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Good reviews greet latest novel by WCU's Ron Rash

Ron Rash is on tour. The author and WCU Parris Distinguished Professor of Appalachian Culture is on the road in support of his latest novel, "Above the Waterfall," published by Harper Collins. It is receiving positive reviews – some absolutely glowing – and plenty of them. ... [\(CONTINUE READING\)](#)

WCU again ranked among best in South by US News & World Report

Western Carolina University once again is ranked among the best universities in the South in two categories in the 2016 edition of the U.S. News & World Report "Best Colleges" guidebook released Wednesday, Sept. 9. ... [\(CONTINUE READING\)](#)

WCU community puts boots on the ground to help put shoes on villagers' feet

Western Carolina University's Center for Service Learning and campus organizers have announced initiatives to raise awareness and provide resources — especially new shoes — for the village of Ndava, located in Burundi, Africa. ... [\(CONTINUE READING\)](#)

University Marketing unveiling new business card, letterhead design

University Marketing is debuting new business cards and letterhead for campus this month, moving away from the climb lines and introducing a bolder, more modern design. ... [\(CONTINUE READING\)](#)

NOTEWORTHY NEWS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/briefs

WCU Study Abroad Fair will be Sept. 15 at the University Center
'English on the Ides' discussion series continues Sunday
WCU employees recognized for service
Holocaust speaker to present at WCU on Sept. 17

ACHIEVEMENTS | thereporter.wcu.edu/category/achievements

Read about the latest achievements of faculty and staff; this week: Channa De Silva, Yang Fan, Mesfin Woldeyohannes, Yue Cai Hillon and Mark Kossick.

HEADLINES FROM WCU NEWS SERVICES | news-prod.wcu.edu

Competitions enliven activities at Mountain Heritage Day, Sept. 26
Second annual WCU Low Brass Festival is Sept. 18-19
Mountain Heritage Center resumes full operation at Hunter Library
WCU crew heading out to three cities
Acrobats to perform Wednesday night
WCU study predicts fall tourism increase for Smoky Mountain gateway counties
Fetzer, Kinney appointed to serve as WCU trustees
Ready for some Catamount football?
WCU retention rate hits all-time high of 80 percent
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CALENDAR | events.wcu.edu

Sept. 9 | Golden Dragon Acrobats
Sept. 10 | Karlis Rekevics, Sculptor
Sept. 10-12 | Terminator: Genisys
Sept. 14 | Western NC Civil War Roundtable
Sept. 14 | Why We Step and Hop
Sept. 15 | She's Beautiful When She's Angry (Southern Circuit Film Series)
Sept. 16 | Lea DeLaria

HIGHER EDUCATION NEWSWATCH | news-prod.wcu.edu/higher-education-newswatch

WCU promises new radio station won't bump WCQS from local airwaves | The Sylva Herald – about new radio frequency for WWCU
WCU hits record freshman retention rate of 80 percent | Asheville Citizen-Times – news of freshman retention rate record
New attitudes toward dogs and meat drive animal activism in South Korea | United Press International – about animal activism in South Korea includes comment from WCU's Hal Herzog

WCU professor predicts best leaf-looking season in several years | Winston-Salem Journal – has fall foliage forecast by Kathy Mathews

Elegance and Grit | Clemson World – feature about WCU's Ron Rash

For an autistic child, a guinea pig can, indeed, be 'my best friend' | San Antonio Express News – about autistic children and guinea pigs includes comment from Hal Herzog

Study Predicts Fall Tourism Increase | WRGC AM 540 – news of fall tourism study by Steve Morse and his students

WCU hits all-time high freshman retention rate of 80 percent | WRGC AM 540 – news of retention record

Environment poised for more notice in N. Carolina elections | Greensboro News & Record – about role of environmental policy in politics, includes comment from WCU's Chris Cooper

Ron Rash's new novel offers poetry, optimism | Mountain Xpress – review of Above the Waterfall; also the Charlotte Observer (additionally published an interview with Ron Rash); Wall Street Journal (excerpt), BookPage, and the Washington Post

More than 170 School of Art and Design alumni in exhibition | Eastern Carolina University – preview of today's (Sept. 4) "Life After Art School" featuring printmaker/alumnus Jessica White

Update: Fund Set Up For Subject of Reality Check | WLOS News 13 – followup on story about the struggles of a student with disability to obtain federal benefits

Law Enforcement Officers In Training React to Recent Police Shootings | WLOS News 13 – about local law enforcement officers in training and reaction to recent police shootings, with comment from WCU criminology graduates

New Radio Station Coming to WCU | WLOS News 13 – report about the radio station permit

Walk barefoot and help | Western Carolina Journalist – covered the presentation by Manny Ohonme, founder of Samaritan's Feet on Sept. 3

Steep Canyon Rangers To Play For WCU Friends Of The Arts – Brevard NC | Transylvania Times (news release) – about the Steep Canyon Rangers concert for Friends of the Arts members

ATHLETICS | catamountsports.com

Football. Notes from Tuesday's (Sept. 8) SoCon Football Teleconference

General News. Wells Fargo to Offer WCU Debit Card Design

W. Volleyball. Mulheron Named SoCon Defensive Player of the Week

W. Soccer. Women's Soccer Shuts Down Longwood 1-0

W. Volleyball. Catamounts Drop Two at Maryland



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