King celebration participants and social justice institute encourage continued fight for social justice

The poem that Christian Henderson shared as part of WCU's weeklong tribute to slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. -- "Ashes" by Andrea Gibson -- conveyed the stories of people around the world who were burned alive because of their sexual orientation. ... (CONTINUE READING)

Q&A with Geoff Goehle

Geoff Goehle, an assistant professor of mathematics at WCU, helps develop features and write code for WeBWorK, an open-source online homework grading system for mathematics and science used at WCU as well as more than 700 other colleges and universities. ... (CONTINUE READING)

WCU online programs earn high national rankings

Academic programs offered online through Western Carolina University have been racking up national accolades recently in the form of high rankings from Web-based educational services companies. ... (CONTINUE READING)

Open forum set for Jan. 29 to discuss ideas for WCU’s next Quality Enhancement Plan

Western Carolina University will host a forum open to everyone interested in helping shape the university’s next Quality Enhancement Plan -- a plan centered around a single theme to improve the institution and enhance student learning -- on Thursday, Jan. 29. ... (CONTINUE READING)

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‘Tracking Time’ opens with Jan. 22 artist discussion at WCU Fine Art Museum
Digital Humanities at WCU events planned
Service Learning Fair to be held Jan. 27
Cindy Nicholson named director of procurement, accounts payable at WCU

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Violinist Alexander Shlifer to present Jan. 26 recital
Pharmacy technician program to be offered at WCU
Music faculty showcase to be presented Jan. 27
Aqua fitness course to be offered beginning Jan. 20
Show offers new take on ‘Robin Hood’
Students develop mock trial inspired by ‘Serena’
Construction on mixed-use facility to get underway this spring
CALENDAR | events.wcu.edu
Jan. 22 | Lecture by Painter Trenton Hancock
Jan. 22 | Reception: Tracking Time
Jan. 22 | A Night at the Cotton Club
Jan. 22 | Men's Basketball vs. Mercer
Jan. 23 | Lunch and Learn Part 2
Jan. 23 | Sheila Jordan Jazz Vocal Recital
Jan. 24 | Women's Basketball vs. UNCG
Jan. 26 | Guest recital: Alex Shlifer, violin

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'World's best young Elvis' to play WCU | Smoky Mountain News (about upcoming Galaxy of Stars performance)
Q&A: Is incest really legal in New Jersey? | NewJersey.com (about incest, with comment from WCU's Hal Herzog)
Asheville volunteers for MLK Day of Service | Asheville Citizen-Times (about MLK service activities across the region, including at WCU)
New building planned at site of 2013 fire on WCU campus | Asheville Citizen-Times (news of plans for the mixed-use facility)
WCU cracks open 'The Appalachian Songbook' | Asheville Citizen-Times (about upcoming musical performance "Appalachian Songbook")
Tickets for family friendly 'FROGZ' show at WCU to go on sale Jan. 20 | Macon County News (about upcoming ACE series event in Bardo Arts Center)

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