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SAND event to benefit nutritional awareness

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The Marshall University Student Association of Nutrition and Dietetics members celebrate National Nutrition Month with a nutrition extravaganza 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Don Morris Room of the Memorial Student Center.

During the event SAND will also collect canned food donations for the new Marshall University Food Pantry. "Since the MU Food Pantry just opened we thought this event would be a great way to kick off a food drive for the pantry," Christina Gayheart, SAND Vice President, said. "We are working in collaboration with the student ambassadors to set up campus wide collection."

There will be a donation based bake sale and a food drive for the pantry.

There will also be food art, consisting of fruits and vegetables dipped in MyPlate colors on drop cloths along with free hot chocolate and apple cider.

WMUL-FM will provide music. A nutrition information station will be set up providing handouts, and there will be a few workout sessions happening throughout the event.

Gayheart said students can learn more about the food pantry while having fun participating in the extravaganza's activities.

"All students should come out and support fellow students that will be using the food pantry as well as learn a little more about nutrition," Gayheart said. "This will be a fun-filled event. We want all students to swing by and partake in one or all of the activities that will be happening that day."



COURTESY OF KARLYN TIMKO

Snowmen stay frosty in the cold air outside the John Deaver Drinko Library (left) and Old Main (above right) while crews begin working to clear the F parking lot behind the Arthur Weisberg Family Applied Engineering Complex Monday.

DO YOU WANT TO BUILD A SNOWMAN?



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University calls off Monday classes for a college snow day

By MALAK KHADER THE PARTHENON

A two-hour delay was issued late Sunday night due to extreme weather conditions. The following morning, Marshall University issued a complete cancellation across all campuses and centers.

Marshall University's Chief of Staff, Matthew Turner said a lot of thought goes into closing the university and a lot of people are taken into consideration. The decision is not made by one or two people, but by a committee that

goes out and looks at a number of factors.

"Student safety is the first priority," Turner said. "People come from all different areas and we have a team of people who actually go and evaluate road conditions, look at the forecast, talk with public safety, look at the Division of Highway's reports and the National Weather Service."

Turner also said commuters often wonder and think that perhaps Marshall does not consider them, but it does. However, Marshall still has to

uphold its promise to students.

"We also have to consider night classes," Turner said. "One missed class is a whole week of class and it dramatically affects coursework towards completion of a degree. We would never ask a student to sacrifice their safety to get to class, but what they do have to do is contact their professors and if they have any problems, they can always contact student affairs."

Students said they were relieved that Marshall took the

initiative to cancel classes. Senior social work major from Charleston, Julitha Braggs, said that even though she lives on campus, she is really glad that Marshall canceled for the sake of commuters.

"You know the weather is really bad when you have trouble just walking in the snow," Braggs said. "I can't imagine what driving in it would be like. I'd be terrified to even attempt to do it."

Senior finance major from Jamaica, Josef Johnson shares Braggs' views.

"I'm definitely not used to this kind of temperature," Johnson said. "I mean, I've lived here long enough to experience the snow and cold weather but not to this degree. This is very new to me."

Johnson said this is the first time they have seen Marshall close down the entire campuses in the four years that he has attended the university.

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WMUL-FM show broadcasts to a statewide audience

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High school basketball fans in West Virginia have a new way to connect with High School Basketball Night in West Virginia, a radio show about high school basketball featuring score updates, interviews and analysis of the most recent games.

The program originates from the WMUL-FM 88.1 studio and has been made available to radio stations throughout the state of West Virginia. The program is hosted by Ryan Epling, Ric Morrone, James Collier and Rudi Raynes.

The project has been a collaborative effort and Morrone said the show has filled a niche.

"There was really nothing like this for basketball fans," Morrone said. "We do all the scores for the games, not just

from Friday night but throughout the week. We take callers. It's a caller-driven show."

As high school basketball coach for more than 20 years, Morrone said a lot of different people have come together from many different places to work on this project, including current and former Marshall students.

"There have been a lot of fun moments," Morrone said. "Anytime you are in a cooperative project, you have to get along with the people you work with and you enjoy creating something."

The Fast Break Sports Network's High School Basketball Night in West Virginia is aired from 9 p.m. to midnight every Friday throughout the high school basketball season.

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Thundering Herd set to dance for cancer research

By **FRANCES LAZELL**
THE PARTHENON

In the spirit of raising money for pediatric cancer research, Dr. Scott Studeny, Joan C. Edwards School of Medicine graduate and pediatric resident from Huntington, is spear-heading an initiative to start a Thunder Dance Marathon at Marshall University.

Studeny said his goal is to have a 24-hour event at Marshall, similar to the University of Kentucky's DanceBlue and Penn State's THON.

This year, DanceBLUE

raised \$1,436,606, and THON raised \$13,343,517.

"Right now, we are looking for students to be on this committee," Studeny said. "My plan is for this to be a student run committee with undergraduates and graduates."

Studeny attended his undergraduate at the University of Kentucky. He said his participation in DanceBLUE spurred him to start a similar event at Marshall.

Brooke Stull, junior international business major from Bellair, Ohio, said knowing

people who participated in DanceBlue and THON and seeing information about the events on social media encouraged her to get involved in the planning of Thunder Dance.

"I saw how involved my friends got with it," Stull said. "We talked a lot about how it worked and then a week later they sent me the Twitter link for Thunder Dance."

Studeny said the proceeds will be distributed three different ways—aiding families of kids with chronic disorders

with money for non-medical costs such as travel, the betterment of the Hoops Family Children's Hospital at Cabell Huntington Hospital to make it more kid-friendly and pediatric cancer research.

"In this region, we see a lot of kids who have debilitating and chronic issues," Studeny said. "They are in the hospital all the time and we know their families very well."

Studeny said Marshall and the Hoops Family Hospital administrators he has contacted have been open to the idea and

encouraging.

The Thunder Dance Marathon benefits to Marshall and the surrounding community.

"It would definitely bring more positive attention to Marshall and would be a good unifying event for the student body," Stull said. "Plus the community has to get involved for sponsorships and things like that. Not to mention the fact that it raises money for a children's hospital, which is enough in itself."

Studeny said the tentative

date for Thunder Dance Marathon is spring 2015 or spring 2016.

"It was harder to start than I expected," Studeny said. "I want it to be a spring event that way we can give the teams all year to fund-raise for it."

Teams who sign up for Thunder Dance will be required to pay a dancer participation fee in order to participate.

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APPLE UPDATE

Apple drives into car stereos with CarPlay integration of Siri, iPhone

By **JEREMY C. OWENS**
SAN JOSE MERCURY NEWS (MCT)

Apple announced Monday that select car manufacturers will soon begin offering CarPlay, the tech giant's attempt to fully integrate the iPhone and its Siri voice-activation system into the dashboard of users' automobiles.

While many new cars and aftermarket stereos include Bluetooth capability that can connect to drivers' smartphones and pipe calls, music or map directions through the car speakers, CarPlay is a more integrated experience that more closely resembles Apple's iOS mobile operating systems and makes access to Siri automatic in a similar fashion to how users cue the female voice on their iPhones.

"CarPlay has been designed from the ground up to provide drivers with an incredible experience using their iPhone in the car," Apple marketing executive Greg Joswiak said in Monday's announcement. "iPhone users always want their content at their fingertips and CarPlay lets drivers use their iPhone in the car with minimized distraction."

CarPlay will roll out this week in cars from Ferrari, Mercedes-Benz and Volvo, Apple said, and 13 other car manufacturers expect to feature the technology in the future, including Ford,

GM, Honda and Toyota. Silicon Valley's only automobile manufacturer, Tesla Motors, was not included in Monday's list of partner companies, despite recent reports of communication between the two companies.

CarPlay, originally announced at Apple's 2013 WWDC event in San Francisco as iOS in the Car, will be offered in select 2014 automobile models and will work with the iPhone 5 and newer models.

Drivers will be able to access several features through CarPlay, with notifications vocalized through Siri and drivers able to respond with voice commands. Apple's will highlight its own offerings in CarPlay instead of third-party applications; for instance, Apple's mapping application will be highlighted on the dashboard, but Google Maps will not be accessible.

Google, which recently announced its own similar initiative for the Android mobile operating system dubbed the Open Automotive Alliance, declined a request for comment Monday.

Apple will feature its iTunes Radio streaming-music platform in addition to offering integration with Spotify and iHeartRadio; noticeably absent from that list is Pandora, the Oakland streaming-radio

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Apple apparently turns to Tumblr to advertise iPhone 5c

By **SALVADOR RODRIGUEZ**
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

In what may be the first social media marketing campaign by Apple, the Cupertino, Calif., tech company appears to have turned to Tumblr to advertise the iPhone 5c.

A recently launched Tumblr blog called *isee5c* features five 15-second video clips that each advertises a different color version of the iPhone 5c, Apple's \$99 smartphone.

Apple hasn't officially taken credit for the colorful Tumblr page, but *isee5c* is stylized in a way that falls in line with the company's usual marketing design. And there's other evidence to indicate Apple is behind the Tumblr page, as outlined by 9to5Mac.

Users on Twitter are reporting that they are seeing the iPhone 5c videos on their Tumblr dashboards as sponsored posts, meaning that whoever is behind the *isee5c* account is paying Tumblr to advertise the page.

The *isee5c* page also includes a teaser at the bottom of the page that simply says "Coming soon."

Many believe this may be Apple's first stab at social media marketing.

While most tech companies are active on various social networks, Apple has generally steered clear of keeping a social media presence. It has no Facebook page, and the @apple Twitter account has never posted a tweet.

Apple could not be reached for comment.

Sanctions against Russia likely, but they're no easy task



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ABOVE: An anti-Russian demonstration in central Simferopol in Crimea, Ukraine, Sunday.

RIGHT: Russian soldiers stand guard next to a Ukrainian military base in the town of Bakhchisarai in the Crimea.

By **KEVIN G. HALL**
MCCLATCHY WASHINGTON BUREAU (MCT)

As Russia tightened its grip Monday on the Crimean peninsula, the Obama administration scrambled to find meaningful ways to sanction a nation that does relatively little U.S. business and exports primarily energy products that allies in Europe badly need.

The first step, a likely boycott of an international summit in Sochi, Russia, in June, is largely a public relations slap. The administration has stronger tools at its disposal, including going after Russian banks or Russian exports of natural gas. Experts think the most likely scenario is the combination of an international aid package to shore up the fledgling Ukrainian interim government and targeted sanctions on key allies of Russian leader Vladimir Putin to make it harder for them to access European bank accounts.

"Over time, this will be a costly proposition for Russia," President Barack Obama said during a photo-op Monday, hinting at coming sanctions. He called on Congress to make an aid package for the Ukrainian people a "first order of business."

In a sign of the potential economic costs for Russia, the Russian ruble lost 2 percent of its value against the dollar Monday. The nation's

stock market fell by 12 percent, and the central bank burned through billions in foreign reserves to prevent a steeper slide of the currency and raised its key lending rate by a steep 1.5 percentage points to entice investors to keep purchasing Russian bonds.

Sharing little information, State Department spokeswoman Jen Psaki on Monday described efforts as "farther along" in preparing a sanctions package, suggesting it was inevitable unless Moscow reverses course and withdraws immediately from Ukraine.

"It's likely that we will put those in place, and we're preparing that right now," Psaki said in a call with reporters, adding that European counterparts were being briefed a day before Secretary of State John Kerry was scheduled to arrive in the Ukrainian city of Kiev to show solidarity with the embattled government.

Trade between the United States and Russia is inconsequential: Russia isn't among the top two dozen export markets for U.S. products or among the top 12 nations from which the United States imports.

But Russia was the world's largest oil producer and second-largest oil exporter last year. Its oil and natural gas exports go chiefly to its immediate neighbors and to the

European Union. The most obvious, yet difficult, target to hit in Russia is the massive energy sector.

To be effective, any sanctions on Russian oil and natural gas must be matched by similar action from the European Union.

"If the EU stops buying (natural) gas from Russia, that's \$100 billion that can't be exported elsewhere," said Anders Aslund, a Russia expert for the Peterson Institute for International Economics, adding that "the big thing is to hit Russia's finances."

But there's a rub. The EU needs Russian energy resources, and there aren't any quick options for replacing supplies of natural gas. Sanctioning Russia could raise the prices of resources, giving Russia a windfall even as its volumes drop. Additionally, the EU is just crawling back from a deep recession, and significantly raising energy prices would surely stifle recovery efforts.

"I don't think anyone would seriously talk about imposing (a ban on the) sale of oil and gas," said Cory Welt, a research professor and Russia expert at George Washington University's Elliott School.

There are other ways to hit at Russia's powerful energy sector and put pressure on

Putin. The Treasury Department, which had no comment Monday, could try to target the assets of individuals tied to Putin, perhaps even those at state-controlled banks and energy companies.

Russia has three large politically connected energy companies: Gazprom, Lukoil and OAO Rosneft. Rosneft inked a deal with Exxon Mobil in August 2011 that gave it access to deepwater drilling in the Gulf of Mexico in exchange for Exxon Mobil investing \$2.2 billion toward Arctic drilling in the Kara Sea.

Hitting Rosneft risks a blowback on U.S. energy companies that operate in Russia.

"It's not our practice to comment on speculation or private discussions," said Alan Jeffers, an Exxon Mobil spokesman.

One major oil company, ConocoPhillips, sold back its 20 percent stake in Lukoil in August 2012.

Experts think the administration is likely to target rich political allies of Putin, limiting their access to the global financial system. Many park their money in European banks, especially in Cyprus. That was evident last year, when a planned government seizure of bank deposits prompted an outcry from Putin on the behalf of Russians with billions in Cyprus banks.

SPORTS

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Women's lacrosse ready for new start



By GABI WARWICK
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University women's lacrosse team is preparing to start its 2014 season after a tough first season last year, only managing to capture one win.

Anna Maria Firth, a senior from Huntington and second year member of the team, said the team can only improve.

"Last year, a lot of people were new to the sport," Firth said. "We hadn't really been on a team during our college experience. That meant that when we could actually work together, it was amazing."

Although the team has been preparing as much as they can, the weather has not been on their side this season. The team has not had a chance to play on a field yet, which could potentially handicap them during games.

Firth said this has made the season difficult because they have not had the chance for any real practice yet.

"You can scrimmage all you want," Firth said. "But until you're actually playing against an opposing team, training won't fully piece together."

Shanna Saunders, the first year coach of the team, said not having field time is the hardest part of the game.

"You have one or two drills focusing on different skills at practice," Saunders said, "but none of it is actually going to piece together until you're on a field or in a real game situation."

Despite her worries, Saunders also said this will be a big year for them.

"I know we have a lot of talent and ability," Saunders said. "That may seem surprising, coming from a second year team. But even if we lose, as long as it's a hard loss, we're learning and improving."

Since the women's lacrosse was formed last year, they only have first and second year players. Allie

Talbot, a junior from Baltimore, Md., and the team's president, said playing at Marshall is special for that reason.

"It's fun to be here because we started this," Talbot said. "It's the second year, and we're trying to make it a big sport."

The first game this season will be against Xavier University, a team Marshall beat last year by forfeit. Talbot said this will make Marshall work harder this year.

"They're going to think that we're going to be just like last year," Talbot said. "They'll probably think of this like a warm-up game. I want us to go in there and prove them wrong."

The game will be an Autism Awareness game, and is set for 2 p.m. March 22 at Xavier.

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Herd sixth at Davidson Invitational

HERDZONE.COM

Following Day 1 of competition at the Davidson College Invitational, the Thundering Herd men's golf team stands at 6th place out of a 14-team field at River Run Country Club in Davidson, N.C.

"The weather was as bad as I have seen it for a college golf tournament," coach Matt Grobe said. "By the end of the round most of the players were having problems feeling the club in their hands. It was raining and sleeting and by the end it was snowing. I was very happy with how the guys hung in throughout the round."

As a group, Marshall put up a 26-over-par 314 in the opening round, 21 strokes behind No. 48 Tennessee (Golfstat.com), which leads the pack at 5-over 293. Next in line is No. 24 Kent State, sitting in second at 16-over 304.

Topping the Herd's performance for the day was senior Brian Anania, who shot a 2-over 74 to tie with three other golfers for fourth place on the leaderboard.

"Brian had a great round and made a great birdie on his 18th hole when the conditions were the worst to post a solid 74," Grobe said.

Clark Robinson also finished in the Top-15, tying for 13th with a 4-over 76. Competing as an individual, Tas Sipowski tied for 44th with an 11-over 83.

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Pistorius neighbor recounts hearing 'bloodcurdling screams'

By ROBYN DIXON
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

The murder trial of South African Olympic athlete Oscar Pistorius began dramatically in Pretoria's High Court on Monday, with a neighbor testifying that she heard "bloodcurdling screams" on the night his girlfriend was killed.

Michelle Burger, who lives close to Pistorius, told the court that she was awakened by the sound of a woman screaming in the early hours of Valentine's Day morning last year. She said that she sat up in bed and that her husband woke up and went out onto their balcony to listen.

"It was a very traumatic thing. We could hear very close, bloodcurdling screams," she told the court. "I thought it was a house-breaking."

Pistorius, who in 2012 won acclaim for becoming the first amputee athlete to compete in the Olympics, pleaded not guilty to the murder of his girlfriend, Reeva Steenkamp, as family members sat behind him in court Monday.

Further along the same court bench, members of Steenkamp's family, including her mother, June Steenkamp, were seated. They looked grim as Pistorius walked into the court, passing in front of them before taking his seat.

"Whatever the court decides at the end of his trial, I will be ready to forgive him," June Steenkamp, 67, was quoted as saying by the Pretoria News newspaper. "But first I want to force him to look at me, Reeva's mother, and see the pain and anguish he has inflicted on me. I feel I need that."

As he sat, Pistorius, a double amputee who used carbon-fiber blades to run in the London Olympics, drank from a water bottle, his hand trembling visibly. At one point before the trial began, he scribbled copious notes on a pad of paper.

South Africa does not have a jury system, and the trial is being heard by Judge Thokozile Masipa.

Pistorius admits that he fatally shot Steenkamp through a toilet door at his apartment, but he claims he believed she was an intruder.

Burger testified that when she heard the screams, she assumed that intruders were

attacking a couple. She said she heard a woman scream for help, and a man's voice also call for help.

She said she told her husband to phone the apartment complex's security guards to report the incident. Shortly afterward, the woman's screams grew louder, she said.

"She was very scared. The screams were at a climax," Burger testified.

She said she then heard four gunshots. "Bang ... bang-bang ... bang," she said, describing a pause between the first shot, followed by two shots close together, then a small pause followed by a fourth shot.

She said her husband called her at work the next day to tell her about news reports that Pistorius had killed his girlfriend and had mistaken her for a burglar.

"I told my husband it could not be, because that was not what we heard," she said. Burger said she did not know Pistorius and had never seen him before Monday's court hearing.

In cross-examination, defense attorney Barry Roux suggested that the shots were fired while Burger was still asleep and the bangs she described were the sounds of Pistorius bashing down the toilet door with a cricket bat after shooting Steenkamp.

Burger replied: "I've got no doubt I heard gun shots. I did not hear a cricket bat hitting a door."

Pistorius' opening statement to the court, read by another defense lawyer, Ken Oldwage, spelled out his case that the killing was a terrible accident. He accused the prosecution of character assassination and relying on inadmissible evidence.

Oldwage said Pistorius woke up in the middle of the night, went to his balcony to get two fans and walked back into the darkened bedroom. The lawyer said Pistorius had spoken to Steenkamp shortly before this and did not realize that she had left the room and gone to the toilet.

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Brent Grimes signs cap-friendly, 4-year deal to remain with Dolphins

By OMAR KELLY
SUN SENTINEL (MCT)

Brent Grimes and his family were so certain South Florida was their permanent home they bought a house more than a month before the cornerback put ink to his new deal with the Miami Dolphins on Monday.

The four-year, \$32 million contract, which features \$16 million in guaranteed money, just means Grimes will continue to work where the family plans to live long-term.

Signing Grimes, a two-time Pro Bowl selection, to a multi-year deal was new Dolphins general manager Dennis Hickey's top priority when it came to retooling the roster. Getting a cap-friendly, multi-year commitment from Grimes provides the franchise roughly \$36 million to play with when free agent conversations begin on Saturday with prospects on other teams.

"I'm just happy. I'm really happy about this. This is where I wanted to be, and I'm glad it all worked out," said Grimes, who was the only logical candidate for the franchise tag, which the Dolphins didn't use by Monday's deadline. "I didn't want to go to free agency but if that had to happen then that's what has to happen. But it didn't so I don't even want to think about that."

This is the first multi-year deal Grimes has received since joining the NFL as an undrafted player from



JIM RASSOL | SUN SENTINEL | MCT

Miami Dolphins Brent Grimes tackles New England Patriots' Julian Edelman in the second quarter at Sun Life Stadium in Miami Gardens, Fla., on Dec. 15, 2013. Miami won, 24-20.

Shippensburg University in 2006, and working his way up the ranks, which includes a stint in NFL Europe.

Grimes joined the Dolphins as a free agent last offseason after missing all but one of the Falcons' games in 2012 because of an Achilles tendon injury. Locking Grimes up stabilizes a secondary that presently possesses a ton of depth, considering Dimitri Patterson, Jimmy Wilson, and second-year cornerbacks Jamar Taylor and Will Davis are also on the Dolphins' roster.

"My exposure to Brent over the last few years has always been when I'm on the opposite sideline watching him intercept balls and hurt my team," said Hickey, who spent 18 years with the Buccaneers, who are in the same division as the Falcons, Grimes' former team. "I'm excited to have him on my team now ... as I evaluated our roster, he always jumped out."

Grimes' signing means the Dolphins now have eight starters from 2013 - Randy Starks, Paul Soliai, Richie Incognito,

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OPINION

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EDITORIAL

We will all remember the 2014 Oscars

As with any awards ceremony, the 2014 Academy Awards left its 43 million viewers (a 10-year high according to Variety) with memorable moments. From Ellen DeGeneres's simplistically natural comedy and surprise pizza delivery to a Twitter-breaking selfie and a Jennifer Lawrence face plant early on the red carpet, the Oscars had its typical award show moments. But unlike most ceremonies that evaporate from our minds after the media hype dies down, this year's show will resonate with those who watched and with those who did not.

The battle for Best Picture was tight down to the last moments of the show. By the time Will Smith announced "And the Oscar goes to..." and opened the envelope, the competition was between

"Gravity" and "12 Years a Slave." "Gravity" had already won seven awards, including director and a slew of technical awards. However, the Steve McQueen directed historical drama "12 Years a Slave" took home the night's biggest honor.

Triumph over Alfonso Cuarón's out-of-this-world thriller was the Academy's way of showing Hollywood and the rest of the world just how influential "12 Years a Slave" will be as well as emphasizing the importance of a story. Already recommended by the National School Boards Association to be featured in public school curriculum, the film highlights a shameful yet undeniable period in American history that pushes us "to dream big of a better and brighter future," talkshow host Montel Williams said in a statement.

"Gravity," though visually and technically phenomenal, lacks the societal relevance of an important film like "12 Years a Slave." Cuarón's direction combined with a powerful performance by best actress nominee Sandra Bullock is fantastical and sensational, making the film incredibly successful at the box office (grossing more than \$700 million worldwide) but not as powerful as the journey of a free man sold into slavery.

The rise of "12 Years a Slave" to success with the Academy, not to mention best supporting actress winner Lupita Nyong'o's Cinderella story and inspirational acceptance speech, will make the 2014 Academy Awards memorable as it leaves us with a message, not just a great movie.

Online Polls

You Can Be HERD

Do you think the university should reevaluate its school closing policy?

Yes, it's difficult for commuters. No, the current policy is fine. I wouldn't come to class anyway.

Which film will win the Academy Award for Best Picture?

"12 Years A Slave"	56%
"Gravity"	26%
"American Hustle"	19%

Voice your opinion. It is your right. Answer our poll at www.marshallparthenon.com or tweet us your answer at @MUParthenon.

COLUMN

We should support Senate Bill 6

By **TOMMY D. G. FERRELL**
COLUMNIST

One of the biggest debates that has captured this year's regular 60-day session of the West Virginia Legislature, set to expire at midnight Saturday, has come with Senate Bill 6. The bill would require a prescription to get drugs containing key ingredients in making meth. Given our state's serious drug problem, I support the bill, and I encourage all West Virginians here at Marshall University to contact their members of the House of Delegates to voice their support, too. For that, this week's column is more of a public letter; I sent the letter below to Del. Justin Marcum (D—Mingo, 20), who is my delegate, Monday.

Have a great week, and remember to contact your delegate!

Delegate Marcum:

I write regarding the article in the March 2, 2014, Sunday Gazette-Mail titled "former Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour urges West Virginia lawmakers to pass meth lab bill," particularly in response to the portion of the article quoting you. As one of your constituents in the 20th District, I strongly urge you to reconsider your position on Senate Bill 6, regulating the sale of drug products used in the manufacturing of methamphetamine.

First, I ask that you consider what actual penalty this legislation may have on the "thousands of West Virginians" you cite in that article. What penalty will be placed upon us? While it may be inconvenient to have to take time off from work or classes to visit the doctor in order to get Sudafed while one has a cold, this inconvenience is not a situational mandate. This expressly alleged penalty is built upon an erroneous assumption that West Virginians will have to flock to physicians' offices by the dozen in order to get cold medicine; such is erroneous because it implies that, 1. There are no other options for treating common cold symptoms, and 2. All West Virginians are Sudafed or Claritin-D users. I can

assure you that, after 20 years of life and my fair share of colds therein, I have never used either of those products. I am sure that I am not alone.

Second, the Sunday Gazette-Mail article reads that you have "suggested the state fight the meth problem by distributing more money to drug treatment programs and law enforcement agencies." For the sake of common ground, please know that I agree with you. Drug treatment programs are essential in mitigating our area's drug problem. But so is the prevention of the actual meth labs. The programs you and I would love to see would be great for eliminating this problem within those among us who are already using illegal drugs; however, the cost of such programs will grow uncontrollably if we cannot prevent addiction from starting, a goal those programs obviously cannot reach. The components of Senate Bill 6 would prevent meth labs from happening, by strongly cutting the potential supply of necessary ingredients. Former Mississippi Governor Haley Barbour, as noted in the article, saw a 98 percent reduction in the number of meth labs when his state passed a similar bill. I would expect the same for us.

To concur with what you told the Sunday Gazette-Mail, this is not the answer. But it is an answer, and it is a strong step toward eliminating the epidemic of meth labs and drug abuse, generally, in the State of West Virginia and our beloved Mingo County, where the drug problem, as you know in your job as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, is grave. The number of meth labs in the state nearly doubled last year, and we see no sign that the trend will stop soon. Governor Barbour called his state's bill perhaps "the most significant drug enforcement legislation in the history of Mississippi." With the opportunity to support legislation of such import here in the Mountain State, I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of Senate Bill 6.

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MCT CAMPUS

NATIONAL EDITORIAL

Frozen out of justice by the Supreme Court

LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

In America you're innocent until proven guilty. But the federal government can seize your assets before trial and prevent you from using them to hire the lawyer of your choice, even though the right to counsel is protected by the Sixth Amendment. That's an injustice, and it was compounded last week by the Supreme Court.

In 2007, Kerri Kaley, a sales representative for a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson, and her husband, Brian, were indicted on charges that they had participated in a scheme to resell medical devices allegedly stolen from hospitals; they maintained that the hospitals no longer had any use for the devices.

The couple wanted to pay a private lawyer using personal funds, including a certificate of deposit they had purchased using a home-equity line of credit. But a court froze many of their assets on the theory that they were related to the couple's supposed wrongdoing. The issue before

the Supreme Court was whether a judge should have taken a second look at the indictment, with an eye toward releasing the couple's assets if the evidence that they had committed a crime was questionable.

By a 6-3 vote, the justices said no. Writing for the majority, Justice Elena Kagan concluded that allowing a judge to decide whether there was probable cause would usurp the traditional role of the grand jury and result in a redundant "pretrial mini-trial (or maybe a pretrial not-so-mini-trial)." Besides, she said, the court settled this question in 1989 when it ruled that a defendant's assets could be frozen even when he wanted to use them to pay legal fees. But that earlier, and objectionable, decision didn't require the result reached by the court in the Kaleys' case. As Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. pointed out in a powerful dissent, when it comes to forfeiture of assets, grand jury indictments aren't as final as Kagan suggested.

For example, judges can hold hearings

after an indictment to determine whether assets seized by the government are traceable to the alleged crime. If that sort of second-guessing is permissible, why can't a judge review the grand jury's finding of probable cause — at least in the context of deciding whether a defendant may use his own money to pay for a lawyer? That would still leave the decision of guilt or innocence to a jury.

Roberts also had an eloquent answer to Kagan's argument that allowing a judge to review an indictment in these circumstances would "undermine the criminal justice system's integrity." He countered that "few things could do more to undermine the criminal justice system's integrity than to allow the government to initiate a prosecution and then, at its option, disarm its presumptively innocent opponent by depriving him of his counsel of choice — without even an opportunity to be heard." The Kaleys, and the Constitution, deserved better.

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Ellen's Oscars

Between selfies, pizza and costume changes, Ellen DeGeneres helps the Oscars get its biggest audience



ABOVE: Ellen DeGeneres has pizza delivered during the 86th annual Academy Awards Sunday at the Dolby Theatre at Hollywood & Highland Center in Los Angeles.

RIGHT: Ellen DeGeneres on stage during the 86th annual Academy Awards Sunday at the Dolby Theatre at Hollywood & Highland Center in Los Angeles.

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Lingering by the linens? Your favorite store may be tracking you

By LINDSAY WISE
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Signals emitted by your smartphone leave a digital trail that retailers can follow to find out how long you lingered in front of a sales rack or languished in a checkout line.

A growing number of mobile analytics companies use the Bluetooth- or Wi-Fi beacons broadcast by smartphones to help retailers monitor customers' movements in shopping centers, casinos, restaurants, hotels and airports.

One such company, iinside of Yorba Linda, Calif., boasts on its website that its sensors can pinpoint a customer's location within a single meter of floor space.

On a larger scale, mobile carriers such as Sprint, AT&T and Verizon also use location data gleaned from cell towers to send ads for nearby businesses to customers' phones, for example, or to prepare marketing reports on how many subscribers visit a city's football stadium — and what kinds of applications they use during the game.

Proponents of the technology say the data gathered helps brick-and-mortar retailers

compete with online rivals by personalizing and streamlining the customer experience. But consumer advocates warn that the mobile tracking trend underscores the need for stronger privacy laws. Federal regulators are taking a closer look at the practice.

"Our understanding is that in many cases this is basically invisible to consumers, so we want to look at whether retailers or the companies they're using are notifying customers of what's going on," said Amanda Koulousias, a staff attorney with the Federal Trade Commission, which recently hosted a seminar on mobile tracking in Washington.

Businesses that collect and sell mobile location data are eager to demonstrate that they're capable of self-regulation. In a move timed to coincide with the FTC's seminar, the Future of Privacy Forum, a research center in Washington, announced the creation of a website (www.smartstoreprivacy.org) that allows consumers to opt out of having their locations mapped by participating companies, including iinside, the California company.

The same group of companies signed a voluntary code

of conduct, agreeing to collect only "depersonalized" location information unless customers give consent, and to alert customers to the use of tracking technologies by promoting the use of data collection signs in stores.

"At the end of the day I think market forces prevail, and those retailers and other businesses that violate the trust of their consumers will be punished by the marketplace more than anything else," said Jim Riesenbach, the chief executive officer of iinside, who was a panelist at the FTC seminar.

Riesenbach pointed out in an interview that surveillance in stores is nothing new, although mobile technology allows retailers to analyze customer behavior in greater detail than ever before.

"There have been camera systems in stores for many years, not only for surveillance standpoint but also from a traffic-counting standpoint," he said. "There's systems in stores that allow retailers to check how many people walk in the door and how many people walk out the door and things like that, and so what we're doing is taking that to a much more granular level."

Here's how it works: Riesenbach's company sets up sensors in clients' stores. The sensors pick up probes emitted about every 60 seconds from Wi-Fi-enabled smartphones, and continuously by Bluetooth-enabled smartphones. The probes include a 12-digit code, known as a MAC address, which is unique to each phone.

Using a scrambled version of the MAC address, the sensors can monitor how long a customer waited for a cash register, which aisles the customer browsed and how many times that customer returned to a store or visited different stores in the same chain.

The data compiled don't include personally identifiable information such as users' names or addresses. In that sense, proponents say, it's similar to a real-time traffic map that shows cars identified by license plates or vehicle identification numbers but not by drivers.

More retailers are quietly testing the technology. The number of stores that installed iinside's sensors grew eightfold last year. Riesenbach declined to identify any of his company's clients, however.

Tracking while you shop

Mobile analytics companies use beacons broadcast by smartphones to help retailers monitor the movements of customers within a 3 ft. (1 m) area of floor space.

What you need to know

- 1 Shopper, with Bluetooth- or Wi-Fi-enabled smartphone, enters store
- 2 Sensors pick up phone's unique 12-digit code emitted by smartphone beacon
- 3 Sensors monitor how long customer waits for checkout, which aisle she browsed, number of times she visited store



Data collected does not include personally identifiable information

Source: McClatchy Washington Bureau
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What is a MAC address?

- 12-digit code unique to each smartphone and computer
- Media access control (MAC) address was originally designed to help devices create networks
- To opt out of tracking, turn off the Wi-Fi or Bluetooth on your phone

Finding your number

Android Select "settings" then "Wi-Fi"; press button in lower right corner and select "advanced"; MAC address is at bottom of list

iPhone Select "settings" then "general" then "about"; both Wi-Fi and Bluetooth MAC addresses are shown

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Tyson Clabo, Bryant McKinie, John Jerry, Chris Clemons and Nolan Carroll - expected to become unrestricted free agents on March 11, the official start of free agency.

The Dolphins have 40 roster spots to fill before training camp opens in July. Miami plans to rebuild the entire offensive line, and the possibility of any of last season's offensive line starters being re-signed is slim based on the unit's lackluster performance, and their role in the bullying scandal that side-swiped last year's 8-8 season.

Hickey also plans to upgrade the free safety spot, which makes Clemons' return unlikely. Miami hosted free agent safety Louis Delmas last week and will explore conversations with numerous free safety options in the coming days. The Dolphins also hosted former Browns inside linebacker D'Qwell Jackson on Monday evening.

Fortifying the defensive line

should also be a priority considering Starks and Soliai, the team's two starting defensive tackles, are both free agents. Re-signing at least one of these 30-year-olds, if not both, remains a priority.

Starks, a two-time Pro Bowl selection, is a better penetrator and pass rusher. But Soliai, a Pro Bowl selection in 2011, consistently occupies two blockers, and keeps a 3-4 scheme alive because of his history as a nose tackle.

"I have great faith in what our organization will do with getting the pieces and getting who they feel like we need so we can be a successful team," Grimes said.

"We are right there. We had a lot of close games. We ended up 8-8, which is not what we wanted to be, but all of our games were close. If we make a few more plays down the stretch, that 8-8 could have easily been 11-5, 10-6, 11-5, even 12-4. With that record, that's a playoff berth. Once you get into the playoffs - hey, anything can happen, as you see."

CARPLAY

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pioneer that has made strong efforts for automobile integration. Pandora has been able to withstand the competition from Apple's iTunes Radio since the service launched last fall, announcing a growing user base and listenership.

Apple's stock ended Monday's morning session at \$523.45, a 0.5 percent decline from Friday's closing price, as Wall Street indexes plunged on fears of Russia's intentions in Ukraine after soldiers entered the Crimean region late last week. Google declined 1.6 percent to \$1,196.33 while Pandora fell 0.9 percent to \$37.10.

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"I really feel like we played okay for our first competitive round of the spring and I am really looking forward to seeing how much we improve tomorrow," Grobe said.

The Herd will continue action in the final round, tomorrow, on holes No. 1 and 10 at approximately 10 a.m. at River Run Country Club. Live stats during will be available through GolfStat.com.

PISTORIUS

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He said the athlete heard the sound of the bathroom window sliding open and thought an intruder was getting into the residence, so

Pistorius took his gun and fired through the door in order to protect himself and his girlfriend.

"The allegation that I wanted to kill Reeva could not be further from the truth," Pistorius' statement said.

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What is the hardest thing that you've ever had to go through together?

"I would say marriage. It's hard. And raising kids that you hope will turn out, because you really don't know what you're doing while you're raising them. You just hope it's all going to be okay, and for us, it was." "I wouldn't have traded the 44 years for anything."

"Oh my god, I think I want to throw up."

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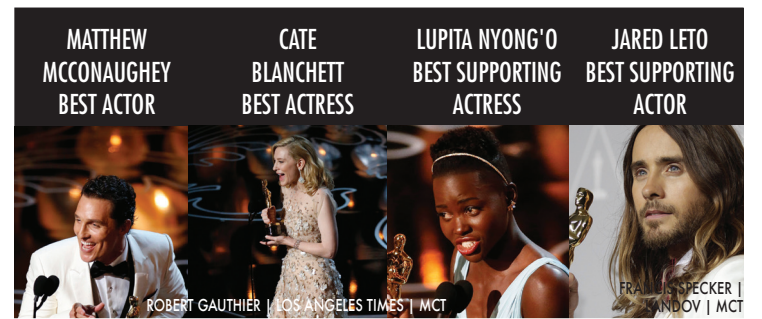
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Oscars 2014 draws biggest audience in 10 years

By RYAN FAUGHNDER
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Sunday night's Oscars ceremony, featuring host Ellen DeGeneres, got its biggest audience in 10 years.

The 86th Academy Awards, telecast on ABC, drew 43 million viewers on average, according to Nielsen, up about 6 percent from last year's show, hosted by Seth MacFarlane, which ended up with 40.4 million viewers.

The viewership record for the Oscars was set in 1998, when the gala drew 55.3 million people. That was the year the blockbuster "Titanic" won 11 Oscars, including the award for best picture.

This marks the third year in a row the awards gala's total audience has grown.

The broadcast was virtually flat with last year among advertiser-desired 18-to-49-year-olds.

The three-hour, 11-minute telecast notched a rating of 12.9 in the key 18-49 demographic, in which a ratings point equals about 1.3 million viewers. Last year's Oscars nabbed a rating of 13.

"Gravity" led the night with seven awards, including the prize for best director for Alfonso Cuarón, and "Dallas Buyers Club" scored three, including best supporting actor for Jared Leto and best actor for Matthew McConaughey. "12 Years a Slave" won the award for best picture.

DeGeneres' performance featured a much tweeted-about "selfie" photo taken with a cluster of stars, and at one point she brought in pizza for audience members. The comedian last hosted in 2007.

According to Nielsen's Social Guide, the telecast drew 11.2 million tweets from 2.8 users of the social media site