

Local Lindsey Wilson University student commissioned for Success Center Art Projects

Tezon Mitchell ‘27 creates bibliophilic Blue Raider Bob to inspire fellow students

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For his latest public art project, Lindsey Wilson University student Tezon Mitchell ‘27 wanted to send a message as well as improve the look of an interior space on campus. Step into the university’s Student Success Center on the top floor of the T.D. and Rowena Everett Building, and you’ll see Mitchell’s latest inspirations and creations. Inside the 5,800-square-foot building, the art and arts administration double major from Greensburg, Kentucky, painted a mural, wall lettering and a wall sign. The six-foot mural -- the third of Mitchell’s burgeoning art career -- features a studious Lindsey Wilson mascot Blue Raider Bob wearing glasses and holding a book. The lettering on a wall to the left of Blue Raider Bob features “Every Student, Every Day,” the essence of the Lindsey Wilson mission. And a wall sign in the stairwell reads “LW + U = Success,” which

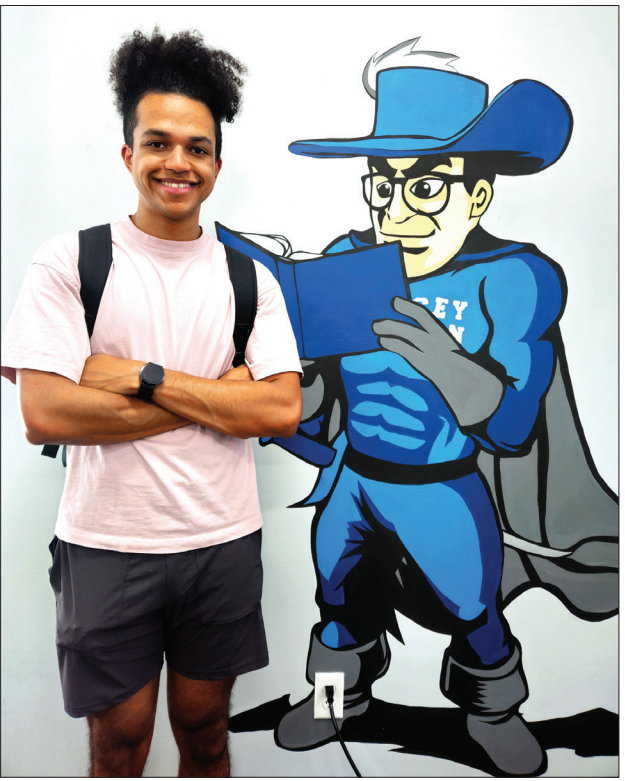
Mitchell took from a handmade sign on one of the building’s desks. The idea for the mural project came from an increase in Lindsey Wilson students using the Student Success Center, which was renovated in 2024. Services offered to students on the top floor include peer tutoring for all subjects, test proctoring for students with documented accommodations and placement testing. The area is also a popular location for students to study and meet. The building’s lower level houses the university’s student success counselors, who provide academic coaching and first-year advising. “We have seen a dramatic rise in students utilizing the Student Success Center since the renovation,” said Krystal Cundiff, director of student success and Title III. “This prompted us to use a mural to inspire our students to achieve their goals.” Mitchell said the project was another opportunity to learn that “all projects have very special problems



Lindsey Wilson University student Tezon Mitchell ‘27 works on the six-foot tall Blue Raider Bob mural on the top floor of the T.D. and Rowena Everett Building, which houses the university’s Student Success Center.

that I encounter.” “My job is to find a way to solve them while delivering what they want,” he said. Mitchell said the stairwell sign is a reminder that “Lindsey Wilson is not complete without the individual student.” “It says that Lindsey Wilson is not complete without you, and Lindsey Wilson will help you succeed,” he said. Mitchell said he decided to feature Blue Raider Bob holding a

book based on the commission from the Academic Support Center. It also pays tribute to the building’s original purpose. When it opened in 1947, it was Lindsey Wilson’s first building dedicated to the school’s library, which had been housed in the L.R. McDonald Administration Building for the previous 43 years since the opening of Lindsey Wilson. “The project was that they wanted Bob, and they wanted him to be



Lindsey Wilson University student Tezon Mitchell ‘27 stands next to the finished six-foot tall Blue Raider Bob mural on the top floor of the T.D. and Rowena Everett Building, which houses the university’s Student Success Center.

studious,” said Mitchell. “I think what I created fits more in line with our Bob designs -- it’s more comic book in its style.” Mitchell said he intentionally left the book’s cover and spine blank.

“He could be reading anything,” said Mitchell, adding that he hopes students will project their favorite book on the mural when viewing it. “I didn’t want to force him down a lane.”

University of Kentucky students studying ticks

By TOM LATEK
KENTUCKY TODAY

White coveralls and tall boots are standard field gear for University of Kentucky research students as they drag white cloths and collect metal boxes at the Oran C. Little Research Center in Versailles. These tools and tactics will provide better baseline data for tick species, their host animals and the impact on various land-use types in Kentucky through

a research project primarily funded by the UK Student Sustainability Council (SSC). The study will fill an information gap in the commonwealth by focusing on the role of wild mice in tick life cycles, said Hannah Tiffin, the students’ research advisor and assistant UK Extension professor of veterinary entomology at the Martin-Gatton College of Agriculture, Food and Environment. “A lot of our North-

eastern and Mid-Atlantic states have that data already, but we’re still lacking a lot of that information,” Tiffin said. “We’re really trying to establish that baseline and see what ticks the mice are moving around because they’re really important in a lot of different ways for tick ecology.” Tiffin is a primary investigator on the SSC-funded project with co-investigator Matthew Springer, associate UK Extension professor of

wildlife management in the Department of Forestry and Natural Resources, and Ashley Russo, a graduate research assistant in the Department of Entomology. Russo also received funding from the Promoting Excellence in Research for Kentucky program and the Karri Casner Environmental Sciences Fellowship to support her work and studies on the project. Russo explained that one part of the research

looks at tick species dispersal across different land-use types. They monitor four sites within Woodford County: the Oran C. Little Research Farm with mixed-use livestock pastures, the Buckley Wildlife Sanctuary, a private cattle farm and a private horse pasture. The research team uses different sampling methods to collect ticks at each location, including manually checking livestock, trapping and checking wild mice

and artificial mouse nesting sites, and tick dragging, where ticks latch onto a white cloth dragged over pastures and vegetation. The collected ticks are identified, then sent to a lab at Virginia Commonwealth University to determine whether they carry any disease-causing pathogens. For more information on tick disease and prevention, go to bitelabky.mgcafe.uky.edu.

WKU to celebrate Parent & Family Weekend Sept. 25-26

Western Kentucky University will celebrate Parent & Family Weekend September 25-26 with numerous events, highlighted by recognition of the 2026 Family of the Year during WKU Football’s game against Mercyhurst. WKU students are encouraged to nominate their family for 2026 Family of the Year. Nominations are due September 11. Nomination information

The Parent & Family Weekend schedule includes: Friday, September 25: Ghost Tour with WKU Student Alumni Ambassadors at 7 p.m. Saturday, September 26: Hilltopper Quest, a self-guided campus challenge,

with WKU Alumni at 10:30 a.m., Sip & Snap, a pre-tailgate sweet treat and family photo op, with WKU Alumni at 11:30 a.m., Parent & Family Tailgate at 2 p.m. and WKU Football vs. Mercyhurst at 6 p.m. Tailgating meal tickets and t-shirts can be purchased through the WKU Parent & Family Portal.



What Green-Taylor Water upgrades mean for customers

The Green-Taylor Water District recently announced major changes that will be of benefit to customers. The company is transitioning to new meters with plans to install 500 of those by the end of 2026.

- * customers will get more accurate statements that will help discover leaks or excessive water usage;
 - * the transition means the district will change from a customer-read system to an employee-read system. This will result in customers paying for the exact amount of water that is used each month;
 - * the new meters are part of an Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) that will send readings to the district’s office every four hours and will not require some to read the meters every month;
 - * once all new meters are installed, customers will not have to worry about excessive water usage (i.e., leaks) because the new system will notify the district with an alarm if there is excessive usage by a customer;
 - * the company will keep customers up to date on its Facebook Page, will continue to have information through the local media and will send all customers a letter along with the bills that are mailed;
 - * none of the upgraded changes will result in an increase in customer costs. The district already had money on-hand to purchase the supplies associated with the new system.
- The district asks for customers to be patient and cooperative as it incorporates the new system into the operation.
- The Green-Taylor Water District was established in 1964 and currently has a base of more than 6,700 customers with 5,500 having active meters.

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