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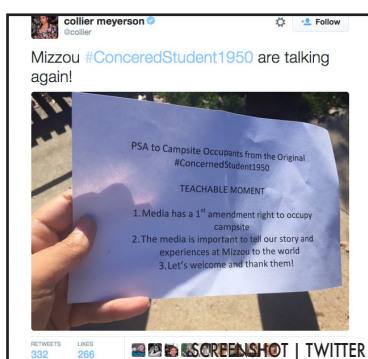
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# Panel discussion addresses prostitution in Huntington, weighs solutions, programs



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Panelist and nurse practitioner at Cabell-Huntington Health Department Heather Wood (center) answers a question from the audience Wednesday night during the discussion in the Memorial Student Center Room BE5. Woods spoke about the health department's new needle-exchange program, stating that several of the patients they have served through the program were prostitutes.

By **JOCELYN GIBSON**  
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

"Invisible Women: Unveiling Sex Work in Huntington" brought prostitution in Huntington to light during a panel discussion Wednesday night on campus.

Panelist Maggie Stone, a professor in the department of anthropology and sociology, opened the discussion with an overview of prostitution, explaining some of the lesser-known facts.

Stone said one of the goals of the panel was to debunk myths of prostitution. Stone then cited some facts that were likely contrary to what most people think of when they think of prostitution. Stone said the median age of entry into prostitution in the United States is 12 to 14 years old.

Other panelists included victim advocate at CONTACT Rape Crisis Center, Liz Deal, Judge Patricia Keller with the Cabell-Huntington WEAR Program, Sgt. Ernie Blackburn of the Huntington Police Department and nurse practitioner Heather Wood of Cabell Huntington Health Department.

The panelists each spoke on the issue of prostitution from their areas of expertise.

"Predators choose their victims on the basis of vulnerability and likeness of being reported," Deal

said. "That makes children, older people, sex workers and incapacitated adults targets."

Deal went on to explain how sex workers are further disadvantaged when it comes to reporting the crime because they have the fear of being charged for a crime themselves, not to mention less support and access to resources that other victims might have.

women performing sex work to support a drug addiction. Stone mentioned the problematic nature of combining drugs and sex work, stating that using drugs could lead to risky behavior and unsafe sex practices such as neglecting to use condoms or dental dams when working.

Keller, who works with those convicted of drug crimes including

Keller noted one of the ways students can get involved is by donating to the "drug court closet," which provides toiletries (including denture adhesive) and basic clothing items.

"Remember sex workers' rights are human rights," Stone said. "We can be proactive by including the people we are trying to help."

Necia Freeman represented her organization, Backpacks & Brown Bags, at the event, which provides hygiene bags to sex workers in the Huntington area. MU Women Connect collected donations for the organization that were presented to it at the panel.

"I love prostitutes and I am speaking on their behalf," Freeman said. "If the news is going to post a picture of the woman, her name and age, then the man's should be posted too."

The event was sponsored and organized by MU Women Connect. As part of an overarching theme, the group has focused on sex work for many of its events this semester.

Cosponsors of the event included College of Liberal Arts, department of anthropology and sociology and the Student Health Education Program.

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“Remember sex workers’ rights are human rights. We can be proactive by including the people we are trying to help.”

-Maggie Stone, professor of sociology

Stone and Blackburn both spoke on the connection between drugs and prostitution. Blackburn linked drugs to pimps in Huntington, saying he doesn't see many prostitutes working under pimps, just

some prostitutes, said about 60 percent of those who enter drug court actually finish the program and of those who graduate, the majority stay out of the legal system after graduating.

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## Santa Claus is coming to town

By **MACKENZI KYLE**  
THE PARTHENON

Santa Claus will be making his holiday arrival at the Huntington Mall at 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

The All Smiles Aboard Train will bring Santa Claus to the mall atrium, escorted by 15 children. The children were selected for the ride through a series of Facebook contests.

Before Santa arrives, children can participate in story time, presented by the Disney Store. Following the story hour, Huntington's Elite Performance Academy will welcome Santa Claus with a dance performance.

The arrival event will include snowman crafts for children to build and hot chocolate and Christmas cookies for guests.

Children will be able to deliver their Christmas letters to Santa and have their pictures taken with him for parents to purchase.

Santa Claus will be at "Caring Santa" Nov. 21, an event designed to cater to children with disabilities.

The event will be at a time when the mall is calmer and the music will be turned off to keep noise levels down. Children will be able to participate in sensory friendly activities to help keep them calm before they get to meet Santa Claus.

Children who participate in "Caring Santa" will get a free ride on the All Smiles Aboard Train. The event is open only to children with disabilities.

The Huntington Mall will allow pets for "Pet Photos With Santa" Nov. 22 from 9 a.m. until noon.

Pets must be kept on a leash or in a carrier and will only be permitted to be in the mall's center atrium.

Santa Claus will be available for pictures in the center atrium Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays from noon until 6 p.m., through the end of the holiday season.

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## Marshals jailed on murder charges

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Two law-enforcement officers jailed on murder charges for a 6-year-old autistic boy's fatal shooting in central Louisiana have been targets of previous complaints that they used excessive force or neglected their duties.

Residents have filed a string of civil lawsuits against Derrick Stafford, 32, and Norris Greenhouse Jr., 23, who have worked as police officers in Marksville but were moonlighting as city marshals when they allegedly opened fire on Chris Few and his son, Jeremy Mardis, inside a car on Nov. 3.

Few was severely wounded but survived the shooting that killed his son. A lawyer for Few told The Associated Press on Monday that a police body camera showed that the father was holding both of his hands up and didn't pose a threat when the officers began firing at least 18 bullets at the car.

A woman sued Stafford in 2012 over allegations that he shocked her with a stun gun while she was handcuffed. Another lawsuit accused Stafford of breaking a girl's arm while intervening in a fight on a school bus in 2012.

Stafford and Greenhouse also are defendants in a lawsuit filed by a man who claims officers used excessive force in arresting him at a 2014 festival. Another suit claims Greenhouse and Stafford "stood idly by and did nothing" when another officer assaulted a teenage boy at a Fourth of July celebration in 2013.

And last year, an Avoyelles Parish jury awarded \$50,000 to a man who claimed Stafford arrested him in retaliation for making a complaint about him.

In 2011, Stafford was indicted on a charge he raped a 15-year-old in 2004, when he was 21. The same indictment also charged him with raping another person in 2011. Both charges were ultimately dismissed, though court records don't indicate why. A spokesman for the local district attorney's office didn't return a call seeking comment.

Anthony Radosti, vice president of the Metropolitan Crime Commission in New Orleans, said excessive-force complaints should be a "red flag" for a police department to evaluate whether an officer needs to be disciplined or at least retrained.

"Even smaller departments should have an early-warning system," said Radosti, a retired

New Orleans police officer.

Stafford is a full-time lieutenant with the Marksville Police Department. Greenhouse is now a full-time city marshal. Both were on marshal duty on the night of last week's shooting. Initial reports suggested they were trying to serve Few with a warrant when he fled onto a dead-end road and then reversed his car in their direction.

But Col. Mike Edmonson, head of the Louisiana State Police, said there was no evidence of a warrant or any gun recovered at the scene.

An FBI spokesman says federal authorities are in "constant communication" with state investigators about last week's shooting. The State Police is leading the investigation, and the state attorney general's office is prosecuting the case.

Craig Betbeze, a spokesman for the FBI's New Orleans division, said in an email Tuesday that he can't elaborate on why the FBI and Justice Department's civil rights division have been communicating with the State Police about the case. Edmonson said the State Police routinely share case information with the FBI and will in this case, too.

On Tuesday, State Police investigators met with prosecutors from the state attorney general's office to discuss their investigation. It was the first meeting between the State Police and Attorney General James "Buddy" Caldwell's staff since his office took over the prosecution of the case against Stafford and Greenhouse.

Avoyelles Parish District Attorney Charles Riddle recused himself from the case Monday because one of his assistant prosecutors is Greenhouse's father.

Stafford and Greenhouse were ordered held on \$1 million bonds on second-degree murder and attempted second-degree murder charges.

"This was not a threatening situation for the police," Few's attorney, Mark Jeanson, said after he attended a closed-door hearing at the jail where Judge William Bennett issued the bond ruling Monday.

After the AP published Jeanson's comments, Bennett issued a sweeping gag order prohibiting anyone involved in the case, including potential witnesses and victims, from providing any information to the news media.

The officers were moved from the jail in Marksville to a lockup in the central Louisiana city of Alexandria after Monday's bond hearing.

## Native American Student Organization showing of 'Unseen Tears'

By **MALCOLM WALTON**  
SPORTS EDITOR

For its first event of Native American Heritage month, Marshall University Native American Student Organization will host a movie night Thursday at the John Deaver Drinko Library.

The movie, "Unseen Tears," which focuses on the experiences of Native American children in residential boarding schools, begins 4 p.m. in room 402.

Genenahgehneh Lee, president of Marshall's Native American Student Organization, said she felt the movie does a good job of detailing the tragic experiences many Indian children were forced to endure while attending the boarding schools.

"These schools started in the late 1800s," Lee said. "And, unfortunately, they didn't end until around 1975 in the U.S. and not until 1996 in Canada. That's really not long ago, at all."

Lee, whose first name means "Autumn" in English,

said many of the children who were forced to attend the schools were taken from their parents before the age of 5 and would not see them again until 18.

"In these schools, they were beaten, raped, just physically and mentally abused," Lee said. "They were also not allowed to speak their own language or practice their culture. They weren't even allowed to use the names that they were given at birth by the spiritual elders or leaders. They had to get Christian names. They had to basically adopt the Christian and European culture."

Cassey Adkins, secretary of the organization, said she thinks it is important for people of all ethnicities to understand what Native Americans were put through and to learn about their culture.

Lee said she hopes those who attend the movie night, which is at no charge, will not only learn about Native

American history but will engage in the post-movie discussion.

"I think it's a great way for people to talk about these things in a nice and educational environment," Lee said. "And honestly, these are conversations that a lot of college students have never had because you don't learn too much about these things in high school or before that."

While this is the organization's first semester, Lee said she has tried to get a Native American program on Marshall's campus since she arrived in 2012.

The organization has 15 members and five are of Native American ancestry, including Lee.

The Native American Student Organization will have another movie night 4 p.m. Wednesday, which will feature a documentary on Native American Dancing, at the same location.

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## Journalism internship panel answers students' questions about experience

By **KALYN BORDMAN**  
THE PARTHENON

A panel of eight journalism students gathered Wednesday night in the John Deaver Drinko Library.

The panel answered multiple questions about their internships and conversed amongst each other about similarities and differences they have encountered.

Some of the questions asked addressed how each internship functioned as well as how each individual student handled themselves on the job. The goal was to educate future journalism students about the importance of an internship along with the required skills that come with it.

Students spoke about interesting and difficult situations they encountered throughout their internships and gave advice to future students on how to be competitive and stand out when applying for an internship.

"This is a collaboration among the clubs in the school of journalism," said Jessica Ross, graduate student at Marshall University.

Ross said the presidents of the clubs and the internship panel would help give insight into what an internship is actually like. Ross said she hopes this event will help educate future interns and answer any questions they may have.

"We know students have a lot of questions on their mind going into an internship, and so we hope this will help

ease the fear," Ross said.

Ross said this gives students a chance to get student-on-student advice. Ross said this method of advice helps students out the most.

"It's a great opportunity to allow the clubs to collaborate and really work together," Ross said.

Ross said this is fantastic for the audience as well and said she hoped for a good turnout. Ross said she feels this is a great opportunity for everyone involved.

Others involved with the event said they felt it was a great learning tool for everyone and it helped answer a lot of questions.

"Each internship in going to be different, so it is always a good thing to have some idea of what your job might be when you go to that internship," said Adam Rogers, executive director for WMUL-FM.

Rogers said panels are a great tool for students to use to gain information and said he thinks it is a great thing for students to take advantage of.

"I hope people react positively to this and I also hope they are able to take away valuable tools to help them in their internships," Rogers said.

This was the first panel held by the journalism school, but many involved said they hope this becomes a new tradition.

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Pallbearers carry the casket of 6-year-old Jeremy Mardis to the grave site at Beaumont Cemetery in Beaumont, Miss., 30 miles east of Hattiesburg, Monday. Jeremy Mardis, a 6-year-old autistic boy, was killed and his father wounded when marshals opened fire on their vehicle in Marksville, La. on Nov. 3. Louisiana State Police announced late Friday that they had arrested the two marshals in the shooting.

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## SPORTS

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# Men's soccer defeats Charlotte 5-3, advances



Junior Daniel Jodah moves the ball upfield during a match earlier this season.

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No. 7 Marshall University defeated No. 2 University of North Carolina at Charlotte Wednesday 1-1 (5-3, penalty kicks) in the quarterfinals of the Conference USA Men's Soccer Championships.

Charlotte, the host of the tournament, made its presence known early in the match, outshooting the Herd eight-to-two in the opening 20 minutes of the match.

The 49ers were able to take advantage in the 27th minute when Harrison Steadman latched onto a ball from about 10 yards out to beat Marshall goalkeeper Dominik Reining.

However, Marshall would respond almost immediately when junior defender Arthur Duchesne found fellow junior

Rimario Gordon for a one-on-one in which Gordon shot low past the Charlotte keeper from around 15 yards out.

The match went without another goal until halftime and remained that way for the second half as well.

The 49ers had the most opportunities in the second period, forcing Reining into six saves and a team save as well.

In the overtime period, neither side was available to find an edge, which sent the game to a best-of-five penalty kick shootout.

Marshall's Ryan Forde, Duchesne, Nick Edginton, Jack Hopkins and Gordon all made their kicks, while Charlotte was only able to convert three, giving the Herd the penalty win.

"In the penalty kicks, we stepped up and converted all of ours," Marshall assistant coach Thomas Oliver said. "And Charlotte did well but still only made three. Soccer can be a cruel game sometimes, especially when you have to settle a game by penalty kicks. We're fortunate to be in the semifinals and we're going to be ready to play on Friday against a good South Carolina [team]."

The victory is Marshall's fourth consecutive, making the Herd unbeaten in five straight matches. Marshall has defeated two ranked teams in a row, topping No. 20 Old Dominion last Saturday, 1-0.

Marshall will face No. 3 South Carolina University 7 p.m. Friday in Charlotte, North Carolina.

# Men's basketball team faces Bluefield State in exhibition opener



PARTHENON FILE PHOTO

Marshall University senior Justin Edmonds dunks the basketball during a game against Florida International University last season.

## By ISHMAEL WITTEN

## THE PARTHENON

Marshall men's basketball team will take the court Thursday as it hosts Bluefield State College in its first exhibition game of the season.

The Herd will take the court with a slew of new faces.

Of the 16-man roster, 10 players will make first appearances as members of the Herd.

Head coach Dan D'Antoni said Thursday's contest is important for the new players.

"That's what exhibitions are for, to make sure they're ready for the first game," D'Antoni said. "They'll be some excitement and some mistakes but that's why you play these [exhibitions]."

Bluefield State has a similar situation.

Following a 10-14 season, the Big Blue's top two scorers are no longer on its roster.

Mark Durgan, who attended Marshall, and Dajon Reno both averaged over 20 points per game last season but are no longer on the team.

Though Marshall may be filled with youth, it returns a few familiar faces – one of those being junior Ryan Taylor.

Taylor was named to the Preseason All-Conference USA team last month.

Taylor said the key to being successful this year is by becoming a family.

"We do a lot of things outside of practice that makes us close," Taylor said. "We're closer as a team than most people expect, and we'll definitely be ready to compete."

Tip-off is set for 7 p.m. at the Cam Henderson Center.

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# Marshall volleyball team faces Western Kentucky as season comes to an end



Members of the Marshall University volleyball team look to score during a match earlier this season.

PARTHENON FILE PHOTO

By IMANI SPRADLEY  
THE PARTHENON

With its post season chances on the line, Marshall University's volleyball team (15-12, 6-8) faces Western Kentucky University (26-3, 13-1) Thursday in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Marshall head coach Mitch Jacobs said Thursday's game will likely determine if his team, which has lost four straight games, receives a spot in the Conference USA Volleyball Championships, which begins Nov. 20.

"It's late in the season, and we've been struggling a little bit," Jacobs said. "Obviously, we just kind of got to clear our

minds and play some volleyball. Certainly, this team knows that they'd be the first Marshall team since we've been here to qualify for a post season conference tournament."

Jacobs said the Herd will have to play a near perfect game to beat the Hilltoppers, which sits at first place in the conference.

Marshall lost to Western Kentucky 3-1 Sept. 23 in its home opener.

"If there's any reason the 'volleyball gods' would want to shine on us, and we play our finest night, then we hold all the tie-breakers and qualify for the tournament," Jacobs said.

Marshall freshmen Lauren Mattmuller

said if the team plays hard and with heart, she thinks the Herd can give the Hilltoppers a tough game.

"It's a really big game," Mattmuller said. "They're going to be hard competition. Our game against Rice was tough, especially since we know we didn't go out there and perform the way we wanted to. But it'll definitely put some motivation in us. We're working on rotations in practice and working with playing with heart."

Thursday's game begins 7 p.m. at E.A. Diddle Arena.

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## EDITORIAL

# Public trust in media a more pertinent issue than press's First Amendment rights



MARK SCHIERBECKER VIA AP

In this Nov. 9 frame from video, Janna Basler, right, who works in the University of Missouri's office of Greek life, tells photographer Tim Tai, to "leave these students alone" in their "personal space," in Columbia, Mo. Protesters credited with helping oust the University of Missouri System's president and the head of its flagship campus welcomed reporters to cover their demonstrations Tuesday, a day after a videotaped clash between some protesters and a student photographer drew media condemnation as an affront to the free press.

The events at Mizzou involving the resignation of university president Tim Wolfe, Concerned Student 1950 assembly and the student journalist Tim Tai demonstrate a concern that goes beyond just institutional racism.

While Tai and other journalists' presence is protected by the First Amendment just as much as the students' right of assembly, the fact that a media presence was unwelcome is telling of the condition the way news is presented.

How can the black community possibly trust the media to tell their stories when the majority of the coverage of events that led to Black Lives Matter focused on rioting rather than

the peaceful protesting, or, more importantly, the larger issue at hand, which is the racist trend in police brutality on the national level?

Furthermore, how can the black community, or any minority community whether it is transgender people, Hispanics, women or anyone else, trust news outlets to convey its perspective when the majority of humans in executive positions are white, privileged males?

The duty of the press is to empower the public with information. When anything is misrepresented in any capacity, the press fails to fulfill its purpose and thus fails the public. But how can the press fulfill that responsibility when it isn't

employing minority persons in executive positions?

Major news media that have failed the public have tainted the name and integrity of the press for every media outlet. This is mainly due to the dominant presence of the white privileged male perspective among media outlets.

Truly balanced reporting will not be achieved until the demographic of media workers in higher positions is just as diverse as the United States' population. More people of color and of all non-male genders should strive to be editors, producers and senior reporters to offset the existing dominant perspective.

However, this is easier said

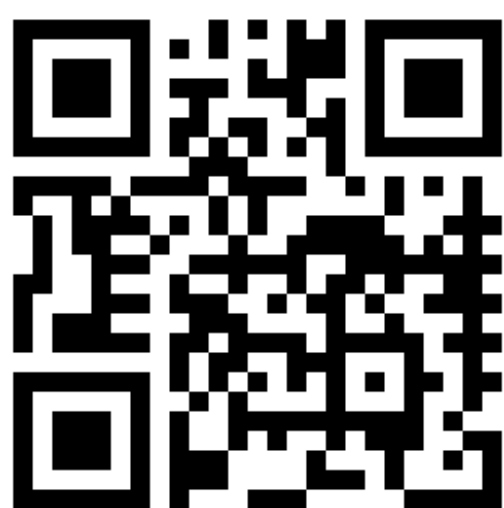
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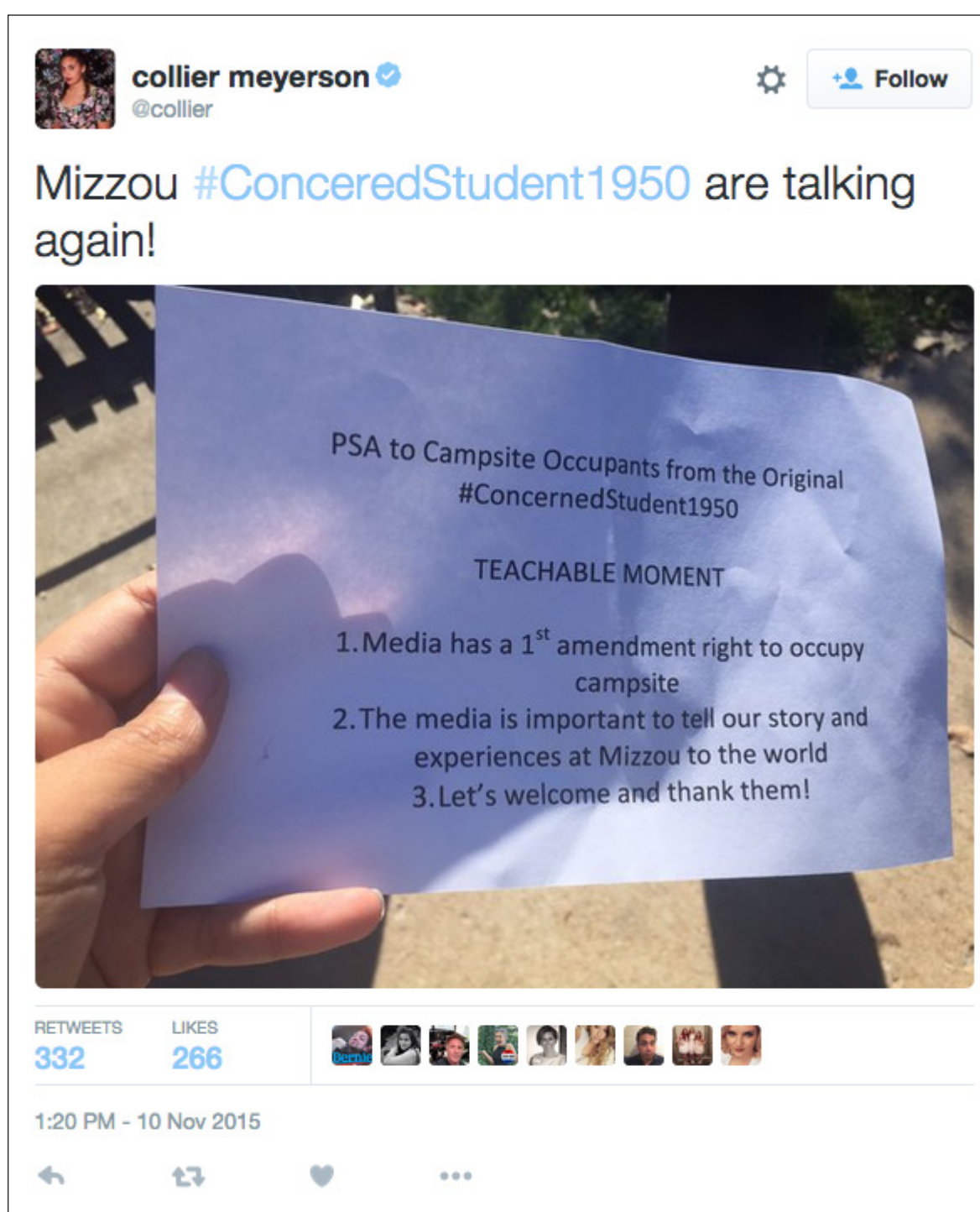
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SCREENSHOT VIA TWITTER



# Missouri protesters welcome media, day after shunning it



JEFF ROBERSON | AP PHOTO

In this Nov. 9 file photo, a member of the black student protest group Concerned Student 1950 gestures while addressing a crowd following the announcement that University of Missouri System President Tim Wolfe would resign, at the university in Columbia, Missouri. Few paid attention when a black student started a hunger strike at the University of Missouri to protest racial strife on campus. As soon as the football team supported that hunger strike by refusing to practice for or play in the school's lucrative NCAA games, the university's president and chancellor were forced out and changes were discussed.

By **JIM SUHR**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Protesters credited with helping oust the University of Missouri System's president and the head of its flagship campus welcomed reporters to cover their demonstrations Tuesday, a day after a videotaped clash between some protesters and a student photographer drew media condemnation as an affront to the free press.

Activists removed yard signs warning the media to stay away from a grassy area of campus that has served as an impromptu campsite for the protesters in recent days. Concerned Student 1950, a group which led the protests, put out fliers titled "Teachable Moment" that encouraged demonstrators to cooperate with the media.

"The media is important to tell our story and experiences at Mizzou to the world," the flier read. "Let's welcome and thank them."

That embrace stood in sharp contrast to Monday, when protesters chanted "Hey hey, ho ho. Reporters have got to go," and some tried to block a freelance student photographer from covering protesters' celebratory reaction to the system president's departure over what they saw as indifference to racial tensions

at the school.

Video shot by student Mark Schierbecker shows Janna Basler, who works in the university's office of Greek life, telling photographer Tim Tai, a student working freelance for ESPN, to "leave these students alone" in their "personal space." Moments later, Melissa Click, an assistant professor in Missouri's communications department, is seen confronting Schierbecker and calling for "muscle" to help remove him from the protest area.

Tai can be heard telling those who confronted him, "I have a job to do," and that he has as much right to photograph the event as the protesters do to gather in the public space.

On Tuesday, Click apologized for her actions in a statement issued by the Missouri Department of Communication. She said she had personally apologized to the journalists involved.

"I regret the language and strategies I used, and sincerely apologize to the MU campus community, and journalists at large, for my behavior, and also for the way my actions have shifted attention away from the students' campaign for justice," she said in the statement.

David Kurpius, the dean of the journalism school, stressed that Click wasn't on that school's faculty. Kurpius told the Columbia

Missourian that during a faculty meeting Tuesday night, Click resigned her "courtesy title," which allows her as part of the university's College of Arts and Science to serve on graduate committees from other academic units.

In a news statement, Kurpius praised Tai for how he dealt with Monday's confrontation, saying he "handled himself professionally and with poise."

Mark Lucas, director of the department of student life, which oversees the office of Greek life where Basler works, said officials were "reviewing videos and will be having conversations with individuals present in order to understand what happened" and would then take "any appropriate actions."

Basler did not return messages seeking comment.

Ken Paulson, a 1975 Missouri journalism alumnus who heads the First Amendment Center at the Newseum, credited Tai with being "exactly right," calling him "both professional and eloquent in his defense of freedom of the press."

"His job is to report the news in a public place, and nothing is more public than the grounds of a public university," said Paulson, dean of Middle Tennessee State University's media and entertainment college.



MARK SCHIERBECKER | AP PHOTO

In this Nov. 9 frame from video provided by Mark Schierbecker, Melissa Click, right, an assistant professor in Missouri's communications department, confronts Schierbecker and later calls for "muscle" to help remove him from the protest area in Columbia, Missouri. Protesters credited with helping oust the University of Missouri System's president and the head of its flagship campus welcomed reporters to cover their demonstrations Tuesday, a day after a videotaped clash between some protesters and a student photographer drew media condemnation as an affront to the free press.