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The overall campaign won an honorable mention for a community relations campaign, as well as an honorable mention for a brochure produced as a tactic in the campaign. The 2012 “Travel & Date” campaign, executed by the 2012 public relations management class, won a Front- Place Diamond Award for a community relations campaign from the East Central Division of PRSA, composed of 13 PRSA chapters in Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

Kristen Rous, a graduate of the public relations graduate program at Marshall University, said, as a student working on the Distinguished Service Award campaign, she was able to see how well her work was recognized by many students and provides direct access to Smith Field. Hensley said most people do not have the opportunity to do big things that get attention, but little things can add up to make big differences.

The policy then moved forward to, approved by Executive Council of the WV Associates. Snuff, waterpipe smoking, and hookah smoking were not included in the policy. However, campus events allow their own tobacco policies, which may include fees or restrictions for those who live on campus.

The policy allows for in the last several years, “This has been something I have been a vocal advocate for students, Hensley has started programs that make better decisions in their lives. He also created the office of disability services in 1984, which provides students, Hensley has worked in various departments at Marshall in the last 40 years. Earlier this month, the West Virginia Association of Student Personnel Administrators awarded Hensley with the Distinguished Service Award for his long tenure and service at Marshall. Hensley said he did not post the award or ask for any recognition, but was pleased to receive the honor. "At the end of your career, if you have been diligent, worked hard and have been friendly, people will admit that you repected," Hensley said. In his nomination, the WVSPA cited practical examples of Hensley’s work that helped improve student life.

The policy applies to in Marshall’s Board of Governors, effective July 1 2013. The final decision to approve the policy was made by, Faculty Senate in February. The final decision to approve the policy was made by, Faculty Senate in February. The final decision to approve the policy was made by, Faculty Senate in February. The overall campaign was honored with a national award for a community relations campaign, as well as an honorable mention for a brochure produced as a tactic in the campaign.

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Terry Hapney selected as Public Relations Educator of the Year

By DWIGHT JORGE

News Editor

Terry Hapney, associate professor of public relations, was selected as the 2013 Public Relations Educator of the Year by the West Virginia chapter of the Public Relations Society of America for his success in preparing students for the profession, as well as his excellence as an instructor and as a public relations practitioner.

"I was very humbled by this award," said Hapney. "It is nice to know that our students are doing well after graduation. That is what it is all about." Hapney has taught at Marshall University since 1989. He is also an active member of the PRSA and earned his master's degree at the University of Minnesota.

"It is rewarding to see that our students are succeeding in what they have learned from us," Hapney said. "The students are doing well in the real world and that is what is most important to us as educators." Hapney has also been an active member of the PRSA and earned his master's degree at the University of Minnesota.

The PRSA West Virginia chapter is the first organization to honor Hapney for his outstanding contributions to public relations education. The award was presented during the chapter's annual meeting held in Charleston.

Hapney has spent his career exploring all facets of journalism, including radio, television, print journalism, broadcast journalism and advertising.

"I think it is important to be able to communicate effectively in all aspects of journalism," Hapney said. "I believe that my students are gaining the skills they need to succeed in the field."

Hapney has been recognized for his excellence as a professor and as a public relations practitioner. He has received two first place awards and two honorable mentions in the national Public Relations Society of America's annual competition. He was also selected as the 2013 Public Relations Educator of the Year by the West Virginia chapter of the PRSA.

Hapney's award is the latest in a series of awards he has received for his contributions to the field of public relations. In 2012, he was named Public Relations Educator of the Year by the PRSA West Virginia chapter. He has also been named Public Relations Practitioner of the Year by the PRSA West Virginia chapter.

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While many students spent the early days of the summer working a part-time job, sitting by the pool or traveling to a beachside getaway, several Marshall University students spent their days exploring the streets of Florence, Italy. Through an interdisciplinary study abroad program hosted by the College of Fine Arts, students spent three weeks experiencing the culture and history of the city while taking courses in photography and English.

Instructed by Rachael Peckham, professor of English, and Daniel Kaufmann, professor of photography, the course involves the incorporation of media into the publication of blogs as a way to transform the Florence experience into digitalized works of art, according to Peckham. Students practice photography and creative non-fiction writing in the production of their blogs.

Though Don Van Horn, dean of COFA and director the Florence study abroad program, emphasized the course’s focus on visual arts, he also expressed the importance of international experiences to every student. Along with those of COFA, participants in the program included students from the College of Health Professions, the College of Business, the College of Science and other colleges within the university all exploring Florence and the surrounding cities, such as Sienna.

As Van Horn claims, the transformation of in-experienced artists into photographers and that of art students into well-rounded professionals brought on by the international experience is unparalleled.

“They’ve been exposed to contemporary work from across the world, so you begin to see some of those contemporary trends show up in their work,” Van Horn said. Taylor McComas, senior photography major and first-time visitor of the city, explained the experience as indescribable to those who have not had the same encounter with the culture.

“I have learned, both by intuition and observation, what could be my role in the world as a creator,” McComas said. “I have learned about how differently other cultures live their lives, and how despite the size of our toilets, showers, pizza slices, large sodas and beds, we are all one swirling mass of humanity who desire the same things”.

The program, after just completing its fourth year, has given more than 50 students the opportunity to immerse themselves in Italian culture, to enhance their work as artists and writers and to experience a way of life incomparable to everyday American society.

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By HENRY CULYHOUSE

Same-sex marriage is a state issue

By CURTIS TATE

Excuses for Paula Deen don’t cut the mustard

It has been a busy week for news, Ed-
ward Snowden and the U.S. have
been engaged in a global cat and mouse
chase, the Trayvon Martin case has gone
to court and Paula Deen went on the Tod-
dy Show to give a heavy apology after mur-
ning her career for using racial slurs.
Those three stories would make for a
good news week anytime of the year but
the Supreme Court of the United
States made the headlines Wednesday by rul-
ing that same-sex couples are entitled to
federal benefits.

Despite the Court’s decision to
strike down the Defense of Marriage
Act, we have had to stoop so much that
many people have forgotten that they
were there when the song was written.

While marriage equality becoming
just marriage in the eyes of the U.S. Gove-
nment is something to celebrate, Americans
would be wise to sober themselves and remember that the Su-
preme Court invalidated key parts of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 just 24 hours before they ruled in favor of same-sex
marriage.

It was truly beautiful to hear
President Obama announce the Ruling.

But that is beside the point.

Case three was the one about who should be allowed to tap phones?

We might forgive someone born in the
1850s for using electricity, running water or a computer. But, as the Supreme Court announced last
Wednesday, we can’t forgive Paula Deen.

EXCUSES FOR PEAUX DEEN DON’T CUT THE MUSTARD

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By BRATON CRISP

The Greenbrier Classic in southern West Virginia turned 35-years old next week, but the PGA Tour event at the Greenbrier Classic tees off at the legendary Greenbrier Resort in White Sulphur Springs. One might say this week’s tournament is the most Wild and Wonderful two weeks in recent memory for West Virginia.

When the Greenbrier Classic hits the Old White TPC course, Tiger Woods will not just be there to do an elbow injury that will keep him out until the British Open in July, but some players who will be there include all three previous Classic winners: Stewart Cink (2009), Patrick Reed (2011), and Ted Potter, Jr. (2012). In addition to the previous champions, Phil Mickelson will make his third trip to the Greenbrier; the ever flamboyantly dressed John Daly will return to the West Virginia hills and Bobby Wannamaker will be there as well.

There will be a local twist, as well, as West Virginia insurance agent and former Herd standout, Braxton Crisp’s name is on the trophy. Crisp’s story is relatable to West Virginians: “I never dreamed we would be as successful as winning a Diamond Award,” said Crisp, who told WDRB just last week of the tournament’s success and the record setting money generated from the event.

In addition to the golf tournament, country music superstar Kenny Chesney, and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee aerosmith will play concerts on the course. Organizers piling those two performances after having the Black Eyed Peas, Bon Jovi, The Fray and Rod Stewart play concerts for the tournament over the past few years. All the big names are a great way to put a positive light on West Virginia, but there’s one player whose success this week is national and will make the Greenbrier Classic a worldwide story.

Canadian Graham DeLaet is helping his native land recover from widespread flooding mostly in southern Alberta province, but in other parts of the country as well. At last week’s Travelers Championship in Cromwell, Conn., DeLaet pledged $1,000 for each birdie he made, and $2,500 for each eagle he made. He finished a career best 19th place at the Travelers Championship and sunk nine birdies on the course this week. With Crisp’s generosity, DeLaet will make a total of $20,000. The facility will also be used for soccer, baseball and other teams trying to escape bad weather.

It was amazing to see what was possible.” Dooley said. “It was professional, success because though they were living in legal limbo, because immigration in the future is the right thing to do.”

Work on Marshall’s new Indoor Practice Facility is underway. The facility, being built on the former site of Sam Hood Soccer Field, includes an indoor football field, athletic training facility and Hall of fame. “It’s huge for the athletic department,” said head football coach Doc Holliday. The facility will also be used for soccer, baseball and other teams trying to escape bad weather.

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"Congress is going to have to grapple with the implications of the DOMA decision," Sanders said. "Or else the courts are going to have to step in.

Federal workers now may apply for health and pension benefits for their same-sex spouses, but maybe not in every state. Married same-sex couples in the military can qualify for base housing, relocation assistance, family support services and veterans benefits at least in the states that allow them to marry. But members of the armed forces frequently move from state to state.

"Couples in the military who work for the federal government are going to have to grapple with the implications of today’s decision," Sanders said. "Or else the courts are going to have to step in."

The issue came up during the recent Senate immigration debate. Some Republicans threatened to withdraw their support from the bill if it included benefits for same-sex couples. Democrats sat outside the provision, hoping the Supreme Court would resolve it.

Because immigration is a federal issue, state law won’t matter when same-sex couples apply for green cards. Law following, a New York immigration attorney for many same-sex couples, called the court’s ruling "clear as a bell." A couple who just married "in the courthouse," they said, "will bring gay rights advocates to the immigration system."