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Changes coming to financial aid

By CODY FRANK PERKINS

WASHINGTON—Some student who receive Pell Grant and some other forms of aid can be selected at random to show they are financial and for education reasons and not other purposes, Marshall.Financial Aid Counselor Sarah Musgrave said.

"Students don't need to stress out. We are here in the office to help students out, and walk them through the process if they are selected by the Education Department for verification," Musgrave said.

The selection is completely ran
dom, but some groups of students can be a possible target such as Pell Grant recipients or other grant based students.

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VA trademarks term ‘GI Bill’ to shield vets from deception

By RENEE SCROFF

MCCLATCHY NEWSGROUP (MCT)

LOS ANGELES — Trademarks protect veterans' rights to prevent online ads and the websites of for-profit schools from misleading Iraq and Afghanistan veterans, the De
dpartment of Veterans Affairs has trademarked the words "GI Bill." Since the first GI Bill was enacted in 1944, it has re
defined the government's concept of provide aid for university educ
ation for service members returning to civilian life. Because of the government investigations, however, some spotlighted problems as for-profit schools compete for government dol
lars under the latest versions of the bill.

"We will continue to sup
port our veterans by helping them obtain the best educa
tional pursuit," Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric Shinseki said in a statement Monday announcing the trademark.

"We all want veterans to be informed consumers in their educational pursuit." Shinseki said.

"It is a real pleasure seeing students come together professionally to sell the Keramos Potters Guild," Ike said. "It is a real pleasure seeing students come and not other purposes, Marshall Financial Aid Counselor Sarah Musgrave said.

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By AMINA KHAN

LOS ANGELES — NASA's Curiosity rover was designed to search Mars for places capable of sup
porting life. But the $2.5 billion mission has another, unofficial objective: "It serves as a goodwill emissary for the Day the Propulsion Laboratory in La Canada Flintridge, Calif., at a time when funding for planetary exploration is in jeopardy. Just as Keramos is equipped with an army of high

Three student groups were selected at random to show they are using their material improperly. They make art out of the otherwise very noisy and busy world.

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By SARAH SMITH

ABOVE, BELOW: In this Aug.27 file photo, NASA holds an educational experience with will.i.am for students at the Jet Propulsion Labratory in La Canada Flintridge, Calif. His song, "Reach for the Stars," played after being transmitted from the surface of Mars by the Curiosity rover.

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Calif. judge blocks refusals to block gay conversion therapy ban

By PATRICK McKEEVEY
LOS ANGELES TIMES (MCT)

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The day after a federal judge cases a state law banning conversion therapy for minors, a second judge isued a ruling upholding it.

According to Lynda Guehdell, a spokeswoman for the California attorney general, the ban on sexual-orientation therapy will take effect Jan. 1 as scheduled for everyone except two therapists who seek the ban from taking effect.

On Monday, U.S. District Judge Kimberly J. Mueller said the law may inhibit the First Amendment rights of therapists who oppose homosexuality. He issued a temporary restraining order preventing the state from enforcing the ban, the first of its kind in the nation, pending the three plaintiffs pending a broader ruling.

“... The reality is those three individuals are not subject to the law, so (the initial ruling) is very temporary,” a spokeswoman said.

In Tuesday’s ruling, in a case brought by opponents asserting that the law violates free speech, religion and parental rights, U.S. District Judge Kimberly J. Mueller said the Legislature and governor had failed to enact such a law that genuinely harmed minors, including the American Psychotherapy Association, which had opposed the therapy.

“The purpose of the statute is an exercise of legislative mind reading to find the California Legislature and the state’s Governor could have had legitimate reason for enacting SB 1172,” Mueller wrote in declining to issue an injunction. State Sen. Ted Lieu, D-Torrance, who helped sponsor the legislation, said he expects the first case to be heard in court in 2013.

“We believe that the number of children who can be targeted and harmed by sexual-abuse imposed by reparative therapy is enormous,” he said that Tuesday’s ruling by Judge Mueller will mean “a new day for children from serious harm,” Lieu said in a statement.

U.S. governors meet with Obama, members of Congress on fiscal cliff

By MICHAEL A. MERROLI
WASHINGTON — A bipartisan group of governors came to Washington on Tuesday to express concern to the White House and members of Congress about the potential consequences to state budgets in the fiscal cliff negotiations.

The governors are worried both about the possibility a deal may not be reached by year’s end and also that a final accord might rely on state to state grants are counting on to keep their own budgets balanced.

While the focus in Washington is on the impasse between President Barack Obama and congressional Republicans on the fate of George W. Bush-era tax rates for the wealthy, governors are wary tracking discussions about spending cuts as many are set to present their own budget proposals for 2013.

“We don’t need cuts on the federal level that merely require tax increases on the state level,” Arkansas Gov. Mike Beebe, a Democrat, told reporters outside the White House.

A new report from Harvard’s Institute of Politics, the University of Pennsylvania’s Fels Institute of Government and the American Education Foundation noted that grants to states make up 40 percent of state education spending in the federal budget, and that state block grants “will be a prime target” for national cuts.

The state leaders, three Republicans and three Democrats, said they came “not to support any particular party’s plans but to have their perspectives on the decisions lawmakers face, and to urge a quick resolution that would end uncertainty that has the potential to hurt states and the national economy.”

“Because of the dramatic impact on our budgets at a very difficult time for us,” said Utah Gov. Gary Herbert, a Republican. “It’s almost like we have to prepare one budget if they solve it and one budget if they don’t solve it. And so states really understand the serious of this issue and the impact it’s going to have on our own budgets and our own economy.”

Herbert said that the states were “on more with less,” acknowledge that some funding cuts are inevitable in any deal that is final. That is a familiar request on the part of state executives, the governors wanted greater flexibility in spending federal funds that still will come, a request that Herbert said Obama has no reason to in their meeting.

Obama was joined by Treasury Sec- retary Timothy Geithner and Vice President Joe Biden in the meeting with the executive committee of the National Governors Association. Biden was tapped to be a liaison with the governors during the fiscal cliff talks, a familiar role for the man who oversaw the implementation of the stimulus bill passed in 2009.

One day after Republicans offer a counterproposal that the White House readily dismissed, Obama offered no in- diation of how talks would go.

“I know that the president certainly wants a deal,” said Delaware Gov. Jack Markell, a Democrat and the chair of the NGA. “He didn’t try to handicap us for his own use, but he did make very clear that he’s going to work as hard as he possibly can (to get one).”

The governors were set to head to Capitol Hill later Tuesday to meet with Speaker John Boehner and other legis- lative leaders.

German politicians react to US tax talks

By BEN SHEPPARD
BERLIN — German politicians have reacted to the tax talks in the United States but the German government has not yet said whether it would vote for any US agreement.

Former Federal President George W. Bush speaks at the 4 Percent Growth Project: immigration conference, held at the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas on Tuesday.

Former President George W. Bush is scheduled to be the keynote speaker at the 2013 American Conservative Summit in Washington on Monday, according to a news release.

The former president said he would address the conservative group on his experiences in Washington, including his time as president of the George W. Bush Institute.

“Given that the demographic is so per- ceived to grow for years to come, Republicans in Texas and across the U.S. have started re-evaluating how they appeal to Hispanics. That is despite Democrats looking to build upon their current situation, which includes a large electorate that is growing Hispanic, which is growing Hispanic, are way up, and Hispanics make up 40 percent of the population in Texas. And so we need to think about how we are going to have to appeal to these people.”

But the Institute Board of Directors is set to vote on the issue on Tuesday.

Meanwhile, the White House said it was determined to ensure that “a comprehensive deal is reached before the end of the year” in the fiscal cliff talks.

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Chesapeake Energy Capital Classic

Mountaineers silence Thundering Herd women, 64-48

By JEREMY JOHNSON
SPORTS EDITOR

Marshall University committed a season high 26 turnovers and fell to West Virginia University 64-48 in the Chesapeake Energy Capital Classic Tuesday night.

“This is going to be an issue for us,” Head Coach Matt Daniel said about the turnovers. “I certainly appreciate our teams effort.”

West Virginia, ranked 23 in the USA Today Coaches Poll, jumped out early and never looked back as the Mountaineers led the entire contest in front of 2,606 fans inside the sold out Charleston Civic Center.

The first half consisted of a game of runs. The Mountaineers (5-2) held an early 14-2 lead after the first media timeout, but in a stretch of just over four minutes the Herd (4-4) closed the deficit to 16-13. Marshall would get it as close as 16-17 off a Leandra King layup.

“I am happy to see the fight in us,” Daniel said. “We need to play as one, help each other on defense, execute on offense and watch for a while. Those 2,606 fans definitely made a difference in the game. That thought was squashed when the public address announcer said there were 2,606 fans at Tuesday night’s women’s game for the Capital Classic. Those 2,606 fans definitely made a difference in the game. Every time Marshall began to rally from behind, the fans would cheer for both teams, but that didn’t even happen for the women’s game. The atmosphere was significantly improved.

That the Capital Classic games were shown on a doubleheader began to pie into the Charleston Civic Center at the end of the women’s game so they could get seated for the men’s game. They actually got invested into the games once they sat and watched for a while. Several people I spoke with leading up to Tuesday’s game didn’t even know when the women’s game was supposed to be played. That’s just sad.

This year’s WVU-Mountaineers women’s game drew more fans than expected.

Capital Classic women’s game drew more fans than expected

By ADAM ROGERS
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Well I was going to start this column off by stating the Chesapeake Energy Capital Classic should return to a women-men doubleheader to bring more fans in for the women’s game.

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During the Capital Classic, games were shown as a doubleheader but fans began to pile into the Charleston Civic Center at the end of the women’s game so they could get seated for the men’s game.

Senior center Nigel Spikes said he would love to come away with a win.

"As a player it’s a great game to get to play and it’s a great game to watch if I think it would be a greater win for the fans," Spikes said.

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Monday marked the 20th anniversary of the text message. Now the question is – should we celebrate it and wish for another 20 strong years, or should we wish for the speedy death of the form of communication that has destroyed the English language beyond all previous认识? Obviously you will get varying answers depending if you ask a student, an executive, or someone who does not spend a lot of time on their phone but can still be affected.

The most obvious is without a doubt, a terrible tool. Being able to quickly communicate with someone without having to drop everything you are doing and expecting another person to do the same at a particular moment comes in very handy – but a society that spends more time speaking with their thumbs than their mouths is a creation of a new generation of problems.

Family, once extremely important, seems to be dwindling in the days where it is increasingly easy to move away from the area you were raised. Even the most homelike is too far away to get over their anxiety with the ability to text, tweet or Facebook their family, once extremely important, seems to be dwindling in the days where it is increasingly easy to move away from the area you were raised. Even the most homelike is too far away to get over their anxiety with the ability to text, tweet or Facebook their favorite family member any time they would like. But with this comes shorter communications, often lacking any real meaning. Even the words are shorter as we more and more of the time use abbreviations. Vox partners with them. The experience of seeing and hearing the emotion of a message can still be elusive.

I am writing to you as a human being and a citizen. I am writing to you as a human being and a citizen. By far the most important thing I have ever learned about my field is that people get upset about communication. I have found that anything you can tell to another person you can show them, and vice versa. It helps to remember this information.

You are doing so. Don't just put up the tree because you have to; do it because you want to. Because you want to. It had ups and downs, but all in all, I had a good time. And I hope you guys have provided me.

The saddest thing about life is that it ends. I like to use the holiday season, or in my case, Christmas time, as a time to reflect on all that I have accomplished in the next year. Even the most homelike is too far away to get over their anxiety with the ability to text, tweet or Facebook their favorite family member any time they would like. But with this comes shorter communications, often lacking any real meaning. Even the words are shorter as we more and more of the time use abbreviations. Vox partners with them. The experience of seeing and hearing the emotion of a message can still be elusive.

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parties, including many who accused him of proposing an immigration plan that included stronger border security, but also a guest-worker program.

In an Oval Office address on May 6, 2006, Bush appealed on behalf of “the vast majority of illegal immigrants who work hard, support their families, practice their faith and lead responsible lives.” He offered his support for creating a path to citizenship, albeit one that would take a decade or more, for millions of illegal immigrants already in the United States.

“Some in this country argue that the solution is to deport every illegal immigrant, and that any proposal short of this amounts to amnesty,” Bush said. “It is neither wise, nor realistic to try to round up 11 million people, many with deep roots in the United States, and send them across the border.”

But those efforts were stymied in Congress. Two weeks after leaving the White House, Bush told several news outlets, including The Dallas Morning News, that one of his regrets was失败是成功之母 the first pushing Social Security reform, rather than after the 2008 elections. “I had to do it again, probably, and do it better,” he said.

“With immigration after the ’94 election, I felt like we had run the ball into the end zone,” Bush told the News in 2009. “I campaigned on both...
Marshall University employee celebrates 40 year milestone at Morrow Library

By SIZAHH AL-QAWSAMI
THE PARTHENON

When Sue Ellen Bell stepped foot into the classroom of her first college course in 1970, she had no idea she was beginning a 40 year legacy at Marshall University. Bell, library associate in the Government Documents department of James E. Morrow Library, began at Marshall as a freshmen work study student and has been working in the library ever since. She received a bachelor’s degree and a master’s degree, all while working full-time.

“I wanted to get my degree, and working here and being close to my degrees was ideal,” Bell said. “It was very convenient for my situation at the time.”

Bell received her bachelor’s degree with a major in religious studies and a minor in philosophy. She received her master’s in religious studies while working full-time. She received her master’s degree and paid for her graduate work through the educational benefit where we were allowed to work one hour per day to attend classes.

“I really loved my work. I enjoyed working with the staff and the students. I enjoyed being able to help students find what they were looking for,” Bell said.

Bell said one of the things she has loved most about her job is being able to work alongside such dedicated members of the library staff and administration. She said she feels honored to be considered a part of such an amazing group of people.

“I could never say enough good things about the staff here. Marshal Shudoski, my immediate supervisor; the library administration and the whole Information Technology team are fantastic to work with,” Bell said. “We are a team committed to providing information to our students, faculty and community and together I really think we make a difference.

“We have so many older primary sources that are not available in the electronic form,” Bell said. “I love helping people find the information they need. I don’t think of my job as work—it is what I love to do.”

Bell said one of her greatest hopes is that students are aware of the large collection of information Government Documents has to offer. Marshall University is one of 125 Federal depository libraries in the United States, so Government Documents receives published information from one of the largest printers and distributors of information in the world, the Government Printing Office.

Bell said the library has a variety of primary sources available that students may not be able to get anywhere else. She said it is important for students to visit the library because so many of the documents aren’t available online.

“I love helping people find the information they need. I don’t think of my job as work—it is what I love to do. It’s two-thirds of my life,” Bell said. “We have so many older primary sources that are not available online. Because of that, students may not be able to get them some other way. I’ve been working in this building, in this library, for two-thirds of my life.”

Bell said it has been nothing short of a positive experience. The staff has loved working at Marshall for as long as she can remember. She said she plans to continue to work in Government Documents until she retires.

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The dark tones see will.i.am combining new and old club vibes to create a hit that will remain on charts around the world for at least several months. Even though a hit with the masses, many Spears fans will find themselves wishing she had a stronger presence vocally on the song or even a full verse. The intricate rime and flow, make with this single is that although Spears has the driving name, this is still a will.i.am single and the vocals reflect this by remaining fans of this is only a featured artist. With the impending doom of the earth rapidly approaching, according to the Mayan calendar, this song is a great song for all club goers and music aficionados to “scream and shout.” will.i.am and Spears have a great addition for his new album and Spears has another number one single for her record books. Evan Fowler can be contacted at fowler68@marshall.edu.