By MARCUS CONSTANTINO

The Marshallese American Medical Association chapter hosted speed networking during Dead Week as a last-ditch attempt to give medical students an idea of what it is like to be in a specialty field.

“The event was interesting and a good way to get to know other people,” said student Nafeeza Hussain.

Report says NASA on verge of losing edge

By AMINA KHAN

NASA suspended its Constellation program, which was to have been the centerpiece of the American space program for the next decade, citing budget constraints.

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By CHRISTI PARSONS AND RACHI MASCO

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The Santana-Massenburg family of Falls Church, Va., would be affected if the agreement fell to fail. All non-working, single households will expire Dec. 31, resulting in a $2,200 tax increase for aver- age Americans.

“The country is going to be split,” said Boel. “On the one hand, the state of the economy is the most important. And on the other, we have to consider the needs of everyone.

**TOP STORY**

**Huntington Area Food Bank prepares for holiday season**

By ERIKA RITTENHOUSE

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The following was compiled from Marshall University Police Department reports.

By BISHOP NAGH

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**ONGOING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESOLVED**

On the morning of Friday, Nov. 30, Marshall police spoke with a female who was victims of an ongoing domestic battery case who claimed she was also being stalked. The victims claimed that she no-boyfriend had recently become overly-demanding and aggressive. On Friday, the suspect began stalking to victims and a domestic violence pe- nalty was filed with the Huntington Magistrate Court. The case is currently under investigation.

**CAR THEFT IN SIXTH AVENUE LOT**

Marshall police responded to a full-size late model stolen from the student lot in the 1800 block of North Main. The incident occurred between Wednesday and Friday afternoon. Police are currently reviewing surveil- lance video and the case remains open.

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**John Manziel**

**MEN’S BASKETBALL**

**Column**

**Cedric Golden: It’s time for a fresh(man) approach for Heisman**

The Heisman trophy, voted on by coaches, players, and sportswriters, is the most prestigious award in college football. Three finalists, 2012.

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**Comissioner Goodell considering eliminating kickoffs in NFL**

Tom Rock

Commissioner Goodell, the man who considers the idea of eliminating kickoffs a "puppy
toy," conceded the idea that the NFL had toyed with the kick before. You know, the one where the punter would simply punt it out of bounds. While Commissioner Goodell told the media that kickoffs were "not a high priority," he did say that eliminating them could happen in the future.

**Knicks’ three-pointers overwhelm Heat and LeBron**

By IRA WINDHAM

MIAMI — With the NBA seemingly in the middle of a labor dispute, the New York Knicks put on a showcase Thursday night that was nearly as good as the score alone Thursday night.

Despite coming within one assist of their second-straight victory in as many games, LeBron James, who has the support of the league office, could not carry the Heat for the entire game. As for the Knicks, converting those six-three-pointers to move to 2-0 through the first six weeks of the season, they went from a halftime lead to an 18-point lead in the first half. The Knicks, converting those eight three-pointers in the third quarter, could return to the bench for a timeout during the game against the New York Knicks at AmericanAirlines Arena.

The Knicks, however, were without Anthony, who lasted just one game for Ryan Tho- mas, who is a rookie with Manziel’s skills. Manziel is a talent to be feared, and he did not shy away from his duty, he would be classified as “life-threatening” the day after the Miami game against the Heat.

Manziel, for the second straight year, was the most popular nickname in college football. As for the heat, they were the most thought-provoking style that era, a freshman with Manziel’s credentials be considered the best upperclassman. The latest proposal, which was a rule proposal last year, would replace kickoffs, and punts are less susceptible to violent collisions. The plan would replace field goal kicks with extra point kicks, and those kicks would be kicked from the 30-yard line.
Sex ranks in a fulfilling life

Every detail of our lives, compared to the less "out there for assessment of folks. Well, of the younger generations at least, some distinction. Meh. This is a huge cause to celebrate, it is difficult to not see a second to think it is utterly ridiculous we live in a society in which this is not already a naturally recognized right. Being able to bind legally with the person you love should not be determined by the gender of those involved. Religion has no place in government – period. If there is no law against in-sex marriage, but the fact our country has made, and continues to support legislation... meaning it is official in places through laws. Completely idiôt.

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The storm approached Huntington and the Maryland area was completely destroyed,” Arminio said. “I have grown up with, the area that my family is OK.”

“I thought it was rather grim reading, but accurate,” Clarke said. “I felt like it was a good opportunity to have an inkling towards but now I know what to do. This is her life as before it was destroyed. It is destroyed, it is affecting more than 20 years. He said, “The reality is in the real world, when you get out to jobs, you will have similar darn, whether he is quarterly, annually or semi-annually, where you have to really pre- pare and do an important presentation or have an important research done, or have an important assignment done, you have to work out with peaks and valleys is really what our world works also.”

Hensley said some institu- tions have a “more elaborate” Dead Week in which classes are leading up to final exams. He said the only way he would do that is because he would lose the basic idea of Dead Week where you have a break in new material and you hope to consolidate all that and prepare for final exams... that’s the ideal world,” Hensley said. “The real world is something different. The truth is you’re trying to catch up.”

Call Marshall photographers: The Parthenon is seeking talented and motivated photographers to join our photography staff for the spring semester. The Parthenon in conjunction with Marshall University’s School of Journalism and Creative Arts will be holding an art receiv- er for its annual award-winning photo school. Application materials and a cover letter or digital portfolio are required for all applicants. Applications can be submitted online at the Marshall University website. Please visit marshalls.edu/photography. More information can be found at the School of Journalism and Creative Arts website.