spending some time in the boys' bedroom before they went to bed on Sept. 26. Idlett co-founded Life's Better Together in memory of Aaron Neel, Evan's father, their portrait together hangs above his bed. Aaron died of a rare lymphoma at age 35.

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"I finally got her to trust us and Life's Better Together," Idlett said.

Through the organization, they devised a plan where Tibbs could take time off from work to finish treatments. She said this allowed her to concentrate on getting better so she could go back to work and more importantly be there for her kids.

"Shonda now volunteers with us and is one of my closest friends and confidants," Idlett said.

Idlett said she contacted Tibbs very often for advice and help with dealing with families. After a year of treatment, reconstructive surgery and a pacemaker, Tibbs passed her test and became a

licensed social worker.

Savannah Willis, 17, is another example of the work Idlett and Life's Better Together do for the community. On Wednesday, Sept. 26th, Willis had the

"With both of my parents having a disability, I needed ways to get around."

Donation recipient
SAVANNAH WILLIS

experience of a lifetime. Idlett selected Willis and gave her a Ford Five Hundred, donated by St. Vincent De Paul.

"It caught me off guard," Willis said. "I knew something was up when she

walked through my front door."

Willis' mother Melissa has ovarian cancer. She received help from the organization last year with bills and food. Doctors said it was not getting better,

but it's not getting worse.

"With both of my parents having a disability, I needed ways to get around," Willis said.

Melissa is happy for her daughter

and believes the vehicle can continue to allow her to do all the great things she wants to accomplish.

"She is my rock," Melissa said.

Idlett, with the help of her organization, said she is making sure Willis is able to get all the necessary information for her to pass her driving test.

Willis said Idlett's acts of kindness inspired her to give back to the homeless, and do different drives that will benefit her in the long run.

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"It was just talk and dreams for about 10 years," Syhalath said in an email. "Since Bowling Green didn't have a stand alone store yet, we took a leap of faith and finally opened up in September 2017."

The shop sees a variety of customers, ranging from college students to teachers and business professionals, all stepping out of their comfort zone

to try something new.

The Boba Lounge is planning to relocate to a larger location on the U.S. 31 Bypass.

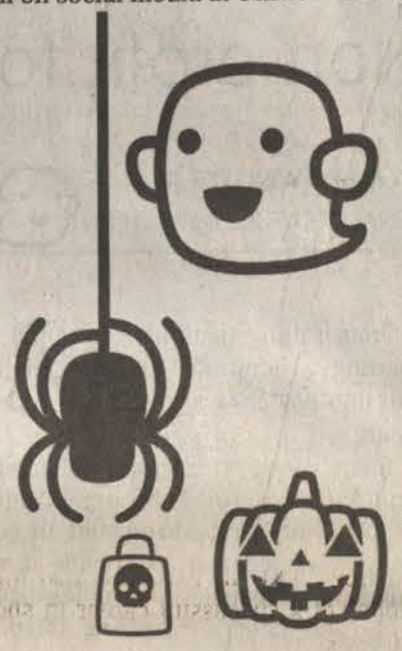
"We are anticipating on opening sometime in December," Syhalath said. "There will be a more expansive variety of flavors along with some fun new twists with the boba later down the road. There will also be a cafe area where food will be served."

Syhalath said the shop plans to serve banh mis, which are Vietnamese ba-

quette sandwiches, and pho, a Vietnamese noodle soup.

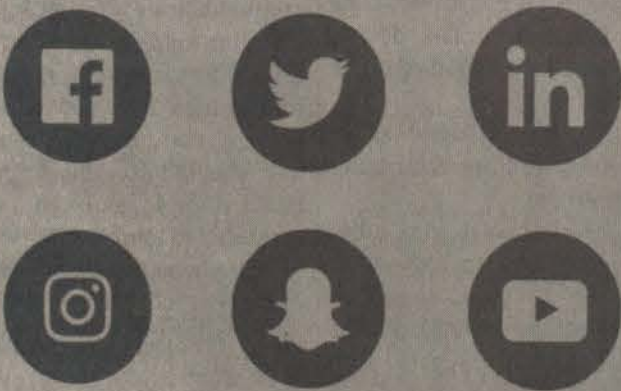
"Our main goal is to provide a taste of culture in a delicious way," Syhalath said. "The way to someone's heart is through their stomach, and we are hoping we will win over Bowling Green's heart."

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Knipp's advice to the friends of people with disabilities is to be understanding and keep including them in plans.

"Don't stop inviting them out, because even if they can't go today, they might want to go tomorrow," she said. "Realize they're not saying no because they don't want to hang out. Maybe they don't physically feel well enough to go."

Jaylan Ford, a Glasgow senior and sociology major who suffers from attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder, anxiety and depression said she wasn't officially diagnosed until her sophomore year of college but began experiencing symptoms far earlier during high school.

"After reading some articles in medicine journals and a visit to my doctor, I found out that I have chronic depression and test anxiety that is caused by ADHD," Ford said. "My high school tended to stigmatize those disabilities."

Ford said her depression sometimes makes simple acts like getting out of bed hard, and it affects her focus in class. Luckily, she said, she's received more support at WKU and appreciates the availability of accommodations for "both mental and physical disabilities."

Glasgow senior Tiffany Ballard was diagnosed with dyslexia in her last year of high school. She said she had problems at school from an early age, but they were mostly ignored by her teachers because she maintained a good GPA.

"Since I was making A's and B's in all my classes, and I was taking AP and honors classes, my teachers just didn't do anything about it," Ballard said.

While in high school, Ballard said one teacher did bring up the issue, but the school administration took no action to address it.

Now, Ballard serves on the board of the Kentucky International Dyslexia

"My high school tended to stigmatize my disabilities."

Glasgow senior
JAYLAN FORD

Association, a nonprofit organization that promotes dyslexia research and education. Ballard said dyslexia is common, affects about one in five people and can affect reading, spelling and math skills.

Ballard said greater support from

educational institutions is important to encourage dyslexic students' success. However, she said WKU's Student Accessibility Resource Center does a great job with student advocacy.

"I think if we could have more professors here willing to help and be more considerate and willing to work with us, it would be a whole lot better," Ballard said.

Knipp said she's also found SARC incredibly helpful.

"They provide a lot of resources for people who are struggling with how to accommodate their disabilities, especially when they're not visible," Knipp said.

Brendan Ward, a Memphis senior, also suffers from dyslexia and ADHD. He said he found his schools' willingness to work with him and provide reasonable accommodations unsatisfactory.

"From the third grade all the way to the twelfth grade, even though I was diagnosed by a psychiatrist, I was never

able to receive services from any of the schools that I went to," Ward said.

Despite a professional diagnosis, Ward was denied his request for extra time and a distraction-free testing space on the ACT by his high school. He said his ADHD causes test anxiety, which makes taking exams with other students difficult. Now, with the help of SARC, he's able to take tests for his classes in a quiet environment and receives extra time allowances for his dyslexia.

Justin Harmon, an exercise science major from Clarksville, Tennessee, was diagnosed with cerebral palsy when he was a year old.

"[Cerebral palsy] has affected my life in a lot of ways," Harmon said in an email. "When I was younger, I wonder why my right hand is different than my left hand and why I walk funny."

Harmon talked about how childhood teasing exacerbated the problems he had fitting in.

"Kids at school told me I'm dumb ... [I] was picked on as a kid," Harmon said. "People would stare, and it made my self-esteem worse."

Ward said he had similar experiences with bullying as a result of his disabilities but believes with disabilities should remain positive.

"For people with disabilities that might be scared to share their voices, I would say, 'don't suffer alone,'" Ward said. "You should be able to feel confident about having a disability no matter what other people are saying about you or how they're treating you."

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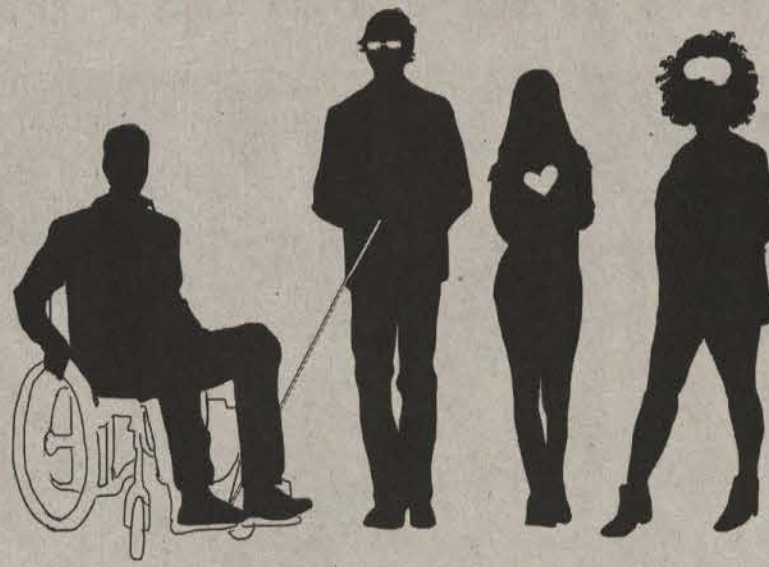


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Actress among three inducted into Hall of Distinguished Alumni

BY JULIE SISLER



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When Becky Ann Baker graduated from WKU in 1975, she had high hopes of a successful career in show business.

Now, 43 years later, Baker has been inducted into WKU's Hall of Distinguished Alumni for just that. Baker was one of three inducted along with Nettie Bayless Courts Depp and Richard C. Rink.

"So many graduates have gone on to have terrific careers in a variety of areas in the entertainment industry," Baker said. "So, my induction really points to how strong WKU's arts programs are working."

Baker said there was never really a question about whether or not she would attend WKU, and it was the only school she applied to. Her sister already attended, and after she visited campus and met with the head of the theatre department, she was sold.

Baker said she was very impressed with what WKU and its theatre department had to offer. Baker said the program was helpful professionally with countless opportunities to participate in various productions and the addition of programs like the dance minor.

After participating in numerous productions at WKU and graduating with a major in theatre and a minor in dance, Baker immediately moved to Augusta, Michigan, where she began performing with the Barn Theatre Company. During her apprenticeship with the group, Baker said she was given multiple good roles.

At the end of the summer, Baker decided it was time to move on, this time to New York City with four other members of the Barn Theatre Company. The move led Baker to a successful career in film, television and on Broadway.

Baker starred in multiple musicals and plays on Broadway, including "Titanic" and "A Streetcar Named Desire." She also appeared in off-Broadway

renditions of productions like "Othello" and "The Vagina Monologues."

Baker's film career includes about 25 feature films, including "War of the Worlds" and "Men in Black."

She also found success in the television industry and has been nominated for an Emmy and two Critics Choice awards for her work on HBO's "Girls." One of Baker's most memorable roles was on the 1999-2000 show, "Freaks

and Geeks," particularly impressive is how much her career has spanned through Broadway, film and television.

Young said that despite such large success, Baker has been a consistent friend to WKU and helps theatre and dance students in a variety of ways, such as being involved with the yearly study away trip to New York City each January and helping give students unique opportunities during their time

for multiple on-campus events with the theatre and dance departments and is a big help to students.

"Becky is such an inspiration to the students on campus, and she really goes out of her way to help," Young said. "She does it just to be nice and supportive. She's a good supporter and alumnaus."

Baker said she had a terrific question and answer session with students last spring and covered a variety of show business related topics. She considers herself lucky to be able to meet so many aspiring performers at WKU, and she enjoys helping them grow.

Baker urges aspiring performers to always be prepared for what could happen next, because you'll never know.

"Being an actor is like training for a marathon," Baker said. "You stay in shape in many ways. Always be prepared."

Baker said she sees her success and now her induction into the Hall of Distinguished Alumni as a representation of the success of WKU's fine arts programs.

Young said Baker's success proves that even someone from a small town in Kentucky can find success in show business.

"What her story tells our current students is that you can do this," Young said. "You can be a kid from Kentucky, get this training at WKU, and still have a shot. I think it's great to show students that anything is possible."

Despite Baker's success, Young said Baker remains the type of person that anyone should aim to be.

"I think she's the epitome of what a working actor should be," Young said. "She works all the time, she works hard in all sorts of different forms and she has a cool, New York life. But through it all, she's still a very sweet, grounded, nice person. It just seems like the kind of life that you should aspire for if you're an actress, or really anything else."

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and Geeks." David Young, WKU theatre department head, said Baker's success in

on Broadway. Baker also serves as an asset to students moving to New York City after

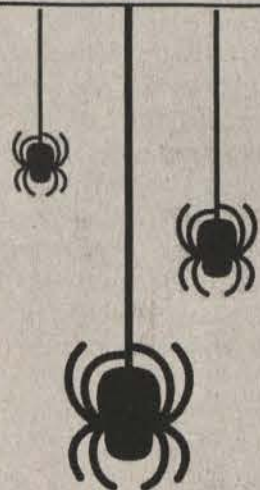
"What I think if particularly impressive is how much her career has spanned through Broadway, film and television."

WKU Theater Department head
DAVID YOUNG

multiple forms of acting is part of what makes her such an incredible alumna. "She truly is a distinguished alumna; she's still in the middle of a marvelous career," Young said. "What I think is

graduation. Young said there are multiple students that Baker has helped in some way or another after they graduated from WKU.

Young said Baker has also returned



Happy Halloween!!!



Lady Toppers halt skid with pair of road wins

BY CASEY MCCARTHY
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The Lady Toppers took steps in the right direction by picking up back-to-back wins on a Texas road trip following three straight losses.

After wins over Texas-San Antonio and Texas-El Paso, WKU sits at 16-9 (7-3 Conference USA) with four matches left before the conference tournament.

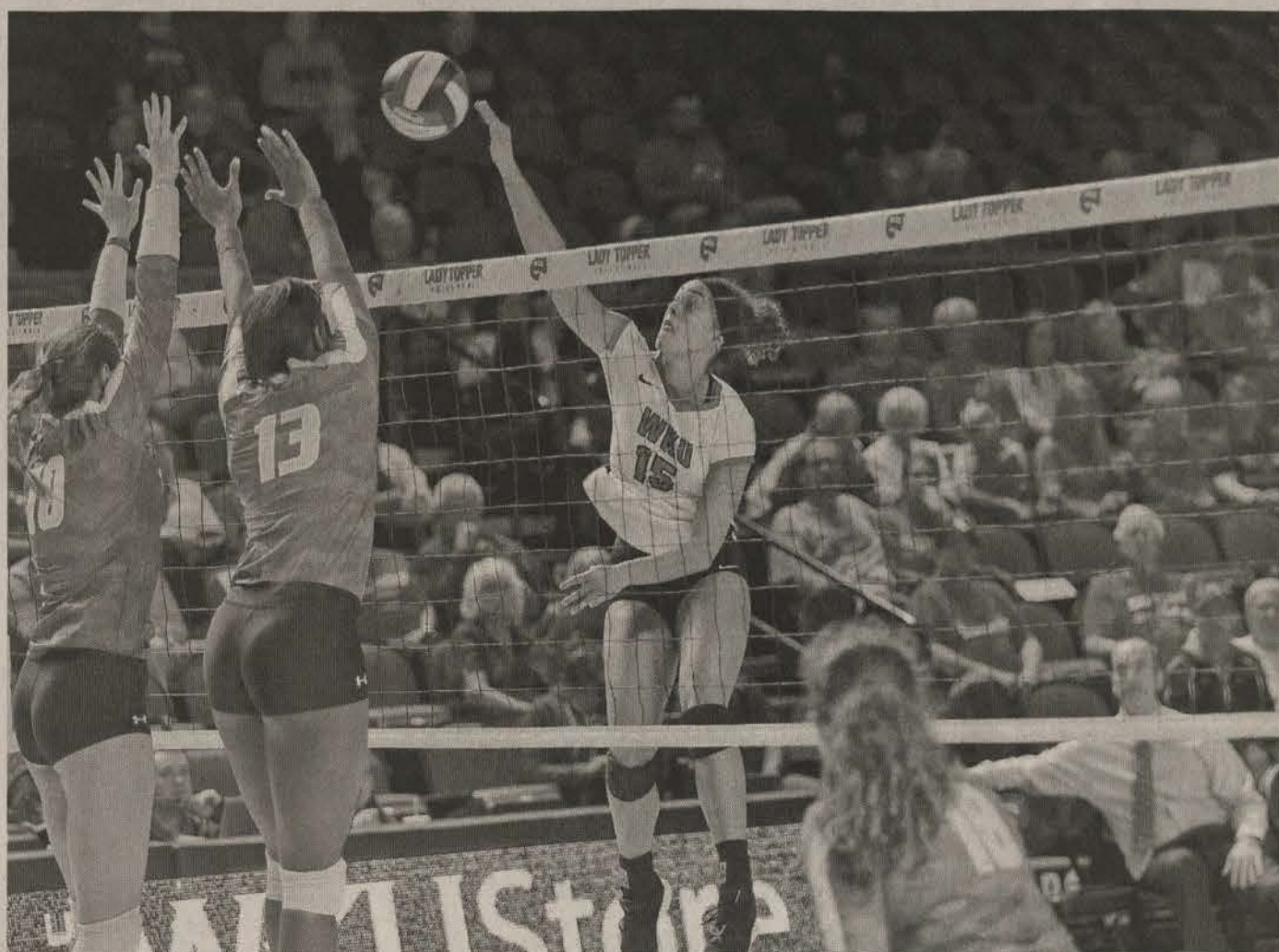
"This was a big weekend of growth for our team," head coach Travis Hudson said in a press release after Sunday's match against UTSA. "This is a long road trip on top of a facing a great opponent today. I'm very proud of my kids."

WKU has matchups against Florida Atlantic and Florida International left on the schedule this season. Both are separated from the Lady Toppers by less than one game in the conference standings. WKU's win over UTSA was major, as the Roadrunners currently sit one spot above the Lady Toppers in the conference standings.

The Lady Toppers opened the past weekend with a sweep of UTEP on Friday night in El Paso, Texas. It's just the second time the Miners have been swept in conference play this year. WKU finished with a .426 offensive rate as a unit while matching the high for kills as a team in C-USA with 57.

Four WKU players finished with double-digit kills with senior Rachel Anderson leading the way with 17. Freshman Katie Isenbarger and junior Sophia Cerino had 12 with freshman Lauren Matthews chipping in 10.

Redshirt freshman Taylor Bebout facilitated the offense, finishing with 47 assists, four digs, a pair of aces and a kill. Defensively, freshman



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WKU's Kayland Jackson (15) attempts to spike the ball past UAB defense during a match in Diddle Arena on Oct. 12.

Payton Frederick led the way with 12 digs.

With the win, the Lady Toppers managed to halt a three-game slide and remain perfect against the Miners all-time (7-0).

"We needed a win and playing at UTEP has been a challenge for Conference USA teams all season long," Hudson said.

Finishing up the Texas road trip, the Lady Toppers headed to San Antonio for a matchup against UTSA on Sunday. WKU took the match in four sets, 3-1 (25-19, 25-17, 22-25, 25-23).

Anderson and Cerino combined for 33 kills in the match, 19 and 14 re-

spectively. Anderson had five blocks, two digs and a pair of aces in the match, as well.

Three Lady Toppers managed to finish the match with double-digit digs. Frederick led the team with 16 while sophomores Darby Music and Hallie Shelton each had 10. Shelton tied a career high with four aces in the match.

Bebout facilitated the offense for the second match in a row, finishing with 45 assists, four kills and three digs. With the win, the Lady Toppers remain perfect on the road in conference play.

The Lady Toppers will play one of

their final home matches of the season this weekend with a matchup against FIU at 6 p.m. on Friday. WKU will finish its home schedule when FAU comes to visit on Sunday. That game is set to start at noon.

WKU currently sits fourth in the conference standings, trailing Rice, FAU and UTSA in that order. The Lady Toppers will look to make a final push before the C-USA Tournament, which will be in Huntington, West Virginia, this year.

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been outscored in by 100 points. The Hilltoppers only managed a field goal through their first seven drives of the game and trailed 14-3 after finally putting those points on the board.

The WKU defense also had its struggles, surrendering 368 yards of total offense to the Panthers, who, unlike the Hilltopper offense, were able to capitalize on their opportunities, with redshirt junior quarterback James

Morgan racking up three touchdown passes. All of those came after long FIU drives where the Hilltoppers had chances to get the ball back.

One positive for the defense was senior linebacker Ben Holt, who recorded 19 total tackles, which tied the program's Football Bowl Subdivision record. With the loss, Holt and the rest of the team are now unable to attain bowl eligibility, a first for his career.

"I think as a team we'll never roll over," Holt said. "I think if you have any pride as a football player, you should

never roll over ... I think every day, it's just, we're going to try to get better and try to get out of this rut we're in."

Sanford agreed with Holt, who also contributed a quarterback hurry and a pass breakup.

"It's a matter of pride," Sanford said. "It really is, and it's about these seniors, these 10 seniors, sending them out the right way. It's about us making sure that those seniors, they finish their careers on a high note."

The Hilltoppers, who dropped to 1-7 (0-4 Conference USA) with the loss,

travel to Murfreesboro, Tennessee, this Friday to take on Middle Tennessee State. The Blue Raiders improved to 5-3 (4-1 C-USA) by dismantling Old Dominion 51-17 on the road Saturday.

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those roles solely, but I think that's the strength of our team is that ... there's a number of players that can step up and fill those roles," Collins said.

The Lady Toppers return a considerable amount of experience this season, including the reigning Conference USA Freshman of the Year and Sixth Player of the Year in Raneem Elgedawy and Dee Givens, respectively. But Collins made it clear that past accolades will not translate to an automatic spot on the floor.

"The five that are going to play are the five that play the hardest," Collins said. "I don't care if you were Sixth Player of the Year or Freshman of the Year, it doesn't matter. If you're not playing hard, we're going to play somebody else. Right now, they're competing with each other for those opportunities to play."

Redshirt junior guard Alexis Brewer said Collins' philosophy about playing time is nothing new.

"I think anywhere you go, whoever plays hard is going to be on the floor," Brewer said. "He started that from the time he got the head coaching job. If we weren't playing hard, he took you off the court and you stood on the sideline until you wanted to play hard."

Collins said he does not see the start-

ing five as the most important aspect of his team. He is much more focused on finding out which players will be on the floor when games are being decided. Collins said Brewer and junior guard Whitney Creech have both started conveying the leadership necessary to take control.

votes in C-USA's preseason coaches poll and also did not have a player selected to the preseason all-conference team. Collins said despite what some may think, the preseason analysis of his program was actually far from insulting.

"We were picked fourth, and in a lot of ways, that's a compliment," Collins said. "We graduated a lot of points, a lot of rebounds and a lot of experience. For the confer-

ready developed a deep sense of camaraderie.

"We have a lot of personality on this team," Givens said. "We're really goofy. Everybody gets along and ... you can lean on anybody. Like if you're having a bad day, you can text anybody and see how you can get better on or off the court."

Collins spoke highly about the shooting and ball-handling ability of several Lady Toppers, namely guards Sherry Porter and Sidnee Bopp. He also had high praise for freshman Meral Abdelgawad, who Collins said was poised for a breakout season.

The Lady Toppers' 2018-19 schedule features five matchups against opponents from Power 5 conferences. Each of the team's first four regular season opponents made the NCAA Tournament a year ago, but Collins said he is looking forward to seeing how his team

matches up against some of the top competition in the country.

"This schedule's really tough and challenging," Collins said. "It'll help give us what we need, which is experience. We've got good players, a good team and great young ladies, we just need some experience. This is going to give it to us quickly."

WKU women's basketball begins its slate at 6 p.m. this Thursday in Diddle Arena with an exhibition against West Virginia State. The regular season kicks off five days later on Nov. 6 with a home game against in-state rival Louisville, a 2018 Final Four team.

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HANNAH LEBOEUF • HERALD

Sophomore guard Terri Smith drives toward the basket as Old Dominion guard Victoria Morris defends her in a 62-48 WKU victory on Feb. 8.

"You can drill, you can practice, you can do workouts, but you still can't teach somebody to want the ball in their hands," Collins said. "Those two young ladies like that situation."

The Lady Toppers, who have claimed back-to-back C-USA Tournament Championships, received no first-place

Collins said his players are working on becoming more comfortable in their roles. He said the team's defense needs to improve, but he has been impressed with how well they're sharing the ball on offense.

Redshirt junior forward Dee Givens said she and her teammates have al-

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This season presents a new challenge for Stansbury and company. Even with the Hilltoppers returning just one year-long starter in sophomore guard Taveion Hollingsworth, they are the preseason pick to win the conference. WKU is pitted against a Marshall team that won an NCAA Tournament game last year, and the Hilltoppers are likely to play a higher level of competition than they have in quite some time with C-USA's new scheduling format. They will be playing with targets on their backs the entire season.

But Stansbury doesn't care about the newly-added pressure. He said being picked to win the conference "doesn't matter at all."

Between Justin Johnson, Darius Thompson and Dwight Coleby, the Hilltoppers will have to replace 40.4 points and 21.6 rebounds per game. Stansbury said that the lack of experience is the biggest challenge in building off of last season's momentum.

"Other than Taveion, we're com-

pletely new," Stansbury said. "That's the work in progress that we are right now. There's a lot of new pieces and a lot of moving parts that we're trying to figure out some things with them too."

Even through the adjustment process, graduate transfer forward DeSean Murray said he sees a lot of potential in this group.


"I've adjusted well," Murray said. "It's a great team. I see a lot of talent and I can't wait to play with this team cause we're going to have some fun."

The Hilltoppers look to build on the momentum in Tuesday night's exhibition game against Campbellsville. WKU beat Campbellsville 92-51 in an exhibition last season. The Tigers are returning their top scorer and rebounder from a season ago in junior forward Andrew Smith, who averaged 14.2 PPG and 9.1 RPG last year. He scored just five points but brought in 11 rebounds against the Hilltoppers. Tip off is set for 7 p.m. in Diddle Arena.

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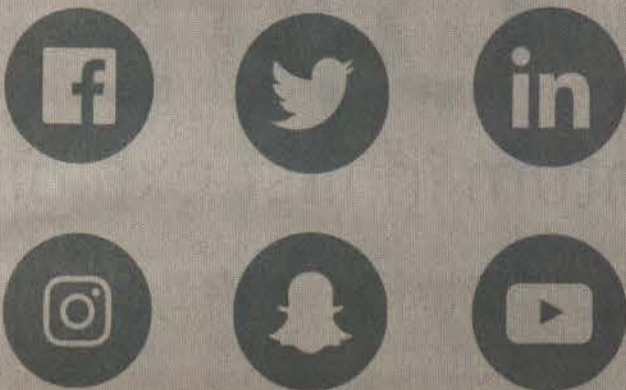
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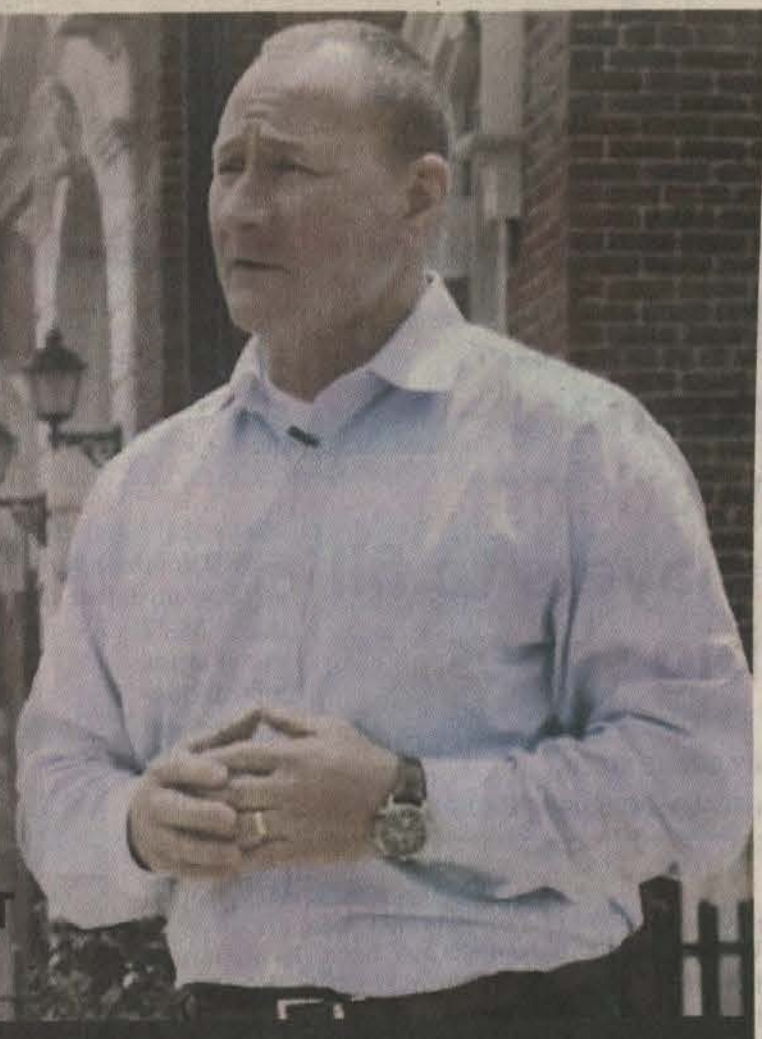
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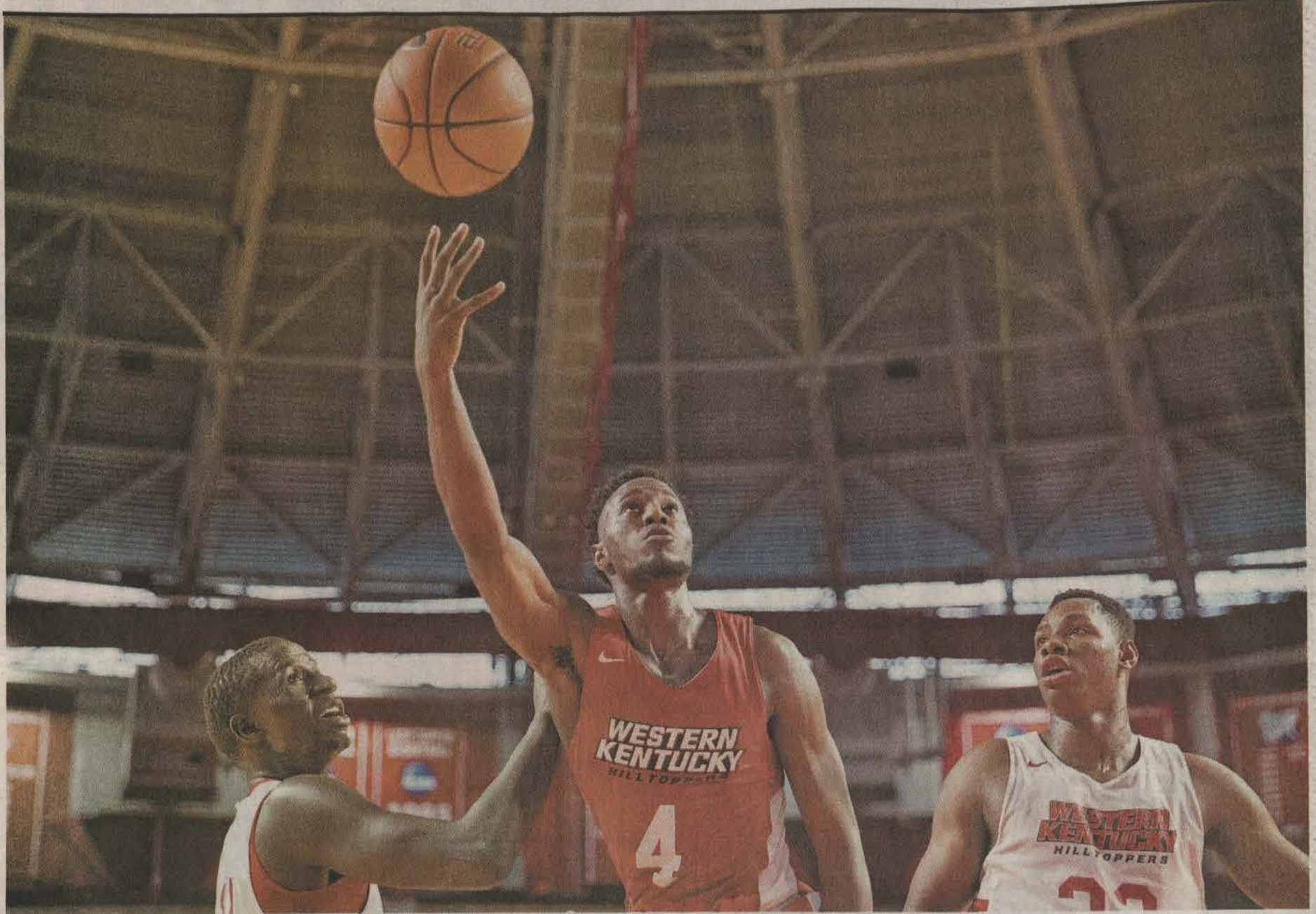


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Josh Anderson attempts a layup in WKU's open scrimmage on Oct. 20. The Hilltoppers play Campbellsville in an exhibition Tuesday in Diddle Arena at 7 p.m.

SQUARE ONE

Hilltoppers look to build momentum in first exhibition

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WKU basketball wasn't expected to do much in 2017-18, but after building a mountain of momentum, the Hilltoppers now have expectations to live up to this season.

Coming into the 2017-18 season, head coach Rick Stansbury looked to rebound after an abysmal year one. In his first year as head coach, the Hill-

toppers finished with an 18-16 record, putting them in eighth place in the Conference USA standings.

Starting over completely with the 2017-18 group, the Hilltoppers were picked to finish sixth in C-USA heading into the season. WKU returned just one starter from the previous team, senior forward Justin Johnson. Due to the ineligibility of Moustapha Diagne and Josh Anderson, the Hilltoppers started the season with only seven active scholarship players on the roster (in addition to walk-on guard Tyler Miller, who was ineligible

for the second semester).

Nonetheless, WKU knocked off a No. 18-ranked Purdue team and Southern Methodist in back-to-back games to go along with a hard fought loss to No. 5 Villanova.

"You know, it started early in the season," Stansbury said during Friday's media day. "For that team to go down to the Battle of Atlantis and do what they did against Purdue and Villanova, who we had no idea they'd finish the way they did, those guys deserve a lot of credit for that."

Once Anderson and Diagne—both

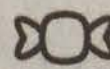
returning players for this year—got into the mix, WKU really got rolling. The Hilltoppers rattled off nine wins in 10 games in the middle of the year and then made a run to the C-USA Tournament Championship game.

"As a whole, the way that team finished up ... you're one play away from winning the conference championship," Stansbury said. "But for those guys to bounce back and win the games they did in the NIT, it's very impressive."

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Collins looking for hard-working players to fill big shoes

BY DRAKE KIZER
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The question of the offseason for WKU women's basketball has been how the Lady Toppers will maintain their success. First-year head coach Greg Collins' answer at media day Friday was simple: hard work from the entire roster.

Two of the all-time great players in WKU women's basketball history, Tashia Brown and Ivy Brown, graduated last spring. Now, Collins will have to find a way to replace their production, but he said his current squad has plenty of potential to do just that.

"I don't know that we have one player just yet [that's] ready to take on some of

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Sustaining offensive drives arises as newest issue in latest Hilltopper loss

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WKU football suffered yet another blowout defeat on Saturday, losing 38-17 to Florida International in part due to the Hilltopper offense's inability to sustain drives when it mattered.

WKU made its way into the red zone on only four of its 10 drives. Of those trips, two ended with touchdowns, one in a field goal, and one in a field goal attempt senior kicker Alex Rinella hit off the right upright.

"We've got to have our best in those situations," head coach Mike Sanford said. "I like the way we started the game out moving the ball, marching the ball, running the football, but you've got to have your best when you're in the red zone."

It was only toward the end of the

completed 14 of 25 passes for 105 yards with no touchdowns or interceptions.

WKU fared slightly better on the ground, rushing for a total of 168 yards split between seven rushers.



FAHAD ALOTAIBI • HERALD

WKU wide receiver Jacquize Sloan (2) is tackled during a loss against Florida International on Saturday at Houchens-Smith Stadium.

Redshirt freshman running back Joshua Samuel led the group with 83 yards on 14 attempts for an average of 5.9 yards per carry.

"I just kept trying to run the ball hard," Samuel said. "That's what I'm going to do and keep on doing."

The worst moments for the offense came early and continued into the third quarter, a quarter all Sanford-led WKU teams have now

game—when it was too late to matter—that the Hilltoppers were able to find any sort of foothold on offense. Redshirt freshman quarterback Davis Shanley, who started the game,

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