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Coal mine to court room

Marshall grad overcomes odds to succeed

By SHANE ARRINGTON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

While Marshall University is a home of sorts for many colors, creeds and cultures, it does not take too long of a road trip to see many parts of West Virginia are as far from diverse as is possible.

Now imagine, if you can, growing up in West Virginia coal country as a young black man before the civil rights movement.

Judge Rudy Coleman, a pioneer for black Americans in the field of law, did just that. Coleman was raised in the Tams coal camp in Raleigh County, West Virginia. His father, a coal miner, instilled in his children early on the value of education. Coleman said he knew something was wrong with what went on one that paid the coal. He was a true leader in the community and taught his children early on the value of education.

“My parents and my grandparent’s values taught me, my siblings and myself, to go to college, to do something other than work in the mines,” Coleman said. “In Berkeley, most people, most made at least worked in the mines and they didn’t want that for us. They thought it was important that we go to be educated and learn some sort of professional career.”

And Coleman and his siblings did just that. One of his older brothers loved working with his hands and made him live as a master bricklayer, while his younger brother followed in his footsteps and graduated Marshall to pursue a career as a credit manager. Coleman would eventually attend Rutgers University and receive his law degree.

It’s not what was act on it, but how he planned after he graduated Marshall and left West Virginia for New Jersey. “I wanted to teach for a brief time but I knew that I wanted to teach for a brief time and then return to graduate school. I had been accepted to Ohio State in a romance language doctoral program, but after that year or two I realized I enjoyed teaching and I began to question whether I really wanted to pursue the degree in romance languages.”

Coleman said he and his wife, Margarita, originally chose New Jersey because of its proximity to New York City. They figured if they were going to live somewhere for a couple of years before returning to graduate school it might as well be somewhere they could visit places and enjoy the other forms in entertainment the city offered. “I turned out that at the time we were too busy to take full advantage of what the city had to offer, but ultimately we ended up loving the area and it gave me the opportunity to attend school,” Coleman said. It just turned out that it was an ideal situation for me to move forward into a different career.”

A rewarding career that Coleman just retired from in March, after practicing for more than 40 years. A career that he said he is still in, but would perhaps have never pursued without a push from his wife. “She knew that I had a desire to go to law school, but I kept saying ‘well...I’d like to but I never did anything about it.’” Coleman said. She is the one that actually made the request for the application for the law school admission test. Once I had that I had to act on it. So I sat on the test and applied to a number of schools, including Harvard. I didn’t expect to get in and of course I didn’t, but it was one of those you had to at least try for. But I was accepted to Rutgers and that was an ideal situation because we didn’t have to change anything.”

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On Saturday afternoon Libya's Tripoli Rixos hotel was stormed by members of the Supreme Security Council, a breakaway faction of security forces under the jurisdiction of the interior ministry, who threatened to blow it up. The Rixos Hotel is owned by the Libyan government. Security forces are also banning the use of violence in public places. It is also illegal to arrest a number of Gadhafi sympathizers who had been celebrating Gadhafi's "Fateh" (liberation) Day.

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By DWIGHT JORGE

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A local chef is bringing a family atmosphere and his experience to downtown Huntington with his first restaurant.

Chef Jason Oesterreicher, Executive Chef at "Chef Jason’s du Soir Bistro," opens what was a nighttime bistro for lunch starting Monday.

The Bistro is located on 905 3rd Avenue, across from Pullman Plaza.

Oesterreicher said when he was younger he moved around a lot because his family was in the military.

Eventually, he and his family settled down in Point Pleasant, W.Va.

"When I was younger, all my family growing up owned restaurants," Oesterreicher said. "Especially my grandmother, she had eight different restaurants. I kind of took it hereditary in a way."

Oesterreicher said his mother was an artist and his father was in the construction business. So he got the hands on from his father, the artistic style from his mother and the cooking from his grandmother.

"I started working at the Iron Gate when I was 14-years-old," Oesterreicher said. "From there I went to Charleston and started working at Edgewood Country Club. I worked with Brett Poodry, Executive Sous Chef and Jeremy Still, Executive Chef."

Oesterreicher said he gained valuable hands-on experience from training inside the kitchen. After his time at Edgewood, Oesterreicher went to The Greenbrier to further his knowledge in the culinary arts.

"I went to The Greenbrier just to try to get in, not trying to get into the program. I started out as a second hand cook," said Oesterreicher. "They pick chefs from all over the world and there is about 30 to 37. Out of all of them they pick seven to be apprentices, and I was one of them."

Chef Jason’s du Soir Bistro is Oesterreicher’s first restaurant. Originally the restaurant worked with Third and Ninth Deli to split costs, but with the closing of Third and Ninth, Oesterreicher’s bistro will begin serving a lunch menu starting Monday.

"At times, it can be very hectic; it takes a lot of time," Oesterreicher said. "For me, you have to love what you do. You can’t just like it, especially to be a chef. When people call themselves chef, you have to eat, sleep and dream about it. My wife says in my sleep, I talk about cheesecake falling."

Oesterreicher said he wanted to bring the art of culinary back to cooking. He also wants to be able to show customers the work that goes into preparing a dish.

"My grandmother would make stocks and soups from scratch. Everybody now is about fast food and how fast they can get it," Oesterreicher said. "There are ways of making food quickly from scratch, and it’s a lot healthier for you. That’s one thing we are going to do, everything in this restaurant is made from scratch."

Chef Jason’s du Soir Bistro serves a Mediterranean French cuisine. The new lunch menu will include dishes such as Chef Jason’s Signature Gumbo, The Bistro Beef and Crab Cakes.

"We try to cater to every person, you’re not just an order," Oesterreicher said. "I go to the table, and I talk to the customer. I find out what they like, and, if something is wrong, I want to take care of it at the table. That way the next time they come in, it will be corrected and maybe even better."

The bistro features an open kitchen, which was important to Oesterreicher.

"I can’t stand when you go to a restaurant, and you don’t know what’s going on behind the kitchen door," Oesterreicher said. "That’s why we put the kitchen out front, so you can see everything."

Having the kitchen in the open creates a teaching atmosphere for those who are interested in learning about food.

"If you go get a Beef Wellington at a restaurant, you think oh it tastes good, but you don’t really realize what goes into that," Oesterreicher said. "It takes hours of preparation, so we do the preparation out front here so people can see it, and to see how much we care about the food, which it makes them respect the food a little bit more."

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**Fuel economy improvements a good prospective**

By JAN TIMBERLAKE

Depending on what news you were reading, Aug. 27 might be a strong indicator as to whom you will vote for come November. The opening day of the Republican National Convention, President Barack Obama announced he finalized his plan to raise Corporate Average Fuel Efficiency to 54.5 mpg by 2025. In the works since the end of 2012 automakers have been trying to achieve a fleet average of 25 mpg by 2016. Vehicle gas emissions are estimated to drop 10 percent while reducing costs by approximately 40 percent by 2025. According to the White House, $11.7 trillion (or as Obama puts it, “that’s trillion, with a ‘t.’”) will be saved. Gas prices will fall by almost $4 per gallon by 2023, saving the lifetime of each vehicle. By 2060 the industry is planned to be safer, greener and more efficient.

Obama, along with the major automakers CEO’s stated in 2011: “This agreement on fuel standards represents the largest, most comprehensive, and the most important single-step we’ve ever taken as a nation to reduce our dependence on foreign oil ... The companies here today have endorsed our plan to continue increasing the mileage on their cars and trucks over the next 15 years. We’re on an aggressive pace, and the companies here are stepping up to the plate.

Mind you, this was an agreement struck between the Obama Administration and automakers, as Obama put it: “This agreement was arrived at without legislation. You are all demonstrating what can happen when people put aside differences — those folks are competitors, you’ve got labor and business, but they decided, we’re going to work together to achieve something important for the country.”

A nonprofit organization called Ceres was teamed up with Citigroup Investment Research to conduct a study to assess the economic implications of such a massive plan. The first thing that was noticed was that “higher standards mean higher profits.” It also found that Obama’s standards mean higher profits.” It also found that Obama’s plan would lead to 484,000 new jobs in 49 states.

Despite the appearance of the Christian Right’s ongoing efforts to stop or prohibit the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble; and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances. The following are the results from the most recent poll question: What new television show are you looking forward to the most?

- The Mindy Project 0 - 6 votes
- Elementary 22 - 6 votes
- The Last Resort 15% - 4 votes
- Project 41% - 11 votes
- Other

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“I want to show the people how bad the troubles were,” says artist Muhiyidin Sharif Ibrahim, pictured above, of Mogadishu, Somalia.

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A generous basket of fruit, a pretty red sweater for a baby, a small but perfect t-shirt for his own head. “At no time were we ever outered, whether we were giving away our goods to feed the hungry or selling them to provide for our families,” she says.

Shahabuddin, a gifted inner-city shop-keeper, was shot on the line, he realized the law was a nightmare, but which I believed would be.”

Coleman went on to say that while those types of things made me realize the transformation that is taking place in America, the transformation is still continuing. “I was aware, certainly, of the disparity between the two parts of the country, between the rich and the poor, between the haves and the have-nots. There have been a lot of changes over the years, but there is still a long way to go.”

Coleman was also named the first Quaker to be named as a federal judge. “It was a special day for me,” he says. “I think it was a day when people realized that something was different.”

Coleman’s work as a judge has been a source of inspiration for many young people who have seen him as a role model. “I think it’s important for young people to see someone who looks like them and has achieved something great,” he says. “It’s important for them to know that they can do anything they set their minds to.”

In 1972, when he was 26, Coleman received a call from the FBI. He was told that he had been identified as a suspect in the murder of a federal judge. “I was shocked,” he says. “I’d never been involved in any kind of crime before.”

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MU women’s soccer spilts pair of weekend games

By JEREMY JOHNSON
SPORTS EDITOR

Marshall University women’s soccer team lost 1-3 in Colorado College on Friday, before returning the field Sunday to grab a 4-1 victory over UTP. The two games were Marshall's first Conference USA games of the season.

The Herd jumped out early against the Tigers of Colorado College as senior Chelsey Maiden, a senior from Vienna, Va., started the Herd with the first goal of the season in the third minute to give the Herd an early 1-0. In the 86th minute Colorado College’s Jessie Ayers tied the game up at 1-0.

Maiden, a senior from Vienna, Va., earned a second goal against Colorado College and added a goal Saturday against UTEP, giving the Herd five goals on the season.

The Herd offense came from the foot of freshman Erin Simons, who is the other Herd teammate with five goals on the season.

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Maiden is second on the team in tackles with 38, and Okoroha is second on the team in tackles with 38.

The Herd defense did not be gelling. The defense still seems to be struggling.

The Herd defense allowed 10 plays, including overtime, to go for more than 20 yards. Four of those went for more than 40 yards, with the longest being a 50-yard touchdown pass to Sam Cato.

With the win the Thundering Herd improved to 5-5-0, 1-1-0 CUSA. Marshall's next games will be against UAB on Friday and a trip to Memphis on Sunday.

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Big win in Texas, defense still in shambles

By JEREMY JOHNSON
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The Thundering Herd edged out Rice University in a 37-21 double overtime victory Saturday at Rice Stadium.

With the win, the Herd picked up their first win in the state of Texas. The team was previously 0-8 in the Lone Star state thanks to a healthy run game.

Marshall recorded 334 yards on the ground to go along with one rushing touchdown. This is a significant turnaround from the 39 yards rushing against Ohio University.

The Herd running game, if sustained for the remainder of the season, will provide a huge lift off of quarterback Rakeem Cato’s shoulders. Cato needed a mere 210 passing, 140 yards less than his average this season, to pick up the win.

Offensively, the Herd continues to grow and move in the right direction.

Flip sides of the ball and the defense struggles keep piling up. Remember the week one matchups against the Mountaineers and the missed tackles in that game. Well the Herd improved in that area, but the defense still seems to not be getting.

Yes, the Herd defense did make a stop at the end of regulation to force the Owls to kick a field goal to send it into overtime, instead of winning the game and did so with a Remi Watson touchdown.

What the Herd defense was not able to stop was the Owls offense for the first 59 minutes of the game.

Rice accumulated 447 yards of total offense, outgaining the Herd by 34 yards.

The Owls quarterback, Taylor McHargue, threw for 314 yards and three touchdowns, and was the biggest difference in the game.

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