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Taylor said the sorority plans to have a vigil every year to bring awareness to the community.

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COEPD undergoes more changes and improvements

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This is to inform you of recent transac-

tions since last semester. From a total base enrollment in Jenkins Hall, to office and clinical sites across the campus, there have been many changes and improvements. Among the most recent changes are the following:...
Cato, Jasperse at the center of Herd success

By SHANNON STOWERS
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

It’s 2011 and freshman quarterback Rakeem Cato is taking his first collegiate snap from redshirt freshman center Chris Jasperse on the road at West Virginia University. The Herd would finish with a 7-6 record that season, capped off by its second bowl win in three seasons.

In addition to the seven wins, the Herd developed a foundation that much of the 2014 offense revolves around. Now, seniors Cato and Jasperse have developed a chemistry and bond that is tough for opposing defenses to break.

Head coach Doc Holliday said the two players are the best combination he’s ever coached in their respective positions.

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It wasn’t always a smooth ride though. There were highs (17-13 win at Louisville in 2011) and lows (65-59 double knockdowns, is on the Rimington Trophy watch list, an award that is given to the best center in the country. Cato is also on five different major award watch lists.

The connection between the highly regarded duo has been built over four seasons, spanning all four seasons that the two have spent in Huntington. Jasperse, who has started every game since that first one in Morgantown, is currently eighth all-time in career starts at Marshall.

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Holliday said that although the two were forced into action as freshmen, it has paid off for the Marshall football program.

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Herd men’s soccer wins 2-1 over NKU

The Marshall University men’s soccer team (4-6-2) recorded its second half and battled through the rain and a late goal to get a 2-1 win against the Northern Kentucky Norse at the NKU Soccer Stadium.

In the 52nd minute when Daniel Judah collected his fourth goal of the season. Judah received a pass from Arthur Puckett and buffered a few steps to the last-post past Norse goalkeeper Tommy Pishkin.

In the 52nd minute, a bouncing ball in the box, headed by Nick Edginton and Ryan Forde, found the head of Conner Martin. Martin’s header was able to float in just past Pishkin to make the score 2-0.

Head coach Bob Gray said after the game that the Norse’s record is better than it appears and the Herd has been years in the making.

“We are thrilled with the win on the road against a good side,” Gray said. “Their record may not show it this year, but they are a tough team that won the Division II Championship a few years ago and they fought hard. We played them the last three years and tied all three times, so it was nice to finally get the win.”

The Herd will travel to Alabama to take on UAB Saturday at 8 p.m. in a return to Conference USA action. Marshall will then play Charlotte at home on Oct. 21 at 7 p.m.
Early October marks the 50th anniversary of the 1964 University of California, Berkeley Free Speech Movement in which thousands of students protested a police crane housing Jack Weinberg, a pacifist for illegally distributing political materials on campus. The stand-off turned to a series of marches, sit-ins and other protests to secure the right to distribute information on campus and other political materials to combat further, contentious controversies like the Vietnam War.

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The students at UC Berkeley passed the law for a shift in American culture and the way we see the Constitution. Free speech is not about being nice or avoiding being offensive. It is about fostering the marketplace of ideas and supporting expression.

"Freedom of speech is something that represents the very dignity of what a human being," Mario Savio, known as the spokesman of the Free Speech Movement, said in 1964. "That's what we mark off from the stones and the stars. You can speak freely."

That's the beauty of print and online media. The beauty of technology and the world we may not agree with, but the reality is it is not going anywhere. Nor should it. The Constitution does not promote freedom from being offended. Change does not happen without the ability and the fearlessness to make different ideas known.

If we as college students, as the next generation for the workforce, as the most creative, writers, editors, businesspeople, etc., do not protect ourselves and our ideas, then the struggles of the UC Berkeley students faced during the Free Speech Movement 50 years ago are in vain.

Bottom line: this is the exception of language or actions that would cause panic or violence, there is neither a word nor an act of protest that should be prohibited in this country, and we should be taking advantage of the freedom given to us by this country.

**Column**

Intolerance should not be tolerated anymore.

**By GEOFFREY FOSTER**

COPY EDITOR

The gay marriage debate, although prominent in West Virginia because of its recent legislation, is one that has been brewing for a very long time. Liberal and conservative forces fiercely battled over this issue, citing the sanctity of marriage and the destruction of traditional values, even saying the practice of homosexuality is an affront to God. The fact that this argument is even occurring in the first place is disgraceful.

Why should human beings allow one another to love how they choose to love for the right to get married? Who does it hurt? Someone's delicate sensibilities?

All the debate over this issue is largely based on the religious belief that gay marriage is a sin, and marriage between a man and a woman is a sacred bond that must not be disturbed. First of all, all religions are fine. It is human nature to form a belief structure based on the essence of a higher being. If people wish to believe in their chosen god and his teachings, that is their right, but when those same people try to shoehorn these beliefs down other people's throats through verbal and physical problems. And when those same beliefs form the basis of government policy, the problem is greater still.

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Furthermore, homosexuality isn't even equivalent to humans, it is to the animals in the animal kingdom as well. Zoologists have observed homosexual behavior in more than 45 different species, from primates to lizards. How do conservatives explain this fact when arguing the notion of choice? Do they really believe a dragonfly woke up one morning and decided to dabble in homosexuality?

I have even heard a parent pass the question, "What should I tell my child when he sees two men kissing each other?"

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Some people's beliefs follow more of an old "treatment rate, forging the argument of science and logic, but rather the notion that homosexuality is a sin against God (a statement usu-

ally followed by a verbal attack of hell and damnation). So, if God made us in his image and he does not condone homo-

sexuality, why is it so rarely of 20 percent of the world comprised of homosexuals? Probably just a coincidence."

Here's another thought: What if those people who believe homosexuality is a sin are guilty of intolerance? Geoffrey Foster can be contacted at foster474@marshall.edu.
from Dr. Kent Brantly, the Plasma Institute confirmed the plasma came from the blood of a doctor who had recovered from Ebola. Shaver said the incident, in which he began picking over the grounds and collecting the various munitions — shell casings, canteens, even rusted rifles — that he found hidden in the forest floor, was the most recent, as coal miners began digging more land in the region for strip mining, he recalled his efforts.

In 2002, after West Virginia’s Historic Preservation Office rejected his bid to establish a historic landmark, he enlisted the help of the Sierra Club and other environmental groups. “It’s been a slow climb from there.”

In March 2019, the battlefront was placed on the National Register of Historic Places — a victory for King and his supporters. But subsequent objections from coal companies that owned the land where King and his supporters are trying to establish a historic landmark led to its removal from the list in December 2019. King and his allies appealed the decision in federal court.

Barbara Wyatt, a reviewer for the National Register of Historic Places, says the stand against any reason to preserve important history. “We’re preserving artifacts to the core,” she says. “And while I don’t issue this man, Kenny King, I applaud any efforts to preserve Blair Mountain because it’s very important as a part of our collective history.”

Régina Hendrix, a longtime support of King’s efforts and Sierra Club volunteer who helped to secure legal help and produce graduates who entered family medicine, continued the movement to memorialize the battle itself. But we have suspicions that the Sierra Club’s involvement is more in the direction of stopping drilling than acknowledging a historic landmark.

Not all area residents feel the need to memorialize the event of 40-plus years ago. At the Hot Cup coffee shop in nearby Logan, Rosette Dunn contends that few people know what the Battle of Blair Mountain is, if but must have no idea, says Davis, a coffee shop customer and self-described history buff. "These mountains are a part of our country," he says. "I’m gonna keep fighting."
By ZACH WRIGHT

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