The Bridge program provides chance to get ahead

By Tyler Kes

News Editor

While many students at Marshall University take summer classes so they won’t have to take them in the fall, students enrolled in the Summer Bridge Program are here so they can take certain classes.

The Bridge Program is designed to help students who would normally be in the ENG 099, MTH 098 and MTH 099 courses with their English and math skills. At the end of the program, students have the opportunity to test into 100 level classes. “The Summer Bridge Program was conceived as one of the components of our retention effort,” Rudy Pauley, the associate vice president for Outreach and Continuing Studies said. “We want students when they come to Marshall to stay here and be successful in obtaining their degree. The Bridge Program targets students and gives them an opportunity for those who want to jumpstart their math and English skills, to take math and English workshops and perhaps test out of certain levels of math and English and get a jumpstart on their semester and their college career.”

The concept of the Bridge Program originated last fall, after observing the success other schools had with the idea. What sets Marshall’s Bridge Program apart is the fact that it is entirely free.

The university is offering the program start at 9 a.m. and let out around 1:30 p.m. Each session is from Monday to Thursday for two weeks. “It is much less expensive, in the long run, to retain students than to recruit them,” Dr. Pauley said. “Anything we can do to retain, we want to pursue that. It is not credit bearing, it doesn’t count for anything except skill enhancement.”

Students in the Bridge Program should eliminate what it would be like to have 24, Shannon Miller, math instructors, said. “I think it would be way too much to manage with the type of accreditation we are doing.” The Summer Bridge Program should eliminate some of the pressures on the professors who teach developmental math courses, which regularly have 1200 students enrolled over the course of a year.

The next session begins July 25. Students interested in registering by calling the Office of Recruitment or online. Tyler Kes can be reached at kes@live.marshall.edu.
Tour de PATH riding through Huntington

Shane Arington
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

It's a tough time for the cycling community during the summer months. The weather can be variable, and sometimes it's just too hot or humid for comfortable riding. But for the cyclists who make it through the heat, it's a great opportunity to promote cycling together. The event features multiple routes for all ages to enjoy. An optional, but recommended, route is set to begin at 9:30 a.m., with the main event beginning at Her-itage Station at 10:45 a.m. Multiple Marshall University departments will be represented at the event, and information about the day's activities will be provided.

T-SHIRT COMPANY BOASTS “LOCAL BRAND”

BY TYLER KES

A new t-shirt company has pulled into Heritage Station. Brand Yourself, one of the more recent additions to the Heritage Village, offers customers a chance to buy merchandise that not only supports a local business, but can be uniquely yours. “The idea behind a custom shirt is that you have the opportunity to go somewhere and really make it yours,” said Sarah West, owner of the company.

“Most cities you go to they’ll have places that you can go to and they’ll have magnets/ coasters/ shirts that are all scattered around the city or region but we really don’t have that. So we thought we’d come up with some cool shirts just focusing on the region and not the state, to shed some positive light on the area instead of what you see out there every day.”

Besides focusing on the Huntington area, one of the other things that sets Brand Yourself apart is the fact that there is no minimum purchase order. “With most t-shirt printing companies they do silk screens, which takes a huge amount of time and cost in set-up,” Wallace said. “We can just print one or two at a time and three really isn’t that big of a set-up or design time. It’s going to take about 15-20 seconds to print a shirt. There isn’t any problems with it.”

Another incentive for riders is the sustainability of the materials used in the event. She said that Brand Yourself is one of the main ways to support Tour de PATH. “We have canvas and reusable shopping bags. We have blue and green, which can either be for Marshall or for those of us who are eco-friendly. So we have canvas and black and matte.”

Brand Yourself is open from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Tyler Kes can be reached at Kes@live.marshall.edu.

Professors unsure about fate of Obamacare in Supreme Court

By Maye Jones-Silver and Penny L. Rehm

HAROLD KINGDOM, HARRIARD U. YARDE

As a Supreme Court nears judgment day on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, professors at Marshall and other colleges said that the act’s future is uncertain, and they would need to see what the court says before they can make any definitive predictions.

“I think there’s no one kind of a law on a law,” said Yale Law School professor Robert B. Wirtz. “Sometimes it’s the most predictable thing we can do. It’s going to be a tough call.”

Bart agreed that Roberts might vote for the act, but if only to write the majority opinion that would construe the court’s decision in an extremely narrow way. “He added that though he expected Supreme Court to step back and vote on the act, it would truly be upon his opinion from “Gonzales v. Raich,” where he was part of the majority that ruled the federal government has the right to ban medicinal mari-juana even when overtaking a state’s decision to legalize it, he could con-struct the majority opinion from “Gonzales v. Raich,” where he was part of the majority that ruled the federal government has the right to ban medicinal mari-juana even when overtaking a state’s decision to legalize it, he could con-struct the majority opinion in this way: “Our congressmen have the responsibility to make the decision in the best interest of the nation.”

By Adelye Baxter

DAILY CALIFORNIA, CALIFORNIA BAY VIEW (AP)

U.S. Senate leaders announced Monday that they have reached a deal that will allow them to avoid increasing student loan interest rates five days before the rate begins to double.

The Senate reached an agreement in the early morning hours Monday on a compromise. The Senate voted 89-2 in favor of the agreement after it was announced by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid. The agreement would keep the interest rate on federal loans from rising to 6.8% for students. Congress passed a law last year that allowed rates to remain at 3.4% for two years. If Congress does not pass a stop the rate hike bill by the end of July, monthly interest rates will increase to 6.8%. Already, Congress has increased the interest rate on federal loans from 3.4% to 6.8%. If Congress does not pass a stop the rate hike bill by the end of July, monthly interest rates will increase to 6.8%.

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Two MU football seniors earn national attention

Two Marshall football seniors earned national attention this week, as senior receiver Derek Dobson and senior returner Andre Booker were named to Watch Lists. Dobson was named to the College Football Performance Awards Watch List, intended for the nation’s top players in the Football Bowl Subdivision. Booker was named to the Rimington Award Watch List, intended for the nation’s top player at the position of offensive lineman.

Dobson was named to the Associated Press All-Conference USA first team, was selected as a Preseason All-American by the Football Writers Association of America and was named to the College Football Performance Awards Watch List. He has 668 yards and 12 touchdowns on 81 catches this season. Dobson caught his first career touchdown against Florida International in the 20-10 win over the Panthers.

For one, it can’t start too soon. The 10-point victory for the Thundering Herd over the Panthers was just the first of its last four regular season games against East Carolina when Dobson went leaping into the air over Pirates defensive back De’Von Bell to score a one-handed, backhanded touch down grab after hauling in a 47-yard pass from quarterback Drayton Blackshear and made a one-handed, backhanded catch later deemed by the media as “The Catch.”

Dobson finished the season with 49 receptions for 608 yards and two scores in Marshall’s 34-27 victory over ECU in the Friends of Coal Bowl against West Virginia. Booker was named to the 2012 College Football Performance Awards Special Teams Watch List Tuesday.

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ABOVE: Senior punt returner Andre Booker makes his way down Mountainaineer Field on a punt return during the first quarter of the 2011 Friends of Coal Bowl against West Virginia. Booker was named to the 2012 College Football Performance Awards Special Teams Watch List Tuesday.

LEFT: Senior wide receiver Aaron Dobson pulls in “The Catch,” Dobson’s one-handed, behind-the-back circus catch came in the second quarter of Marshall’s 34-27 victory over ECU in 2011. Dobson was named to the 2012 preseason All-Conference USA first team by Blue Ribbon Wednesday.

MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON

By Aaron Payne

Two Marshall football players have already received national attention before the Thundering Herd begins the 2013 season.

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“The recognition that Aaron and Andre have received over the past couple of days is a product of theirimmer Marshall defensive end Chris Crocker, a former Herd players are back from 1998-2002, said. “You just want to see the Thundering Herd finished last season with a bang following a 30-18 win over Florida International in the Beef ‘O’ Brady’s Bowl St. Petersburg. Expectations from former Herd players are high for the 2012 edition of the Kelly green and white after claiming its second bowl win three seasons ago. “I just expect this season to be better than the last,” Chris Crocker, a former Marshall defensive back from 1998-2003, said. “You just want to see the Thundering Herd win a bowl game.”

COLUMBUS COLUMBUS

Herd’s Tinnon should get extra eligibility year

MARCUS CONSTANTINO | THE PARTHENON

I occasionally procrastinate when it comes to important things. I have an exam bill on occasion, I put off an assignment or two until the last minute, heck, I might even miss a shower or two during a busy week. However, those things only affect me, no one else.

With all that being put out there, we are almost in the month of July and the NCAA men’s basketball season ended in March and there is still no word on whether or not Marshall Forward Dennis Tinnon will be allowed his senior year.

I understand the difficulties the NCAA might have just graduated came back to graduate in 2009, played for a JUCO for two seasons and then played last season for a Division I school. That doesn’t happen all the time. I understand that.

But if this is one of the purposes for the NCAA, shouldn’t they be able to do it in such a manner that doesn’t drag young people along, creating an uncertain future for someone who has worked hard to be where they are, Tinnon enrolled in the 2011-2012 academic year. Also, on top of dealing with players already in college, the NCAA has to deal with all the high school athletes that have just graduated and are trying to become eligible.

Plan, you can add the uniqueness of Tinnon’s situation. A 2007 high school dropout who then went into the military and is trying to become eligible.

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But if this is one of the purposes for the NCAA, shouldn’t they be able to do it in such a manner that doesn’t drag young people along, creating an uncertain future for someone who has worked hard to be where they are, Tinnon should get his extra year. See EXPECTATIONS Page 5

BY ADAM ROGERS
SPORTS EDITOR

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Americans complaining about gas prices has always been high. Yes, it really was not fan when gas was over $4 a gallon last year and it cost me around $300 to fill my 35-gallon tank, but I was not the only one. I know I saw a few gas stations that were down to about $3.80 a gallon – yeah, but that was just last year. Of course we’ve not in Spain, we’ve in America and gas price is much lower. Most college students work multiple part-time jobs and two dogs to feed get how many pennies taken away hurts. But yesterday, we really don’t have it that bad.

In point is: On my way to work tonight I saw regular unloaded for $3.19 a gallon at a Marathon on Hal Green. I actually was shocked how low a gas is. And this has been a trend for a while. I think for gas price of what it must be I’m confused, but it really just summed it up how much I yearned myself and other people feel of some kind of injury or death.

I was at an office and I got my gas for $3.38 a gallon which I feel is extremely awesome.

Enough of my local rankings.

The headline to this editorial is inspired by a bumper

sticker I saw on Facebook. It really got me thinking because many people spend what seems their every working moment complaining about how much gas cost is, and I don’t see how this benefit the economy of Rice Kardashian being famous. But then I realized, how I can go down, before the 4th of July an

less, the usually so vocal critics weren’t blaming this on him.

I could see here and pretent I’m surprised while writi

ing this that but this would be a lie. I learned a long time ago that people will ignore whatever matters in order to change, enlighten or even explain simple truths to them so will ignore how gas prices fell.

Actually, just thinking about it gives me a headache so I’m going to bed and I’ll sure think about it in the time to quiet downdrown.

I hope that you can be reached at admin@marshall.edu.

COLUMN

Mandate wrong, but health care bill should stay
By Jeremiah Yates

A looming health care mandate is a threat to America’s crème de la crème! Who would have imagined that a single mandate could have such a disparate affect on so many different demographics, the likelihood of which is patently most unlikely he or she or whatever.

According to a PBS Newsnight report last night, a coalitions against the mandate has created a stir in the health industry’s heavy in

vestment in Washington on Thursday that demanded the mandate for the president’s desk.

The chairman of the United States Senate Committee on Finance Max Baucus should be at the forefront of the blame for the deal he’s deeded to his role in the July 2009 bipartisan stimulus package eventuality his demands.

Baucus received $1,351,990 in campaign contributions from special interest groups to the health industry prior to his dealing with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

I can’t agree with the deedes, which has least it’s a top in the right direction.

If the mandate is ruled unconstitutional, the rest of the bill should be rescued and not thrown in the trash. Like every other effort to im

prove the health industry.

For the 94th, former President Bill Clinton at shot the health care bill that was championed by his wife Hillary Clinton. The bill, which exceeded 1,000 pages, was turned down without any consideration from the other side. The late Daniel Patrick Moynihan, a U.S. senator from New York and former chairman of the U.S. Senate Finance Committee in E,

was reported saying “I feel not even going to read it” when Clinton’s bill ar

rived at his desk.

Many believe Clinton’s findings were a result of a coalition of national groups — currently a game-every time to pass any legislation. 

The strategy was to get support from all sides of the debate and turnout to be a double- edged sword for his agenda, the mandate, the mandate was not his purpose.
Mountaineers will face first Big 12 road test against Texas

By Robert Kreis

CUSTODIANS

There's no question that the Longhorns have a clean and Healthy environment, thanks to the custodians who work inside and outside of the facilities where we are so we can catch up on all the latest news and gossip the Herd is going in and out. If the Horns can't live up to the expectations placed on them, Legursky provides some hope for Marshall fans. "Whatever a new coach brings off campus it takes a little time for them to turn things around and for them to get on track," Legursky said. "In the next couple years I really think they're going to hit their peak, and they're going to stay focused, stay hungry and work hard."

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Wine bar brings culture to Huntington

BY JOANIE BORDERS
Life! Editor

After moving from Cleveland, Ohio, two years ago there was only a couple of amenities that Nicole and Josh Perrone missed about big city life, a wine bar being one of them.

With a love for wine and a little knowledge, Nicole, a theatre teacher at Marshall University, and her husband, Josh, an administrative employee for the University Physicians and Surgeons, opened Sip Wine Bar in late May.

“We really liked Huntington, we just wanted a grow-up place to go, have a nice glass of wine that was not necessarily a restaurant and we thought other people might want that too,” Nicole said.

The bar is located in Heritage Station suite #2 in between the Greaters Huntington Parks & Recreation and Finds and Designs.

“People usually associate with wine,” Nicole said. “I had a couple of girlfriends from back home ask me what it was like and I just told them I tried to make it somewhere we would want to hangout.”

The bar offers over 40 different wines, including a couple that have special meaning to Nicole and Josh.

“We have an Italian wine from the vineyard that my husband and I went to on our honeymoon,” Nicole said. “My husband is from Oregon and we have a really nice Pinot Noir from Oregon. Some of the wines just have special connotations for me, these are the ones that are my favorites if I had to choose.”

Starting with glasses at 2 oz. and offering trays called flights, which contain three 2 oz. glasses of different wines. Among some of the more popular flights are the Mediterranean Whites, which contain three Italian wines.

Sip also offers various small plates of food containing items that complement wine, such as cheese, meat, salami and hummus.

“We can’t feature local products,” Nicole said. “River and Rail Bakery makes all of our fresh bread and baguettes. There is a local dairy in Gallipolis, Ohio that provides us with one of their cheeses.

“I hope that the atmosphere is comfortable and relaxed and not one of those uptight atmospheres that people usually associate with wine,” Nicole said. “I had a couple of girlfriends from back home ask me what was like and I just told them I tried to make it somewhere we would want to hangout.”

July 4th firework events

The Power Park
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The Dawg Dazzle
Harris Riverfront Park
Thursday June 30 – 3 p.m.
Inflatables/Professional wrestling

Camden Park
July 4
Activities and Entertainment
Military Personnel receive 50 % discount with military ID

Fireworks at 10 p.m.

Freedomfest 2012
Ceredo City Park
July 4
Patriotic Dog costume contest
Ceredo’s Got Talent kareoke
Food/ live music/ games/ arts and crafts/ inflatables

Lawrence County Fair
July 4-July 14

Summer Motion
Ashland Veteran’s Riverfront park