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## Marvelous, Marco

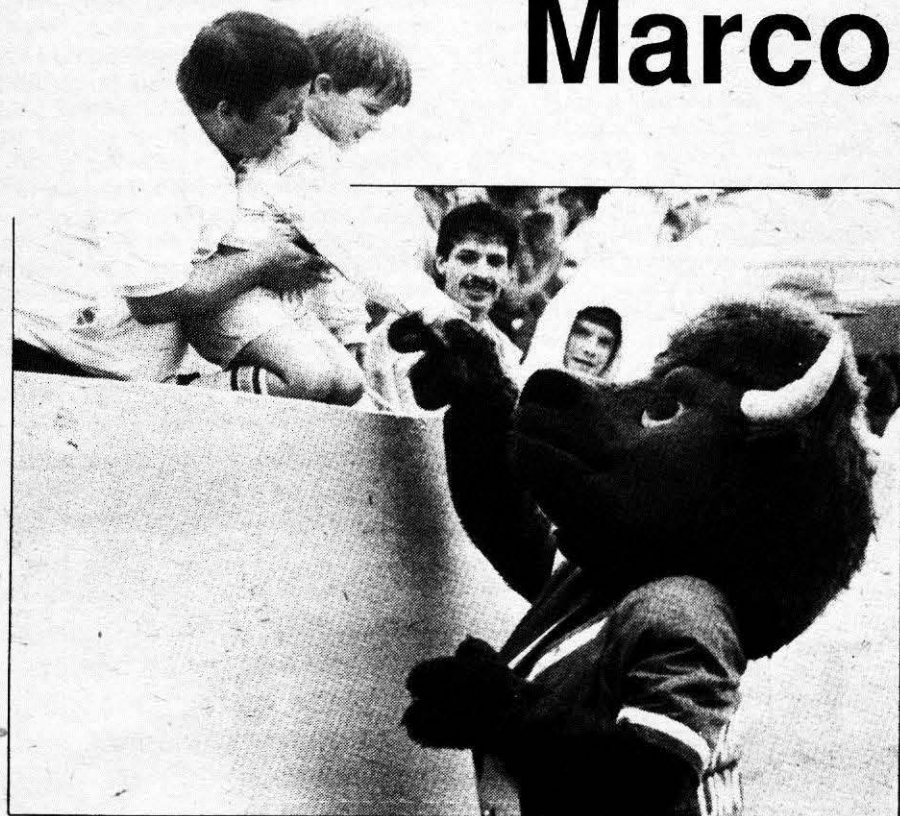


Photo by Chris Hancock

Marshall mascot Marco shakes hands with a young fan at Fairfield Stadium.

## Herd mascot defeats all in national competition

By Robert Saunders  
Reporter

Marco, a.k.a. Allen Young, has brought Marshall University its first national championship.

Young, a Hamlin senior, won the Universal Cheerleading Association's national mascot competition last weekend at Sea World in San Antonio, Texas. "He was in a state of shock," said Chris Yaudas, Marshall's cheerleading adviser who accompanied Young. She said Young picked up his trophy then walked up to her and whispered, "They did call my name, didn't they?"

Young's live performance at the outdoor arena before a crowd of 2,000 people brought the house down. He acted out Jerry Lee Lewis' "Great Balls of Fire," using a mock-up of a baby grand piano.

The piano was constructed out of wood and cardboard by Young and Keith Osborne, an art teacher at Wayne County High School. An electric fan was rigged inside the piano with Christmas lights and strips of cellophane. When Yaudas plugged in the fan on cue, the piano appeared to burst into flames.

"The crowd loved it," Yaudas said.

The other final four competitors were Western Kentucky's Big Red, Missouri's Tiger and Sam Houston State's Bearkat.

This is Young's fourth year as mascot, the only known mascot on scholarship in the country. "He's a bright, intelligent person," Gary Richter, Marshall's sports information director, said. He said Young plans to be a physician, and has been accepted into MU's School of Medicine.

Athletic Director Lee Moon, who was out of town Monday, told the Herald-Dispatch that Young's student scholarship would be renewed, and that Young would possibly be honored before a Marshall football game.

ESPN taped the mascot competition and plans to air it sometime in May, Yaudas said. Young was expected to return to Huntington Monday night.

A phone call to Young's home was answered by a taped message left by Young: "Marco the Buffalo has gone to San Antonio...to bring home the mascot gold."

## Old Main coolers clear Smith fountains may have lead

By Rob Bastianelli  
Reporter

Water coolers in Old Main no longer are suspected of containing dangerous lead parts, according to an official of Sunroc Corporation, a water cooler company.

"Subsequent testing done in October by the EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) took Sunroc Corporation off the list of hazardous coolers," Michael C. Abrams, public relations representative for Sunroc Corporation, said.

"All of the major cooler companies were put on the EPA's list. We should have never been on the list as containing lead parts. There was a Navy test done on water coolers in Washington, D.C., and some senator got on the issue."

Water coolers located in Smith Hall were manufactured by EBCO-Manufacturing Corporation, which also showed up on the EPA's list. Those still may contain lead.

Sunroc and EBCO-Manufacturing are the only two water cooler companies that have coolers on campus.

"The problem that we have experienced is in the solder that we used," Mark Blackstone, director of sales for EBCO, said. "In the bottom of the bubbler valve, there is a small hole and a plug. The plug is affixed in the hole by a solder that may lose lead particles after continual use."

Until the coolers in Smith are identified by their serial number, Blackstone said he can't be sure if they might be hazardous.

"Some of our models haven't changed for 20 or 25 years," he said. "The EPA asked us about our components, and we reported if we used any solder or parts that may create problems."

"It is important to do follow-up testing and use the guidance documents the EPA provides for proper testing," according to Peter Lassovszky, environmental engineer for the EPA.

"In many instances, lead could be coming from building and not the coolers at all. Proper testing is necessary to be sure."

No official testing has been done at Marshall. Roger C. Allen, director of plant operations, said testing of water coolers at Marshall would be done.

## Tracing freedom's roots

"The First Amendment is always fragile — witness the frenzy to amend the Bill of Rights after the Supreme Court ruled in June that the First Amendment protected flag burning. But with students at prestigious colleges now intent on limiting free speech for a greater social good, the First Amendment will become even more vulnerable to attack in the years ahead."

—Freelance writer Nat Hentoff

**Editor's Note:** This story is the first of a four-part series that will trace the origins of the freedoms of speech and expression, highlight its architects and describe battles against those freedoms.

The writer also will examine the state of First Amendment freedoms in modern times and report on what some people claim the future holds for these liberties.

By Gregory Leaming  
Staff Writer

Thomas Jefferson and his contemporaries saw themselves on the threshold of a new era. Their world was the New World, and they were determined to make it free.

The settlers of the American colonies left behind a Europe dominated by totalitarianism — feudal monarchies and theocracies. Entire colonies were settled by the refugees who fled tyranny. Separated from Europe by thousands of miles of oceans and emboldened by the writings of John Locke and Adam Smith, some of these colonists dared to set a new course. The new college of William and Mary in Virginia became a haven for such thinkers.

The optimistic and inspired temperature of the times can be felt in a diary entry of a William and Mary student. The entry was made on May Day in 1699. "We see already that time when we shall surpass the Asiaticans (sic) in civility, the Jews in religion, the Greeks in philosophy, the Egyptians in geometry, the Phoenicians in arithmetic, and the Chaldeans in astrology. O happy Virginia."

Jefferson and many of his peers saw an opportunity to lead their countrymen out of the shadow of European tyranny. By the time Jefferson was a young adult, he was versed in the writings of the enlightenment philosophers, especially Locke and Milton.

Jefferson biographer Dumas Malone said Jefferson "bought the works of Milton before he was 21, and he copied numerous extracts." Jefferson was inspired by Milton's eloquent diatribe against government regulation of printing, the "Areopagitica."

"If we think to regulate printing," Milton wrote, "we must regulate all recreations and pastimes, all that is delightful to man."

Milton warned governments would go to



# International Festival biggest to date

John Goodwin  
Reporter

It only took three hours Sunday for guests to see a large chunk of the world at the 24th annual International Festival in the Don Morris Room of Memorial Student Center. People from 41 countries gathered to share cultures.

"So far, this is the biggest one," said Monica Wang, coordinator of international students and scholars. She estimated attendance at 600.

"The theme is 'the world comes to Marshall,'" said Betty Cleckley, vice president of multicultural affairs, "and, indeed, the world has really come to Marshall today."

Representatives from each country exhibited crafts, maps, works of art and other cultural items.

"These people are a part of it because they want to be a part of it," Wang said. "They are proud of their countries."

Solomon Makonnen, an Ethiopian representative, displayed traditional clothing, scarves and ivory Christian symbols.

"One of our international goals is to pro-

**The 24th annual International Festival took place last weekend in the Memorial Student Center. It was highlighted by a dinner featuring foods from around the world, several different cultural dances and songs, and displays of each culture's art.**

mote the beauty of Ethiopia so we can increase tourism," Makonnen said.

"I'm selling books," said Dennis Deitz, Appalachia, U.S.A. representative.

Deitz, who has written books on West Virginia and the Civil War, sold some of his writings at the festival.

When asked what the Americans would serve for the international dinner, Deitz replied, "I'm not sure, but it ought to be pinto beans and cornbread, and don't forget the ramps."

"We've been Americanized," said Andres Bangilinar and Jomar Jose Montero, the Philippines representatives.

"We have books, maps, post cards and we have French insults available, if you like," said Christopher McClung, French repre-

sentative.

West German representative Frank Schoof said he was not sure why East Germany did not come to the festival, but when asked about the reunification, he said, "It's good! I like it! I love it!"

Iranian representative Habib Aliabadi displayed a glass ghali for smoking tobacco. "Some people use this for hashish."

Francis Ibezim, Nigerian representative, displayed aka-bead necklaces, a chief's ebony sceptre and drinking horns. "The elders are the chiefs. The elder drinks from the horn to show his power," Ibezim said.

Foods from around the world, such as fried meehoon from Malaysia and mojo criollo from Latin America, were served at the \$3 to \$5 dinner.

After dinner, people gave the audience a taste of the song and dance of their cultures.

Basel Issa sang songs from Palestine, encouraging the audience to sing along.

Ethiopian dancers Gelila Yilma, Girma Makonnen and Derage Alemayhu performed the Ikista dance.

Swang Lin played "Joy of Spring" on a violin, and Yumiko Ishikawa sang the Japanese Song.

The International Folklanders did Scottish dances to the music of Mark Burdette's bagpipes. Later, the Folklanders did German dances.

"The Bavarian Shoe Plattle started in the 18th century. It's a courtship dance," Rudolf Prietzel, International Folklander, said of a German dance which involved much shinslapping, hooting and hollering.

Indian dancers performed the dance "Ye Desh," which means "My Country."

Towards the end of the festival, Wang said, "There are still wars going on, but if we can communicate, we can do something beautiful such as this. If people are willing to work together, then things can work out. An example is tonight."

## Area Muslims join in Ramadan

By Ric A. Massie  
Reporter

Since the full moon was sighted March 26, area Muslims have joined Muslims all around the world to celebrate Ramadan, the Holy Month of Fasting.

The month involves abstinence from food, drink, cigarettes and sexual intimacy throughout the daylight hours. However, these activities may occur after sunset each day. Most Muslims have a pre-dawn meal before resuming the fast when the sun comes up, according to Mohammad Shubair, president of the Huntington Islamic Foundation.

Muslims are engaged in increased, devotional activity throughout this month. An additional prayer, Taraweeh, is performed along with the regular five daily prayers. Taraweeh may be performed individually or in a congregation each night.

"Restraining the tongue and temper is a very important aspect of fasting," Shubair said.

Shubair said this period of "rigorous spiritual exercise makes the Muslim disciplined, steadfast and resilient and capable of enduring hardship."

Ramadan is supposed to train Muslims in self-discipline and obedience to Allah's

commands, Shubair said. Allah is the God of Islam.

Many Muslims complete the recitation of the entire Koran, the Holy Book of Islam, during Ramadan.

"To seek piety, much charity is given to the poor and maximum effort is made to do as much good as possible," Shubair said. "Fasting enables the Muslims to feel with the poor who daily experience hunger and to be active in compassion and charity toward them."

The last 10 days and nights of Ramadan are marked by especially intense devotions, including the commemoration of the night during which the first revelation of the Koran came to Muhammad, the great prophet of Islam. This night is known as the Night of Power.

Ramadan will end when the full moon is sighted again in the last week of April. The conclusion of the month of fasting is celebrated by "Eid," the festival of fast breaking. This festival is the Muslim equivalent of Christians' Christmas celebrations.

Some conditions are acceptable for being exempt from fasting. These include being sick, travelling, experiencing menstruation and giving birth within the previous 40 days. Very old people, anyone legally insane and pregnant women also are exempt.

## The Parthenon

**The Parthenon now is accepting applications for staff positions for the summer and fall semesters. Available positions include editor, managing editor and staff writers (summer semester), and editor, managing editor, news editor, assistant news editor, staff editor, sports editor, impressions editor, special correspondents and staff writers (fall semester).**

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# Opinion

## Editorial

### Three cheers for mascot's championship

**A**fter cheering on the Herd for three years, Marco, otherwise known as Allen Young, Hamlin senior, deserves a cheer himself for winning the national championship of mascots this weekend.

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Young won the Universal Cheerleading Association National Mascot Championship Saturday by performing a skit imitating Jerry Lee Lewis' performance of the song "Great Balls of Fire."

He defeated Missouri's defending champion Tiger, Sam Houston State's Bearkat and Western Kentucky's Big Red in the competition's Final Four at Sea World in San Antonio, Texas.

For anyone who has been to a Marshall football or basketball game, at which Marco performs, the championship should come as no surprise. Young has a great imagination and always seems to come up with crowd-pleasing skits and stunts.

He has imitated Elvis Presley and Freddy Kruger, been crowned 'King of Bull,' carried an Olympic torch to the top of the press box in Fairfield Stadium, and has been involved in many other entertaining exploits. He dances well to the music of the pep band and he has a great rapport with children in the audience.

It's obvious he spends many hours preparing for his skits, and what makes this even more impressive is that he has just been accepted into Marshall's School of Medicine.

Young is the only mascot known to be on scholarship in the country. He has definitely earned it and Marshall officials were wise to give it to him.

## Execution: Right or wrong?

### No one should play God

Both his mother and father were alcoholics. His father abused his mother when he was in the womb, and then abused him after he was born. It was not an easy childhood.

Sound like a sob story? It might be, but most people would rather see Robert Harris put to death. He is the California man who was sentenced to die in the gas chamber for murdering two teenage boys. Fortunately, Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor stayed the execution early last week.

Don't misunderstand me. I am in no way saying Harris should be excused for his crime because of his past. I believe he should spend the rest of his life behind bars with no chance for parole.

I do not, however, think Harris, or anyone else, should be put to death for any crime.

An estimated 80 percent of people in the United States support the death penalty. Since 1976, 36 states have reinstated the death penalty, resulting in 121 executions. More than 2,200 prisoners are currently on death row.

None of them, regardless of the crime, should be put to death.

Statistics have shown the threat of capital punishment does not lower crime rates, including murder. As if that was not enough, the death penalty also has been shown to be both racially and economically biased.

At least eight people who were executed in the state of New York later were found innocent, according to Gov. Mario Cuomo. And for those who think capital punishment is less expensive than keeping people in prison for life, the appeal process makes capital punishment even more expensive.

Obviously, there is no rational argument to support capital punishment, so it becomes a moral decision. That is the simplest argument for people against capital punishment to win.

Not long ago someone asked me if I thought some people had forfeited their right to life because of heinous crimes. After thinking for a moment, I told him that I did believe that might be true. But I followed that by asking him who had the right to play God and take that life.

I don't have that much faith in any human being or group of human beings, including those involved in our court system.

What to do with criminals in our society is not an easy question. But the answer should never be capital punishment. Murder is murder and should be against the law in any form.

Chris Stadelman  
STAFF EDITOR



### We won't tolerate murder

The stayed execution of convicted murderer Robert Altman Harris has once again brought national attention to the death penalty.

Death-penalty politics dominate gubernatorial races this year in California, Florida and Texas. In the Ohio General Assembly, legislators are debating a bill that will change the means of execution from death by electrocution to death by lethal injection. Congress is considering several proposals to streamline the slow, complicated and expensive appeals process and to guide the use of the death penalty for selected federal crimes.

Why are politicians calling for more executions? Simple: Most Americans strongly believe in the death penalty. In California, for example, 82 percent of the population approves of capital punishment.

By supporting capital punishment are Americans satisfying a deep-seated blood lust? No. The death penalty is morally appropriate, they say, for many individuals convicted of capital crimes. Juries, where allowed by law, have had no qualms about imposing the death penalty on sociopaths convicted of heinous crimes. More than 2,200 inmates are now on death row in America.

Opponents of the death penalty, in particular Gov. Mario Cuomo of New York, argue that it sends a message to our children "that it is O.K. to meet violence with violence." Nevertheless, Cuomo has stated he would sign all death warrants if the New York legislature overrides his veto of the death-penalty bill.

Is that in fact the message that juries and stern jurists are sending?

I think the real message is that our society has decided that it will not tolerate murder, and those who are convicted of first-degree murder forfeit all rights. Although critics have charged that punishment is not an effective deterrent, it certainly is a deterrent to the Ted Bundys of our times. Ted will never kill again.

The question is not whether to send convicted killers to their death, but how to make it more expedient.

Kim Sheets  
GUEST COMMENTARY

## The Parthenon

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## Readers' Voice

### Reader criticizes how others criticized

#### To the Editor:

In response to Cunningham and Sachleben's letter of April 6, I write the following reply. I didn't say that it was childish and nihilistic to defend the right to live as one chooses. I said that it was childish to attack someone because they disagree with you. I used the word "nihilism" to describe those who do not believe in truth or morality, after all that is the dictionary definition.

Also, I didn't say that because Judeo-Christian concepts have been the predominant ethic in the West "they are somehow morally superior to any belief system that contradicts them," although I do believe they are superior. I simply stated that it was egotistical to attack them as "barely approaching kindergarten level." Your presumption that I think homosexuality morally suspect of AIDS is unfounded and inaccurate. I think homo-

sexuality is wrong because of the Bible's condemnation of it. Finally, I realize that we have a fundamental disagreement concerning the nature of truth and to argue this further would be futile. I never criticized you for disagreeing with my view of truth, but for the way in which you criticized someone else for disagreeing with yours.

Bobby Lipscomb  
Huntington graduate student



# S.A.V.E. planning tame Earth Week celebration

By Joe Stanley  
Reporter

They spent the day demonstrating, celebrating and learning about the environment. They buried V-8 engines. They emptied trash dumpsters in restaurants. They were the participants in the first national Earth Day, April 22, 1970.

"The first Earth Day was probably as much a street fair as a demonstration," said Terry Messenger, president of Students Active for a Vital Earth (S.A.V.E.). The organization is a local-focus campus environmental group.

According to the January issue of Audubon magazine, the first event spawned a political force that pushed Congress to pass the Clean Air Act and establish the Environmental Protection Agency.

But Messenger said S.A.V.E. wouldn't be using such drastic measures to spread its message, "I would think that the environ-

mentalist movement has progressed to a point of maturity where things like this are no longer required."

The S.A.V.E. organization is making plans for Earth Day and Earth Week 1990.

Messenger said his group has booked several bands to play at Ritter Park Amphitheatre on April 22.

The bands include Festus Rockefeller, The Electric Strawberry Society, Charles and the Martels, Fried Chicken, Eric Fout and Chris McPherson, and Roy Clark (no relation to the Roy Clark from the television program "Hee Haw"). The show begins at 1 p.m. and a donation of \$1 is requested.

Messenger said S.A.V.E. also will set up an informational table to distribute environmental information.

Earth Day is the first day of a week of environmental activities.

There will be a speaker on campus each day during the week focusing on an aspect of the environment, said Brian E.

Hagenbuch, coordinator of the western region of the West Virginia Environmental Council.

"The talks will be taking the form of 'brown-bag' seminars," the Marshall biology instructor said. The seminars are scheduled April 23-27, noon to 1 p.m. in Smith Hall 108.

"Earth day is a collective gathering of people earth-wide," Hagenbuch said. "You don't have to be a biologist or an environmentalist to get involved," he said.

Hagenbuch has been trying to get all teachers on Marshall's campus to incorporate an aspect of the environment into their classwork during Earth Week.

Hagenbuch said he is disappointed with the lack of involvement in environmental issues by the majority of Marshall student population.

"This (the environmental movement) is the new movement of the '90s. Students should start opening their eyes."

## Earth Week guest speakers and topics

**April 23-** "Medicinal Plants in Indian Tribes: Impact on Modern Society" by Dr. Dan K. Evans, Marshall biology professor

**April 24-** "West Virginia Environmental Perspectives into the 90s" by Norm Streenstra of the West Virginia Environmental Council.

**April 25-** "Acid Rain and Air Pollution: Local and Global Problems" by Dr. Richard J. Bady, Marshall physics teacher.

**April 26-** "Landslides as an Environmental Issue" by Dr. Richard B. Bonnett, chairman of Marshall's Geology Department.

**April 27-** "Natural and Synthetic Carcinogens in Our Food" by Dr. Marcus C. Waldron, Marshall biology professor.

## Philosophy class will not have sex...in title

By Mary Beth Torlone  
Reporter

The Department of Philosophy is having its sex changed.

The department is in the process of changing the title of one of its courses from the Philosophy of Sex to the Philosophy of Love and Friendship, according to Dr. John N. Vielkind, chairman, Department of Philosophy.

"We talked about doing a name change about a year ago," Vielkind said. "The love and friendship title would be more accurate because of the umbrella context that the class focus is on."

Originally, we went with the sex title to

draw more students."

The class usually draws around 30-35 students, Vielkind said. He doesn't anticipate a drop in enrollment because of the name change.

"This is basically an intro class," Vielkind said. "Usually there are four or five students that have had a philosophy class and that is an added benefit."

The class consists of some readings of western metaphysics, Greek philosophy and a historical survey, Vielkind said.

"We deal with Plato, Aristotle, some medieval, modern and contemporary philosophers," Vielkind said.

"Students will have readings that deal with themes of love, friendship and sex. The

course does not focus with specifics of sexuality that perhaps a psychology class may deal with, but more with the condition of our human being."

The new class title will not take effect until fall '91 because several committees must approve the change. The College of Liberal Arts Curriculum Committee has taken the first step by approving the course name change.

It also must be approved by the Faculty Senate and the Provost, Vielkind said.

The Philosophy of Sex was first offered in fall '84 as a special topics class. It went into the catalog under that title in the spring of '86, Vielkind said.

## PRSSA wins awards

Marshall's Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) chapter won two awards at the PRSSA Ohio Valley District Conference Saturday in Athens, Ohio. The Marshall group captured both the 1989-90 Outstanding Fundraiser and Outstanding Professional Advisor awards.

The campus group's "Wanted: A Hired Hand" fundraiser was chosen on the basis of creativity, profit and nature of event.

The Outstanding Professional Advisor award is a double honor, Mary Beth Kisner, president of Marshall's PRSSA chapter, said. Besides exemplifying the overwhelming support students are receiving from their professional liaison, it also reinforces the loyalty Marshall instills in its students. The liaison is a 1974 graduate of Marshall.

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**Children's Wish Foundation** is trying to fulfill the wish of a child dying of cancer to obtain the Guinness Book of World Records for receiving the most get well cards. Cards must be sent by Sunday. Cards may be sent to Craig Shergold c/o Children's Wish Foundation, 32 Perimeter Center East, Atlanta, Ga., 30346. More information may be obtained by calling Mark Ice at 523-2952.

**Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity** is sponsoring a Nintendo Give-away April 21. Tickets may be purchased from any AKP member for a \$1 donation. More information may be obtained by calling Mark Dietsch at 525-9765.

**Black United Students (BUS)** is having a meeting to nominate officers today at 9:15 p.m. April 10 in the Alumni Lounge. More information may be obtained by calling 696-6705.



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# Freedom

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extremes to "protect" people from "corruption." He considered truth to be "divine," and "all the winds of doctrine" should be "let loose to play upon the earth."

"Let her (truth) and falsehood grapple," Milton said. "Who ever knew truth put to the worse, in free and open encounter."

Jefferson applied these beliefs to his own philosophy. He saw no role for government in "protecting" its subjects from falsehood or "dangerous" thought.

"Reason and inquiry are the only effectual agents against error," Jefferson proclaimed. "The opinions of men are not the object of civil government, not under its jurisdiction."

Jefferson's beliefs were to be tested. During his tenure as a public figure, he was hounded by the press. News stories of the time read like sharp editorials.

His private life was frequently the subject of press attacks. Yet Jefferson defended the ideal of a free press, saying "These moral evils must be submitted to." He said all "avenues of truth" should be open for people.

"The most effectual (avenue of truth) hitherto found is the freedom of the press," Jefferson wrote. "It is therefore the first shut up by those who fear the investigation of their actions."

"The firmness with which the people have withstood the late abuses of the press... show that they may be safely trusted to hear everything true and false to form a correct judgment between them."

**"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."**

## The First Amendment of the Bill of Rights

After the American Revolution, the country's founders found themselves in opposing camps. Bitter debates raged about the role of government in a society.

On one side were the Federalists led by Washington, Hamilton and John Adams. The Federalists argued for a strong central government and a strong standing military. Some even advocated a life term of office for the president.

On the other side were the Democratic-Republicans, led by Jefferson, Madison, Paine and Samuel Adams.

They favored an emphasis on individual liberty and federal government of minimal proportions. Some even advocated the abolition of slavery.

Jefferson feared a Congress with a Federalist majority, saying it would foster an "elective despotism."

"One-hundred seventy-three despots will surely be as oppressive as one," Jefferson claimed.

The Republicans refused to ratify the newly written Constitution unless it was amended to include what would become known as the Bill of Rights. They wanted a constitutional guarantee that basic liberties would not be violated by government.

Samuel Adams said without a Bill of Rights the Constitution would be "a farce." He and Patrick Henry demanded the Constitution "never be construed to authorize Congress to infringe the just liberty of the press or the rights of conscience."

The Federalists gave in and the Bill of Rights was added to the Constitution. The First Amendment was born.

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The first test of the power of that amend-

ment came seven years later, in 1798.

Relations between the United States and France had deteriorated. France's hope for a Republican form of government was rapidly eroding with the rise of Napoleon Bonaparte. French warships were attacking American merchant vessels and Americans were experiencing feelings of nationalism for the first time.

Taking advantage of the nationalistic mood of the country, the Federalists successfully passed the Alien and Sedition Acts. The Alien Act was designed to make life difficult for immigrants by creating a lengthy period of naturalization.

The Sedition Act forbade "writing, printing, uttering or publishing any false, scandalous and malicious writing or writings against the government of the United States, or the President of the United States, with intent to defame the said Government... or excite against them... the hatred of the good people of the United States."

Sentence for conviction under the act was a "fine not exceeding \$2,000 and by imprisonment not exceeding two years." Twenty-five arrests and ten convictions resulted before Jefferson became president and the law lapsed. Jefferson also pardoned those still in jail.

The nation had weathered a severe storm that threatened its libertarian foundation. That foundation would be firmed up by a Federalist who went against the party grain by opposing the Alien and Sedition Acts — John Marshall.

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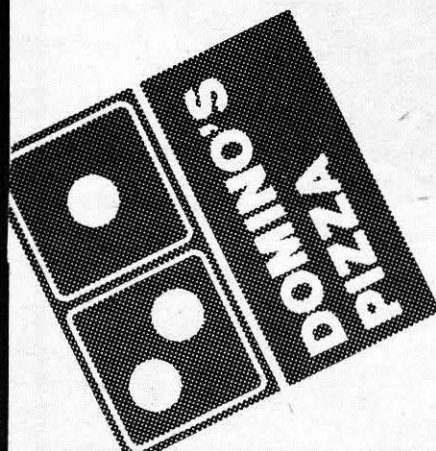
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# Sports

Freeman snags first recruit

## Memphis star commits to Herd

By Steven J. Keith  
Sports Editor

New basketball coach Dwight Freeman hasn't wasted any time drumming up new players to play for the Herd next season.

In less than a week after being promoted, Freeman has received a verbal commitment to sign from his first recruit. Chris Patterson, a Memphis, Tenn., high school all-star basketball player, said Sunday he will sign to play at MU.

The 6-foot-5, 190 pound forward, averaged nearly 19 points, 14 rebounds and 4.2 blocked shots a game as he led Memphis East High School to a 25-8 record.

Patterson, who chose the Herd over Tennessee Tech and Arkansas State, said Freeman was a big factor in his decision. He said he was very impressed with Freeman and that he and Marlin were the first to recruit him. Patterson visited campus Wednesday and said he really liked Marshall.

*Hoop Scoop* magazine rated Patterson as the 10th best player in Memphis, the city's top rebounder and the city's all-around best athlete. Patterson said he thinks his strengths are defense, rebounding and running the floor. The magazine also said that Patterson challenges Treadwell High's Anfernee Hardaway, who is regarded by

many as the nation's top high school player.

His high school coach, Reginald Mosby, said Patterson is a very valuable player in the middle, but also has a shooting range at around 19 feet. Mosby added that Patterson should complement Freeman's up-tempo game plan.

Patterson, a 'B-average' student, is awaiting the results of his ACT test, but said he doesn't anticipate that being a problem. He was also an honorable mention McDonald's All-American and Blue Ribbon College Basketball Yearbook honoree.

Patterson added that Freeman told him all about the NCAA sanctions and that still didn't lessen his desire to play at Marshall.

## Runners place, teams stumble in track meet

By Steven J. Keith  
Sports Editor

Although the women's track team finished a disappointing sixth place out of seven teams this weekend at the Ohio University Relays, senior star Erica West continued to shine.

West finished first in the long jump (18'-5 1/2") and second in the 100-meter dash (13.10 seconds) in Saturday's meet in Athen's, Ohio.

Others who placed in the women's events were:

- Tina Osburn-third place in the shot put with a throw of 41 feet.
- West, Jane Mitchell, Lisa Hines and Amy Carpenter-fourth place in the 4 x 200 relays with a time of 1:49.98.
- Hines-fourth place in the triple jump with a jump of 35-1 3/4.
- Katrina Maynard-fifth in the 5,000 with a time of 18:24.4.
- West-fifth in the 200 with a time of 26.5.
- Christa Gibson-sixth place in the 800, posting a 2:22.5 time.
- Lynn Kochendorfer-seventh place in the 100 hurdles in 16.54 seconds.
- Chris Canada-seventh in the 400 at 1:02.76.
- Canada, Gibson, Kochendorfer and Cherri Parsley-seventh in the 4 x 400 relays in 4:25.2

The men's team finished seventh of seven teams, but also had some individual successes.

- Stacie Hicks-third place in the 400 hurdles with a personal best time of 54.80 seconds.
- Phil Backus-fourth in the long jump with a leap of 22-2 1/4, and fifth in the javelin at 160-5.
- Larry Brandon-fifth place in the shot put at 47-7.
- Duane Miller-fifth place in the 5,000 with a time of 14:59.67.
- John Boles, Matt Dokes, Jimmy Harbour and Kevin Orr-sixth place in the 4 x 200 relays at 1:39.65.
- John Casto, Prescott Woodard, Boles and Hicks-sixth place in the 4 x 400 in 3:31.12.
- Casto, Dave Foose, Brian Cox and Randy Gibbs-sixth place in the 4 x 800 relay with a time of 8:09.94.
- Docky Wells-seventh in the discus with a toss of 145-9, his best ever.
- Gibbs-eighth place in the steeplechase with a personal best of 9:51.17.
- Bruce Hammond-eighth in the 100-meter dash in 11.46 seconds.

Both teams return to action today back at OU in a dual meet at 2:30 p.m. This weekend, the men will participate in the Dogwood Relays in Knoxville, Tenn., and the women will be at the Miami of Ohio Invitational.

## Baseball team takes three from Appy; two by one-point margins

By Steven J. Keith  
Sports Editor

Marshall's baseball team swept three games from Appalachian State this weekend in Southern Conference action. The wins included two close games yesterday in a double-header with the Herd defeating the Mountaineers 6-5 and 12-11 at MU's University Heights field.

In the first game, Appy took an early 3-0 lead, but Marshall retaliated and took the lead for good with five runs in the fifth inning, capped by a Shane McComas two-run homer.

The Mountaineers came back with two more runs late in the game and had a chance to tie when Appy's Doug Jones doubled, but MU rightfielder Danny Webb, with a relay by second baseman James Clark, threw the Appy runner out at the plate. MU pitcher Ronald Thomas captured his fourth save to tie a school record.

Marshall exploded in the second game to a 8-0 lead, led by home runs by Dave Piepenbrink and McComas and a three-run double by Roger McIntyre. By the fourth inning, Marshall led 9-3, but Appy's Steve Hollins hit a grand slam in that inning to initiate an Appalachian six-run rally. Chris Chilton added a homer in the seventh to push the Mountaineers over the Herd by a run.

In the final inning, designated hitter George Kayes put a single in centerfield to score Hall and tie the game. Pinch-hitter Tuffy Gould added a double to drive in the winning run, improving Marshall's record to 15-12 overall and 8-4 in the conference. Appy fell to 10-15-1 and 4-8.



Above, freshman pitcher Scott Miller hurls in a pitch in Saturday's double-header against Appalachian State. The Herd defeated the Mountaineers 6-5 and 12-11.

To the right, Roger McIntyre (#14) receives congratulations from his teammates after scoring in the game against Appy.



Photos by Chris Hancock

Marshall Sports Information Director Gary Richter has announced a starting time for one of the 1990 fall football games which was previously not listed. The Oct. 13 game at East Tennessee State will begin at 7:30 p.m.



# Rugby A-side defeats Ohio Northern, 8-4

By Chris Dickerson  
Athletic Correspondent

After splitting a two-game match-up Saturday against Ohio Northern University, Rugby Club Adviser Allen J. Wilkins said both games were close.

The A-side defeated ONU, 8-4. Chris Porter scored Marshall's first try, but the kick-after by Rob Jennings failed.

Russell Randolph scored another try for Marshall, but Jennings's kick-after failed.

Wilkins, an associate professor of economics, said the A-side game was a good one. "It was a close game," he said. "It was well-played by both sides."

The B-side lost its contest 12-4, but Wilkins said it was also a close match.

The games were the club's last at home this season.

Wilkins said he would explain rugby to those who know little about it as a game similar to football.

A try is like a touchdown. The player must cross the tryline to score four points. The two-point kick-after is kicked perpendicular from the point where the player crossed the tryline.

"Once someone learns how the game is played, rugby is a very interesting and exciting game," Wilkins said.



Photo by Chris Hancock

Marshall's Tom McCallister (center) attempts to tackle an Ohio Northern University rugby player during Saturday's A-side match at the Track Field. The A-side went on to defeat Ohio

Northern, 8-4, in a game club adviser Allen J. Wilkins called a close game. The B-side lost to Ohio Northern, 12-4. The games were the clubs last home matches of the season.



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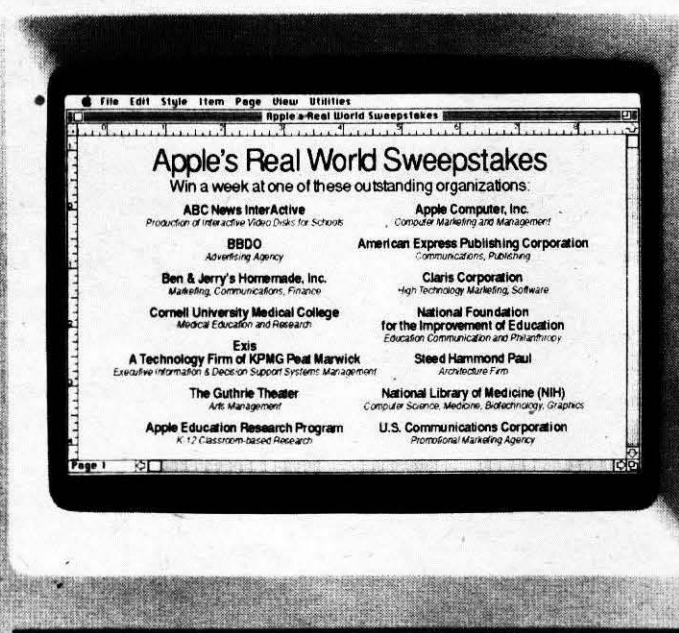
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