WCU’s Lane Perry receives Civic Engagement Professional of the Year award

Lane Perry, director of Western Carolina University’s Center for Service Learning, has been named the 2015 Civic Engagement “Emerging Leader” Professional of the Year by North Carolina Campus Compact. … (CONTINUE READING)

Honors College dean stepping down at end of academic year

Brian Railsback, the founding dean of the Western Carolina University Honors College, will be stepping down from the post at the end of the academic year to resume teaching, writing and researching as a faculty member in the Department of English. … (CONTINUE READING)

WCU’s Stanislavskaya receives unique musical theater award

Katya Stanislavskaya heeded the venerable advice to “write what you know,” and the musical she wrote and composed, “Resident Alien,” has won the ninth annual New Musical Award from the Weston Playhouse Theatre Company in Weston, Vermont. … (CONTINUE READING)

History faculty members oversee project for Trail of Tears Association

WCU history department faculty Sue Abram and Andrew Denson are overseeing a public history project that recently received a development grant from the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area Partnership. … (CONTINUE READING)

Hunter Library to host Feb. 25 reception for Faculty Scholarship Celebration

Recent scholarly and creative accomplishments of WCU faculty and staff members will be showcased during the 2015 Faculty Scholarship Celebration that begins with a reception from 4 until 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, at Hunter Library. … (CONTINUE READING)
Gerlach appointed director of public affairs program
Global Spotlight Series examines climate change on March 2
CAPS offers training in recognizing student distress
Chancellor to meet with Cherokee residents Feb. 23

Read about the latest achievements of faculty and staff; this week: Vittal Anantatmula ....

WCU’s Travis Bennett to present horn recital Feb. 24
Registration fees for WCU half marathon, 5-K to increase Feb. 28
WCU to host interview with author of ‘Other People’s Children’
Authors of best-seller ‘Picking Cotton’ to give March 2 public lecture
Honors College dean stepping down
WCU Board of Trustees to meet March 6
WCU to host Youth Art Month exhibit March 1-23
WCU named ‘best value’ by Kiplinger Personal Finance magazine

Feb. 18 | FROGZ
Feb. 19 | Artist Talk by Nick Van Woert, Sculptor
Feb. 19 | Reception: Vadim Bora
Feb. 19 | Faculty Woodwind Recital
Feb. 19 | Juicy J.
Feb. 19-21 | The Rocky Horror Show
Feb. 21 | WheeLead Conference
Feb. 21 | Cullowhee Rock and Rumble Climbing Competition
Feb. 23 | Women’s Basketball vs. Furman
Feb. 24 | Faculty Recital: Travis Bennett, horn

Cleveland State game canceled at Western Carolina for Tuesday night | Cleveland Plain Dealer – about cancellation of Cleveland State game at WCU
Wintry mix cancels classes, NCSHP responds to 31 wrecks | The Sylva Herald – coverage of recent winter weather includes news of class cancellations at WCU and photos from campus
Author Ron Rash to speak at USC Upstate | Spartanburg Herald-Journal – about upcoming event featuring WCU’s Ron Rash
S.C. must prove it wants to save SCSU | Orangeburg Times and Democrat (S.C.) – guest column by WCU’s Kofi Lomotey about proposal to close an HBCU
Student, teacher art shows return to Hendersonville (Bora portraits exhibited at WCU) | Asheville Citizen-Times – item about upcoming Fine Art Museum exhibit (first item in roundup)
Asheville’s business people news | Asheville Citizen-Times – news of Cindy Nicholson rejoining WCU’s administration and finance division (fourth item in roundup)
Register now for tourism impact conference at WCU | The Mountaineer (Haywood Co.) – news of upcoming conference focused on tourism and festivals
Pro-bono physical therapy services offered at WCU for those who qualify | The Mountaineer (Haywood Co.) – news of pro-bono physical therapy clinic opening in the College of Health and Human Sciences
New Journal of Cherokee Studies released by Museum | Cherokee One Feather – about Journal of Cherokee Studies, whose editorial review board includes WCU’s Andrew Denson
Doing Better: Civil War-era history crucial to understanding modern North Carolina | Raleigh News & Observer – about the importance of Civil War history to understanding contemporary North Carolina
includes comments from WCU's Richard Starnes

**WCU to host conference on festivals' impact on tourism** | Asheville Citizen-Times – about upcoming tourism conference

**Young: Seaward of common sense? SC needs to put an end to building on the beach** | The State (Columbia, SC) – guest op-ed by WCU's Rob Young

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Baseball. Wednesday's Western Carolina, UNC Asheville Baseball Game Postponed
W. Basketball. Ali Lane Named to 2015 WBCA So You Want to Be a Coach Class
M. Basketball. Winter Weather, Travel Issues Prompt Men's Basketball Cancellation
W. Basketball. Women's Basketball Iced by No. 20 Chattanooga 66-41
M. Basketball. Final Non-Conference Game of the Year Set for Tuesday