

10-16-2012

The Parthenon, October 16, 2012

Shane Arrington
Parthenon@marshall.edu

Follow this and additional works at: <http://mds.marshall.edu/parthenon>

Recommended Citation

Arrington, Shane, "The Parthenon, October 16, 2012" (2012). *The Parthenon*. Paper 9.
<http://mds.marshall.edu/parthenon/9>

This Newspaper is brought to you for free and open access by the University Archives at Marshall Digital Scholar. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Parthenon by an authorized administrator of Marshall Digital Scholar. For more information, please contact zhangj@marshall.edu.

THE PARTHENON

VOL. 116 NO. 31 | MARSHALL UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT NEWSPAPER | MARSHALLPARTHENON.COM

MU student elected to national position

Nathan O'Kane named president of student engineering society

By **KATIE WISE**
THE PARTHENON

The engineering program at Marshall University has been steadily gaining esteem and recognition in the engineering community both at home and abroad.

While groundbreaking for the new applied engineering

complex has generated excitement and support for the engineering community, one Marshall student has gained recognition for Marshall's quickly advancing engineering program.

Senior engineering major, Nathan O'Kane, was recently elected the national president of the National Student Council for the Society of American Military Engineers, or S.A.M.E.

O'Kane was chosen for the position out of roughly 100 student candidates from 45 S.A.M.E. chapters across the nation.

O'Kane said he took on the position for personal fulfillment, rather than career or monetary advancement.

"I do not really get any real benefit from doing this, I am not paid for it and I am not looking for any recognition," O'Kane said. "It is an honor more than something I am going to benefit from. S.A.M.E and engineering here at Marshall has given me a huge amount of satisfaction and fulfillment as far as education and personal fulfillment. My idea is to give that back to student chapters

across the nation so they are getting everything they can out of the program."

S.A.M.E. is the premier professional military engineering association in the United States that encompasses architecture, engineering, construction, facility management and environmental entities as well as public and private sector engineers and related professionals.

The association aims to promote and facilitate engineering support for national security and aids in the preparation for

natural and manmade disasters.

Taking on the presidential role of S.A.M.E National Student Council gave O'Kane the opportunity to represent Marshall University in the S.A.M.E. conference in St. Louis over the weekend.

The conference allowed engineering students from across the United States to discuss goals and objectives of the S.A.M.E organization student chapters and heavily focused on developing future engineers through outreach and mentoring.

"It speaks volumes about Nathan and the caliber of students and engineering programs at Marshall University," Matt Turner, Marshall's chief of staff said.

O'Kane has true passion for the engineering field and stresses its significance in everyday life.

"You will start to think about how everything you do today was done by engineers, the house or apartment you live in, the street you drive on, the car

See **O'KANE** | Page 5

U.S. agency: No help for restructuring student loans

By **RENEE SCHOOF**

MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS (MCT)

WASHINGTON — College students who took out private student loans before the recession hit are telling the government they're getting a runaround from lenders as they struggle to pay them back.

In a report to be released Tuesday, the federal Consumer Financial Protection Bureau found that student borrowers, like homeowners with troubled mortgages, are upset about how hard it can be to get help with their payment problems, and how long it can take for lenders to fix their own errors.

"Student loan borrower stories of detours and dead ends with their servicers bear an uncanny resemblance to problematic practices uncovered in the mortgage servicing business," said Rohit Chopra, the bureau's ombudsman for student loans.

His report was based on nearly 2,900 complaints to his office since March, when it set up a website to inquire about problems that borrowers were having with the private student loan market.

The consumer protection agency, established under a Wall Street regulation law, worked with the Department of Education on the project.

The federal government took over the student loan business under President Barack Obama. The administration said doing so saved billions of dollars in middleman costs. Unlike federal student loans, private loans don't have a system of income-based repayment.

Outstanding student loan debt is more than \$1 trillion. Private loans account for more than \$150 billion of that total, the report said. About \$8 billion of those loans are in default.

Chopra said the report was not an attempt to measure how common the problems were, but "an early warning" of further concerns that could surface in the future.

See **LOANS** | Page 5

Election 2012



Romney supporters gather to hear the Republican nominee for president speak at Shawnee State University in Portsmouth, Ohio, on Saturday.

Romney makes campaign stop in Ohio

THE PARTHENON

In the final stretch of his campaign, Republican presidential hopeful Mitt Romney hit the key swing state of Ohio to win over voters and ignite his base.

Romney made a stop Saturday afternoon at Shawnee State University in Portsmouth.

Betty Bellsesser lives in Scioto County and waited for hours to hear the nominee speak.

"I am here for the hope of our salvation," Bellsesser said. "I've got to be here, I've got to tell him with my body and my voice."

While many voters, such as Bellsesser have already decided who to vote for, many in Scioto County have not. Bryan

Davis, communications co-chair for the Scioto County Republican Party, said his county is highly important in the 2012 presidential race due to a overwhelming number of undecided voters.

"There are 40,000 independents in this county alone," Davis said. "This area is very important in this race."

Southern Ohio is a key battleground in the race. In September, Vice-President Joe Biden made a campaign stop in Portsmouth. Also, on Wednesday, President Obama, and First-lady Michelle, will make a stop in Athens.

Jeff Burchett was an undecided voter when he came to listen to Romney's speech on Saturday. He voted for Obama in 2008, and wanted to listen to Romney

for what he calls "research."

"I've always been an independent voter for years," Burchett said. "I'm curious to see what Mr. Romney has to say."

Burchett walked into the rally with an open mind, but said after the speech his vote definitely swung towards Romney.

"I felt like he was talking to me," Burchett said. "Right now, I think I'll vote for him, I'm still going to watch the debates." "He talked about education and that's really important to me, I have two kids."

One more decided voter, one more swing vote for the Romney campaign.

The Parthenon can be contacted at parthenon@marshall.edu.

All sides optimistic for Tuesday debate

By **BISHOP NASH**
THE PARTHENON

With the countdown to election day drawing shorter, President Obama and Mitt Romney must daily claw for the attention and affection of the American public. On no stage can this be done with greater efficiency than during the three presidential debates, and appearing on top at Tuesday night's meeting means a different prize for each man.

For Barack Obama, this is a chance for redemption. The famously articulate president appears often manhandled by Romney during the previous debate Oct. 3 in Denver, Colo. To appear as a weak incumbent for a second consecutive debate could breathe more life into a Republican ticket the president would rather see left in the dust.

Ana Ramirez, freshman biochemistry major from Chillicothe, Peru, supports President Obama but noted that the previous debate was far from his greatest. She's said confident, however, he will bounce back and rise to the occasion.

"I think he's had ample time to review what his critics are saying that he's lacking in his responses to Mitt Romney's statements," Ramirez said, "I think his biggest failure was that he lacked confidence and it showed."

As much as Tuesday's debate means for the Obama campaign, it may mean even more

See **DEBATE** | Page 5

Secretary of State Clinton takes responsibility for deadly attack in Libya

By **PAUL RICHTER**

TRIBUNE WASHINGTON BUREAU (MCT)

WASHINGTON — As criticism mounted on the Obama administration, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton acted Monday to shield the president from blame for the deadly September attack on a U.S. mission in Libya, saying that any fault lies with her as America's top diplomat.

"I take responsibility," Clinton told a CNN interviewer during a trip to Peru.

U.S. Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens and three other Americans were killed Sept. 11 when dozens of heavily armed men drove up in a convoy and attacked and burned the thinly protected U.S. diplomatic mission and a nearby annex in Benghazi.

Two State Department security officers who served in Libya this year told a House oversight hearing last week that they had requested an extension of a 16-member military team at the U.S.

Embassy in Tripoli, several hundred miles away from Benghazi, but that mid-level State Department officers in Washington had rejected the request.

In addition to the congressional probe, the State Department has convened a formal review of the assault, and the FBI has sent agents to Libya to conduct a criminal investigation.

Though the incident could mar Clinton's record as chief diplomat, Republicans in

Congress and on the campaign trail have raised few questions about her role. They have charged instead that the failure to protect the diplomatic mission reflects a broader failure of foreign policy by Obama as he runs for re-election.

Clinton has kept a generally low profile on the issue and on Friday she declined to answer a reporter's question about precisely what she was doing during the attack.

NEWS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012 | THE PARTHENON | MARSHALLPARTHENON.COM

MU honors students register early for spring 2013

By **SUZANN AL-QAWASMI**
THE PARTHENON

Most students at Marshall University have a few more weeks before advising and registration for the spring 2013 semester begin but students in the Honors College are planning for the upcoming semester. Early registration is one of the benefits the Honors College provides for its students.

"Honors students have a select number of courses they must

choose from and take each semester, limiting the flexibility of their schedules," Barry Dickerson, Honors College adviser, said.

Dickerson said allowing students to register early has proven to be beneficial for students taking honors courses.

"Registering early helps students fit honors coursework into their schedules," Dickerson said. "This is particularly helpful for students taking our interdisciplinary seminars."

Registration for all honors students begins Nov. 1. Students in the Honors College must meet with an adviser before they can register. Honors advising begins Oct. 23 and runs through Oct. 26.

"Early registration has helped me sign up for the classes I want at the times that best fit my schedule," Derek Collins, senior chemistry major from Fort Gay, W. Va., said.

Collins said being able to register early has helped him avoid

the problems associated with scheduling that many students face each semester.

"When I was a lower classman, most of my classes were filled up before freshmen and sophomores were even allowed to register," Collins said.

He said he never had to worry about not getting the classes he needed, because he was able to register even before the seniors who were not members of the Honors College.

During the advising appointments, students are able to sign up for honors seminars, which are interdisciplinary courses intended to challenge students in a way that other courses at Marshall may not. Students in the Honors College are required to take two seminars before they graduate.

Students in the Honors College must also take 12 hours of other honors credits.

"Since the Honors College

requires us to take additional courses that are not needed for our undergraduate degree, I think that the early registration is an important part of the Honors College," Collins said.

Seniors and juniors can sign up for advising appointments today, and sophomores and freshmen can begin signing up Wednesday.

Suzann Al-Qawasmi can be contacted at alqawasmi2@marshall.edu.

Dayglow organizers cancel Huntington paint party

By **MARCUS CONSTANTINO**
THE PARTHENON

A promoter representing the Life in Color tour confirmed Huntington's Dayglow event, scheduled for Saturday at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena, has been cancelled.

Amy Burns, promoter for Prime Social Group of Columbus, Ohio, said organizers cancelled the event Monday.

Eric Fuller, national event director for the Life in Color tour, said the decision was made based on the number of tickets purchased in advance.

"Unfortunately, due to a lack of presales and interest, we had to cancel the show," Fuller said.

A news release from the Big Sandy Superstore Arena announced the cancellation Monday.

"Due to circumstances beyond our control, Life in Color (Dayglow) has decided to cancel Saturday's event," said Brian Sipe, general manager of the Big Sandy Superstore Arena, in the news release. "We apologize for the inconvenience. There will not be a rescheduled date."

Veronica Hordubay, marketing and sales manager for the arena, said Dayglow has cancelled a few cities from its tour.

Derek Casteel, senior sports management and marketing

major from Huntington, leaked the event's cancellation on Twitter on Sunday afternoon. The tweet prompted many disappointed Twitter users to appeal to Dayglow promoter Matt Meyer not to cancel the event.

Casteel, who had been promoting the event in the Huntington area, said he had been in contact with Dayglow promoters in the weeks leading up to the scheduled event. He said the event was cancelled due to a lack of expected ticket sales and social media interest.

According to the ticketmaster web page for the Huntington Dayglow event, ticket orders made via Internet or telephone will be automatically cancelled and refunded. Hordubay said in the news release tickets can be refunded in person at the Big Sandy Superstore Arena box office. Ticketholders can also call 800-745-3000 for refunds, according to the news release.

Dayglow paint party events have recently been cancelled in Charlotte, Fargo, N.D., and Lafayette, La. According to a news release, the Fargo event was also cancelled due to a lack of sufficient ticket sales.

Marcus Constantino can be contacted at constantino2@marshall.edu.



COURTESY OF DUSTIN MURPHY

Marshall University's student veterans gathered at a luncheon Monday at the Memorial Student Center to acquire information about the variety of services offered to veterans in the Tri-State area. The Veteran's Council, a new student organization, will allow student veterans to have a voice in campus operations.

New organization gives MU student veterans a voice

By **SEAN DELANCEY**
THE PARTHENON

Marshall University student veterans will soon have an organization called the Veteran's Council, through which they can have a unified voice in campus operations and learn about the benefits available to them.

Monday morning veterans were asked to attend a luncheon where speakers explained all of the options

available to veterans in the Huntington community, and gather interest in beginning the organization.

Dustin Murphy, Student Government Association veterans affairs liaison, said he organized the event to ensure veterans could make the most out of the benefits offered to them.

"I want to bring people together, get connectivity and

provide those benefits to those who need it," Murphy said.

Kim White, mental health specialist, was first to address the veterans. White said the counseling centers located in Prichard Hall offer a slate of services free to veterans.

White said among these are psychiatric services, both free visits and regular follow up exams, and an on call crisis counselor who is available at all

times. White's office is located in room 145 of Prichard Hall, and she is available to assist veterans with questions.

Brent Strum, recreation therapist at the Huntington Veteran Affairs Medical Center, followed White with a list of events available to veterans, either free of charge or with assisted funding.

Through the VAMC, veterans

See **VETERANS** | Page 5

Obama, Romney to face off in town hall debate

By **DAVID LIGHTMAN**
MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS
VIA MCT

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. — President Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney face off Tuesday in a "town hall" style debate that has the potential to finally break the race's stubborn tie as their battle roars into its final, decisive three weeks.

The 90-minute debate at Hofstra University, which begins at 9 p.m. EDT, comes with the two men neck and neck after Romney bested Obama in their first debate, gained in the polls and climbed back into contention. The result could hinge on the way the two men perform, but also on a format that will allow members of the audience to pose questions, with follow-ups from moderator Candy Crowley of CNN.

Obama, sharply criticized for a listless performance in the first presidential debate on Oct. 3, is expected to more aggressively question Romney's shifts in tone and position over the years _ and in some cases recent days _ on tax cuts, immigration, abortion and other subjects.

"We saw this clearly in the first presidential debate on Oct. 3, as Gov. Romney cynically and dishonestly hid the self-described 'severely conservative' positions he's been running on _ and there's no doubt he's memorizing more deceptions as he prepares for Tuesday's

second debate," Obama campaign manager Jim Messina said in a memo Monday.

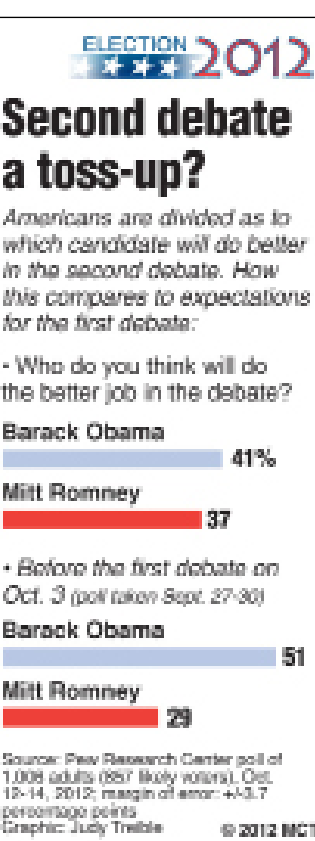
Obama, who has been practicing in Williamsburg, Va., is expected to press Romney hard on the Republican's contention that he can cut current income tax rates 20 percent across the board without increasing the federal deficit.

Romney, who has been preparing in the Boston area, is expected to counter not only with a vigorous defense of his plan but with a recitation of economic woes that he says the Obama administration has helped exacerbate. The more informal town hall format is likely to be more comfortable for the affable Romney.

Crowley will moderate, the first time in 20 years a woman has had that role. Undecided voters in the audience, selected by the Gallup Organization, will ask questions, a format first used in 1992 as a way to more directly engage voters.

Crowley stirred grumbling in both political camps by suggesting she may go further in her own questioning than the campaigns want. She also plans to press the candidates to actually answer the questions asked of them.

"Either go to the next question or say, 'Wait a second, wait a second, they asked oranges, you responded apples,



could you please respond to oranges?" Crowley told McClatchy Newspapers in an interview. "Or, 'Hey, while we're on this, could you please explain why this happened or what do you think about this?'"

Asked about the kerfuffle around Crowley and follow-up questions, Obama campaign spokeswoman Jen Psaki noted there were "discussions around every debate," but she declined to comment on the specifics.

See **TOWN HALL** | Page 5

Scotland to hold independence referendum in 2014

By **HENRY CHU**
LOS ANGELES TIMES VIA MCT

LONDON — The people of Scotland will decide in 2014 whether to stay yoked to England and Wales or become an independent nation after more than 300 years of sometimes resentful marriage.

With a handshake and their signatures, British Prime Minister David Cameron and Scottish First Minister Alex Salmond sealed a deal Monday on a referendum that could see the biggest political shake-up in the British Isles since Ireland threw off British rule nearly a century ago.

Under the agreement, Scottish voters will get their chance to say yes or no to remaining part of the United Kingdom in a ballot most likely to be held in the autumn of 2014. A decision in favor of secession would end Britain as we know it, dissolving the union of England, Wales and Scotland that has prevailed since 1707 and that once ruled a global empire.

The historic plebiscite is a major victory for Salmond and his Scottish National Party, which won a stunning majority in the Scottish Parliament two years ago and immediately pressed ahead with its pledge to put independence to a popular

vote.

An elated Salmond hailed the referendum deal as "a major step forward in Scotland's home-rule journey" and brushed aside accusations that he was bent on scrapping more than three centuries of tradition for the sake of it.

"We're not in the business of ripping things up. We're in the business of developing a new relationship between the people of these islands _ I think a more beneficial, an independent, equal relationship," Salmond said in Edinburgh, the Scottish capital.

"I believe we can build an economically prosperous and more just society here in Scotland," he added. "That's going to be the very core of the argument."

But Salmond will have to overcome the strong opposition of union-minded politicians and the skepticism of many of his 5.2 million fellow Scots, who wonder just how well an independent Scotland would hold its own in an increasingly competitive, and sometimes dangerous, world.

Cameron tried to highlight those concerns by visiting a Scottish shipyard where a new aircraft carrier is being built, a showcase of the military might of a unified Britain.

"We are better together, we are stronger together, we are safer together," Cameron said after signing the referendum agreement. "Now the argument can

be put. This United Kingdom can never hold a country within it without its consent. We're better off together, but now people will have the choice."

The deal reached between him and Salmond, both canny leaders, entailed concessions on both sides.

Salmond had lobbied for a ballot that offered both independence and a more moderate alternative granting fiscal autonomy for Scotland without a complete breakaway, which could appeal to voters uncertain of taking the ultimate leap. Success for either option would have allowed the Scottish government to expand its powers.

252805
GINO'S
PARTHENON 2 FOR
TUES
1 x 4.0



EAST DIVISION	C-USA		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
UCF	2	0	4	2
EAST CAROLINA	3	1	4	3
MARSHALL	1	1	2	4
MEMPHIS	1	1	1	5
UAB	0	2	1	5
SOUTHERN MISS	0	2	0	6

SPORTS

	C-USA		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
TULSA	4	0	6	1
HOUSTON	2	0	3	3
TULANE	1	1	1	5
SMU	1	1	2	4
RICE	0	3	2	5
UTEP	0	3	1	6



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012 | THE PARTHENON | MARSHALLPARTHENON.COM

Breaking down Herd women's basketball schedule

By JAMES COLLIER FOR THE PARTHENON

Marshall University women's basketball begins the 2012-13 season under the helm of newly hired Head Coach Matt Daniel looking to build from its 16-14 record last season. Marshall also looks to improve within its conference after a disappointing record of 7-9. Daniel will attempt to lead Marshall back to the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1997.

Marshall will play a schedule which includes teams from 10 different conferences. Marquette and Presbyterian College will be first-time opponents for The Herd while preserving long-term rivalries against Ohio (15 years) in the Cam Henderson Center at home and traveling to Charleston to play West Virginia (40 years) in

the Capital City Classic.

Preseason action for The Herd includes Concord on Nov. 1 and Kentucky State on Nov. 4 as both teams visit Huntington. Regular season action begins on Nov. 9 with 2011-12 Big South semi-finalists Radford visiting Huntington. Marshall travels to Terre Haute, Ind. to face Indiana State, a team Marshall has not faced since 1980. The Herd returns home on Nov. 17 to face Ball State.

Marshall will spend its Thanksgiving holiday in Texas playing in the Texas A&M Tournament facing Southern on Nov. 23 and Marquette on Nov. 25. Marshall heads to Richmond, Ky. as a participant of EKU's tournament Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.

Non-conference play continues for Marshall during December as it faces some of its toughest opponents of the season. Marshall plays West

Virginia on Dec. 4 in the Capital City Classic and returns home for the first time in more than a month on Dec. 15, clashing with Ohio followed by games with Furman on Dec. 20 and Tennessee Tech on Dec. 22.

Non-conference play will close out with a trip to Annapolis to battle with 2011-12 Patriot League Champions, Navy on Dec. 30.

Marshall begins Conference USA play on Jan. 10 after an 11-day break with a road trip to Hattiesburg, Miss. to face Southern Miss. Marshall returns home on Jan. 13 to play Tulane, then heads to Tulsa on Jan. 17.

February will be Marshall's toughest part of the schedule as it opens with Memphis on Feb. 3 at home before heading to Orlando to face UCF on Feb. 7 and to Dallas on Feb. 10 to battle with SMU.

Marshall clashes with reigning C-USA champions UTEP on Feb. 14 before heading to Birmingham for a second meeting with UAB. Marshall closes the month out hosting East Carolina on the 21st, traveling to Houston to face Rice on the 24th and Southern Miss on the 28th.

The Herd closes Conference USA play against UCF in its final home game of the season on March 3. Marshall closes the regular season at Memphis on March 7.

The Herd begins postseason play in Tulsa beginning March 13 in the Conference USA Championships. The tournament runs March 13-16 with the winner receiving an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

James Collier can be contacted at collier41@marshall.edu.



MARSHALL UNIVERSITY TIGHT END GATOR HOSKINS PULLS IN A TOUCHDOWN PASS FROM QUARTERBACK RAKEEM CATO AS PURDUE'S ANTHONY BROWN ATTEMPTS TO BREAK UP THE PLAY DURING THE THIRD QUARTER OF THE GAME AT ROSS-ADE STADIUM, SATURDAY, SEPT. 29 IN WEST LAFAYETTE, IND.

Hoskins named to John Mackey Award Midseason Watch List

HERDZONE

BETHPAGE, N.Y. — Marshall tight end Gator Hoskins was named to the John Mackey Award Watch List Monday afternoon by the Nassau County Sports Commission. The Herd standout joined Rice's Luke Willson as the only Conference USA representatives on the 26-man list.

Hoskins, a junior from

Gainesville, Fla., has 18 catches for 207 yards and seven touchdowns this season, which is sixth nationally and the most for any tight end. Against Big Ten power Purdue, Hoskins snared four passes for 42 yards, which included touchdowns of 1, 12 and 28 yards. In 15 career starts and 20 overall appearances, he has 32 catches for 330 yards and 10 scores.

Given annually to the most outstanding collegiate tight end, the award recipient is selected by vote of the John Mackey Award Selection Committee and the 2012 John Mackey winner will be presented live on December 6, 2012 at The Home Depot College Football Awards Red Carpet Show airing at 6:30 p.m. ET on ESPNU. Other key dates

include the announcement of the 2012 Mackey semi-finalists on November 12, 2012 and the announcement of the 2012 Mackey finalists on November 19, 2012.

Marshall (2-4 overall, 1-1 in Conference USA) will travel to Southern Miss (0-6, 0-2) for a 7 p.m. ET/6 p.m. CT kickoff on Saturday. The game will be televised on CBS Sports Network.

Jet's coach Rex Ryan regaining his swagger

By GREG LOGAN NEWSDAY (MCT)

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Between his dramatic weight loss and his down-sized ego this season, Rex Ryan was becoming almost unrecognizable. But a confidence-boosting win over the Colts and a pending date with the Patriots on Sunday in Foxboro were all it took to restore Ryan's swagger.

The Jets coach made it clear his determination to beat AFC East rival New England and coach Bill Belichick never will change. "I want them to know — and they know — that I think we're going to beat them," Ryan said Monday. "I recognize they're a great football team and Belichick's a great coach. I've never once said that he wasn't."

"We're not going to back down or concede anything. They're going to get our best shot. We know we're going to get theirs. So it doesn't matter who says what, but we are going to be ourselves. We're coming up there to take our swing, and we'll see if we land that punch to win the game."

The Patriots' surprising 24-23 loss Sunday at Seattle dropped them to 3-3 in a tie with the Jets, Dolphins and Bills in the AFC East. Asked if the defending AFC champions look more vulnerable, Ryan said it's unusual for the Pats to have so many losses at this stage of the season, but he added the Jets need to worry more about themselves.

"It's going to be a slugfest all the way," Ryan said. "It's a 10-game season now, so whoever comes out of it the best will win our division. We're just going to



keep slugging."

Ryan's fighting words not only set the tone for Patriots week, but they reinforce the message he sent to his team following the 34-0 loss to San Francisco on Sept. 30. Namely, that they had to be more physical running the ball and stopping the run.

He saw progress in a 23-17 loss to Houston, and it all came to fruition in Sunday's 35-9 win over the Colts.

"We got back to trying to give it to the offense every day in practice, and vice versa," linebacker Garrett McIntyre said. "It's just going back to that Rex-style type of defense, and I think it is carrying over into the games."

All division games are important, but the intensity gets dialed up more for the Patriots. "This week of practice, we'll be banging each other," McIntyre said. "This is a huge opportunity for us."

Up in New England, Belichick's fire is no less hot but a lot more muted. Mention of the Jets elicited a typically clipped response. "Certainly the Jets are a big one this week," Belichick said, "but we face big ones every week."

Having finished second in the division to the Patriots in each of Ryan's first three seasons as coach, the Jets know what's necessary to change that order.

"It's going to be a fight," safety Eric Smith said. "It's a rivalry game. You're up for it no matter what."

Ravens' Ray Lewis out for the season with triceps tear

By JEFF ZREBIEC THE BALTIMORE SUN (MCT)

BALTIMORE — The Baltimore Ravens' worst fears were confirmed Monday when a magnetic resonance imaging test revealed that middle linebacker Ray Lewis suffered a torn triceps in his right arm, an injury that will likely end his season and could force him to contemplate the end of his career.

Ravens coach John Harbaugh made the announcement Monday about Lewis, who has a complete tear.

Lewis was hurt while making a tackle Sunday on Dallas Cowboys' running back Phillip Tanner in the fourth quarter of the Ravens' 31-29 victory. Lewis watched the final two minutes from the sideline as the Ravens held off two last-minute Cowboys' drives that could have won the game.

The Ravens also lost their top

cornerback, Lardarius Webb, to a season-ending torn left anterior cruciate ligament in the game.

While acknowledging the potential severity of Webb's injury after Sunday's game, Harbaugh said that he didn't think Lewis' injury was "really bad." However, further testing revealed the tear.

Playing in his 17th season, Lewis, 37, had faced some criticism the past couple of weeks due to the struggles of the Ravens' defense, particularly against the run. The Ravens have allowed back-to-back opponents to rush for 200 yards for the first time in franchise history. The Cowboys' 227 rushing yards Sunday were the most that the Ravens have ever allowed.

Lewis made 14 tackles Sunday and leads the Ravens with 57 tackles on the season. The Ravens could fill his spot by

moving Jameel McClain into the middle and also starting Dannel Ellerbe who has also been one of the team's top tacklers this season.

Lewis missed four games last year with a toe injury and the Ravens went 4-0 in his absence and played some of their best defense of the season. Before last year, Lewis hadn't missed a game since sitting out the final two games of the 2007 season as a result of hand and back injuries.

His two previous trips to injured reserve came in 2005 when he was sidelined for the final 10 games because of a hamstring issue and in 2002 when he missed 11 of the final 12 games with a shoulder injury.

The timetable for returning from a torn triceps is between three and six months and several players who sustained the injury earlier this season or in

training camp, including Tennessee Titans' center Eugene Amano, Arizona Cardinals offensive tackle Levi Brown and Denver Broncos' defensive tackle Ty Warren, were placed on season-ending injured reserve.

Lewis could wind up there as well for just the third time in his career. But the bigger question is whether the two-time NFL Defensive Player and 13-time Pro Bowl selection will decide to go through a long and difficult rehabilitation process and return for an 18th season.

Lewis has consistently avoided discussing his retirement, saying only that he'll know when it's time to hang up his cleats. The linebacker also remains as hard-working and competitive as ever so it would be somewhat surprising if he didn't end his career on his terms, rather than going out with an injury.

ticketmaster 800.745.3000 Find www.events on f

OPINION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012 | THE PARTHENON | MARSHALLPARTHENON.COM

THE PARTHENON

ABOUT US

The Parthenon, Marshall University's student newspaper, is published by students Mondays through Fridays during the regular semesters, and weekly Thursdays during the summer. The editorial staff is responsible for news and editorial content.

STAFF

SHANE ARRINGTON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR
arrington16@marshall.edu

EDEN ADKINS
MANAGING EDITOR
adkins778@marshall.edu

JOHN GIBB
NEWS EDITOR
gibb@marshall.edu

JEREMY JOHNSON
SPORTS EDITOR
johnson783@marshall.edu

RACHEL FORD
LIFE! EDITOR
ford80@marshall.edu

ADAM ROGERS
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR
rogers11@marshall.edu

MARCUS CONSTANTINO
PHOTO EDITOR
constantino2@marshall.edu

TYLER KES
DIGITAL EDITOR
kes@marshall.edu

ASHLEIGH HILL
COPY EDITOR
hill281@marshall.edu

NIKKI DOTSON
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR
dotson76@marshall.edu

SANDY YORK
FACULTY ADVISER
sandy.york@marshall.edu

CONTACT US

109 Communications Bldg.
Marshall University
One John Marshall Drive
Huntington, West Virginia 25755
parthenon@marshall.edu

THE FIRST AMENDMENT | The Constitution of the United States of America

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble; and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

ONLINE POLLS

Who do you think made the best points in the Vice Presidential Debate?

- Biden
- Ryan

The following are the results from the most recent poll question: Who do you think made the best points in the Presidential Debate in Denver?

- Obama 32% - 26 votes
- Romney 68% - 55 votes

Visit marshallparthenon.com to share your opinion.

Editorial

Baumgartner's jump more than a Facebook stunt

Austrian daredevil Felix Baumgartner broke the speed of sound on Sunday, reaching a top speed of over 800 miles an hour. Instead of applauding this man, complementing him on his fearlessness and awesome last name, there are those who spend their time complaining on the Internet saying his space jump was simply another stunt for the Facebook generation.

Seriously?

Are we really so jaded we would rather discuss how the first man to reach supersonic speed without being encapsulated in metal while jumping from 128,000 feet above Earth is merely a stunt man rather than someone who gracefully landed in Roswell, N.M., like he didn't just do something no one else had done before.

Let's all hang our heads in shame shall we.

Now there are some people who are just stupid and would sell their souls for some attention.

Enter Kam Ma.

On March 4, 2006, Ma spent nearly eight hours being pierced more than 1,000 times to break the world record for the longest body piercing session.

First off, his name is not as cool as Baumgartner's. Secondly, how does this provide inspiration for humankind other than saying "look at me, I can be a human pin cushion?"

It is moronic stunts such as that people should be spending their time trolling the Internet complaining about — which surely happened at the time. But spending the same amount of time, or any amount of time for that matter, trying to belittle a man literally falling from the sky to prove technology and human spirit can accomplish great feats need to try it sometime.

Supposedly one could argue that being stabbed more than 1,000 times is pretty hardcore as well, and of course it is, but it also falls under Facebook generation stunt — while Baumgartner's belief-defying fall from space should not be put in the same category.

Column

'Gangnam Style', pop culture awareness low in North Korea

By LAURA LING

LOS ANGELES TIMES VIA MCT

By now, "Gangnam Style" has become part of the pop culture lexicon. The infectious song by South Korean singer Psy broke the Guinness world record for "most likes" on YouTube. The video has been watched nearly 425 million times and has inspired flash mobs and parodies by lifeguards, Ivy leaguers and hot moms.

If you haven't heard of "Gangnam Style," you've probably spent the last month orbiting in outer space.

Or perhaps you live above the 38th parallel, in North Korea.

North Korea is as isolated and backward as South Korea is wired and technologically advanced. And while some ruling elites in Pyongyang are certainly aware of "Gangnam Style" — we know this because of a parody video posted on the North's official website featuring an image of South Korean presidential candidate Park Geun-hye doing Psy's signature horse dance — the regime prohibits ordinary North Koreans from having access to the Internet.

The average citizen has no knowledge of YouTube, Facebook or Twitter.

It's safe to say that North Korea's notorious propaganda machine would never willingly let its impoverished population see the original "Gangnam Style" video, which parodies the riches and excess enjoyed in Seoul's trendy Gangnam neighborhood.

Three years ago, I got a unique glimpse of the so-called Hermit Kingdom after I was taken prisoner by North Korean soldiers along the Chinese-North Korean border while working on a documentary. The North was like no place I'd ever been. In contrast to the frenzy of the South, life there was slow and antiquated, a land frozen in a Cold War time warp.

All media in North Korea are tightly controlled by the country's propaganda network. I was able to watch television with my guards on certain evenings, and as far as I could tell, the closest thing the North Koreans had to a pop sensation was a group of handsome singers from the military choir who belted out old-fashioned love songs and patriotic anthems. My female guards would swoon at the sight of these acoustic-guitar-playing performers dressed in army garb.

But my guards were not totally unaware of outside pop culture. One had been given Hollywood screenplays in college to help improve her English language skills. It was disconcerting to hear her reciting lines from the Adam Sandler flick "Big Daddy." U.S. culture was clearly seeping into North Korea, but it was hard to fathom what effect it was having.

Since North Korea's new leader, Kim Jung Un, took power after his father's death in December 2011, there has been much speculation about what kind of regime he will lead. Will the Western-educated Kim move to modernize his country and open it up to the outside world? Or will he take a hard-line, military-first approach to governance like his father?

Kim presents himself as a younger, more huggable version of his beloved grandfather, Kim Il Sung, and there is some indication he's interested in change. He has reportedly increased the flow of workers and officials to neighboring China, both to bring in cash for the strained regime and to study Chinese-style capitalism.

But in the end, it may not be entirely up to Kim when and how his country modernizes. Despite the culture of fear that permeates North Korean society, food shortages and the Gulag-style prison camps that hold an estimated 150,000 to 200,000 political prisoners, there are signs that the government is losing its iron grip.

BLUNDERGRADS™

by phil flickinger (www.blundergrads.com)



Column

Fischer v. U. Texas addresses affirmative action

By JONATHAN MORRIS
U. MINNESOTA VIA UWIRE

The Supreme Court made headlines this past summer when it issued a ruling on the constitutionality of the individual mandate that is at the core of the Affordable Care Act. This session, the Supreme Court will revisit a controversial issue: affirmative action. Last week, oral arguments were heard in the case of Fisher v. University of Texas at Austin, in which Abigail Fisher challenges U. Texas at Austin's use of race as a factor in the undergraduate admissions process. In the spirit of Justice John Robert's judicial conservatism, any discussion of the case and the implications it may have on affirmative action must begin with the precedent that exists already. The most recent ruling occurred during the William Rehnquist court in 2003: Grutter v. Bollinger. The details are similar: Barbara Grutter challenged the University of Michigan Law School's use of race as a factor in the admissions process, claiming that she was rejected because of the use of race as a predominate factor and that the university had no reason to justify their use of race.

In turn, the Grutter v. Bollinger decision relies on an earlier case, the 1978 decision in Regents of the University of California v. Bakke. In the case, Allan Bakke alleged that he had been discriminated against in U. California-Davis School of Medicine's consideration of

his application for admission. UC-Davis' admissions process reserved 16 of the 100 admissions for minority students. The decision ruled that the use of a quota in the admissions process was unconstitutional because it removed minorities from competition with non-minority applicants and thereby discriminated against non-minorities. However, the decision did not bar the use of race as a factor for admission entirely, citing Harvard's admissions program — which had filed an amicus curiae — as an example of a program that uses race only as a part of a "holistic review." Thus, after Bakke, race could be considered, but defined quotas were barred.

The Grutter decision 25 years later upheld the key distinction laid out in Bakke. Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, who recently retired from the U.S. Supreme Court, wrote the majority opinion and affirmed that universities have a compelling interest to obtain diversity. O'Connor used the term "critical mass" to describe the desirable number of minority students. O'Connor's definition of desirable levels of diversity does not rely on the benefits to minority students of their admission but rather to the institution as a whole. This is the crux of the difference between a quota — as was barred in Bakke — and a critical mass. Importantly, O'Connor's opinion admitted that in the future, admissions should strive to

become race-blind at the time such that it was no longer necessary to achieve the benefit of diversity in the institution. Should the conditions for a post-racial society be met, it is conceivable that admission decisions could then truly be race-blind without impacting diversity. O'Connor postulated that this time may be some 25 years in the future. Since her opinion, nine years have passed. America has elected the first African-American president. These concepts are central to any decision that the court may find regarding Fisher.

Oral arguments last week centered around the questions laid out in O'Connor's decision in Grutter. The university spent much of the oral argument defending the use of the "critical mass" concept. On one hand, it cannot be defined as a number or percentage — or risk drawing dangerously near being interpreted as a quota and unconstitutional under Bakke. On the other hand, to suggest that the university had met a critical mass condition would imply under O'Connor's ruling that the time to transition to race-blind admission had come. The university sought to define critical mass in terms of the perceived isolation of minority students enrolled in the institution, as determined by social science research. Fisher's lawyer argued that the university had failed to adequately explain the conditions for

reaching critical mass — essentially inviting them to define it in a way that would render the practice unconstitutional — either because it was too similar to a quota or because they had achieved the critical mass.

Matter of standing aside, the justices must weigh the consequences of any decision they reach. Ideally, by 2012 the U.S. would have reached a post-racial society, and every measure should be taken to achieve this noble goal. But by numerous metrics, this simply hasn't occurred. The achievement gap in education, the income gap, the unemployment gap and numerous other disparities between minority and non-minority populations indicate that the U.S. is still far from a post-racial society. Ending affirmative action too early could erase the gains that have been achieved thus far. In a final consideration, should colleges be barred from considering race prematurely, there are numerous ways around explicit consideration of race: geography, income and even the details in an application to infer minority status and attempt to maintain diversity — which there is little question on inherent value. However, these are imperfect and open the door for advantages given to non-minority students in predominately minority school districts. It is a matter of justice — reconciling disparate and apparently opposed rights.

Alleged 9/11 plotters cooperative at Guantanamo Bay war court

By **CAROL ROSENBERG**
THE MIAMI HERALD (MCT)

GUANTANAMO BAY NAVY BASE, Cuba — All five men accused of orchestrating the Sept. 11 attacks sat quietly at the Pentagon war court on Monday as lawyers launched into a week of pre-trial hearings — a stark contrast to a defiant May 5 arraignment.

The judge, Army Col. James Pohl, swiftly rewarded them with a ruling that will allow them to voluntarily skip attendance day by day for this week's court session — 25 pre-trial motions that haggle over legal issues to set the stage for their death-penalty trial, likely years from now.

Khalid Sheik Mohammed, the accused mastermind, appeared in traditional white garb topped with a black vest and white turban — not the paramilitary style uniform that the prison camps commander had forbade.

His beard was once again red, apparently from henna, as he sat quietly at the defense table. His four alleged co-conspirators in the 2001 al-Qaida terror attacks sat quietly behind him, with none of the evident tension from their 13-hour May 5 arraignment in which the accused refused to cooperate. In May, they sat mum in court as the judge advised them of their rights to defense lawyers, and refused to either don headsets

or piping in Arabic-English translation or answer the judge's questions.

For Monday's session, the Pentagon had installed a workaround: speakers clamped below each defendant's table that broadcast the simultaneous translation. A Defense Department official could not immediately say how much the new technology had cost at the \$12 million expeditionary legal compound.

The court atmosphere was noticeably different than in May, when the accused both ignored the judge and interrupted the session for Muslim prayers. This time, the accused showed signs of cooperating with the process. Both Saudi Mustafa Hawsawi and Yemeni Ramzi bin al-Shibh responded through Arabic translators while the judge questioned them on a conflict-of-interest motion. At issue was whether a Navy defense lawyer, Cmdr. Suzanne Lachelier, could work on Hawsawi's defense team. She was assigned to defend bin al-Shibh at the Bush administration run war court.

"I have no objection for Miss Lachelier to assist my brother Mustafa, if he wants her," bin al-Shibh told the judge, after signing a waiver that neither the prosecution nor the public could see.

Pohl ruled against the prosecution, which wanted Lachelier excluded from

legal work on the case. Lachelier, a former federal defender who serves as a Navy Reservist, was not in court.

Mohammed, the alleged ringleader of the 9/11 attacks, never spoke throughout the morning.

The Pentagon's chief war crimes prosecutor Army Brig. Gen. Mark Martins had argued that attendance at their death-penalty trial can't be voluntarily waived because of "awful penalty that could follow." Pohl noted that the Pentagon's own Manual for Military Commissions provides for a voluntary absence after arraignment.

Pohl said he was creating a formula for waiver — prison camp staff wake the accused and ask them if they want to go to court each morning — only for this week's hearings. He said he would revisit the question during more hearings in December.

"I'm ruling that he has a right to waive his presence," Pohl said. "Understand this, it's a waiver for the whole day."

All five men were held in secret CIA prisons, where their lawyers say they were tortured. Defense lawyers argue that the trip to court from the prison camps can be traumatic. The captives are woken before dawn, shackled and have blinders put on their eyes for each early morning trip to the war court compound.

Loans Continued from Page 1

Sallie Mae, a major private student lender, said in a written statement that it helps customers who run into financial trouble.

"We have modified \$1.1 billion in private education loans with interest rate reductions or extended repayment since 2009," the company said.

Many of the borrowers who complained took out their loans before the economy tanked in 2008, and then graduated at a time when jobs have been hard to find, according to the report. They

said they can't take advantage of lower interest rates or modify their repayment plans when they don't earn enough money to make large monthly payments.

Many of the complainants had obtained loans to attend for-profit colleges and said school representatives had assured them they'd find jobs and be able to pay the loans back. But that didn't happen.

Others said they were caught by surprise with unexpected fees and often have been unable to reach loan officials to help them reschedule payments to avoid default.

O' Kane Continued from Page 1

you drive — everything you do somehow comes back to engineering," O'Kane said.

Engineering involves combining and applying scientific, economic, social and practical knowledge to design, build and maintain machines, engines, structures and public works.

O'Kane said even though Marshall has a fairly young engineering program, the professors and expanding facilities are top notch.

"Becoming an engineer will give you a huge sense of pride," O'Kane said. "Engineering has given me a lot of appreciation of how important the field is to the world.

It takes a lot of work and a lot of determination, but you are going to help the world and that is something I can get behind."

The engineering program at Marshall is currently one of the fastest growing majors on campus. With groundbreaking for the new applied engineering complex set for Oct. 29, students in the engineering field will soon have a fully functioning facility to encompass nearly every area of engineering.

The new engineering complex is just one of many physical examples of Marshall's continual expansion.

Katie Wise can be contacted at wise37@marshall.edu.

Debate Continued from Page 1

for Romney and the GOP. The Republican presidential candidate has trailed Obama in most polls since his nomination, but saw a substantial spike in support following the last debate's apparent strong showing. Proving a successful first strike was no fluke could deliver the shot in the arm Romney needs to turn this election season into a true political slugfest.

On the other edge of the spectrum and equally enthusiastic is Brandon Bickford, junior chemistry major from Ona, W.Va. Bickford firmly supports Romney and described the presidential contender's last performance as amazing.

"Romney was definitely on

offense and Obama was awful at defense," Bickford said.

In regards to how Tuesday night's debate will turn out, Bickford expects more of the same.

"I think (Romney) will be just as impressive as he was in the first one," Bickford said. "He's more knowledgeable and articulate than Obama, and I think that will show in every debate."

Tuesday night's debate will be held at Hofstra University in Hempstead, N.Y. and will be featured live on most major news outlets at 9 p.m. This second installment features a town hall meeting setup in which each candidate will field questions from independent voters in the audience.

Bishop Nash can be contacted at nash24@marshall.edu.

Pakistani girl shot by Taliban arrives in Britain for treatment

By **JANET STOBART**
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

LONDON — A Pakistani teenager who was wounded by Taliban gunmen opposed to her support of education for girls arrived in Britain on Monday for medical care and rehabilitation.

Malala Yousafzai, 14, was transported by air ambulance provided by the United Arab Emirates from the Pakistani city of Rawalpindi to Birmingham in central England and taken to the Queen Elizabeth hospital. She will receive post-trauma treatment, skull reconstruction and neurological rehabilitation for damage caused by a bullet that penetrated her skull.

The newly built hospital where she will be treated is Britain's main receiving unit for military casualties, specializing in the treatment of firearms and burns victims. A brief hospital statement announcing her arrival said she was "currently stable and being assessed by a team of multi-specialist doctors," including "clinicians from neurosurgery, imaging, trauma and therapies."

Medical director David Rosser said Malala will be treated by a team whose long experience in battlefield wounds predates the opening of the hospital. "We've taken every British battle casualty for over 10 years now," he told reporters.

Malala, a seventh-grader from Pakistan's Swat valley, was sought out and shot by gunmen who boarded her school bus last week. She is not believed to have suffered severe brain damage. Two of her classmates were also hit; one remains hospitalized in serious condition.

The Taliban took responsibility for the shootings, with its spokesmen saying Malala was targeted in retaliation for promoting Western culture, secularism and education for girls. She came to public attention in 2009 when her diary entries were publicized through the BBC Urdu Service website. They chronicled the Taliban's draconian rules limiting girls' education and the defiant decision by her and her classmates to continue their studies.

EU imposes new sanctions on Iran, Syria

By **HENRY CHU**
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

LONDON — The European Union on Monday slapped tough new sanctions on Iran out of "serious and deepening concerns" over Tehran's pursuit of its nuclear program.

All transactions between European and Iranian banks are to be prohibited, except those with advance official permission or for humanitarian purposes. Imports of natural gas from Iran will be banned. The EU is also tightening control over exports to Iran of certain goods, including metals such as aluminum and steel, computer software and shipbuilding materials.

EU foreign ministers said the new restrictions were warranted because Tehran continues to block inspectors of the International Atomic Energy Agency from making a full assessment of Iranian nuclear facilities and capabilities.

"Iran is acting in flagrant violation of its international obligations and continues to refuse to fully cooperate with the IAEA," the EU ministers said in a joint statement. "Today's decisions (on sanctions) target Iran's nuclear and ballistic program and the revenues of the Iranian government for these programs. ... The sanctions are not aimed at the Iranian people."

The EU said it would freeze the assets of 34 companies and institutions, mostly in the

energy and financial sectors, that provide support to the Tehran regime.

The new measures come amid indications that previously approved sanctions against Iran have begun taking a deep toll on its economy, including a plunge in the value of the Iranian currency against the dollar.

Meeting in Luxembourg, European foreign ministers also agreed to expand sanctions on Syria, where government security forces have been locked in a deadly struggle with rebels seeking to oust President Bashar Assad.

The EU is outlawing weapons imports into EU countries from Syria and any involvement by EU citizens or businesses in the transport of Syrian arms or the financing of its arms trade.

"The intensification of violence and the recent series of terrorist attacks demonstrate the urgent need for a political transition that would meet the democratic aspirations of the Syrian people and bring stability in Syria," the foreign ministers said. "The EU is deeply concerned about the increasing influx of weapons into Syria and calls on all states to refrain from delivering arms to the country."

In addition, 28 people associated with the violent crackdown on rebels and protesters against the Assad regime have had their assets frozen in Europe and are subject to a travel ban in the EU.

Town hall Continued from Page 2

"The president is looking forward to the debate tomorrow night, looking forward to answering questions from the American people who will be in the audience, and he is prepared for and ready to take questions from wherever they come," she said.

The Romney campaign would not comment about follow-up questions.

Asked if the campaign

prefers no follow-up questions from Crowley, Psaki said: "I'm not going to get into any more specifics than that."

Despite losing his lead after the first debate, Obama has some history on his side. Incumbent presidents, notably Ronald Reagan in 1984 and George W. Bush 20 years later, lapsed in their first debates. Like Obama, they had grown used to deference even opponents show to the president of the United States, and they seemed taken aback at the

kind of onslaught they hadn't endured since their last campaigns four years earlier.

Reagan and Bush recovered in their second debates and went on to win their reelection bids. But they were running when the economy was thriving, and Obama is not. Obama's fate is more difficult to handicap, as he's being tagged by two conflicting historical forces — the sluggish recovery has kept his popularity down, but it's not dismal enough to make him an underdog.

Veterans Continued from Page 2

can apply to take what Strum called adventure based therapy. Strum said, each year the VAMC sponsors six to seven major trips, and many more local trips, which include white water rafting, fly fishing, therapeutic horseback riding, snowboarding and golf outings.

Strum said any interested Veteran can get a referral for these programs from their physician at the local VA, and take those to the VAMC located at 1540 Spring Valley Dr. in Huntington.

George Brawn, representative from the Veteran's Health Administration, was next to speak, explaining that veterans can get healthcare from the VHA so long as they were enrolled in a local VA.

Brawn said services included dental care, mental health screenings, preventative care services, inpatient and outpatient care, prescription services and a women's health program.

Ben Smith, readjustment counseling therapist for the Huntington Vet Center, then took the stage.

Smith said his organization's counselors are comprised of combat veterans who are familiar with the different language used by veterans, and can effectively address veteran issues such as PTSD.

"PTSD is a normal response, by normal people, to an abnormal situation," Smith said.

The Huntington Vet Center is located at 3135 16th Street Rd. Suite 11 in Huntington.

Murphy spoke next. He said he wanted to use his position

as veteran's affairs liaison to establish the Veteran's Council, which at maximum enrollment, would unify 500 veterans on campus. Murphy said this would allow veteran issues to be voiced and resolved in a quick organized manner.

"I'd love to see that happen," Strum said. "It could become the most influential group on campus."

The final speaker was Jarrod Miner, Marshall student veteran, who said he was interested in starting a veteran's fraternity on campus. Miner said he had veterans who were interested, and now it just came down to people signing up so the organization could become official.

Sean DeLancey can be contacted at delancey2@marshall.edu.

CL101612
CLASSIFIED
CLASSIFIED
2 x 8.0

* Life! *

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2012 | THE PARTHENON | MARSHALLPARTHENON.COM

Housing and Residence Life announces employment opportunities for students

By **EVAN FOWLER**
THE PARTHENON

The Department of Housing and Residence Life is promoting that being a resident adviser is “all that and a bag of chips” as the department announces resident adviser selections for the spring 2013 semester.

HRL offers students employment and experience opportunities with resident adviser selections in October and interviews in early November.

“We want every type of person to apply,” Tiffany Hughes, resident director of Twin Towers East, said. “We don’t want ‘cookie-cutter’ resident advisers. Not every applicant can be the same because not every resident is the same.”

Hughes said she thinks being unique is an important quality she will be looking for in the interview process. She also said there is not a specific standard in regards to what type of people they are looking for in regards to personality and hopes they will have a large turnout of applicants for the interviews.

Tracey Eggleston, assistant director for the Department of Housing and Residence Life, said she hopes the interview process will help seek out people who want to be leaders on campus as well as individuals who want to grow and learn from the experience. She said that there are general requirements students must meet in order to be eligible for hire as a resident adviser, such as an undergraduate cumulative GPA of 2.3 or graduate cumulative GPA of 3.0.

“We want people who aren’t afraid to interact with others and are excited about life in general,” Eggleston said. “We also want people who are self-motivated and want to be leaders in their community.”

Eggleston said being a resident adviser could also provide students with a lot of transferrable skills and assets which will follow them into any job field they intend to pursue after graduation.

“I think that people don’t realize how much of a family res life actually is,” Eggleston said. “You gain a lot of support from the staff who really do become your brothers and sisters.”

Eggleston said all the professional staff is also available to work with advisers one on one as well to help them prepare for a successful future in their field of study once they leave the position.

“I think that students walk away with a lot of transferrable skills,” Eggleston said. “Being an adviser can really give students that extra



PHOTO ILLUSTRATIONS COURTESY OF HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE

bump in the job pool that they may need because a lot of people know what a resident adviser is.”

Compensation for the position includes a housing fee waiver, a monthly stipend and a meal plan package in addition to other benefits. Applications, requirements and the full compensation for the position can be found online under the Housing and Residence Life section of Marshall’s website. Applications are due to the Department of Housing and Residence Life by Oct. 25. The HRL department is located at the back of Hold-erby Hall and interviews will be conducted on Nov. 3 and 4.

Evan Fowler can be contacted at fowler68@marshall.edu.

Column

Improv with Wayne Brady

By **RACHEL FORD**
LIFE! EDITOR

“Shout out your favorite color.”
“Shout out your favorite movie.”

“Shout out words you normally wouldn’t hear on the radio.”

That is how an improv show generally starts, where input from the audience carries the entire show.

Actor and comedian Wayne Brady performed at the Clay Center for the Arts and Sciences in Charleston on Sunday, providing an audience of about 1,500 with a night full of laughter and improvisational acting.

Improv acting is something I’ve always had an interest in, but have never had a particular talent for. However, during Sunday night’s performance I got the opportunity to go on stage and show off my acting abilities (or lack thereof) with Brady.

I’m not going to lie, improv theater is something that sends me completely out of my element. While I have an interest in it, I would probably never actually participate in it with a group of strangers.

Being up on stage in front of more than 1,000 people was definitely an experience. Once I was chosen to go on stage I decided it was all or nothing, and making a fool of myself wasn’t even a concern anymore.

No matter what I or any of the other lucky few to get pulled up on stage did, Brady has a quick tongue and was only stumped once on how to approach the

comments or actions made by an audience member.

After the performance, I was surprised by my friend’s parents with V.I.P. passes to go backstage to meet Mr. Brady. My two friends I accompanied to the show are in an improv troupe at their school in N.C., and meeting Brady meant more to them than it did me, but it was still a wonderful experience.

He was a very humble guy, happy to spend time with a few lucky fans after his performance. As he walked backstage, he promptly recognized me and commented saying “Hey, I know you!” which to me said he actually cares and notices his fans. He even assured me that I wasn’t as bad at sound effects as I thought, (even if my friends made fun of me the whole way home about them).

I was apprehensive to see how Brady would act off stage, and I was honestly surprised at how genuine he was. He wished my friends and I well as we left the backstage area, and it was a topic of discussion for the rest of the night. Wayne Brady definitely not only left an impression on me, someone who has little to no acting or improv experience, but also to those in attendance who also love the art of performance.

Comedy shows are always a treat, and improv shows are even better. I highly recommend going to one if ever given the chance, it’s sure to be an experience that will not be forgotten.

254997
PUBLIC SERVICE HOUSE ADS
HALLOWEEN PHOTO CONT
4 x 9.25
3 / 3 / 3