Student selected for Stephen King film project

In the coming weeks, senior Mike Hill may go out after dark to drive up and down the interstates. He’ll be looking at rest areas, hoping to find a brightly lit one with a deserted parking lot that lies next to a black stretch of highway. If the place looks creepy, like something out of a Stephen King story, even better. Because it could be. ... (CONTINUE READING)

Professor spotlights naturalist who co-discovered natural selection

Biology professor James T. Costa’s two forthcoming books offer an in-depth look at the work of Alfred Russel Wallace, a naturalist who some historians contend deserves more credit for helping co-discover the principle of natural selection with Charles Darwin. ... (CONTINUE READING)

BRIEFS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/briefs
SLIDESHOW: Students, alumni celebrate Homecoming
Discovery Forum moved to Nov. 9
AutoTrader.com founder to speak on campus Nov. 7
Video posted of Ogle’s ‘Last Lecture’
Author of zombie and Bigfoot books to speak Nov. 6
Modern foreign languages T-shirt sale under way

ACHIEVEMENTS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/achievements
Read about the latest achievements of faculty and staff, including Kathleen Brennan, Brian Byrd, Laura Cruz, Sam Fowlkes, Clint Hardin, Freya Kinner, Lori Oxford, Jeff Ray, Jack Sholder and Terry Shular.

HEADLINES FROM WCU NEWS SERVICES | news-prod.wcu.edu
Prospective students, families invited to Nov. 9 Open House
Isothermal Community College, WCU announce entrepreneurship pact
Hughes, Truitt named Homecoming queen, king
Student mediation team wins six trophies at regional competition
Percussion ensemble to present free concert Nov. 7
Self-defense class for women offered at WCU
Youth Swim Refresher Course to be offered
Ticket sales begin Nov. 5 for Madrigal Dinner
EVENTS | calendar.wcu.edu
Oct. 30 | WCU Career Fair and Graduate School Day
Oct. 30 | "Breathless" (1960)
Nov. 1-3 | SMA Basketball Tournament
Nov. 5 | Dodgeball Tournament
Nov. 5 | Concert: Smoky Mountain Brass Quintet
Nov. 5 | Campus Safety Walk
Nov. 6 | WCU Surplus Sale

HIGHER EDUCATION NEWSWATCH | news-prod.wcu.edu/higher-education-newswatch
A look at WCU's student-run band competition – Local bands routine performers at Tournament of Champions | The Mountaineer

One Year Later: Super-Storm Sandy | WCQS-FM (interview of Rob Young)

Sandy, a year later, mistakes still made | USA Today (opinion column by Rob Young about Hurricane Sandy decisions)

Advising Outside Our Experience | Inside Higher Education (column by Nate Kreuter – calls for faculty members to learn how to advise students on non-academic matters)

Jarrett: Catamounts get a win to remember | Asheville Citizen-Times (opinion piece by Keith Jarrett about WCU homecoming win)

Mitchell part of 2014 Heritage Calendar | Shelby Star (highlights Manteo Mitchell)

Is Rebuilding Storm-Struck Coastlines Worth The Cost? | National Public Radio (quotes Rob Young)

Leaf color brings in plenty of green to WNC | Asheville Citizen-Times (opinion piece cites Steve Morse)

Dobyns-Bennett Band Named Grand Champions at WCU's Tournament of Champions | TriCitiesSports.com (Kingsport, Tenn.)

Graham, Mitchell sheriffs among few not reporting key crime data | Carolina Public Press (comment from Al Kopak)

Study outlines Barter’s economic impact | Southwest Virginia Today (cites study by Steve Morse)

Second edition of Heritage Calendar honors NC African Americans | WRAL-TV Raleigh-Durham (includes Manteo Mitchell)

Jackson planners cut student apartment project slack in slope engineering rules | Smoky Mountain News (off-campus housing project)

ATHLETICS | catamountsports.com
Soccer hosts Appalachian State; berth in SoCon tourney on the line
Men’s golf: Poston rallies for runner-up finish at The Invitational at the Ocean Course
Football: Richard Sigmon, Garry Lewis honored by the SoCon
Mountaineers sweep WCU volleyball in final SoCon meeting