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Huntington, W.Va.

Springfest '88

Location in limbo, but bands booked

By Jeffrey A. Young
Reporter

Country rockers and local talent are scheduled to bring music to this year's Springfest.

Chisholm, a country-rock band from Texas, will be headlining with *Brian Diller and the Ride* and the band *We Don't Have a Name* opening the event, according to Kathleen E. Hall, London freshman.

Hall, in charge of Campus Entertainment Unlimited's Springfest Committee, said that while a contract with Harris Riverfront Park hasn't been signed, that appears to be the likely spot for the April 30 event.

The bands should appeal to different musical tastes. "It should be a

Campus Entertainment Unlimited will be offering a variety of music to students for Springfest April 30

good Springfest," Hall said. "We have a wide range of music."

Hall said she decided to book *Chisholm* after she saw them perform at a convention in Washington, D.C. She compared their southern/country sound to that of the *Eagles*.

Brian Diller and the Ride is a five-man band from Charleston that recently played in Huntington at the *Rock and Roll Cafe*. They play music from *U2*, *REM*, and *Bruce Spring-*

steen as well as some original tunes.

We Don't Have a Name is a new area band with members from other local favorites *A Band Called Jimmy* and *Bub and Scott*. They recently made their debut in local clubs playing cover tunes from new pop to classic oldies.

The committee was a little disappointed with the lineup, Hall said. "We were hoping to get some big-name bands." They tried for the *BoDeans* and other well-known bands on the college circuit, but Hall said "every other band we wanted was unavailable." The committee was allotted \$9,000 for the entertainment, and Hall said there is some money left after paying the bands' fees, but sound equipment still has to be paid for.

More students staying home spring break

An informal survey at the Memorial Student Center indicated that many MU students will be staying home during this year's spring break.

By Kim Stamper
Reporter

"It comes too early," and "I don't have any money to go anywhere anyway," were the two most common responses students gave Monday when asked what plans they had for spring break.

Three-fourths of 20 students responding said they're staying home. One student was going to Daytona and the remaining four are either visiting friends or taking a family trip.

One problem many students said they have with this year's spring break is that it is too early. They said it is too cold to go to the beach and there aren't a lot of activities going on at the beach this early.

Thirteen of the students surveyed said a lack of extra cash was the reason they aren't going on a trip.

Even though there are pre-packaged trips to Daytona and Fort Lauderdale, only one of the students surveyed is going on that type of trip.

Pam D. Parsons, Huntington freshman, said she is going to Daytona with a business group.

Out of the 15 students staying home, nine have to stay and work.

Dystrophy Dancin'

participation down money raised up

By Michelle R. Young
Reporter

Despite poor student participation, the Superdance, a benefit for Muscular Dystrophy, exceeded its \$3,000 goal by \$1,416, according to the coordinator of the dance.

Mary Ann Lovejoy said \$4,416 was raised for Muscular Dystrophy. "Money-wise the dance was successful, although I was disappointed in the student participation," she said. Thirty of the 50 who registered, participated.

Sigma Sigma Sigma was the only Greek organization represented and won a trophy and computer for the campus organization that raised the most money.

To individuals raising over \$100 and couples exceeding \$150, several prizes were offered.

A seven-day trip to Daytona Beach, Fla. over spring break was first-place prize awarded to Beth Ann Biederman, Huntington sophomore.

Jay and Francie Anderson took second place, a six-day trip to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., which must be taken within three weeks after finals.

Third place, a trip to the Southern Conference Basketball Tournament in Asheville, N.C., was awarded to Patrick J. Kimble, Wheeling junior.

Stephanie R. Hughart, Liberty sophomore and James L. Stowers, Ravenswood freshman, received fourth place, a three-day package to Silver Creek Ski Resort.

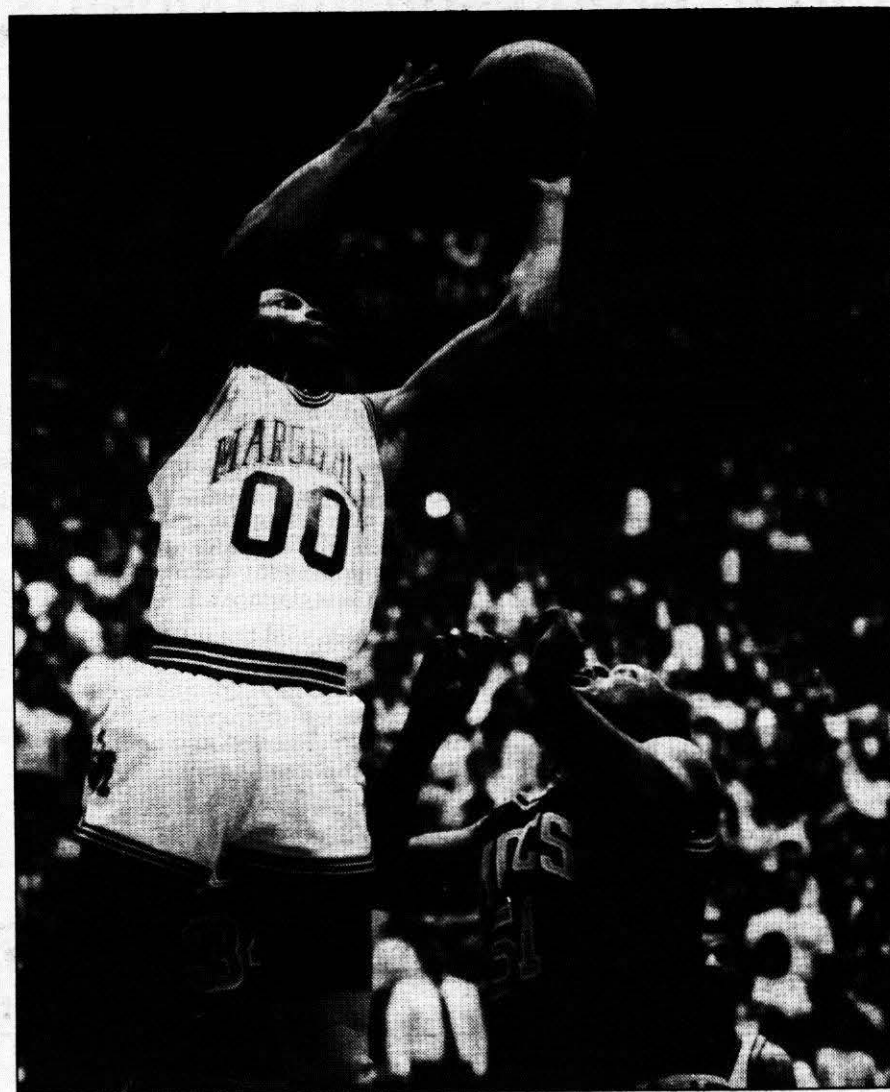


Photo by Mark Czewski

Gettin' it done

Rodney Holden soars for two in Monday's home finale against UTC.

String quartet performs tonight

By Chuck Richardson
Reporter

The Montani String Quartet from Charleston will be performing the third of four concerts today at 8 p.m. in Smith Recital Hall.

These series of events are supported in part by grants from the West Virginia Arts and Humanities Department of Culture and History and the C. Michael Paul Residency Program of Chamber Music America.

Students will be admitted free with a valid MU I.D. and activity card. Tickets will be available at the door.

Beyond MU

from The Associated Press

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World

Panamanians strike to oust Noriega

PANAMA CITY, Panama — A general strike started Monday to demand the resignation of Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega but government intimidation, censorship and the fact that Monday was payday apparently hurt its effectiveness.

The opposition asked the nation's businesses and industries to close Monday and remain shut indefinitely.

Deposed President Eric Arturo Delvalle remained in hiding, defying Noriega, who ousted Delvalle and ordered him out of the country.

Buses, by far the main mode of public transportation, circulated Monday morning like any other morning. Most were full, taking people to work.

About two-thirds of the stores were open at a commercial center of more than 100 enterprises on Central Avenue in Panama City.

Many Panamanian banks were closed by the strike, but international banks were open.

Several people consulted by The Associated Press as they stepped from buses on their way to work mentioned intimidation as a reason for not observing the strike.

"There's fear," said a middle-aged man, a bank

The opposition to Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega has called for a general strike in Panama City, but intimidation and payday made business as usual.

employee. "We lack unity to confront these people who have all the arms and are disposed to use them."

A female domestic employee walking with him said, "The people don't have means to resist. One has to live as they (the armed forces) say."

The two also noted that the day, being the last of the month, is payday for many Panamanians.

Police Chief Col. Leonidas Macias told journalists it would be understandable if hungry people looted a closed supermarket, and his forces would not try to prevent them.

The strike call was supported by the industrial workers' union of Panama, and its effectiveness appeared to be greater in industry than in commerce. Most factories in Panama City's industrial zone were

closed.

Roberto Brenes, a leader of the National Civic Crusade, predicted Sunday that the strike would do well in manufacturing and construction, but would be less effective in the service industries.

Opposition figures also said they expected the strike to pick up in several days. They said government censorship had slowed word of the strike.

Indeed, La Prensa, the leading opposition paper, has been closed by troops and the newspaper building surrounded by city police.

Delvalle's relatives would not disclose his whereabouts but they said he was in a "safe and secure place" in Panama, in "good spirits" and determined to regain his job.

"I am going to stay here (and) stick it out," Delvalle told ABC television in a telephone interview Saturday night. "I'm going to fight it all the way."

Roderick Esquivel, Delvalle's vice president, also was in hiding. Both men were ousted Friday by the National Legislative Assembly in a move orchestrated by Noriega, chief of Panama's 17,000-member Defense Forces.

THE NATION TODAY

Impeachment trial of Ariz. governor enters 2nd day

PHOENIX, Ariz. — The state Senate Monday opened the impeachment trial of Gov. Evan Mecham, the Republican governor whose 13 months in office have also been scarred by a recall effort and a criminal indictment.

First on the agenda as the trial convened was a series of motions, including one to throw out the impeachment charges altogether.

"The Senate trial of Evan Mecham does not concern merely this one officeholder, but instead addresses the very essence of democracy in our state constitution," Senate Minority Leader Alan Stephens, a Democrat, said in a floor speech shortly before the court convened.

"We are really testing our form of government. Will we stand up and do our duty amid calls from the public to intimidate us?"

Senate leaders said they'll take up to two months to hear testimony and arguments before deciding whether the governor should be removed and possibly barred from holding elective office.

Court to brood constitutionality of drug testing public workers

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court agreed Monday to consider barring the U.S. Customs Service from conducting drug tests for people seeking drug-enforcement jobs, setting the stage for its first ruling on the constitutionality of mandatory drug-testing for public employees.

The court said it will hear a challenge to the testing program by a federal workers labor union that says taking urine samples from employees violates their privacy rights.

The outcome will carry no direct effect on such tests conducted by private, non-governmental employers.

When President Reagan signed an executive order in 1986 calling for drug testing of government employees, the Transportation Department, with 30,000 employees, became the first cabinet-level department to adopt random testing for civilian workers. The program covers those in safety-related jobs such as air traffic controllers, Federal Aviation Administration pilots and workers with high-rated security

clearance.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled last year that the Customs Service tests, which are not administered randomly, are lawful.

The appeals court said the tests may be considered searches but do not intrude unnecessarily on the privacy rights of workers.

The National Treasury Employees Union challenged the testing program, which requires some workers to provide urine samples in restroom stalls as a person overseeing the test waits outside the stall. The tests are conducted by an independent company hired by the Customs Service.

The union said the tests are a "humiliation" for workers, and are being administered indiscriminately to employees who otherwise are thought worthy of promotion and are not suspected of drug use.

The tests are given to those in the Customs Service applying for promotion to drug-enforcement jobs, and for outside applicants for those jobs.

Aspirin producers' advertising claims may be misleading

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration said it is concerned about possibly misleading advertisements that describe regular aspirin use as a way to prevent heart attacks.

The agency has summoned the nation's aspirin makers to a meeting this week to discuss claims they can make in their ads, an FDA official said Sunday.

The meeting comes a month after *The New England Journal of Medicine* published preliminary results of a study showing that aspirin taken every other day could reduce the risk of heart attacks in middle-aged men.

Some aspirin makers have launched advertising campaigns featuring young men who have suffered heart attacks, but the study was conducted on physicians aged 40 to 65 years old.

FDA spokesman Donald McLearn said that because the study's results are still preliminary, doctors still may need to know more before prescribing regular aspirin dosages to patients.

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It's time again for the ol' Southern Conference Tournament folks and we predict a sweep by Marshall's men and women. Both squads are on a roll and even though the Lady Herd probably won't be the first seed, you can be sure it will be there when the smoke clears.

Ticket sales indicate that Marshall's tradition of bringing the greatest number of rowdy fans to Asheville will continue. This is cool. We urge as many students as possible to get their tails on the road and support the Herd. There's nothing quite like the feeling of strong fan support when playing on the road. So get out there and raise some hell!

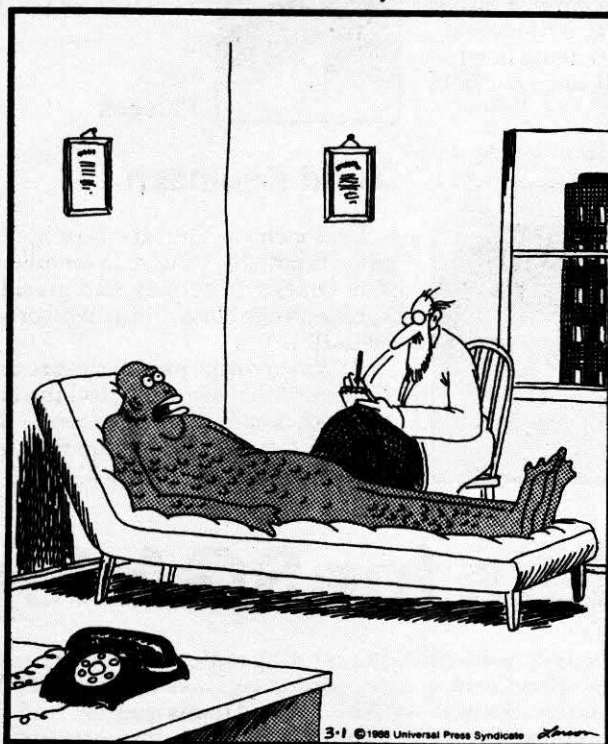
However, there is a point at which fan support becomes disruptive to the game and possibly dangerous to the players. Throwing objects on the court to protest an official's call is tactless and rude. Now there is an NCAA rule which allows officials, at their discretion, to assess either a two-shot technical foul, or two, two-shot technical fouls against the home team if its fans insist on throwing things. We don't need to tell you that in the game of basketball such a penalty could be the difference between winning and losing.

Beyond that is the very real chance a player could seriously injure himself or herself because some overzealous fan hoists some wet toilet paper onto the court. This is not cool at all.

We all want the Herd to win and fan support is vital to success. But throwing things on the court makes the university look bad and does more harm to the team than good. They are out there concentrating and such disruptions only hamper their efforts. So support the Herd but don't act like you were born in a barn.

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Sure, I'm a creature — and I can accept that ... but lately it seems I've been developing into a miserable creature."

Calendar policy

The Parthenon has designed Calendar as a free service for campus groups and organizations to advertise their activities. Items are run on a space-available basis. Information for Calendar must be submitted by 3 p.m. two days in advance of publication on forms available in The Parthenon newsroom, Smith Hall Room 311.

Guest Commentary

Parthenon was wrong on Roark

By Dewey Caruthers

Former staff writer

C'mon now, does *The Parthenon* really think former Charleston Mayor Mike Roark is all that bad?

I am referring to Brent Cunningham's commentary in the Jan. 27 edition of *The Parthenon*. You made one of this state's most productive politicians within the last 10 years look like some type of pseudo-Jim Bakker who was caught doing something he should not have been.

I'm not suggesting what Roark did is acceptable because of his great success with Charleston. Cocaine possession probably isn't something we want associated with the office of mayor of our state's capital; although we don't mind too much if U.S. senators and judges smoked a little dope at one time or another — provided they didn't enjoy it.

What I am suggesting is that we have criticized Roark for cocaine possession to the point it has cast an almost impervious shadow over his vast accomplishments in Charleston.

Roark's success is obvious. Charleston, even in the middle of a state that is on a one-way trip to economic hell, is flourishing. Available jobs, vigorous economic development and physical changes that have greatly improved its appearance are all part of Charleston now — or should I say since Roark began his first term as mayor in 1983.

Roark was able to do something in this state no other politician in the 1980s has: He showed us that neither Charleston nor Huntington has to be a bad place to live. It's merely what we make of it. And Roark made Charleston a much better place to live.

However, I must admit Charleston's deviation from the state's poor economic condition may have caused some problems for its citizens. A friend of mine from Charleston told me he is becoming neurotic from confusion about the state of affairs in the capital city.

On one hand, my friend reads morning headlines that go something like this: West Virginia ranked 48th among states most desirable to live in, but remains near the top among poorest economic condition, highest illiteracy rate, highest unemployment and the greatest number of people named "Billy Bob."

On the other hand, he reads headlines like this: New business relocating in Charleston; old Sears and J.C.

Penny buildings renovated due to economic development incentives and Charleston, it is speculated by some, will develop into a major city in the eastern part of the country.

All this leaves one bewildered. Should you be depressed about the state of the state, or enthused about the progress of the capital city? I don't know. Maybe you can feel both.

Does all this mean Charleston is some type of Mecca, while the rest of the state is full of nothing but despair and lethargy? Certainly not. But one must admit it doesn't take too much creativity to make, or even swallow, such an exaggeration.

But I suppose to some people the progress Charleston made under Roark doesn't matter. After sifting through all his accomplishments, the fact remains he broke the law and humiliated the state. And to make it worse, it involved drugs, that evil of all evils.

Now the concern is whether Roark has been adequately punished for his crimes.

To refresh your memory, six counts of admitted cocaine possession, all misdemeanors, cost him six months in a minimum security, white-collar offense prison camp and a \$5,000 fine. I don't think anyone will argue this translates into nothing more than a short stay at a poorly-decorated country club and a fine equivalent to approximately 6,329 tacos and Taco Bell — tax not included.

However, the annihilation of his public image as well as his credibility in the political arena has not only destroyed his career in politics, but also with any business in the private sector that is sensitive to public opinion. This has already proved not to include churches.

Add this personal ruin to the jail sentence and fine, then multiply it by the number of unproductive state politicians that he could have replaced in his lifetime, and it equals a tragic loss for the state. A punishment that is truly custom-tailored, maybe even a little tight in the seat, for the crimes committed.

So before you jump on that bandwagon of people who are so quick to judge Roark exclusively on the basis of his crimes, let me leave you some food for thought. If the man who served as a catalyst for Charleston's progress is merely a "coke head," perhaps, just maybe, someone should consider sending Arch Moore or Bobby Nelson some of that same drug — instructions included of course.



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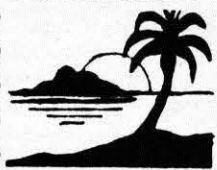
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Student Senate Candidates gear up for

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of articles in which candidates for Student Senate will be profiled. Other candidates will be profiled throughout the week.

College of Science

Three students are competing for the one seat open in the College of Science.

Tracy L. Hendershot

Hendershot, a Parkersburg freshman and zoology major, is a member of the Senate-Faculty Committee for Student Conduct and Welfare, the Academic Affairs Committee, and was a senate assistant last semester. Hendershot is also employed by the Financial Aid Office.

Among his goals are seeing the lower floors of the Science Building, which are currently being renovated, open by the fall semester and increasing the hours of James E. Morrow Library. "The past senates have not been very productive," he said. "I hope that I will be a motivator."



Hendershot

Jill M. Parsons

Parsons is a Parkersburg sophomore and physics major. She participates in the Honors Program, the committee to select the best professor at Marshall, Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, the Baptist Campus Ministry, and the Society for Physics Students.

"I want to represent the students in what they need," Parsons said. "I hope if I'm in there, I can get things done."



Parsons

Todd Reulbach

Reulbach, a Virginia Beach, Va., freshman, is a biology major, a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and president of its spring pledge class and a member of Gamma Beta Phi.

"I want to take part in the progress of the College of Science, and I feel the best way is through student government," Reulbach said. "I feel that I have the time, ideas and desires to help the college."



Reulbach

Contenders for SGA top spots

Contenders for student body president and vice president will square off today in a debate which will examine issues such as student parking, the fate of campus condom machines, state funding for the university and student apathy, according to current Student Body President Brendan S. "Scooby" Leary, South Charleston senior.

The debate, scheduled for 11:45 a.m. today in the Memorial Student Center, will pit Charles L. "Chip" Urling, Nitro junior, and

his running mate, W. Don Haslam Jr., Beckley junior, against the ticket of Melissa J. White, St. Albans junior, and Robert L. "Bob" Crowder, Parkersburg graduate student.

"Parking. That to me is the number one issue," Leary said. "Commuters are irate about a lack of parking space which continues to get worse and worse."

Leary added the administration needs to keep the ball rolling on the issue of condom

Text by Becky Gatehouse

Senate Election

March 9 election

With the March 9 Student Government Association elections fast approaching, candidates from the College of Science, College of Fine Arts and Graduate School are giving their qualifications and reasons for seeking student government office. All candidates said they would be willing to commit themselves to fulfilling their term if elected, a question posed in face of the many resignations that have plagued Student Senate in recent terms.

College of Fine Arts

Lisa E. Prichard

Prichard, a Huntington junior, is the only candidate to vie for senator from the College of Fine Arts. She is a theater major, a member of the theater honorary Alpha Psi, Amnesty International and Public Interest Research Group, a Ralph Nader Organization. In the past, she has been involved with Young Democrats and MAPS-UCAM.

"I want to find out more about campus policies and make them more sympathetic to students," Prichard said. She cited student parking as one of the main problems with which she is concerned.



Prichard

Graduate School

Carl G. Wolfe

Wolfe, a Beckley graduate student, is a 1978 graduate of Phindley College in Phindley, Ohio, with degrees in business administration and history-public administration. At Marshall, he is a member of the history honorary Phi Alpha Theta.

"Graduate students are an overlooked group on campus even though there are 1700 of them," Wolfe said. "I want to make graduate students more visible." Wolfe said he is uncertain that SGA will be the proper channel to pursue pay increases for graduate assistants.



Wolfe

spots to square off today

machines being placed on campus. The resolution which goes before the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee in March calls for condom dispensers to be installed in the lobby bathrooms of the Memorial Student Center and dormitories.

The new administration also needs to be concerned with the \$50 dollar tuition surcharge placed on students to fund faculty pay raises, Leary said.

"There was no increase for faculty pay

raises in the last state budget," Leary said. "I hope the new administration fights it (the surcharge) tooth and nail."

Student apathy is another area which Leary believes the candidates should examine.

"I'm interested in seeing how many students actually take part in the election," Leary, who is disappointed in student involvement at Marshall, said. "I don't envy the new administration."

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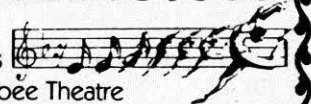
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Students may 'fly high' if courses are approved

Proposed classes to offer degree in aviation

Jon Merritt
Reporter

There's a saying, "If God had meant man to fly, he would have given him wings."

A proposed aviation program in cooperation with the Federal Aviation Administration would prepare Marshall students for a career in flying to get those "wings."

The program proposed by the Community College was approved by Marshall University and is waiting Board of Regents approval.

An associate of applied science degree in aviation technology would be awarded upon completion of the requirements.

The courses would train students to fly single engine, commercial and multi-engine planes.

Two new classes would have to be added to the class list at the Community College. "Introduction to Aviation Technology," would be the only new class taught in the Community College. Dean F. David Wilkin said the other new class, "Meteorology," would possibly be taught by the College of Science, and other courses that would be given credit are classes taught by FAA.

All the flight courses would be taught off campus and Wilkin said the Community College would receive the grades from the FAA approved airport.

Wilkin said the program was proposed to meet student, federal and civil employees needs.

Program costs would be relatively inexpensive and would not require any additional full-time faculty and equipment, Wilkin said.

Wilkin said he is optimistic the program will be approved, which would be only one of four in the area. Similar programs exist at Ohio University at Athens, Salem College and Kent State University at Kent State, Ohio.

Community College courses offer 'spice of life' programs

By Jon Merritt
Reporter

There's nothing ordinary about the Community College's Continuing Education Program, which offers some classes you'll probably never see in a regular classroom.

The popular program this semester is offering special courses dealing with everything from ballroom dancing to Russian to boating and sailing.

"The classes we are offering are diverse enough to appeal to a wide variety of needs and interests," according to Robert L. Lawson, director of continuing education.

Lawson pointed out the college draws up a schedule of courses after conducting an assessment survey to see what people are interested in.

Although townspeople rather than traditional students usually enroll in the courses, Lawson said they also are open to all.

However, students must pay the enrollment fee and these courses do not carry college credit — only continuing educa-

The "out of the ordinary" classes are taken just for the fun of it or to further an interest in a particular area.

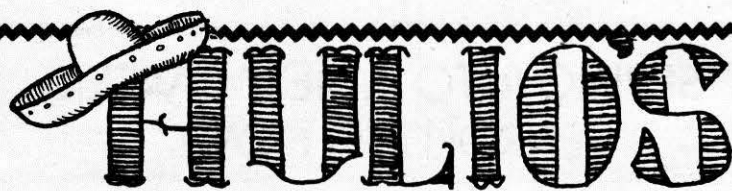
tion credit and then only for some classes.

He said most people just take the classes for the fun of it or to further an interest or expertise in a particular area.

Enrollment fees range from \$10 to \$45.

Classes still open for registration include basic photography, conversational Russian, beginning upholstery, introduction to computers, receptionist office training, self defense, college board reviews, conversational Spanish, beginning investment strategies, successful money management, starting a small business, and advanced ballroom, disco, and country style dancing.

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Andy Paul Williamson defends against UTC onslaught.

Photo by Chris Hancock

Herd disposes of UTC; tunes up for tournament

By Jim Keyser
Assistant Sports Editor

Emotion. A seven-letter word that can pack a tremendous meaning in a sporting event.

In Marshall's 93-77 victory over Tennessee-Chattanooga last night at the Henderson Center, emotion did pack a tremendous meaning, and for good reason. In all probability it was the final home game of the season and the final home game ever for five seniors: Skip Henderson, Tom Curry, Rodney Holden, Maurice Bryson, and Tommy Boyd.

If that wasn't enough, each senior was introduced before the game and was joined by his family at half court as the crowd of 9,611 exploded. To say the Herd was psyched up is an understatement.

The emotion would show immediately. Marshall jumped out to a 6-0 start, increased it to 23-4 with 13:27 left in the first half and led by as many as 21 points before settling for a 43-30 halftime lead. Marshall was aided by their zone defense which led to many easy transition baskets, and by UTC's atrocious shooting — 32.5 percent. Henderson led the first half barrage with 17 points.

The second half saw MU build leads up to 27 points, but UTC always managed to fight back. After the seven-minute mark of the second half, however, the game was really never in question. Henderson ended up leading the Herd with 23 points and he also dished out 10 assists. John Taft contributed 16 points, and Rodney Holden paced MU with 11 rebounds. In his second game since returning from an eye injury, Tom Curry scored 11 points and grabbed 9 boards.

The win allows Marshall to finish the regular season with a 23-6 record, 14-2 in

the Southern Conference. The victory also completed a perfect home season for MU at 14-0 and ran its consecutive home winning streak to 27 games.

Marshall Head Coach Rick Huckabay was a little scared with the game on such an emotional high. "I don't like to play with emotion because you never know what is going to happen. I'd rather play with consistency. When the emotion died down I knew we had to play well, and we did. I think we are playing well right now heading into Asheville."

Some of the seniors said winning the game was important, but they wanted to give the fans a show, too. Holden, for instance, was glad to give the fans a victory. "This game was very important for us to win. We wanted to pay the fans back for the way they have followed us through thick and thin and we also wanted to pick up some momentum going into the tournament, and I think we have," he said.

Senior Maurice Bryson, who came off the bench to score 6 points and get 5 rebounds, was also happy to give the fans a big win. "We wanted to go out with a bang, and the underclassmen wanted us to, also, so we all worked together very well. It was a good win for us."

Marshall must now prepare for the Southern Conference Tournament this weekend in Asheville, N.C. The Herd is the top seed and will play the Citadel at noon Friday to begin its quest for a second straight SC Tournament Championship, and with it, an automatic NCAA bid.

UTC Coach Mack McCarthy said, however, the Herd should go even if it loses in Asheville. "Marshall deserves to go to the NCAA regardless of what happens in the SC Tournament."

End of an era

Herd fans witnessed the end of an era Monday night.

Five Marshall seniors played their last home game of the 1988 season. Skip Henderson, Tom Curry, Rodney Holden, Maurice Bryson and Tommy Boyd said a final goodbye to the Herd Faithful on the Henderson Center floor.

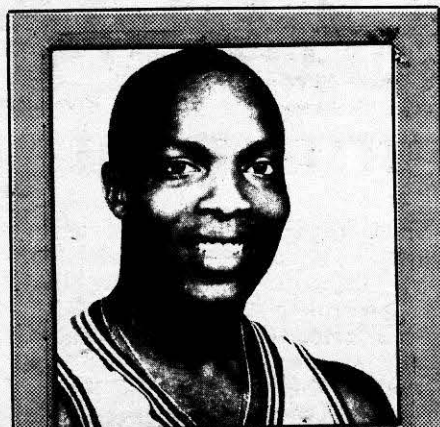
In a brief, but memorable, ceremony, each of the seniors, flanked by family members, were introduced to the crowd and presented a rose.

The fans were especially vocal during the game, cheering on their heroes. A wave went around the Center several times.

Marshall players and fans are now gearing up to head to the Southern Conference tournament in Asheville, N.C., March 4, 5 and 6. WTCR radio is preparing a send-off for the players Thursday morning beginning at the Henderson Center and ending at Tri-State Airport.



Saying good-bye to a legend



Skip Henderson, Marshall's all-time leading scorer, played in his final regular season game Monday at home. With 95 more points, the Cartersville, Ga. native will surpass Furman's Frank Selvy, as the all-time career scoring leader in the Southern Conference.

Skip looks to future, third championship ring

By Doug Smock
Sports Writer

Skip Henderson is not about to rest on his laurels as he nears his fourth Southern Conference tournament.

And he says his team won't, either.

"We all know what we got to do," he said before the Herd traveled to Western Carolina for an 86-73 win on Saturday. "We just have to worry about getting overconfident and I don't think we're going to do that."

The Herd captured its third regular season SC title on Feb. 22 when they defeated Appalachian State.

"We have a lot at stake," he said. "We want to get a (championship) ring for the new guys and the third one for us. We finally have a chance to put Marshall University on the map. Maybe some day this team will be in position to get a national ranking."

If Marshall takes top honors this weekend in Asheville, it will go on to the NCAA Tournament play.

Earlier in the season, Marshall won at Chattanooga's "Roundhouse" arena for the first time in Henderson's career, 95-94 in overtime. The 6-foot-3 senior showed his knack for turning in the big game in the clutch, pumping in

44 points and winning the game on a three-point goal at the buzzer.

For the all-time scoring leader at Marshall, winning a game at the buzzer is nothing new. Last year, he tipped in a Dwayne Lewis miss to beat Davidson, 66-64, in the SC Tournament final. That was the third game in one season where his last-second heroics won the game. In all, he has eight career game-winners to his credit.

"If I win a game in the end, I might get the limelight, but it's really a team effort," he said. Accordingly, he savors the Herd's championships over individual efforts.

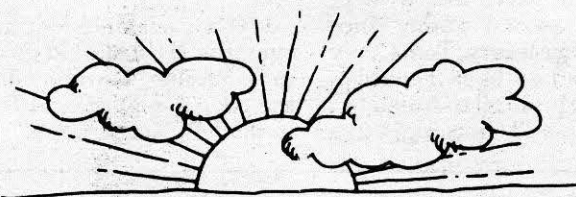
After Henderson fires his last Marshall jumper, he faces an intriguing time in his life. He is one semester away from a degree in sports management. Basketball, though, could have a way of intruding.

His college career is being examined for a possible Olympic tryout. He also figures, at worst, to be drafted by the National Basketball Association.

"I'm just going to sit down and balance everything out," he said.

Regarding the future of the team, Henderson said, "I think it will be different. We're losing four big guys and you can't replace someone like Tom Curry. They were lucky to get him when they did."

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