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Tomblin is the only West Virginia governor to have attended the Marshall University College of Business where he received a MBA in Health Care Management. The award is given to individuals for outstanding achievement and service to the state of West Virginia and recognizes their service and contributions to the state.

Chong said the decision to retire was hard, but he believes it is time.

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Changes to affect student financial aid awards

The Marshall University Office of Financial Aid is working to make students more aware of the recently enacted Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2015.

This act includes an amendment to the Higher Education Act, which reduces the duration of the student’s eligibility to receive a Pell Grant from 11 semesters (or its equivalent) to 10 semesters (or its equivalent).

A Pell Grant is a type of aid money the federal government provides to students who need to pay for college. Federal Pell Grants are limited to students with financial need who have not earned their first bachelor’s degree and who are not enrolled in certain post-baccalaureate programs through participating institutions.

Kathy Bialk, director of student financial assistance at the office of financial aid, said she was not thrilled about the change because many students may be affected by this.

“All that we can do is help bringing awareness to the students,” Bialk said. This change will go into effect on July 1. The changes being made might only affect a few students at Marshall.

Bialk said more than 40 percent of full-time students at Marshall are Pell Grant recipients. She said this may seem like a large statistic, but the end result may be much less.

“We expect very few of our undergraduate students to be affected by this regulatory change,” Bialk said.

“Nevertheless, we want students to be aware of the change in rules and to make sure students understand the consequences of taking an excessive number of courses to complete your undergraduate degree,” Bialk said. The office of financial aid does not have any way of knowing exactly which students will be affected by the change.

Bialk said the United States Department of Education will know which students would be affected. It will inform students who fall into the category of the new changes being made. When “we find out which students will be affected by this change, we will work very hard and do our best to help those students finish their degrees,” Bialk said.

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**The Herd**

MARSHALL'S DENNIS TINNON SQUARES OFF FOR THE OPENING TIP AGAINST SOUTHERN MISS SENIOR

The Marshall University baseball team came close from the strange winter weather this weekend.

Both were sporadic and unpredictable.

The Thundering Herd played a pair of two-game sets against the Eastern Michigan Eagles and the Wake Forest Demon Deacons, winning only one of the four contests.

In game one, the Herd took an early 5-0 lead, helping home runs in each of the first three innings. Nathan Gomez and Alfredo Brito hit back-to-back home runs, and starter Aaron Blair threw five complete innings, striking out three.

It wasn’t until late, however, that the wheels came off for Marshall. Freshman Lucie Elder gave up three runs in relief of Blake and earned the loss.

The Herd’s bright spot of the day was catcher Thor Meeks, who finished 4-for-4 on Sunday. Wake Forest to 18-12 (9-7 C-USA) for one of the few times this season.

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Students are encouraged already have interviews good contacts and some have made at least a few. We need to stop beating ourselves, Moser said. “We have already played a team this year that is better than us, but we are beating ourselves each game soon.”

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We have a goat for several years and because we had a burner so there is no way out so I force myself to do things.” Sonny said. “When people order the Wings thinking they are re- wedges and spicy goat wings. They all wrote letters and faxes from our husband so I like to tell them that it is my son’s name.”

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Another topic of dis- cussion during the press conference was mine safety legislation.

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A local affair

BY CHELSE SCHULDIES

Hillbilly Hot Dogs serves up a unique experience

Sunny the “Weenie Man” and Sharie his “Weenie Wife” boast that Hillbilly Hot Dogs have got the weenies.

Hillbilly Hot Dogs opened in Lenox, W.Va. on Sept. 6, 1999. When building the first weenie stand, Sharie Knight said they originally intended to name the restaurant Hillbilly Hamburgers. After seeing the name, complications arose, and the Knights decided to change the name to Hillbilly Hot Dogs. Then, the weenie legacy was born.

“As Sunny was building the weenie stand, I made all these different hot dogs that I had made for my kids,” Sharie said. “I had been a single mom raising three kids so I became very creative. I told Sunny to just try these hot dogs and we saw he liked them. He told me if we could just get people to try something different, we’d have a winner.”

Sharie said their first menu only had nine hot dogs, including the West Virginia Dog, Smoky Dog, Egg Dog, Pizza Dog and the Taco Dog. These hot dogs were considered the “vast there” dogs of the time.

Sunny said some people were scared to try the Egg Dog when they first added it to the menu.

“When you say Egg Dog, people sometimes go ‘yuck,’” Sunny said. “I always say ‘well, do you like eggs, and do you like your weenies?’ If they say ‘yes,’ then you go there. You put eggs and beef together with a little bit of horseradish and mace cheese, and that is all it takes.”

If an Egg Dog is not appealing, Sunny said there are plenty of others from which to choose.

“Our menu really hits everybody’s palates,” Sunny said. “With everything we have on the menu, somebody is going to like something. For instance, if you like barbeques, we have the Hound Dog.”

When it comes to narrowing down their most unusual dog, the Knights said that is not a simple task.

“People ask me that question all the time, what is our most unusual dog,” Sharie said. “The thing I say is, ‘are we a traditional eater or a nontraditional eater? Do you like spice or no spice?’ This way we can divide up the different hot dogs to see what works for them. If they would like to take a walk on the wild side but with no spice, then I would suggest the Hound Dog and the Pizza Dog – it is phenomenal,” Sharie said. “We can even make a Taco Dog without the jalapenos if they wanted something with no spice but different. There are so many variations we have come up with.”

When it comes to nontraditional hot dogs, Sharie’s favorite dog is the Taco Dog, Sunny likes the Oat Wayne and Rahall’s Red Hot Wrecker.

The Knights now offer customers the opportunity to go on their website and build a weenie. This was the first year they put weenies posted from the website on the menu with the name of the creator.

Not only do the Knights have to create a variety of hot dogs, they also have to come up with various names for the weenies.

“All the dogs are connected with people,” Sharie Knight said. “Chuck’s Junkyard is someone who is a customer of ours who”