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Pancake breakfast to benefit Polio Plus

BY ASHLEY FOSTER
THE PARTHENON

The Barboursville Rotary Club is hosting a pancake breakfast 8 a.m. through 11 a.m. Saturday at HIMG on Route 60 directly off the 29th Street Exit. All proceeds from the breakfast will benefit the Polio Plus program. Tickets are five dollars each and can be purchased at the door.

Polio Plus is an international program created by Rotary International in 1985. The long term goal of the program is to eradicate the world of polio. According to Dr. Rob Murphy, director of Global Health at North Western University Feinburg School of Medicine, the world is now 99 percent polio free.

"Eradicating polio is completely doable," Dr. Murphy said. "As a matter of fact, right now we have the sources at hand to tackle the problem. We just need the funding to do so."

Rotaries all around the world contribute and fundraise for the program. In 2004, India reported 102 cases of polio. However, due to Rotary efforts since then, in 2011, India reported only one case of polio in the country. Countries that have the highest numbers of people affected by polio are Nigeria, Afghanistan, Pakistan and India.

Worldwide, there is a \$535 million dollar funding gap for 2012 in efforts to end polio. Rotaries everywhere this year will be hosting fundraisers and projects to contribute to filling this gap.

The annual pancake breakfast is just one of the fundraisers the Barboursville Rotary have to raise money for the program. The goal amount for this year is \$2,000.

Patty Dicky, President of the Barboursville Rotary said she expects a good turnout comparable to last year's.

"There will be pancakes, sausage, eggs and bacon," Dicky said. "Polio Plus is a great cause, and we encourage everyone to come out and have a good time."

During the pancake breakfast there will be raffles and silent auctions. Items available for auction have not yet been decided.

If the event has to be cancelled due to snow or other inclement weather conditions, the date will be changed to Feb. 18th.

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MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON

Broadway stars Danny Zolli, Carter Calvert and Ivan Rutherford perform "100 Years of Broadway" Sunday at the Keith-Albee. Director Neil Berg's touring concert features a collection of songs from Broadway's most celebrated shows.

'100 YEARS OF BROADWAY' PERFORMED AT KEITH-ALBEE

BY KEYAIRA MCCAULEY
THE PARTHENON

Huntington got a little piece of Broadway when the number one Broadway touring concert in the United States, Neil Berg's "100 Years of Broadway," performed at the Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center yesterday.

Ashley Monet, junior theatre major at Marshall University, said the stars from the show were "obnoxiously talented."

"Everybody on that stage has had long running careers on Broadway, and they did songs that are staples for what Broadway is and what it stands for," Monet said.

The show included stars from some of the biggest shows on Broadway such as Carter Calvert who is best known for her roles in "It Ain't Nothing But The Blues" and "Cats," Danny Zolli who is best known for his roles as Jesus and Judas in "Jesus Christ Superstar," Ivan Rutherford who is best known for his role as Jean Valjean in "Les Miserables," Sandra Joseph who has starred as Christine Daae in "The Phantom of the Opera" and Chuck Wagner who played Athos in "The Three Musketeers" on Broadway.

Neil Berg, creator and co-producer of Neil Berg's "100 Years of Broadway," said he hopes they get a chance to come back and perform in Huntington again.

"I loved every little tiny second of it," Berg said. "The audience

was incredible, the theater (Keith-Albee Performing Arts Center) is old and majestic and beautiful and the vibe was incredible."

The performances included a number of songs from a variety of Broadway shows. There were songs from "West Side Story," "Funny Girl," "Chicago," "The Phantom of the Opera" and "Rent."

Monet said the show was great and a treat for Huntington to have such well-known stars here.

"To see real professionals on the stage, you don't get that a lot and it's hard to get to New York City, so to have them here is just really a really great experience," Monet said. "With the theatre becoming so commercial with things like Disney, it's really nice to have people come here and do what it stands for and what made it great."

Ivan Rutherford was born in Huntington, and Neil Berg said he hopes they can come and perform every year.

"I just hope we get a chance to come back. We feel very blessed to get a chance to come here and perform for everyone," Berg said. "I think I enjoyed it even more than the audience did and they stood for like 10 minutes."

The show ended with the song Season of Love from the Broadway musical "Rent," and received a standing ovation.

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Flu vaccine available on campus Tuesday

THE PARTHENON

While many received the flu vaccination last semester, those who did not still have the opportunity to do so on Marshall's campus.

Marshall University's Student Health Education Program is collaborating with the Cabell-Huntington Health Department and hosting a flu vaccination clinic from 11 a.m. through 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Stan Mills, Cabell-Huntington Health Department's program manager, said washing hands is the number one, and most ignored, technique to stop the spread of germs such as those that cause the flu.

After administering nearly 1,000 doses of the vaccine in October, the health department will be offering the shots for free to any students, faculty and staff.

Amy Saunders, coordinator of Marshall's Student Health Education Program, said many students usually participate in the clinic. "We want individuals to know that it isn't too late to get the vaccine for this flu season," Saunders said.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website, the single best way to protect against the flu is to get vaccinated each year.

The flu vaccine clinic will be a quick and convenient opportunity for those who have not yet received the flu vaccine to do so.

Marshall Community Fellowship offers student outreach

BY SHAUN FRENCH
THE PARTHENON

Marshall Community Fellowship offers an outreach to college students who want a family atmosphere close to campus.

"Adopt a College Student" is an outreach where families who are members of MCF volunteer to mentor and take part in a college student's life," said Glen LaRue pastor of MCF.

Steve Willis, pastor of First Baptist Church of Kenova and founder of MCF started the program in fall of 2010.

"We began the program to give visiting college students a home-away-from-home,

but it's not just to benefit college students," Willis said. "The students can enrich the lives of the people of the Huntington area. We all bring a certain richness to the world around us."

Families and their "adopted" students meet weekly at 10 a.m. Sundays in the Campus Christian Center during "Family Hour" LaRue said. In addition, students can serve the families by helping with a house project or babysitting, and families in turn can provide mentoring, an example displayed in Christian home, and invite them to dinner or take them on an outing.

"We believe that when you're away from your

family, you're here on the college campus, and you're so involved with other college students," LaRue said. "It's really easy to just be around people your age all week long. There's a hunger inside many college students for family."

LaRue said some students come from well-developed families and need a family away from home to maintain that while in college. However, other students come from broken families and need to experience a well-developed family.

The outreach is for students who currently attend MCF and who are looking for a church to regularly attend, LaRue said.



We all bring a certain richness to the world around us."

> STEVE WILLIS

LaRue said students are in the process of being assigned families, but students wanting to participate can attend the Family Hour at 10 a.m. Sunday and then be assigned a family if interested.

Matt and Tiffany Lockhart from Huntington have volunteered since the outreach started.

"My wife and I are Marshall graduates, and we know what it's like to be a college

student," Matt Lockhart said. "It's important they get a sense that somebody cares about them and to show these kids that on campus and at MCF that there are people in the community that care about them."

The Lockharts have adopted sophomore marketing and management major Heather Moore from

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Local author, actress to bring play to Marshall

THE PARTHENON

A local actress is bringing her dramatic search for her father to the stage of the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center.

“SNAPSHOT” is a play written and performed by acclaimed local author and actress, Carmen Mitzi Sinnott. The play focuses on Sinnott’s search for her father, a former resident of Huntington, after he returns from the Vietnam War injured, suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder and schizophrenia.

“After having performed SNAPSHOT on three continents, I’ve learned that my family’s story about interracial love, war and mental illness has lasting transformative power,” Sinnott said in a press release.

The play has toured nationally and internationally, but this will be the first time it has been performed in Huntington.

Sinnott plays 15 characters in the play and uses a combination of music and family photos to help illustrate her search.

“SNAPSHOT” has received acclaim internationally, including a special selection at the International Women’s Theater Festival in Finland, the Cape Town Festival in South Africa, a best actress nomination at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in the United Kingdom and the Kentucky Foundation for Women’s Art meets Activism Grant.

The performance takes place at 7 p.m. Feb. 9 at the Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center and is free to the public.

Study shows 20 percent of Americans have a mental illness

BY AUTUMN ROBINSON
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VIA UWIRE

Mental illness is becoming more common, especially among young adults, according to a recent government study.

Approximately 20 percent of American adults experience some sort of mental illness, and 5 percent suffer from a severe case, according to the 2010 National Survey on Drug Use and Health. The study—which surveyed approximately 70,000 individuals—found that people who are young, female, unemployed or part of a lower socioeconomic bracket are the most susceptible to experiencing mental illness.

“Psychiatric disorders are far more common than we thought in the past,” said Dr. Marvin Swartz,

30 percent of young adults ages 18 to 25 suffer from mental illness, with symptoms ranging from mild to severe.

> U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

division head of social and community psychiatry at Duke Medicine. “College [and college-age] students do have higher rates of mental disorder in general.”

Nearly 30 percent of young adults ages 18 to 25 suffer from mental illness, but their symptoms range from mild to severe. People who suffer from a disorder are more likely to abuse drugs and alcohol and are more susceptible to post-traumatic stress and anxiety disorders, according to the study, which was conducted by the U.S.

Department of Health and Human Services.

The most troubling part of the study is that less than half of affected individuals seek treatment for their condition, said David Rabiner, Duke U. director of undergraduate studies and associate research professor of psychology and neuroscience. Rabiner added that a serious mental disorder constitutes any set of problems that significantly impairs a person’s ability to function socially, whether it is depression, anxiety or any other problem.

As such, defining what constitutes as an illness is debatable, said Allen Frances, a retired Duke professor of psychiatry.

“There isn’t a clear, bright-line definition of ‘serious mental illness,’” said Frances, who was quoted in a Washington Post article about the study. “There’s no biological test that tells us who does and who does not have a mental disorder. The milder the condition, the more it borders on normality, and it’s a popular border.”

Both Rabiner and Allen noted that the 5 percent of Americans who suffer from a severe case of mental illness may not capture the full extent of the issue. A larger number of people have disorders that are psychiatric in nature but are not included in the 5 percent estimate.

Twin Towers to host ‘Dating Game’ today

THE PARTHENON

Less than four weeks into the Spring 2012 semester, the residence life staff is already planning to play “The Dating Game.”

The First-Year Residence Hall staff will join forces with resident advisers at 9 p.m. Monday in the Twin Tours East Glass Lounge, in what Jeremy Smith, resident director of the First-Year Residence Halls, said he deems as an awesome evening.

The event is largely based from the primetime show, which once aired on ABC.

“The program will run pretty much the same way as the television show, with a male contestant interviewing three anonymous females and a female contestant interviewing three anonymous males,” Smith said. “Contestants will then choose a date based solely from the answers that the contestants provide from a series of questions.”

Not only is there a possibility to find a prospective

date in time for Valentine’s Day, there will be opportunities to win prizes as well.

“Everyone that shows up will be put into a raffle to play,” Smith said. “We draw a guy’s name and then the names of three girls. The same set up will take place so that a female contestant has the opportunity to choose from three male contestants.”

After a contestant has chosen their date, the participants may choose from movie tickets or restaurant gift cards as a prize.

Keelon Hinton, associate professor of psychology, will host the evening’s event. Hinton’s insight into relationships and humorous anecdotes lend to his popularity throughout the student body.

“Hinton is really funny and borderline inappropriate, so he makes a great host,” Smith said. “Hinton will conclude with a short lecture on healthy relationships and how to make those relationships last.”

Obama calls for financial aid reform

BY BETHANY BIRON AND
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VIA UWIRE

Speaking before a bleary-eyed capacity crowd of 4,000 who waited in the wee hours of the morning to secure a prime spot at U. Michigan, President Barack Obama stressed the importance of higher education by announcing a handful of new proposals to combat student debt.

During his address at Al Glick Field House, the Michigan football team’s indoor practice facility, Obama unveiled a plan that would allocate \$10 billion in federal aid each year to colleges and universities that limit tuition increases.

“We are putting colleges on notice — you can’t keep — you can’t assume that you’ll just jack up tuition every single year,” Obama said. “If you can’t stop tuition from going up, then the funding you get from taxpayers each year will go down.”

Obama also proposed a \$1 billion Race to the Top program that would award funding to states that make an effort to continue to fund higher education and limit

“We want you to know how well a car stacks up before you buy it. You should know how well a college stacks up.”

> PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA

tuition hikes.

“We’re telling the states, if you can find new ways to bring down the cost of college and make it easier for more students to graduate, we’ll help you do it,” Obama said. “We will give you additional federal support if you are doing a good job of making sure that all of you aren’t loaded up with debt when you graduate from college.”

In an interview with The Michigan Daily, Secretary of Education Arne Duncan said the administration is working to make more resources available to students. The president’s student aid reforms would mostly increase the amount of need-based Perkins Loans available to low-income students.

“We can’t do it by ourselves,” Duncan said. “So we’re going to try to put out a \$1 billion tax incentive to states and to colleges to do

the right thing. We’re challenging states to continue to invest even in tough times and we’re challenging universities to do two things — keep tuition rates down and increase graduation rates.”

Obama put pressure on Congress to make the American Opportunity Tax Credit — which provides college students with up to \$10,000 over four years — permanent, and to double the number of federal work study jobs available to students.

The administration will also boost its efforts to make financial aid information more accessible for families by creating several online tools that provide comprehensive information about what types of aid institutions offer.

“From now on, parents and students deserve to know how a college is doing — how affordable is it, how

well are its students doing,” Obama said. “We want you to know how well a car stacks up before you buy it. You should know how well a college stacks up.”

Speaking under an array of Big Ten championship banners and atop a platform placed upon a block ‘M’ on the indoor field, Obama also congratulated the football team on its Sugar Bowl win, calling the team “a force to be reckoned with” under junior quarterback Denard Robinson, who was sitting among congressmen and state officials during the speech.

In an interview with The Michigan Daily before the speech, Robinson said he was impressed with the amount of student support.

“It’s great to see President Obama, I couldn’t miss it,” Robinson said. “A lot of people came out and came to support him.”

After the speech, University President Mary Sue Coleman lauded Obama’s attention to the need for the federal government to collaborate with universities around the nation in an effort to develop efficient policies that minimize

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Washington state could have unaccustomed prominence with GOP caucuses

BY JIM BRUNNER
THE SEATTLE TIMES
(MCT)

SEATTLE—With the Republican party’s seesaw presidential contest showing few signs of ending soon, Washington state’s upcoming caucuses may be shaping up as a coveted prize.

At least three of the four remaining Republican contenders have begun to organize here in advance of the March 3 caucuses.

Former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and Rep. Ron Paul of Texas have laid the most groundwork.

But former House Speaker Newt Gingrich

has recruited an influential evangelical leader who could help him turn out social conservatives.

Washington’s appeal stems from the state’s caucuses falling just days before Super Tuesday, March 6, when 10 states hold nominating contests.

“Given the nature of the race so far, I think we’re going to be more important than we have been in years, if not decades,” said State Republican Chairman Kirby Wilbur.

In many previous presidential contests, the party nominations have been all but wrapped up by the time Washington voted.

That wasn’t the case for

the Democrats four years ago, when Barack Obama and Hillary Rodham Clinton were still battling for the nomination when the state’s caucuses rolled round. On the GOP side, Sen. John McCain was the overwhelming front-runner by the time of the February 2008 caucuses and primary election.

Washington has held both caucuses and a presidential primary in the past, but the state Legislature canceled the primary this year to save money.

Washington will send 43 delegates to the Republican National Convention, the most from any state with caucuses

or primaries between Florida’s hotly contested primary this Tuesday and Super Tuesday.

Those delegates won’t be bound at the caucuses, that won’t occur until the state GOP convention in June, but the caucus straw-poll results will draw national attention.

Most of the remaining GOP presidential candidates are already organizing here.

Romney has big-money ties to the local business establishment. He visited the state twice last year for private fundraisers and has raised \$346,000 from Washington donors.

Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers, R-Wash,

is headlining Romney’s state campaign. She said Romney’s executive experience gives him the edge when it comes to reviving the economy.

“I also think he’s the most electable of the Republican candidates,” she said, echoing fears of many GOP leaders about whether Gingrich or others would be able to defeat Obama.

McMorris Rodgers said the state campaign is expecting visits from Romney and members of his family in the coming weeks.

The campaign, which is being informally run by her brother, Jeff McMorris, is organizing in “every

corner of the state” to turn out the caucus vote, McMorris Rodgers said.

It is Paul, however, who may have the deepest grass-roots organization. Paul, who has not won in any state, has said he’s focusing his campaign on caucus states such as Washington.

Caucuses require participants to meet in person to elect delegates and pick a presidential favorite in a straw poll. The events can take much of a day and tend to draw far lower turnouts than primaries.

Paul’s supporters have been organizing for months. He is the only candidate with a campaign office here, in Bellevue.

SPORTS

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Memphis downs Herd, Marshall loses fourth straight



Memphis guard Will Barton scores 29 points, leads Tigers to 83-76 victory over the Thundering Herd

THE PARTHENON

Senior guard Shaquille Johnson scored a season-high 21 points for the Marshall men's basketball team Saturday on the road against the University of Memphis, but the Thundering Herd came up short, dropping its fourth straight game.

The Herd held a one-point lead at halftime after shooting 50 percent from the field. However, Memphis turned up the defense in the second half, while posting a 65 percent second half shooting percentage to grab the 83-76 victory.

For the Thundering Herd, the loss marks the fourth straight, including three Conference USA losses to

drop the squad down to fifth place in the C-USA standings.

The Herd put together a strong first half, including hitting four baskets from behind the arc. Marshall led by as many as five in the first half but was unable to break away.

Fouls, fouls and more fouls told the story of the second half. Marshall committed 19 personal fouls in the second half alone, while Memphis committed 13. A total of 57 fouls, including four technicals, were called in the game, sending the Tigers to the line 32 times and the Herd to the charity stripe 31 times.

Marshall led the contest by four as late as eight minutes into the second half,

but Memphis methodically bridged the gap, taking the lead for good with 7:30 left to play.

Johnson's 21 points led the charge for the Herd, while senior guard Damier Pitts added 19. Rebounds were spread across the team, as 10 players recorded at least one board. Marshall was outrebounded for just the second time this year.

For the Tigers, guard Will Barton put together a career night, putting up a career-high 29 points to go with eight rebounds.

The Herd now returns back to the Cam Henderson Center to attempt to get back to winning ways Wednesday against Tulane. Tipoff for the home contest is slated for 7 p.m.

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Marshall guard DeAndre Kane takes a seat during a timeout in the Thundering Herd's Jan. 18 loss to West Virginia. The loss began a four-game losing streak for the Herd, culminating in Saturday's 83-76 loss to the University of Memphis. Kane scored 15 points and grabbed five rebounds, but it was not enough as the Tigers outscored the Herd by eight points in the second half to take the seven-point victory.

C-USA

Around the league...

USM- 78
UCF- 65

The Golden Eagles controlled the second half, as Southern Miss moved to 6-1 in C-USA play.

UTEP- 76
HOUSTON- 81

The Cougars came back from a 13-point halftime deficit to take down the Miners in overtime.

TULSA- 66
SMU- 60

The Golden Hurricane held on in a tight contest throughout to win their sixth straight game.

ECU- 73
UAB- 66

The Pirates snapped a six-game losing streak to gain their first victory in C-USA this season.

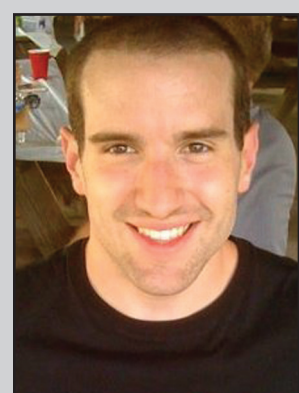
TULANE- 74
RICE- 88

Ibrahim scored 23 points for the Owls to give the team its third win in C-USA and twelfth overall.

COLUMN

Trouble in Herd Heaven

Fourth straight loss proves problematic for Marshall's NCAA tournament chances



DALTON HAMMONDS
THE PARTHENON

Four, cuatro, vier.

Regardless of what language you speak, that is the number of games that the Marshall men's basketball team has lost in a row.

Granted, three of the four losses have come to teams with a combined record of 49-16, and only one of the games during the losing streak has been at home. But for a team that had so much expectation, a four-game losing streak toes the line of being a season killer.

Let's face it—the life of a mid-major college basketball team is very fickle. With no guarantee of being able to slip up and still make a run at the NCAA Tournament, every game is important and there are some that carry a little more weight than others. West Virginia, Southern Mississippi and Memphis would qualify as the latter. Marshall has lost all three games within the last two weeks.

The problem I have is that you cannot pin the losing streak on one exact thing. The Capital Classic was all about the shots, not falling for Marshall and West Virginia Mountaineers making shots like they were on fire during a game of NBA Jam.

The Southern Mississippi game was a foul fest that saw the Thundering Herd get outscored by 12 in the first half, a deficit you can not afford against

a team like the Golden Eagles—especially when you are not in the Cam Henderson Center.

I'll choose to skip the UAB game because I would exert more effort in typing a sentence about it than the team did in the actual game.

Against Memphis, the shots started to fall again. However, Will Barton decided to arguably have the best game of his young career, and the trademark defense of the Thundering Herd was hanging out on Beale Street.

So where do we go from here?

Win a game for starters. The next step is to attempt to get back into a position to receive a bye in the Conference USA Tournament. Marshall has to win Conference USA's automatic bid to get a chance to dance, it's that simple.

I think this team has the potential to do just

that. I also think that this season could go south very quickly. Let's hope I'm wrong on the second thought.

The next game for the Thundering Herd against Tulane on Wednesday is the purest definition of a must-win game. Tulane will enter the contest with a losing record in conference play (but hey, so did UAB). A letdown against the Green Wave would expand the losing streak to five, and with upcoming back-to-back road games at Tulsa and UCF respectively, five could grow to seven very quickly.

I'm not ready to bury the 2011-2012 edition of the Marshall men's basketball team just yet, but I have the shovel in my hand. Let's hope Wednesday night doesn't turn into a funeral.

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Marshall softball team hosts banquet

BY KAYLA MARCUM
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It was a night of "significance" Saturday for Marshall University's softball team as the team honored a legacy and left one of its own.

The team hosted an inaugural Softball Diamond Club Banquet: An ambitious leap from the customary spaghetti dinner.

The team sold individual tickets and table sponsorships in order to raise money for the program.

Head Coach Shonda Stanton said the night was a

success, and she looks forward to doing it again.

"I've had a lot of help from some great assistants," Stanton said. "We've put in a lot of time. But I can tell you, so far, so good!"

The night was organized in order to support the softball team, not only financially, but emotionally and mentally.

Keynote speaker and softball Olympic medalist, Vicky Galindo, said the main idea she wanted to convey was that, as female athletes, support is a very important aspect of the game.

"I realized a lifelong dream

by the age of 25," Galindo said. "The road I chose was definitely winding, and I would never have been able to reach my goal without the support of those around me."

Stanton said the night undisputedly belonged to the greatest supporter of Marshall women's athletics, Dr. Dot Hicks.

"A success can last a lifetime," Stanton said. "But significance can span several lifetimes, and Dot has lived a life of significance."

A collaboration of Hicks' friends and colleagues presented her with a video

tribute explaining how she had changed their lives and the athletic administration at Marshall. After the tribute, Stanton said the team would award a new helmet decal, in Hicks' honor, to the most significant player of every game.

Hicks, namesake of the softball field, counted the tribute as her highest honor.

"This was very much a surprise," Hicks said. "Some of the other honors I knew I was going to get, but this was wonderful and was probably the highlight of my career."

Team captain, Samantha

Spurlock, said she was very thankful for all of Dot's contributions to the team.

"If it weren't for her, we wouldn't have a field and God knows where we'd be playing," Spurlock said. "I'm very happy that we got to thank her for that."

Galindo said Hicks also inspired her.

"I want to be just like that... when I grow up," Galindo said.

The seniors of the team said they have each been touched by Dot's legacy and hope to leave one of their own for younger and

incoming members of the softball team.

Senior infielder Rebecca Gamby said she came into the program and was immediately driven by the seniors and coaching staff to do well in the classroom and on the field.

"We grew up in this system," Gamby said. "It's definitely a tradition that we want to pass on."

The night was meant to honor one woman, but inspired many.

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

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COLUMN

I'll write this headline tomorrow

BY ERIN MILLER
THE PARTHENON

My personal war with procrastination manifests itself far too often.

My printer is too slow. It's a statement I've shouted at my cheap little Lexmark about a hundred times. I've cursed and hit buttons, and it still can't print as quickly as I need it to.

However, in reality, my printer prints at the exact same speed as just about every other printer on the face of the earth. My real problem is that I am perpetually printing my homework about five minutes before class starts. The poor printer simply can't perform under those kinds of stressful circumstances. I mean, really, it was a Wal-Mart special.

I do take responsibility for my own procrastination, though. In the present (right-now time), it seems I am always doing something of the utmost importance, like watching *Psych* on TV, or playing *Skyrim*. I mean really, how does a geography assignment stack against *Skyrim*? That's right, not good.

However, my affliction is hardly rare among students. College campuses worldwide serve as a breeding

ground for put-it-offers, which is ironic because, in my experience, professors usually do not tolerate or accept late work.

So what is it then that makes us procrastinate? Is it another issue we can blame on society? We are an instant-gratification nation. The average American attention span is shorter now than ever before, averaging somewhere measurable to the average time between commercial breaks on your favorite sitcom. Even more, which came first? Did television producers nationwide sit down in a dimly lit room and decide we will only pay attention for about 12 minutes before they could run an ad, or were we raised on a diet of interesting 12-minute intervals on PBS and that time simply became ingrained in our minds?

Either way, it is an affliction that has caused many late nights and early mornings in my life, but I feel it is curable with some hard work and a little dedication. Thus, I completely intend to quit being a procrastinator and improve myself... tomorrow. Or wait... how far away is next New Years?

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Change in reading is inevitable with technological advancements

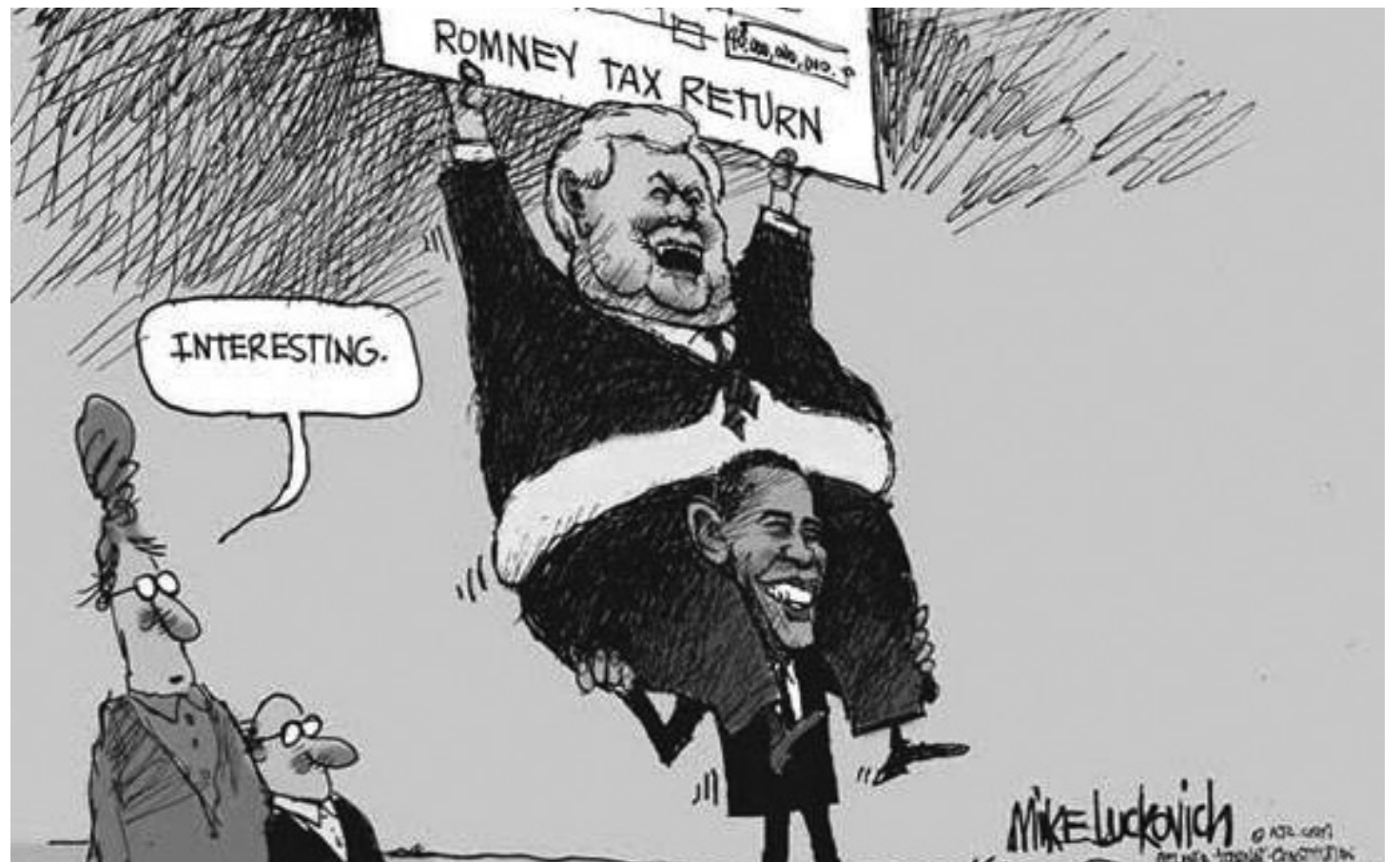
This is a decisive moment in the industry of book publishing. As the previous titans of the book publishing industry declare bankruptcy and cease to exist, one can see many things will, and are, changing the way we read books. Technological advancements, no matter what field they fall in, change the way we live, entertain ourselves and work. The book world is no different and has now become a vulnerable target. Just as the CD had to face the MP3, the book must now face the Kindle, the Nook and the iPad. A good percent of this change is being accepted and revealed in throughout many of the fields that use books as their main point of reference, namely schools.

Since Gutenberg in the 1400s, people have looked at text on tangible pages. Now, that concept is slowly finding its way to be obsolete, in some settings. Since eBooks are such a new product — new in the sense of three to four years — much at this point is unpredictable about the total effect this shift will have on readers. Over this most recent Christmas, the percent of Americans that own an electronic reading device jumped from 19 percent to 29 percent, according to a survey conducted by

the Pew Research Center. This number is a striking one. Amazon reported to The New York Times that over the holidays, the number of Kindle units sold increased 177 percent from the previous year. These numbers do not imply, however, that every person who received an electronic reading device will fall in love with it and donate all their books to the local library. What it does show is a new direction that many Americans are seeing as viable.

As with many other products, including cell phones and TVs, people tend to want the newest model of the product. Books are no different, but one thing to consider, especially within the role electronic readers might play in education, is the potential effects these changes to books will have on users. Because this is a new area for research, there is not much on the subject of whether people read the same, or differently with electronic books as they do with traditional books. If these devices are going to be purchased by Americans and used in place of the traditional book, eventually, there should be research conducted. Is this a positive advancement for reading, or is it simply the newest edition of an older product that is superior?

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Current jobless generation isn't lost, just waiting to be found

BY MEGAN GRAHAM
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Never before in my life has my Gmail inbox been such a source of misery and dread.

After months of applying to various newspapers, websites and magazines, the decision emails have begun to trickle in. I've gotten the "If you're receiving this email, I'm sorry to say that you will not be with us next summer," the "We regret we will not be able to offer you a position," the "Unfortunately, you were not selected," or the very worst of them: The flat out "Application Rejected."

In the past two months, I've written 27 cover letters and countless essays. I've dug out and organized writing clips and secured a trusty team of references. I've effectively become a job-searching machine. I press on, armed with a meticulously followed calendar of every due date for the internship and fellowship programs for more-or-less every political magazine and newspaper in the country.

And I've got to admit, I'm really starting to get discouraged.

For the first time ever, there's a disconnect among people our

age. Half of us know precisely where we'll be a year from now; whether that's slaving away at law school or working long hours at a first real job. The other half, the half I belong in, are desperately trying to figure it out before those caps get flown high in the air, officially demoting us from "students looking for a job" to just plain "unemployed."

It's a known fact that many of our generation are riding out the recession with a year or two (or six) in graduate school. For those of us who decided to forge ahead in the dismal economy, the prospects for most are wince-worthy. I'm starting to realize that the reality I've so methodically mapped out for myself just may not happen — at least not yet.

A New York Times article described this phenomenon in August: "Meet the members of what might be called Generation Limbo: Highly educated 20-somethings, whose careers are stuck in neutral, coping with dead-end jobs and listless prospects."

The article painted depressing portraits of bright, ambitious Ivy League graduates waiting tables and working at art-supply stores. And it's true — college graduates these days

do not have it easy. Take, for instance, my close friend Alyssa. She graduated a semester early with a global studies degree and French minor even though she studied for a semester in Paris. But she gave up her plans to move abroad to work like many other graduates of her discipline. Now she's taking classes at Parkland College to prepare for applying to an accelerated Nursing program — a career she believes will more readily provide employment.

"I don't just want to live on my hopes," she said.

And it appears others have fared the same. The article said approximately 14 percent of those who graduated from college between 2006 and 2010 are looking for full-time jobs, either because they are unemployed or have only part-time jobs, citing a survey last year by the Heldrich Center at Rutgers.

As I kiss each fat envelope goodbye at the post office, I'm admittedly a little less wide-eyed and hopeful than I was just two short months ago. But that doesn't mean I'm giving in to the idea that I'm doomed for an imperfect future just because I was born at an inopportune time. It just means that I may need to keep

an open mind.

A 2010 graduate from this school, Lindsay, helped put this in perspective. She was intending on pursuing a career in broadcast journalism. When she interned at NBC5 Chicago, she loved it, but she didn't love the sacrifices she'd have to make to have a successful career in the field. So she changed her mind. She quickly found a great job in sales after graduation and never looked back.

I asked her if she felt she had to swap her dream job for a better quality of life.

"A 'dream job' was once thought of as the career you envisioned yourself having as a child, or a job that never feels like work because of the total enjoyment it brings to you," she said.

From where I stand right now, it crushes my soul to think about doing anything other than writing. Even with a great resume and an obsessive job-seeking nature, it just may not happen for me yet. But I'll get there — or somewhere equally fulfilling — eventually. We may be known as this sort of "lost generation," but I think it's only true in the sense that someday we'll be found. We may just need to take a few detours.

Science writer talks tattoos

BY ETHAN G. LOEWI
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Carl Zimmer, popular science writer and a lecturer at Yale, gave a presentation at the Museum of Natural History Tuesday night on his new book "Science Ink: Tattoos of the Science Obsessed."

The talk focused on the colorful subculture of science-themed body art and how researchers in every field, from archaeology to biochemistry, use tattoos to capture what they love about their discipline.

"In a weird, unexpected way, tattoos are a good way of illustrating the deep passion that scientists have for their subject," Zimmer said.

The talk used slides to showcase an eclectic mix of tattoos, ranging from the highly technical to the fantastical.

Zimmer began by showing off a seemingly simple tattoo of a DNA helix belonging to Harvard Medical School neurobiologist Sandeep "Robert" Datta before revealing that its nucleotide structure

spelled out Datta's wife's initials.

"Some people think of tattoos as a thing that you get when you're young, drunk, or both," Zimmer said. "But these scientists have put a lot of knowledge and personal connections into theirs."

Next on display was a woman covered from shoulder to shoulder in gigantic insects: Moths, beetles and ants, in tribute to her field of entomology.

Chemistry tattoos were also represented, most notably by a woman with the structure of serotonin — the "pleasure" molecule believed to cause happiness—on her lower thigh.

"It's weird at first when your in box starts getting filled with pictures of partially disrobed scientists," Zimmer said, earning laughter from the audience of approximately 200.

The talk also delved into the history behind modern science tattoos. Zimmer explained how Sir Joseph Banks, an English botanist, learned of tattoos from the people of New Zealand and Tahiti during a voyage in the late 18th century. Zimmer drew

parallels between Maori tribesmen with full-face tattoos and scientists who fill their entire back with complex algebraic equations, as well as discussing the powers that tattoos were thought to hold in the past.

"Sailors believed that if they had a tattoo of an anchor on their arm, it would save them from drowning," Zimmer said.

Even Ötzi the Iceman, the famous 5,400-year-old mummy found preserved in the Austrian Alps, was found to have some crude tattoos on his body.

By way of more modern implications, Zimmer talked about how people use tattoos as a means of expressing their belief in science in the face of oppression. For example, Busra D. Ozpolat, a modern-day Turkish biologist, bears a tattoo of Charles Darwin's famous finches, whose differentiated beaks helped inspire him to develop his theory of evolution. This holds "a lot of profound meaning," Zimmer said, as Turkey's creationist leanings have made it difficult for scientists to teach evolution



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Carl Zimmer, science writer and lecturer at Yale University, delivers a lecture on the science of tattoos. The talk focused on how researchers from every field use tattoos to capture what they love about their discipline.

there. According to the Washington Post, fewer than 25 percent of Turks believe in evolution, the lowest percentage in any

developed nation.

Aimee Gillespie, a graduate student at MIT studying geochemistry, said she "never knew how many of my fellow

scientists [had] tattoos," adding that if she were to get a tattoo, it would be of the Keeling Curve—a measure of carbon dioxide in Earth's atmosphere.

Study: One in three people will be arrested before age 23

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A simple phone call to parents is no longer a common punishment for young troublemakers when police catch them in the act, experts said.

Nearly one in three people will be arrested by the age of 23, according to a study published in the January 2012 edition of Pediatrics, a peer-reviewed national journal. When the study was published in 1967, researchers found 22 percent of young adults would be arrested by age 23. In the latest study, researchers concluded 30.2 percent of people will be arrested by age 23, said principal author of the study Robert Brame.

But Penn State U. professor of sociology and crime, law and justice John Kramer said the increase in arrests isn't due to an increase in crime. In fact, the crime rate has substantially decreased in the last 15 years, Kramer said.

Rather, Kramer attributes the increase of youth arrests to a more formal legal system in the United States.

"Fifty percent of the time, we expected delinquent activity to just be reported to our parents," Kramer said, referring to his generation's interaction with police several decades ago.

Over the past 40 years, laws have also expanded, Kramer said, which contributes to the increased number of arrests. For example, motor vehicle laws and underage drinking laws are stricter now than ever

before, Kramer said.

Brame, also a professor at U. North Carolina-Charlotte, echoed Kramer's reasoning. He added that many more

Because of the changing times, Brame said an updated study "needed to be done."

Using data collected by the Bureau of Labor Statis-

or taken into custody for something other than major traffic violations, Brame said.

To experts like Kramer and Brame, the results were not surprising.

Kramer said during criminology classes he instructs, he teaches his students the recent "broken window" movement of police — another reason why it may be more common for youth to be arrested.

The police mentality, he said, is that small things can become big things. More serious crimes can occur if police are lenient and do not report less serious offenses, he said.

Forty years ago, a crime such as vandalism may have resulted in just a phone call home. Police must now file the crime in the legal system to deter more serious crimes

committed by the same person, Kramer said.

Through his more than 20 years experience as a Pittsburgh magisterial district judge and private attorney, Lou Coles said he has seen firsthand that low-level offenses are treated differently now than they were in the past.

Coles said on Friday and Saturday nights, it is very common for police to arrest people who drink alcohol on the streets or urinate in public. But decades ago, police would have just issued a citation, instead of making an arrest, Coles said.

One possible reason, Coles said, is the money each arrest brings the municipality.

"Crime is a gross business," Coles said. "It keeps lawyers, judges and police in business."

“CRIME IS A GROSS BUSINESS. IT KEEPS LAWYERS, JUDGES AND POLICE IN BUSINESS.”
-LOU COLES, MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE AND ATTORNEY

incidents will trigger law enforcement involvement today than in the past.

Strict "no tolerance" policies in schools also did not exist when the study was conducted more than 40 years ago, Brame said, which may have contributed to the increased number of arrests.

tics between 1997 and 2008, researchers analyzed individuals who were between the ages of 12 and 16 at the end of 1996, Brame said.

The same group was asked a variety of questions over the 11-year time period. One of the questions was if the individual has been arrested

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student debt and increase accessibility.

"College affordability is extraordinarily important for all of us, and I was so pleased that he recognizes the complexity — the fact that the state has a role, the federal government has a role, universities have a role — and all of them have to be working together to make this possible," Coleman said.

Coleman stressed the need for the state to continue to invest in higher education, particularly following years of repeated cuts in funding allocation to public colleges within the state, including a 15 percent reduction in funding in 2011 under Republican Gov. Rick Snyder.

"One of the things that (Obama) did point out very clearly was the dramatic disinvestment that the states

have made, and one of the most harsh has been in Michigan," Coleman said. "We have suffered from that, and we've done a good job of cutting costs, we've con-

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> SEN. DEBBIE STABENOW

tinued to try to cut costs but we have to have a re-investment by the state."

Coleman added that achieving the goal of effectively working among universities, state governments and the federal government to increase college affordability is going to be challenging, but an endeavor she is optimistic about for the future.

Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.) said before

the speech that investing in higher education is key to augmenting economic conditions in the state, particularly through utilizing its vast recourses in the

industrial and technological fields.

"When we talk about the future and the opportunities for us in the technologies in the skilled trades, engineers, science, it doesn't happen without education and it doesn't work if when you get out of school you've got more debt than it would take if you were buying a house," Stabenow said.

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Roswell, Ga. and sophomore sports marketing major Kayla Edwards from Troy, Mi.

"I think it's really neat to have a sense of church around you in a community that's willing to be there for you and help you when you're far away from home," Moore said.

Moore said during her freshman year, the Lockharts took her to Pullman Plaza and other places to help her become accustomed to Huntington. She said they also took her to all her favorite places to eat. This year, the Lockharts plan to visit the site where the Marshall plane crashed occurred in 1970 that killed 36 football players, five coaches, five other athletic and football staff members, 24 fans and five flight crew members.

"We want the parents of these Marshall students to know that there is a local campus-based ministry full of people who care about the well-being of their college students," Lockhart said. "This program at Marshall Community Fellowship gives us an avenue to express that mission."

LaRue said the first "Family Hour" will be at 10 a.m. Sunday.

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LaRue appointed leader of Marshall and Huntington outreaches

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In September 2011, Glen LaRue was appointed pastor at Marshall Community Fellowship and also the director of Revolution, a campus outreach ministry. Spring 2012 is his first full semester in both positions.

LaRue said MCF is unique from other campus ministries because it is for the entire Huntington community, rather than only for students. He said he believes college students who are away from their families and interact with mostly other students long for a family to interact and worship with.

"There are a lot of people hungry for a genuine community and family that reaches across the generations, so so we want to promote that at MCF," LaRue said.

LaRue said the opportunities God gave him had equipped him to be a minister at Marshall. Even though he was capable of serving in many other places, he was drawn to the college church setting.

"I love the energy of college students and of a college campus," LaRue said. "The roots of First Baptist of Kenova that have been established here at MCF are really solid roots. The more we talked, the more I was convinced this was the place for me and my family."

LaRue, born May 16, 1977,

grew up in Florida near Tampa with his parents Ray and Virginia. He attended Grace Christian School in Florida until his junior year and then transferred to Bloomingdale High School. He played soccer, basketball and baseball at Grace Christian School.

LaRue attended Bellshoals Baptist Church where he was active in his youth group. He then attended First Baptist Church in Naples, Fla., which

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> GLEN LARUE,
pastor at MCF and
director of Revolution

sponsored him when he later studied at Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

LaRue attended Florida Southern College in Laklin, Fla., and earned a degree in advertising. He married his wife Amy, and together they had four daughters: Bailey, Jenny, Mary Cooper and Ashlyn.

"I think it says something about God telling me 'you gotta rise up and be a man because I'm giving you your wife plus four girls,'" LaRue said. "So you've got five girls

in your family."

LaRue then attended Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky., where he earned his master's degree in divinity and a doctorate in theology. He was finishing his dissertation in August when a friend informed him that First Baptist Church of Kenova was looking for a pastor for MCF.

MCF was organized at Marshall because of overcrowding at First Baptist Church in Kenova and the demolition of Twentieth Street Baptist Church in Huntington. The congregation meets at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Campus Christian Center, with the goal of integrating students and the general community on Marshall's campus, said Steve Willis, pastor of First Baptist and founder of MCF.

"By including faculty, staff, family members, graduates and non-traditional students, MCF seeks to be an inclusive ministry for the entire Marshall community," Willis said.

Willis preached at MCF and First Baptist Church in Kenova until there was a need for two services at First Baptist Church in Kenova. Willis said Glen was selected pastor of the program because of his doctorate in theology and strong communication skills.

"The combination of a strong biblical foundation with strong academics seemed to be a perfect fit for a unique ministry, such as MCF," Willis said.

LaRue said he is preaching

on the book of Colossians.

"If you think about a church plant on a secular university campus, there's a lot of parallels right off the bat between rival ideologies that try to pull the church in different ways," LaRue said. "Having a letter that's trying to point us in

them in the church's child care. MCF still provides child care for families who are uncomfortable with their children in the services, but LaRue desires for the church to be a family.

LaRue said MCF only meets for worship services, but he is in the process of adding an hour to

because it's a church family community," LaRue said.

LaRue said he wants the program to constantly increase in evangelistic passion.

"Wherever we are now in terms of sharing with people the love of Christ and speaking the truth of the Gospel to our friends, our family, our neighbor's lives, in a year I want us to be so much deeper and so much more passionate," LaRue said.

LaRue is also the director of Revolution, which is a campus outreach that meets at 6:30 p.m. Sundays at the Campus Christian Center. LaRue teaches students, starts student leadership and maintains student-led ministries in Revolution. He is taking the student body of Revolution through the book of Acts to study "explosive power of the Holy Spirit in the church."

LaRue said students are led in worship and teaching and discussion of the Bible. They sit in groups of seven or eight at tables to interact as they are studying the Bible. LaRue provides them with questions to help guide their conversations and then teaches. After he finishes, students go back to the questions to connect it to the lesson and their lives.

"We want to dynamically interact with the word of God and with each other so that we can dynamically interact with people who don't know Jesus," LaRue said.

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Glen LaRue, pastor at Marshall Community Fellowship and director of Revolution, seeks to develop a place for students to worship where they feel comfortable and welcome. LaRue studied at Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

the right direction as a young church is really beautiful. We're going through Colossians to try to learn from the Apostle Paul so we can apply its truth to our context in what we're doing."

LaRue said he also invites families to bring their children to the services rather than place

emphasize family.

"We are trying to make our whole Sunday morning congregation communicate very clearly that if a college student walks into MCF, they're a part of something that's different from anything else they've experienced during the week

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