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Dan Hollis selected as West Virginia Professor of the Year

By KATIE WISE
THE PARThENON
Dan Hollis, interim assistant dean of Marshall University School of Journalism and Mass Communications, has been selected as the 2012 Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching West Virginia Professor of the Year.

Hollis was selected as the representative from West Virginia from nearly 300 professors in the nation.

The recipient of the Marshall & Shirley Reynolds Outstanding Teaching Award at Marshall University is automatically nominated for the Carnegie award. Hollis won the recipient of this award for the 2010-2011 academic year, thus paving his way to the Carnegie Award.

This year, a state Professor of the Year was recognized in 30 states and the District of Columbia.

Hollis said the award is just a cool thing presented to him for doing something he truly loves.

“I love teaching. It’s what I do,” Hollis said. “In some aspects, it’s just an award and a recognition of what I am doing. I don’t teach because of the awards, I teach because I love teaching and that’s just part of it.”

As humble as he may come across, Hollis said the Carnegie award is the most prestigious and ranks the highest of all other rewards he has received.

Only three other Marshall professors have won the Carnegie award before Hollis: Dr. Karen Mitchell, a mathematics professor in 1995, Dr. John Mcmahon, an English professor in 2000; and Dr. Teresa Renold, a psychology professor, in 2003.

In addition to the Reynolds and Carnegie awards, Hollis received the 2011 Marshall University Pickens-Queen Excellence in Teaching Award, which honors outstanding junior faculty who are teaching full-time and are either tenure or have tenure track appointment, and who have completed one to five years of service at Marshall. He has also taken first place six consecutive years, and seven of the past eight, in the News/Sports/Public Affairs Category of the National Broadcsting Society and Alpha Rho Epsilon Professional Electronic Media Awards.

However, Hollis said awards can only minimally measure Hollis’ true success.

Hollis said his ultimate accomplishment is seeing his students succeed, and knowing the role he played in their success.

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Use of drones by police strikes a nerve

By CHRISTINE CLARRIDGE

THE SEATTLE TIMES (WA)

SEATTLE — For years, law enforcement agencies have used helicopters and airplanes for search-and-rescue missions, SWAT team operations, traffic control and surveillance. To fly low, they have plans by Seattle police and other agencies to deploy unmanned drones even more.

The two groups have been working together since 2009. While they have found that drones can help with everything from search-and-rescue missions to law enforcement, they want to keep things in check.

The goal is to use drones to help law enforcement agencies with search-and-rescue missions, aviation, and other tasks that require a bit of extra height.

Suspended in the air, they can do everything from searching for lost hikers to making deliveries. But there are also concerns about privacy, technology and the future of the technology.

Some believe that using drones is a step too far in terms of technology and privacy. Others feel that the technology has come of age and that it’s time to start thinking about how we can use it.

Some organizations are working to bring about a common understanding of what drones are and what they can do. But there are also those who believe that the technology is still too new to be trusted.

By LARIN TURNER

THE PARTHENON

Marshall University received a gift of $271,000 from the family of the late Robert Fletcher for a mechanical engineering professorship.

Fletcher moved to Huntington in 1947 with his family’s business of designing under-ground coal support systems for coal and limestone mines.

The family also built a manipulation plant in Huntington.

Today, [L] Fletcher & Co., one of the world’s largest manufacturers of underground mining equipment, still continues to produce a variety of products.

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**MU point guard Canty ruled ineligible**

By George Sipple

DETROIT — Old school common sense won out over new school sabermetrics.

Miguel Cabrera of the Detroit Tigers won the American League’s Most Valuable Player Award on Thursday night in a vote by 30 members of the Seattle Mariners’ Association of America.

The announcement was made live on the MLB Network on Thursday night.

“Who Else?” Cabrera said. “I’m very excited. I think, I don’t have any words to explain how excited I am right now. I never expected I’d end up winning because Mike Trout, he did an unbelievable season.”

Cabrera said. “Now, I’m very surprised.”

Cabrera beat Trout, 362-281, in a weighted voting system. Cabrera received 22 of the 28 first-place votes, to Trout’s six first-place votes (Trout’s team had 21 of those ballots). Players received three points for first place, nine for second, eight for third and one of the year for 10th.

Tigers pitcher Justin Verlander finished eighth in the voting, receiving four first-place votes and nine third-place votes.

“I think I’m happy with all the fans in Detroit, all the fans in Venezuela,” Cabrera said. “It’s going to be exciting for our country, Venezuela and my family and I’m very happy for getting the MVP.”

Manager Jim Leyland said, “If you think when you do something good, they’re going to be done to 40-40 years, with everybody telling you, ‘Look, you’re down the street when we needed you the most. You gave us little nervous about it, but to be honest with you, I feel like this guy doesn’t get the ROY. Then there should be no justification for not giving.”

Even though Cabrera won, analysts who debated the AL MVP award by a 4-3 vote of MLB Network analysts on Thursday night.

“Don’t be surprised,” Leyland said. “Don’t be surprised.”

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**Herb volleyball opens C-USA Tournament play against UCF**

COURTESY OF DENNIS TINNON

Marshall University men’s basketball player Dennis Tinnon, wife Robin and daughter Denyah pose for a family picture.

By KARA KUCIN

Marshall University’s men’s basketball team is two games into its season and split the pair of games. Green Bay, Wis., native Dennis Tinnon, his wife and daughter, Denyah, three years ago. He said it is pretty hard to manage enough time for everything.

“It is tough because I am always gone away from my wife and daughter,” Tinnon said. “My days are 12 hours long, so the only time I really get to go my family is at night.”

Tinnon said his wife tries to attend all of the home games. However, she is pregnant with their third daughter, Denaya, who will arrive in January.

“Due won’t be able to attend all my games this season because of the pregnancy,” Tinnon said. Tinnon and his family try to enjoy Huntington when he can. He said he takes his daughter to Bitter Park and Billy Idol’s Woodland as often as he can. His brother, David, lives in Huntington with his wife, as well, which helps Tinnon and his wife get some alone time.

“My brother babysits my daughter whenever I need it so that my wife and I can do a few things without her,” Tinnon said.

Tinnon has a couple goals he would like to accomplish in his last year playing collegiate basketball.

“I would love to lead the country in rebounds and help my team with the conference tournament and make it to the NCAA tournament,” Tinnon said.

Tinnon said he is looking forward to playing the Memphis Tigers on Jan. 26 in Memphis because the Tigers have beaten the Herd three times in a row.

Tinnon is majoring in business management and said he would like to open a business of one’s own.

“I would like to open a little brittle retire- ment home, a mini theme park and build a gym in my hometown, Green Bay,” Tinnon said.

After Tinnon graduates he said he would like to play in the NBA or go overseas and play. He would like to move somewhere tropical with white beaches and clear water.

Tinnon and the Herd are scheduled to play in Hempstead, N.Y. this weekend. The Herd are set to play the District of Columbia Blue Jays.

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Wounds can be healed with time. Memories linger on, however, and the pain is never truly gone. The tragedy at Marshall University, as well as other events that have occurred since, have left a lasting impact on those who were present and those who have heard the stories.

I am a student at Marshall University and I was a Freshman when the plane crash occurred. I will never forget the day of that tragedy, and I will never forget the pain and suffering that it brought to so many people.

I write this letter to express my sympathy and respect for those who were affected by the tragedy. I hope that this letter will bring some comfort to those who need it.

I am a student at Marshall University, and I am proud to be a part of this community. The University has done a lot to help heal the wounds and make sure that the memory of those who were lost is not forgotten.

I hope that this letter will help to bring some comfort to those who need it.

Sincerely,

[Name]

College student at Marshall University

Letter to the editor

More than students affected by the plane crash

By BISHOP NASH

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

THE PARTHENON

The following are the results from the most recent poll question:

Do you think the Thundering Herd men’s basketball team will fare better in conference USA this season?

Yes: 74% - 203 votes
No: 26% - 72 votes

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The court case will pay up to $1.25 billion to the Securities and Exchange Commission for compensating some of the oil spill in the Bering Sea.

R. Keith Milburn, PhD, technicians of Henderson, Nev., and Donald J. Vitrin, MD, of Ludgate, La., the highest-ranking BP supervisors on board — were charged with 13 felony counts of manslaughter, 12 felony counts of dereliction of duty and one violation of the Clean Water Act in federal indictment unsealed Thursday.

In a statement, BP Group Chief Executive, said BP's efforts for this project, "After three years and tens of millions of dollars in investigations, the government needs a scapegoat," attorneys Louis Clarke and David Garber said in a statement. "Bob was not acting at a high level official. He was a dedicated rig worker who ignores his fellow co-workers every day.

At the height of the spill, BP's President Tony Hayward was forced to step down, in part for commenting that "I did my bit during the frantic cleanup period when all oil was washing ashore in Louisiana and many livelihoods were in ruins. In a statement, Bob Dudley, BP's Group Chief Executive, said the company deeply regretted the loss of life. "From the outset, we stepped up to responding to the spill, paying cleanup claims and funding restoration efforts in the Gulf," he said. "In this case, we have learned from our mistakes. British BP can do a better job than ever."

"The students are remarkable and they are genuine in their efforts for this project," Gilpin said. In the third quarter alone, BP earned sales of more than $30 billion and had net profits of more than $5 billion. "We hope that BP has made the most remarkable comeback from the most costly industrial accident in history. I thank everyone at Oppenheimer and Co., said in conclusion.

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The students were talking about how much clothing they wear and are not wearing at all and don't wear that just gather dust in the back of their closets and bottoms of their drawers," Gilpin said. "I think all the students and faculty think we are doing great stuff."

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Cross country traveling to support charity worth every minute

By RACHEL FORD

On Nov. 10, I traveled to Los Angeles for the first time to witness an event very important to me. One of my favorite bands, Jack’s Mannequin, was scheduled to perform their last show on Nov. 11 at the El Rey Theatre.

Getting the opportunity to witness his last show under this name with all profits going towards the foundation still seems surreal to me. People traveled from across the country for this event, I met people who traveled from as far as Maine for the concert.

The date, Nov. 11, is very significant to the charity and the annual concert as well—it takes place on that day every year, because in one of McMahon’s earlier songs, he mentions the time 11:11. This year, the concert itself raised more than $25,000 for the organization.

Throughout the night, McMahon told stories of his seven years with Jack’s Mannequin, and frequently told the printed how much he wanted to thank him that people came from near and far just to support him and his charity.

After the concert I got the amazing chance to meet the man behind the lyrics. People often say to never meet your heroes because you’re sure to be disappointed, but that is not the case with this man. He is so gracious as he seems, and he was genuinely happy to hear that I traveled more than 2,000 miles, on my first trip to California, just to see him.

That concert was one of the most magical moments of my life, and Nov. 11, 2012 will be a night I never, ever forget.

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