Carpenter named dean of College of Education, Allied Professions

Dale Carpenter, who has been serving in an interim leadership role in the College of Education and Allied Professions since July 2012, has been named permanent dean of the college. … (CONTINUE READING)

WCU couple establish new scholarship

John “Jack” McFadden, professor emeritus of education, and Anna McFadden, director of academic engagement and IT governance in the Division of Information Technology, have donated more than $10,000 to endow a scholarship at WCU to assist aspiring science educators. … (CONTINUE READING)

UNC student government group presents award to retired interim provost

The University of North Carolina Association of Student Governments has bestowed its William C. Friday Lifetime Achievement Award on Beth Tyson Lofquist, who served two stints as Western Carolina University’s interim provost before retiring from WCU earlier this year. … (CONTINUE READING)

April 11 concert to benefit victims of landslide

WCU’s Mountain Heritage Center is joining with the Sylva Herald newspaper in sponsoring a Friday, April 11, concert to benefit landslide victims in Snohomish County in Washington state – an area with strong ties to Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Swain counties. … (CONTINUE READING)

‘Echoes of the Cotton Club’ show registered with Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival

Two regional representatives of KCACTF, an organization committed to identifying and promoting quality in university productions, will attend and review the “Echoes of the Cotton Club” performance in the John W. Bardo Fine and Performing Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 24. The show also will be eligible for an invitation to a regional Kennedy Center festival. … (CONTINUE READING)

IT achieves global recognition for service

WCU’s Division of Information Technology has been recognized for the second consecutive year by HDI, a global IT
service and technical support association as well as a certification and training body, as one of the top 50 performers based on customer satisfaction. In addition to being named one of the Elite 50 outstanding technical service and support centers, WCU moved up on the list from No. 25 to No. 18. ... (CONTINUE READING)

SLIDESHOW: Graduate students grab wins at Valley of the Lilies races
Two Western Carolina University graduate students, Brian Ulrich and Danielle Metz, captured overall wins Saturday (April 5) as more than 300 runners and walkers competed in the fourth annual Valley of the Lilies Half Marathon and 5-K. ... (CONTINUE READING)

BRIEFS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/briefs
Volunteers needed for 30th annual Tuckaseigee River Cleanup
Earth and Wellness Celebration set for April 15
DigiX digital media event to be April 10
WCU hosts diversity health conference
Staff forums to be held April 28 and April 29
SLIDESHOW: International Festival celebrates 35th year

ACHIEVEMENTS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/achievements
Read about the latest achievements of faculty and staff, including Tom Belt, Russ Curtis, Mark Kossick and Rob Young.

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Student affairs runners complete 200-mile relay in South Carolina

HEADLINES FROM WCU NEWS SERVICES | news-prod.wcu.edu
Controlled Chaos Film Festival to be held May 2
WCU athletics planning busy weekend
Discussion on events in Ukraine set for April 9
Open air Jazz Festival to be held April 26
WCU School of Music to hold saxophone concert April 22
WCU to host lunar eclipse viewing event April 15
‘The Fantasticks’ to be presented April 27

EVENTS | calendar.wcu.edu
April 10 | Sabina Ott Talk
April 10 | Artist Talk: Remote Sites of War
April 10 | Reception: Juried Student Exhibition
April 10 | Low Tech (Gamelan) Ensemble
April 11 | Rob Blair Graduate Lecture Recital
April 11-13 | Baseball vs. Furman
April 13 | Inspirational Choir AA Reunion Concert
April 13 | Rob Blair Graduate Lecture Recital
April 14 | Civic Orchestra concert
April 15 | Earth & Wellness Celebration
April 18-20 | Baseball vs. Citadel
April 21 | Brass Ensembles Concert
April 22 | Psychology Club Trivia Night
April 22 | Faculty Recital: Ian Jeffress, saxophone

HIGHER EDUCATION NEWSWATCH | news-prod.wcu.edu/higher-education-newswatch
N.C. town with deep kinship to hold fundraiser | Everett Herald Net (Wash.) (about WCU history professors organizing a benefit for victims of mudslide)

Editorial: Tourism funding hampered by budget shortfall | Sevierville Mountain Press (Tenn.) (comment from Steve Morse)

BWW Reviews: At the End of the Day, the Western Carolina LES MISERABLES Delivers Some Notable
Congressman trying to help seaside landowners | The State (Columbia, S.C.) (comment from Rob Young)

Relief effort for mudslide victims | WLOS News 13 (about WCU history professors helping organize a benefit concert for Washington state mudslide victims)

WNC students earn honors in regional Science Olympiad Tournament | Asheville Citizen-Times (includes WCU math contest winners)

(Item 7:) High Country Audubon Society Meeting April 15 | High Country Press (Boone) (brief about WCU biology student presenting update on song sparrow research)

EBCI wants mound or partnership for its protection | Cherokee Phoenix (comment from Tom Belt)

WCU Student Killed in Car Accident In Greensboro | WRGC Radio 540 AM

We’re not in this alone: Social comparisons of economic conditions in WNC | Asheville Citizen-Times (Kathleen Brennan op-ed)

Should $11.85 an hour be the new local minimum wage? | Asheville Citizen-Times (comment from Bob Mulligan)

In hot, crowded contests, candidates race to billboards to reach voters in WNC | Carolina Public Press (comment from Chris Cooper)

Nature center offers a wealth of learning for young and old alike | Greenville News (about Highlands Nature Center, with comment from Jim Costa)

WCU student charged with tagging Asheville building | The Asheville Citizen-Times

Graham County to lose last major manufacturer | Asheville Citizen-Times (comment from Bob Mulligan)

ATHLETICS | catamountsports.com
Baseball cruises past Presbyterian Tuesday, 16-0
Baseball: Catamount Diamond Notes: Weekly Wrap-Up April 7
Football: Make It a Spring Fling Whee-kend April 11-13 in Cullowhee
Catamount Football Spring Update: Mon., April 7, 2014
Women’s tennis falls to Appalachian State