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Local cancer victim dies

TUESDAY
April 10, 2012

THE PARTHENON

BY MOLLY URBAN
THE PARTHENON

After battling stage-four lung cancer for more than a year, 25-year-old Toni Black passed away.

The Chesapeake, Ohio resident was diagnosed with lung cancer March 27, 2011. Shortly after a follow-up appointment, doctors discovered the cancer had spread to her brain.

Black traveled back and forth between the University of North Carolina for lung treatments and Duke University to receive brain treatments. Three weeks ago, Black was told by doctors her treatment was no longer responding, and she was given two months to live.

Although Black was given devastating news, she did not let the diagnosis stop her from living. Black traveled with family to Holden Beach, N.C. just days after receiving the news.

Family, friends and community members stood behind Black as she fought for her life. Upon arriving home last Tuesday, Black was welcomed with a homecoming rally filled with posters, balloons and support as she made her journey home.

Black’s life has impacted lives within the community, as well as nationwide. Celebrities, such as Ellen Degeneres, are known for tweeting their support on Twitter.

Amanda Todd of Groton, N.Y. was devastated when her 15-year-old sister passed away.

BeHerd, ANGA, EdVenture, World’s strongest man promote natural gas education

BY BRITTANEE BARTON
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Orlando, Fla. – The special prosecutor assigned to investigate the Trayvon Martin shooting investigation now says he will not take the case before a grand jury Tuesday.

Angela Corey, special prosecutor for the state attorney's office for Florida's third judicial circuit, said Monday that her investigation will continue, but the grand jury will not hear the case.

The grand jury had been in a statement that the decision to schedule grand jury proceedings did not reflect whether or not there will ultimately be a prosecution in the case.

In a leak of a grand jury, Corey's office can choose on its own whether or not to charge George Zimmerman with a crime in the death of 17-year-old Trayvon Martin.

"At this time, the investigation continues and they will be no further comment," the statement says. "From the moment she was assigned, Ms. Corey asserted the duty to act as grand jury prosecutor."

"There is no grand jury in Trayvon Martin case; family attorney not surprised!"
Women’s soccer begins spring practice

BY JARROD CLAY
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University women’s soccer team is taking part in the 32nd National Coaches Association and National Soccer Dance Alliance Championships.

The competition will take place April 13–15, in Daytona Beach, Fla. Every team will get to perform twice with two chances to advance.

Marshall will be looking to bring home a championship title from its fifth straight berth in the contest. Head coach Deanne Nett said, “It’s a fun environment working hard and can not wait for the opportunity to compete.”

“We have been looking forward to this,” Nett said. “This is probably the most difficult routine that we have taken in to competition and we are excited to compete.”

The team put on a show and ran through these routines for the fans in Marshall’s Goldilocks Hall Saturday afternoon. The event featured the Herd’s first team to wear senior jerseys.

“I think with this teams commitment this should be our best finish ever,” Nett said. “We are awesome. We can’t wait to perform in front of a crowd.”

Nett said his seniors have had a huge impact on the team and have done a great job keeping everyone motivated and focused.

Senior Jillian Barnett said the team has been preparing for this moment the whole year.

“We spend the whole year choosing for other teams, but this is our time,” Barnett said. “With this being my last year, these moments are becoming a little bit bitter-sweet. We are ready and hopefully, we bring home a national title.

With this being the fifth straight year The Herd has competed in this competition, coach Nett said building off past performances are one of The Herd’s keys to success.

“Last year was a bit of a learning curve, and we sat down and looked at the video,” Nett said. “I think with this teams commitment this should be our best finish ever.”

BY CAITIE SMITH
THE PARTHENON

The Marshall University Baseball team looks to rebound from an off weekend/disappointing season by taking on the University of Memphis with scores of 3-5, 4-2 and 11-2.

“We need to get back to fundamentals of playing the game the right way,” Marshall Head Coach Jeff Waggoner said. “We’ve been better than we’ve seen. We need to work on fundamentals and get the situational things right.”

“First of all, we’re going to have to back up our hitting and start hitting the ball out of the park,” Waggoner said.

Dundon has started in 27 of the Herd’s 38 games.

“We just have to play to our ability,” Dundon said. “We have to believe what Coach tells us and use it as motivation. We have to continue to improve.”

Catcher, junior Brandon Summa who led the Herd in on deck counts and hitting in the spring games.

“Tough as they are physically, they’re a Division I team so I don’t plan on treating them any less,” Mays said. “Any team can win on any given day in baseball.”

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Students should not be pepper-sprayed when challenging authority

BY TRENT KAYS
MINNESOTA VIA UWIRE

Last week, students pro-
testing for loans at Santa Monica College were pepper sprayed by members of the college’s police force as they attempted to attend a meeting of Trustees. The police officers included kept the protesters at bay and from airing their grievance and voices with the Board of Trustees. Administrator not to let the protesters into the meet-
ing, the police force held them back, and an all-
damaging photo now spread across the internet, a police sergeant stands pointing at the protesters while holding his baton over his head ready to strike.

This scenario is a horri-
ing one, and much like the U. California-Davis incident in which student were pepper sprayed, I favor thought I’d see on a college campus. When did it become all right for students to air their grievances? When did it become wrong for stu-
dents to stand together on their campus? Students have a right to their opinion and anger when they see their education becoming less valuable but more expen-
sive. Yes, incidents, like the one at Santa Monica College, are examples of a system rotting from the inside. Even though the value of edu-
cation is still the goal of many peo-
ple. Even though the value of edu-
cation seems to be declining at some levels, people still flock to college campuses around the coun-
try to study in the hope that they may better their life-
circumstances. However, students seem to only be permitted to disagree if that disagreement doesn’t get in the way of the university ad-
ministration’s politics. All education is political, but universities don’t always educate students on how to navigate such politics. If the UC-Davis and Santa Monica College incidents have taught us anything, it’s that students aren’t al-
lowed to voice their opinions to protest the policies of a campus, that student doesn’t deserve to be around those who take the control of their education away from them.

Students should control their education. Students should have a say in what the future of edu-
cation is. This is a prerequisite of consent. This type of incidents create a hostile environment in which students should not exist. Universities are supposed to be centers of learning and ex-
pansion. Students should be able to peacefully protest and challenge these officials who would stand in the way of their education. What happens when tensions that exis-
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Reports of police brutality and over reaction have become commonplace in the nation today. Reports of police arbitrarily arresting people in public areas makes me fear for me. As a future teacher, access to education is no longer enough. We must have access to those who will control and direct our education. University ad-
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As Americans, we don’t always extrapolate the ap-
propriate meaning behind concepts. Forgetting the true meaning of the right to refuse.

Wouldn’t it be nice if the majority of the public could actually agree upon what the definition of Easter is? Or has consumerism pushed everyone off the deep end into a basket of Peeps.

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Could student loans create the next "debt bomb"?

BY SARAH STEMEN VIA UWIRE

Although Tisonyai found a job after graduation, he resided in Zanesville, Ohio, but he said he still struggling to keep his head above water. "Financially, it's awful being at Ohio State a few years ago, it made it difficult to afford rent and other bills. "By the time you add in student loan debt, it's a very significant amount to pay off student loans and save for other bills too."

paying off their loans and saving money to buy a house. "It's difficult to find a job that's not going to pay a whole lot," Tisonyai said. "I'm looking into teaching to avoid some extra money right now."

We have to pay other bills too."

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Ohio Board of Regents, said student debt continues to be a problem, there are ways students can take advantage of it.

"At least 10 percent of programs available to students to reduce the amount of college credit that is necessary to their decision to use for financial aid."

"Our students have the right to choose which classes they want to take, but we are ready to hit it. We're ready for first steps."

March 17th, 2010 at noon Thursday. They will compete after Conference USA stain UP and before conference play the following March.

"That mixed message does not benefit our students," Reynolds said. "Because of their preconceived notions of Democrats and President Obama, the fairytale is easy to blame on these voters it con-"nents for students to reduce the amount of college credit that is necessary to their decision to use for financial aid."

"We have challenged universities to cap their tuition for students based on their salary and family income."

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Members of Alpha Xi Delta will conduct the sorority’s 61st annual strawberry breakfast 7 a.m. through 11 a.m. Thursday in the Alpha Xi Delta House, located on Fifth Avenue.

The chapter will provide a pancake breakfast with homemade strawberry butter. The fundraiser is the only one in which proceeds go directly to the sorority.

Alpha Xi Delta’s president Re-becca Law said donations made by local businesses will be raffled at the breakfast.

“The event is special because of the pure joy it brings to us, people from all over campus and the area, participate in something that we make happen,” Law said. “It is a tradition that has been within our sorority now for 61 years, and it is wonderful to see something that was started so long ago to still be loved and participated in.”

Law said the strawberry butter recipe has been passed down for generations within the sorority, and she said she believes everyone loves it.

“We hope to see students from every corner of the university,” Thursday morning,” Law said. “I hope people will support us in our endeavors.”

Dine-in, pick-up and delivery are available. Tickets are $4 for Marshall students and $5 for the general public.

*Life! 61 years of tradition

MARCH 1

ALPHA XI TO HOST ANNUAL STRAWBERRY BREAKFAST

By Allison Warner

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PASTA POOLING RESOURCES

By Sarah Carpenter

Los Angeles Times

Los Angeles — Dina and Irl Cramer were looking at their little-used pool behind their Manhattan Beach, Calif., house when they realized: “It would be really nice to have a garden,” Dina said.

But rather than simply jackhammer out the pool or bulldoze it full of dirt, the Cramers turned the pool into a backyard that, until recently, was mostly concrete.

Now, in place of a concrete basin filled with chlorinated water, the Cramers have a big pool every year, according to Mike Garcia, a self-described pond geek and founder of Enviroscape, the Cramers’ existing ferns, but also from not having a rainfall — often laden with steroids.”

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The pumps are hidden in a landscape by Elena Forti- nato of Garden Sanctuaries.

The system has been oper- ational since late January, so the Cramers don’t yet know exactly how much energy is being used to pump and irrigate, or how much tap water they’re saving. But Garcia said the energy costs less than 10 cents an hour to operate, the lighting 16 cents. The system is en- sured to irrigate the garden with as little as 0.25 gallons per minute out of the year. If the rains are on, the system switches to tap.

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