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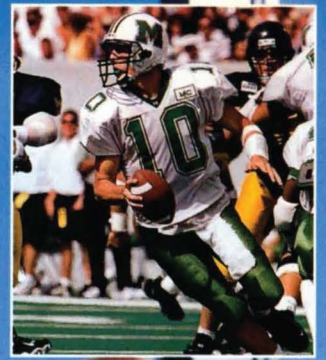
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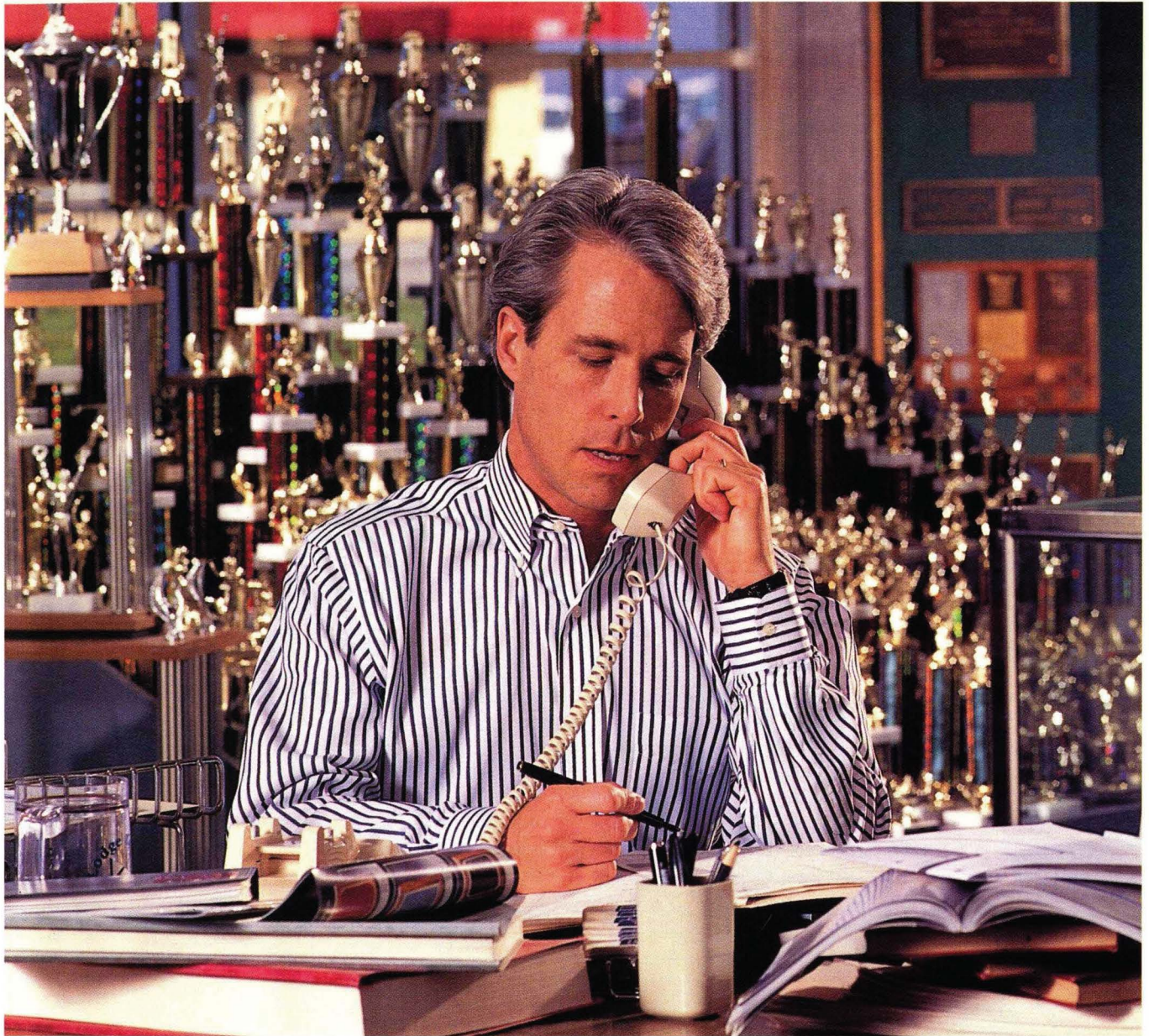


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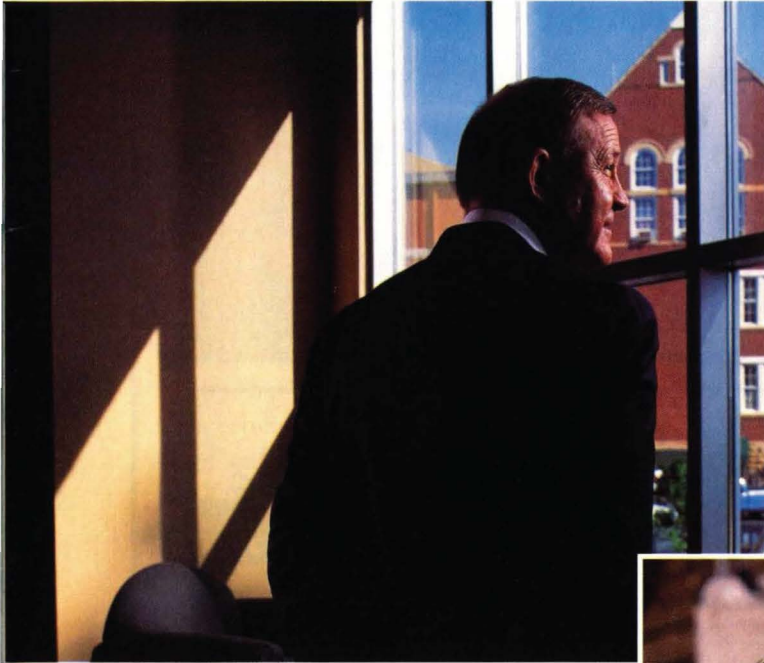
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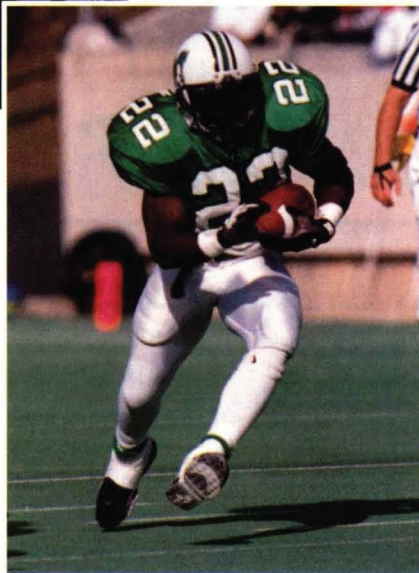
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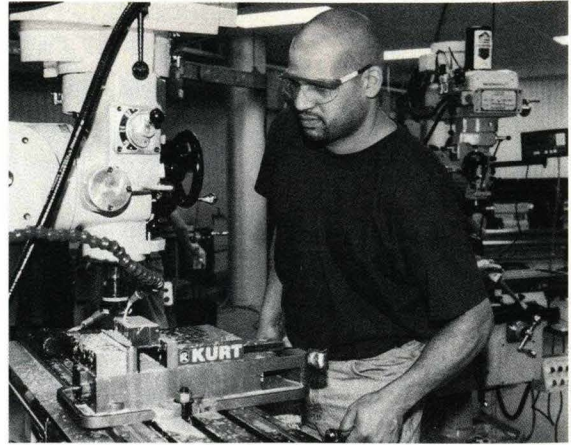
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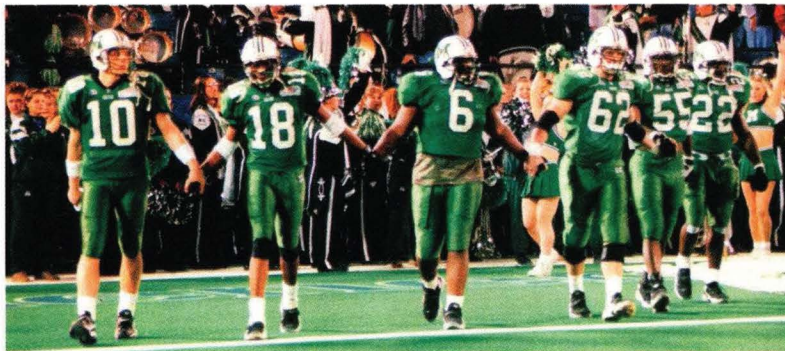
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momentum of gilley's work and vision must be maintained

It is with honor as well as trepidation that I accept the challenge to lead Marshall University as we search for a successor to J. Wade Gilley. When Dr. Gilley departed on July 31st to take the reins of The University of Tennessee, he left behind a large void that will be very difficult to fill.

Dr. Gilley's success in bringing the university to the forefront in the classroom and on the playing field is evident as is the influence of charm and grace brought to us by his wife Nanna Gilley. Nowhere on any of Marshall's campuses will you find an area untouched by their hard work.

However, if you want to capture the important role that Wade Gilley has played at Marshall, just take a seat on the east side of the driveway encircling the new statute of John Marshall on the university's Huntington campus. From that vantage point you will see what I believe are three fundamental components of the Gilley leadership — building on our traditions, providing an excellent present and looking to an even more exciting future.

First, you will recognize the larger-than-life bronze statue of John Marshall, our university's namesake. For too long many Marshall University graduates did not appreciate the man for which this institution was named. However, our future graduates will no longer suffer this deficiency.

From this vantage point you will also notice some of the record 16,000 students enrolled at Marshall. In the background you will hear the sounds of new construction — including the new Jomie Jazz Center, a new Memorial Student Center plaza and new student

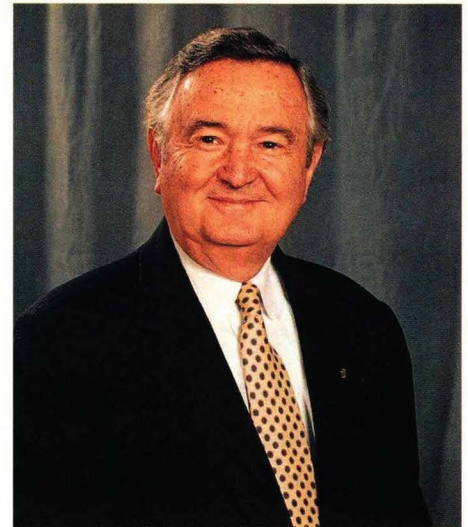
housing. As the fastest growing institution of higher education in West Virginia, Marshall's time is now.

Look west, just past the statue, and you will see the Gilley vision for today and tomorrow — the John Deaver Drinko Library, America's newest high-tech library. This commitment to technology has brought national attention to Marshall. Holding on to the fundamentals that have made us great, competing successfully today and providing us with the tools to develop our future — these are three elements of the J. Wade Gilley legacy.

But, that work is far from over. A process is underway to find a successor. Led by two distinguished West Virginians, Tom Wilkerson and Gary White, the search will, no doubt, attract many notable candidates. Marshall's progress will allow us to select from the very best.

We will move into a new era, one that reintensifies our efforts at propelling the university to greater heights. And we need everyone's help to make this happen. Just as Wade Gilley could not have been able to accomplish so much without the support of the faculty, staff, alumni and friends, Marshall's continued success must have help from all quarters.

So, envision yourself on the bench some morning as the sunlight rises to strike the statue and the library. I believe you will find a strong tradition, a successful present and a vision of the future. It is my hope that I, along with our next president, can keep this momentum moving in the direction that we have been pointed. With your help and commitment we can. □



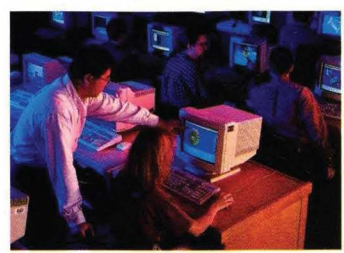
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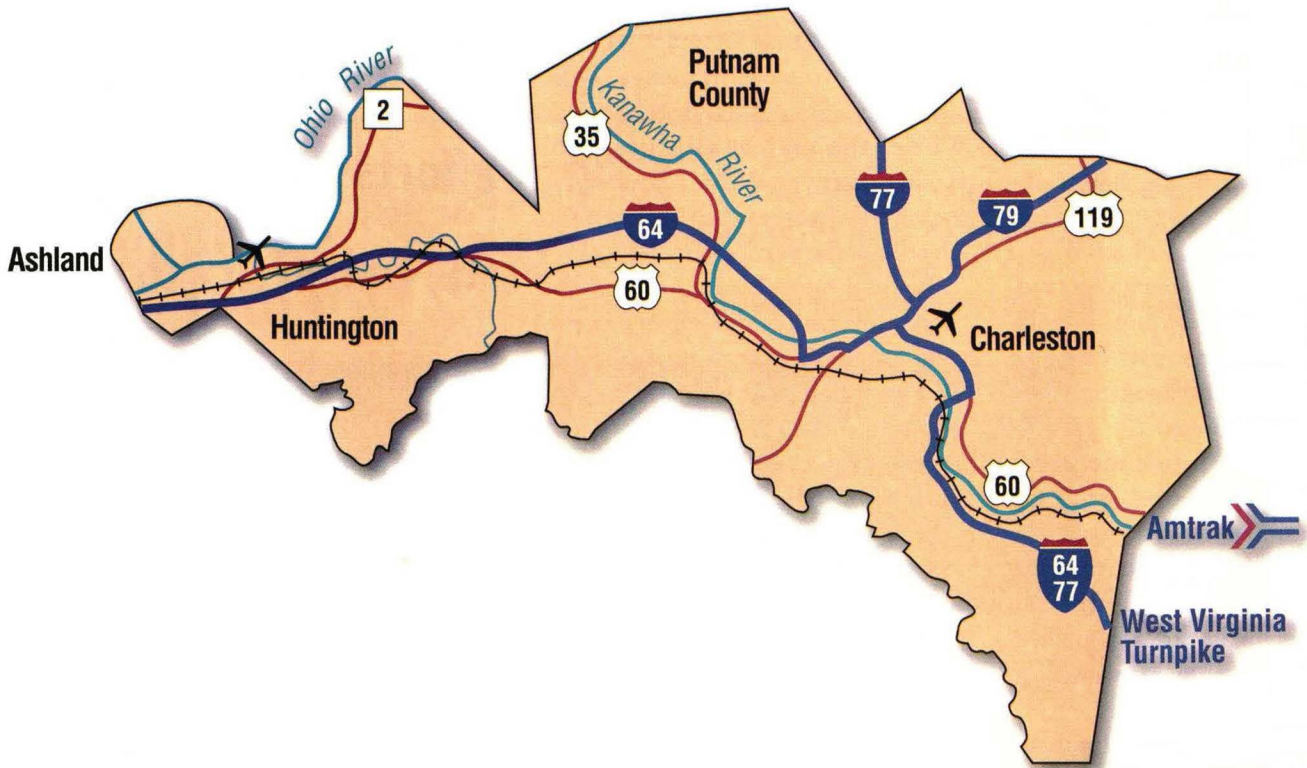
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perry the right choice to lead marshall at this critical time

The departure of J. Wade Gilley from the president’s office at Marshall University caught many supporters throughout the state, and country, off guard. After all, most figured Gilley and his wife Nan would retire in the quiet community that they helped better through their hard work and vision. But that was before The University of Tennessee came calling with an offer Gilley found too enticing to refuse. While it is a loss for the Marshall community, it is also a tremendous compliment to the school and the strides it has made in the last decade.

Never before in the history of the university has so much growth occurred in such a short span of time — an \$18 million fine & performing arts center; merger with the West Virginia Graduate College in South Charleston; \$31 million high tech library; move up to Division I-A; \$31 million medical center; campuses and centers in Point Pleasant, Logan, Williamson, Gilbert, Teays Valley, Beckley and Bluefield; \$80 million in technology infrastructure; revamping of the undergraduate program, and other academic advances too numerous to mention. There is no doubting the impressive legacy of Wade Gilley or his clear vision for the future of Marshall University.

The dilemma facing the university last month was who would lead the school during this critical time of transition. The choice to most was obvious — A. Michael Perry. I first became familiar with Perry ten years ago. He was the subject of the feature article in my first publishing venture, the *Huntington Quarterly* magazine. I interviewed Perry several times for the piece

and have remained close to him over the years. A Huntington native, Perry was a standout student at Huntington High, Marshall University and WVU College of Law where he finished first in his class. A partner at the Huddleston Bolen law firm in Huntington, he entered the world of banking in the late 1970s. As president of the First Huntington National Bank and now Bank One West Virginia, he helped rewrite West Virginia’s antiquated banking laws and led one of the state’s most profitable holding companies, Key Centurion, into the 21st Century. He counts among his friends governors, congressmen, senators, business leaders, students and educators.

A truly civic-minded leader, Perry is deeply involved in politics, economic development, the arts, local history and higher education. You name it and he’s done it at Marshall University. Also, like the Gilleys, Perry and his wife Henriella come as a package and will assume active roles in the community.

Most importantly, Perry and Gilley have worked closely over the years. Perry is keenly aware of what is taking place on Marshall’s campuses and is as familiar as anyone with President Gilley’s ambitious plans for the future. Of Perry, in 1989, I wrote: “Despite the fact that Perry has experienced an array of successes in his life, he remains, as many friends and colleagues will attest, quite humble. It is nearly impossible to overhear someone speak ill of his character. That, in essence, is perhaps his greatest success.” Those qualities, combined with his renowned ability as a leader, bode well for his tenure as interim president of Marshall University. □

Marshall's
31st president
takes top post at
Tennessee and leaves
behind a legacy of
unprecedented
growth

In his voice and in his eyes, one can hear and see the mixed emotions of J. Wade Gilley, who this spring chose to leave the Marshall University presidency to take a similar position at The University of Tennessee barely three years before he'd planned to retire.

"It was a difficult decision," Gilley says softly.

Those who know Gilley and his wife, Nan, know he means it when he says leaving is difficult, although the decision came quickly after Tennessee made an offer. Simply, it was an offer Gilley, at 60 years of age, could not turn down — assuming the leadership of a major university with a pay raise of more than \$100,000 a year. "I've often thought I might be president of a major university," Gilley says. "But this came out of the blue." Still, he leaves with some sadness after eight eventful years in Huntington.

"Nan and I have really enjoyed living and working here,"

Gilley says. "The best decision we ever made was to come to Huntington, West Virginia."

When Tennessee came calling, Gilley was still dreaming about, planning for and constantly thinking of MU's future. So, while politely answering questions of curious Tennessee officials during an informal interview in Huntington, Gilley remained focused on the fortunes of the institution he'd come to love. He had no doubts Marshall was

the legacy of

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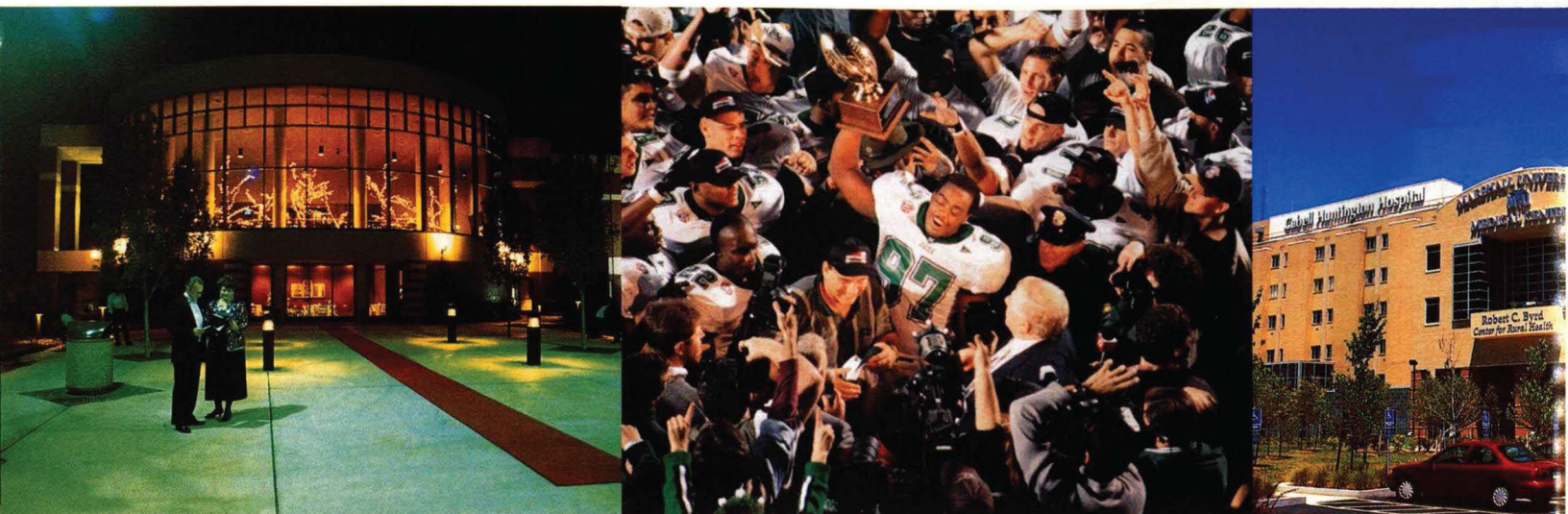


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DAVE GILLEY

by **dave wellman**

“He’s done a fantastic job for Marshall University he’s been absolutely fantastic for the school.” —



where he'd finish his career in 2002, and Huntington was where he and Nan would live the rest of their lives.

But work at MU, not retirement, was still foremost on his mind. He really didn't take Tennessee seriously — at first.

“Marshall is ready to take the big step,” Gilley said not long before Tennessee's interest surfaced. “Our future is ours to seize. We need only to be positive and work hard.”

That's Wade Gilley. Proud of millions of dollars worth of new and renovated facilities on Marshall's campus, but never satisfied. Proud of MU's climb to the top ranks of American universities, but never satisfied. Proud of the university's successful move up to Division I-A in athletics, but never satisfied. No wonder Charles Manning, chancellor of the University System of West Virginia, had such high praise for Gilley. “He's done a fantastic job for Marshall University,” Manning said upon learning of Gilley's impending departure. “He's really transformed it. Unquestionably, he's been absolutely fantastic for the school.”

Of course, Gilley's plans to be around for “the big step” at MU came to a sudden halt in May when he was offered and accepted the position of Tennessee's 20th president. It wasn't the five-year contract worth \$250,000 annually that enticed him so much as the sudden opportunity to be top man at the four-campus, 42,718-student university.

“The opportunity to be part of a large academic institution with an ambitious vision for the future proved to be very appealing,” Gilley said. “We hope to make a positive contribution.”

(From left) Just some of the aspects of the Gilley legacy including an \$18 million fine & performing arts center (1991), a nationally-renowned football program, \$31 million med center (1998), \$80 million invested in computer technology, and new \$31 million high-tech library (1998).

Still, as prestigious as his new job in Knoxville is, Gilley is certain the Marshall presidency doesn't rate far behind. And the presidential search process over the next few months will prove it.

“You're going to have people from big-time universities apply,” Gilley said. “The board is going to set a very high standard. This time you're going to get presidents of good-size universities and vice presidents applying.”

Gilley's resume is filled with many achievements at Marshall. For instance: seventeen new academic programs in science and technology; \$231 million in capital investments, including a new \$31 million medical center, a \$31 million library and a \$34 million football stadium; \$75 million investment in information technology infrastructure; a second 23-acre campus acquired in South Charleston; endowment increased from \$28 million to \$76 million; enrollment increased from 12,000 to 16,009, including 4,000 graduate and medical students; more than \$150 million in private gifts secured; and the winningest football program in America in the 1990s with 101 victories.

“Marshall University has risen to national stature during this period through the work and sacrifice of many, many people,” Gilley said. “We are honored to have been part of that impressive development, knowing all well that this is just the beginning for this university. This metropolitan region of West Virginia must have and will have a world class university in time. Of that, I am very confident.”

The university's presence has clearly been felt not only throughout the region, but much of the state as well. Through the Robert C. Byrd Institute (RCBI), the university has helped facilitate growth in privately-owned high tech manufacturing businesses. “RCBI is Marshall's extension out-

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reach program providing services throughout the state including the north central region, both panhandles and especially southern West Virginia," says Charlotte Weber, RCBI director and MU vice president.

Weber emphasizes that Gilley has used the RCBI to help diversify West Virginia from a coal-based economy to a high tech, new technological development-based arena.

"Dr. Gilley's legacy is one of vision, fiscal responsibility and devotion to the education and training of West Virginians," says Weber.

Gilley said Marshall "is clearly now a top 10 (out of some 400) American Association of State Colleges and Universities institution." And it will only continue to grow, he said, if Huntington and the university work together.

"Here, the whole future of the region is dependent on Marshall fulfilling its potential as a major academic institution," Gilley said. "If Marshall fulfills that, then the whole region here is going to be better economically."

Though he won't be around to see it — unless he and Nan choose to return to Huntington after retirement, Gilley predicts major changes for Huntington if Marshall continues to grow. He says MU could eventually reach an enrollment of 16,000 at the Huntington campus, which compares with 12,000 today. The spin-offs, he said, would be many as they are in Seattle, Wash., where 60 percent of the small businesses are directly related to the University of Washington.

"I think you're going to see a complete redevelopment of that section of Huntington, from the CSX tracks all the way to the river," Gilley said. "I think you'll see a complete revitalization from 29th Street to the Keith-Albee downtown."

More large housing complexes for MU students would be built, he said, with additional faculty hired and more park-

ing created around campus. Marshall Stadium, which currently seats 30,000, will seat 50,000-55,000 in 20 years, he predicted.

Amazingly, Gilley thinks Steel of West Virginia, located north of the Marshall campus, could be gone within 20 years as the university expands to the Ohio River.

"One thing that's unusual here," Gilley said, "is that the university doesn't totally dominate the community. Here, the university and the city have a true partnership. Marshall really needs for Huntington to be better, and Huntington needs for Marshall to be better. Anything that's good for the city is good for the university. You don't have that in many places."

Many people who think of Gilley think mainly of his emphasis on improving the university's physical plant throughout his tenure. But Gilley is proud of Marshall's academic achievements, such as its recent development of on-line courses, the fact that its accreditation has been extended through 2006, that several academic programs received national accreditation last year and that MU's national profile grew with several recognitions for academic quality.

His legacy should be more about academic gains than new buildings, said Joan Mead, dean of Marshall's College of Liberal Arts. "First and foremost was the Marshall Plan for Undergraduate Education," Mead said. "That had a great impact on academic programs throughout the undergraduate curriculum. And the second part of the legacy, less visible, is the great increase in scholarships."

The Marshall Plan is MU's commitment to prepare its graduates to be successful in employment and/or graduate and professional education in the 21st Century.

MU student Derek Anderson, a member of the University System Board of Trustees, said Gilley has been a role model



GILLEY'S ROLES EXTEND FAR BEYOND MU CAMPUS

While best known for their leadership in the growth and progress of Marshall University, Wade and Nan Gilley have devoted their time and energies to a wide range of programs and organizations, contributing to the well-being of people throughout the region. Here is an example of their work:

WADE GILLEY

- *** Board Member, Huntington Museum of Art
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- *** Member, Fifth Avenue Baptist Church Council
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- *** Chairman, Governor's Task Force on Mountaintop Removal
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- *** Board Member, Leadership Tri-State

NAN GILLEY

- *** President, Board of Directors, Goodwill Industries of the Tri-State
- *** Member, Birke Art Center
- *** Chair, Marshall University Arts Gala
- *** Volunteer, Marshall University Library
- *** Volunteer Tutor, Marshall University H.E.L.P. Center
- *** Member, Fifth Avenue Baptist Church
- *** Member, Marshall Artists Series
- *** Volunteer Tutor, Cammack Elementary School
- *** Member, Harmony Institute Fundraising Committee

Wade and Nan Gilley contributed more than their time to Marshall and Huntington. In their eight years in Huntington and West Virginia, they led by example, giving of their financial resources as well as giving of their time to make the university and its community a better place. Together they gave more than \$100,000 to charitable causes in the region including more than \$70,000 to Marshall University projects.

The following represents some of their interests:

**The John Deaver Drinko Library • Marshall Women's Athletics
Marshall Library Book Fund • Huntington Museum of Art
Barbara Guyer Tutoring Program • Nanna B. Gilley Outstanding Employee Award
Chilton Lecture Series • Spirit of the Valley Award
Harmony Institute • United Way of the River Cities**

for him, and he is "deeply, deeply saddened" to see him leave.

"Dr. Gilley's vision for this university has been an upward mobility," Anderson said. "His leaving is like the foundation is gone."

John Drinko, Marshall University's celebrated graduate and greatest benefactor, describes Gilley's work as outstanding. "There is no one in the country better at being a university president than Wade Gilley," Drinko asserts. "He knows every aspect of his job — politics, hiring, construction. He's business-minded. His efforts at privatizing university-related work has been good for the school and the community. He leaves behind an amazing legacy."

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Dr. J. Wade Gilley

Gilley's son, Wade Jr., earned two degrees from Marshall, and Wade Jr.'s wife, Jennifer, graduated from MU with honors last spring. Gilley's two-year-old granddaughter has what he describes as "a very attractive Marshall cheerleader's uniform and has already attended three football games." He only hopes that MU and its supporters continue to dream big and work hard to constitute a "powerful force — always."

Meanwhile, as he and Nan head for Knoxville, their thoughts likely will be on Huntington for some time to come. After all, Gilley said, "We will always love Marshall." □

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Fifteen minutes after Marshall's mystifying defeat at Bowling Green last season, Marshall quarterback Chad Pennington entered the press room and, unlike his countless other media appearances, sounded downright angry. He sat slumped in a chair, lending body language appropriate to the occasion. One of the most personable athletes in Marshall history lashed out at an abstract, indefinable enemy that had reached up and deprived the Herd of its full potential and cost the team a chance at a perfect season.

Complacency, Pennington suggested, had overtaken the Herd somewhere along the way, leading to the 34-13 loss to the Falcons in the ninth week of the season and creating a problem that needed to be corrected. "That's what happens when you don't execute," Pennington said at the press conference. "There's nobody to blame but ourselves. In this league, you can't just show up and play a ballgame. You have to come to play."

Seven months later, sitting in his office on a warm spring day, coach Bob Pruett recalled the Bowling Green game and reflected on the school's rise to prominence, as well as its first ever preseason national rankings — No. 15 in *Football News*, No. 20 in *Lindy's*, No. 24 in *Sports Illustrated*, No. 25 in *The Sporting News* and the likelihood of more to come. Preseason national rankings? Powerful stuff for a football program that, between 1966 and 1969, played 27 games without winning any of them. In the decade of the 70s, it staggered to a 23-83 record, prompting a Charleston columnist to suggest the school drop football.

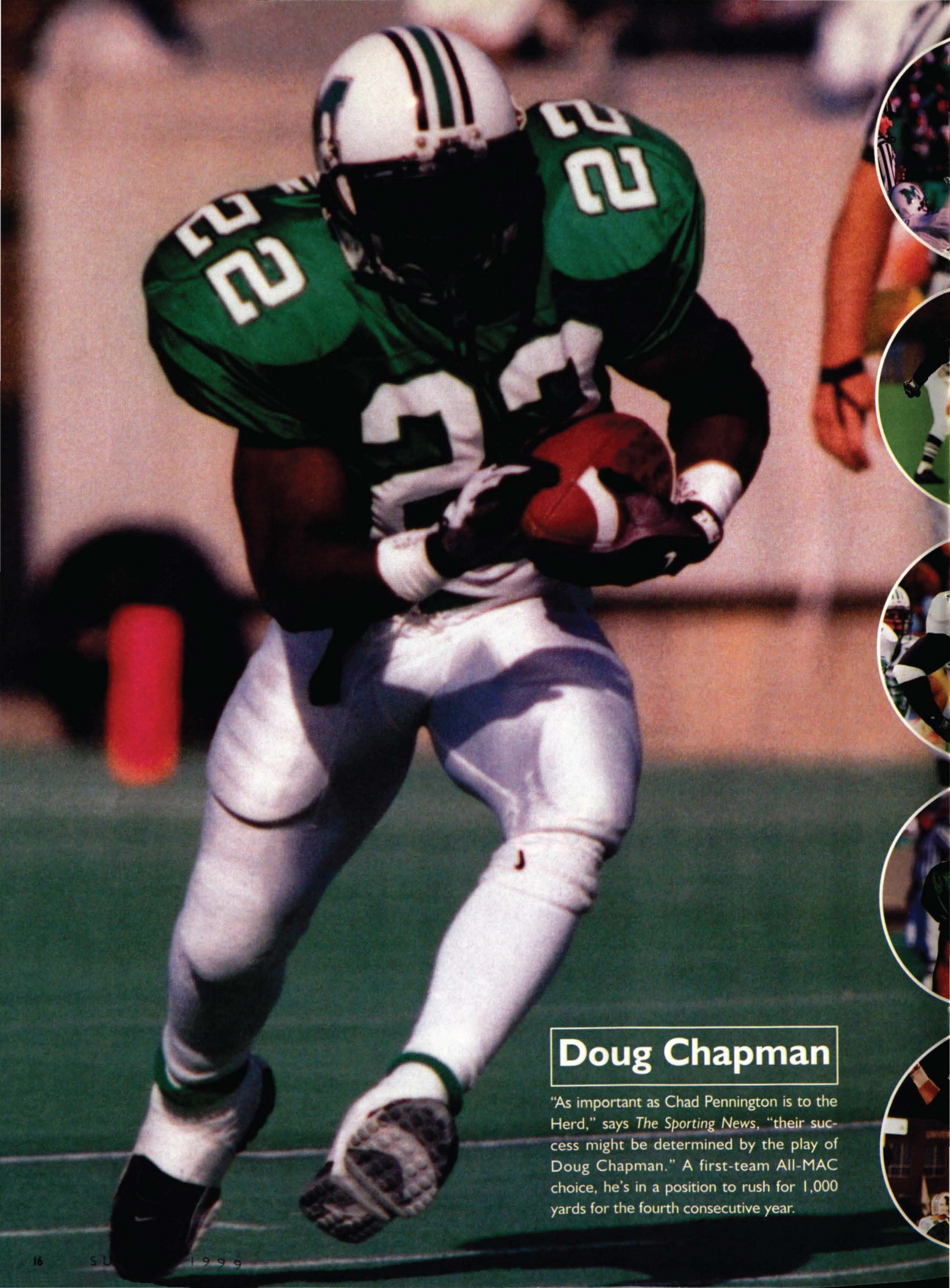
Pruett acknowledged the expectations and pressures that go with national rankings and echoed the words of his quarterback, noting that the Herd had approached the Bowling Green game without the ferocity and focus that coaches are forever preaching.

"I just think we didn't go up there with the mindset that we had to play hard to win," he said. "We sort of practiced instead of played, and we got beat to death. I don't want to take anything away from Bowling Green, but we weren't on a razor's edge up there."

by mike whiteford

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Doug Chapman

"As important as Chad Pennington is to the Herd," says *The Sporting News*, "their success might be determined by the play of Doug Chapman." A first-team All-MAC choice, he's in a position to rush for 1,000 yards for the fourth consecutive year.



JOHN GRACE

The Herd's leading tackler in 1998, Grace is versatile enough to shut down the run and cover wide receivers one-on-one. Despite an outstanding season, he was chosen to the All-MAC second team — a slight that may add additional motivation this fall.



NATE POOLE

On a receiving corps noted for depth, Poole led the Herd with 616 yards on 48 catches. In rating Marshall No. 25 in its preseason rankings, *The Sporting News* cited the offensive threesome of Pennington, Chapman and Poole.



GIRADIE MERCER

He was a first-team All-MAC choice last year and led the team in tackles for losses. With a vertical jump of 36 inches, this 285 pound athlete will attract NFL interest. "Mercer is the best defensive lineman on the MAC's best defensive line," says *The Sporting News*.



DANINELLE DERRICOTT

At just 165 pounds, Derricott contributed the most heroic defensive plays last season, possibly making the difference between victory and defeat in the Akron, South Carolina and Wofford games. He was first-team All-MAC and a *Football News* All-MAC selection.



JASON STARKEY

He started every game at center last year and earned second-team All-MAC honors. In 1997, although slightly undersized at 260 pounds, he served as an invaluable reserve, playing center, guard and tackle on the offensive line.

It was the Herd's only loss in a 12-1 season that included a No. 27 ranking in the final Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today polls.

If a veteran and talented Marshall team should stumble at any time during the 1999 season, the culprit likely will be an element that Pruett referred to as the Bowling Green Syndrome. "We have a veteran team now," he said. "Do we take the Bowling Green Syndrome and just walk out there and expect to win or do we take the Louisville Syndrome that we have something to prove?"

In the Louisville game — a 48-29 Marshall victory in the Motor City Bowl December 23 — the Herd demonstrated an admirable sense of urgency that generally produces a winning edge.

The '99 Schedule

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In the Motor City Bowl that day, the team had several things to prove. It was seeking its first-ever bowl victory before a national TV audience, a victory over a Conference USA member — a conference considered slightly above the Mid-American — and a possible end-of-the-year national ranking. Louisville's reputation as, statistically speaking, one of the best offensive teams in the country undoubtedly inspired the Herd, too.

As long as the Herd continues to find similar sources of motivation, said Pruett, things should go well. "I think the thing that concerns all coaches is that when you've had a run of wins over a period of time," he said, "you wonder if they keep the eye of the tiger, do they stay hungry? For two years now, we've had something to prove. We had to prove we could compete in I-

A. We had to prove we could win without Randy Moss. Now, we've won two conference championships. Are we as hungry? Are we going to execute as well as we should?"

To keep his players hungry and keep them executing as they should, Pruett often gathers them around him after practice and speaks from the heart. He cites football's intangibles like concentration, work ethic, focus and preparation and the potential rewards of a third straight MAC championship, something never accomplished in league history.

"A lot of games are won or lost off the field — what you did the night before, what you do in the locker room, what you do over in the dorm," said Pruett. "That's all leadership. And we've had good leadership for three years."

On the surface, at least, the players seem to be heeding the coach's advice. "We want to be No. 1 in the MAC this year," said veteran free safety Rogers Beckett, a first-team All-MAC selection last year. "That's one of the goals we're looking forward to. But we can't pay attention to statistics. You have to go out there every year and play your hardest."

As Pruett begins his fourth season at Marshall, the Herd is already being touted as a top 25 team. On a recent visit to Memphis, Tennessee, Pruett chatted with an Associated Press football writer, who said he planned to rank the Herd No. 10 in the country.

Pennington already commands such respect among NFL scouts and general managers that he may be the first quarterback taken in next year's draft. He's a Heisman Trophy candidate who may equal or surpass Moss' fourth-place finish in the 1997 Heisman voting. Beckett is a candidate for the Jim Thorpe Award, given to the nation's best defensive back.

The defensive unit loses just one starter, tackle Ricky Hall, and the offense loses only three starters, tackle Jamie Rodgers and wide receivers LaVorn Coleclough and Jerrald Long.

Last year, Marshall was one of just four schools in the country to rank in the nation's top 25, statistically, in total offense and total defense. The others were Ohio State, Kansas State and Florida.

"I think the future of our program is so bright we need to be wearing sunglasses," Pruett asserts.

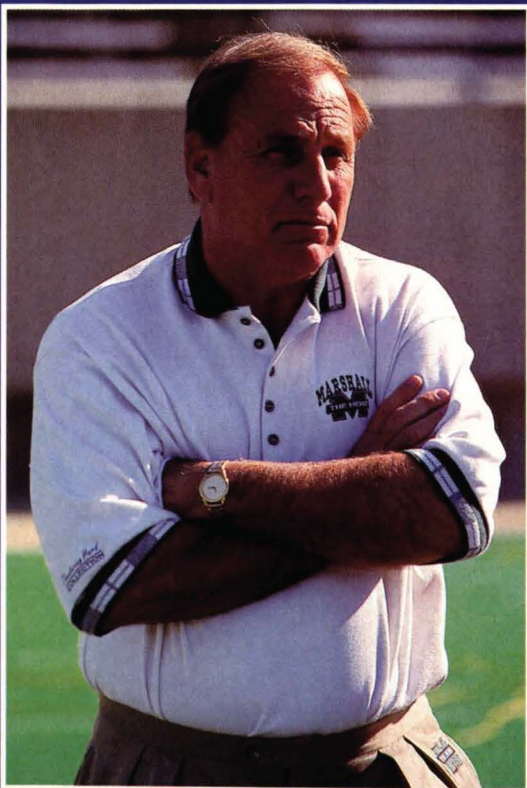
To help keep the future bright, the Herd uses more players per game — between 58 and 60 — than most schools, thereby perpetuating the development process. Another factor that helps ward off complacency is Pruett's policy on starting positions. He says that returning starters are not necessarily assured of starting jobs, a policy that stirs competition.

Last spring, for example, senior-to-be John White, a veteran tight end, was the incumbent but was beaten out in the fall by true freshman Cregg Kellett. Trod Buggs ended the 1998 spring as the starting middle linebacker, but Max Yates, another true freshman, ousted him in the fall.

"If you're the returning starter, you're certainly going to get a chance to make plays," said Pruett, "but the guy who comes in and makes the plays and executes is going to start."

It's all part of keeping the Herd hungry and the best players on the field — and preventing a repeat of an angry Chad Pennington making vague references to the Bowling Green Syndrome. That, and the possibility of making school history by not only starting the season in the Top 25, but finishing the '99 campaign at the top as well. □

Mike Whiteford is a sports writer for *The Charleston Gazette*.



Pruett selected as one of the top coaches in college football today

Spurrier, Bowden, Paterno, Pruett. A major sports publication, *College Football News*, rates Marshall's Bobby Pruett as the seventh-best football coach in the country in its preseason issue. The magazine rates Pruett with some of the nation's finest coaches, including No. 1 Steve Spurrier, Pruett's former boss when the Herd leader was defensive coordinator at Florida in 1994 and 1995.

"That's awfully nice of them, but the credit deserves to go to the assistant coaches," Pruett said, adding that players and fans also are an important part of his 38-4 record in three seasons at Marshall. "They make things go. I'm just behind the steering wheel."

Pruett is ranked just behind Spurrier, Florida State's Bobby Bowden, Tennessee's Phillip Fulmer and Penn State's Joe Paterno, all of whom have won national championships at the I-A level. Also ranked ahead of Pruett is Barry Alvarez of Wisconsin and Bill Snyder of Kansas State. "Those are some great coaches," Pruett said. "It's an honor to be thought of in that group." Pruett rates ahead of several high-profile coaches, including Lou Holtz of South Carolina, Tommy Bowden of Clemson, Bob Toledo of UCLA and John Cooper of Ohio State. West Virginia's Don Nehlen and Kentucky's Hal Mumme didn't make the list. □

Rogers Beckett

"Let's put it this way," says *College Football News*, "we think Beckett is a better safety than Chad Pennington is a quarterback." The magazine rates him the fourth-best defensive back in the country.



chad pennington

Marshall University senior QB Chad Pennington, the man who got the ball to Randy Moss in 1997, is not only considered a top NFL prospect, but a serious contender for the 1999 Heisman.

The *Sporting News* calls Chad Pennington a sure-fire NFL first-round draft choice. *Lindy's College Football Annual* tabs the Marshall quarterback a Heisman Trophy finalist. Ironically, though, *Playboy* might have paid Pennington the highest compliment, naming him the athlete who better than anyone else in college football exemplifies athletic and academic excellence.

"It's good to get noticed for what I do in the classroom," says Pennington, recipient of the 1998 Anson Mount Award as the top football-playing student-athlete in the country. "That's what we're all in college for. As for what happens on the field, the credit goes to my team-

lege for. As for what happens on the field, the credit goes to my teammates. Without them, I wouldn't even complete a pass."

Pennington's 3.75 grade point average and wholesome values have caught the attention of magazine publishers and pro scouts alike. In a world where news reports chronicle athletes' latest brush with the law, or teams try to explain away their first-round draft picks' troubled past, Pennington is regarded as a refreshing change.

Pennington frequently speaks at schools, charity functions and churches, rarely mentioning that he's a 10,000-yard passer and the most prolific quarterback at a school that has produced seven consecutive all-conference passers. In 1997, Pennington teamed up with fellow sophomore Randy Moss (the 1998 NFL Rookie of the Year) and combined for a NCAA record 24 touchdowns, the highest total ever for the category of "Most touchdown passes, same passer and receiver in a season." The old record of 19 touchdowns was shared by Michigan's Elvis Grbac/Desmond Howard (1991) and Houston's Andre Ware/Manny Hazzard (1989). "All this is like a dream," Pennington said of the national attention he receives. "I don't even think about it because it seems like it's not real." □



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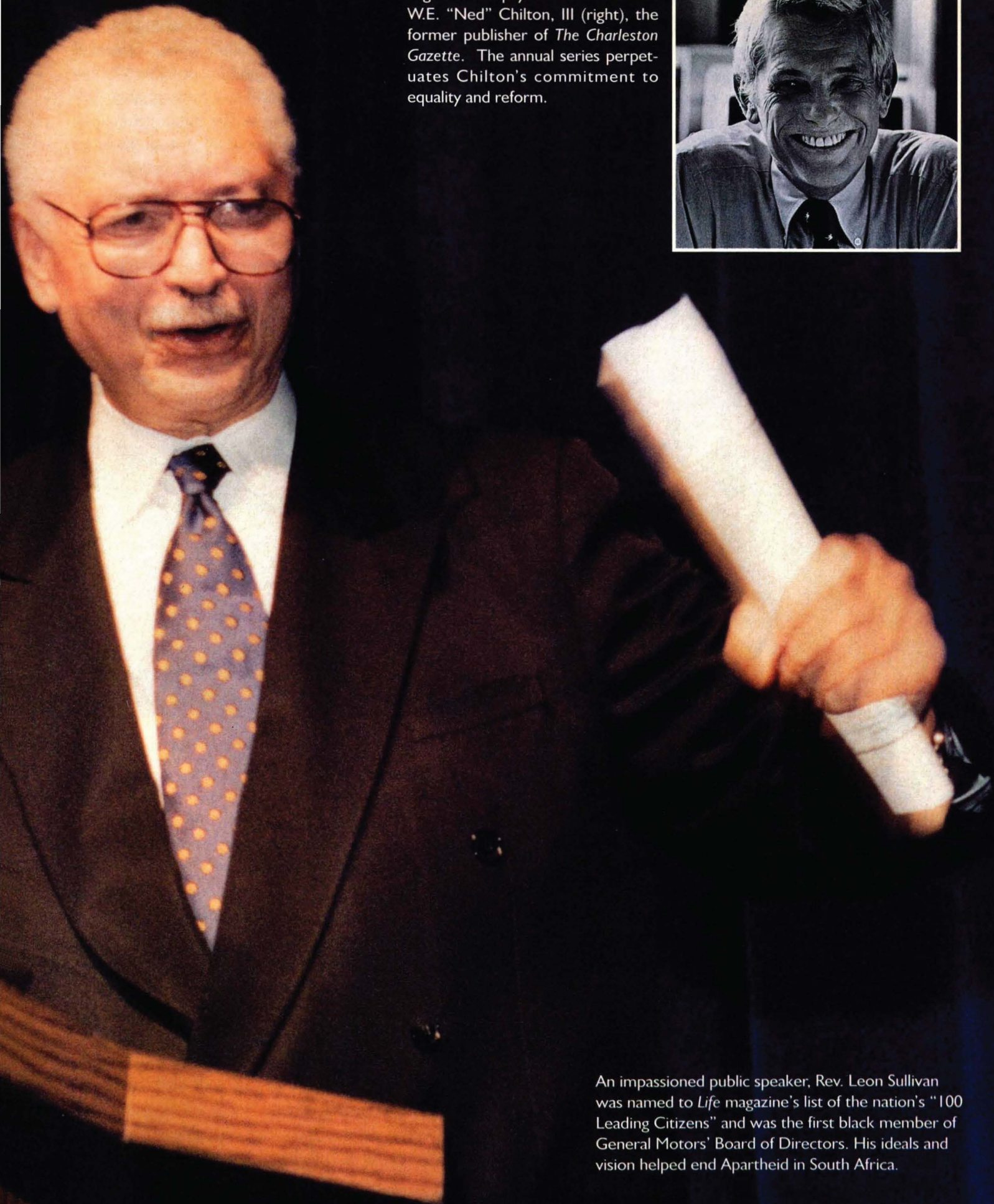
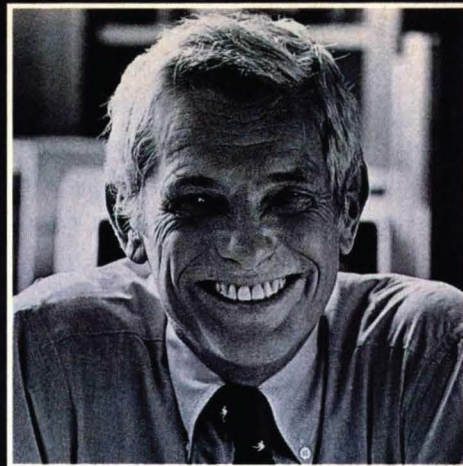
A path to changing ideas, changing people, changing the world, started on a dirt alley in Charleston, West Virginia. Washington Court was one of the city's poorest sections in the early 1920s. That black neighborhood was Leon Sullivan's home. Sullivan left West Virginia to become a preacher. He became a man who influenced millions. Now a famed civil rights leader, Sullivan returned home earlier this year to underline his efforts for social changes through the fifth annual W.E. "Ned" Chilton, III Leadership Lecture Series.

"It was wonderful returning home at the invitation of the Chilton Lecture Series," Sullivan said. "It gave me the opportunity to come back where all of my dreams were formed. And where I gained the encouragement and support to go into the world and to help the poor and especially the children."

The lecture series was organized to pay tribute to the late Ned Chilton, the former publisher of *The Charleston Gazette*. The annual series perpetuates Chilton's commitment to equality and reform. Marshall University Graduate College Foundation sponsors the annual event. It's a collaboration with members of Chilton's family and his friends. The lecture series is designed to get people thinking about and debating issues.

by kathy young carney

The Chilton Lecture Series was organized to pay tribute to the late W.E. "Ned" Chilton, III (right), the former publisher of *The Charleston Gazette*. The annual series perpetuates Chilton's commitment to equality and reform.



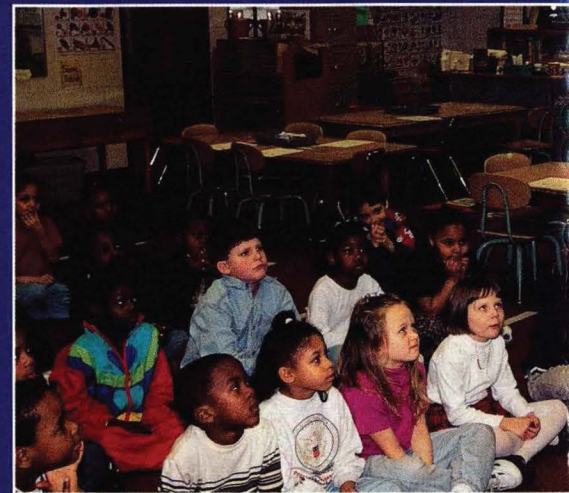
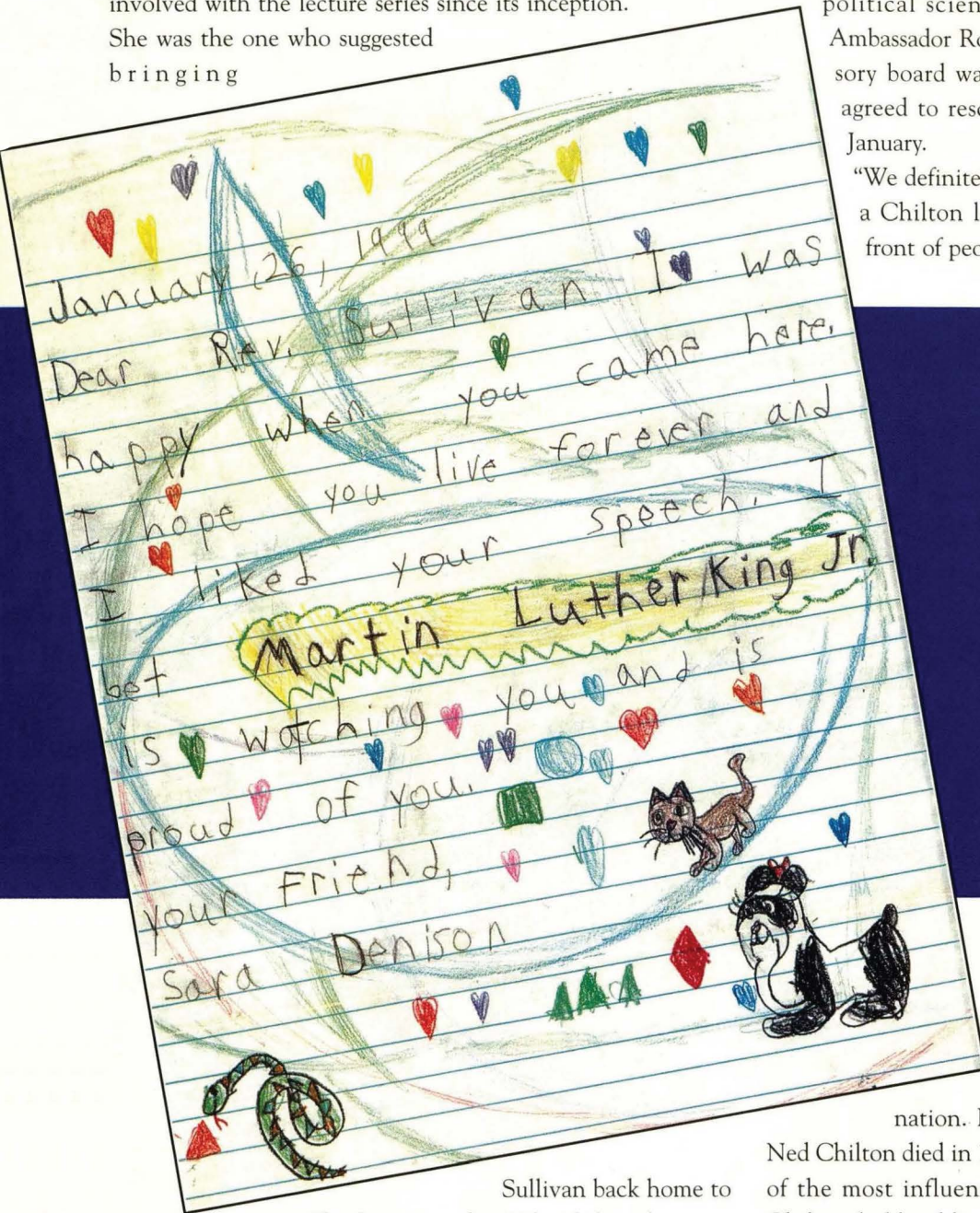
An impassioned public speaker, Rev. Leon Sullivan was named to *Life* magazine's list of the nation's "100 Leading Citizens" and was the first black member of General Motors' Board of Directors. His ideals and vision helped end Apartheid in South Africa.

"The lecture series is purely educational," said Beth Chiparo, Chilton Lecture Series coordinator. "It's to stir people and to help keep people from getting in that 'apathetic mode.' We want people to feel stirred to action."

Chilton's widow, Elizabeth E. Chilton, has been actively involved with the lecture series since its inception. She was the one who suggested bringing

series can help make West Virginia one of the great states of America with tolerance, racial understanding and social justice." Past speakers represent different facets of modern life. The list is comprised of journalist Molly Ivins; Director of Southern Poverty Law Morris Dees; University of Virginia political science professor Larry Sabato; and U.S. Ambassador Robert V. Keeley. The lecture series advisory board wanted Sullivan so much that members agreed to reschedule the traditionally Fall event to January.

"We definitely wanted to bring Rev. Sullivan here as a Chilton lecturer," Chiparo said. "When he's in front of people he radiates confidence and determi-



(Above) Rev. Leon Sullivan speaking to a group of Piedmont Elementary School students. (Left) Sullivan's talk concerning each child's ability to "move mountains" and change the world around them inspired numerous letters of appreciation.

Sullivan back home to Charleston as the fifth Chilton lecturer. Chilton's daughter, Susan Chilton Shumate, is an integral part of the program as well. Besides playing a role in the planning process, she also presents each Chilton lecturer with an award in her father's memory. "The legacy of Ned Chilton should last for ages to come," Sullivan said. "Children in West Virginia need a model and an example such as Ned Chilton to help them chart the course of their lives. It is a legacy of great importance with a great impact that will assist West Virginians to work together and help each other. This

He represents what he says." Although Ned Chilton died in 1987, he has always been considered one of the most influential people in shaping West Virginia. Chilton held public officials accountable for their actions, fought for human rights and pushed community causes. His stand on issues was often controversial, but he never shied away from rattling cages.

"I think that (the lecture series) makes people think differently," said Angus Peyton, Chilton Lecture Series chairman. "I know Rev. Sullivan's ideas meshed with Ned's, although they are not as outrageous as Ned's."

It seems Leon Sullivan has always been able to spark a fire in people. As pastor of Philadelphia's Zion Baptist Church in

1950, he took a congregation of 600 and built it to 6,000 members. In 1964 Sullivan founded Opportunities Industrialization Centers (OIC) for black Americans to get practical training. Today more than 2 million people around the world have been through the self-help centers.

Life magazine named Reverend Sullivan one of the nation's 100 leading citizens in the early 1960s. He was the 1965 *Sunday Gazette-Mail* "West Virginian of the Year." Sullivan has 50 honorary degrees and has been awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian award given in the United States.

Sullivan became the first black member of General Motors' Board of Directors. From there he altered the course

poor black and white girls who need help — another tall tree to be climbing. There will be times I know when I will climb as far as I can, and I may fall, but I want you in West Virginia and America and God to know that I tried....that I climbed as high as I could," Sullivan said.

"It will be difficult to top Leon Sullivan," Chiparo said. "He is definitely awe inspiring."

Sullivan's return to West Virginia involved four days of appearances and encouraging others to move mountains. *Moving Mountains* is the title of his latest book. It's an autobiography that also details his self-help philosophy.

"As soon as it was announced (that Sullivan would speak), everyone wanted to give him awards," Chiparo said.



the Sullivan Principles

1. Nonsegregation of the races in all eating, locker room and work facilities.
2. Equal and fair employment practices for all employees.
3. Equal pay for all employees doing equal or comparable work for the same period of time.
4. Initiation and development of training programs that will prepare black and other non-whites in substantial numbers for supervisory, administrative, clerical and technical jobs.
5. Increase the number of blacks and other non-whites in management and supervisory positions.
6. Improve the quality of employees' lives outside the work environment in such areas as housing, transportation, school, recreation and health facilities.
7. Elimination of laws and customs that impede social and political justice.

of South Africa. He encouraged GM and other corporations to use their economic influence to end apartheid. Eventually, Sullivan called for a multinational boycott. Companies from around the world pulled their business from South Africa. Apartheid eventually fell. Now South African President Nelson Mandela and Sullivan work together on issues.

It was during the 1970s that Sullivan developed the "Sullivan's Principles." The list was to be a code of conduct for U.S. companies doing business in South Africa. They have become an international standard for equal opportunities. "I climb trees," Sullivan told some 500 people attending the Chilton Lecture. "I climb the tallest tree in the forest. When I climbed the tree of apartheid, it was the tallest tree in the forest.

"I intend to climb trees in Africa to help with the ending of AIDS and to educate millions of boys and girls. It is the tallest tree that many say cannot be climbed. But I talk about justice and dignity and righteousness in West Virginia and of

It's estimated that more than 2,000 people heard Sullivan while he was in Charleston. In addition to his speech, Sullivan visited West Virginia State College, clergy members and area school children. He spent roughly two hours inspiring Piedmont Elementary School students.

"My message was that any child in Charleston, West Virginia, can achieve anything he wants to achieve," Sullivan said. "Don't give up, whatever problems of the past, because any child, in his own way, can help move mountains to make life better for those around them, wherever they are."

His message was received and the children showed their gratitude in hand-written notes to Sullivan.

Jarrett Terry wrote: "When you came to my school and when I heard your speech, I believed (sic) I could move mountains...I have the freedom to do anything I want to do and be the best person I can."

"You helped me on the inside and you also helped me to do better in school," wrote Michael Crawford. "I'm doing my

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Social Studies/Science Fair (project) on you and after I heard you speak, I wanted to hear more...I wish we had more Leon Sullivans in the world."

While Sullivan has written history with his actions, his life story is rarely told. His powerful work is not widely recognized. That could be in part because he is very humble. However, he has agreed to be the subject of a 60-minute documentary profile. It's an effort between Marshall University and MotionMasters, a nationally-recognized production company in Charleston. It was MotionMasters President Diana Sole who served as a catalyst for the documentary.

"The idea first hit me four years ago when we (MotionMasters) were working on *The West Virginians*, a 30-minute documentary that profiled successful West Virginia natives," Sole said. "In doing the research for that, we came across the story of Rev. Sullivan. And even though I'm a native and fairly well-educated, I had never heard of the man until then. The more I learned, the more amazed I was, and the more convinced I became that his story had to be told."

It took a number of telephone calls to convince Sullivan of the same thing. Finally, he agreed and production started. In addition to performing numerous interviews for the project, Sole has travelled to Africa twice with Sullivan to videotape him working.

"I always resisted (telling my story) because I believed telling too much about yourself can be as counter-productive as productive," Sullivan said. "But when I met Diana Sole and saw her faith and determination, I decided that if there was someone God had sent, it was Diana Sole."

The documentary will be shown on West Virginia Public Television and will be marketed to networks such as PBS, A&E and the History Channel.

Marshall University is playing a key

role in the financial part of the production. It's offering help in seeking grants in addition to securing companies willing to underwrite the cost of the project. The production costs of the documentary are around \$163,000. MotionMasters has managed to find donations to cover half of the cost.

"Rev. Sullivan, despite his historic work, is not well-known," said Beth Nogay Carenbauer, project director. "He's not highly recognized and that's been a challenge in fund raising.

"People are reluctant to offer money to a project unless they know the subject, but in this case, many people won't know the subject until they see

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Rev. Leon Sullivan

the project. It's a rough cycle."

However, the documentary is going forward. "A Principled Man: Rev. Leon Sullivan" is set for a February 2000 release. Sullivan hopes that the documentary will be another successful way of spreading his message around the world. He hopes future generations can learn from his experiences.

"People need to believe in self help and that God helps those who help themselves." Sullivan said. "Those who put their hand in God's hand can do great things to help society." □

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what does the future hold for marshall university and advantage valley?

One way to succeed is to set goals. But the real key to success is to set attainable goals. And that is what Marshall University has done with its Vision 2020 program, says Corley Dennison, the new assistant dean for university college (a division of enrollment management) and the man responsible for compiling the Vision 2020 report.

"Vision 2020 was created last December. Dr. Gilley sent out a memo saying he wanted to map out the future of the university," Dennison explained.

Some of those attainable goals outlined in the Vision 2020 report include being on the cutting edge of distance and online learning, creating ways to retain faculty and students, expanding academic pro-

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grams, and proceeding with current capital projects including expanding Marshall Stadium.

The need for Vision 2020 grew out of the fact that Senate Bill 547, an umbrella bill for higher education, expires this year, Dennison said. By having a plan in place, MU could be “proactive with where we want to go rather than reactive,” he said.

The original memo by MU President J. Wade Gilley outlined the goal of Vision 2020.

“Marshall University is at a fork in the road and fortunately is in a position to choose its future path,” Gilley wrote. “That choice should be made by the university community — students, faculty, staff, alumni and the larger community of supporters — and not by others, less knowledgeable about or with less than charitable motives when it comes to West Virginia’s oldest university. That future should be envisioned by the total university community with the guidance of a special committee — The Ad Hoc Committee on the Future of Marshall.”

Dennison was selected as chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee, with Ron Childress of the Marshall University Graduate College serving as co-chairman. The first meeting concerning Vision 2020 took place in January and the report was released April 23. “Feedback so far has been pretty positive,” Dennison said.

Dee Cockrille, dean of student affairs at MU and a member of the committee that created the Vision 2020 report, said Dr. Gilley’s idea to develop a plan for the future was a good one.

“I don’t see many other schools doing this,” Cockrille said. “When we mention Vision 2020 to other institutions in the state, it doesn’t seem that many of them have a clear plan for the next 20 years. It’s a little bit ahead of its time. It gives us something to look at and strength to go forward and hits the points we need to look at to improve our institution. We all benefited from that process.”

Vision 2020 is a great tool for students considering a college career at MU, Cockrille said. “I think it helps students think in the long term and see the big picture,” she said.

As an advocate for students, Cockrille said she would like to see more students taking a look at the Vision 2020 report.

“What we need to do here is make this Vision 2020 report available to the students so they can dissect it and take a look at it,” she said. “We’ve given it to the institutional community. They’ve looked at it and made comments on what they think is important. Students need to take a look at this and become a stakeholder in this.”

Each of MU’s academic units conducted meetings or surveys for the report and nine committees were formed for community focus groups. “We took all of that information and had to boil it down. Each representative in the different academic units had to write an executive summary. I wrote the report from those.”

One of the key objectives outlined in the report deals with faculty retention. “We have a large number of faculty members who are 55 plus and have 20 or 30 years of experience,” Dennison said. Because MU anticipates seeing a large percentage of its faculty retire in the next five years, Dennison said Vision 2020 calls for creation of competitive salary packages to attract younger faculty and make them want to stay at the university.

Another concern addressed in the report involves student retention. West Virginia is one of only a handful of states expected to experience a decline in the number of college-age students in the next few years.

“There will be more competition among state institutions. We will have to work harder to keep students,” Dennison said. A positive for Marshall involves geography. “Marshall is uniquely positioned to draw from Ohio and Kentucky and the Kanawha valley,” he said.

A third area addressed by Vision 2020 is equipment demands in which up to 25 percent of MU's hi-tech equipment must be replaced every year in order for the school to stay up-to-date, Dennison said. The report calls for the university to seek additional external funding for its technology needs.

Capital projects are also addressed in the report, which strongly supports current construction on the JOMIE Jazz Center, Morrow Library renovations, construction of the Point Pleasant Center and expansion of Marshall Stadium.

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Dr. J. Wade Gilley

Marshall's success on the football field has contributed to higher name recognition for the school among potential college students, which obviously plays a role in student recruitment and retention, Dennison said.

Marshall takes on Clemson in a high-profile game this fall and Thundering Herd quarterback Chad Pennington is being touted as a legitimate Heisman Trophy candidate. A good effort against Clemson and a

strong season for Pennington will only continue to keep Marshall's name in the spotlight, Dennison asserts.

Capital projects in the planning stages supported by Vision 2020 include the biomedical and science building, visual arts building, recreation center, a learning center in Beckley and a parking facility. A building for the Community College and more offices in Teays Valley are also on the list.

Building plans in the report for “the very long term” include Gullickson Hall renovations, completion of the fine arts facility, an alumni conference center and acquisition and renovation of the Keith-Albee Theatre in downtown Huntington.


Beefing up the degrees being offered by MU is also in the report. Vision 2020 calls upon Marshall to seek Level II status from the Southern Regional Educational Board, which would allow the university to offer five different doctorates. “We believe demand is here,” Dennison said. “We're working on funding and applications for grants. It would be very positive for the university to seek that status.”

Because Vision 2020 is such a detailed report on MU's future, Dennison believes it could be used to help the university select its new president to replace Gilley.

“Really, a lot of things in this report are 10 years or less,” Dennison said. “This is something that was a broad consensus of the faculty. It's not just Dr. Gilley's program. I think 2020 can be used to chart the course for the selection of a new president...it gives the direction in which the university is heading. Certainly, a (presidential candidate) would have to buy into a large part of the report.”

Vision 2020 offers Marshall University a blueprint for its future. Dennison believes it is a viable plan. “This is not a wish list. Goals can be ambitious but they also need to be attainable.” □

John Gillispie is the features editor for *The Herald-Dispatch*.



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(Left) Capitol High School in Charleston is enjoying its 10th year of success. The award-winning school was regarded as the prototype for consolidation in West Virginia. (Below) Huntington High School's modern, inviting library is a hit with students.



Advantage Valley's modern new high schools prepare students for the 21st Century

Five new public high schools offer tremendous opportunities and resources to students living in Advantage Valley. A look at today's schools illustrates what the changes are all about and what benefits to expect.

The glory days. That defines high school for some; for others it was more like growing pains. But whatever you remember from 30, 20 or even 10 years ago, high school is a whole different scene today. West Virginia is building schools that

are bigger, brighter, more 21st Century. In the Charleston and Huntington communities, there are five impressive new schools that are the product of consolidation and offer tremendous resources to students. Consolidating smaller schools has moved students from outdated and inadequate buildings to stunning campuses with state-of-the-art technology, modern labs, fine arts facilities, impressive media centers and a broad curriculum. The curriculum and facilities are

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designed to prepare students to take their place in the job market of the 21st Century, implementing West Virginia's "School to Work" policy for education.

In addition, greater educational opportunities are an important factor in attracting new residents and new industry to the area. Families relocating look for good schools for their children and businesses want a qualified workforce. Even today many public schools are still patterned on the post-World War II economy, society and job market. But the buildings and curriculum that met those needs simply do not meet the demands of the 21st century. Capital High School in Charleston was Kanawha County's first effort to transform the system to meet these demands and Principal John Clendenen knew if they could just get such a school built, it would prove itself.

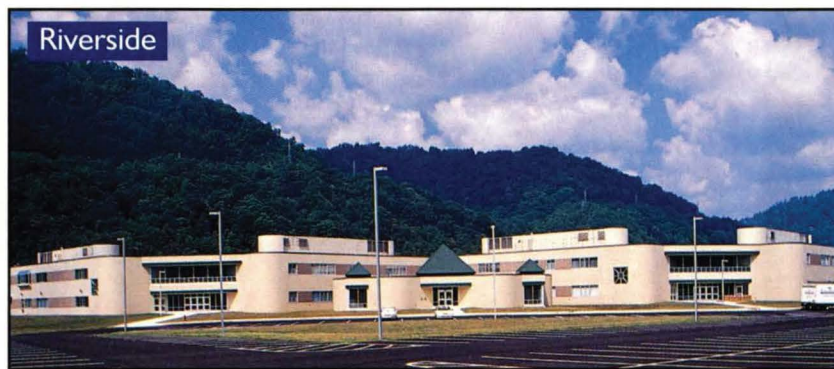
Capital High celebrates its tenth anniversary this year and led the way as a "flagship school" or prototype of consolidation in West Virginia. Charleston's two oldest high schools were consolidated in 1989 when Capital opened its doors after 17 years of planning, \$23 million of expenditure and immeasurable controversy and debate.

Now, after ten years, it has not only produced successful graduates but is a proven resource to the community and a source of pride. Capital has been selected a WV School of Excellence and National School of Excellence, and has received three *Redbook* magazine "Best Schools" awards. As other West Virginia school systems consider consolidation, representatives have toured and studied Capital High School as the prototype.

"You know, after ten years we still don't need to paint these walls," Clendenen comments. The walls are clean and fresh looking, without a mark or a sign of graffiti – an impressive testimony that the 1,150 students feel they have an investment in this campus and what they gain here. The suc-

cess of Capital High continues to be a team effort and a source of great pride for Clendenen, his staff and students, and the community.

The innovative curriculum has been the focus from the start, and is still the star of the show. The purpose is to integrate technology with academics. "You don't consolidate for economics," Clendenen says. "The point is to expand the curriculum. It costs more to operate Capital than the two older schools. The point is that we couldn't afford to put these resources in two separate schools."



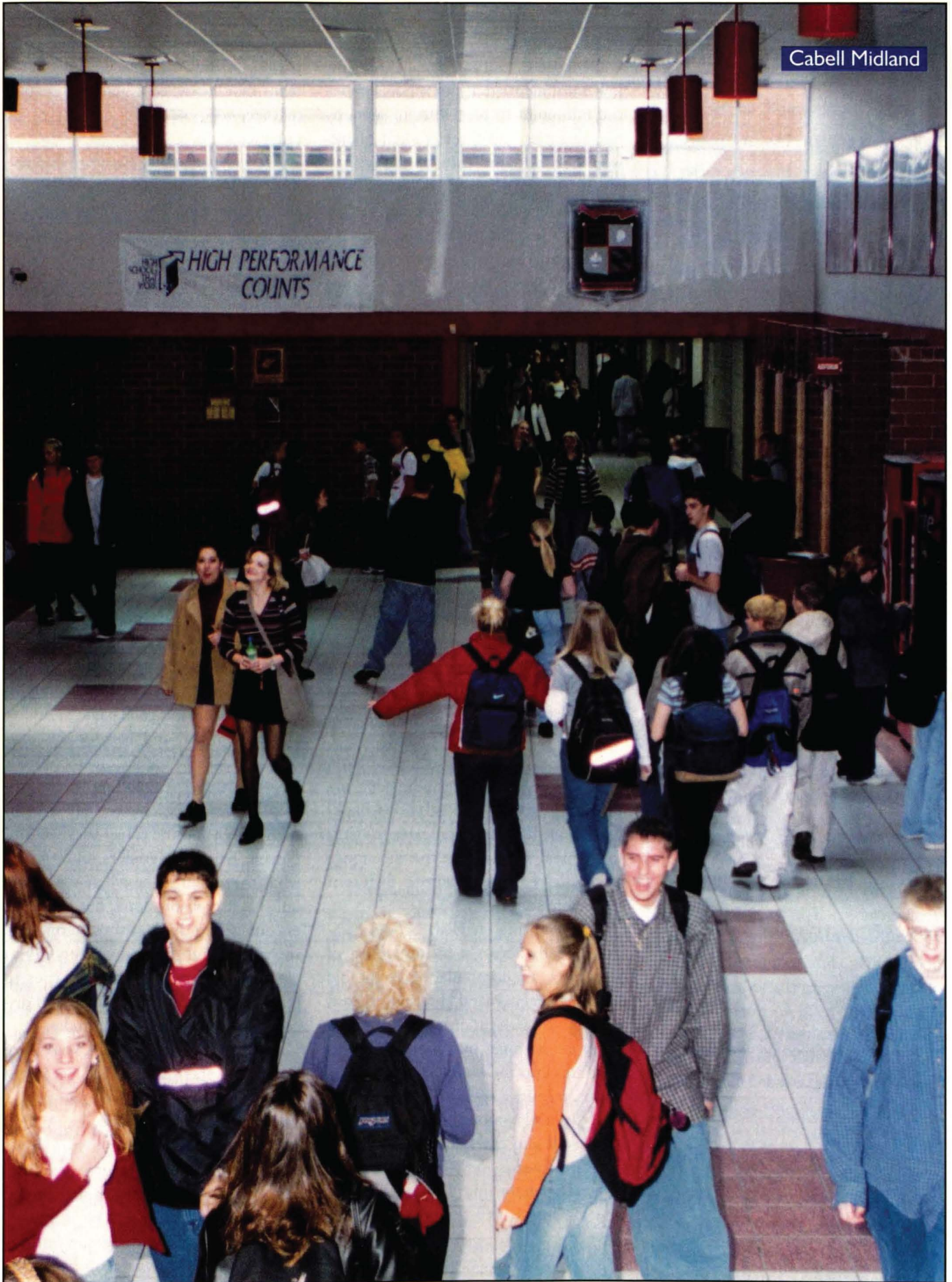
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What resources? A television studio with \$500,000 of state-of-the-art equipment where students produce a morning news show and other programs; a child development center where students learn the practical side of working with infants and toddlers; an arts program that includes full-time dance and drama instructors, a dance studio and 800-seat theater; up-to-the-minute technology networking a central computer lab with classrooms as well as labs in business, math and other departments; sound proofed music practice booths, an outdoor classroom for art as well as pottery wheels and kiln; a greenhouse for botany and agriculture and labs in all the science classrooms.

When Charleston and Stonewall Jackson High Schools were in operation, only 30 percent of the students went on to college. After only one year at Capital, 50 percent of the first graduating class attended college. The rate has now gone up to 65 percent.

One of the newer consolidated schools, Huntington's Spring Valley High, completed its first school year and graduated its first class in 1999. Principal John Hussell reports, "We had a great blending of three student bodies, even though their previous schools had been rivals. People predicted problems that just didn't take place. One of the positive



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comments we've heard a lot is 'I made friends I wouldn't have had otherwise.'

Because of outdated facilities and low enrollments that put schools under the minimum to receive state support, four faculties and three student bodies were consolidated into Spring Valley High School. Ceredo-Kenova and Buffalo High Schools, built in the late 1920s, Vinson High School, built in 1954, and the vocational/technical school that served these schools are now on one campus centrally located in Wayne County.

Much of the success of Spring Valley's first year was due to planning and preparation for the students and faculties to work together. For example, the Student Consolidation Council, made up of a cross section of juniors from the three schools was involved in planning for the upcoming year. There was also a Teen Institute, held at Cedar Lake, consisting of 80 sophomores and juniors as well as faculty from all three schools. Participants were assigned to small "family groups" designed to break down barriers between cliques. As a result there was a group of students from all the schools who had already bonded when the doors opened.

Jerry Lake, principal of Huntington High School, believes the broader mix of ethnic, racial and religious backgrounds at his school prepares students for the real world, while the wide range of faculty exposes them to different leadership styles.

The Huntington High School campus spreads across a hilltop south of town and is a consolidation of the old Huntington High and Huntington East, serving 1,900 students. Lake makes every effort to get out from behind his desk and into the halls, bus lines, classrooms, meetings and after-school activities. "In a classroom, if a teacher prepares well and cares about his students and their needs, he won't have problems. The more time I spend out with the students, the fewer problems I have."

Since Huntington High opened in 1996, the number of behavioral refer-

rals has dropped and there has been a stair-step progression in test scores. One reason for higher scores is the appointment of a testing coordinator and committee who provide activities to enhance skills.

Dr. James Harless, director of admissions at Marshall University, points out that many more West Virginia students are qualifying for academic scholarships based on ACT scores and grade point average. The number awarded annually has gone from 400 to 2,000 in just three years.

High schools are now structured and administered more like colleges. At ninth grade orientation at Cabell-Midland High School, located between Milton and Barboursville and a consolidation of those two high schools, Principal John Flowers addressed the incoming students. "Employers tell us many high school graduates still can't read well, write a sentence or figure simple percentages. When you graduate we want you to be employable or ready to go on to the next level of education, whatever that may be. You need strong reading, math and communication backgrounds to get good paying jobs."

Between 9th and 11th grades, students choose a "career cluster" and a major so that there will be a relationship between the classes they take in high school and the career they want to pursue. Do ninth graders really know what they want to be when they grow up? Most probably don't, but they'll be encouraged to think in those terms during their high school career, given career guidance and opportunities to test the waters in various fields and discover their interests and aptitudes.

Huntington High Associate Principal Robert Lake adds, "I hear students say, 'Why do I have to do this? I don't get paid for it!' You do. A high school graduate (over a non-high school graduate) has an increased earning power of \$500,000 in a lifetime. The skills you learn here pay big dividends. It's like money in the bank. I can't imagine anyone having that opportunity and turning it down."

High school students can now acquire more valuable, up-to-date skills for today's job market — not only academic and technical knowledge but practical experience. At Cabell-Midland, Flowers has pioneered the concept of “a school within a school” to help students have a sense of belonging while they accomplish the “school to work” goal. The idea is to bring a group of 150 students into a three-year curriculum based on their common career goals, and taught by core teachers that they will have from sophomore through senior years. One benefit that Flowers sees is that students will feel an ongoing connection to their school with a

“We realize that parents and students have the fear that they’ll get lost in the crowd. Everybody is somebody here. We’ll find a way for them to find an identity.”

**John Clendenen, principal
Capitol High School**

smaller group of fellow students and faculty who are interested and involved in their progress.

This issue of “belonging” in a large school is one of concern to administrators, teachers, parents and students. It was understood before these schools opened their doors that this challenge must be handled. The national average for a high school student body is 1,800. Capital High School has an enrollment of around 1,150 students. Principal Clendenen comments, “We realize that parents and students have the fear that they’ll get lost in the crowd and have no identity, so this has to be a priority. Everybody is somebody here. We’ll find a way for them to find an identity.” With so many courses, activities and

choices, he is convinced that every student has a greater opportunity than ever to find an area to excel.

Cabell-Midland principal Flowers says, “We knew the size of our school was a concern of parents and of the community. For one year I conducted personal research on how to address this issue.”

Three years ago Cabell-Midland High School introduced its CAPS advisor/advisee program to give students ongoing involvement with an adult mentor and a small group of fellow students. The acronym stands for Career planning, Academic assistance, Parent involvement and Student contact. Each mentor has only 15 to 20 students (compared to 350 students assigned to each school counselor) and they meet together bi-monthly throughout their high school career. The mentor is also a contact point for parents, someone who knows their child personally and can give input on academic and career goals.

The area's newest consolidation effort, Riverside High School, opened its doors this August in eastern Kanawha County and welcomed 1,400 students from DuPont High, East Bank High and ninth graders from three junior high schools. This is the first Kanawha County school to go full force with the state senate's “School to Work” bill.

Although all public schools are moving in this direction, Riverside is a pilot program to test the impact of the entire package. This year's juniors have already chosen a career cluster from Science and Natural Resources, Fine Arts, Engineering and Technology, Health, Business and Marketing, or Human Services.

They will do job shadowing and mentoring with over a dozen community business partners, such as Kanawha County Public Library, One Valley Bank, Charleston Area Medical Center, some of which have facilities on campus to both serve the community and give students an opportunity for practical career training.

“We call our school a Community Learning Center,” says principal Richard Clendenin, formerly of East Bank High School. “Our business partners will bring people working jobs as well as their patrons into the school. It will give the kids first-hand exposure to business and give the community access to the school.”

As in the other high schools, Riverside's curriculum will be interdisciplinary. For example, teachers of math, English and science can gear their subjects toward the fine arts and show how their subjects are applied in other disciplines. This is referred to as relevant teaching and learning, and answers the student's common question, “Why are we doing this?”

The technology and curriculum available to students continues to develop. At Riverside, each classroom is virtually a technology lab with Internet access. Laptop computers, wired and wireless, are available to students. They can take these into the field with their teacher to work on projects and connect with the Internet. All teachers will have cell phones as “Class Links,” for safety and for learning. Environmental science classes will take students into the field to work on projects. Through cooperative programs with local colleges, students can graduate with a full year of college credit.

Consolidation is one way to make greater resources and opportunities available to every high school student. The high schools mentioned here are removing limitations and opening doors to new areas of study, careers and further education. With common goals and objectives to educate students for the 21st Century's demands and job market, each county, each district and each school develops its own methods according to its needs and resources. With such a broad base of students, faculty and facilities, schools can actually structure a more personal education, with courses of study for every interest, ability and goal. □

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Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar American
 19 Mall Rd., Barboursville 304-733-4028
 1135 Third Ave., Huntington 304-525-4321
 60 Liberty Square, Hurricane 304-757-4310
 3 Dudley Farms Lane, S. Charleston 304-744-2199
 Specialties include Applebee's Bourbon Street Classic Steak. **NR, TO, KM** A/V/M/DS/No PC 11am-11pm Su-Th, 11am-1am F-Sa Casual \$
Around The Corner Continental
 1622 Carter Ave., Ashland 606-324-0740
 Continental menu with a southern twist, includes

seafood and steak. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M 11am-9pm M-Th, 11am-10pm F-Sa, 11am-5pm Su Casual \$\$
Benjy's Harley-Davidson Cafe American
 408 4th St., Huntington 304-523-1340
 50s style restaurant featuring barbeque, chili, sandwiches and milkshakes. **NR, TO, NA** A/V/M/DS/No PC 10am-6pm M-Th, 10am-9pm F, 10am-2:30pm Sa, Closed Sunday Casual \$

Bennigan's American
 1119 Town Center Mall, Charleston 304-343-4281
 Specialties include Irish cheese fries, fire roasted salsa shrimp and the monte cristo. **RA, TO, KM**

A/V/M/D/DS/No PC 11am-11pm M-Th, 11am-midnight F-Sa, noon-9pm Su Casual \$\$
Blossom Deli American

904 Quarrier St., Charleston 304-345-2233
 Deli sandwiches, dinner entrees and soda fountain in original art deco atmosphere. **NR, TO** V/M 8am-3pm M, 8am-9pm T-Th, 8am-10pm F, 10am-10pm Sa, Closed Su Casual \$\$

Bogey Inn American
 3702 Teays Valley Rd., Hurricane 304-757-7215
 Bogey Burgers, sandwiches, soups. **RA, TO** A/V/M/D 11am-closing M-Sa, 1pm-closing Su Casual \$

BW-3 Grill & Bar American
 746 4th Ave., Huntington 304-525-BWVWV
 bw-3 offers a full menu including buffalo wings with 12 bw-3 signature sauces, sandwiches and salads. Daily happy hour. **NR, TO, KM** 11am-2:30am Su-Sa Casual \$

C.R. Thomas' Old Place Restaurant American
 1612 Greenup Ave., Ashland 606-325-8500
 Specialties include cajun spiced food, steak and ribs. Legal beverages served. **NR, TO, KM** A/V/M/D 11am-11pm M-Th, 11am-midnight F-Sa, 11am-9pm Su Casual \$

Cagney's Old Place American
 400 Court St., Charleston 304-345-3463
 Home of the two-for-one prime rib and cajun chicken pasta. **RS, KM** A/V/M/D/DS/No PC 11:15am-10pm M-Th, 11:15am-11pm F-Sa, noon-9pm Su Casual \$

Cajun Kitchen On The River Seafood/Steaks
 40th St.&Ohio River Rd., Huntington 304-529-3663
 New Orleans specialties including gumbo and jambalaya. **NR, TO, KM** A/V/M/DS/No PC noon-11pm F-Sa, Call for weekday hours. Casual \$\$

Calamity Cafe Southwestern
 1555 3rd Ave., Huntington 304-525-4171

Full southwest menu available. **NR, TO, KM**
 A/V/M/DS/No PC 11am-10pm M-Th, 11am-11pm F-Sa, noon-10pm Su Casual \$

Calamity Jane's Steak House American
 Sycamore Creek Rd., Ripley 304-372-1800

1998 Beef Backer Award Winner. Menu features steaks, seafood, chicken and ribs. **RS, TO** V/M 11am-9pm T-Sa, 11am-5pm Su, Closed M Casual \$\$

Central City Cafe Homestyle
 529 14th St. W. Huntington 304-522-6142

A fine eatery in the heart of Huntington's Historic Central City District. Catering on premises. **NR, TO, KM, NA** A/V/M/DS 11am-7pm M-Sa, 11am-5pm Su Casual \$

Chesapeake Crab House Seafood
 600 Kanawha Blvd. E., Charleston 304-344-4092

Located on the 12th floor of the Holiday Inn Charleston House. Menu items include salmon, crab cakes, chicken and steak. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS 5-10pm M-Sa, Closed Su Casual \$\$

Chesterfield House Steak/Seafood
 3112 Chesterfield Ave., Charleston 304-345-5071

Serves wide variety of food including beef satay — beef marinated in spices. **RA, TO, KM**
 A/V/M/D/DS/No PC Lunch: 11am-2pm M-F, Dinner: 4:30-10pm M-Sa, Closed Sunday

Chi-Chi's Mexican Restaurant Mexican
 952 3rd Ave., Huntington 304-525-1076

Dinners for two, under \$20 — Mucho Platter & Fajitas Humongous. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS 11am-10pm Su-Th, 11am-11pm F-Sa Casual \$

Chili Willi's Mexican/Southwestern
 841 4th Ave., Huntington 304-529-4862

Full menu of mexican and southwestern dishes. 11am-10pm M-Th, 11am-11pm F-Sa, 3pm-10pm Su TO Casual \$

Cracker Barrel Old Country Store Homestyle
 3 Cracker Barrel Dr., Barboursville 304-733-3450

Casual country atmosphere and homestyle cooking. **NR, TO, KM, NA** A/V/M/DS 6am-10pm Su-Th, 6am-11pm F-Sa Casual \$

Diehl's Deli & Grill Homestyle
 4105 1st Ave., Nitro 304-755-1800

Homestyle cooking with a casual atmosphere. Homemade pies. **NR, TO, KM, NA** V/M/ Call for hours. Casual \$

Elephant Walk Restaurant Continental
 4th Ave. & 10th St., Huntington 304-523-9255

Located on 1st floor of The Frederick Building. Full menu including Certified Angus Beef, seafood, pasta and fine wines. **RA, TO** A/V/M/DS/No PC Call for hours. Semi-formal \$\$\$

Fiesta Bravo Tex-Mex
 2 Mall Road, Barboursville 304-733-0445

500 Winchester Ave., Ashland Town Center Ashland 606-329-2406 Diverse tex-mex menu including burritos, enchiladas and chimichangas. Legal beverages served. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M 11am-10pm M-Th, 11am-11pm F-Sa, noon-9pm Su Casual \$

Fifth Quarter Restaurant American
 201 Clendenin Quarrier, Charleston 304-345-2726

Located next to the Charleston Civic Center. Specialties include prime rib, seafood, chicken and an award-winning salad bar. **RA, TO, KM**

A/V/M/D/DS/No PC 11am-10pm M-Th, 11am-11pm F-Sa, 11am-9pm Su

THE MENU

This guide is not intended as a review of restaurants but as an objective listing. Unless otherwise indicated, all restaurants serve alcohol.

- RS—Reservations suggested.
- RR—Reservations required.
- RA—Reservations accepted.
- NA—No alcohol served.
- NR—No reservations.
- TO—Take out.
- KM—Kids' menu.
- A—American Express
- V—Visa
- M—MasterCard
- D—Diner's Club
- DS—Discover
- No PC—No personal checks.
- NC—No credit cards.

Price categories indicate average cost of dinner for one (appetizer, main course, dessert and coffee), excluding liquor and tip.

- \$ less than \$10
- \$\$ \$10-\$20
- \$\$\$ \$20-\$30
- \$\$\$\$ more than \$30

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Fins Cafe/Sharkey's Late Night **American**

410 10th St., Huntington 304-523-3200
Features salads and sandwiches in a great atmosphere. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/MC 11am-midnight M-Th, 11am-2am F, 5pm-2am Sa, Closed Su **Casual \$**

Glen Ferris Inn **American**

Route 60, Glen Ferris 304-632-1111 Menu items include seafood, steaks, salads, soups and sandwiches. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/DS 6:30am-9pm Su-Sa **Casual \$\$**

Happy Dragon **Chinese**

1238 4th Ave., Huntington 304-697-9061 Lunch and dinner buffets. Large Chinese menu available. **NR, TO, NA** V/M 11am-10pm M-Th, 11am-10:30pm F-Sa, 11:30am-10pm Su **Casual \$**

Harding's Family Restaurant **Homestyle**

2772 Pennsylvania Ave., Charleston 304-344-5044 Exit 1 off I-79 N Large country cooking menu selection, family atmosphere. **RA, TO, KM, NA** A/V/M/D/DS 6am-12pm M-Th, 6am-2am F-Sa, 7am-2am Su **Casual \$**

Heritage Station **American**

15 Heritage Village, Huntington 304-523-6373 11th St. & Veterans Memorial Blvd. Casual dining featuring pastas, steaks and sandwiches. Full service bar. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS 11am-9:30pm M-Th, 11am-10:30pm F-Sa, Closed Su **Casual \$**

Hibachi Japanese Steak House **Japanese/Sushi Bar/Chinese**

839 4th Ave., Huntington 304-697-0920 **RA, KM, TO** (Sushi & Chinese only) A/V/M/DS Call for hours. **Casual \$\$**

741 W Washington St., Charleston 304-342-7616 Japanese/Sushi Bar **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS Charleston: 5-10pm M-Th, 5-11pm F-Sa, 4-10pm Su **Casual \$\$**

Humphrey's **American**

1600 Bigley Ave., Charleston 304-342-8234 Specialties include steaks, home fried chicken and seafood. Breakfast, lunch and dinner served. **NR, TO** A/V/M Call for hours. **Casual \$**

International Cafe **International**

1317 4th Ave., Huntington 304-697-1100 Varied selection from middle eastern to american dishes. **NR, TO, AV/M/D/DS** Call for hours. **Casual \$**

Jim's Steak & Spaghetti House **American**

920 5th Ave., Huntington 304-697-5889 Featuring spaghetti, steak, seafood, sandwiches and pies. **NR, TO, KM, NA** NC 11am-9pm T-Sa, Closed Su-M **Casual \$**

Joe Fazio's **Italian/American**

1008 Bullitt St., Charleston 304-344-3071 Complete menu includes seafood, fresh veal dishes, baked cannelloni, pizza and steaks. **RA, TO** 5-10:30pm T-Su, Closed M **Casual \$\$**

Joey's **American**

4009 Teays Valley Rd., Hurricane 304-757-7555 241 Capitol St., Charleston 304-343-8004 115 Quarrier St., Charleston 304-343-4121 Over 150 menu items, specializing in barbeque ribs. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS Call for individual store hours. **Casual \$**

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Schlitzsky's Deli **Delicatessen**

844 4th Ave., Huntington 304-525-8000 301 Great Teays Blvd., Teays Valley 304-757-4002 New Orleans/Italian style deli. Take-out and delivery. **NR, TO, KM, NA** A/V/M/D 11am-9pm Su-Sa **Casual \$**

Steak And Ale Restaurant **Steaks**

320 MacCorkle Ave., Charleston 304-344-3455 Complete menu including steak, seafood and chicken. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS/No PC 11am-10pm M-Th, 11am-11pm F, 3-11pm Sa, noon-9pm Su **Semi-formal \$** Lunch/Early Bird Specials **\$\$** Dinner

Sunset Grille **American**

615 10th St., Huntington 304-522-2100 Home cooking featuring spaghetti, open-faced sandwiches and soups. **NR, TO, NA** A/V/M/DS Call for hours. **Casual \$**

Tarragon **French**

200 Lee St. E., Charleston 304-353-3636 Wide menu selection includes seafood, lamb and steaks. **RS, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS 5:30pm-11pm M-Sa, Closed Sunday **Semi-formal \$\$\$**

Tascali's **Italian/American**

US Route 60 E., Barboursville 304-736-0504 Featuring spaghetti, lasagna, manicotti, tortellini, bbq ribs, chicken, steaks and sandwiches. **TO** A/V/M Call for hours. **Casual \$**

The Athletic Club **American**

300 Court St., Charleston 304-347-8700 Inside Embassy Suites. Serve sandwiches, steaks, prime rib. 4 big screen TVs. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS 11am-2pm, 4pm-midnight M-F, 11am-midnight Sa, 11am-11pm Su. **Casual Lunch \$** Dinner **\$\$**

The Garden At Three Wishes **American/Continental**

1121 Fledderjohn Rd., Charleston 304-343-4438 Fresh seafood, salads, sandwiches, steaks served in an upscale atmosphere. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/DS Lunch: 11am-3pm M-Sa, Dinner: 5:30-9pm T-Sa, Closed Su **Casual \$** Lunch **\$\$\$** Dinner

The Glass Grille **American**

1001 3rd Ave., Huntington 304-691-5411 In the Radisson Hotel. Specializing in certified angus beef. Extensive wine list, full service bar. **RA** 5-11pm M-Sa, 5-10pm Su **Casual \$\$**

The Jury Box Cafe **Delicatessen**

715 5th Ave., Huntington 304-697-JURY Gourmet delicatessen featuring soups, salads and sandwiches. **NR, TO, NA** A/V/M/D 11am-2:30pm M-F, Closed Sa-Su **Casual \$**

The Smoke House **American**

1549 Washington St. W., Charleston 304-345-2966 Menu selection includes hamburgers, hot dogs, plate lunches, soup, beans and chili. **NR, TO NC** 7am-9pm M-Th, 7am-10pm F-Sa, 8am-5pm Su **Casual \$**

Tidewater Grill **Seafood**

1060 Town Center Mall, Charleston 304-345-2620 Large menu variety includes steak, pasta, salads and seafood. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS 11am-10pm M-Th, 11am-11pm F-Sa, 11:30am-9pm Su **Casual \$\$**

Wellington's Of Scarlet Oaks **Continental/French**

1 Dairy Rd., Poca 304-755-8219 Fine dining, tableside cooking, four private party rooms, open to the public, catering available. **RS, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS Lunch: 11am-2pm T-F, Dinner: 5pm-closing M-Sa, Closed Su **Casual \$\$**

Serves steaks, seafood, chicken, barbeque. **NR, TO, KM** A/V/M 11am-10pm M-Th & Su, 11am-11pm F-Sa **Casual \$\$**

Laury's Restaurant **Continental**

350 MacCorkle Ave. SE, Charleston 304-343-0055 Wide menu variety includes steak, seafood, rack-of-lamb. Tableside cooking, romantic atmosphere. **RA, TO** A/V/M/D/DS Lunch: 11am-2pm M-F, Dinner: 5-10pm M-F, 5-10pm Sa, Closed Su **Semi-formal Lunch \$\$, Dinner \$\$\$**

Leonoro's Spaghetti House **Italian**

1507 Washington St. E, Charleston 304-343-1851 Authentic Italian food featuring spaghetti, rigatoni, ravioli, lasagna and more. **NR, TO, KM** A/V/M 11am-9pm M-Sa, Closed Su **Casual \$**

Mings Restaurant **Chinese/Polynesian/American**

5600 US Rt. 60, Huntington 304-736-7702 Specialties include steak hong kong, fillet mignon, family-style dinners. Banquet facilities available. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M 4-10pm M-Th & Su, 4-11:30pm F-Sa **Casual \$\$**

Nawab Indian Cuisine **Indian**

600 4th Ave., Huntington 304-525-8500 Specialize in tandoori (clay oven) lamb, chicken and seafood. **RA, TO** A/V/MC/DS Lunch Buffet: 11:30am-2:30pm M-F, noon-3pm Sa-Su, Dinner: 5-10pm Su-Th, 5-11pm F-Sa **Casual \$** Lunch **\$\$** Dinner

Olive Garden Italian Restaurant **Italian**

12 Mall Rd., Barboursville 304-733-6481 1061 Charleston Town Center 304-344-4410 Come experience hospitaliano at the Olive Garden. Reservations accepted through the week. **TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS 11am-10pm Su-Th, 11am-11pm F-Sa **Casual \$** Lunch **\$\$** Dinner

Outback Steakhouse **Steaks/Seafood**

3417 E US Rt. 60, Barboursville 304-733-1355 1062 Charleston Town Ctr., Charleston 304-345-0440 Steaks, seafood and the popular "Bloomin' Onion." Happy Hour everyday 4-7pm **NR, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS 4-10:30pm M-Th, 4-11:30pm F, 3-11:30pm Sa, noon-9:30pm Su **Casual \$\$**

Rebels & Redcoats **American**

412 W. 7th Ave., Huntington 304-523-8829 Specialties include prime rib, crab cakes and chicken divan. **RS, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS Lunch: 11:30am-2:30pm M-Sa, Dinner: 5-10pm M-Th, 5-11pm F-Sa **Casual \$**

Red Lobster Restaurant **Seafood**

200 10th St., Huntington 304-529-4042 Specialties include fresh fish, steak, salads and cheddar biscuits. **NR, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/DS No PC 11am-10pm Su-Th, 11am-11pm F-Sa **Casual \$\$**

River's Edge **American**

49 Main St., St. Albans 304-722-2900 Wide menu selection including salads, soups, steaks and pasta. **RA, TO, KM** A/V/M/D/No PC 11am-9pm M-Th, 11am-10pm F, 3-10pm Sa, noon-7pm Su **Casual \$**

Rocco's Ristorante **Italian**

252 Main St., Ceredo 304-453-3000 Authentic Italian cuisine. **NR, TO** A/V/M Call for hours. Closed Mondays **Casual \$**

Savannah's Restaurant **American**

1208 6th Ave., Huntington 304-529-0919 Fine dining in an elegant victorian mansion. **RS, TO** A/V/M/D/DS 5:30-9:30pm T-Sa, Closed Su-M **Semi-Formal \$\$\$**

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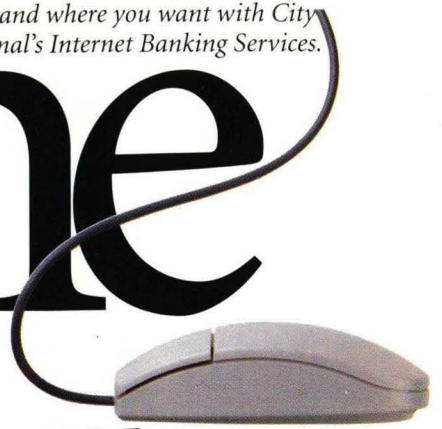
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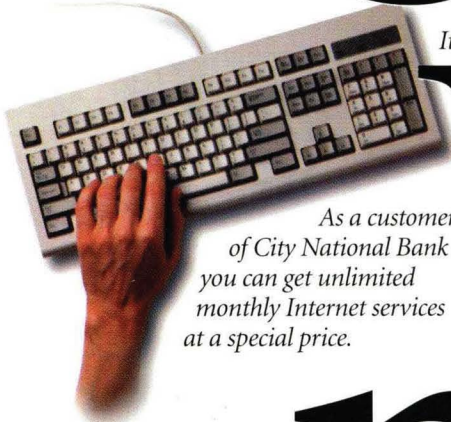


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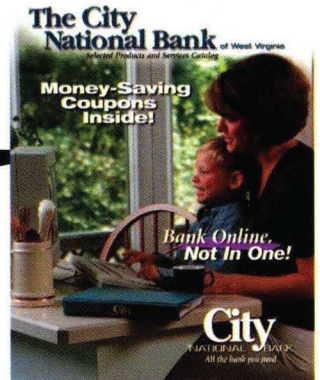
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