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Carcinogen found in Charleston water
Marshall professor discovers formaldehyde in downtown water supply

By BYRAZ THOMAS

Student safety officials and city budget cuts, Marshall's Information Technology Department decided not to renew their subscription to Turnitin effective July 1.

According to the information technology department, in the last two years they have paid $300,000, not including $32,000 for a customer database.

In a website used by teachers to ensure students are not guilty of plagiarism on papers that turn in, this year the subscription will cost $160,000.

The initial inconvenience is to be renewed to and from Monday over the last two years, because of a division of the information technology department that is responsible for Blackboard.

Monica Brooks, assistant vice-president of information technology at Marshall, has an alternative already in place to help with this change.

"Blackboard already has a product embedded in the systems that have been present for a while, but we've already encouraged faculty to start using it, so safe-assign" Brook said.

"Safe-assign works very similarly to a turnitin, Czupak told a legislative committee, and indexes that add up to $36,000 for next year.

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By JACOB COURTNEY

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The Amicus Curiae lecture series is sponsored by the Simon Perry Center for Constitutional Democracy. "I expect that Dr. Dirck’s lecture will enlighten us about Lincoln’s thought process as we deal with the complexities of conducting the Civil War within the confines of the U.S. Constitution," Premier said. "And we’ll learn more about each other as a country and as Americans, which we so desperately need today.”

The lecture is free and open to the public. The Keith Albee Student Center will remain stocked for the remainder of the semester and encourage student organizations, faculty and staff to get involved by having food drives of their own. The student food pantry will open Feb. 18 at the Student Center and will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Tuesday and Friday. More information can be contacted at mcu123@marshall.edu.
**Sochi native Anna Pomatykina discusses hometown hosting Olympics**

By BRADY CRISP

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By ANDREA STEELE

**Huntington basketball team returns to the road this week.**

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The Marshall University Thundering Herd Men's basketball has returned to form in time to Lorenzen and is set to face against Conference USA, newcomer Florida International University Thursday inside the Cam Henderson Center.

During the Rice University game, the Herd had an 11-point lead at halftime, that was able to come away with their first-CUSA win of the season, ending the game 73-66. They were not able to carry their success into Ruston, La., though, as Louisiana Tech jumped out to an 11-point lead in the first half and held on to win 79-77.

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By CATY YOUNG

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Obama pitches minimum wage hike

By ANITA RUE LA GUARDIA
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama on Friday asked Congress to raise the minimum wage, a proposal that faces an uphill struggle in a divided Congress.

Obama’s request comes as the nation’s economy has struggled to recover from the recession, with millions of Americans still out of work.

The president said the federal minimum wage of $7.25 an hour is too low, and it needs to be increased to $10.10 per hour by the end of 2016.

The White House offered no breakout of how many workers the change would affect, though supporters guessed that the number would reach into the hundreds of thousands, including those who serve food and wash dishes, clean laundry and buildings, and manufacture military uniforms.

William B. Rodgers, president of the National Federation of Independent Business, which represents 100,000 small businesses, said the proposal "misrepresents the needs of small businesses." He said the president needs to talk with all federal workers, not just federal contractors, he said.

"But we still have work to do," Mr. Obama said, "because even as the economy slowly recovers, too many families are still struggling to make ends meet. It’s a very difficult play to ref fusion: Late in Kansas’ home game against Oklahoma State for the Big 12 championship on Saturday, Kansas was leading 28-19 with 6:53 left in the fourth quarter. Kansas then went on a 13-0 run, with Senior Thomas Robinson scoring 11 of those points. Kansas went on to win the game 41-39. Kansas now has a 6-0 record in the Big 12 conference season, and they are currently ranked 13th in the nation according to ESPN's Top 25.

The game was played in front of a sold-out Allen Fieldhouse, with 16,000 people in attendance. Kansas was looking to continue their winning streak, which has now reached 13 games. Kansas is currently ranked 13th in the nation according to ESPN's Top 25 and 10th in the Big 12 conference.

The game against Oklahoma State was a close one, with both teams playing hard throughout the game. Kansas was able to gain the lead in the second half, and they were able to hold onto it for the remainder of the game. Kansas is now 6-0 in the Big 12 conference, and they are currently ranked 13th in the nation according to ESPN's Top 25.

According to Kansas head coach Bill Self, "This is a very difficult game to play, and we're going to have to work hard to make sure we're successful." He added, "We're going to have to work hard to make sure we're successful in this game. It's a very difficult game to play, and we're going to have to work hard to make sure we're successful."
**COUNTRY’S BIG NIGHT**

The Academy of Country Music released the list of nominations for this year’s awards Wednesday morning, pitting country music powerhouse duo Lambert, Shelton, McGraw (both with the most nominations at seven), Blake Shelton, Luke Bryan and George Strait against each other. Other notable nominations include Keith Urban (5), Kacey Musgraves (5), Bob Dylan and Nelly (both with four ACM nominations). The ACM awards, hosted by Shelton and Bryan, will be presented live from the MGM Grand Garden Arena in Las Vegas April 6.

**DEPORT BEIBER**

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**by Rachael Robertson**

Audiences applauded and sang along Sunday as author Colin Kiviet’s book came alive in the energizing performance of “The Million Dollar Quartet!”

The musical is the tale of Sam Phillip, recording producer, bringing rock ‘n’ roll icons Carl Perkins, Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash and Jerry Lee Lewis together to perform live at Sun Records recording studio in Memphis, Tn. From the design of the stage props to the costumes, make-up and hair of each performer, this show had the audience swept back in time to the birth of rock ‘n’ roll.

Actors James Berry as Carl Perkins, John Goetsmann as Jerry Lee Lewis, Taylor Hunter as Elvis Presley, and Scott Morrison as Johnny Cash brought the characters of each rock idol to their performances. Actor Yvonne Nappo as Sam Phillip and actress Riley Lomait as Elvis Presley’s girlfriend Dyanne, performed admirably adding finesse to the performance.

The show followed a timeline of music recorded by each artist prior to the legendary night, including songs that were in the making, and finished with songs that were recorded after the stars had their final meeting. It included hit numbers such as, “Blue Suede Shoes,” “Walk the Line,” “Great Balls of Fire” and “Hound Dog.”

The show brought the events of Dec. 4, 1956, to a close and had the audience on its feet in a standing ovation. However, the performance was not finished and the audience remained standing to clasp, dance, and sing along with the final exhibitions.

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