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Student injured in chemistry lab accident

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A student in Marshall's chemistry program was injured in chemistry lab Tuesday afternoon.

The student was working

in a research lab when he was accidentally splashed in the face with chemicals.

"We still have to figure out exactly what went wrong, why it went wrong and all the rest of that,"

Michael Castellani, chemistry department chair, said.

The student was not working on something that normally would have happened in the class setting. "The greatest likelihood

is this isn't something that involves, in a meaningful way, the teaching labs," Castellani said. "That is to say if you're a student in one of our freshmen labs or organic labs or something

like that, this is not something you as a student would be doing."

Castellani said that he did not believe the student was wearing protective goggles.

The student was treated for minor chemical burns at Cabell Huntington Hospital and was released Tuesday night.

Castellani said the injuries are not permanent.

Professor published in Journal of Human Rights

BY NIKKI DOTSON
THE PARTHENON

A Marshall University political science professor recently got an article about same-sex relationships published in the Journal of Human Rights.

After a year of fieldwork in Argentina, Shawn Schulenburg, political science professor, received the honor of getting his research published in the journal.

The Journal of Human Rights is a peer-reviewed journal, and is one of the top journals in the field.

"The main interview question I looked at was why certain same-sex relationship recognition, like civil unions, go from being an international idea to being on the agenda of social movement activists," Schulenburg said.

Schulenburg's article was a piece to a larger work comparing Argentina and Brazil. His studies allowed him to gather answers to his main interview question, along with what partnerships in which the countries are concerned.

"Brazil is all about something called stable unions, where in the case of Argentina, they were all for same sex-marriages," Schulenburg said. "There's this assumption that every same-sex or lesbian and gay movement wants same-sex marriage and that's not the case."

Schulenburg's studies were self-funded from a second job he had as a graduate student.

He first became interested in pursuing research on the topic about six years ago after Buenos Aires, Argentina

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Jasmine Woods, freshman medical imaging major from Beckley, W.Va., trudges through steady rain showers near the Memorial Student Center Wednesday. Weather forecasts call for rain to continue through tonight. MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON

College Republicans protest protesters

BY TYLER KES
THE PARTHENON

Those who are for the Occupy Wall Street movement tend to fall on the left, while those who are for capitalism tend to be on the right.

It usually isn't as literal as it was on Wednesday night, when Marshall's College Republicans showed up to protest the protesters outside the Chase Bank in Huntington.

"We're just here because the Occupy Wall Street protesters have been here two

weeks," said Aaron Ryan, president of the College Republicans. "We really haven't had any opposition to show that this is not... They claim they're the 99 percent. They haven't had anybody to show that they don't represent 99 percent of America."

About a dozen members of the group, most of them carrying signs, originally shared the same side of the street as the protesters before moving to the other side of Fifth Avenue.

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TYLER KES | THE PARTHENON

College Republicans protest Wednesday evening across Fifth Avenue from the Occupy Huntington protesters.

Student Environmental Coalition debuts film, 'Urban Roots'

BY TYRELL CARLTON
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University Student Environmental Coalition presented the film "Urban Roots" Tuesday in room BE5 of the basement

of the Memorial Student Center. "Urban Roots" is a film about urban farming phenomenon in Detroit, Mich. According to the film website "Urban Roots is a timely, moving and inspiring film that speaks to a nation

grappling with collapsed industrial towns and the need to forge a sustainable future." The film also included a panel discussion on the film and speaking to experts in the field.

The film depicted

inner-city kids working together to create a small community garden. By doing this, they are able to establish an environment where they can create their own food, bettering the harsh urban setting that

they are surrounded by. While there was no as a big of a turn out as one would think, there were plenty of people there interested in finding out how to create the

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-JUDY GARLAND

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Holderby Hall residents learn makeup tactics for Halloween

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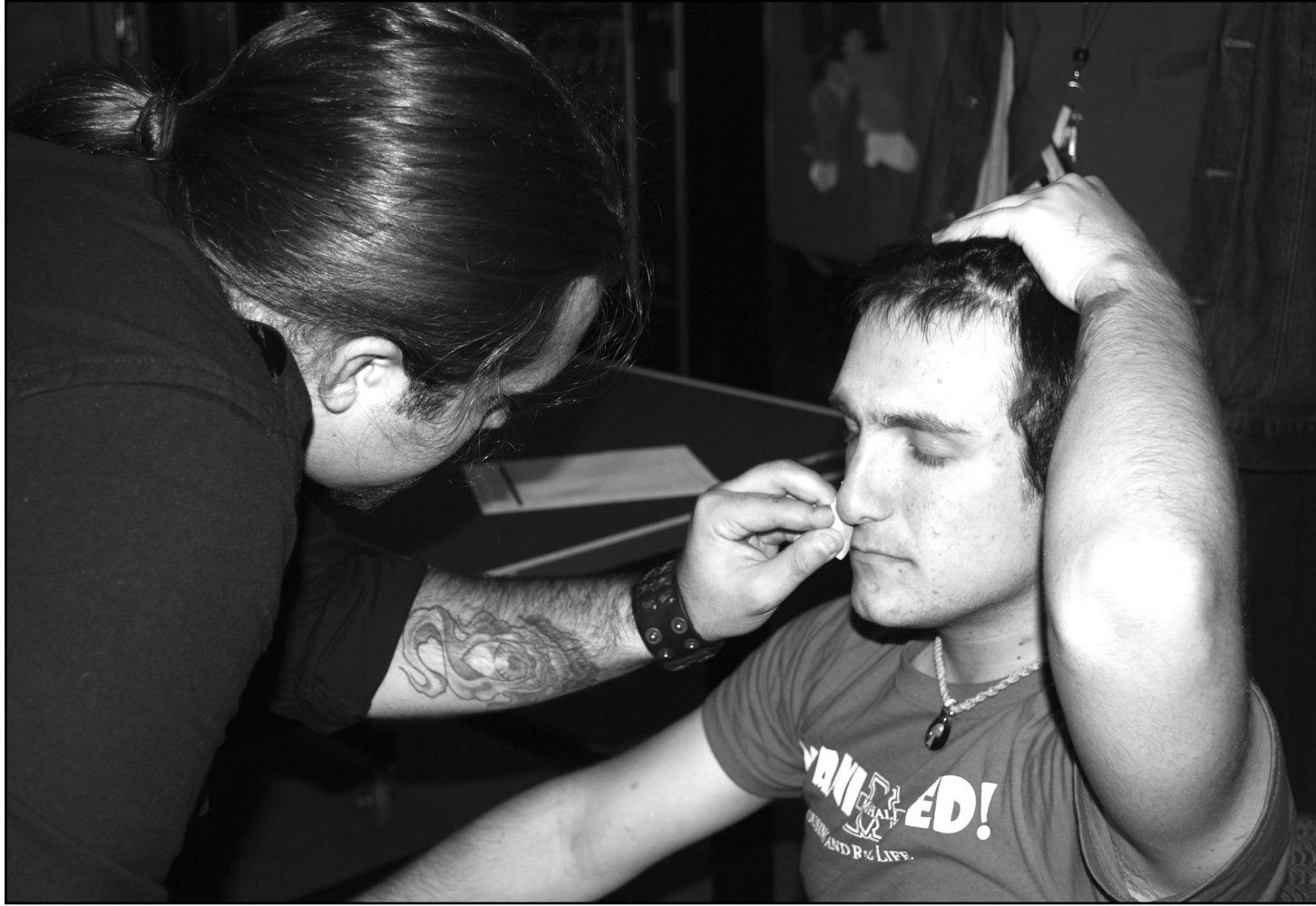
With Halloween creeping around the corner, Holderby Hall was full of zombies and other scary creatures Wednesday.

Jo Troller, resident advisor and senior public relations major from Sidney, Ohio hosted a program that showed residents how to apply makeup similar to what is seen in horror movies. Students gathered in the lobby of the residence hall to learn how to look like zombies, vampires and other Halloween characters.

Makeup was done by Matt Capua, junior theater major from Madison, W.Va.

"A lot of stuff is basic, like making the face look ribbed using wax putty and adding deep gashes and scars, as well as changing some of the basic facial features," Capua said.

The program showed those in attendance the different techniques used by makeup artists, specifically for the upcoming holiday.



RACHEL FORD | THE PARTHENON

Jo Troller, resident advisor and senior public relations major, gets makeup applied at Holderby Hall Wednesday evening at a program which taught residents to apply Halloween-themed makeup. Attendees learned how to apply zombie, vampire and other Halloween-themed makeup.

"Halloween is an interesting time for people, and I feel like the horror

movie makeup is one of those things where a lot of people don't know how

to do the really scary features," Troller said.

Capua said he has spent

past Halloweens working at an amusement house, which allowed him to learn

the basics of the makeup application. He has been doing special effects makeup for more than three years. He started after finding out one of his favorite musicians was also a makeup artist.

"In special effects alone, there are whole areas devoted to designs done on the face," Capua said.

Capua said he specializes in applying make up to look like zombies, facial hair, having cuts and abrasions. He also has experience using liquid latex in his work to make people look older.

"It allows you to create a canvas on someone's face quite literally," Capua said. "Makeup artistry is a dying art. Nowadays computers are taking over everything. In a world of digitalization, it's dying, and that's why I appreciate it."

Capua has helped Troller with a program similar to this one in the past.

Troller hosted the same program last spring, and he said it was his most successful. The program last semester earned Troller an award.

Herd4Christ reaches out to children's home

BY MELODY FITZGERALD
THE PARTHENON

Ten Herd4Christ members, and other local groups, traveled to Pleasant Plain, Ohio to volunteer at Mid-Western Children's Home this weekend.

This was Herd4Christ's sixth annual trip to Mid-Western Children's Home.

"The Mid-Western Children's Home is licensed by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services as a group home program

and as a private non-custodial agency," said Chris Roberts, campus minister.

Mid-Western Children's Home offers a variety of services, such as adoption, group homes and foster care for underprivileged children.

"They reach out to touch the lives of children in need of physical, spiritual and emotional healing while reflecting Christian principles," Roberts said.

Other groups that went along on the trip included campus ministries from

Ohio University and Hocking Hills, Ohio.

"Our theme for the weekend was 'motivating the unmotivated,'" said Toby Hill, sophomore sports management major from Fort Thomas, Ky. "You could tell by the kids' faces they were into the lesson, and I think it really stuck with them."

While at the home, Herd4Christ helped with landscaping, painting on the grounds and building maintenance.

"I helped restore the

elementary school's gym to top condition and re-organized all of the gym and sporting equipment so it would be easier to access," Hill said. "Later I helped reseed one family's lawn in spots where there was little to no grass growing."

On Saturday evening, they had a pizza party and devotional to reach out to the kids.

"We invited all the children and parents that live in the complex to come (to the devotional), which gave us

a chance to interact and play games with the kids," said Lindsey Hager, sophomore elementary education major and special education major from Hurricane, W. Va.

On Sunday morning, Herd4Christ made its way to Petersburg, Ky. to the Creation Museum before returning to Huntington.

Roberts said while the trip was physically tiring, he believes the group came back spiritually uplifted.

"We wanted the chance to live our faith, make a difference in the lives of others

and glorify God," Roberts said. "I believe we came away accomplishing all three."

Herd4Christ is a campus ministry based out of the 26th Street Church of Christ in Huntington. They meet at 7 p.m. every Friday for devotionals. The devotionals include group activity, dinner, singing, prayers and a Bible lesson. The group participates in service projects monthly.

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Professor to discuss archaeology, excavation methods of Tel Dor

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A Marshall University professor will discuss the archaeology of Tel Dor, a coastal site in Italy, at 7 p.m. on Oct. 26 in room B5E of the Memorial Student Center.

Christina Franzen, classics professor, will talk about the layout of the site, artifacts found in the area and the methods behind finding the artifacts. The discussion is called Listening to the Past: The Archeology of Dor.

"I have developed ideas about how the ancient world looked, functioned, smelled and sounded, but, except for visiting already excavated sites and looking at artifacts in museums, I've never come into direct tactile contact with the empires of ancient Greece and Rome," Franzen said. "This excavation afforded me the opportunity to do just that, and I was excited at the prospect of uncovering evidence of an ancient city that no one had seen for

thousands of years."

Franzen will relay the importance of the site and its significance to the Mediterranean.

Other topics will include the effects of colonization and acculturation on the area, how Franzen's trip influenced her and how she now understands the Middle East's relationship to the West.

The free event is sponsored by The Department of Classics and the College of Liberal Arts and is open to the public.

Newman Center offers dinner for a dollar every Thursday

THE PARTHENON

Marshall University's Catholic Newman Center offers students a meal for a \$1.

At 6 p.m. every Thursday, students are welcome to stop by the center for a home-cooked meal and escape from the normal cafeteria food. The center has offered the Dinner for a Dollar for quite some time now.

Typically 20 to 30 students attend the dinner, but the center is always

welcoming more people.

"The dinner is open to anyone of any faith," said Natalie Rohan, director of campus ministry. "We just ask that everyone be respectful of one another."

Various groups cook the meals so there is always different food offered. Students are also welcome to stop by the center at any time during the week.

The center recently renovated its kitchen, and the pantry and fridge is always

stocked. Students occasionally stop by the center on Friday to get leftovers from dinner on Thursday.

After the dinner, members of the center usually put together a social to bring everyone together. This week after the dinner, students are going to the Corn Maze in Milton, W.Va. Next week they plan to attend the Field of Screams in Lesage, W.Va.

The center has mass at 7 p.m. every Sunday.

Social Security sets 3.6 percent cost of living increase

BY MICHAEL MUSKAL
LOS ANGELES TIMES
(MCT)

LOS ANGELES—As the future of Social Security continues to be a contentious political issue, officials Wednesday announced a

3.6 percent cost of living increase, the first such automatic hike since 2009.

According to the Social Security Administration, 55 million elderly will receive the 3.6 percent hike in January, while 8 million beneficiaries in the

Supplemental Security Income program will receive the same increase as of Dec. 30. The increases are the first since 2009, when 5.8 percent was given out.

The cost-of-living adjustments, called COLAs, are designed to protect

recipients from losing purchasing power from rising inflation. No increases were given out in the last two years because inflation was too low, though recipients did receive a \$250 payment from the 2009 federal stimulus package.

The monthly Social Security payment varies depending on factors such as the age of retirement, but the average payment is about \$1,082, according to the government. That would make the average increase about \$39 a month.

Using slightly different numbers, the National Committee to Preserve Social Security & Medicare praised the COLA hike, but warned it could be offset by expected increases in Medicare, the health care program for the

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East Carolina	2	1	2	4	Houston	2	0	6	3
Southern Miss	1	1	5	1	Tulsa	1	2	3	3
UCF	1	1	3	3	UTEP	1	2	3	3
Memphis	0	3	1	6	Rice	1	2	2	2
UAB	0	3	0	6	Tulane	1	2	2	5

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Marshall safety provides relief for defense

BY ADAM ROGERS
THE PARTHENON

During the course of the season, Marshall football has relied on a safety net in the defensive secondary to provide relief.

A safety net is a net placed to catch an acrobat or similar performer in case of a fall.

Senior safety Omar Brown is the safety net, and the Marshall defense is the acrobat in this instance.

Brown has made big play after big play this season, including an interception that sealed the Herd's second win of the season at Louisville.

At the beginning of the season, Brown was named a captain and said it meant a lot to him.

"It means that my team believes in me," Brown said. "That I can help lead this team to the right way and for them to pick me as a team captain, I really appreciate that a lot."

Brown leads the team in total tackles with 78, forced fumbles at 3 and is tied for the lead in interceptions with 2.

Brown's total tackle numbers place him at fourth in total tackles in the NCAA.

Tyson Gale, senior linebacker and fellow captain, said Brown has been huge for the Marshall defense.

"He's been solid all year long," Gale said. "He's what you expect out of him, wouldn't expect anything different from him. Every game he plays as hard as he can, every single play."

The Herd has had several big games, matching up against WVU, Virginia Tech and Louisville, this season.

Even after playing Bowl Championship Series automatic qualifying schools, Brown said he treats every game the same.

"I feel no matter how big the opponent, I feel like everyday there's something I have to prove to myself and

other people, that I am a competitor and I don't like to lose," Brown said.

During a 44-7 loss to Ohio in week three of the season, Brown noticeably got onto his teammates for poor tackling and said he normally is not a vocal leader, but when he sees the team not playing well, that's when he steps up.

"That's when I started to step up and speak out," Brown said. "I had to let them know that while things weren't going great, we still have to play as a whole."

Most coaches would prefer for their safety to not lead the team in tackles, but head coach Doc Holliday said it is a scheme thing for the Herd.

"He's (Brown) our extra guy that we've dropped in the box to create an overload in the box to stop the run," Holliday said. "He's making those tackles at times, three to four yards from the line of scrimmage."

Todd Hartley, Brown's position coach, joined the Marshall coaching staff in March of 2011 and said Brown's energy is infectious.

"That's big for our defense, especially, because we're pretty young across the board," Hartley said. "I can't say enough about what he does."

Brown is a pure playmaker and Hartley said Brown does a great job of backing that up.

"He's tough and never wants to come out," Brown said. "He will never come out. He gets mad at me when I want to sit him out sometimes and he means a lot to us."

Brown will look to add to his stat line this weekend, when the Herd travels to the Lone Star State on Saturday for a matchup with the No. 19 Houston Cougars.

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MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON

Senior safety Omar Brown runs drills during practice. Brown leads the team in tackles and ranks fourth in the NCAA.

Three Dolphins starters sidelined by injuries

BY OMAR KELLY
SUN SENTINEL (MCT)

DAVIE, Fla. — The Miami Dolphins are slim favorites to beat the Denver Broncos in the winless team's return to Sun Life Stadium this Sunday, but after the odds makers take a look at Miami's injury report that might change.

The Dolphins began preparation for Tim Tebow's first start of the 2011 season without three starters, who are all nursing troublesome injuries. And two of them are the focal points of Miami's offense.

Receiver Brandon Marshall, who leads the team with 28 receptions for 422 yards and one touchdown, sat out practice with a quadriceps injury. If he doesn't practice on Thursday Marshall could miss Sunday's game against his former team.

Also sidelined was tailback Reggie Bush, who gained 71 yards on 10 carries in Monday night's 24-6 loss to the Jets.

During the second half of the Jets game Bush injured his neck, but the injury report says Bush is battling a groin injury. Bush was limited in the week two loss to Houston because of his groin, but the injury hasn't flared up till now.

"With the things they

bring to the table it would be unfortunate if they were not there. They are obviously special guys with the ball, playmakers and guys you want to have out there all the time," said new starting quarterback Matt Moore, whom coach Tony Sparano said needs to improve his location on throws moving forward. "We hope they are healthy and ready to go."

If Bush is sidelined rookie Daniel Thomas, who was limited on Wednesday due to his nagging hamstring injury, would likely start his first NFL game.

Free safety Reshad Jones, who has started the first five games of the season, recording 31 tackles and one sack, also sat out Wednesday session. Jones suffered a knee injury against the Jets and was undergoing around the clock treatment.

His status is uncertain. Tyrone Culver, a six-year veteran who has been with the Dolphins since 2008, replaced Jones as the free safety paired with Jeremiah Bell.

Chris Clemons, who started at free safety last season, but has been limited by a hamstring injury most of the season, and Wednesday's practice was no exception considering Clemons re-aggravated the injury during practice last week.

The Dolphins were so

concerned about safety depth the team signed Gerald Alexander, a fifth-year veteran the team had in training camp for a week. Alexander was training on his own in Orlando before the Dolphins signed him Wednesday morning.

"We have a couple of days before we play the game so we'll see," Sparano said. "Obviously we brought Alexander onto the team so there's a little concern. But we'll see what happens when we get to the game."

Culver, who is a core special teams contributor, started two games for the Dolphins in 2009, and is eager to proven he's capable of stepping up and filling the void possibly created by Jones and Clemons injuries.

"Any chance you have to get on the field you got to look forward to that, so if there's a chance for me to play I'm excited and ready to make plays and do whatever it takes for us to win," Culver said. "It's always something you look forward to, getting on the field and making an impact on defense."

Also limited by injuries were outside linebacker Cameron Wake, who leads the team with three sacks, and backup cornerback Nolan Carroll. Like Thomas and Clemons both defenders are nursing hamstring injuries.

Schiffbauer leads cross-country team

THE PARTHENON

Cross-country runner Matt Schiffbauer is making strides and leading the team this 2011 season.

Schiffbauer has run the soles off his shoes placing in every meet he has ran in this season. He first started his running career during his junior year of high school.

"I caught the running bug," Schiffbauer said. "I kind of got into it and I really liked it."

But one of his reasons for sticking with it was the hope

of getting a scholarship. As a senior, running four years has made him competitive, striving for a victory every meet.

"I think back to the times I've been beaten before, I hate losing, I'm a competitive kid," Schiffbauer said. "I guess seeing the back of people's jerseys the week before makes me get it next week."

At the Evansville Invitational, he did not see the back of any jerseys. He took first place out of 122 runners with an 8K individual time of

25:08.96 and the team placing third with 101 points.

At the Louisville Classic, Schiffbauer placed sixth overall out of 240 runners in the field. The team placed 25 out of 29 squads.

With conference coming up Schiffbauer and the team are preparing for a good outcome to end the season.

"I'd like to win the conference meet and make the national meet," Schiffbauer said. "It's my last year and I'd hate if I didn't do it before I left. Nobody from Marshall has ever done it before, and I think I have a good shot at it."

Schiffbauer placed third last year and was eight seconds off the win. His goal before he leaves the fields behind is to be All-American or top 40.

Schiffbauer and the team will put their running skills to the test when they compete in Conference- USA on Oct. 31.

"We've had this rut where we finished fourth place at the conference meet every year and we want to break through that and get third," Schiffbauer said.

If they succeed at the Conference USA Championships, the Mid-Atlantic Regional is Nov. 12 and the NCAA Championships on Nov. 21.



FILE PHOTO

Senior cross-country runner Matt Schiffbauer takes off during a race. Schiffbauer has placed in every race this season.

No night games the price of greatness for LSU

BY MICHAEL GEGENHEIMER
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No night games the price of greatness for LSU

Ladies and gentlemen, it's Saturday afternoon in Death Valley!

To many Tiger faithful, the daylight greeting doesn't carry the same traction it does under the veil of night.

For the first time since 1935, not a single Southeastern Conference game will be played under the lights of Tiger Stadium. The venue that has hosted 243 Tiger wins — 220 of those being night games — will not need to turn on its lights to face an SEC

opponent this year.

"I'm mad. I don't know about anybody else, but I don't like it," said sophomore defensive end Sam Montgomery. "I hate, hate having day games. There's something about going into battle at night in Death Valley. It's a different place when the sun's up, and it's a different place when the sun's down."

Under the SEC's current television contract, CBS gets first pick as to which SEC game it can televise each week. Because LSU is currently ranked No. 1 in the BCS, its games are in the highest demand.

LSU vice chancellor and athletic director Joe Alleva addressed the issue in a

letter to fans Tuesday, saying the Tigers' lofty status comes with "a price, and in this case the price is afternoon kickoffs instead of night football."

In 1931 the Tigers played their first ever night game, defeating Spring Hill, 35-0.

Since then, LSU holds a .786 win percentage in games played at night, compared to a .469 percentage in daytime matchups.

That number may be skewed, however, due to the recent influx in big games being moved to earlier time slots. LSU has played many of its day games against ranked opponents.

Some of Tiger Stadium's most cherished moments

have occurred at night. Five of the 10 largest crowds in Tiger Stadium have been for night games, including the No. 1 attendance for the 2009 matchup against Florida, when Death Valley hosted 93,129 spectators.

"We talk about it every day. We know that when the sun goes down, the crowd goes wild," senior safety Brandon Taylor said.

In the 2007 national championship season, the Tigers turned on the lights to see Matt Flynn connect with Demetrius Byrd on a 22-yard touchdown pass with one second remaining to give LSU a 30-24 victory over No. 18 Auburn. That game ranked No. 14 all-time in LSU attendance

with 92,630.

In 1988, former LSU quarterback Tommy Hodson completed an 11-yard pass to LSU tailback Eddie Fuller for the winning touchdown against Auburn. The thunderous eruption that followed the play created tremors that were picked up across campus by the Geology Department's seismograph. LSU ranked No. 7 in the nation with an average 77,334 in attendance.

Possibly the single most famous night-game moment was former LSU running back Billy Cannon's Halloween night run against No. 3 Ole Miss in 1959, in which Cannon returned a punt 89 yards to

give LSU the victory. LSU was No. 3 that year in average attendance with 58,390 per game.

"As far as a night in Tiger Stadium, there is no greater feeling in the world than playing at nighttime in that place," Montgomery said. "The lights are off, you see a place of black and purple all around you. Everyone is going crazy, everyone is more lively at night, the crowd yells. ... It's crazy."



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COLUMN

Bears, wolves and more causing Zanesville lion's share of attention in Ohio

BY ALEX ANTONETZ
THE LANTERN, OHIO STATE U. VIA UWIRE

There are camels, giraffes and grizzly bears loose in the streets.

No, this isn't the script for "Jumanji." This is the bedlam that's actually happening in a town just an hour east of Columbus, Ohio — which happens to be my hometown.

At least 48 wild animals escaped Tuesday from a farm just west of Zanesville, Ohio, a city with about 25,000 residents. The farm housed lions, wolves, cheetahs, tigers, giraffes, camels, grizzly bears and black bears, according to a 10TV report.

"These are wild animals that you would see on TV in Africa," Muskingum County Sheriff Matt Lutz said in a press conference on Tuesday. That they are.

Many of the loose animals had been killed as of Tuesday night. The owner of the property where the animals lived was found dead but officials did not immediately say how he died.

I must say that never in my time living in Zanesville had I feared for my life because there were giraffes on the loose. That's not to say I was never fearful of other things, such as the threat of getting stabbed in my high school, catching a stray bullet from rival gangs or accidentally walking in on a meth lab.

Nope, a herd of wild camels were never much of a worry.

This is a town with an under-appreciated history. Not only was Zanesville the state capital for two years, it also has a Y-shaped bridge (try to wrap your head around that), and is the hometown of Michigan State head football coach Mark Dantonio and Houston Rockets star Kevin Martin.

I admit I'm a little jealous right now that I can't be in Zanesville offering my

journalism skills. Forget "All the President's Men." Journalists running around with their fedoras and notepads chasing after giraffes sounds much more fun to watch.

Hold on — according to a 10TV report on Facebook, there are SWAT teams in neighboring counties out to catch the loose animals. Try to get that image out of your minds: men in SWAT gear and riot protection fighting a camel.

I should probably take a second to admit that this is a dangerous situation. Several area school districts are closed Wednesday, including the district I graduated from. A person is even dead, though the circumstances surrounding his death haven't been made public yet.

But worry not — even if the SWAT team and the teams dispatched from the Columbus Zoo can't catch the animals, I'm sure the folks that make up the sprawling wooded area outside of Zanesville are more than eager to rush a grizzly bear carcass to the nearest taxidermist.

Regardless, this all reminds me of April of 2010, when two cows ran loose on Ohio State's campus. Remember how big of a deal that was?

Now, Geoffrey, the Toys 'R Us mascot, is running rampant just an hour away from here.

I can laugh at things such as tweets from @Zanesville-Wolf, who tweeted, "Too soon for an #OccupyZanesville joke?"

I do hope for the best for my Zanesville family and fellow "Y-City" compatriots. However, I do hope that "Jungle" Jack Hanna and the rest of the crews will round up the army of bears and wolves running loose in the streets and restore order to my quaint little corner of Ohio sooner rather than later.

God speed, Zanesville. God speed.

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EDITORIAL

Occupy movement needs clearer goals

BY TUFTS DAILY EDITORIAL BOARD

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This past week, hundreds of Occupy Boston protesters have been gathering in the financial district of Boston. Inspired by the Occupy Wall Street protesters, they are people who think this country is in need of some serious changes.

It's clear that all of the Occupy Boston protesters are passionate about change, but what's not clear is what exactly they hope to accomplish through their actions. The national Occupy movement has been unable to produce definite leaders or a clear list of objectives beside a general series of left-leaning talking points. It's definitely understandable to be upset about the state of the economy, but successful protest movements require a lot more than just a public outpour of frustration.

Some of history's most effective protest movements were intricately organized and had clear, defined goals. A great deal of planning went into the Montgomery Bus Boycott, as well as Gandhi's Salt March.

For such a young movement, the Occupy protesters have proved remarkably well-organized, leveraging social media to get the word out and discuss behavioral guidelines for protesters. However, the movement, as it is currently structured, faces serious hurdles in becoming more than a gathering of individuals airing their grievances. In the first post on their website, Occupy Boston's organizers state, "We do not represent any one union, activist group or organization in Boston. We are a large gathering of disaffected, angry, fed-up Americans from all walks of life."

The biggest issue the Occupy movement seems to have is that it does not know what it wants. Just like the protesters, people in the United States are angry about the economic situation, rampant foreclosures and sky-high unemployment rates. A protester from Occupy Wall Street

told the Associated Press, "We don't have one central argument... we have a lot, but the basic issue is our democratic structures are broken in this country." Saying that our government is broken is actually not a very "basic issue." It's a massive one. Is the purpose of this protest then to demand a new governmental structure or a new economic system? If so, then it's going to take a lot more than people camping out in financial districts to make that happen.

The Occupy demonstrators have stated that they were inspired by the Arab Spring demonstrations that rocked the Middle East earlier this year. However, the comparison is flawed: Those movements were most effective in countries both smaller than the U.S. and with far more totalitarian governments. The people in power in the U.S. were put there legitimately via open elections. A complete, protest-spurred governmental overhaul isn't going to happen overnight in a country as large or as democratic as ours.

The protest has also failed to produce known leaders or a leadership group. Leadership is integral to a successful protest. It's almost as important as the feelings behind the protest themselves. There is a reason why Martin Luther King, Jr. is synonymous with the Montgomery Bus Boycott, as is Gandhi with the Salt March. They were vital in training their protesters, stating the demands of their movements and giving a voice to the collective masses. Occupy Boston and the Occupy movement thus far have no leader. Even if someone in the finance industry or the government was planning to work with the protesters, who would they talk to? They can't engage in negotiations with a horde of thousands.

The feelings behind this movement are certainly understandable. People have a right to be angry, especially given the years-long downturn that this country is in. People also have the right to protest, but for these protests to affect change, they need to have goals and defined methods for how to obtain said goals.

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Growth of Occupy movement no mistake

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Less than a month ago, everyone from the deepest bowels of the Internets to 24-hour news outlets were clamoring about the lack of coverage regarding Occupy Wall Street. At that point in the not-so-distant past, these protesters were seen in an obscure light by the mainstream — bleeding-heart college kids complaining for a good cause. To an increasingly cynical America, the uprising was cute, if not futile.

Today, there is no question that the entire world is hearing the demands of the 99 percent.

To hear and to listen, however, are totally different actions, and the specter of the question still remains: Is this for real?

As an international news junkie, I eagerly watched Arab Spring Syndrome spread along the

Mediterranean, but never gave a thought that it might spread to downtown Huntington. I'm a cynic by design, so naturally the growth of Occupy Wall Street to Occupy Everything caught me off guard.

How did it get this big this fast?

Humans have an innate desire to belong to something greater than themselves. This protest began as a few hundred dissidents gathered in New York City with the incredible conviction to light a wildfire. In the back of all our minds, we all have known that Wall Street and Washington were hosing the little guys, but standing up to protest wasn't in the cards. We didn't see others standing up, so we didn't either.

We will hit a breaking point in our minds — a point when the desire to demand change overshadows the natural function of keeping calm and quiet. The more people who join the movement, the lower the breaking point becomes and the more people who

become involved.

But do numbers matter in this? Does the inclusion of millions in a cause guarantee a voice?

No, I don't think so. It depends on who is willing to listen and what they think about who is talking.

I've heard the protests explained to me in blunt, "old man" terms. It's been said that these are 21st Century hippies looking for an excuse to be dirty hippies, or that they're whiny kids blaming the world for their own problems and insecurities. They might be deathly serious about their cause, but I'm not sure if Wall Street or Washington will take them serious.

I do believe that these efforts are not in vain, and that we've already sent a message to our government that the American people have the ability and will to rally around a single cause.

I'm a cynic not a pessimist, and I really hope this works.

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Former DC schools chancellor Michelle Rhee champions education reform

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Calling on undergraduates to shape education reform, Michelle Rhee, former chancellor of Washington, D.C., public schools, launched the college outreach initiative of her organization, StudentsFirst, at a panel discussion at Cornell U. Tuesday.

At the event, titled "Up to Us: Student Voices in Education Reform," Rhee was joined by Nathan Daschle and Raymond Glendening, co-founders of www.ruck.us, which aims to generate conversation around public issues while avoiding partisan divide.

Rhee founded StudentsFirst in 2010 after resigning from her post as chancellor of Washington's public schools. The organization's mission is "to build a national movement, to defend the interests of children in public education and pursue transformative reform, so that America has the best education system in the world," according to its website.

"When you want to start a movement, you need people who are passionate, and this kind of energy is brought by college students," Rhee said



during an interview with The Sun preceding the event. StudentsFirst primarily works to create a network of people from diverse backgrounds who want to change the country's public education, according to Rhee.

Although Rhee recognized that some have labeled her as anti-labor unions, she said that "unions are doing exactly what they ought to do by protecting teachers' interests." Through StudentsFirst, Rhee said she wants to achieve a similar kind of collective collaboration.

"We do not have any national groups that have come together to protect the interest of students and this is what we need," she said.

During the event, Rhee responded to questions from

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> MICHELLE RHEE

the public concerning her views on teacher performance and school-choice initiatives, like vouchers and charter schools.

"We need to recognize the power that individual teachers have in shaping the lives of kids," she said. "It does not really matter if kids are getting a great education through a public or private school. What matters is the fact that they are getting it."

Daschle and Glendening explained how initiatives like Rhee's can be achieved through non-partisan platforms, such as their website. Daschle and Glendening — both former political consultants — expressed that the sharp delineation of American politics along party lines is obsolete.

"Our political parties bring

people together on the base of differences and not their similarities," Daschle said. "Although we live in a world constantly marked by innovation, we still follow a political system born in the 1880s."

For Daschle, the increased number of independent voters supports the public's disenchantment with partisan politics and its desire to reshape the system.

"Since 2004, the country has voted for change, in terms of political parties, during every election. We have a country that is dissatisfied about the change being provided, and this is one of our drives behind creating www.ruck.us," he said.

Glendening echoed Daschle's words by emphasizing "discomfort with traditional institutions currently seen in

the country."

"It is very refreshing to be at a place like Cornell, where students from different ideological backgrounds maintain a level of discourse marked with a decorum not seen in the country's capital," he said. "We need to reevaluate how education can be modeled to better serve our lives, and this should be done by transcending party lines."

Both Glendening and Daschle said they hope their website begins this transformation by bringing people from different ideologies together in discussion.

"It is time to shift our allegiance from obsolete institutions and innovate in order to transform our education system," Daschle said. "We do not really need political parties anymore — the future will not come in the shape of a static political system."

Students in the audience had divergent responses to the views of Rhee, Daschle and Glendening.

Jessica Powers said there is "nothing immediately tangible about the proposals that were presented."

Scott Monsky said, however, that the Rhee's plans have immediate resonance, "Cornell students coming

from privileged backgrounds often do not realize the big education inequality that exists in our country," he said.

Molly Beckhardt, president of the Cornell Organization for Labor Action, and Karen Li, another member of COLA, were more critical of Rhee's proposals.

"Rhee's reforms have demoralized teachers by removing tenure and basing [their] teaching quality on student standardized test performance," Li said.

Beckhardt added that if Rhee's organization truly seeks educational excellence "it needs to account for the teachers and their needs."

Outside the event, COLA members distributed quarter cards, which stated that Rhee received funding for StudentsFirst from Rupert Murdoch and the Koch Brothers, and that Rhee supports anti-collective bargaining bills in various states, among accusations that her initiatives artificially inflated test-scores in D.C.

Geoffrey Block, director of Cornell's StudentsFirst campus campaign, said this discussion was the first of many events that aim "to make students understand there is a problem with our current education system."

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was taking up a same sex, civil union bill.

"The reason I was interested in studying this is because when the issue arose, they took more time debating about it than any other issue that year, in the midst of when Argentina was in its worst economic crisis," Schulenburg said. "Usually politicians will say they have more important issues to discuss and put it off."

The article was judged by a blind review process, meaning Schulenburg's name was taken off of it, and experts in the field decided whether it would be published in the journal.

Tony Smith, political science professor at The University of California, was a guest editor who helped make the decision of publishing Schulenburg's article.

"It is a terrific contribution to the literature in general and it is a groundbreaking article regarding comparative politics and LGBT issues," Smith said.

Smith is the one who

informed Schulenburg that his article would be featured in the journal.

"It's always terrific to share good news," Smith said. "Especially in this case because the article is so well done."

Schulenburg's article will be featured in the May-June 2012 edition of the journal, Volume 11:2.

"It feels fantastic knowing that my article made it into the journal," Schulenburg said. "I feel great, it's a really good journal."

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"I believe that their protests are misguided," Ryan said. "I believe they need to take their protests to Obama's doorstep. The government has allowed the corporations to run wild."

Despite the difference in opinions, the protesters had no problem with the College Republicans being there.

"I don't have any problem with them coming out and protesting," said Michael McAteer, Huntington resident and Marshall graduate. "It's their right to free speech, just

like it's our right, and I don't think we have any qualms with them personally coming out. They can say whatever they have to say."

Ryan said that the idea to go out and protest came from a desire to show that there are two sides to the story.

"Pretty much a couple of us got together and we decided we needed to do something, because Huntington is in West Virginia, which is in a pretty conservative area," Ryan said.

"We thought we needed to get out here and make sure our voices were heard as well as the Occupy Huntington protesters."

Why the Republicans were there in the first place was a point of contention between the two groups.

"I don't think that they're protesting liberalism as much or even a different set of values. I think it's really us they are protesting," McAteer said.

Ryan, however, disagrees. "Some of our classmates are over there, and it's just two sides that are out there both trying to make their voices heard."

The College Republicans will be periodically showing up as long as the protests continue.

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the tables included recipes to make food with the crops they would grow. The growth of urban farmers is due to the lack of jobs in the market during these troubling times. This is leading most people, who would rather shop for their food, turning

to the fields in order to survive and provide for their families. The film hopes to inspire others to turn to urban farming in order to revitalize the markets in their communities and create more self-sufficient citizens.

"We are trying to establish a student life garden," said Lauren Kemp, the past president of the Student Environmental Coalition. "We

are starting a community garden initiative."

The organization aims to create this garden to fill a need of healthy food in the community, because of the lack of healthy food options in some of the surrounding areas of Huntington.

"We all know that Huntington was considered one of the fattest cities in the nation"

According to Business Insider, West Virginia is considered one of the fattest states in the nation, with 32.2 percent of its population being obese.

Other organizations, such as Huntington Community Gardens, were also present to offer a voice in the matter.

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"The overall goal is to show the way that individual students are responding to some traditional feminist pieces,"

Diener said. "The way that this piece was written several decades ago, the way that it's still really relevant today, the way it shows that rape and sex violence is a fear that really haunts Marshall University students today."

Diener said she is impressed by how powerful her students' voices are becoming and the projects they are getting involved with.

Some of the students are volunteering time at Branches Domestic Violence Shelter

and the entire class is working as a whole with Golden Girls Group Home to talk to them and attempt to inspire the girls to go to college.

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paranormal activity within the asylum.

In one particular room, a

young girl's doll is sitting in the windowsill.

Tour guides at the asylum said they don't know where it came from, and it just appeared one day.

"Sometimes I would hear my name, but when I look

around no one is there," Smith said.

Visitors can also learn about treatment therapies that were used to try and cure patients but are now deemed inhumane.

Some of these therapies

include lobotomy, electroshock therapy, and having patients sit in ice-cold water for up to eight hours at a time.

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elderly. The new Medicare premiums are to be announced this month.

"Today's COLA announcement lets them know there's some relief around the corner," said the advocacy group's president, Max Richtman, in a prepared

statement. "It may be cold comfort, however, once they see just how high next year's Medicare premiums will go. While healthcare costs continue to erode seniors' ability to keep up with inflation, Congress has yet to adopt a COLA formula that reflects the spending habits of seniors."

The increase comes as a special joint congressional committee weighs budget

cuts as part of a mandate to reduce the federal government's budget deficit. President Barack Obama and House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, discussed a grand bargain over the summer to reduce the deficits, raise some revenue and make changes in entitlement programs such as Social Security and Medicare, but no bill

was sent to Congress after some House Republicans objected.

The congressional committee is charged with coming up with \$1.5 trillion in savings by Nov. 23. If it fails to reach a compromise or if Congress fails to pass the recommendations in December, it would trigger automatic cuts of \$1.2 trillion.

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EDITORS' PICK | TOP 10 BEN & JERRY'S FLAVORS

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| 1: Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough | 6: Imagine Whirl'd Peace |
| 2: Cherry Garcia | 7: Chubby Hubby |
| 3: Half Baked | 8: Peanut Butter Cup |
| 4: AmeriCone Dream | 9: Late Night Snack |
| 5: Maple Blondie | 10: Chunky Monkey |



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Where's my Ben & Jerry's ice cream flavor? I think people would love a bowl of "Ginger Coco Honkey Bites."

The Trans-Allegheny Lunatic Asylum invites the brave to sleepover

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The Trans-Allegheny Lunatic Asylum in Weston, W.Va. is considered one of the most haunted places in the state.

Formerly known as the Weston State Hospital, this West Virginia facility served as a sanctuary for the mentally ill from the mid-1800s to 1994.

"We offer various tours, but we can't speak about the paranormal in the asylum unless it is during a paranormal tour," said one of the asylum tour guides.

The tour guides of the asylum, and participants in the ghost hunt are unable

to give many details of their experiences.

This allows visitors a truly authentic and haunting experience without any preconceived ideas.

The asylum offers tours that can last anywhere from 45 minutes to all-night, costing anywhere from \$10 per person to \$100.

Paranormal tours take place during the day and at night, but the ones at night are not for the faint of heart.

Visitors can also stay the night in the haunted asylum, and participate in a ghost hunt.

"I was a little uneasy but excited before the ghost hunt," said Emily Smith, ghost tour

participant from Pittsburgh.

Smith said she left the asylum shaking in the morning when it was time to leave.

"Being alone at night in an abandoned mental hospital where thousands

have died is always a scary experi-

ence," Smith said.

The Trans-Allegheny Lunatic Asylum was constructed between 1858 and 1881 to house patients suffering from mental disorders.

The original hospital was designed to house 250 people,

but it reached its peak with 2,400 patients in the 1950's.

Thousands of patients died at the asylum, which has led to its reputation of being one of the most haunted places in West Virginia.

A graveyard is even located on the large property that has numerous markers of the deceased.

The asylum also housed Union soldiers during the Civil War and a special Civil War tour discusses this historical aspect of the building. Participants in the ghost hunt are invited to bring their own equipment and provide their own insurance.

They are separated into groups

and have a guide to help transition between floors.

After a brief paranormal tour may either hunt alone or with an experienced ghost-hunting guide.

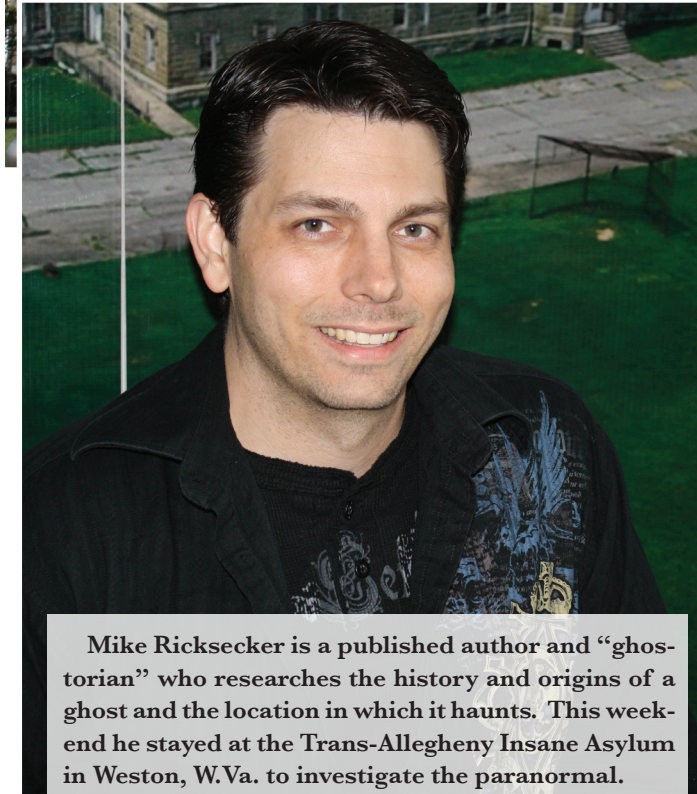
A special ghost hunt will be taking place during Halloween, night but tickets go fast.

"We came for Halloween last year, and I can't even explain some of the stuff that happened," said Morgan Suplin, another ghost hunt participant.

"I would definitely come back."

There have many documented ghost sighting or

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Mike Ricksecker is a published author and "ghostorian" who researches the history and origins of a ghost and the location in which it haunts. This weekend he stayed at the Trans-Allegheny Insane Asylum in Weston, W.Va. to investigate the paranormal.

Q What is the job description of a "ghostorian"?

A We research the history of ghosts and where they come from. I'm a private investigator for the Society of the Haunted that studies the paranormal.

Q How did you become interested in the paranormal?

A When I was a child I liked to write, and my dad gave me a novel about paranormal activity that sparked my interest.

Q Last night was your first night spent at the Trans-Allegheny Insane Asylum. Did you witness anything paranormal?

A Yes I did. During the night our teams flashlights would turn on and off for no reason. A door at the end of the hallway closed a little bit even though no one was near it. On the 4th floor ("also known as the most haunted) our K2 EMF detector (Electro Magnetic Field Meter) went off, and we saw our lighted balls that we placed in the rooms roll across the hall. No one was close to them it had to have been a ghost.

Q What would you tell people who do not believe in the paranormal?

A I'd say have an open mind. You might not end up believing in it, but at least have an open mind. You never know what you may learn.

Women's studies students propose 24-hour truce

BY DALE JOHNSON
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A Women's Studies class from Marshall University is extending a list they compiled from a writing assignment in hopes to raise awareness during Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

The students in Laura Diener's Women Studies 101 class compiled "I want a twenty-four-hour truce" from their own papers. The idea for the list came from a speech given by Andrea Dworkin in 1983.

"It was a writing assignment that we had to do for our Women's Studies class, and it was about a 24-hour truce and what Andrea Dworkin wanted from men," said Lindsay Harper, a sophomore psychology

student. "She wanted to express the things men aren't happy with and the stereotypical things that men do and men in general, and she was just explaining how we felt and what we wanted to see changed."

Harper said she wants the list to raise awareness of issues that happen but are never addressed.

"My contribution was respect in the workplace, respect at home, respect in the bedroom and respect in communication," Harper said. "I think more so for women to feel that women are allowed to express these things and they are allowed to talk about the things that happen, instead of just holding it in. It's all about using your voice"

The instructor for the class, Laura Diener, said the

idea for the list is that the things on it are impossible truces.

"The idea is that coming from the Andrea Dworkin piece," Diener said. "We can't have a 24-hour truce with rape, it's impossible, which is such a sad thing. We can't have a truce with no violence, we can't have a truce with no rape, we can't have one with no cruelty but we want that and the fact that we can't have these simply things show some of the major problems in our society"

Diener said this assignment is in context with other assignments where students write down their biggest fears, and amazingly they always include sexual assault and violence.

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I WANT A TWENTY-FOUR-HOUR TRUCE:

- In which there is no popular culture.
- No death or prejudice.
- No animals to be harmed.
- Where men treat women as people, not just as bodies.
- Where I say "no" for a change.
- A little respect (with the help of Aretha Franklin).
- No rape or child molestation.
- No abuse or silence.
- Bullying to come to a stop, animal abuse to a stop, and cancer to have a cure.
- Relationships between men and women exist and gender roles within these relationships do not.
- We end rape, words that degrade women, close-minded thoughts, and abuse.
- People start seeing the effects of their actions for what they really are.
- Where no one is raped, but where society's oppressors understand what it feels like to be raped and to feel every inch.
- Saying what I want, being exceptional, yelling, screaming, screeching, roaring, shrieking, just to get you to hear me.
- No judgment.
- No violence.
- No low self-esteem or insecurities.
- To end hunger, cancer, cruelty towards animals, the division of races in this country, stereotypes about men and women.

*Poem written by 19 students in Laura Diener's Women's Studies 101 Course (Fall, 2011)