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## Arabian Nights blends 1,001 stories into seven magical nights

By **TYRELL CARLTON**  
THE PARTHENON

The cool air of Huntington faded to a land where the sun is blazing hot with the crowded merchant streets and palm trees of Baghdad as the Marshall University Theatre Alliance performed "Arabian Nights."

The Mary Zimmermans adaptation debuted on Wednesday at the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre and depicts King Shahryar as a ruler who, after being betrayed by his wife, marries, loves, and kills a young woman each night, until he meet Scheherazade, who delays her death by telling a new story to tell the king, each with their own morals and lessons to learn.

"It was quite different that what I thought it was going to be," Devon Hayes, anthropology major, said. "Originally, when our professor told us about it, I didn't think it was going to be as funny as it was, or anything like that," Hayes said.

Performances began Wednesday and will run through Saturday before taking a break. The show will resume Nov. 15 and run through Nov. 17 every night at 8 p.m.

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TOP: Seating surrounds the stage area giving the audience an all around view during "The Arabian Nights" at the Francis-Booth Experimental Theatre on Thursday.  
ABOVE: Meghan Martin, playing Girl surprises her lover Timothy Woda, freshman, playing Boy during "The Arabian Nights."  
RIGHT: Patrick Taylor, senior, playing Shahryar and Aziz, kisses Christina Baroniell, junior, playing Scheherazade during "The Arabian Nights" on Thursday.

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## Nor'easter intensifies Sandy misery, slows recovery efforts

By **TINA SUSMAN and MOLLY HENNESSY-FISKE**  
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

NEW YORK — They stood like refugees, clutching jerry cans in an icy wind and waiting behind a gas truck to fill their 5-gallon containers. Across the street, others lined up to ask for help, with wish lists reflecting the enormity of their needs: a car to replace one washed away; money for a family of five in a hotel; advice on rebuilding a business.

Any sense that New York City was returning to normal 11 days after Superstorm Sandy was swept away Thursday after a nor'easter made a terrible situation nearly unbearable in areas still struggling to recover from Sandy. The new storm cut power to about 100,000 people, and was blamed for the death of a man in Burlington, N.J. But the greatest problem was the freezing rain, sleet and snow.

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Downed lines on Crosby Avenue in Albertson, N.Y., on Thursday. A Wednesday storm brought ice and snow, which only made the existing damage from Superstorm Sandy worse.

AUDREY C. TIERNAN/NEWSDAY | MCT

## FAMU offers \$300,000 to hazing victim Robert Champion's family

By **DENISE-MARIE ORDWAY and STEPHEN HUDAK**  
ORLANDO SENTINEL (MCT)

ORLANDO, Fla. — Florida A&M University has offered to pay \$300,000 to the family of drum major Robert Champion, who died after a hazing in Orlando last fall, according to a document the university's attorney provided to the Orlando Sentinel.

Trustees of Florida A&M University directed their legal team a few months ago to try to settle the wrongful-death lawsuit that Pamela and Robert Champion Sr. filed earlier this year. Rick Mitchell, an

attorney representing FAMU, provided the settlement document in response to a public records request.

But the Champions were "insulted" by the offer and have rejected it, said the family's attorney, Christopher Chestnut.

"The family remains concerned that FAMU is not taking this as seriously as it should," Chestnut said.

FAMU, a public university, can only offer a maximum of \$300,000 without seeking approval from the state.

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# NEWS

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## COFA to sponsor 'Pack the Backpack'

By SARAH SMITH  
THE PARTHENON

The College of Fine Arts Student Leadership Council will host "Pack the Backpack" in the Memorial Student Center on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. "Pack the Backpack" is an event to collect items such as nonperishable food, toiletries, bedding and more for Cabell County school pantries.

Theresa Rapp, career specialist at Huntington High School, said donations are greatly appreciated.

"Every day I encounter a student in need of food or personal care items such as shampoo, deodorant or soap," Rapp said. "I am very grateful that the MU students are extending their support to the community at Huntington

High. What a blessing!"

Jaye Ike, special projects coordinator for the College of Fine Arts, said the event is focusing on items such as non-perishable foods that children can open by themselves, all types of toiletries – toothpaste, shampoo, soap – especially deodorant, pillows and bedding and new or gently used coats and gloves. They will also accept backpacks or tote bags, but the items are not required to be in one.

Bradlee Jordan, theater student and SLC president, said this is an effort to give back to the community.

"We believe as the College of Fine Arts Student Leadership Council that giving back to the community is not only a necessity, but that it builds and

fosters a spirit among COFA students that cannot be accomplished in any other way," Jordan said. "When we heard that some schools are trying to ramp up their pantries before Thanksgiving break so they can send items with students who will otherwise go without, we were pleased to be part of the solution."

Martha Evans, principal at Guyandotte Elementary School, said Guyandotte was established as the county seat of Cabell County and shares a historical bond with Marshall University.

"I want our students to realize that connection," Evans said. "I want them to know that if college is the path



SARAH SMITH | THE PARTHENON

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DAVID S. CLOUD | MCT DIRECT

Soldiers at Camp Nathan Smith, a U.S. base in Kandahar, Afghanistan, bow their heads at a memorial service for Army Specialist Brittany Gordon, an intelligence analyst who was killed in October in a suicide attack near the Pakistan border.

## As 'insider attacks' grow, so does US-Afghanistan divide

By DAVID S. CLOUD  
TRIBUNE WASHINGTON BUREAU (MCT)

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan — Army Spc. Steve Beaty was on alert for signs of danger, well aware of a surge in attacks on U.S. troops by Afghans wearing police or army uniforms. The guard approaching him in a bulky coat, hands crossed at his waist, looked suspicious.

With the Afghan only 15 feet away, Beaty raised his M-4 rifle. It was then that the guard detonated his suicide vest, shooting ball bearings and shrapnel across a landing zone where two dozen American soldiers, CIA operatives, interpreters and Afghan intelligence officials had just arrived on two helicopters.

"It was a crack, a sharp-sounding explosion, and then I saw people down, and others going down," said Spc. Mike Juhola, a 40-year-old Army medic.

Beaty yelled that he was hit. An interpreter was bleeding heavily from a leg and screaming. A CIA officer nicknamed Cowboy cradled the head of another agency operative in his lap. Spc. Brittany Gordon, a

24-year-old Army intelligence analyst, lay crumpled on the ground, a massive wound in the back of her head. Afghan intelligence officers and other U.S. soldiers were sprawled nearby.

The Oct. 13 attack near the border with Pakistan, like dozens of others this year, was carried out by a member of Afghanistan's security forces. Abdul Wali had joined the National Directorate of Security, Afghanistan's intelligence service, after six years as a border guard. He had no known ties to the Taliban or personal grievances. His motive may never be known.

Interviews with commanders and soldiers in Kandahar provided graphic details of several so-called insider attacks and illustrated how deeply they are dividing U.S. forces from the Afghan army and police units the Americans have promised to mentor, train and fight with for at least two more years.

"As we decide whether to do an operation now, is the main risk from the enemy? Or from our own partners?" said Lt. Col. Patrick Michaelis, a U.S. battalion

commander in Kandahar.

U.S. and Afghan units still fight and train closely together every day, but often there is wariness and suspicion.

There have been 41 insider attacks by Afghan soldiers and police this year, killing 35 Americans and 22 people from other countries with forces in Afghanistan. Cmdr. William Speaks, a Pentagon spokesman, said "significantly more" Afghans than foreigners have died in the attacks.

The U.S. military now is employing "guardian angels," armed troops who keep watch whenever American personnel are in the vicinity of Afghan allies. It is erecting higher blast walls and razor wire. U.S. forces are limiting joint operations and constructing separate, armed compounds at bases where they once lived side by side with the Afghan army and police.

Until recently, guards would wave Col. Rhamatullah Atrafi through when the top police official in Kandahar arrived for his regular security meeting at Camp Nathan Smith, the U.S. base in the city.

## Dancing with Tri-State Stars coming to Big Sandy Arena

By ERIKA RITTENHOUSE  
THE PARTHENON

On Saturday, Big Sandy Superstore Arena will be hosting the fourth annual Dancing with the Tri-State Stars performance. Doors open at 7 p.m., and price of admission is \$25 for adults and \$15 for children and Marshall University students.

Money raised at this event goes to Ebenezer Medical Outreach. The incorporation provides access to free, comprehensive health care, preventative care and pharmaceuticals to the underserved of the Fairfield West community and the surrounding areas. This event raises thousands of dollars every year to help support the incorporation.

"It's a great community event," Brian Sipe, Big Sandy Superstore Arena Manager and Dancing with the Tri-State Stars performer said. "Lots of people come out. There is a lot of hard work that goes into it with the couples performing. Lots of applause and interaction."

The show features 12 local celebrity couples that perform on stage before a panel of judges. This year Christian Daniels, owner of the American Dance

Conservatory, Jason Shepherd, Kappa Alum and previous champion of Dancing with the Tri-State Stars and Tia Fletcher, co-host of the Morning Show on 100.5 WKEE. An applause-o-meter chooses the winners of each round. Local dance companies and clubs perform during intermissions as well. Dancers volunteer to perform each year to keep the show going.

"Each year they get better and better," Ashley Thomson, Dancing with the Tri-State Stars Program Coordinator, said. "We always have a great group of volunteers that give their talent, time to create a fantastic show. If you haven't been, you are missing out I feel this is the best 'community' wide fundraiser around. It is full of entertainment and lots of fun. I encourage everyone to come out to see what the buzz is about."

This event has been advertised through Facebook, radio and newspaper. Each couple must choose a dance, come up with choreography, practice and promote themselves as the next "Tri-State Star." Erika Rittenhouse can be contacted at [rittenhouse4@marshall.edu](mailto:rittenhouse4@marshall.edu).

## Final installments in lecture series coming up

By JEREMY BROWN  
THE PARTHENON

With the final days of classes quickly approaching, students still have the opportunity to take in an assortment of presentations and lectures by visiting speakers at Marshall University.

Already this month, Marshall hosted civil rights author John M. Glen, who spoke on the Highlander Folk School in Tennessee and the important role it played, not only in local civil rights movements, but also in some of the more famous, national movements.

Iconic civil rights leaders like Martin Luther King Jr. and Septima Clark were both involved with the school. Rosa Parks attended a workshop at Highlander only months before she famously declined to give up her seat on an Alabama bus.

Glen spoke at Marshall as the fifth of

six presenters in "The Long Civil Rights Movement in America" lecture series.

On Tuesday, the last speaker in the series, Bettye Collier-Thomas, will be on campus for a 7 p.m. presentation in the MU Foundation Building.

Collier-Thomas has written acclaimed books on women in the civil rights movement, including "Sisters in the Struggle: African-American Women in the Civil Rights-Black Power Movement," and will discuss both the role of women in the civil rights movement and how their activism inspired future women's rights movements in the country.

"These lectures go well beyond the 'easy' history that only superficially covers one 'epic' sit-in or speech," David Trowbridge, Marshall's director of African-American studies, said. "I hope our students take advantage of this—they will

not be disappointed."

On Wednesday, poets Crystal Good and Neil Carpathios will be on campus for the Visiting Writers Series.

Good, who is a member of Afrilachin (African-American-Appalachian) Poets, writes on such diverse topics as gender, mountaintop removal and even quantum physics. Carpathios is the author of three books of poetry and is the coordinator of creative writing at Shawnee State University.

Finally George Edwards III, a visiting professor at Oxford University, will come to Marshall Nov. 29 to speak about the history of the Electoral College in America and the role it has played in past presidential elections, including the most recent one.

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**Registration Schedule**

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**Nov. 5**  
Seniors (90 hours completed as of Aug. 27)

**Nov. 7**  
Juniors (58 hours completed as of Aug. 27)

**Nov. 8-9, 12**  
Sophomores (26 hours completed as of Aug. 27)

**Nov. 13-16**  
Freshmen

Students can register for classes by logging into MyMu and clicking on the MILO tab. From there, click on the Student tab and then click on Registration. The course reference numbers (CRN) are needed for a quick registration process.

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UTEP	1	4	2	7



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# One on One



## James Collier sits down with Herd Volleyball player

Brownstown, Ind., native Sammie Bane's size often causes people to underestimate her abilities. After a stellar high-school volleyball career at Brownstown Central High School, Bane found her way to Marshall University, picking up where she left off at Brownstown Central.

Bane's former high school volleyball coach Jennifer Shade said she was viewed as a role model by her classmates.

"People just wanted to be like Sammie," Shade said. "She was an inspiration to everyone around her."

Gina Bane spoke about a special decision her daughter made at a young age that reflected Shade's comments.

"She decided after receiving her birthday presents that she wanted to give them all to charity," Mrs. Bane said.

## Sammie Bane



**Q:** What do you regard as the lowest depth of misery?

**A:** Not knowing God.

**Q:** What is your idea of earthly happiness?

**A:** Being with my friends and family somewhere on a beach.

**Q:** What is your motto for life?

**A:** Whatever you are, be a good one!

**Q:** Who are your heroes in real life?

**A:** My parents and grandparents are very special to me, but my dad is definitely my rock.

**Q:** Who would you most like to be?

**A:** My Papaw Ivan. He had no education but started his own company that is still in operation today.

**Q:** What do you most value in your friends?

**A:** Trust, knowing that someone will be there to listen when I need them the most.

**Q:** What is your dream of happiness?

**A:** Having a family, a nice home, and an occupation that I enjoy.

**Q:** What are your favorite works of fiction?

**A:** As bad as I hate to admit this, the "Fifty Shades of Grey" trilogy.

**Q:** What natural gift would you most like to possess?

**A:** A couple of extra inches sure would be nice.

**Q:** Why is the name Rose so special to you?

**A:** It is my Mamaw's name and it means so much to me to be named after her.

**Q:** What quality do you most admire in a man?

**A:** Honesty!

**Q:** What is your favorite sports team?

**A:** Peyton's team. I like the Colts, but whatever team Peyton is on is my favorite.

**Q:** Who are your favorite musicians?

**A:** Sugarland and John Mayer.

**Q:** To what faults do you feel most indulgent?

**A:** Putting too much pressure on myself.

**Q:** What is your favorite dessert?

**A:** What is not my favorite dessert would be a much easier question to answer.

**Q:** What is your favorite game to play with your family?

**A:** My brother and I love to play "The Game of Life." When I go back home on breaks we will play Phase 10, but it usually ends up turning very ugly. My family is extremely competitive.

**Q:** Do you enjoy scary movies?

**A:** Heck No! I despise scary movies. I'm a chicken.

**Q:** What kind of person do your peers consider you?

**A:** Driven and a diva.

**Q:** What properties do you try to purchase first in a game of Monopoly?

**A:** Boardwalk and Park Place. I just wait for my opponent to land on those spaces and I reap the benefits of the payday.

**Q:** What is your favorite dessert?

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**Q:** What is your favorite hobby other than sports?

**A:** I love to shop.

**Q:** Who is your favorite sports icon?

**A:** Peyton Manning. I love him.

**Q:** How would you like to die?

**A:** In my home or wherever I'm happiest and peaceful.

**Q:** Describe yourself in only one word.

**A:** Driven.

## Herd men's basketball opens regular season play

By BRAXTON CRISP  
THE PARTHENON

On Friday night at 7:30 p.m. the Marshall Thundering Herd Men's Basketball team begins its 2012 regular season campaign with a home matchup against the Longwood University Lancers. The Lancers, from Farmville, Va., are beginning their first season as a member of the Big South Conference.

The Lancers have only been competing in NCAA Division I athletics since 2007, and prior to joining the Big South Conference they were a Division I Independent. Longwood has only one senior on their roster and their tallest player is 6-foot-8. Compare that to Marshall's three seniors and seven players measuring in at 6-foot-8 or taller.

Herd senior center Nigel Spikes said that while Longwood may not be able to match up height-wise with Marshall, the Lancers are still a good team.

"They're not a very big team, but they're very fast, very quick," Spikes said. "You can never underestimate a team. You have to prepare the right way and take every game very seriously or you may wind up losing."

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Over the next few weeks The Parthenon will run edited transcripts of several Q & A's with representatives of Marshall University's sports community. The interviews, conducted by reporters in the sports reporting class, incorporate a questionnaire style borrowed, in part, from French writer Marcel Proust and made famous in the back pages of Vanity Fair magazine.

## Athletic trainer returns to Marshall

By KARA KUCIN  
THE PARTHENON

Melissa Chohon has returned to Marshall as assistant athletic trainer after working at Buena Vista University in Storm Lake, Iowa. Chohon received her master's degree in sports administration at Marshall.

At BVU, Chohon was the assistant athletic trainer for men's soccer, women's tennis, men's golf, track and field and cross-country. Chohon was also a lecturer of exercise

science, teaching human functional anatomy in the fall and spring terms.

"BVU is Division III and was a lot smaller than Marshall," Chohon said. "There are no athletic scholarships, which made it less competitive on the athletic grounds."

Only a few days before the fall 2012 semester began, Marshall offered Chohon the assistant athletic trainer position. Chohon said it was not an easy decision to make. She was already preparing for classes

at BVU and working with the soccer team, which already began its season.

"I had to stop and think about the opportunities I would get by moving back to Marshall and working Division I and I knew that would be the best for me," Chohon said. "As an athletic trainer sometimes we get so used to thinking about everyone else that we forget to think about what will make us happiest in the long run."

Chohon now works as the assistant athletic trainer with

women's basketball and track and field. She also oversees the graduate assistant with swimming and diving.

Chohon said she loves working at Marshall again and does not regret the decision to return to Huntington.

Chohon said her dream job a few years ago would have been to be a head athletic trainer at a Division I school or even an athletic trainer for a professional soccer team. However, she said she would love to go back to school and open a

cupcake bakery with her best friend.

"It is a dream of both of ours and I have always loved baking and decorating," Chohon said. "Culinary school and a business degree is something I would love to do."

Chohon and the women's basketball team have their first regular season game Friday at noon against Radford University.

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# OPINION

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### Column

## Obama's second term may mean stronger hand in foreign policy

By KAL RAUSTIALA

U. CALIFORNIA-LOS ANGELES VIA UWIRE

President Barack Obama did not win overwhelmingly Tuesday night, but he did win decisively. And while foreign policy was a minor factor for many voters, polls suggest that most favored Obama's foreign policy over former Gov. Mitt Romney's and generally approved of the job the president has been doing abroad.

Historically, second-term presidents become increasingly focused on foreign policy. Former President George W. Bush was an exception because Sept. 11 thrust foreign policy to the forefront right away. Former President Bill Clinton's experience is probably more suggestive. I expect Obama to increase his focus on foreign policy in the years to come.

One issue in particular, mentioned in his acceptance speech but largely ignored over the last couple of years, is climate change. Obama came into office with a strong focus on the climate crisis, but domestic political realities forced, or at least encouraged, a retreat.

Climate change was also almost entirely absent from the campaign. But we may see more attention to it in the next few years, and we should. While Hurricane Sandy cannot be clearly attributed to climate change, it is undeniable that storms like Sandy will become more common as the planet warms. And that is but one aspect of the growing and alarming climate problem.

American leadership on this issue will not solve it. But without American leadership, little can be accomplished.

President Obama may also intensify his "pivot to Asia." For the last 11 years, the Middle East has dominated American foreign policy. While there are many important reasons for the U.S. to remain active in the region – not least the great turmoil there in the wake of the Arab Spring – there is no question that the world's center of gravity is elsewhere.

Asia is far more economically dynamic, has a huge population and is the home of several great powers – most significantly, the second-largest economy in the world, China.

The U.S. physical and diplomatic presence in Asia is large and meaningful, but many friendly Asian states have felt for years that the U.S. does not devote enough time and energy to Asia. That may change further during Obama's second term.

There are other areas in which Obama may devote more energy. He came into office with strong rhetoric on human rights; his record has been much spottier. But Obama may use his bully pulpit – and his much freer hand on foreign policy – to be more active in the area. That said, Obama is also clearly comfortable deploying American power and is no dove.

Will that mean a more aggressive stance on Syria? That seems unlikely at the moment given geopolitical realities. But in general, he has shown a willingness (see Libya) to override congressional prerogatives and has several top advisers, including his possible new secretary of state, with strong commitments to humanitarian intervention.

As in domestic policy, of course, the president does not hold all the foreign policy cards. But areas such as these are largely in the hands of the president, and we can expect Obama, having completed his last electoral campaign, to be more active, more engaged and perhaps more daring in the four years to come.

Raustiala is a professor at the UCLA School of Law and director of the UCLA Ronald W. Burkle Center for International Relations.

## ONLINE POLLS

The following are the results from the most recent poll question: Which presidential candidate will receive your vote?

■ Obama 53% - 19 votes  
■ Romney 47% - 17 votes

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Following Colorado's decision to legalize the recreational use of marijuana in Colorado, do you think the rest of the nation should follow suit?

■ Yes  
■ No

### Editorial

## Like it or not, Obama is here to stay

President Obama will continue to lead this nation for another four years – much to the relief of some and dismay of others.

Quite a few of those others reside here in West Virginia. Mitt Romney won every county in the Mountain State – every one. Not that this is a surprise considering during the Democratic primary a Texas felon, Keith Russell Judd, received 41 percent of the vote against Obama. Say what you will, but that was just stupid.

Anyone who thought they were being a patriot for voting for a felon over the President of the United States needs to be shot for treason – or simply for being a moron of the highest degree.

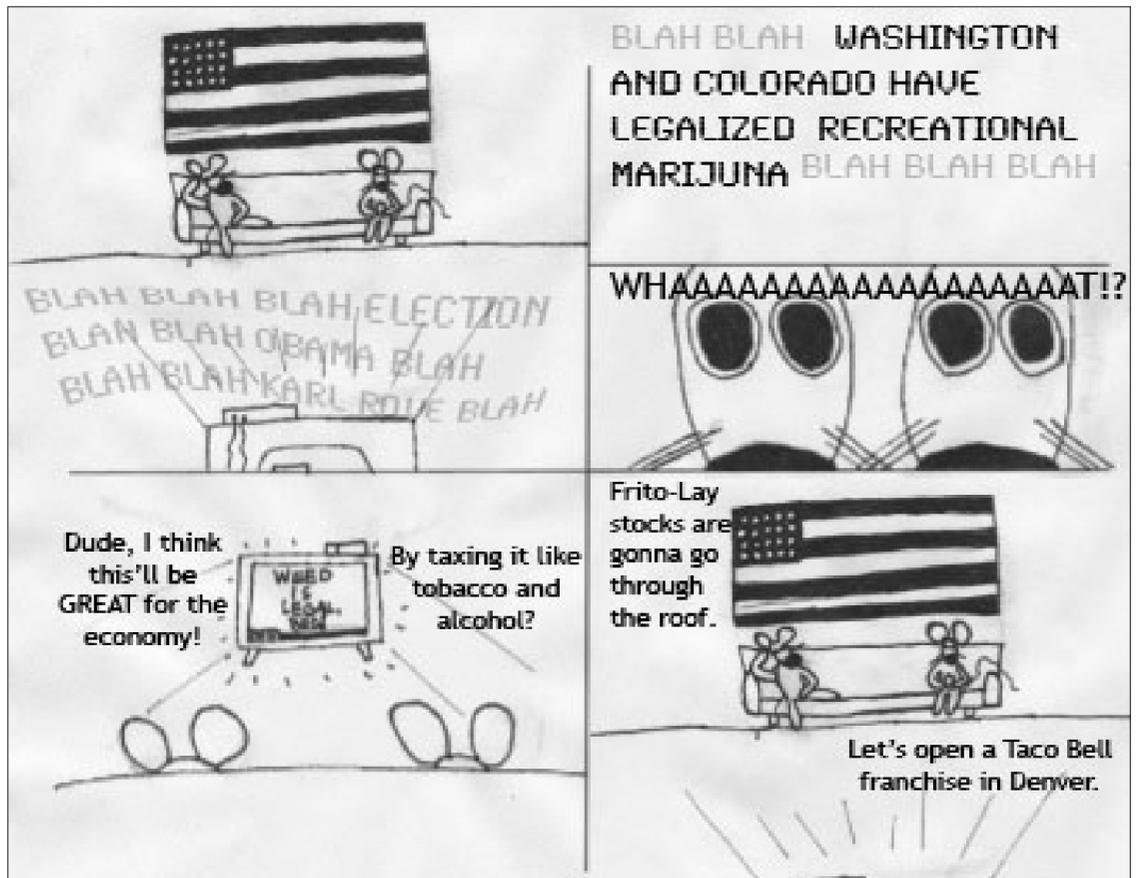
Seriously though, that level of stupidity and ignorance is just shameful. There is a huge difference between disagreeing with our nation's leader and disrespecting him so much you vote for a felon who was a member of the "Federation of Super Heroes" from 1976-1982.

This is hopefully old news to most, however, it is sadly still relevant in a state that would show such childish hatred for the U.S. President and yet still have the brainless audacity to say it is for America. No, it is for an antiquated mindset that seeks to demonize Democrats (at least those outside West Virginia) by ignorantly claiming they are after the destruction of the coal industry and want to see everyone in West Virginia broke and jobless.

Well like it or not, Obama is here for another four years. This time would be much better spent if people would just get behind the man in charge and work with him to better this country – instead of doing everything in their power to block his attempts to do good things for our nation. Instead of continuing the trend of ignorant hatred, people need to act like the good Americans they claim they are and get behind the man who was once again voted into office by the majority of the United States of America.

## American Ratz

By BISHOP NASH



### Column

## Step forward, Republican reformers

By WILLIAM MCKENZIE

THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS (MCT)

The election did not turn out so well for Mitt Romney. But it did throw open the door for Republicans like Jeb Bush, who understand their party must appeal to Latinos, show it can govern as a party of limited government and win more than the righteous right.

The Jeb Bushes now have an opportunity to take the lead in the internal party debates that will dominate GOP discussions. The door-openers can start showing that there's a way for Republicans to appeal to voters who find the party scary when it looks like the Elks Club for white men, but who share its conservative economic values.

Romney made it possible for the party's reformers to step forward: He closed strong in October after he let out his inner moderate during the first debate with Barack Obama.

The GOP nominee moved to the center too late. But his upswing at the last creates momentum for Republicans who know their party must adjust. They can prove to doubters

there is a constituency for a broader GOP. Romney, after all, closed strong to reach 49 percent of the vote.

And adjust Republicans must. The GOP now has lost consecutive presidential races. And their core support is dwindling, not expanding. As GOP strategist Rich Galen put it, "A larger and larger share of a smaller and smaller market is no way to win an election, much less win the future."

Conservatives will argue the nominee didn't go far enough right. But that line overlooks that Romney contorted himself so much during the primaries to win tea party backers that undecided voters didn't know which Mitt to trust when he reappeared as a moderate. And it ignores that John McCain went so far in courting conservatives that he scared away middle-ground voters with his Sarah Palin pick.

The go-farther-right argument also overlooks that the rest of America does not lean as right as conservative activists. Consider the party's Senate losses in Indiana and Missouri.

Conservative candidates snatched defeat from the jaws of victory by going out on the wacky fringe and essentially giving a pass to rape. Women particularly rushed away from those candidates and Democrats now will occupy what were winnable Senate seats for Republicans.

Those results are even more reason for Bush and others in the adjustment camp to start taking their message to the public. And now, since the battle for the GOP's direction has begun.

I mention Bush because he is working on a book on the need for serious immigration reform. He speaks plainly about the GOP needing a broader market share. He has regretted the loss of deal-making legislators in both parties. He champions the reform of public schools, not just the promotion of vouchers. He has governed Florida, one of the most diverse states. And he understands Latino demographics, being married to a Mexican native and the father of bi-cultural children.

But he is not the only one

who can help improve the GOP brand. Republican Sen. Rob Portman is a fiscal conservative who embraces the outdoors. He offers practical economic solutions for middle-class workers and an appeal to young voters who care for the natural world. Plus, he's won in pivotal Ohio.

And there are up-and-comers like Marco Rubio. The Florida senator already has challenged GOP orthodoxy by presenting a compromise that would let eligible children of illegal immigrants attend college here without fear of deportation.

None of the reformers' work will be easy.

They must advocate for a global capitalism at a time left and right demonize globalism. They must press for strong educators to lead rigorous schools when left and right are retreating from raising the bar on classroom performance. And they must argue for a limited, but fair government when some on the right hate Washington and some on the left prefer an expansive, fiscally irresponsible government.

# Department of Modern Language wraps up film festival

By **TYRELL CARLTON**  
THE PARTHENON

The Department of Modern languages hosted the 2012 Modern Languages Film Festival this week in John Deaver Drinko Library auditorium. There was a full house at the film showing, with every seat filled in the library auditorium. Located on the fourth floor of Drinko, several films were featured each day from various cultures every day for

the week. "I really enjoyed it," Kara Cambell, communications major at Marshall University said. After seeing "Ladrón que roba a ladrón" a Spanish film about two thieves stealing from a television mogul, Cambell said it was a great movie.

"I'm really glad we have foreign movie here that we can experience," Cambell said.

"Die Welle (The Wave)," a German film about social experiment gone wrong, was

featured on Monday, following the french film, "Amelie," about the exploits of the titular character, was featured on Tuesday. Wednesday and Thursday finish off the week with Japanese film "Hula Girls" and Spanish film "Ladrón que roba a ladrón." The film festival is sponsored by The Center for International Programs.

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## Backpack

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they want to follow, they can. We want them to connect with Marshall, and eventually attend. My goal is for them to know that they can pursue a college education."

Rapp said no donations will be turned away.

"I want to assure you that every single donation, regardless of the size, is certainly needed and appreciated by the students at Huntington High School," Rapp said.

Ike said many children in the community go without food on the weekends, and the goal of "Pack the Backpack" is to prevent that over the holidays.

"It's simple things that are easily taken for granted, that these kids may go without," Ike said. "I hope that we're able to stock the shelves of these school pantries and that students don't go without over the upcoming holiday breaks. That is our goal."

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## Preview

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Spikes' teammate and fellow big man Yous Mbaio said the key for a Marshall victory would be carrying over into game situations what the team has been practicing.

"We've got to stick to our plan," Mbaio said. "We work hard every day and we've to stick to what we do every day in practice and hopefully it will pay off."

Spikes said Marshall can not overlook the Lancers.

"Longwood is a team that you can't sleep on because they have very good players and they're just as good as everyone else," Spikes said. "They play hard, play tough, and they play to win."

Following their Friday night tilt with the Lancers, Marshall will be on the road for four straight games, beginning with a Sunday matinee against Villanova University in Philadelphia.

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## FAMU

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"Anything more would require a special act approved by the state Legislature," Mitchell said. "It is our hope that this settlement will be accepted and can in some way help in the healing process for the Champion family and the entire FAMU community."

Champion, 26, died Nov. 19, 2011, after a hazing on a band bus parked at the Rosen Plaza hotel in Orlando, where the heralded ensemble performed in a "Battle of the Bands" competition and at the Florida Classic football game at the Citrus Bowl.

The family sued the university in July, accusing the nation's largest historically black college of enabling a culture of hazing to thrive in the Marching 100, which is as recognizable as a symbol of FAMU as the school's rattlesnake mascot.

The university countered that Champion violated Florida law and school rules against hazing — even if he did so reluctantly.



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Chinese President Hu Jintao delivers his report to the opening of the Chinese Communist Party's 18th National Congress on Thursday, in Beijing, China.

## China's Hu Jintao warns corruption could prove fatal to Communist Party

By **TOM LASSETER**  
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BEIJING — Ten years ago, there were hopes that Hu Jintao would bring reform to a Chinese Communist Party that had opened up the economy but maintained a hard-line, authoritarian style of governance. Now, with Hu stepping down as the nation's president and the party's general secretary, that central challenge remains.

On Thursday, Hu himself warned in a report to the Chinese Communist Party congress that corruption and a lack of political integrity "could prove fatal to the party, and even cause the collapse of the party and the fall of the state," despite China's having become the world's second-largest economy.

The party's 18th National Congress began here Thursday, but its opening session provided little clarity into how willing officials are to pursue political change. In fact, much of Hu's speech and the atmospherics of the congress so far have seemed to signal that the party's senior mandarins are moving in large

part to solidify legacies and power bases, not shake things up.

When 69-year-old Hu stepped onto the stage of the Great Hall of the People — with a giant hammer and sickle on the back wall and an illuminated red star looming overhead — he was followed closely by Jiang Zemin, his 86-year-old predecessor.

Just last year, Jiang had been rumored to have died or fallen into a vegetative state, but recently he has made a series of public appearances. Considered a conservative force among party elders, Jiang is thought to have flexed considerable muscle in the stacking of the politburo standing committee, the inner circle that runs China and whose new membership is expected to be announced after the congress ends Wednesday.

His seat on the stage was next to that of 70-year-old Premier Wen Jiabao, who has striven to present himself as a reformer in the regime. The men's body language and the physical space they maintained between each other did not suggest an easy relationship.

## Misery

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snow —9 to 12 inches fell in some areas — for those who are running out of patience.

"I'm fed up. I'm fed up," Wale Kiladejo said as he waited with his wife, Eunice, to speak to someone at one of the mobile centers set up by the Federal Emergency Management Agency on the devastated Rockaway Peninsula in the New York City borough of Queens. "Around this area, nothing is back to normal. But you go to Manhattan where all the rich people live, they have power."

Could it get any worse?

"No. Seriously, no," said Joan Fitzgerald. "It's just a nightmare."

Residents — many of them members of her extended family — trudged along an avenue lined with wood-frame homes whose porches once overlooked an idyllic scene: a sandy beach on Jamaica Bay, the skyline of Manhattan visible in the distance. Today, the view is of discarded household items, including washing machines and sofas. The houses were nearly all flooded, and the porches and yards that once housed surfboards, barbecues and bicycles were heaped with sandbags, mud, and generators.

"We have nothing. We have no gas. We have no electricity," said Adam Bishop, a Brooklyn firefighter who worried it might be spring before all the homes had power again.

Residents weren't alone in losing their tempers. New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo delivered a blistering attack on his state's utility companies, in particular the Long Island Power Authority and National Grid on Long Island. The back-to-back storms exposed the vulnerabilities of the state's power companies and fuel delivery services, he said. "I believe they were unprepared; I believe the system is archaic."

About 188,000 Long Islanders remained without power Thursday morning.

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, following the lead of New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, ordered gas rationing to ease the crisis. Bloomberg said vehicles with license plates ending in even numbers or zero will be

allowed to buy gas on even-numbered days, such as Nov. 10, while drivers with plates ending in an odd number or a letter can buy fuel on other days.

"Frustrations are only growing. And it now appears that there will be shortages for possibly another couple weeks," Bloomberg said as long lines of cars choked traffic near the few open stations, and as police stood guard to prevent clashes at the pumps.

The federal coordination officer for FEMA, Michael Byrne, said the agency was doing the best it could under circumstances that tested even those in the business of dealing with disasters. So fierce was the wind from the nor'easter that one of the giant white tents sent up to house a mobile FEMA center in a parking lot in Queens had blown down.

The center and other mobile units were running again Thursday afternoon, handing out blankets, meals, water and advice to the desperate crowds that gathered through the day. City buses sat in the parking lot, offering "warming centers" for those who needed a break from the cold.

"We're here. We've established a presence to make them realize they're not alone," said Byrne, who admitted that dealing with Sandy and now the snow and cold had turned his days into a blur. "I've got to tell you, this one humbled me," the former New York City firefighter said.

In addition to having more than 2 million liters of water and 1.5 million meals — including kosher and low-sodium selections — available, Byrne said FEMA was helping local governments by covering their costs for garbage pickup for the next 30 days. But he warned that full recovery "is going to take a long, long time."

How long, he couldn't say, but it clearly was not going to be soon enough for many.

"We're fine, if Mother Nature leaves us alone," said Clete Strayer, manager of the agency's disaster recovery center on Staten Island in the beachside community of New Dorp. FEMA staff who were forced to shut relief operations during the nor'easter reopened next to a snow-custed field Thursday, setting up tables and heating units.

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## Huntington woman helping orphans in Kenya

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One local woman felt the call in her life to help those less fortunate and has extended her hand, her resources and her love to the village of Homa Bay in Kenya.

Sarah Bailey of Huntington said living in America is much different than living in Africa.

"Everyone has their own convictions, their own ministries, missions and desires, but there is no reason we can't help each other," Bailey said. "I believe we live in the greatest country on Earth and God has truly blessed us. What type of people would we be if we sit on our riches?"

Bailey is a member of Sunshine Freewill Baptist Church, but what she does is a personal passion and mission of hers.

Since April 2012, Bailey has been helping to support the orphans, along with a few family members and close friends. She and a few members from her church, have helped supply the children with funds for meals.

They have organized a flip-flop drive to supply each child

with shoes and sent some school supply for the younger children's schooling done through the orphanage.

Recently, they sent a large shipment of underwear for the orphans along with personal items for the older girls.

With the help of local photographers, B.Ross, Nicole Dalton and Bobby Bowen, Bailey was able to host a fundraiser in Ritter Park to raise funds to ship the orphans Christmas bags.

Bailey said she loves the orphans and communicates with them through the pastor by telephone and Facebook whenever possible.

Bailey said the Kenyan children need the community's attention.

"They have very few people that even know they exist. They have a few that love them, but that maybe facing poverty themselves," Bailey said. "They have disease-ridden communities, with no government to help them. You get the picture."

Marshall students can become involved as well. Bailey said shipping is expensive and a major issue.

"Money is always a great way to help for that reason and the fact that many would rather give an object of some kind as a donation other than money," Bailey said.

The orphanage is affiliated with a church in Kenya, which is on the church compound, and is not funded by any organizations. The help they receive is from donations from others.

The biggest needs are funding for food, new bedding, a refrigerator and clothes.

"Many things are available not too far from the orphanage to purchase for the children if only the funds were there," Bailey said. "Marshall students could organize fundraisers on campus and in the local community to help get others involved in helping me reach the needs of these precious children. Every dollar counts."

Those interested in donating can contact Sarah Bailey at 304-638-6557 or Sd353201@gmail.com.

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Children play in Kenya.

COURTESY OF SARAH BAILEY

## Kristen Stewart moves on from 'Twilight' with a wary eye and few regrets

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ORLANDO, Fla. — It's been five years since Kristen Stewart was plucked from supporting player/ indie-film obscurity and thrust into the spotlight as the female face of the "Twilight" franchise. Five years ... and as of this month, five films will have passed, as Stewart grew from someone the New York Times labeled "a sylph with a watchful, sometimes wary gaze" into the 22-year-old named by Forbes as "the highest-paid actress in Hollywood" earning some \$34.5 million, according to estimates.

"Those are pretty formative years," the "Twilight" muse muses. "It is a little strange, if you think about it, growing up on camera like this. But I don't think about it."

She can't put her finger on how she's changed as an actress, either.

"If nothing else, I should have gotten better at picking up and putting down a lot of my inhibitions. It's all about being impulsive and doing things that move you. I think I dropped a lot of fears over the course of these films. But I picked a few up, too. And those new fears could be interesting to watch down the road. Or not interesting at all."

She is guarded, as someone who has gathered the shrieks of teen-fan approval, and the condemnations of teen fans upset when she was caught cheating on her "Twilight" co-star and off-camera beau, Robert Pattinson. The "characteristic hesitancy" that New York Daily News critic Elizabeth Weitzman noted in her acting is her off-camera persona as well.

But Stewart, who apologized to fans over her indiscretion and has apparently reunited with Pattinson, is letting it all roll off her back. The fan sniping, the critical spanking the "Twilight" movies have endured, being the most widely impersonated actress of her

generation, in horror spoofs on TV and in movies. (Then again, nobody impersonates Amanda Seyfried.)

Her goal, Stewart says, is to avoid becoming a self-conscious actress, to keep the spontaneity in her work.

It pays to remember how young she is, that she grew up in the movies, making a mark as a child actress in "Panic Room" with Jodie Foster when she was 12. Like many a child actress, school was by correspondence course and college hasn't figured in the equation. There's acting to be done, and if she stumbles for words, confusing "tactfully" and "tactile" for "tactically" when talking about planning her career, there's always time for college, like her role model, Jodie Foster, if and when the acting career cools off.

Stewart says she's loves being an actress for hire, "of fighting for a part, convincing someone that you've got something they need." But now, being rich and famous with proven box office clout, she's having to give up some of that freedom by taking control.

"It's strange to have the roles reversed, where I can be in control of what I get to make. One thing that I love about the job is having NO control." But expect her to initiate her own pet projects in the very near future.

She says she didn't realize the extent that "Twilight" would shake up her life, not even after landing the role of Bella.

"There was no expectation that we would even get to finish the whole series when we did the first 'Twilight,'" she says. "On the set, it felt like we were making another independent movie." She and the rest of the cast had decided to be "religiously faithful to the novels," not knowing how that might look and sound on the screen.

Then the cast made its famous pre-release 2008 appearance at San Diego's Comic-Con fan convention,



ANDREW COOPER/SUMMIT ENTERTAINMENT/MCT  
Actress Kristen Stewart is shown during a scene in the Summit Entertainment movie, "The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn-Part 2."

"and we were hit by this wave of energy, that was really baffling ... It was a totally contagious experience, feeding on itself. That hall, jammed with 6,000 people, reacting that way, made me think 'This is NOT normal.'"

Five years later, it still isn't. Stewart says she's "relieved" that the five-film series is finally over. "If I say I'm excited the experience is complete, it's only because I don't have that responsibility weighing on me anymore. A typical movie, you've got a five-week or even five-month commitment. This was five years. I'm going to miss that 'I wonder how the wedding will look,' or 'I wonder what I'll have to do in the birth scene.' Hopefully,

I will find that feeling in other projects."

Part of that feeling, she says, is the "tone, the vibe" of "Twilight." The films changed directors and changed locations, but even just gathering for interviews with the press in a hotel "gives it this 'Twilight' vibe — surreal."

But what will she not miss? "I will not miss having to be so ... perfect. I mean, these vampires are just so ... perfect. I won't miss the contact lenses, and I don't think anybody in the cast would disagree with me there. And the face paint! To look like marble, we just caked this stuff on. I'm not sure that panned out, and I am more than happy to leave that behind."

## Joss Whedon's 'Firefly' gets tribute with 'Browncoats Unite'

By DIANE WERTS  
NEWSDAY (MCT)

REASON TO WATCH: Bask in the love and the lore of a dead show with an enduring soul.

WHAT IT'S ABOUT: How weird is it that Sunday night brings both the 200th episode of "Family Guy" and the 10th-anniversary cast reunion of "Firefly"? Fox canceled both shows, too soon, in 2002, "Family Guy" after three years of shuffled runs totaling 50 episodes; "Firefly" after a single half-season, grossly underestimating their appeal, their creators and the fidelity of their fans.

After seeing Seth MacFarlane's animated "Family" lampoon soar in DVD and cable repeats, the network in 2005 revived the pop-culture fusillade that has since dominated Fox Sunday nights. "Firefly" creator Joss Whedon also managed to resurrect his space Western, in 2005's big-screen return "Serenity" and in a lasting afterlife for TV's scant sci-tech channel.

You go where the audience is, when they just won't go away. This hour of warmth even puts those fervent fans on-screen, in a concluding segment from the show's jam-packed panel at this summer's Comic-Con. Better yet, "Browncoats Unite" leads up to that with a backstage roundtable reunion of recall

and ribbing among star Nathan Fillion and supporting players Adam Baldwin, Summer Glau, Sean Maher and Alan Tudyk, plus producer Tim Minear and writer Jose Molina. That's intercut with separate comments from cast members Gina Torres, Morena Baccarin and Jewel Staite (only Ron Glass is MIA), and with key clips illustrating the show's appeal.

MY SAY: Not familiar with "Firefly"? Watching Sunday night's "Browncoats Unite" tribute hour certainly delivers the gist of Whedon's space-Western concept, a ragtag 26th century crew of outcasts and their itinerant search for sustenance, in body and spirit, engagingly punctuated by adventure, relationships and, this being Whedon, wit.

Problem is, this sharp salute will only whet your appetite to consume the episodes that, oops, aired beforehand. So you might want to DVR Sunday's "Firefly" marathon to flesh out the fun.

Hard-core Browncoats (as the show's most fervent fans are known) may complain the roundtable fails to include the sainted Whedon. But his presence tends to dominate whatever he takes part in, sometimes wandering off into verbal curlicues. "Browncoats Unite" keeps the focus on the work itself. And that's what keeps "Firefly" afloat.

BOTTOM LINE: "A few idiots" triumph.

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