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Chinese students express fear, outrage over events

By Tina Marie Alford
Reporter

Hou Kun, a political science graduate student, wakes up each morning wondering if his brother is still alive.

Kun, who is originally from Beijing, has a brother who participated in the student protesting in Tiananmen Square. Kun has been unable to reach his family since the incident took place on the night of June 3 and has received no information concerning the well being of his brother.

"China has some brave people. I just worry about them. Some people fear nothing if they believe they are right. They (the students) will continue to fight." Kun was one of three Chinese Marshall students who marched on Washington D.C. to persuade President Bush to denounce the Chinese government.

Xiaohong Zhang, a sociology major who left Beijing in the fall of 1986, also has family in Beijing. However, she has contacted them since the incident. No one was injured.

"It's kind of scary. I just couldn't believe the government could shoot the innocent students. Their act is horrifying. I am hoping the students will come back."

One Chinese medical school student also expressed his desire for the return of the student democratic movement in China. But speaking out against the communist ruled government frightens him.

"Please do not use my name," he said. "I fear for my family." He will return to China to live with his wife and family after three more years of education here in the United States. He also fears for his friends in Beijing who are very active in protesting.

The student said Americans sometimes do not realize the freedoms they have. "The students are asking for the very, very basic freedoms," he said. From being in the United States "I know what freedom is."

Fei said, "In the U.S. we don't know much about that kind of struggle because we have no need for that kind of struggle. These people are very courageous freedom fighters. Freedom and democracy will win."

Fei said if he would have been in China, he would have participated in the Tiananmen Square incident too.

Fei is upset at the United States' reaction to the massacre. "The United States of America, leader of the free world, has always been regarded by the Chinese people as the strongest vanguard of democracy, human rights and freedom." He also pleads with the citizens of the Tri-State to write to their senators and congressman, urging President Bush to denounce and condemn China's government.

Kun said he believes the corrupt Chinese government is the heart of the conflict. "The Chinese government is lying to the world. They are not humans; they are animals."

Reach for the sky



Photo by Greg Perry

Graduate student Rungruk Ratanamalaya shoots some hoops and catches some rays behind Twin Towers East.

Housing official anticipates applications to again exceed space in fall

By Dana Tomes
Reporter

With nearly two months remaining before classes actually start, Marshall housing officials again are expecting fall housing requests to exceed the available living space the university has to offer.

"In recent years we have had to find alternate housing for some students, and this year looks like those of the

past," Mona Arnold, manager of housing, said.

"So far, we have received about 2,300 applications for housing for the fall semester and there is only room for a maximum of 2,265 students, Arnold said.

Marshall offers living space to 2,100 students.

There are about 165 temporary spaces available, which include putting three students to a room and having some live in the residence halls' lounge

spaces, Arnold said.

Arnold said more students usually apply for housing than actually show up for school which allows the housing department to accept a few more applications than it can serve.

"We usually accept about 200 more applications than we can actually house to compensate for cancellations," Arnold said.

Housing officials will have to cut off the housing applications at the 2,465 mark. "Right now, we can accept about

160 more applications, but I expect to receive them by the end of June or the first week of July," Arnold said.

When the residence halls are full, housing officials said off-campus groups will work with the students to find housing near the campus.

In the case of an overload, freshmen and sophomore students would be allowed to live off-campus, which normally is against housing rules, Arnold said.

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Americans trust religion, poll finds

From the Associated Press

NEW YORK — Americans are turning against marijuana and greater sexual freedom. Large majorities of them also favor stronger family ties, more emphasis on hard work and less on money.

They especially trust organized religion, and two-thirds are members of a church or synagogue. But half think religion is losing influence on American life, while a third think it's increasing.

Most think a person can be a good Christian or Jew without attending religious services, but 42 percent do so each week. A third say they have experienced a powerful religious insight or awakening.

And most teen-agers affirm belief in angels.

These are among the varied facets of faith turned up in recent Gallup organization polls, and summarized by its Princeton Religious Research Center in its monthly Emerging Trends.

Most of the surveys were among a representative 1,200 or more, with a margin for error of less than 4 percent either way.

One of the most unusual and consistent findings in this age of technocracy

is that one of every three Americans say they have had a "mystical experience, that is a moment of sudden religious insight or awakening."

The center says this "is one of the least explored, yet one of the most fascinating aspects of the spiritual life of Americans, sometimes described as an other-worldly feeling or union with God or a universal spirit."

"Such an experience often appears to have a profound effect on the outlook and direction of a person's life," the report says, adding that the experiences are "more often gradual than sudden."

"One of the most interesting aspects of these phenomena is that they happen to the non-churched and the non-religious as well as to persons . . . who say religion plays an important role in their lives."

On the drugs and sex issues, the trend is definitely down. During the past 10 years, public acceptance of marijuana has plunged— from 20 percent in 1978 to 13 percent in 1981 to only 8 percent today.

In the same period, overall public demand for greater sexual freedom fell from 29 percent in 1978 to 25 percent in 1981 to 22 percent today, with the

sharpest downturn among young adults, although they are still more likely to espouse it.

Support for stronger family ties, now 94 percent, has remained close to that throughout the decade. So has the support for less emphasis on money.

Organized religion has for years been rated the most trusted institution, although the military momentarily surpassed it in 1986, and still ranks close to it.

The Supreme Court is close behind, with television, organized labor and big business at the bottom of the list.

The 65 percent reporting church or synagogue membership is the lowest ever recorded, down from 69 percent the year before. The record high was 75 percent in 1947. Attendance, now 42 percent, hit its high in 1955 at 49 percent.

Among U.S. college students, about half of those who have heard of the "New Age movement" have an unfavorable view of it, and only 14 percent favorable. It is a modern, optimistic mix of Eastern and Western spiritual ideas.

More teens than ever believe in angels, 74 percent of them, up from 64 percent in 1978.

Bidding reopens for arts facility

From the Associated Press

Bids will be opened Thursday on a scaled-down version of the Marshall University fine arts center after last year's bids each came in at least \$2 million over budget.

Marshall has the authority to spend \$11.15 million on Phase I on the center, which will include a 616-seat main theater and a studio theater with flexible floor space.

Last June, the low bid for the project was \$13.3 million.

Marshall has listed the fine arts center as its top building project since 1984, despite faster work being done on a new football stadium that is to be built on campus.

Ray Welty, associate vice president for administration, said a two-block area east of the main campus will be ready for demolition in September and that the stadium should be in place for the 1991 season.

Executioner: 600 criminals and counting

From the Associated Press

MANAMA, Bahrain -- Saudi Arabia's official executioner, a skilled swordsman who has dispatched more than 600 convicted criminals, says beheading is easier than chopping off the hands of thieves.

"Frankly, it's easier to chop off a head since this act means the end of the story for the criminal," Saeed Al-Sayyaf, 60, said in an interview with the Saudi newspaper Al-Medina.

"Chopping off a hand needs more courage, since you are cutting off a part of the body of an individual who is to

survive," he said. The act requires "very skilled attention to ensure that the sword does not slip or cut in the wrong place," Saeed said in the interview, which was republished by Dubai-based English-language newspaper, the Gulf Times.

His name has an odd ring in Arabic: Saeed means "happy" and Al-Sayyaf "swordsman executioner." He changed his second name when he was appointed to the job more than 35 years ago.

The executioner says he doesn't suffer remorse for his victims since he is carrying out Islamic justice as required by the Koran, the holy book of Islam.

The Koran decrees that convicted murderers be beheaded and thieves lose a hand. Saudi authorities last year ruled that drug smugglers also should be executed.

Al-Sayyaf started out as a farmer, but joined the Saudi army at the age of 20. He said that "watching executioners" as they beheaded criminals publicly after Friday prayer sessions became his favorite hobby.

He later applied for the job of "Sayyaf" which carried a salary of \$36 a month, plus an additional \$133 for each head."

Al-Sayyaf said he carried out his first execution as age 23, beheading three criminals and "earning 1,500 riyals" (\$399).

"I always look forward to the opportunity to chop off more heads so that I can earn more money," he said.

"Over a period of time it became a very easy sort of job . . . In fact I felt it was easy to do an execution," he added. "I have chopped off the heads of more than 600 criminals and cut off 60 hands of thieves."

Al-Sayyaf said he first slices off the upper part of a convict's shirt with his sword to expose the kneeling victim's neck. Then he uses a single swift stroke that sends blood gushing and the head rolling on the sand.



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OPINION

Editorials

University has set priorities

For those who say administrators at Marshall have steered the university's priorities in the wrong direction, you are right.

This is proved by the speed at which work is being done on the stadium site while projects like the renovation of the Science Building are left on the backburner.

Another academic project, the fine arts facility, also has to take a back seat to the stadium.

We are not implying a stadium isn't going to be a nice addition for Marshall and the community, but let's face it, Marshall is an institute for learning. There is no excuse for making important academic projects wait while the stadium is moving right along schedule.

The old argument that the money for the stadium can't be used for other projects is still valid, but money is not the real problem.

The problem concerns the degree of commitment that administrators are giving the different projects. Especially during the last year, it became increasingly obvious there is more support from administrators for the stadium than either the fine arts facility or the problems facing the Science Building.

And this lack of commitment for academic problems is leaving a sour taste in many professors' mouths.

Marshall's academic reputation can't afford the luxury of waiting until it gets the money and commitment it deserves.

However, the football team could continue to play at Fairfield Stadium for at least five more years. And it probably would if Marshall's priorities were where they should be -- with academics.

Of tuition and toiletries, I speak

I was out of toilet paper.

Like many native West Virginians, I have to watch every penny. So I have to pass by the popular name brands and reach for the one in my price range -- Sandy-Wipe.

However, when I recently returned to the local supermarket I was shocked to learn that my old brand had been replaced. Now stocked high on the shelf in its place was New Sandy-Wipe Plus. The big black letters on the white package proclaimed, "Now with larger sheets!"

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I was out of high school.

Like many native West Virginians, I have to watch every penny. I had to pass by the big name universities and go to the one in my price range -- Marshall University.

However, when I receive my bill for next semester I will learn that my old tuition rate had been changed. My new rate will seem to leap from the bill. The big black numbers on the white page will demand, "\$743.50!"

Sure the price had gone up before, but this was a \$127.50 increase. After studying the competition I soon realized no matter how I feel about the rising tuition I will still be going to Marshall University. Not because I'm particularly pleased with the product I'm receiving, but rather because the price is right. Do I get what I pay for? It rubs me raw that I really don't have a choice.

I compare being out of toilet paper and being out of high school because in both cases you end up with a load in your hands.

The makers of New Sandy-Wipe Plus had me, the customer, in mind when they raised their price. It may cost more, but I'm getting longer sheets.

Marshall University did not have the customer in mind. It did nothing to improve its product. For my \$127.50 each semester all I am guaranteed is that faculty and staff members

Chris Rice

Managing Editor



will get a raise.

What part of my \$127.50 is going toward product improvements? Not one penny.

Some proponents of this measure may suggest that by raising salaries the university can attract more and better professors. But why attract more and better professors when the state is so reluctant to hire them?

By the time the state gets around to creating and filling new positions, I'll be gone. Why should I pay for an improvement I may never see? It's like paying to fix roads in Ohio when you live in West Virginia.

Others may say that the quality of my education will improve because my professors will be happy and want to stay here, thus creating more solid departments. I think if I really wanted to make them happy and keep them here I would find some way to lighten their oversized work load.

The high number of students to professors lowers the quality of my education and in the process overworks the faculty. A tuition increase does very little to remedy the situation. It only offers the dim hope for the future I've described.

It's like paying for a nose job while cancer eats away inside your body.

It doesn't bother me to pay for the university's plastic surgery. The price here is still right. What does bother me is that unlike Sandy-Wipe there is no "new" or "plus" to the product. The only thing that will be different is the amount of money employees will be collecting each pay-day.

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Nitzschke optimistic about new board

By Kim Sheets
Reporter

President Dale F. Nitzschke says he is not concerned that the new higher education board of trustees that will govern Marshall has a lot of members with West Virginia University ties.

"We're all connected to an institution," Nitzschke said in an interview this week.

"Every member of the Board of Trustees is sympathetic to the needs of higher education throughout the state," Nitzschke said.

Gov. Gaston Caperton began a new chapter in West Virginia's higher education system when he announced last Friday the appointments of the 12-member Board of Trustees to govern Marshall and West Virginia universities.

This board and another for the state colleges will replace the Board of Regents July 1.

The board will supervise the new University of West Virginia system of higher education approved this year by the Legislature. It combines Marshall, West Virginia University, Parkersburg Community College, Potomac State College, the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies, and the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine. It supersedes the Board of Regents effective July 1. No member from the current BOR was asked to serve on the Board of Trustees.

"I think the governor has demonstrated in concrete what he has indi-

The new Board of Trustees has many members with WVU ties, but MU's president and one of its chief supporters say they are not concerned Marshall will come out on the short end of things.

cated verbally some months ago that higher education is the number one priority," Nitzschke said about the governor's appointments. Nitzschke praised the appointees as being outstanding individuals who are proven leaders.

Members of the Board of Trustees are:

•David Hardesty, former tax commissioner and Charleston lawyer, who will serve as the board's temporary chairman until a permanent one is selected in July. He is an alumnus of WVU, and is a member of both the WVU Foundation Board and the WVU Advisory Board.

•James "Buck" Harless, chairman of the board of International Industries and president of Gilbert Imported Hardwoods. He works with the West Virginia Education Fund, and serves on the Marshall University President's Advisory Board and the Marshall University Foundation Board.

•A. Michael Perry, a resident of Huntington. He is the president and chief executive officer of Key Centurion Banc Shares. He is a graduate of Marshall and the WVU College of Law. He currently serves on the Marshall Board of Advisers.

•Rachael Worby, a native of New York, the music director and conductor of the Wheeling Symphony Orchestra. She has served on the faculty of the New England Conservatory of Music, MIT, the University of Massachusetts, and Tufts University.

•Joe Powell of Charleston, president of the West Virginia Labor Federation, AFL-CIO. He chairs the WVU Board of Advisers.

•R.W. Wilkinson, president and chief executive officer of the First National Bank of Bluefield. Wilkinson, a graduate of the University of Virginia, is a director of the West Virginia Roundtable and a member of the WVU Foundation.

•Richard Adams, a resident of Parkersburg and past president of the West Virginia Bankers Association. He is the chairman and chief executive officer of United Banc Shares.

•John Hoblitzell, ex-delegate from Kanawha County and a Charleston attorney, and a graduate of WVU and the WVU College of Law. He served on the first Board of Regents and is a past president of the WVU Alumni Association.

•Lucia James, a native of Atlanta,

who now lives in Charleston and serves on the board of directors of the Appalachian Education Laboratory and the Board of Advisers of the Community Fund to Support Public Education. James, a former teacher who has done graduate work in education at COGS, has served as a member of the Foundation Board of COGS.

•Robert McMillan, of Martinsburg. He is the president of Jefferson Distributing. He is an alumnus of the University of North Carolina and received his master's degree from Emory University.

•Robert Maxwell of Elkins, a U.S. District Court judge. He graduated from Davis & Elkins and the WVU College of Law. Maxwell has served on the WVU Board of Advisers.

•Kay Goodwin of Ripley. She is the chairman of the Governor's Honors Academy Council and the Virginia Arts and Humanities Commission. She serves as president of the WVU Alumni Council and is a trustee of West Virginia Wesleyan College. Goodwin, a former teacher, received her bachelor's and master's degrees from WVU.

"Marshall will be O.K.," said Perry, one of the newly-appointed trustees.

The trustees, according to Perry, have already had an informal meeting after the governor's news conference, and will meet at least 10 times a year rotating from campus to campus. He said the board would be dealing with organizational matters at first.

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Lack of science facilities termed frustrating by students and faculty, but dean says construction just around the corner.

By Kim Sheets
Reporter

"An impossible situation."

That's what students and faculty in the College of Science have been in for the last four years since parts of the Science Building have been closed for renovations, according to Dr. Thomas K. Pauley, chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences.

Since the project was initiated in 1977, work on the long-awaited Science Building renovation has yet to be started.

When the college moved from the old structure into the new annex, the space the college originally occupied was approximately cut in half, said Dr. Daniel P. Babb, assistant dean of the College of Science.

"I couldn't imagine anything more inconvenient," Dr. Babb said. Classes are being held in every building on campus. Faculty offices, are located at different sites, he said.

The delayed renovation has been particularly incon-

venient to students because of the time and energy it takes to go to classes and see instructors.

The Department of Chemistry can accommodate 400 students, but it only has enough room for 300, according to Dr. Babb. One hundred chemistry students are closed out of required lab courses at each registration.

"A lot of people are concerned, upset, and downright unhappy about it," Pauley said. "The main problem is space. We're sitting on top of each other," he said. "We can't handle all the students we'd like to."

Pauley said the lack of space was especially tough on graduate students' research work.

Dr. Edward S. Hanrahan, dean of the College of Science, said renovation plans have been completed, and Marshall will be advertising for construction bids by early September and construction could start by the first of the year.

One critic of the numerous delays has been Dr. James E. Joy, professor of biological sciences.

In several letters to the editors of the Huntington Herald-Dispatch and The Parthenon, Joy has questioned the administration's and the Board of Regents' academic priorities.

"I am aware of the argument that we cannot complete construction on our 'No. 1 priority' the Science Hall, or begin construction on our other 'No. 1 priority' the Fine Arts Center because there is no money for higher education" wrote Dr. Joy in a letter to the editor. "That's what politicians tell us, with perfectly straight faces, as \$20 million was disbursed for a basketball arena just a few years ago, and as \$30 million plus dollars are about to rain down upon a football stadium project that some say will entertain fans to a December '90 kickoff. Thus we can build a palatial athletic edifice in 15 months, but are totally incapable of bringing to final form a modest academic structure in 15 years!."

Enrollment on track -- registrar

By Steven J. Keith
Reporter

Overall enrollment for the first summer term is "right on track" with previous years, but the number of enrolled graduate students has declined significantly, the registrar said.

Robert Eddins said at the end of schedule adjustment after the first day of classes, 3,533 students were enrolled for the first summer term. "That's only down 13 students from last year," he said.

The only significant change, according to Eddins, is a decline of 112 graduate students this year. "I think that is a result of the university offering fewer classes during the intersession.

"We also show fewer sophomore and junior students, but more freshmen and seniors," he said, "but there again, the changes are very small."

Although Eddins said exact figures for the fall semester's enrollment were not available, he said enrollment is definitely up based on preliminary spring registration.

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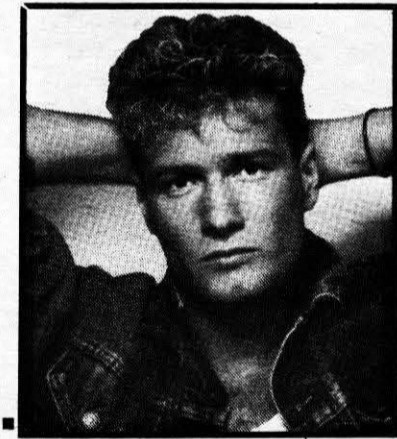
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Some staff members feel slighted by share of tuition increase

A Staff Council request for "a more fair and equitable" division of the funds, which will be raised by the tuition increase in the fall, has been denied.

In a memorandum to President Dale F. Nitzschke, Barbara R. James, Staff Council president, requested Nitzschke "reconsider the proposed distribution of funds."

The tuition increase is expected to generate \$2 million, \$1.1 million of which will be used to fully fund the faculty salary schedule, Herbert J. Karlet, vice president for finance said.

An additional \$80,000 has been ear-

marked for increasing graduate assistants' salaries from \$2,500 to \$3,000 annually. The remainder will be used to fund the classified staff salary schedule, Karlet said.

Karlet estimates that staff members will receive 35 percent of the difference between what they are actually making and what they should make.

In 1984 when the Legislature adopted the faculty salary schedule, Nitzschke said funding it became the university's top priority. When it approved the classified staff salary schedule, it became the university's second priority.

"We are here to teach and we have to have a faculty to do that," Nitzschke said. "We have to have salaries at a level where, one, we can be competitive and hire them, and number two, we can keep them here."

In James' memorandum, she said that many Staff Council members "find it hard to defend 100 percent funding of the faculty schedule and only 35 percent funding for classified employees."

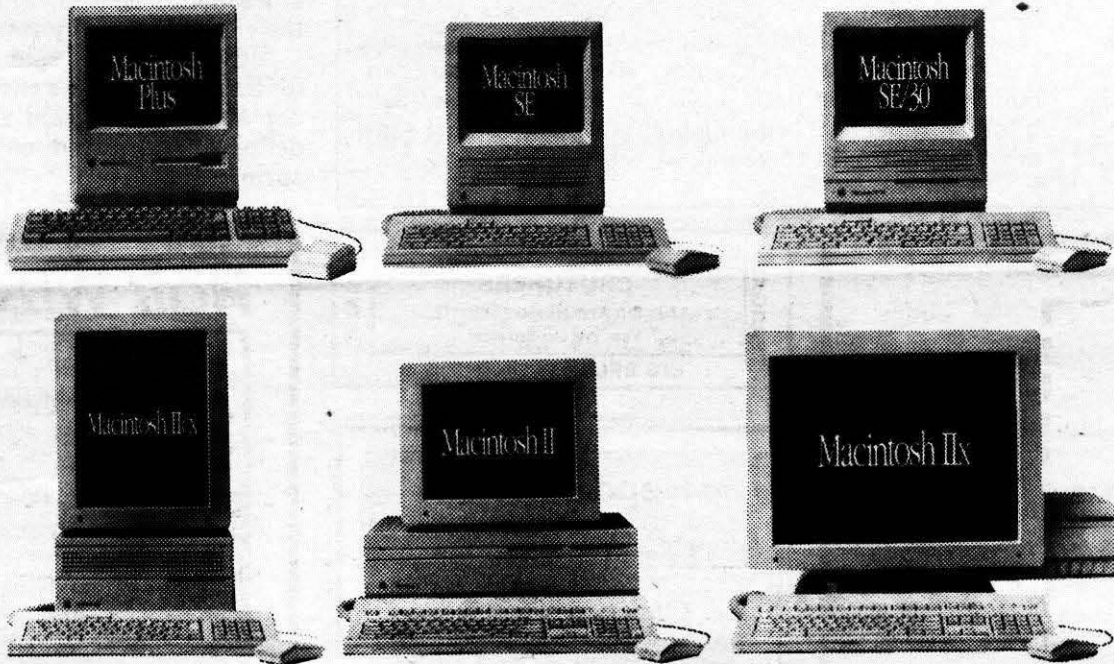
According to a 1988-89 progress report submitted by the Board of Regents, 138 members of Marshall's classified staff earn less than \$11,650, the

national poverty level for a family of four.

In Nitzschke's response to James' memorandum he said "...We went to great lengths to 'sell' the plan to all the constituent groups...particularly the students. We also seem to have board staff and Board of Regents members who will support us. I would truly hate to change it now for fear of jeopardizing the entire effort."

Nitzschke said he has plans to fully fund the classified staff salary schedule, and that those plans don't include another tuition increase.

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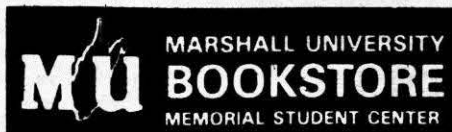
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SPORTS

Yarian links Marshall golf with U.S. Open

By Jim Keyser
Sports Editor

Admittedly, Marshall golfer John Yarian did not play well in last week's U.S. Open at Oak Hill Country Club in Rochester, N.Y.

He said his nerves affected his play much more than he originally anticipated. In lament's terms, he choked a little.

But while Yarian is fairly critical of his performance, as maybe are many Marshall students and Huntingtonians, it may be more accurate to say the 19-year-old sophomore simply knows an anticlimax when he sees one.

After all, how many other 19-year-olds, or even amateurs, have ever even made it to the Open, one of the four majors on the golf tour. While most can only dream about it, Yarian has lived it, courtesy of some excellent golf in the qualifying tournaments that, when looked back upon by the Marshall golfer, makes the 90 and 88 he shot at Oak Hill Country Club a little less painful.

"It was really something just to get there," Yarian said Tuesday. "I realize it's a nice accomplishment and I was real happy about that."

Yarian made it to the Open by winning the local qualifier at Guyan Country Club and finishing in the top six at a sectional qualifier in Lake Buena

Vista, Fla. In Florida, he shot magnificently, carding a 69 the first round and a 68 the second to finish at an impressive 7-under par 137 in a field of 50 that included Davis Love and the legendary Arnold Palmer.

"I was really hitting the ball well then," Yarian said. "I played decent the last couple of matches (at Marshall) and I was playing real good heading into the local at Guyan. I shot 2-under there, but going to Florida I really didn't know what to expect. Fortunately, I got down there and played well."

As it is with most thrills in sports, the magnitude of the accomplishment took awhile to set in with Yarian.

"It really took a couple of days for it to set in," he said. "I'd always dreamed of playing in a major tournament, and once you realize you're going to be walking on the inside of the ropes rather than the outside, it's really something. When it sank in I was so thrilled."

Once Yarian got to the Open, he said everything was even better than what he had expected.

"I had a great week," he said. "I hit the ball well in the practice rounds, but the pressure got to me more than I thought it would. I had a bad start (a triple bogey on the first hole) and everything just steamrolled."

"Still, I never try to give up on a tournament or a round. I was hitting

the ball well and I tried to be pretty positive and just go out and have fun and enjoy the round."

Yarian said one of the main reasons he enjoyed his Open experience so much was the treatment he got from the pros.

"All of them are surprisingly down to earth," he said. "They're just like you and me. They're cocky about their games, but they have a right to be. They like to have fun and goof off, but when it's tournament time they get serious."

"All of them congratulated me when I got there. They treated me great. They gave me some tips, just little things, that might help me."

Yarian played one of his practice rounds with Hale Irwin and Payne Stewart. He also talked with Jack Nicklaus, and he was lockered beside Lanny Wadkins, Tom Watson, Ian Woosman and Fuzzy Zoeller. As for champion Curtis Strange, he did not get to speak with him, but said he ate dinner right beside him one evening.

"You wouldn't even know they were big name golfers if you met them," he said.

Another item that highlighted Yarian's week, he said, was the responsiveness of the crowd.

"Even when you made a putt or a good shot in one of the practice rounds they applauded," he said. "And walking up the 18th fairway and hearing all

these people clap for you is something. I'd never played in front of a lot of people before."

Now that his chance-of-a-lifetime experience is over, Yarian must concentrate on the upcoming season at Marshall. He is one of five freshmen who are returning for their sophomore years, and senior team captain Pat Carter is also back.

"We should have a pretty good team," he said. "Everybody should be practicing and we can come on and be a good squad."

As for added pressure because of his recent success, Yarian said he doesn't think there will be any.

"Really, there shouldn't be any pressure," he said. "If I had gone up there and played great there would be, but I didn't. I just had two good weeks when my game was really on and that got me there. I just tried to enjoy it while it lasted. I don't think I'll have more pressure on me, though."

Yarian said he would like to return to a U.S. Open championship, but he said he is trying to concentrate on Marshall golf now.

"I'm 19-years-old, and I'm never going to forget going there," he said. "Hopefully I'll get back and do a little better. If I work hard, I know I can do it. Right now, though, I'm worrying about Marshall golf. I just hope I get another chance for a better Open memory."

Investigation not new coach's main concern

By Jim Keyser
Sports Editor

For many Marshall basketball fans, the only thing on their minds currently is the NCAA investigation of improprieties reported by the university, the suspension of Gery Strickland and John Taft and the still touchy situation involving the resignation of former coach Rick Huckabay.

But for new coach Dana Altman there are more pressing matters about which to worry, such as recruiting and the upcoming season. After all, regardless of what happens with the NCAA, the Herd will still have to take the court this winter.

"There's not much we can do about it," Altman said. "We have to approach it with the attitude that we can't control what is going to happen. We're not going to change it, so we're not letting it concern us too much."

Where it would seem the investigation would affect Altman and Marshall most is in recruiting. However, the former Kansas State assistant says it is still unclear what kind of impact that will have.

"We really won't know the effects of that until this fall," he said. "We've had some questions about it, but we can't judge what will happen yet. Its effects won't be known for a while."

So far, Altman should be encouraged by the non-existence of the investigation in his recruiting. He has signed four players in his short, 3-month tenure: Tyrone Phillips of Fremont High School in Los Angeles; Anthony Beagle and Maurice Sanders, both of Allen Community College in Kansas; and Jeff Petersen of Homestead High School in Mequon, Wis.

The most recent of those recruits is Phillips.

"Tyrone's a very gifted athlete and a fine, fine player," Altman said. "At 6-foot-6, he's always played inside and is a good rebounder, so he'll probably be a #4 player (small forward) for us."

Altman gained some more rebounding strength with the signing of Beagle and Sanders.

"Maurice is a strong rebounder and a good inside player, and Anthony is a good rebounder, passer and a good defensive player," Altman said. "Nei-

ther is a great scorer, but I'd say they're both very capable scorers."

Altman, known as an excellent recruiter while at Kansas State, said his recruiting involves a number of things.

"You look for personality, competitiveness, skill level, and of course a lot of it is what the ball club needs," he said. "For instance, I felt we had a lot of capable scorers on this team and what we needed was defense and rebounding, so I went after the best rebounders available."

Despite the ongoing crisis in the program and what has already transpired, Altman said Marshall basketball fans everywhere have been quite supportive.

"People have been outstanding here," he said. "They've been real supportive not just here but everywhere in the state I've travelled to various functions. The people are great, and I certainly appreciate the warm reception."

Altman's family has not yet joined him in Huntington, but he said they will be here in early July.

"Them not being here is the only downside of the last three months."

Herd diamonders' trial postponed to Sept. 13

From the Associated Press

The assault trial of Marshall University baseball players David Piepenbrink, John Piepenbrink and Jason Nixon has been postponed because the prosecutor is involved in a Marshall murder trial.

Chris Chiles, an assistant Cabell County prosecutor, said the trial of the players has been delayed from Monday to Sept. 13 because he is tied up with the trial involving Heath Beaman, a 16-year old Huntington resident who is accused in the stabbing death of Christopher Scott Smith, who was a student at Marshall.

In the case of the three baseball players, an indictment charges them with malicious wounding against Mike Holliday in a fight that took place Sept. 17, 1988. It states the three caused Holliday serious bodily injury with intent to maim, disfigure and kill.

They are free on \$5,000 bail.

IMPRESSIONS

Summer theater rings in season with murder

By Tina Marie Alford
Reporter

Murder comes to Marshall this week in the form of Fredrick Knott's mystery thriller "Dial 'M' For Murder".

The play opens tonight at 8 p.m. in the Old Main Theatre as the first production of the Marshall University Summer Theatre.

Dr. Elaine Adams Novak, director of over a hundred other Marshall plays, will direct the production that was a tremendous success in London and then on Broadway. The play was also made into a film which was directed by Alfred Hitchcock.

The play is set in a London apartment in 1952 where a man tries to arrange the perfect murder.

The cast includes three of Marshall's graduates, Elizabeth Hay Martin and George R. Snider III, both of Huntington, as Margot and Tony Wendice. And David Scott Marcum of Kenova will play the role of Max Halliday.

Marshall students cast in the play include Gregory A. Rinaldi as Inspector Hubbard and Joe Risch as Williams. Both students are from Huntington.

Michael D. Musa, a sophomore from West Virginia University who is home for the summer, has the role of Captain Lesgate.

Also, Adam Traylor of Barboursville High School is cast as Thompson.

"Dial 'M' For Murder" will run June



Photo by Laurie Blain

The unsuspecting husband, played by George R. Snider stands during a conversation with his wife, played by Elizabeth Hay Martin, and her secret lover, played by David Scott Marcum. The play "Dial 'M' For Murder" will be performed tonight, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in Old Main Auditorium.

22-24 with all seats reserved. Tickets are \$4 each for the public, and Marshall students with a valid I.D. are admitted free. Tickets are available in the box office on show nights at 7:30 p.m. or may be purchased in Old Main B23.

Marshall's second summer production will be "The Foreigner", a comedy by Larry Shue. It opens on July 13 at 8 p.m. The cast has already been selected.

Auditions for the third play to be

performed this summer, will take place on Wednesday, July 5 in Smith Hall 154 at 7 p.m. Two women and seven men are needed. The auditions are open to both students and non-students.

Imagination, courage and raw meat summer stagnation remedy

During the summer months students often find themselves with a surplus of spare time.

There are some things you are sort of required to do during this free time. A fine example is mowing the lawn, unless, of course, it has rained sometime during the past week, in which case it would be far too wet to cut that grass.

Family reunions are another requirement. You sit around, eat yourself into a stupor and relive the most embarrassing moments of your life. Your mother usually starts by telling everyone about how hard you were to toilet train and concludes by passing around your high school senior picture.

Then you have your fun time. You might spend time with your boyfriend or girlfriend or go to a bar. But let's face it, you can only drink and mess around so much.

You could always watch television until you eyes fall out of your head. If all else fails you can sit around and complain about the weather.

I used to suffer from the summer

blahs until I decided to do something about it. Here are some of the things I'll be doing this summer.

Go to the mall, a park or any other crowded place and play spot the trendy T-shirt. Grab a friend and walk around. Set up your own scoring system. In my version this summer a player will receive one point for a Batman garment. The points get higher for a T-shirt from days gone by. My system awards 20 points for the once far too popular Spuds T-shirt.

Place a friendly wager on the game to make it more interesting. Not money, but something else the loser has to pour Kool-Aid all over himself and roll around in clothes dryer lint.

Go for a nice Sunday drive. The first blue-haired ship's captain you see cruising down the street in a car that could pass for a barge is the target of your day's fun.

Make every effort to get in front of this demon of the road and try to drive even slower than it does. Give them a taste of their own medicine. Peer into

your rearview mirror and laugh at them trying to hurry you along.

Start calling those toll-free numbers you see everywhere. Explain to the operator who answers the phone that your bike has a flat tire and you are miles from home.

Ask her to call your house and tell someone to come out and pick you up. Give the operator at least 10 minutes of complicated directions. If you're a good enough actor to keep her on the phone that long she just might call you back. If she do call your house tell them you are Batman and hang up.

One cool evening you could build a small fire in the backyard and invite all of your friends over for a bad music roast. You'll thrill to the smell of that Tiffany album melting over a crackling fire. Sing "Rock Me Amadeus" as you shove that Falco tape onto the end of your stick.

Play a quick game of dueling lawn darts. Put about 100 feet between you and your friend and throw high arching shots at your opponent. Three shots

Commentary

By Chris Rice

to a side in this high risk game.

Whoever allows the dart to come closest without moving wins the game. If you don't feel comfortable with lawn darts, any potentially lethal object will do. I've seen the game played with horseshoes, baseballs and dummy hand grenades. Again, I recommend a friendly wager.

Instead of the common water balloon battle that usually gets old as soon as everyone gets wet, pay a visit to your area supermarket and pick up some of the more undesirable cuts of meat. Have a raw meat battle. This never gets old. Your friends will always run when you reach for the beef tongue. Just the thought of being hit in the face with a handful of brains or a pig's foot will make them jump out of their shoes. Don't worry about cleaning up when you are finished, the neighborhood animals will take care of that.