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CONVERGING ON THE CAPITOL



Photo by Allison Fisher

More than 150 people from colleges and universities gathered at the Capitol Thursday in support of higher education.

Marshall faculty call for 'action'

By K. Mark Truby
Reporter

C HARLESTON — Members of Marshall's faculty, staff and student body called for "action" from lawmakers at the "West Virginia Higher Education Guarantees The Future" rally at the Capitol Thursday.

Staff Council President Sherry Noble said time is running out for help this year.

"We came to let the legislators know that we need more funding before this year's session closes."

More than 150 people wearing



"We're losing faculty because our salaries are not competitive ... We can't get the classes we need to graduate on time... We need help now."

— Talcan Romey
student body president

neutral maroon and gray clothes rallied under the dome, waving flags, holding signs and talking to the press about higher education's needs.

Concerns brought up by the more than 70 Marshall representatives included: restoring the one-percent reduction in state ap-

propriated funds, funding the salary schedule and removing a 20 year salary cap for classified staff, stabilizing of tuition cost and raising faculty salaries.

After waiting more than two hours, several Marshall repre-

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State schools rally for higher education

By Allison Fisher
Staff Writer

CHARLESTON — Chants of "higher education" rang through the Capitol Thursday as more than 150 students, faculty and staff from colleges and universities throughout the state demanded lawmakers do a better job of funding higher education.

"We have some real needs and our primary need is salaries for faculty and staff," said Joe Simoni, University of West Virginia Board of Trustees faculty representative and WVU sociology professor. "If we don't get that money for faculty and staff, we're going to lose people, quality people who we need to keep this system afloat. Higher education can't be asked to do more with less and less."

Earlier this year, Gov. Gaston Caperton mandated a 1 percent across-the-board reduction in state funding of higher education. Sen. Homer Heck, D-Wayne, said the 1 percent reduction is actually a 2 percent reduction because half the fiscal year is gone. The budget cuts mean most of the state's faculty and classified staff will go without pay raises unless the Legislature includes them in the new budget. Sherri Noble, president of the Staff Council at Marshall said, the Legislature established a classified staff salary schedule in 1986, but has yet to fund it.

"Full Funding must be provided

"I think we need to show the Legislature we mean business and that they're forgetting higher education."

■ Michael McGuffey
institutional research
director at Marshall

in 1992," she said.

Michael McGuffey, Marshall's director institutional research said he agrees.

"I think we need to show the Legislature we mean business and that they're forgetting higher education," he said. "We have a salary schedule in place that the Legislature mandated in 1986. Still we have 139 classified staff at Marshall that aren't even up to zero years of experience on the salary schedule. I find it hard to believe the Legislature will take 1 percent away from our budget, yet the governor is going to give public school teachers a \$2,000 pay increase this year."

Sen. Oshel Craig, D-Putnam, and vice chairman of the Senate finance committee, said there is only so much money to go around in a small state like West Virginia. He said 72 percent of the budget already is earmarked for education.

"Priorities become the issue," Craig said. "It's a matter of where you want to spend the

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McCrary indicted on rape charges

Convicted sex offender Emmitt D. McCrary was indicted Wednesday by a Cabell County grand jury on charges of kidnapping and raping a 20-year-old Marshall student.

If convicted, McCrary could spend the rest of his life in prison.

McCrary, a 47-year-old Barboursville resident, had been charged only with kidnapping the woman; filing of other charges had been delayed until the conclusion of investigations to determine where the alleged sex offenses took place.

Cabell County Prosecutor Chris Chiles said Wednesday that in spite of initial uncertainty in the investigation, he now is convinced the sex offenses were committed in Cabell County, according to a report in Thursday's Herald-Dispatch.

Chiles was not available for comment Thursday.

The Herald-Dispatch report stated McCrary is charged with one count of kidnapping, two counts of first-degree sexual assault, one count of first-degree sexual abuse, and one count of mali-

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Agreement reached on facility building

Construction on the athletic facility building continues after Frank Irey Jr., Inc. agreed to take over and complete the job River City Construction abandoned.

"Due to some inability to complete the project, River City was unable to continue," Matt Rajakovic, assistant project manager, said. "They pulled off the job Feb. 5."

Rajakovic said the state put R.C. Irey (River City and Frank Irey, Jr. Inc.) on notice they could be found in default for violation of contract, but the companies worked out an agreement. "They are not

coming back and we are taking over all the projects," he said.

Lee Greenwood, construction manager of the building project, said, "River City had some problems, and the contractors had some differences, so Irey elected to take over and complete it."

"We're very optimistic that everything will work out," Dr. K. Edward Grose, vice president for administration, said. "Irey is taking the responsibility."

Rajakovic said during the project, many rumors circulated. One of them was because Irey Construction is an out-of-state contractor, and is taking away jobs from West Virginians.

"Ninety-two percent of the labor hours performed on this job were local hires. We only had a handful of Pennsylvanians who worked here," Rajakovic said.

RALLY

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money. We can't afford to put any more money into education, but the Board of Trustees can change the way they spend the money they already get."

"I don't care where they get the money," Ross Martin, member of the Advisory Council for Classified Staff, said. "The Legislature approved a salary schedule in 1986 for classified employees and it's up to the Legislature to find

the money."

"This state has been irresponsible in not funding the pay schedules and not giving classified employees the kind of money they need," Sen. Charlotte Pritt, D-Kanawha, said.

According to Del. Robert Kiss, D-Raleigh, and vice chairman of the House Finance Committee, the Legislature is trying to replenish part of the 1 percent reduction in higher education funding.

"We'll restore some of the money to higher education," Kiss said.

"But at this point we don't know exactly how much money we can give higher education."

The 1992 regular session of the Legislature will end March 7.

Lawmakers have until then to come up with a budget. If needed, Caperton can call for a special session to give lawmakers extra time to come up with the budget for 1993.

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sentatives spoke out at a public hearing during a House Education Subcommittee meeting.

The committee discussed a bill that would create an advisory board to identify problems at state universities.

Del. Steve Williams, D-Cabell, said the bill is designed to create a problem-finding board to advise the legislators on what changes should be made in higher education.

Student Body President Taclan Romey addressed the committee about Marshall's specific problems.

"We're losing faculty, because our salaries are not competitive. We can't open our fine arts building. We're short on equipment

and we can't get the classes we need to graduate on time," Romey said. "We don't need anymore boards. We need help now."

Classified staff also voiced concern.

Ross Martin, chairman of the BOT council for classified staff said Legislators avoid taking any real action.

"They are re-evaluating the evaluation," Martin said. "This is like putting a carrot in front of a donkey to keep us plodding along."

Don Williams, chairman of Marshall's Budget Appropriations Committee, said about 160 classified staff make less than \$13,500 a year.

"Some of our classified staff qualify for food stamps," he said. "We need help this year."

McCRARY

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cious wounding in the attack, which occurred Feb. 9.

Each charge of first-degree sexual assault carries a sentence of up to 25 years in prison.

The kidnapping charge carries a maximum sentence of life in prison, while the sexual abuse and malicious wounding charges carry maximum sentences of five years each, said Judge Brenda Chapman of the Cabell County Magistrate Court.

On the night of the alleged incident, the woman was walking along Fifth Avenue on her way to

Office may get \$300

By Carol Elmore
Reporter

A bill to give the Office of Multicultural Affairs \$300 passed its first reading amid some concern during Tuesday's Student Senate meeting.

One senator said the senate seems to be spending too much money.

"Ever since we decided we had

all this money it's been going out to everything," Sen. Matthew F. Leary, College of Business said.

Leary was referring to the large amount money, nearly \$45,000, found last semester, by Heather R. Michaelson, SGA business manager.

Multicultural Affairs requested the money to provide "light refreshments" for five lunchbag seminars.

her room in Holderby Hall when McCrary reportedly drove onto the sidewalk, struck her with his car, and abducted her after beating her with a blunt object.

He then drove off with her and raped her, police reports stated.

An arraignment date has not been set for McCrary, said circuit court officials.

The case has been assigned to Cabell County Circuit Court Judge Dan O'Hanlon.

McCrary remains in Cabell-Huntington Hospital, where he is being treated for injuries suffered Monday as the result of a fight with fellow inmates.

Four inmates will be charged

for beating McCrary, said Capt. Johnny R. Bowman, senior corrections officer at the Cabell County Jail.

At the time of the alleged fight, McCrary had been housed in an area of the jail reserved for prisoners considered either at risk or difficult to manage in the general population.

He suffered a ruptured spleen, a broken rib and a broken jaw.

Bowman said jail officials will try to find McCrary a safer cell upon his release from the hospital.

Overcrowding at the jail might preclude holding him in a private cell.

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Purpose of peace talks disputed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israeli and Palestinian negotiators are locked in a fundamental dispute over the purpose of Mideast peace talks and the Bush administration is making no visible move to bridge their differences.



The two sides evidently are too far apart on Palestinian self-rule for Secretary of State James A. Baker III to intercede with a compromise approach.

Still, the talks are continuing Thursday, and no one is threatening to walk out.

The problem is a basic disagreement over the purpose of the negotiations now in their fourth round.

Israel has offered proposals for Palestinians on the West Bank and in Gaza to take control of police, education, taxation and a dozen other functions of their daily lives.

But the Palestinians insist Israel is simply trying to consolidate control of the territories. "They start with the assumption we are inhabitants of the territories with no rights whatsoever," Hanan Ashrawi, who speaks for the Palestini-

■ Israeli and Palestinian negotiators disagree about the purpose of the Mideast peace talks.

ans, said Wednesday.

"Obviously, we are working at cross purposes," the English literature professor added.

A three-hour session late Wednesday apparently was unproductive.

"I assume you know there are different views," Elyakim Rubinstein, the chief Israeli negotiator, told reporters.

He said Israel hoped the Palestinians would be willing to have Israeli experts on health, education and other fields explain how the transfer of power could be carried out.

The Palestinians left the State Department without stopping to take questions.

From Israel's standpoint, the negotiations are supposed to be about limited self-rule for the 1.7 million Palestinians who live on the West Bank and in Gaza.

But, Israeli spokesman Yossi Gal complained, the Palestinians are trying to use the negotiations to vault beyond an interim arrangement to statehood.

"It is another attempt by the Palestinian side to change the rules of the game," he said.

Baker's State Department declines to come down on one side or the other.

On Monday, Baker again called for an end to Israeli settlements on the West Bank and Gaza. Otherwise, Baker said Israel would not get U.S. backing for the \$10 billion in bank loans it seeks to help absorb tens of thousands of Soviet refugees.

Otherwise, Baker has not jumped into the debate between Israel and the Palestinians. And while the administration intends to be "a driving force" for peace, State Department spokesman Richard Boucher gave no indication Wednesday that Baker considers it the right time to intervene.

Israeli negotiators gave the Palestinians on Monday a 10-page document that Gal said included "an impressive list" of functions the Palestinians would take over.

The proposal would not end Jewish settlements nor Israel's military control over the land the Arabs hope to recapture through negotiations.

At a briefing, Gal said Israel was willing to discuss these issues.

BRIEFS

WASHINGTON

Home sales plummet as mortgage rates rise

Sales of existing homes fell 1.5 percent in January, the first decline in four months, a real estate trade group said Thursday. All regions except the Midwest posted losses.

The National Association of Realtors said sales of previously owned homes totaled a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 3.22 million, down from 3.27 million in December.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Bush, Gortari meet in anti-drug summit

President Bush and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari met today on anti-drug strategy before joining other Latin American leaders in a summit seeking new unity against smugglers' aircraft, money laundering and supply lines.

WALLACE, IDAHO

Man mistakes couple for two black bears

A hunter who shot and injured a couple he says he mistook for black bears was sentenced to six months in jail.

The penalty is stiffer than the one initially imposed in July 1990, when First District Court Magistrate Neil Walter sentenced Richard Timken to a three-month jail term and a \$300 fine for the 1989 shooting.

Timken, 49, appealed the sentence because state law bars a judge from imposing both a fine and a jail term for injuring a person with a firearm.

He won his appeal, but wound up with more jail time.

Allegations abound as campaign heats up

By The Associated Press



Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton's rivals are questioning his chances of winning the November presidential election as the Democratic contest turns increasingly testy in advance of a pivotal primary stretch.

Even as he responded angrily to fresh attacks from rivals, Clinton stirred a new controversy by giving a blunt, earthy response when informed — mistakenly, as it turned out — that Jesse Jackson had endorsed one of his rivals.

Clinton thought he was speaking privately when he reacted, saying it was a "dirty, double-crossing, backstabbing" thing to do.

■ Rivals challenge Clinton as democratic race continues.

Jackson today said he was not angry at Clinton but said the Arkansas governor "panicked and went out of control and began to hurl false accusations about backstabbing."

Apparently Clinton was given the bad information while conducting a series of satellite interviews Wednesday.

Clinton's remarks were picked up by an open microphone.

The heated rhetoric should come as no surprise. The two dozen contests in the next two weeks will go a long way in shaping the outcome of the nominating contests.

Many of the primaries are in the South, putting the candidates for the first time before significant black populations.

Clinton has the most institutional support in the black community, and was adding to it today by picking up the endorsement of Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson.

But his rivals are challenging him, most notably Sen. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska and former Sen. Paul Tsongas of Massachusetts. Both Kerrey and Tsongas campaigned for black votes in Clinton's southern stronghold of Georgia.

After weeks of slogging through single-state primaries, the pack of Democratic presidential contenders faces elections next week in Georgia, Maryland, Colorado and Utah. Caucuses will be held in three other states, with 383 delegates at stake.

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OUR VIEW

SGA election needs public debate

"The key to security is public information."

Margaret Chase Smith

"Working together for students."
"It is time for a change."

Two slogans that most everyone has seen littering our newly beautified campus for the past week.

Each characterizes a team running for the lofty offices of Student Body President and vice-president.

Each makes some sort of statement about what each team believes in.

And also, sadly enough, the slogans are about the only things that most students know about the candidates running.

Most students don't know about any of the issues involved, or even any of the positions taken by the candidates.

Why not?

Because they aren't plastered to a tree or the side of a building?

Possibly, but it might also be because none of the candidates is speaking out about any issues.

Oh sure, they may make selective appearances at honor society meetings and other group gatherings, but this still leaves out most of the student body.

This is a shame not only because most students are left out, but because this problem is so easy to correct.

Instead of plastering the campus with a bazillion signs why don't the candidates involved in the race address the issues in a public debate?

The debate could be easily arranged with so few candidates involved in the race, and could still take place before elections begin next Wednesday.

Monday or Tuesday would be ideal because fewer students would be on campus this weekend.

A location for the debate also should be no problem to arrange. The Memorial Student Center Don Morris is nice and spacious and frequently available, as are other rooms there.

Then with just a few signs to publicize the debate, everything would be set and ready to go.

It's that simple, and it would provide students with an opportunity to listen to the candidates and to ask them questions about the issues involved.

It would be so more beneficial to students than just seeing signs taped to trees or flapping about in the wind.

And it would keep our campus looking a lot nicer.



TAKING HIS CUES FROM SGA, PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JERRY BROWN TRIES TO STRIKE A CHEESEBURGER-FOR-VOTES DEAL WITH McDONALD'S.

YOUR TURN

One WVU dorm has all the perks

To the Editor:

I have several friends who attend West Virginia University, so occasionally I travel there to spend the weekend with them. Now, even though I'm not a student at WVU, I wish to say your article about better dorms at WVU is part true.

I know of one dorm, (Where my friends are) that actually allows beer, that has maids, and you can have guests 24 hours a day, even if you are a first semester freshman. The place that I am referring to is Summit Hall.

I am fully aware that Summit Hall is not a dorm owned by the university, but a privately owned dorm, but if freshman wish to live there they can.

They have maids there, but they don't pick-up after you. They are there to clean your bathroom, clean your sink, and empty your trash.

At Summit Hall, during the day you don't have to sign your visitors in. You only need to sign them in past 11 p.m.

As far as alcohol is concerned, they allow it as long as it is in a cup or something around that means.

So I guess the grass is a little greener on the other side.

Volleyball team responds to tour

To the editor:

In response to Paul Ambrose's Rollerblade Tour in Tuesdays (Feb. 18) Parthenon;

Considerin' we is just a bunch a dumb jocks, we is, the good Laud could only anser yous question about such glamerous atheletic fusilities. We volleyballers is happy to share our fine fasility whith any of yout's "real" students. And we's also gots a question poken' at our skulls; What's a moron got to do with that there Oxy commercial? Anyshow, we's just ritin' ta reminds yous tha us volleyballers GPA remains above the general student populashun, not to mention the student-athletes as a whole rises above the general student body. We's tryin to represent "your" school in da best ways we's know how. Sorry we's inconveniensen your studeies, Mr. Ambrose. Maybe we's could jest drop all atheletiks and youw all could make Marshall here into a "real" academic institushun. We're only here to play anyways.

Marshall Volleyball
Jane Mitchell
Gina Yeley
Volleyball co-captains

Students pay more, but receive less

To the Editor:

After a 10 year absence I returned as a full-time student in hopes of finishing the degree I started in the Summer of 1980. Since returning, I've noticed some changes worthy of note:

1. Students pay much more for less
2. Department heads allow huge amounts of money to be wasted on non-informative "hand-outs."
3. Professors are unable to meet the individual needs of students due to increasing class size.
4. Less than three quarters of the students participate in SGA.
5. College & state bureaucracy spend too much time pointing fingers instead of finding solutions.
6. Students as a whole tend to feel powerless, and do not exercise their right to protest as a means of effecting change.

I am not some "radical left-over" advocating chaos. However, I wonder how fast things would change if students flexed their right to know and their right to protest.

Brett Lloyd
Kenova Sophomore

Tony Vincenti
Ozona, Fla., freshman

(This letter was signed by six other volleyball players.)

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Beauty salon favored

Survey ranks miniature golf close second

By Diana Judy
Reporter

Vanity prevailed over athletics when a beauty salon outranked a miniature golf course in a recent survey conducted to determine what will replace the bowling alley in the Memorial Student Center.

Ramona "Mona" K. Arnold, director of auxiliary services, said she sent 250 surveys and had 130 responses. The beauty salon won by one vote.

"The beauty salon would be easiest because it requires little investment. We only have to provide the space," she said.

Arnold said the Student Center would be guaranteed a base rental fee and commission on sales.

"Golf would require space and money," she said.

Jeffrey V. Ginger, Ashland, Ky., freshman, said, "I think putting a beauty parlor in is idiotic because there are already too many beauty parlors around here."

"We're also going to look into

other areas," she said. "We do have to be real cognizant on how much money we have to spend because of the budget situation."

Other ideas on the survey included a computer store, more television areas, a video rental store, a post office, more quiet enclosed study areas and a computer room where students can type papers, Arnold said.

"We had a large favorable response to indoor batting cages," she said.

"We are getting some information and prices from companies that offer indoor batting cages."

Megan C. Dyer, Barbourville freshman, said she like the idea of building batting cages.

"It would be great to have batting cages because I think students would enjoy it more," Dyer said.

Arnold said she will have to do more marketing research that would be used to predict return on the investment.

"We'll do another survey to see if we're on the right track," she said.

Editor: No new catalogs for next year

By Duane Rankin
Reporter

The 1991-92 undergraduate and graduate catalogs will not be revised for the 92-93 academic year but a supplement is being created to inform students about changes that will be made in the catalog.

"I think the supplement is essential," Faculty Senate President Robert Sawrey said.

Dr. Virginia Plumley, editor of the undergraduate and graduate catalog, said a supplement will be placed in each catalog

and it will state any major changes.

Plumley said she has sent out the supplement to all the deans on campus and they will return it to her.

The deans will notify her of any corrections that need to be placed in the supplement.

The supplement will explain the primary functions of the catalog and give any major changes in the catalog such as department name changes and university policies.

About 4,500 undergraduate and 2,800 graduate catalogs will

be available next year.

Plumley said that will be enough because only incoming freshman, transfer students, and first semester graduate students will be permitted to have a free catalog.

Other students will have to pay for the catalog.

The catalogs also will not be passed out to high school students on career days.

The supplement only is being done for the 92-93 academic year. Plumley said President J. Wade Gilley plans to have a biannual catalog for the university.

Rahall to speak about Lebanon today

By Melissa Ramsey
Reporter

Lebanon used to be the only democratic country in the Middle East except for Israel. Now Lebanon is occupied by foreigners and no longer an independent country.

To help the Marshall and tri-state community understand the situation in Lebanon, not just what they learn from the media, Representative Nick Joe Rahall

Foreign occupation is responsible for terrorism and not the Lebanese people.

■ Rima M. Farhat
Lebanese graduate student

II and Rene Malek, founder and president of the Association for a United Sovereign Lebanon, will speak about "Lebanon Today," at 7 p.m. today in the Memorial Student Center Shawkey Room.

Malek, who will be the main speaker, is the secretary of the board of directors of the Council of Lebanese American Organizations. Malek was born and raised in Beirut, Lebanon, and is committed to the cause of freedom and democracy in Lebanon.

Malek will give some background as to how Lebanon used to be 20 years ago and talk about how it became an occupied country. He said the Lebanese have a

desire for sovereignty and independence and the only way to guarantee it is to rely on a constitutional process free from manipulation.

Rahall, who is of Lebanese heritage, will give his perspective on the Lebanese situation and introduce Malek. Rahall visited Lebanon in December 1991. He said his visit was the first of any elected American official since the release of all American hostages.

"I want to see the day Lebanon will be free of all occupied forces and the system is restored," Rahall said.

The International Students and Scholars Office will sponsor the event because one of the students expressed an interest, according to Monica Wang, coordinator.

Rima M. Farhat, a Lebanese graduate student, said, "Foreign occupation is responsible for terrorism and not the Lebanese people."

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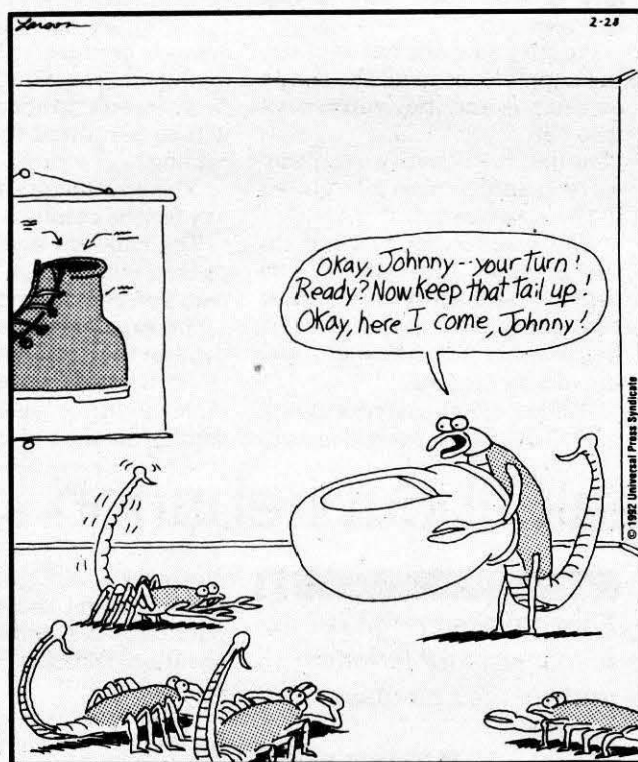
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FYI

The Department of English will sponsor a staged reading of two one-act plays in Old Main Auditorium Saturday at 8 p.m. Admission is free. For more information contact 696-3345.

Canterbury Fellowship, the Episcopal student group, will have a meeting and fellowship every Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the Campus Christian Center. For more information call 696-3055.

Baptist Student Union will be holding a bible study every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. in the Buskirk lounge. For more information call 696-3051.

Baptist Student Union will conduct two bible studies each Thursday in the Campus Christian Center. The first will begin at 3:30 p.m. and the second at 9:15 p.m.. For more information about either call 696-3051.

International Students Office will sponsor an open house today from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in Prichard Hall 119. For more information contact 696-2379.

International Students Office will sponsor a lecture entitled "Lebanon Today" this evening at 7 p.m. in the Shawkey Room of MSC. For more information contact 696-2379.

PSI CHI, will sponsor a guest speaker today at noon in Harris Hall 342. For more information contact 525-2598.

"Boys of Twilight" debuts tomorrow

NEW YORK (AP) — "The Boys of Twilight" is as comfy as an old rocking chair, but that doesn't mean only the blue-rinse set will enjoy this droll mystery-suspenser joining CBS's lineup on Saturday night.

It's a contemporary police procedural in western boots and an old, old Stetson and stars some excellent actors.

Richard Farnsworth ("The Gray Fox") is Sheriff Cody McPherson and Wilford Brimley (Quaker Oats' "Right Thing to Do" guy) plays his crusty chief deputy, Bill Huntoon.

They're the law in Twilight, a mountain village that has become a runaway for the rich and famous or, failing that, the well-to-do and obscure.

Louise Fletcher is Cody's wise, insightful wife, Genelva, famed for her salmon loaf and butter beans.

The tone of "Twilight" is set from the opening scene, when we first see the portly Huntoon standing on his front-yard hitching rail, doing Tai Chi exercises in his red long johns, much to a neighbor's chagrin.

Sheriff McPherson investigates. Huntoon protests that his exercises are good for his poor,

damaged heart and produces the taped printout of his EKG as proof of his heart attack.

"You went into the hospital with a six-burrito bellyache, and ever since you got out it's been toast and milk," Cody rejoins. "Now, to me that doesn't say heart attack. That says fat gut."

Ah, but that EKG tape, surely as a pistol on the wall in an Ibsen play, is going to be back again. And again. And again. It makes a nifty running gag.

There's a blessedly brief exposition in which we meet the new deputy, the mayor's nephew Tyler (hunky Ben Browder, who seems conspicuously present for the younger demographics who've strayed into the audience).

Tyler has a bit of a problem, though: Loud noises make him faint.

Then it's straight on to this week's murder.

A young woman, a ski instructor, dies and the coroner (long-

time TV character actor Robin Gammell) suspects it's arsenic poisoning.

He confirms the news at Cody's home, with a pizza box under his arm.

Why are you carrying the pizza? "Your crime-stoppers bulletin last month, sheriff. It said not to leave valuables in the car." Ah.

Get the picture?

William Blinn's screenplay doesn't leave much room for sleuths or suspects to slide around in.

This underscores the weakest element of "Twilight." The writing just isn't equal to the talent.

As all good mystery fans know, arsenic is a notoriously unreliable poison.

It tastes so vile in anything approaching a toxic dose that prolonged, repeated exposure is needed.

The victim usually gets sick as a dog long before death is a danger.

And arsenic is eminently de-

tectable, since it accretes in the body about as inconspicuously as a neon sign.

That means a short list of suspects all with ready access to the victim.

Cody and Bill get their short list together and, like cowboys cutting up a herd, begin to put the screws to them.

Quibbles aside, "The Boys of Twilight" has one of television's most talented casts.

Farnsworth, Brimley and Miss Fletcher are actors who can convey the most powerful emotions with the subtlest kinds of behavior.

As soon as the quality of the scripts begins to approach their abilities, "The Boys of Twilight" will really shine.

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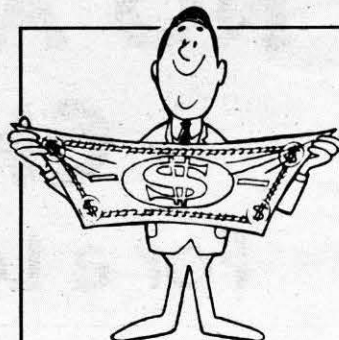
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Fans get double treat this weekend

Men's and women's basketball teams finish home seasons in final tournament tune-ups

Herd fans get a rare treat this weekend with both the men's and women's basketball teams playing Southern Conference games at home.

The men finish the regular season with two SC matchups at the Henderson Center. The Herd's big weekend kicks off Saturday with a 7:30 p.m. contest against the sixth-place Citadel Bulldogs. Monday, Furman visits Huntington in The Herd's final game before the Southern Conference Tournament.

Men's basketball

Marshall enters Saturday's game on a down slide, losing five of its last six games and three in a row. Monday, Marshall fell to Appalachian State 68-61 to end a four-game road swing in which The Herd managed one win.

Marshall (5-20 overall, 2-10 in the conference) is tied for seventh in the SC with Virginia Military Institute. Two wins in its final games of the regular season could move The Herd past VMI and the Bulldogs into sixth place.

The Citadel is one game ahead of Marshall in the conference standings with a 3-9 mark. The Herd defeated the Bulldogs 75-67 Feb. 3 behind Tyrone Phillips'

25 points. Luke Gross added 10 rebounds as The Herd controlled The Citadel with a strong inside game.

Furman poses a tough season ending challenge for Dwight Freeman's squad. The Purple Paladins (15-10, 7-5) are fourth in the SC and are coming off a 21-point win against Western Carolina.

Earlier this season, Furman defeated The Herd 93-82. Hal Henderson paced a balanced scoring attack with 15 points.

Lady Herd

The Lady Herd, winners of six in a row, take on the Western Carolina Lady Catamounts Sunday at 3 p.m. The recent winning streak has put Marshall into a third-place tie with Appalachian State. Appy closes its SC season tonight against Furman.

Coach Judy Southard said her team is peaking at just the right time.

"Our team is playing very well right now. We're playing with a lot of confidence and it's showing up in the win column."

Marshall has dominated the Lady Catamounts during the past decade. The Lady Herd has won 18 straight games in the series, including a 59-46 win Feb.

8. That win started Marshall's current winning streak.

The key to that game was an aggressive defense that has become characteristic of the Lady Herd during its winning streak.

Marshall held the Lady Catamounts to a season low 25 percent shooting (17-67 from the field) and 15 first half points.

Tracy Krueger leads the Lady Herd averaging 15.8 points and 6.4 rebounds a game. Teammates Kim Kraft (12.4), Kristi Huff (11.2), Heather Brown (9.9) and others have picked up their scoring to round out the Lady Herd attack.

Assistant Coach Lynn Bria said balance in scoring has been a large part of the team's recent success.

"It's a real compliment to your team when your opponents can't key on one or two players as the only scorers."

Defeating Western Carolina and securing the third seed in the tournament will provide a boost for the Lady Herd in the post season. The number one and two seeds draw a bye in the first round, and the third seed plays the last place team.

Bria said the number three seed is advantageous because the team doesn't have to sit out a game.

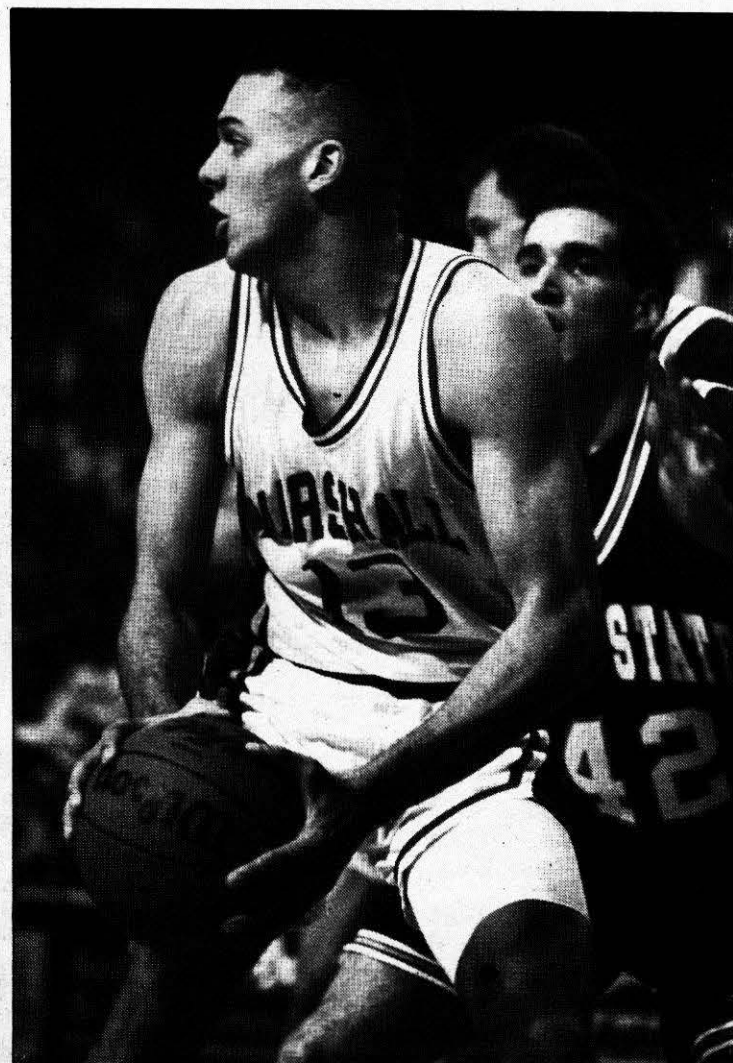


Photo by Keef Jones

Michael Peck (13) and the rest of the Thundering Herd look to gain some momentum entering the SC tournament as they end the regular season with two games at the Henderson Center.

Text by Sports Editor Anthony Hanshaw

Baseball team to play against Western Kentucky Saturday

By Ana Menendez
Reporter

The Marshall baseball team opened its season Sunday at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville with a 7-5 loss.

The Herd was leading 4-0 in the third inning. The Cavaliers scored three runs and Marshall answered with one run of its own in the fourth inning.

But after the Cavs scored four runs in the fifth inning, The Herd couldn't keep up. Brandon Ramsey, Ashland, Ky., sophomore was the starting pitcher.

In three and two-thirds innings, Ramsey allowed seven hits and two walks, but threw four strikeouts. He was relieved

by Steve Bennett, Logan senior.

George Kayes, Huntington, senior, had the only extra base hit of the day with a double in the first inning.

The meeting between The Herd and the Cavs was scheduled as a doubleheader, but the second game was called at the top of the fifth inning due to rain. The Cavs were leading 5-3 at the time.

Assistant Coach Tom Slater said the coaches were "overall pretty pleased" with the team and the kind of mistakes the players made were just first game kinks that would be worked out. "We won't be making those mistakes this weekend," Slater said.

Slater said the team has been working on the basics and just

trying to keep players focused.

The coaches do not have a set starting lineup yet and are using the first nine games of the season to evaluate the players.

The Herd will travel to Western Kentucky to play the Hilltoppers in a doubleheader Saturday and a game on Sunday.

"We have an excellent shot against Western Kentucky," Slater said.

The Hilltoppers are coming off a 35-25 season and an 8-10 record in the Sun Belt Conference.

"We have to play good teams to be a good team," Slater said.

The Herd will play its first home game in a doubleheader against Alderson-Broaddus Tuesday, at 1 p.m. at St. Cloud Commons.

Thundering Herd sports this weekend

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HOME GAMES IN CAPS

'Granny Duck' stays involved with university

By Nancy Heil
Reporter

It's common to see people of all ages on campus, but 'Granny Duck' is one person you are not likely to forget.

Edna Duckworth, also known as Granny Duck, attended Marshall 40 years ago while she was raising her family and working. Since then she has organized many events for Black History Month through the years, including special programs involving senior citizens and the college students.

Duckworth has plans for a multicultural program she calls "A Day With the Elderly." She wants to bring together the senior citizens and students and allow them to have a "jam" session where they can share thoughts of yesterday, today and tomorrow.

"I do think these folks could tell some interesting tales," Duckworth said about the senior citizens. "I want to complete plans that will bring about better relationships between Marshall University students—whether they are brown, black, white, grey, green or grizzly—and the community."

Duckworth has been involved with the local historical society, the West Virginia Commission on Aging Task Force and the League of Women Voters.

Duckworth, an 81 year "young" woman, is energetic and works hard to bring the campus and Huntington communities together.

"The education and the development of our students is important to her," said Dr. Betty Cleckley, vice president of multicultural affairs. "Her involvement is not just in words, it's in action. She is genuinely interested in the university and she appreciates what they [students] have given to the Huntington community," Cleckley said.

Dr. Alan B. Gould, vice president of academic affairs, said he has known Duckworth for many years and has seen many of the positive things that she has given to the students and Huntington.

"She is a real contributor to Marshall and the community," Gould said. "We need more people like her."

Muslims abstain during 'Ramadan' to strengthen faith, encourage love

By Melissa Ramsey
Reporter

Abstinence from food, drink and sex during daylight hours for a month, called Ramadan, is a common practice for adult Muslims.

Majed Khader, president of the Islamic Association of Huntington, said that fasting has an impact on the individual as well as the community. "It keeps us conscious of our duties and as a result will strengthen our faith. It shows the individual the advantages of life, helps us plan our life, makes everyone equal, encourages feelings of love among others and fills the atmosphere with righteousness."

Ramadan is supposed to begin March 5 and end April 5, according to the Western calendar, but Khader said Muslims are supposed to watch for the moon at the end of the month before Ramadan. It is called Shaban. Ramadan is similar to January because it is the beginning of another lunar cycle.

The month of Ramadan rotates every year because Muslims use a lunar calendar which is 10 fewer days than the solar calendar. Every 33 years of a solar calendar will equal 34 years of the lunar calendar, Khader said.

"By using the lunar calendar, fasting is neither harsh nor easy on people in different areas of the world, because the length of the months rotate," Khader said. The lunar calendar is in accordance with God's "or," Khader claims.

Khader said the Koran and Hadeeth, two main sources of the Islam religion, say fasting is for God and he will reward the one who fasts.

■ During Ramadan, Muslims do not eat drink, or engage in sexual activities from sunrise to sunset. After sunset, Muslims are free to engage in the forbidden activities.

"Fasting is something between you and God and he knows if you cannot fast," said Najwa Ismal, a sophomore from Palestine who lived in Kuwait.

Ismal said she is excited because this is her first Ramadan in the United States. "I used to go shopping with friends at the market after sunset and stayed up late," Ismal said. She thinks celebrating Ramadan here will be more difficult. "I will miss the support I used to have."

Those exempt from fasting include old or sick people and women who are pregnant or menstruating. A woman who cannot fast because of such reasons must make up for missed days as soon as she is able.

People who can never fast because of health reasons must feed one poor person for every day they did not fast, if they have the money.

At the end of Ramadan, members of the Muslim community meet in Charleston to celebrate Ede, which means feast. Everyone brings a specific dish of food. They have a prayer in the morning and do other activities like going to the park, Khader said.

Khader said the Islamic Association of Huntington meets at the mosque in Huntington to share a meal called Eftar after sunset, for which everyone prepares a dish of food, Khader said.

Journalism school to get satirical play proceeds

Proceeds from "The Third House," a political satire to be presented Wednesday at 8 p.m. at the State Capitol, will be given to the W. Page Pitt School of Journalism and Mass Communications, according to a professor.

Wayne M. Davis, professor of journalism, said, "Last year it probably raised \$4,000 or \$5,000."

"It gets a very big crowd. Last year we had over 600 people at the Capitol Theater. This year we'll be using a

smaller theater in the Cultural Center," he said. "We expect ticket sales to be about the same."

Davis said the program was a humorous portrayal of popular state political figures. "We always have a few skits about the governor, the legislative leaders and any kinds of silly issues that have come up," he said.

"We have, probably, about eight or 10 skits that we'll put on," he said.

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Artists Series movie promises to be sexy

By Deanna B. Hall
Reporter

The Brazilian film "Dona Flor and Her Two Husbands" will bring a sexy feeling to the screens of the Keith-Albee Theatre this weekend.

This erotic comedy features Sonia Braga, a Brazilian actress who is remembered for her performances in "The Milagro Beanfield War" and "Kiss of the Spider Woman." The Marshall Artists Series will present the film at 3 p.m. Sunday.

Baraga plays the role of Dona Flor, a woman whose first husband dies of a heart attack. Her husband Vadinho, played by Jose Wilker, is a hard-drinking gambler whose only redeeming quality is his superior lovemaking abilities. Vadinho's wife is devastated by his death, although she realizes he is no good. Dona, on search for a second

husband, discovers a dull pharmacist who treats her with respect and is faithful to her. Mauro Mendonca plays this Mr. Nice Guy who marries Dona, but their marriage becomes a dull routine in her life. Dona misses her exciting former husband.

Vadinho is resurrected from the dead to satisfy the desires of his former wife. Although Vadinho can only be seen by Dona, the scenes with the woman and her two husbands are sizzling.

"This film is for mature audiences," Celeste Winters Nunley, director of the Marshall Artists Series said. "The premise is about sexuality."

Foreign films are not rated and not recommended for youth. This film contains adult situations.

"Dona Flor and Her Two Husbands" grossed more in Brazil in 1977 than its two major American competitors, "Star Wars" and "Jaws," combined.